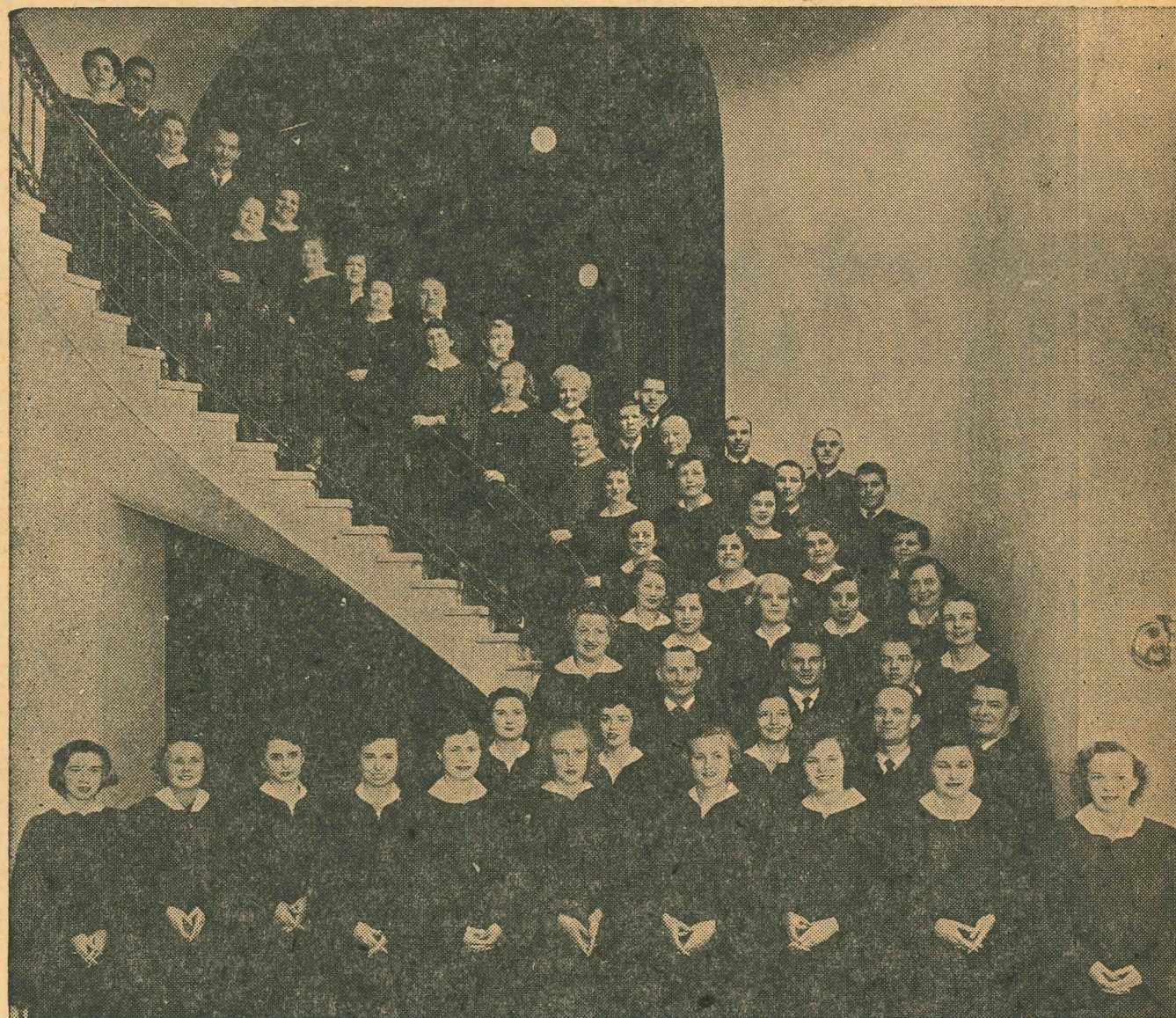


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Atlanta Baptist Association Choir Which Will Tour Europe This Summer and Sing for the Baptist World Alliance, London.

▶Three hundred scouts and young people from Denmark are planning to attend the Baptist World Alliance in London, July 16-22.

▶Australian Baptists chartered a 500 berth ship for the voyage to the Baptist World Alliance in London in July and it is now booked solid by the Baptists.

▶American churches spent in 1954 more than \$588,000,000 on new building—an all-time high. This amount exceeds by \$100,000,000 the amount spent for this purpose in 1953.

▶Mississippi Baptist Hospital recently installed a new \$20,000 diagnostic X-ray machine. This machine brings the total of diagnostic units to seven being used by the hospital.

▶Enrolment in all theological seminaries in the United States last fall was five per cent larger than in 1953. Seminaries of all faiths reported then an enrolment of 28,760.

▶Wilton W. Eubanks, Hattiesburg, Miss., is the new business manager of Clarke Memorial College, Newton, Miss. He succeeds A. H. Miller who accepted a similar position at Belmont College, Nashville, Tenn.

▶Sam S. Hill, Jr., pastor of Burlington Baptist Church, has been awarded a Fellowship by Rotary International to spend 1955-56 in study at the University of Cambridge, England. He will leave for England in September.

▶"Return in Autumn," a dramatic twenty-three minute, 16 MM color, sound film featuring the values of a Christian education, has been produced and released by the Texas Baptist Christian Education Commission.

▶The Burlington Baptist Church is sending its pastor, Sam S. Hill, Jr., to visit Central American mission fields from March 7-19. Primary purpose is to observe the work in Guatemala where the missionary of the Burlington Church, W. M. Dyal, Jr., is serving. Plans also include three days in Honduras with a preaching opportunity at the English-speaking church in Tegucigalpa.

▶Dr. S. S. Hill, former president of Georgetown College, has become pastor of the Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church, Richmond, Va. He began his new work March 1. He succeeds Dr. W. L. Lumpkin, now on the faculty of Southern Seminary. Dr. Hill, since last November 1, has been interim pastor of Hatcher Church, the Sunday school of which has been averaging upwards of 900. A new church building was dedicated March 6.

▶The Pleasant View Baptist Church, Marysville, Clark County, Ind., ordained three deacons Sunday, February

20. The men ordained were Brethren Arthur Foster, Charles Bodly, and Lewis Curtis. Clerk John Gowin has been serving as a deacon since the church was organized. Rev. L. E. Whitlow, Louisville, and Pastor Lyndon W. Collings, First Southern Baptist Church of Clarksville, Ind., delivered the ordination sermon and charge to Deacons and Church. Brother Everett R. Lanham, a Seminary student, is pastor.

▶News comes from the Radio and Television Commission, Atlanta, Ga., that the newest member of the ever increasing family of independent "Baptist Hour" stations in WFUL-AM-FM, of Fulton, Kentucky, which has started broadcasting this program each Sunday at 5:30 p. m. The Baptist Hour is now being broadcast from more than 380 stations in the United States, eight foreign territories and countries. Dr. Roy O. Mc-

Nadeen Brookshire Comes To Southside, Louisville



Miss Nadeen Brookshire

Miss Nadeen Brookshire has been added to the staff at Southside Baptist Church, Camden at Bellevue, Louisville, as the director of education and promotion. Miss Brookshire comes to Southside from a position as director of education and music at the Second

Baptist Church, Henderson, North Carolina. A native of South Carolina, she was graduated with a degree in music from Bob Jones University, and is at present enrolled in the School of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. She will serve Southside as educational director and a worker with the young people. T. L. McSwain is pastor of Southside.

Clain, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., is the current speaker, and the music is being given by the Southern Baptist Seminary choirs of Louisville, The Bison Glee Club, of Oklahoma Baptist University, and the choirs of the Golden Gate Seminary, San Francisco.

▶Pastor Orrin W. Stites, chairman of the program committee, has announced the forthcoming programs scheduled for the Louisville Baptist Pastors' Conference, at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital chapel, each Monday morning during March, as follows: March 7—Steering

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Committee of the Evangelistic Crusade, Henry Beach, chairman; March 14—Panel, composed of the mayor of Louisville and the superintendents of the city and county schools; March 21—J. M. Barnette, Nashville, who will discuss the Southwide Sunday School Clinic to be held in Louisville in the Spring of 1957; and March 28—Peter Cullom, Washington, D. C., who will discuss, "Fishers of Men." The conferences open for business at 10:30 a. m., and the programs usually start at 11:00. Visiting preachers who are in the city on Mondays are urged to attend.

A Look At the State Executive Board

Did you ever wonder what a State Executive Board meeting would be like? Have you ever been concerned about who cares for all those projects ordered by our State Convention, and how they were handled? Would you like a little "peek behind the curtains?"

Last year the Nelson Association graciously nominated this writer for membership on the Executive Board. When this nomination was confirmed an opportunity for observation was offered.

Executive and Financial

The first notable fact was that the work of the Executive Board is largely executive and financial. Thus the men that make the best Executive Board members will need to be men with some understanding of executive and financial matters, and some ability in these fields. A tactful nature combined with a cooperative spirit is a highly valued essential. When the Executive Board meets, the meeting should be better likened to a team pulling together rather than two armed camps fighting each other. A pleasing observation of the meeting was that the many men present appeared to be striving for common goals, and suitable ways of attaining these worthy objectives.

Average Man

The committee to which the writer was assigned was the Committee on the Budget. This assignment came as a considerable personal surprise, for I had often heard that only the pastors of the wealthy churches, the "big men" of the state, would be acceptable for such an assignment. This is not the case, as the following facts will indicate.

My church is the Mt. Washington Baptist Church. Our gifts to missions are nominal, and, in view of the fact that we are engaged in a building program that will cost four times our present annual income, there is little likelihood that any significant increase in missionary giving will be possible within the near future. Our church contains no persons of flowing wealth, being composed of farmers and day-laborers for the most part.

Concerning their pastor, he is not a man of wealth, notable influence, or significant position. Every fact mentioned above could be a reason that the member should have been passed by. One might almost infer that the only reason that such a man was appointed must be that they wanted representatives of the small churches on that committee.

You might be surprised to know that the Committee on the Budget was not dominated by the pastors of the large churches, but by men who were serving

By H. E. JACOBS, Pastor
Mt. Washington

churches of modest size. Every man who cared to speak was listened to with due respect. I feel that no one would claim that his thoughts and suggestions were overlooked.

Personalities

By virtue of the work of this committee we came in contact with three men: Dr. Boone, Brother Eldred Taylor, and Mr. G. B. Morton. Dr. Boone is charged with organizing and leading the work outlined to him by the Convention. He was most helpful in making arrangements that afforded savings of several thousands of dollars of your Co-operative Program money. His adequate grasp of every facet of the budget was of tremendous value to us.

Brother Eldred Taylor showed minute acquaintance with the broad program of State Missions. Essential and basic information was often furnished without reference to his file, which indicates both familiarity with the work he is managing for us, and concern for it. One might add that if a preacher ever frets under the problems of a congregation of modest size he surely can sympathize with the task of this man. He is charged with coordinating the work of about a hundred and fifty preachers! I am sure that their problems are many and varied. Listening to some of their problems gave me a new appreciation of our state missionaries and their work. They are deserving of our greatest support.

Brother G. B. Morton is the book-keeper, and as such rarely gets into the public eye. His gracious spirit and prompt delivery of important information was a great help that was appreciated by all. I am sure that the convention at large will never realize the value of this man, and his sacrificial service with us, and for us.

Salaries

Wages are often discussed. At that meeting the wages of all were read, and most were compared to the prevailing wages in other states. It is my impression that comparison reveals that none are overpaid. Department heads appear to be slightly above average, but are clearly below some of the stronger states. The secretary's wage appears to be low by from fifteen hundred to two thou-

sand dollars when compared to some similar situations. This is mentioned because a knowledge of this fact should give added confidence in our leaders and their loyalty to us and our work.

Opinions of Others

Being interested in the impressions of others, Brother Walter Perry of the Little Union Baptist Church, near Fairfield, was contacted. When asked about his impressions of the Executive Board Meeting he indicated that he did not feel slighted. The fact that he was given a committee appointment was more than he anticipated. He further indicated that he was treated with the same consideration offered to all.

Mr. Ira Arnold, a deacon in the Squiresville Baptist Church, was representing the Owen Association. The Squiresville Church was a former pastorate of student days. His presence, along with my own, led to some meditation on the representation of the smaller churches at the Executive Board Meeting. It appeared that the smaller churches were rather well represented. My own church is of modest size. I am sure that Brother Perry would not object if I said that his church and mine are of comparable size. The Squiresville Baptist Church averaged about seventy-five per Sunday. A personal opinion would indicate that the churches of modest size would constitute a majority of the board. The oft-repeated assertion that the smaller churches are neglected on the level of the Executive Board did not appear to be true.

One thought persists. Most of the neglect of the small churches, if any, comes at the associational level, for the association nominates two for the Executive Board. Personal investigation indicates that the first selection of the association is accepted in almost every instance.

This writer must frankly confess that he was well pleased with what he saw of the workings of our state organization. One may be sure that there are defects, for all organizations that use human instrumentality will contain human error in both judgment and action. Yet the writer feels that he can place implicit confidence in the leadership of our state work, and the present method of operation.

▶Vernon Shipp, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Grand Canyon College, Phoenix, Arizona, has announced the election of Loyed R. Simmons, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tucson, as its new president. He goes to his new post April 15.

All-Out Effort Needed for Crusade

Preparation time is rapidly running out, and soon the actual period of the Evangelistic Crusade will be on us—April 10-24.

It was important to get the right evangelist and singer, whether you are using outside help or the local pastor and singer; but you are wise in recognizing that this was only the beginning.

Every organization in the church's life is needed in the Crusade. These units in the church's life need to be organized for *action of a specific kind*.

Each individual in every organization ought to be given a definite and positive assignment for the getting-ready-period and for the actual time of the revival.

It is not enough to tell people that "all should be busy." Those who rely on this sort of leadership-method usually fail. Most people wait for assignments! The leader who says, "You are the one to do this," and then follows through with his own example and the keeping of complete records of reports made on work done is the leader who gets results. Of course this is the human side; but when the labors of consecrated followers of Christ are blessed and enriched and empowered by the Holy Spirit, then there can be nothing but victory.

Organized visiting, which will go right on through the revival period, needs to be pushed with all the drive that is in the souls of God's people. Personal contacts, *personal contacts*, PERSONAL CONTACTS! There can be no revival victory for Christ without personal witnessing for Him. Very few are converted in the actual services of the church who have not been contacted on the outside. Every leader who is even half awake knows this.

A revival meeting, then, means *hard work*: work by the pastor, the deacons, the Sunday school force, Training Union, the Brotherhood and W.M.U. Revivals do not just happen. Somebody pays the price in agonizing prayer and work. And when an entire church throws all it has behind such an effort, and when the evangelist and singer are empowered by His Spirit, then there is glorious, everlasting victory.

Send Us The News, Brethren

The editor again requests the churches to send in the news for publication in the *Western Recorder*.

Self-addressed forms, stamped, are being sent to all pastors in the territory of the General Association on which the news can be written. We hope we may have a steady flow of vital news from the churches and regions.

It is much better to let us know *in advance* of the happenings. Sometimes our dear brethren wait until the news is old. But late or early, let us have the news. We like to get releases on coming events at least two or three weeks in advance of the issue in which the stories are to appear. And remember, with our slow presses it takes something like two weeks to bring out an issue of the paper. We're

writing this on March 1. It will appear in the March 10 issue. It could not get into that issue, were it not for the fact that editorials always go in the last form. The first form for the March 10 issue is already locked and ready to go, and this statement will barely have time to get in. So, send us the news, or any other information you want to go into the paper, at least two weeks in advance of the issue in which it is to appear.

News that is sent in should have a general interest for all the state. We are reaching every week many more than 200,000 readers. That's why the items should have an appeal for all.

There are unusual events taking place in nearly every church. *People* always make news for people. It will help your church and the people involved to send us the news as quickly as possible.

Pictures

Again we state that the *Western Recorder* does not have the funds to make cuts to go with the news. But if the churches or individuals will bear the small costs of making the cuts, then pictures can be used along with the news. Sometimes churches and individuals send in cuts. We appreciate this, if the cuts are 55 or 65-screen. And the cuts should be of a size that will fit into the make-up of the paper. A cut which fitted well into a county weekly paper or a daily might not fit into our columns at all. However, we shall always do the best we can with what you send us.

More News About Laymen

The *Western Recorder* is exceedingly anxious to use more and more news about pew-people. We feel they have been neglected, and we are sorry. Pick out people in your church, people who have achieved the unusual, people whose lives and work will challenge others, and send us their stories and pictures. In too many instances the religious papers in all the states give prominence to ministers. Certainly our ministers deserve the best and nothing should be taken from the credit they deserve. But, on the other hand, the masses of the people must not be neglected. Give us more news about the people in general. One of the complaints we hear all along (friendly, of course) is that there is too little news about those we call *laymen*. It is a just criticism, and we appreciate it. But the *Western Recorder* does not have the staff to keep reporters all over the state to cover all personalities and events. We must look to the pastors or others appointed by the churches to send us the news.

Current Issue Of Quarterly Review

The April-May-June issue of the *Quarterly Review*, published by the Sunday School Board of the SBC, has just come to the editor's desk. We call attention to it editorially because every pastor and as many others as possible should give it closest attention.

This writer, during pastoral days, frequently re-

ceived his magazines and, in the rush of matters, laid them aside intending to "see them later." Most of the time he did go through them but once in a while he missed something he should have seen.

This particular issue of the *Quarterly Review* deals with Our Baptist Heritage. Some time ago Editor J. P. Edmunds made a survey among selected men to discover what, in their opinion, are "the eleven most significant events in Baptist life and history." When answers were in, Editor Edmunds then chose writers to prepare historical "articles that would communicate . . . the facts and significance of these events."

A large part of this issue of the *Quarterly Review* is given over to these articles. Whatever may be the individual reaction to any particular portions of this material, each will want to file it away for reference. There is a great deal of valuable material, information not easily available from other sources. We feel we are rendering a service by calling attention to it editorially.

What About Polio in 1955?

This editor believes public health to be a matter demanding attention from all, and that the religious as well as the secular press should bring to the public's attention whatever facts are available.

In some instances the people at large have gotten the impression that religious leaders, as such, have little active interest in or concern for the physical welfare of the public—a false conclusion. They do have such an interest and concern, though such matters have been left for the greater part to outside organizations.

We maintain that in certain cases religious groups have lost ground by neglecting to participate in community efforts in the interest of the general and broader welfare. We do not believe in a so-called social gospel, but we are never to forget that Jesus dealt with the illnesses and frailties of human bodies and minds, even though He came into the world to be "the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." Our first and great task is to carry out the Great Commission—making and baptizing disciples and teaching them to observe what He commanded; nevertheless, we must manifest, as did He, genuine and active concern for the bodies and minds of men—an obligation set forth not only by His example but by the practice of His early followers.

Our experiences last year and in recent years make many ask in dread: Will we have another polio epidemic this year? Perhaps we shall? perhaps we shall not. However, plans are being made at this very moment to use the Salk polio vaccine for the protection of our children if it is licensed by the Government.

For the information of parents everywhere, this vaccine has been undergoing extensive tests for the past three years. In 1954 it was given to more than 440,000 children in the largest test ever undertaken to prove a new preventative measure. The results

of those tests will be made known in April of this year.

Should the findings on the vaccine be favorable, many more of our children will receive protection against this dreaded disease. A small army of workers have been making plans for its immediate use.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will have on hand enough vaccine for 9,000,000 vaccinations across the nation; health and school officials will have worked out plans to give the vaccine to as many children as possible in the first two grades of our schools before the next polio epidemic season. Physicians, nurses and polio volunteers will be on hand to take their places in the vaccination program.

The plans for this gigantic attack on polio by health officials will require the mobilization of all our community resources on an emergency basis. If we take full advantage of this great opportunity, we shall have taken a long stride toward conquering one of the oldest and most dreaded epidemic diseases. This editor hopes that our Baptist people, insofar as they are able and equipped, will co-operate to the fullest degree.

Thirtieth Anniversary Of Cooperative Program

Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion and associate secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, calls attention to the thirtieth anniversary of the Cooperative Program which will be observed May 13 in Memphis.

It was in Memphis, May 13, 1925, that the Southern Baptist Convention took official action adopting the first annual report of the Future Program Commission. Item thirteen in that report stated: "Your Committee would further recommend that from the adoption of this report by the Convention our cooperative work be known as 'The Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists' and that our Commission be known as the 'Commission on Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists'."

A special film has been prepared for showing in Memphis on that date, called, "Together We Build." The film is now in production but will be ready in time for the World Premier showing.

During the Promotion Hour at the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami, Thursday night, May 19, the anniversary will be properly commemorated. It is highly fitting that an hour should be dedicated in our Convention to this anniversary and to the Cooperative Program. Only the books of God in heaven will ever be able to reveal fully the blessings the Cooperative Program has brought to Southern Baptists, and to the world. Statistics can be cited, covering achievements accomplished during those thirty years, but there are blessings which can never be set down in figures. Through the Cooperative Program we must go on together, each church working with all the rest to achieve a glorious, common goal. And this we must do until Jesus comes again.

Encounter With the Orient

A Travelog by JOEL SORENSON

V. THAILAND AND BURMA

Thailand—formerly Siam—means "Land of the Free." And in the country there pervades a spirit not only of freedom but of free, happy life. Thailand is one of the rice bowls of the Orient, and there is no starvation. It may be that the diet is not balanced according to modern scientific standards, but the people do not have to worry about food. There is a certain beauty to Thai life, and the women are graceful. Gentleness is the most admired of the personality traits. Like the great river of the country, life flows slowly and under good control. A visitor, well familiar with the Asiatic peoples, recently remarked: "The Thai people are the only people left in Asia, which have not forgotten to laugh!"

A little incident, when we were driving on one of the crowded and somewhat narrow streets in Bangkok, illustrates the general mood one meets in the "Land of the Free." The driver happened to hit the elbow of a young girl. Apparently it hurt. And for some moments she looked rather disturbed. The driver stopped, and asked how she felt. After a little while she smiled and said: "Mai-ben-rai," which means "It doesn't matter." "Mai-ben-rai" is the standard phrase, and seems to sum up the Thai philosophy of life—the people do not let themselves become upset, life is taken easy.

It may be that this national characteristic is not favourable to receive the Christian message of sin and salvation. Anyway, the number of Christians in the country is not large. Only one of every 1,400 Thai is a Protestant Christian, the total number of Protestants being about 14,000. Most of these Christians belong to the United Church of Christ in Thailand, which is mainly Presbyterian. The Roman Catholic community numbers 40,000. About 18.8 million people dwell in the country.

The very first Baptist and Protestant effort on record for the land of Siam was made by Ann Hasseltine Judson, wife of the great Adoniram Judson of Burma. She became interested in Siamese captives in Rangoon and learned their language. In 1818 she wrote to a friend: "I have attended to the Siamese language for about a year and a half and with the assistance of my teacher have translated the Burman catechism, a tract containing an abstract of Christianity (written by her husband), and the Gospel of Matthew into that language." Ann Judson never saw Siam, but her efforts may not have been in vain. The

catechism was printed but never the gospel of Matthew.

The oldest Baptist church in Thailand is Chinese, a Swotow church, founded already in 1837. This church has continued through the years, for long periods as an indigenous church. Today it has 400 members. My two meetings in Bangkok were held in the church building of this Chinese congregation. In this church I had one of my most discouraging speaking experiences on my visit to the Orient. I was translated into two languages—Thai and Chinese—and I just do not know enough to say to keep the attention of the people, when they will only understand one third of what is said! I "missed the ball" that evening.

Both Southern and American (North-

Missionaries From Home Board Go North Of Arctic Circle



Rev. and Mrs. Dick Miller

ATLANTA, Ga. — Rev. Dick Miller and his recent bride, Opal Hammond Miller, home missionaries in Alaska, left the last of February for their field of service in Kotzebue, a small Eskimo settlement north of the Arctic Circle.

The Millers are from Mississippi and Texas, and are pictured here in their Eskimo parkas.

Although the Millers are the only Southern Baptist home missionaries serving beyond the Arctic Circle, Alaskan mission work has made much progress in the ten years Southern Baptists have been in this "land of the midnight sun." There are now 25 Southern Baptist churches and missions with approximately 2,500 members.

Alaska is one of the Outposts served by the Home Mission Board. Others are Panama, Canal Zone, and Cuba, plus 38 states.

ern) Baptists are at work in Thailand. The Northern Baptists are working among the 30 Karen Baptist churches up North as well as in other places. The Southern Baptists have started a Bible School with ten students, built a student Centre in Bangkok and started work in various places. When a Southern Baptist missionary preached in a place up North, a man came to him afterwards and said: "I heard the Gospel preached 20 years ago, so I know it." He became a Christian that evening and has since been a most faithful witness for Christ.

The Baptist work among the Thai people is just in its beginning, rather it is making a new start. A new start is also made by the Buddhists. Bangkok is "flooded" by Buddhist priests in their yellow robes, who in the morning walk about, collecting their food for the day in their bowls from the faithful people. The Buddhist revival, apparent also in Burma, Ceylon and Japan is sponsored by the high government officials as well as by the Buddhist leaders themselves. There is the desire to revive the national culture by making the national religion strong. The 300 colorful temples in Bangkok are constantly visited by the people, who gain their merit through prayers and offering of flowers and candles. Only Christian faith of vigour and spiritual greatness will help our cause to victory in Thailand. It was good indeed to get a glimpse of the new fresh Baptist start. Much power to both the missionaries and the national Christians!

Burma—Adoniram Judson's country—was the next stop. For a week I spoke in churches and all kinds of institutions. And there are many of both kinds!

Adoniram Judson landed in Rangoon in 1813. It took him seven years to win the first convert! But those years certainly were not wasted. The missionary learned the Burmese language, translated the Bible into Burmese and produced later on the first Burmese-English dictionary. This dictionary is still a standard work, and has just appeared in a centenary edition. The Baptist Press, which Judson founded in Moulmein, was one of the great Christian institutions of Asia, producing Christian literature in more than 20 languages. What giants these early missionaries were! They educated the people, they reduced spoken languages into writing, they built schools and printing houses and helped in medical service—all this in addition to their basic task: to preach Christ. Our heritage due to the missionary pioneers is great indeed.

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►The new president of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Texas, will be Guy D. Newman, now promotional vice president of Baylor University, Waco, Texas. He expects to assume his new duties June 1.

Remember the Aged and Shut-Ins

S. L. MORGAN, SR.
Wake Forest, N. C.

The church's neglect of its aged and shut-ins seems to me its worst sin of omission today. I see it wherever I go. Articles about it bring me evidence of it from many states.

I've just felt it anew while on a preaching mission in a rural area of North Carolina. I visited the shut-ins round about—partly in quest of new data.

Memories of some visited haunt me: a couple of 86 and 87, he sitting helpless, blind, and almost deaf, thanking me profusely for a five-minute call and a half-minute prayer—and calling me back for one more word!

A woman of 86, just able to walk, almost alone all day, thanking me touchingly for lighting her loneliness with a five-minute call and a tiny prayer!

A man once a leader, now for years in a wheel-chair paralyzed, his cultured wife nursing him all these years, and wondering why such affliction. She took me into the beautiful little chapel she had built nearby—a sanctuary from her grief and frustrated hopes. It moved me to a prayer with her that she might use her sorrow as well as her chapel!

Incidents by Mail

Touching incidents come by mail from many states. A cultured woman of 86, widow of a minister, writes me now and then from a distant state. For I see her as a "listening post" in a great city full of churches. I'm sure she is a fine spirit—not a grouch. She writes cheerily:

"I'm not thinking of myself—I'm well provided for, and have a daughter that would 'pluck out her eyes for me.' I'm thinking of many old people less fortunate than I.

"But it's so strange to me how my own church people pass me by. For I taught for many years in several departments of the Sunday school, and was very active for years in the missionary groups. I visited much as long as I could walk—into my eighties. But now I'm 86 and a shut-in. And curiously, sometimes weeks pass without a call from any of my church people. If they'd even ring my phone for a friendly word! But sometimes it's days between rings. Everybody seems too busy—or forgets!

"I have vivid, wonderful experiences with God, but I need *people* also! It's a red-letter day when my pastor comes and prays with me—and sometimes says my experience of God—and my prayers—give him a boost. But of course he

is too busy to come often—maybe *once a quarter!*"

She reassured me that she had no grouch, and was not complaining, only thinking of those less fortunate than herself. She knew so many of such. So do I! Who doesn't?

I knew a minister dying for months in a hospital. His brother appealed to the pastor of a big church: "He'll be lonely; he'll hunger for attention; he'll need someone to write letters. Won't some of your church group make him their care?"

The sick man said with sorrow, "Seldom in months did anyone come to see me except one retired minister. He came often. He wrote my letters."

That hospital, with its chaplain, and that church, I trust, minister better to the suffering and lonely today.

A New Problem

Only recently has the problem of the aged and shut-ins become acute and overwhelming. Almost suddenly in the past fifty years science has added 20 years to the human life span, and multiplied the aged and shut-ins in every community. Society and the churches are just beginning to rub their eyes and see the problem in its appalling bigness and acuteness, and to face it intelligently and with a will. In the average church and community the aged and shut-ins are pitifully neglected and lonely.

Most pastors are becoming alert to the need, but are utterly helpless to meet it adequately. The aged minister's wife quoted above told of the minister in her own family. He appealed often and passionately to his people in behalf of the aged and shut-ins, and at last a devoted couple said to him, "let us take over the responsibility for the old and shut-ins in our congregation." He was delighted, and a burden rolled off.

Trained Laymen the Solution

For a task so tremendous there is no way out but to organize and train in each church lay men and women for a ministry to the aged and shut-ins. Pastors, however zealous, are utterly inadequate to meet the growing need. I do not forget the important program of visitation sponsored by organized classes and other church groups. But usually only mature Christians, trained to meet the needs of the aged and suffering, come to grips with their problems. The pastor's part is to feel deeply and appeal passionately to his people in be-

half of these needy ones, and then definitely to train a select group of visitors.

In an early pastorate I sometimes took with me on a round of pastoral visiting a promising young deacon. I showed him a pastor's heart in action in the homes of aging and sick people. He found it intriguing, and began to visit, his pastor had shown him how. Today he is one of the grand old men of his city. I go back now and then, and the aged and shut-ins tell me with pride that no one else in the city equals him in his ministry of kindness to the old and sick and shut-ins. And he frankly tells me he owes it to his early pastor, who showed him how, and also gave him a taste of the joy of it.

New Hope for Shut-ins

I just now rang up Roy, the genial blind man of our town. A year or two ago I had seen his face light up with joy when a professor in the college stopped before his door to take him for a drive. He said with the gladness of a child, "He's nicer to me than *anyone*; he even comes and takes me sometimes to his musical programs at the college."

I told the incident in an article. An honored old professor read it and called me up. Evidently the incident had gone to his conscience. With a tone of regret he said, "I could have been doing things like that, but I didn't."

Maybe the story went home to others. Or maybe eyes and hearts are simply opening to the pathetic loneliness of old people and shut-ins pining for notice and fellowship. For Roy said, "A good many others besides Professor Blank now take me for drives."

And our community is now definitely planning to organize a group—maybe an industry—in the interest of its multitude of aging people. A new day for the aged, the idle, the lonely is coming—and *must* come, or else the church will forfeit the respect of the community at large.

Church Publicity

No church, regardless of how small it is, is so crowded it should not spend at least a small amount of money for publicity. But any church must be shown that each expenditure is wise, that it will get results.

A person who wishes to persuade his church to spend money for publicity must consider how much the church can wisely afford to spend for it. The fourth-time church, with a budget of a thousand dollars annually, cannot use a highway billboard or much paid newspaper advertising efficiently.

The same money spent on other means, such as posters, mailed advertising, and a church paper, would get more results for this church.

—Practical Church Publicity
By Richmond O. Brown

The Supreme Authority Of the Holy Scriptures

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(Continued from Last Week)

Man's Obligation To The Scriptures

God's relation to the Scriptures, and Christ's use of them, make clear and definite man's obligation to them.

Clearly, his first obligation is to know them. The instruction of the aged Apostle to the young preacher is to the point: "Study [or give diligence] to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth" (2 Tim. 2:15). "Handling aright the Word of truth," or, "holding a straight course in the Word of truth," or, "rightly dividing the Word of truth," or, "cutting straight the Word of truth." Paul's commendation of Timothy was with reference to his training in the Scriptures. Said he: "Abide thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; and that from a babe thou hast known the sacred writings (or Holy Scriptures) which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (2 Tim. 3:14, 15). Then he tells why they should be studied and understood. It is because "Every Scripture is inspired of God, and is profitable for doctrine (teaching), for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness: that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work" (2 Tim. 3:16, 17).

As mentioned elsewhere, according to our Lord, error is due to lack of knowledge of the Bible. "But Jesus answered and said unto them, ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures" (Matt. 22:29). Church History is an interesting study; yet, one's heart is made to ache when he sees the great number of wrecks upon the highway of Christendom. And Christ says those wrecks are caused by ignorance of the Holy Scriptures, our only and sufficient guide for that highway. How important it is to know our guide-book, our chart and compass. As the map is important and necessary to the traveler, the staff to the pilgrim, the compass to the pilot, and the sword to the soldier, so is the Scripture to all men.

Woodrow Wilson once said concern-

ing this Sacred Book: "The Bible is the Word of Life. I beg that you will read it and find this out for yourselves—read it, not little snatches here and there, but long passages that will really be the road to the heart of it. You will find it full of real men and women not only, but also of the things you have wondered about and been troubled about all your life, as men have been always; and the more you read, the more it will become plain to you what things are worth while, and what are not, what things make men happy—loyalty, right dealings, speaking the truth, readiness to give everything for what they think their duty, and, most of all, the wish that they may have real approval of the Christ, Who gave everything for them; and the things that are guaranteed to make men unhappy—selfishness, cowardice, greed, and everything that is low and mean. When you have read the Bible you know that it is the Word of God, because you will have found it the key to your own heart, your own happiness, and your own duty.

"The Bible stands right in the center, in the marketplace of our lives, and there bubbles with the waters of life. It is, itself, the foundation, the inexhaustible foundation, and only those who have learned from it, and only those who have drunk of those waters, can be refreshed for the long journey." Great words these! from a great soul! about a great Book!

It is not sufficient to know the Scriptures only; man is also under obligation to obey them. Of little value is the knowledge of the Scripture if it is not followed. Here we come to the heart of the whole matter. If the Scriptures are the authoritative word of the Sovereign Lord, clearly, it is criminal to disobey them. So, our second contention with reference to man's obligation to the Scriptures is, that he should obey them. The aged Apostle Paul admonished the young preacher, Titus, with regard to this very thing, as he speaks of "holding to the faithful Word which is according to the teaching, that he may be able both to exhort in the sound doctrine, and to convict the gainsayer" (Titus 1:9). James, the half brother

of our Lord, tells us that those who refuse to obey the Word deceive themselves. So he enjoins: "Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves" (Jas. 1:22). Peter also mentions the subject, and indicates that by such obedience unbelieving companions may be won to Christ (1 Peter 3:1); while the beloved John informs us that obedience is a test of love and an indication of salvation (1 John 2:5).

Knowledge of, and personal obedience to, are not the only obligations of man to the Scriptures. We are also obliged to teach them to others. "Let him that is taught in the Word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things," Gal. 6:6. "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2).

It was the Word that Jesus preached (Mark 2:2). It was the Word with which He met and defeated Satan (Matt. 4:4, 7, 10). In His final instructions to His church just before His ascension, the Lord said: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). The injunction of Paul to Timothy is just as binding upon us today as to Timothy: "Preach the Word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (2 Tim. 4:2).

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Baptist Foundation Secretaries to Meet in Louisville, 1956

The Association of Baptist Foundation Executives, from eighteen Southern states in annual session in Atlanta, Georgia, during the week of February 21-23 elected Mr. Herschel C. Pettus of Alexandria, Louisiana, as president, succeeding Dr. Arthur Jackson of Atlanta.

Dr. A. M. Vollmer and the Kentucky Baptist Foundation will be host to the 1956 meeting when the sessions will be held at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

These various Baptist Foundations administer over 50 million dollars of endowment in the interest of Baptist institutions and agencies in the South.

►Furman University, Greenville, S. C., and Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N.C., have been selected to receive funds from the new General Motors \$2 million-a-year program of financial aid to higher education. Wake Forest College and Stetson University, DeLand, Florida, are two of the 138 privately supported schools which are to split a \$500,000 fund established by Standard Oil Company of New Jersey for undergraduate education.—Survey Bulletin.

Beyond the Sacred Page

"A Door of Utterance"

A Discussion of the Mysterious Name of Deity

By MARC LOVELACE

One of the most dramatic truths of the Hebrew-Christian religion is that the God of our faith has made Himself known.

According to the author of Hebrews, this revelation was made at many different times and by various methods.

However, the full impact of this truth is only now being felt, since, by a comparative study of a voluminous literature resurrected from antiquity by the spaces of archaeology, this divine action and its implications are today being set in bold relief for clear comprehension.

It was a commonly held belief in ancient days* that a name was the equivalent of life; that it gave to its bearer force, content and individuality; and that it defined the reality of its bearer. In fact, it was the very substance of the person; it was a living potency which could be released and controlled by proper pronunciation.

Since this made possible the magical use of names, effective means were sought to prevent the knowledge of the name, and thus to safeguard its power. By the use of a second name, the real name was withdrawn from the potentially dangerous use which might be made of it.

Thus did the men and gods of antiquity keep secret their names, lest their new possessors should thereby obtain equality with them and exercise power and control over them.

In sharp contrast to this, how dramatic is the truth that to Moses and the Hebrew people God openly and purposely made Himself known by revealing His true name, YAHWEH!

A logical and important question now to be raised is: Since the ancients conceived the name as defining the reality of its bearer, just what of God's reality is it that is defined or revealed by this name, YAHWEH?

While it is true that the nature of God is not dependent upon the etymology of the word used for the divine name, in the context of ancient Near Eastern thought there is significance to be attached to it. Though the etymologies heretofore suggested have varied

*W. C. Strickland, *The Meaning of the Name of God in Biblical Theology*, 1953.
**"Yahweh the Speaker" in *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*, Vol. 3 (1944), Pp. 1-8.

according to the scholars' explanations of the verbal action implied in the name, the majority link the name to the Hebrew root *hwy*, "to be."

Recent light, however, from the Ras Shamra poetic parallelisms has been focused by Raymond A. Bowman* with

Father to Assist Son In Revival



Haskell T. Abbott

OWENSBORO, Ky. — Wilburn J. Abbott, pastor of Lewis Lane Baptist Chapel, Owensboro, will be assisted by his father, Haskell T. Abbott, in a revival April 10-24.

Brother Haskell T. Abbott retired from the active pastorate January 1 of last year, but since then has been kept busy doing supply preaching and conducting revival meetings. And the high probability is that many churches and pastors will be looking to him for the excellent service he can render.

He attended Furman University and Richmond College, and is a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He still has a number of open dates for this year, and can be reached at 710 Hill Street, Owensboro, Ky., phone 4-3642; 2545 South Whittier St., Springfield, Ill., phone 3-2880; or at Conway, S. C., c/o Attorney H. T. Abbott, Jr.

that from an independent study of Hebrew magical terms to show that the use of the root *hwy* with the meaning "to speak" is now well attested, with the startling result that we can now know the original meaning of the name of YAHWEH—"He speaks" or "He declares."

Such a conception of YAHWEH is adequately supported by and thoroughly consonant with the nature of Yahwism as reflected in the Old Testament.

Even in the creation, YAHWEH speaks and thus gives existence to all things; from Moses' first contact with YAHWEH in the "burning bush" YAHWEH is a talking God; the priest, later, was an intermediary through whom YAHWEH spoke to His people, in that he brought the "Word of Yahweh" to them; and the prophet, especially, was one who spoke the message of Him who sent him. Thus the conception of YAHWEH as one speaking to His people dominates Hebrew religion.

The heart of Yahwism has been the endeavor to hear the words of YAHWEH, to learn His will as law, and to receive His declaration as to how men should conduct themselves. Upon this foundation Hebrew and Christian morality is constructed; YAHWEH speaks, and it is the obligation of man to hear and to obey.

Thus is the name YAHWEH particularly associated with revelation: the God of our faith is One who has a message which He can and does speak—even by His name.

However, in spite of the tedious speaking through the events of history, the message did not quite get through with clarity; man, if he was hearing, was neither understanding nor obeying.

It was not until God wrapped up His message in a human being that man began to hear, to understand, and to obey. When the "Word was made flesh and dwelt among us," God had at last found an effective "door of utterance" for His message of love, truth, redemption, and life. The reality of God's name was now visibly and redemptively defined—God, in these latter days, hath spoken to us in a Son, Jesus the Christ.

Now, our task—nay, our joy and life—is to be doors of utterance through whom God may yet speak His message. Thus must we speak "in His name," not so much by way of tongue and lip as by way of letting His Word become flesh in us. Our prayer should be: "Lord, speak to us that we may speak in living echoes of Thy tone. Open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ."—*Southeastern Seminary Bulletin*

►The Rev. Glendon, Grober, missionary volunteer for Brazil, was the speaker for Bethel College's Religious Emphasis Week, which was observed on February 20-25 at Hopkinsville. The theme was: "My All for Him."

Encounter With the Orient

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Today there are about 200,000 baptized members of the various Baptist Conventions in Burma, which means that one out of every 94 Burma nationals is a Christian. Because of the many different nationalities in Burma, with widely different languages, it has been found expedient to form conventions or unions according to nationalities. The most successful work has not been done among the Burmese speaking people. Out of a population of about 10 million Burmese only 5,000 are Baptists. The reason? The Burmese are Buddhists, and it is rather hard to win a Buddhist for the Gospel of Christ. The Karen people are not Buddhists. Most of them are animists. And among the animist people the response to the Gospel is a more ready one. Today there are almost 100,000 Baptists among the Sgaw Karens and about 20,000 among the Pwo Karens. The rest of the Baptists are made up of Mons, Chins, Kachins, Shans and others.

Here to tell about the widespread work among the many nationalities of Burma is not possible. Only a few glimpses can be given.

A welcome tea was arranged for me at the campus of the Kemmendine Girl's High school in Rangoon. This school was formerly a mission supported school. Like so many other Baptist institutions the school was bombed during the war. After the war, with the new policy of the government taking the responsibility for education, the American (Northern) Baptist Mission did not feel that it could support the school. But the native women teachers asked for permission to go ahead. And they did a remarkable piece of work. Because of the fine reputation of the school since before the war, people sent their daughters to the school. New, simple buildings grew up. There was much sacrifice involved on the part of the teachers. They stayed together as one in their reconstruction efforts. The new school is a wonderful example of what love and sacrifice can do. And the Sunday of my visit a new chapel was dedicated, beautiful in moderate Western style. This chapel is also the home of a local Baptist church.

At the close of the service a Burmese Baptist asked me: "What do you think of the church?"—"Oh," I said, "it looks very nice to me."—"Yes," was his answer, "but it is too Western." In this brief remark a crucial problem for the Christians of the East is revealed: colonialism is dead, there is the strong desire for the indigenous work, for a church life expressed in Oriental terms.

Some of the many problems involved here were touched upon in an informal

session with the Christian students of the University of Rangoon. The upsurge of Buddhism, with its origin in the sixth Buddhist World Council, in session in Rangoon since May this year, and scheduled to last two years, calls for no cultural relations to the West. The songs of the Christians in Burma—to mention one detail in the complex problem—are, as in most other Asiatic countries, taken over directly from the West. Very little indigenous religious music has been produced. And so the Buddhists and nationalists say: "You Christians are not interested in our country, you copy the West, you are for the West, not for national progress." Here arises a big difficulty in the Christian witness to the Orient today. Christianity is easily interpreted as an attempt to sell the West to the Orient instead of what it actually is: a sovereign message above national cultures about the only true way of salvation. To solve this problem is one of the most urgent tasks of the present generations of Asiatic Christians. And it will have to be mainly solved by them, even if the Western Christians will have a large share of the responsibility to make the message genuine.

After this student meeting a leader of the Student Union of the University, a Christian, shared with me his concern regarding the Communist influence in the university. The Communist students are in a minority, they do not call themselves Communists but they know how to get into leading positions and influence the student body in Communist directions. Here is another great problem of the Christian East: to expose the falseness and wrong of Communism and empower the Christians to show forth the Christian faith in such a way, that it becomes attractive.

A memorable experience was my visit to the Susan Haswell Leper Home, near Moulmein. At present 206 lepers are treated there. At least four hours a day they work. I saw them grind their rice and build a new hospital. In some cases the leprosy was far advanced but in 50% of the cases the illness is cured. An improvised chapel service gave me the opportunity to speak about the hope in Christ, regardless of our external circumstances. The leper youth sang two hymns in Burmese, and I sang a song in Swedish, which apparently was appreciated! And here another great facet of missionary activity was revealed: care for the severely diseased with apparent risk for one's own good health.

The Baptist work in Burma has seen a most remarkable progress since Judson's days. Now the work is more and

more turned over into the hands of the national Christians. And there are some very capable leaders—even if many more are needed. One great problem, which these leaders will have to grapple with, is related to the very nature of our Christian faith. Some Baptist Conventions in the Orient have in their ranks Christians, who are second and third generation Christians, is a matter of concern and prayer that those—both in the East and the West—who now only in a formal way belong to the church, also in a real sense shall become "in Christ." To accept any other status would be to deny the call, which the Lord of the Church has given to the Baptists.

And so the ten weeks' visit to the Orient has come to a close. This last article is being written in a place, where great Baptist history has been unfolded. I am writing in the house at Serampore, in which William Carey lived from 1823 till his death in 1834. I have just looked through the library of the college he founded with its many Bibles. His was the almost inconceivable achievement of translating the whole Bible or parts of it into 34 different languages, thereby opening the road of the Gospel to many peoples. It was William Carey who made the hearts of the Western Christian world burn with his great cry: "Expect great things from God! Attempt great things for God!" He did both. Thousands have followed in his path. Therefore Christ is crowned Lord and King among millions in the Orient today.

Baptist Youth: now it is your turn to expect and attempt what is great in God! The one-sided missionary epoch is rapidly coming to a close. United, inspiring one another, Baptists of East and West should proceed in their great pilgrimage, to the city of God, a pilgrimage, which includes the great commission to preach the Gospel to all creation!

►Four new deacons—Paul Chambliss, Charles Hall, Robert Lyons and Charles Yates—were ordained at Hardinsburg Baptist Church, February 20. Ministers present were: George Harrison, Marvin Tate, Jack Davis, Raymond Chauncy, James Sherwood, Robert James and Adrian Lamkin. Nine churches were represented in the ordination service.

►A news bulletin from the London office of the Baptist World Alliance reads: "Fragments of news coming from Romania indicate that our Baptist brethren in that country are having increasing difficulty in carrying on their work. And, as far as we know, the four Baptist preachers, and one Baptist layman, who were imprisoned in Bulgaria in 1949, are still in jail. Nor is there evidence that any of the four Baptist leaders who were arrested in Czechoslovakia in June 1953 have been liberated. It may be that death has freed some of them."

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

Increased Financial Support

Recently released figures showing Southern Baptist gains in 1954 give emphasis to the responsibilities of the fastest growing major denomination in the United States for larger world service, Executive Secretary Baker James Cauthen said to the Foreign Mission Board in its February meeting.

There are now 29,899 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention. These churches showed an increase in church membership of 296,289 in 1954, bringing the total to 8,182,305.

The Foreign Mission Board received a total of \$10,137,532.90 from all sources in 1954, an increase of \$936,472.07 over 1953 income. Dr. Cauthen pointed out that this is still less than five cents of each dollar given through Southern Baptist churches. "Total gifts through the churches amounted to \$305,573,654 in 1954," he said. "If only five cents of each dollar given in the churches had been made available for mission work beyond this country, there would have been a total of more than \$15,000,000. And if a tithe of all that is given in the churches were used to make Christ known among the millions outside our country it would bring increased blessings throughout the world and strengthen our work at home."

The Board is receiving encouraging reports from the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, though there is no way of determining the total of the 1954 Offering at this time. A number of churches have given as much as \$20,000. A few days after one church gave \$23,500 to the Offering, the church building was destroyed in a disastrous fire. Dr. Cauthen said, "We are confident that the spirit which led the members to give \$23,500 during the Christmas offering will enable them to surmount the tragic loss they have sustained in their building."

Buildings and Equipment

The Board is rapidly utilizing the funds received from the advance section of the Cooperative Program at the end of 1954. Recommendations for Africa, Europe, and the Near East and the Orient made at the February meeting brought totals appropriated for each of those areas to \$125,000. Recommendations for Latin America will be made upon the return to this country of Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for that area, who is now visiting the work for which he is responsible.

At the February meeting, \$57,000 was appropriated for the erection of four church buildings in Japan; \$14,000 for the purchase of land and erection of chapels on Formosa; and \$10,000 for a building at the Baptist Assembly at Hong Kong.

Of the \$45,500 appropriated for Ni-

geria and the Gold Coast the following are included: additional on a missionary residence, Lagos, Nigeria; missionary residence, Kumasi, Gold Coast; missionary residence, Ogoja, Nigeria; Sunday school worker's residence, Ibadan, Nigeria; and a church building, Oshogbo, Nigeria.

For Southern Rhodesia, \$17,600 was made available for a classroom building at Rimuka; a hospital nurses' home, Sanyati; and church building at the Government Settlement, Gwelo, Bulawayo, and Selukwe.

Five thousand dollars will be applied on the erection of a church building, Ajloun, Jordan.

Personnel Prospects Good

The personnel department of the Board reports that there is a possibility of appointing more missionaries in 1955 than in any year previous. Prospects indicate that by midsummer appointments will exceed last year's entire total.

Among those coming for appointment this year are a number of Southern Baptist pastors who are still within the appointment age limit. Since the meeting of the Convention in St. Louis in June, 1954, when Dr. Cauthen appealed to the pastors in this age group to consider their own personal responsibility in the world mission undertaking, there has been an encouraging response.

The personnel department reports that there are many foreign mission volunteers among college and seminary students.

State Secretaries Invited

The Board voted to invite the state secretaries of the Southern Baptist Convention to attend the semiannual meeting of the Board, April 26-27.

Rankin Portrait

The Board has authorized the painting of a portrait of the late Dr. M. Theron Rankin which will be ready for unveiling at the opening service of the April meeting.

Formosa Missionaries Undisturbed

Southern Baptist missionaries on Formosa report that their work is undisturbed by activities on the outer islands near by and that, among the missionaries, there is no tension about the situation. Opportunities were never better for mission work on Formosa than at present.

Dr. Cauthen says: "Missionaries in areas of unrest go right ahead with their work, even when there are disquieting developments on the national front where they work. Often the situation on the spot is very different from the impression left by newspaper reports."

Southern Baptists have 30 mission-

aries on Formosa. The 11 Baptist churches and 23 chapels are served by six missionary and two national pastors. The Baptist Seminary, Taipei, will graduate a class of 20 this spring.

Relief Funds Low

Dr. George W. Sadler, chairman of the Southern Baptist relief committee, re-emphasizes the need for replenishing the relief fund. Almost all the money on hand was appropriated at a January meeting of the committee.

The relief program is financed by special gifts from individuals and churches. Money for this purpose should be addressed to the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, P. O. Box 5148, Richmond 20, Va., and should be clearly marked for relief.

Make Reservations Now

"Expect-Attempt-Advance!" is the theme of the 1955 Foreign Missions Conferences at Ridgecrest and Glorieta, according to an announcement by Dr. Rogers M. Smith, conference director. Program personalities will be announced soon.

The Ridgecrest Conference will be held simultaneously with the Brotherhood and Writers' Conferences, June 30 through July 6. The Glorieta Conference will be held simultaneously with the Brotherhood Conference, July 28 through August 3.

For Ridgecrest reservations write to Manager Willard K. Weeks, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C. For Glorieta reservations write to Manager E. A. Herron, Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, N. M.—By Ione Gray, Press Representative, Richmond, Va.

New Treaty With Panama

WASHINGTON—The United States and Panama have signed a treaty concerning relations between them arising from the construction, operation, maintenance, and protection of the Panama Canal by the United States. The principal provisions of these new agreements include:

The annuity will be increased from \$430,000 to \$1,930,000; . . . transfer to Panama of certain lands, with improvements, in territory under Panamanian jurisdiction, previously acquired for Canal purposes; . . . abrogation of the U.S. treaty monopoly with respect to the construction of trans-Isthmian railroads and highways; . . . the U.S. Congress will be requested to enact legislation authorizing the establishment of a single basic wage scale for all U.S. and Panamanian employees of the U.S. Government in the canal zone; . . . The United States agrees to put into effect certain administrative practices designed to enable the Panamanian economy to obtain an increased share in the business of supplying the Canal Zone market.

—Department of State.

Facts of Interest Related to Health

J. P. EDMUNDS, Secretary
Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information
Baptist Sunday School Board

HOSPITALS: Half of this country's hospital facilities lag behind technological and scientific advances, the president-elect of the American Hospital Association, Ray E. Brown, has stated. There are now about 7,000 hospitals of all types in the United States, with plants valued at about \$8 billion. Two-thirds of the hospitals have less than 100 beds and two-thirds of the average hospital budget goes for salaries.

Surgeon General Leonard A. Scheele has estimated that there are 389,600 professional nurses in this country—an increase of about 16,000 since 1950. The nursing personnel to hospital patients, including student nurses in general hospitals, has risen from 69 per 100 patients to 74 per 100 patients since 1950—the highest in history.

In 1953 nearly 20,000,000 patients were admitted to the 6,840 hospitals in the United States registered by the American Medical Association. This is two and three-fourths times the number of admissions 20 years ago.

A hospital in Philadelphia reports that new developments in drugs and medical knowledge have reduced by two-thirds the average time patients spend in hospitals, but have multiplied the average cost to a patient by more than 22 times. Average time spent in that hospital a century ago by patients was 31.73 days. The average cost was \$4.04 weekly, while now it is \$92.05.

MEDICAL CARE: Fifteen per cent of all United States families are in debt to hospitals, physicians, dentists, and other providers of medical goods and services. The total debt is \$900,000,000. About a million families owe \$195 or more. Twenty-one per cent of all families with children have a medical debt.

Approximately a million families in 1953 incurred charges incident to illness equaling or exceeding half their annual income; half of those families incurred charges equaling or exceeding 100 per cent of their incomes. Exclusive of insurance premiums and portions paid by insurance, the average charge incurred by families in relation to illness is \$178 per year.

Dental ailments are "the most universal, the most common, and the most widespread" of all the ills which affect mankind, the World Health Organization has reported. Dental disorders affect more than 90 per cent of the population of the United States. The United

States dental bill for 1953 was \$1,600,000,000, the experts estimated.

The United States had more physicians than England, France, Italy, China, and India combined, but has less than one-sixth of the population of these countries.

SICKNESS: One person out of three, even though apparently well and working regularly, has a "significant physical disorder" of which he is unaware, according to a medical study made in Philadelphia. Of 1,000 people used in the study, only 13 per cent were entirely free of any ailments.

Absenteeism because of illness and accidents costs United States business about \$9,000,000,000 a year.

A world survey of recently discovered facts on coronary thrombosis has showed heart disease to be most common where there is the most fat in the diet. Underprivileged countries seem to have the least trouble in this respect.

Reports of the Public Health Service

of the Federal Security Agency of the United States on first admissions to state and private hospitals for insane show that first admissions due to alcohol psychosis or alcoholism have been increasing until about one in seven cases is due to alcohol.

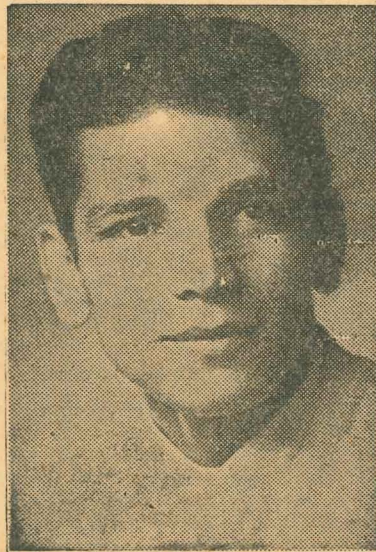
Eighty-five per cent of the mentally ill could be cured if they got the right treatment in time, the National Association for Mental Health says. Only half those who enter mental hospitals now come out recovered, and there are more Americans in mental hospitals than in all other hospitals combined.

The risk of major surgery—even the most hazardous operations—has been cut by at least half during the last ten years. For some operations, the risk is only one-fifth as great, according to a major life insurance company after a study of hospital records.

It has been estimated that at least from \$2 to \$5 billion are lost annually through time and production loss caused by the common cold.

Among children between the ages of five to fourteen, the death rate dropped nearly two-thirds between 1933 and 1953—from 158.0 to 57.3 per 100,000. Cancer and allied conditions, which two decades ago were a relatively minor cause of death among children of this age, now outrank every other disease as a cause of death. Accidents are the greatest single menace to child life.

Homer Martinez in Revival At Southside, Louisville



Homer Martinez

The Southside Baptist Church, 804 Camden, Louisville, experienced a week-end revival, February 11-13, with Evangelist Homer Martinez, Fort Worth, Texas, assisting Pastor T. L. McSwain. There were 33 decisions, with 19 of them for baptism and 3 by letter.

Just before this revival started, on

February 6, Dr. W. C. Boone, general secretary and treasurer of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, and Pastor Orrin W. Stites, Beechland Baptist Church, were the speakers at an ordination service, at which time Brethren Roy Woodward, Charles Rafferty, P. A. Stevens, Fred Winfield and Hughel McCutchens were set aside as deacons. They will fill the vacancies created by the church's new rotation system.

Southside Church is also moving forward in its new building program. The church voted February 17 to adopt the Building Committee's recommendation for the new church. The plan calls for an auditorium having a maximum seating capacity of 1,000.

Baptist Laymen Tell Story of Missions

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — (BP) — Eight Southern Baptist laymen who toured South American mission fields in seven countries last September have been busy since their return telling the story of missions, as they saw it to Baptist groups in ten states. Through January they had spoken on 166 occasions to a total of 23,280 people.

New Camp For Girls At Ridgecrest, N. C.

RIDGECREST, N. C. — A choice portion of the Blue Ridge Mountains has been selected for Southern Baptists, daughters and friends. The new camp called Camp Crestridge for Girls is considered a sister camp to Camp Ridgecrest for Boys and is located on the grounds of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.

The purposes of the Camp will be to develop skills in sports and sportsmanship, outdoor living, fellowship with God and man. To make these purposes to become realities the camp will have the services of some of our choice Southern Baptist young women as instructors, counselors and staff.

The Camp staff consists of the director, program director, head counselor, counselors, junior counselors, lifeguards, aquatic director and instructors, religious activities director, personnel director, camp mother, camp hostess, music director, secretary, dietitian, and canteen manager and banker, and all the instructors in the various sports areas.

The counselors and campers will be housed in new cabins. The offices of the director and instructors will be found in the new administration building as you enter the camp. The dining hall with its semi-modern architecture and large fireplace will house a dining room, and crafts room plus a kitchen with all new equipment. The lake is under construction and the other recreational areas are being designed.

The campers, ages eight years through seventeen, in the summer of 1955 will be considered Charter Campers and will indeed make history in this new phase of denominational life.

The program will consist of individual sports, team games, group games, crafts, Lessons in Loveliness, study of Indian lore through dramatics, a daily Bible hour, swimming, horseback-riding and camp-craft including hiking.

The season starts June 6 and the first

session ends July 11. The second session starts July 14 and ends August 19. Camp Crestridge for Girls will be equipped to take care of 80 campers each session this season. The plans are to increase the facilities each year.

The Camp Director is Miss Arvine Bell, a native of Little Rock, Arkansas. She received her public school instructions in Little Rock and attended Little Rock Junior College. She received her B.A. degree at Ouachita Baptist College in Arkadelphia, Arkansas and her M.R.E. degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. Miss Bell has recently done work at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, on an advanced degree in Physical Education. She loves young people and believes that the combination of physical education and recreation that can be found in camping will develop the individual into a good church member and citizen.

The campers will have the opportunity to recognize singly and as a group that their Maker is in the world about them and must be within their hearts. We feel that the Blue Ridge Mountains make an ideal setting for worship.

Your daughter should be a part of this new activity. Write to Mr. Willard Weeks, Manager, or Miss Arvine Bell, Director, at Camp Crestridge for Girls, Ridgecrest, North Carolina. Our camps are sponsored by the Sunday School Board of our Southern Baptist Convention.

Calling Attention to Important B.S.U. Dates

We call the attention of our college young people to some highly important dates in the future program of our Baptist Student Union:

The B.S.U. Spring Retreat will be held at Cedarmore April 29 to May 1.

Registration Cards For Convention Now Ready

Messengers from Kentucky Baptist churches going to the Southern Baptist Convention, Miami, Florida, May 18-21, 1955, may get their registration cards from the Baptist State Mission Board office.

The Constitution of the Convention gives the basis of representatives as follows:

"Article III. Membership: The Convention shall consist of messengers who are members of missionary Baptist churches co-operating with the Convention as follows:

1. One messenger for each regular Baptist church which is in friendly cooperation with this Convention and

sympathetic with its purposes and work and has during the fiscal year preceding been a bona fide contributor to the Convention's work.

2. One additional messenger from each such church for every 250 members; or for each \$250.00 paid to the work of the Convention during the fiscal year preceding the annual meeting.

3. The messengers shall be appointed and certified by the churches to the Convention, but no church may appoint more than ten (10)."

Please address your request for cards to W. C. Boone, General Secretary, 127 East Broadway, Louisville 2, Kentucky.

This is shown in the Baptist Diary and on the Calendar as April 22-24, but note carefully and record the change.

The B.S.U. Week, Ridgecrest, will be June 9-15.

The B.S.U. Fall Training Meeting will be held August 29-September 2.

The B.S.U. Week, Glorietta, will be August 25-31.

The B.S.U. State Convention will be held at Campbellsville November 4-6. This meeting date was listed in the Baptist Diary and on the Calendar as October 28-30, but note carefully and record the change.

Each interested person should put all these dates on his own personal calendar, being careful to list the two changes.

Glasgow Church Reports Great Revival, Commends Evangelist Cervera And His Helpers

GLASGOW, Ky. — The First Baptist Church, this city, of which Rev. H. Van Eaton is pastor, concluded, February 13, a two weeks' revival meeting in which Vincent Cervera was evangelist and Al and Ivy Walsh were musicians.

There were 99 additions to the membership, 54 coming by baptism. Also one high school senior, Emory White, Jr., dedicated his life to full-time Christian service.

The church feels this has been one of our best meetings. A well-organized program of visitation was carried out before, during, and following the revival, and the church is now in the process of enlisting these new people in the whole of its program.

We heartily recommend Brother Cervera and Al and Ivy Walsh. They are "tops" in their fields. Al leads the congregational singing. His wife, Ivy, plays both the piano and the accordion. They sing duets, and both are fine soloists. They are well received by all age groups.

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Training Union Convention Dates Changed

This year the Kentucky State Training Union Convention will meet May 6 and 7 instead of during the K. E. A. Holidays. The request for this change was made by the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky in order to clear the calendar for the Simultaneous Revivals. The K. E. A. Holidays this year come during the time most churches will be in the Simultaneous Revivals of the Convention Territory.

The Training Union Convention at Madisonville voted to make the change for this meeting.

The Convention will meet in Lexington at the Calvary Baptist Church May 6 and 7. The Sessions will begin on Friday night and close with the Saturday afternoon Session.

Reservations can be made now by addressing your letters to Housing Committee, Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky.

Watch this space each week for articles and details of the Convention.

West Union Associational Officers Meet

Monday night February 21 the West Union Associational Officers met with Mr. James Whaley for a review of the ASSOCIATIONAL MANUAL. A careful check showed that the association is almost standard and can be standard by the end of this quarter. There were ten of the officers present.

Mt. Zion Associational Officers Meet

Monday night the twenty-first of February the Mt. Zion Associational Officers met with Mr. W. C. Dudley at the First Baptist Church, Williamsburg. Mrs. Terry Neff, the associational director and nine others present found that the work there can become standard by the end of the current quarter's work.

Attention Training Union Directors

The second edition of DEAR DIRECTOR should be in your hands within a few days. If you did not receive the first issue please let us know. If you do not receive the current issue within the week please send us your name. We may not have you on our mailing list.

Youth Week

Youth Week is a plan for a church to use its young people in all the official positions of church life for one full week. Many Southern Baptist Churches now observe Youth Week annually. April 3-10 is the suggested week for this year. Do you have your plans worked out with your pastor? If you have not talk with him about it. Your church and your young people are the losers if you do not plan for Youth Week this year.

COUNSELING—

Not In Love

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON, Pastor
Wornall Road Baptist Church,
Kansas City, Missouri

Question: I am engaged to a boy and sometimes I feel that I am tied down by being engaged to him. I am not the settling down type and I know that I am not ready for marriage.



Dr. R. L. Hudson

about him.

I cannot give him up and I cannot marry him. I like him but I don't want to marry him. What should I do?

Answer: If this boy were half the man he ought to be, he would drop you cold.

You are probably the type of girl who wants to have her cake and eat it too. I doubt that you are capable of loving anyone but yourself.

No, I would not marry at present. You are not ready for marriage. And a wedding ring will not cure your difficulty.

Your trouble is some deep emotional blocking. You need to see someone who will help you to see why you are not capable of love. But whatever you do don't marry until you work your problem through with someone. You are a bad risk for a happy marriage.

Quit the boy. Then perhaps your anxiety will mount until you turn to some person who can help you. But you have no moral right to keep stringing this boy along.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, 400 W. Meyer, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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Abridged Program Annual Meeting Kentucky W. M. U.

First Baptist Church, Madisonville

April 5-7, 1955

Mrs. Encil Deen, President

Theme: "Go Quickly and Tell"

Tuesday Evening—7:30 O'clock

Call to Worship
Hymn "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
Meditation and Prayer—"The Story We Have to Tell".....Rev. Harold Tallant
Special Music Madisonville Baptist Church Choirs
Welcome Mrs. B. M. Farley
Response Mrs. Carl Liebert
Our B. W. C.'s Mrs. H. D. McBrayer
Missionary Library Fund Mrs. Marvin Garrett
"Laborers Together in Telling" Mrs. J. Edgar Bates
Closing Meditation

Wednesday Morning—9:00 O'clock

Bethel College Choir
Call to Worship
Meditation—"Commissioned to Tell" Miss Ethel Harmon
Business
Report of Executive Committee
Report of Committee on Constitution and By-laws
State Mission Week of Prayer Mrs. A. C. Overall
Miss Mary Sampson

"Telling Via Our Fundamentals" Mrs. William McMurry

Wednesday Afternoon—1:30 O'clock

Call to Worship
Hymn "Work For the Night Is Coming"
"We Tell Through Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union" .. Mrs. George R. Ferguson
Report of Nominating Committee
Bethel College Choir
"Telling Via Home Missions" Mrs. Ira Marka

Wednesday Evening—7:30 O'clock

Young People's Night—Miss Beulah Wingo in Charge

"Take the Light" Madisonville Baptist Church Choirs
"Telling in Kentucky through our Young People" Mrs. George Leonard
"Telling of His Glory" Miss Virginia Wingo
Pageant—"From Darkness to Light" Mrs. David Stull

Thursday Morning—9:15 O'clock

Call to Worship
Meditation—"Hasten To Tell" Miss Mary Sampson
Business—Report of Committee on Royal Ambassadors
"Telling of Jesus in Africa" Mrs. Marvin Garrett
"In Remembrance" Mrs. Wendell H. Rone
"My Soul, My Life, My All" Mrs. William McMurry
"Go Quickly and Tell"—Our Mission Dr. R. Paul Caudill
Closing Meditation

STATE MEETING SPEAKERS

When Mrs. Marks' husband, who was in business in Oklahoma City, surrendered to preach, Mrs. Marks entered the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans with him, though they had small children. She accompanied him in his service as mission pastor while in school. On completing their work at Baptist Bible Institute, the Marks for many years served the French and houseboat people in the Atchafalya Basin in Louisiana.

Early in 1951 the Marks moved to Salt Lake City where he is a general missionary in the western cooperative work serving under the Arizona State

Board and the Home Mission Board, working largely among the Mormons.

Mrs. Marks is very active in Woman's Missionary Union and in the regular mission work and is a very attractive speaker.

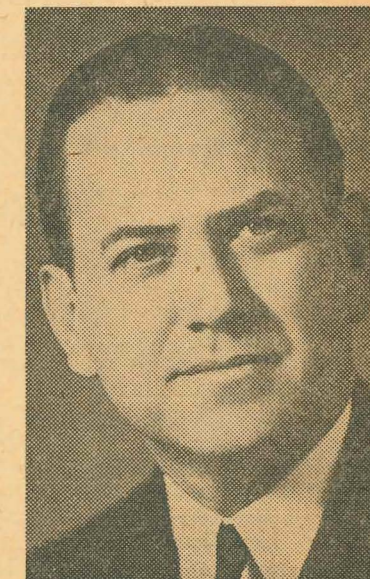
Dr. Caudill has instituted broad and varied fields of service for the congregation he serves in Memphis. He has extended the influence of his church from Memphis around the world through his travels; his preaching; his mission zeal; his work as chairman of the Relief Committee of the Baptist World Alliance; as a member of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance; as a member of the Executive Commit-



Mrs. Ira I. Marks, Missionary to the Mormons, will speak on Wednesday afternoon

tee of the Baptist World Alliance; and as a member of the Board of Directors of ARK (American Relief for Korea, Inc.). During the summer of 1953, Dr. Caudill made an around-the-world journey which took him some 35,617 miles by air and into many nations.

For seven years, Dr. Caudill was Tennessee member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and chairman of its Finance Committee. He has been the author of Broadman Comments, an annual commentary on the International Sunday School lesson series, for the last six years and many religious articles and tracts of his are published in newspapers and journals throughout the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention and in other nations. Dr. Caudill is among those listed in Who's Who in America.



Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Memphis, will speak on Thursday morning

Sunday School Board Announces Promotions



Harvey T. Gibson



R. Maines Rawls

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Staff promotions at the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, have been announced recently by Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary.

Harvey T. Gibson on February 1 became director of administration in the Board's Training Union Department. R. Maines Rawls, whose picture is seen above will succeed Gibson March 1 as director of Training Union associational work. Miss Pauline McCardell will succeed Rawls March 1 as manager of the Nashville Baptist Book Store.

Dr. Sullivan stated that Mr. Gibson

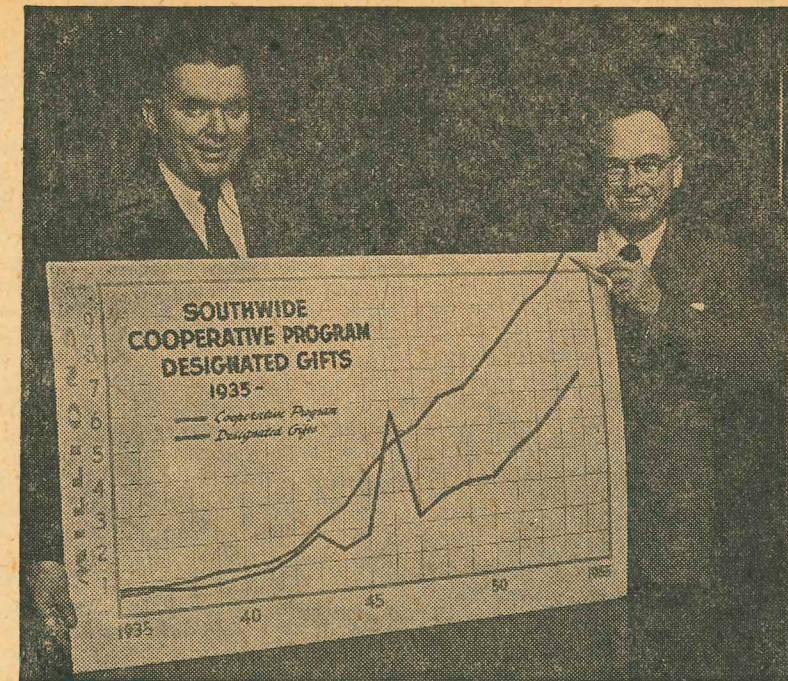
will have general direction of Training Union administration, seeking to develop educational procedures and field promotion for all Southern Baptist churches, associations, and work with the Training Union Departments.

Rawls, manager of the Nashville book store since 1952, joined the Board in 1944 as director of Young People's Training Union work. He was formerly state Training Union and Baptist Student Union secretary of Alabama. Gibson was formerly state Training Union secretary of North Carolina.

Burlington	63	257
Campbellsville (2)	172	683
Pleasant Hill	172	268
South Campbellsville	94	282
Carrollton, First	250	250
Carlisle (2)	70	210
Central City	213	481
Clay, First	152	243
Corbin, First	152	369
Central (1)	154	501
Covington, Calvary	124	624
First (1)	275	393
Latonia (2)	107	1,011
South Side	61	468
Crestwood	61	275
Cynthiana (2)	192	437
Danville, First (3)	192	661
Lexington Avenue (1)	243	595
Dayton, First	75	243
Dawson Springs	157	289
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley (3)	82	820
Erlanger	169	405
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	120	579
Grace	120	837
Keck Avenue	61	264
Walnut Street (2)	87	424
Ferguson	61	279
Florence	79	355
Fort Thomas, First (1)	79	365
Frankfort, First (1)	200	837
Thorn Hill	135	135
Fulton	178	640
Georgetown (1)	229	621
Glasgow (1)	168	678
Greensburg	77	263
Greenville, First	136	434
Harlan	105	550
Harrodsburg (2)	225	796
Hartford	105	260
Hawesville	59	213
Hazard (1)	96	381
Hazel	92	272
Henderson, First (1)	161	563
Immanuel Temple	112	701
Hodgenville, First	138	441
Hopkinsville, First (1)	166	776
Second	191	814
Horse Cave	71	218
Junction City	56	218
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	75	263
Lawrenceburg, First	75	308
Lebanon, First (1)	79	464
Leitchfield	79	223
Lexington, Calvary (1)	186	821
Grace (2)	179	734
Immanuel	265	842
Porter Memorial	153	731
Rosemont	67	274
London, First (1)	147	509
Louisville, Audubon	75	215
Baptist Tabernacle	174	647
Baptist Temple	89	306
Beechland	123	595
Beechmont (2)	102	970
Beechwood	85	248
Bethany	265	265
Bethlehem	98	249
Broadway	83	364
Carlisle Avenue (2)	328	1,401
Clifton (1)	174	593
Crescent Hill (2)	256	1,002
Deer Park	97	489
Eastern Parkway	86	567
Eighteenth Street	104	317
Franklin Street	76	331
Farmdale	76	375
Gethsemane	114	242
Harmony	72	293
Hazelwood	207	506
Highland (1)	93	586
Immanuel	76	392
Jeffersonton	462	292
Kenwood	160	269
Ninth and O (10)	316	1,716
Okolona	156	477
Parkland (1)	160	1,002
St. Matthews (1)	160	801
Shawnee	201	390
Shively (1)	108	811
Southside (1)	177	580
Third Avenue	76	608
Twenty-third and Broadway (2)	194	631
Valley View	194	210
Victory Memorial (2)	274	913
Virginia Avenue	274	298
Walnut Street (4)	208	1,603
Ludlow, First	105	430
Madisonville, First	308	1,014
Marion	84	300
Mayfield, First	84	897
Middlesboro, First (5)	62	533
Monticello, First	79	265
Immanuel	166	201
Morganfield, First (1)	145	495
Morgantown (1)	98	252
Mt. Washington	98	247

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Cooperative Program Gifts Push Line Off Graph



NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion for the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention points to the place where the graph ran off the poster in 1954. Years ago, when artists prepared the poster to show the rise of the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program, they little dreamed that by 1954 their card would be too small. Total Cooperative Program receipts received in the office of Porter Routh, secretary-treasurer, for 1954 amounted to \$10,739,497, a gain of \$1,056,136 or 10.91 per cent over 1953.

BOOK REVIEWS

GROWING A CHRISTIAN PERSONALITY, by R. Lofton Hudson. Published by the Sunday School Board, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn. Price \$0.60. (Check with Book Store.)

Dr. R. Lofton Hudson, pastor of the Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri here brings together for the Baptist Training Union study course series his experience in pastoral counseling. While of necessity brief, there is much in this book that should prove helpful to the churches who include this book in a graded study course. Dr. Hudson covers such personality fields as emotions, conscience, love, home, and growing up. Here should be the foundation for interesting class discussions and helpful insights for class members. The book also should be read by individuals. Pastors and Sunday school teachers should find this a helpful book in understanding the persons with whom they work. Your Baptist Book Store has this book for you.—J. T. Burdine, Jr.

MY SPIRITUAL DIARY, by Dale Evans. Fleming H. Revell Co., Westwood, N. J. Price \$2.

This book of devotions, the second by Dale Evans, is meeting with nation-wide approval. Though 50,000 copies were printed before release date, February 14, it became necessary to print an additional 30,000 to meet the orders pouring in. This is probably one of the most remarkable sales records of any inspirational book within recent years. Dale Evans Rogers, wife of Roy Rogers, wrote "Angel Unaware" before, and it is still selling at the rate of almost 2,000 copies each week and is approaching a total sale of nearly 400,000 copies in two years.

Like her first book, all royalties from

the sale of "My Spiritual Diary" will be contributed to a worthy cause—this time to the Clinic for the Study of Mental Retardation, Children's Hospital Society of Los Angeles.

CRUSADE SONGS, Broadman Press, Nashville. Price 45c.

This book, well constructed and paper-bound is a compilation of standard hymns, gospel songs, and choruses. The songs are well suited to evangelistic crusades, church revivals, and any other services in which gospel music is needed. Dr. W. Hines Sims is the music editor. The books can be had in any number from your Baptist Book Store. There are 150 great songs and a complete index.

The Woman of Tekoah, by Clarence E. Macartney, published by The Abingdon Press, 160 pages, price \$2.00.

The Woman of Tekoah, by Clarence E. Macartney, and published by Abingdon, is a book truly fresh, original sermons on characters of the Bible.

Dr. Macartney, now the retired pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg, has for many years distinguished himself as a great Biblical preacher, and especially of biographical sermons. In this, his most recent volume, Naboth, Jehoshaphat, Naomi, Agrippa, Nathan, Onesimus and others live again move among us rebuking, warning, admonishing and edifying us.

The sermon that gives the book its title, The Woman of Tekoah, is a very unusual treatment of this Old Testament story and character. By it he clearly illustrates the long suffering, redeeming, and reclaiming grace of God.—W. R. Pettigrew.

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REFERENCE AD FEBRUARY 3 & 17 issues inviting assistance of English teachers in preparation speech manuscript, this information is desired by Teresa G. Addington.

Clear Creek Attendance Upped By 29 Per Cent

PINEVILLE, Ky. — The Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School, near Pineville, has an enrollment increase of 29 per cent this session. Dean Martin V. McKinster has announced.

A total of 100 students enrolled from fourteen states, 45 of which number are from Kentucky and 15 from Tennessee. In addition to the regular enrollment, there are 45 auditors (those who listen to lectures but seek no credit) and part-time students.

Dean McKinster announced also that the Clear Creek summer session will be held May 4 through June 28.

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REGIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS SUCCESSFUL

The Regional Sunday School Conventions, which were held February 7-18, received splendid cooperation on the part of the pastors and Sunday school workers throughout the state. There were 1,377 registered. There was an increase in the number of pastors and superintendents over the past years.

The inspirational speakers were: Dr. Carl Giers, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Dr. Leo Eddleman, president of Georgetown College; Dr. W. C. Boone, Executive Secretary and Treasurer of Kentucky Baptists; and Rev. Eldred Taylor, Superintendent of Missions and Evangelism in Kentucky.

The conference leaders were: Caroline Henderson, Rev. Dan Thomas, Mrs. Lawrence Holzschuh, Mrs. L. J. Willis, Mrs. Paul Fox, Mrs. Fred Hardy, Helen Young, Mary Ella Davis, Emma Noland, Mrs. R. B. Hooks, Rev. Lawrence Holzschuh, Chester Igleheart, and Roy Boatwright.

The newly elected officers are:

Western Region—President, Rev. Travis Otey, First Baptist Church, Cadiz; Vice-President, Rev. W. W. Johnson, Victory Baptist Church, Providence; Secretary-Treasurer, W. L. Reynolds, Evansville, Indiana. Place of meeting for 1956, Owensboro, the church to be selected.

Southwestern Region—President, Rev. Harry Meadors, Olivet Baptist Church, Paducah; Vice-President, Rev. John Laida, First Baptist Church, Fulton; Secretary, Joe Whitesel, Mayfield; Treasurer, Lowell Walker, Murray. Place of meeting for 1956, Paducah.

Southern Region—President, Rev. Joseph Carrico, pastor, Post Oak Baptist Church, Russellville; Vice-President, Rev. Henry C. Hedgespeth, Morgantown; Pianist, Diana Arnett; Chorister, Landy Faxton. Place of meeting for 1956, Eastwood Baptist, Church, Bowling Green.

Central Region—President, Rev. D. E. Jones, pastor, South Jefferson Church, Louisville; Vice-President, James Haskins, Vine Grove; Secretary-Treasurer,

Wilmer Jones. Place of meeting for 1956, Beechwood Baptist Church, Louisville.

North Central Region—President, Homer William Smith, Lexington; Vice-President, Ray Johnson, Florence; Secretary-Treasurer, Gerald McNeely, Carlisle, Ky. Place of meeting for 1956, Cynthiana.

Northeastern Region—President, Rev. Ira McMillan, pastor, Irene Cole Memorial Church, Prestonburg; Rev. C. B. Coots, pastor, Unity Church of Ashland, Vice-president; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. Edward Cunningham, Campton. Place of meeting for 1956, Irene Cole Memorial Church, Prestonburg.

Southeastern Region—President, Rev. Wendell Rone, First Baptist Church, Middlesboro; Vice-President, Rev. J. Bill Jones, Central Church, Corbin; Secretary-Treasurer, Jim Bird, Pineville. Place of meeting for 1956, Barbourville.

South Central Region—President, Rev. Raymond Lawrence, First Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon; Vice-President in Charge of Training, Marshall Black, Harrodsburg; Enlargement, Rev. Isadore Childers, Stearns; Standards, Rev. A. H. Phillips, First Baptist Church, Columbia; Vacation Bible Schools, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Hustonville; Secretary-Treasurer, Edward Minor, Stanford. Place of meeting for 1956, First Baptist Church, Danville.

We wish to express our appreciation to the host pastors and churches for the excellent way in which they entertained these conventions. We were entertained in the following churches: Western Region—First Baptist Church, Sturgis, Herbert Sorrells, pastor; Southwestern Region—First Baptist Church, Clinton, W. A. Sloan, interim pastor; Southern Region—First Baptist Church, Russellville, Edward Galloway, pastor; Central Region—South Jefferson Church, Louisville, D. E. Jones, pastor; North Central Region—Central Baptist Church, Winchester, Paul Fox, pastor; Northeastern Region—First Baptist Church, Jackson, Kenneth Clendaniel, pastor; Southeastern Region, First Baptist Church, Pineville, Raymond Sanderson, pastor; South Central Region—Campbellsville Baptist Church, Chester Badgett, pastor.

Eleventh Anniversary of Pastor Lewis C. Ray At Baptist Tabernacle

On February 6 Pastor Lewis C. Ray celebrated his eleventh anniversary with the Baptist Tabernacle in Louisville. In the morning service Homer C. Freeman, Sr., chairman of the deacons, took over when it came time for the pastor to preach. He expressed the love of the deacons and the congregation for the pastor and Mrs. Ray (Mrs. Ray, not being able to be present on account of illness, had already received a bouquet of American beauty roses at her home). Words of appreciation were spoken by the Sunday school superintendent, the Training Union director, the presidents of the Woman's Missionary Union and the Brotherhood, after which Chairman Freeman presented the pastor with a gift certificate for some fine luggage.

During the eleven years past there have been 1,484 additions to the membership. Total financial receipts through the regular channels have amounted to \$498,384.84. Including the amount borrowed on the new building and the sale of the old property a total of \$705,341.69 has passed through the hands of the treasurer. An entirely new building has been erected on Market at Thirtieth. The value of the church property has increased from \$45,000 to \$418,000. The present total indebtedness is \$182,000.

Pastor Ray attributes the success of these years to the leadership of the Holy Spirit, and the cooperation of a most loyal group of people.

►The Bronston Baptist Church has called Brother Leonard P. Harmons to be its pastor and he has accepted and entered upon his duties there.

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SUGGESTED PROGRAM HELPS

Often we are asked what type of programs are best for Brotherhoods. Of course the answer depends upon the local situation. The following suggestions are made for the preparation of programs:

The desire for good programs and better Brotherhood meetings is the starting point. Plans for good programs require thought, prayer, team work, the time element for preparation, also generous use of pencil and paper to adapt and assign program features.

The responsibility for good programs rests first upon the Program Vice President, the chorister working with him will be responsible for the music. The President and Pastor should be consulted as programs are being planned. Work is the key to success in planning programs. A good program plan without work is usually a failure. A poor plan and a lot of work on it may turn out surprisingly well. Remember, every Brotherhood program should carry both information and inspiration.

Officers who plan meetings and programs for weeks and months ahead will find their Brotherhood doing a higher

type of work. The Brotherhood Journal is a good source of materials for programs. There are various types of programs. They include: (1) Discussion Programs (2) Mission Programs (3) Participation Programs (4) Dramatic Programs (5) Special Occasion Programs (6) Debate Type Programs (7) "Short Notice" Programs and (8) Outside Speakers.

Write your Brotherhood office for detailed information.



BAPTIST MEN'S TOUR OF KENTUCKY MAY 3-6

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Chaplain Writes About the Armed Forces

A prominent churchman recently wrote a severe article harshly criticizing the armed forces for corrupting the youth of our nation.

He was echoing what many other Americans have been thinking.

They have seen young men of their churches go off to the services only to return and completely isolate themselves from the church, or at best give it only nominal support.

Some have noticed, too, that other youths from the same churches have returned with a renewed faith and an increased enthusiasm for Christianity.

To say the armed forces are ruining the youth of America seems to be only a surface observation which needs deeper consideration.

Could it be that we are shifting the responsibility for our own failure to present Christianity in such a way that men can grasp it and thus have a source of power that will enable them to meet the temptations of life?

Another prominent minister, when

speaking to the graduates of the Naval War College, of Newport, R. I. said, "For many people, their religion is a set of rules; and when they get to a place where those rules are not sufficient they find themselves living in a moral jungle."

When men are at home and safely sheltered by the influence of family, community, and church, it isn't so hard to live a Christian life. When they go into the service, they are thrown with all types of men with various faiths and backgrounds, with men of various moral standards, and some with no standards at all.

Thus, the service becomes a test of a man's Christianity; it shows what he really is. It becomes a divider. It places men in two classes. The middle ground fades. All that has previously been a form of religion is soon found to be impractical and is tossed aside, while the men who are grounded in Christian principles and have a faith that is practical—one that is able to meet the tests of life—are driven to deeper resources

of spiritual power and find, there, strength with which to combat the forces of evil.

If we are ill, we seek a medicine that can cure us. If that medicine does not relieve our malady, we discard it and look elsewhere.

When we have a superficial faith that works only in good times when all is well, but is unable to meet crisis when it comes, it is only natural to discard it as false and useless. A faith unable to meet a crisis is not the faith Jesus taught when he was here on earth. A faith that cannot meet the test successfully is not worthy of the name Christian.

It is our challenge then as churches, not to criticize the test, for that is but to evade the real issue, it is rather to equip our youth with a faith that is practical and able to meet the difficulties of life. A set of rules is useless unless certain conditions are found; but principles such as Christ taught are able to cope with any situation. Let us accept that challenge and thus build stronger manhood.—Ronald L. Roberston, Staff Chaplain, Destroyer Squadron Eight, U.S.S. J. P. KENNEDY DD-850, C/o Fleet Post Office, New York, N.Y.

International Developments

►Up to the beginning of 1955 more than two and one half million persons had seen the U.S. Information Agency's four "Atmos for Peace" exhibits in Brazil, Italy, Belgium, and West Germany.

►The Foreign Operations Administration has approved additional funds for Bolivia, which bring to \$18,060,000 the amount of development and emergency assistance approved to date for that country during the current fiscal year.

►By the end of 1954, fifty nations, including the United States, had signed the UNESCO-sponsored Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. This Convention, which was adopted in May, 1954, will come into effect three months after five ratifications have been received.

►The United States and Chile have signed an agreement for the sale of U.S. surplus agriculture commodities valued at approximately \$5 million.

►The Export-Import Bank has authorized a line of credit for \$15 million in favor of Liberia to help that country solve important transportation problems.

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By H. C. Chiles

Christian Living

When a person becomes a child of God, there will certainly be a difference in his personal living. As truly as a healthy tree produces good fruit, so will the life of a Christian produce good works. It is very important that Christians strive for purity of life.

John 2:1-6

When he wrote this epistle John was an old man. In this second chapter he referred to his readers, for whom he had a most tender and warm affection, as "my little children." After using this affectionate designation, John informed them of the purpose for which he was writing these words—that they might not sin against God. His message was written to Christians. He certainly would not have charged the unsaved to refrain from sinning, because that would have been an utter impossibility for them. He was writing to assist Christians in living victorious lives.

In the expression, "if any man sin," John admits the possibility of sinning. There is in every Christian a tendency to evil, and sometimes we yield to the temptations which assail us both from within and without. What then? Are we to despair? Not at all. No allowance is made for sin, but, in case we do sin, there is a divine provision for us. "We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." But, this does not excuse sin, any more than you should set fire to a building which has a fire escape in order that you might have a chance to use the escape. It is good to know that in case we do sin there is an Advocate to help us through.

An advocate is one who pleads the cause of another. Some advocates are successful, whereas others are not. Our Advocate, Jesus Christ the righteous, is always successful. To know Him in His finished work and in complete reliance upon His continued advocacy is the first secret of victory. Not only is sin dealt with at the beginning of the Christian life, but day by day we may enjoy the cleansing power of the blood of our Divine Advocate. He ever lives to stand in the presence of God and hold out those nail-pierced hands as a reminder that sin has been atoned for once-for-all. Being the propitiation for our sins, He made it possible for God to be just and at the same time the justifier of the ungodly. He is our Advocate, pleading His righteousness in our behalf when we fall into sin. If we are the children of God, our great and abiding ambition will be to avoid sinning. Moreover, God rightfully expects those who

have been saved by His grace to live victoriously.

John also spoke of the tests whereby one may know that he is a child of God. One of these is obedience to His commandments. The thing of supreme importance is not how you talk about Christ, but how you walk in obedience to Him. The reality of one's profession is determined by the consistency of his walk. Talking about our love for Him, our devotion to Him, our service for Him and our faithfulness to Him mean nothing unless we obey Him. Walking as Christ walked means to pattern our lives after His, which was one of submission to God's will and obedience to His Word. It is always right and best for Christians to use Christ as the pattern for their lives.

Colossians 3:8-10

A sad but true photograph of man is given us in verse seven of this chapter. Man is a sinner on two counts—by inheritance from Adam and by his frequent and wilful yielding to evil. Some have fallen deeper in sin than others, but all are guilty before God.

When one becomes a Christian there is a definite break with the sins of the past. However, sin is ever a problem to the believer. Paul here exhorts us to begin and continue a war on sin within our own lives and in the world about us because it is a great obstacle to setting our affections on things above. Wrong attitudes, bad dispositions and evil practices are the enemies of Christian peace, power and progress.

Paul enumerates some of the works of the "old man," such as the sins which grow out of the physical lusts—impurity of thought, word and deed, and the sins which are the result of egotism—resentment, temper, malice and foul-mouthed and abusive language. Since God will not overlook these evil inclinations and practices, we must banish them from our lives.

Every child of God knows from experience the terrible conflict of the two natures. He is admonished to put away all of those sinful practices which are unbecoming in the life of a Christian. The wrong manner of life is to be eliminated just as a garment would be removed. As one would put on a new garment, so he is expected to exhibit the right kind of a life.

I Timothy 4:12

One of Timothy's problems was that of being slightly young for his task; probably between thirty and forty years

of age. Classical writers frequently called one a "youth" who was nearly forty years old. Timothy was handicapped by his youth, even though many church members today would consider a man of his age entirely too old for their pastor. Paul had a special interest in Timothy, his son in the ministry, and therefore exhorted him to conduct himself in such a manner as to command the respect of all, in spite of his youth.

Regardless of what his age may be, the minister of Christ is expected, and rightly so, to be a pattern of godliness. He is to be an example in character, in conversation, in conduct, in companionships, in convictions and in consecration. His manner of life should conform to Dr. Joseph Parker's description of Dr. F. B. Meyer: "He brings a benediction with him, a better air than earth's poor murky climate, and he never leaves me without the impression that I have been face to face with a man of God."

Paul was very anxious that his protégé in the ministry avoid being overcome with an inferiority complex on account of his youth, or allowing any inconsistency in his living to permit others to "despise" his youth, or giving any enemy of believers an opportunity to criticize him for careless living. He urged him to conduct himself in such a manner as to merit the respect and admiration of all those who observe his life and work. Wanting him to live above reproach, both for his own sake and that of the gospel of Christ, Paul challenged him to be a model for believers in word and in deed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, FEBRUARY 27, 1955

(Continued from page 16)

Murray, First	847
Newport, First (1)	676
Trinity	92
Owensboro, Buena Vista (1)	584
Eaton Memorial (1)	442
First (1)	1,034
Hall Street (1)	464
Seven Hills	280
Third (1)	1,071
Paducah, East	562
First (1)	523
Oaklawn	246
Trinity	344
Twelfth Street (1)	400
Paintsville, First (2)	229
Paris, Central	341
First	275
Pikeville, First (3)	275
Prestonburg, Irene Cole Memorial (9)	464
Princeton, First (1)	620
Second (1)	302
Providence	200
Richmond	385
Russellville, First (1)	426
Somerset, First	633
Calvary	268
Springfield, First	423
Sturgis, First	300
Versailles	371
Williamsburg, First (1)	394
Williamson, W. Va., East	297
Winchester, Central	440
First	439

►W. R. Cook has resigned the pastorate of Muldraugh Baptist Church, Muldraugh, Ky., and has accepted a call to be pastor of Stithton Baptist Church, Severn's Valley Association.

Guthrie Church Dedicates New Sunday School Annex

GUTHRIE, Ky. — On Wednesday night of February 23 the Guthrie Baptist Church, of which Harry L. Winters is pastor, dedicated a new Sunday school annex.

The new building, constructed of block and brick veneered, is three stories high, and harmonizes with the rest of the church plant. As a result of the program, the church has been able to create one new department and also new classes. Additional growth is expected.

There is no debt as a result of the building program. It was paid for as the work went on. For the most part, gifts were brought in entirely voluntarily, that is, without solicitation. And it was discovered that there was still money in the treasury when the annex was completed. Money is still coming in, designated for the building fund.

Mr. Laten Dunnagan is chairman of the finance committee. Associated with him are: Mr. Seldon Allison, Mr. Wayne Chester, Mr. Harry Covington, Jr., and Mr. Hulin Gower.

Mr. S. L. Odom was chairman of the building committee. Associated with him were: Mr. Wallace W. Scruggs who also served as chief carpenter; Mr. Bert Covington; Mr. Dorris Carneal; Mr. Dean Morris, Jr.; Mr. George Kennedy, Jr.; and Mr. Wayne C. Hall.

Because of his faithfulness during the building project and in previous years, and because the church felt that Mr.

Scruggs saved them many, many dollars in the building program, the church unanimously voted to name the new structure "The Wallace Scruggs Annex."

The program of dedication began with a supper in the basement, after which the large congregation moved to the auditorium for a service of song, prayer, praise and dedication. Pastor Frank Young, First Missionary Baptist Church, Benton, preached the sermon; Pastor Earl Nelson, Sinking Fork Church, Hopkinsville, offered the dedicatory prayer. Nelson is a student at Belmont College, Nashville, and is one of the several young people called of God to special service from Guthrie Church.

Others taking part on the program were: Pastor Winters; Mrs. Martha Wyatt, Benton; Mr. and Mrs. Randall Lawless, Hopkinsville; Misses Marsha Riley and Glenda Henson, Benton; Mrs. Kate Landrun, Benton; and Miss Margaret Heath of Benton.

Pastor Winters adds: "I feel that it would be unfair if I did not say that some of this came as a result of our Sunday school superintendent, Dean Morris, Jr., and the one who preceded him, Wayne C. Hall. Their vision and prayerful planning and leadership in getting our people to divide and multiply helped us to bring about a necessity for more building. The co-operativeness of the people in the work has been a joy and blessing . . ."

FALLEN ASLEEP

J. J. ROUTT

BUTLER, Kentucky, February 21, 1955—Whereas, it has pleased God our Father to call from our midst Mr. J. J. Routt, on July 19, 1954, we, the members of the 2nd 12-mile Baptist Church, do hereby express our gratitude for the faithful Christian life he lived.

Mr. Routt was a consecrated and devoted worker in his church and community. He served for 21 years as Superintendent of the Sunday school of his church, and for many years served as a deacon. His humble and quiet ways made a great imprint upon the lives of those of us who knew him. A man of high moral character, he was respected by all, even the non-Christians. Certainly our loss is a great one.

Therefore, be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Western Recorder, and a copy be sent to his faithful and devoted wife, Mrs. Mae Routt.—Mrs. Jeanette Mains, W. A. Britton, Merwyn Borders, Committee.

MRS. M. O. KIFER

ASHLAND, Ky., Feb. 15. — A faithful member of the First Baptist Church, Ashland, Kentucky, and the Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. M. O. Kifer fell asleep January 2, 1955, in West Palm Beach, Florida, where she and Mr. Kifer were spending the winter.

Therefore, we, the W. M. S., extended to Mr. Kifer and to Mrs. A. L. (Louise) Myers, her daughter, and other relatives our heartfelt sympathy.

Mrs. Kifer will long be remembered for her graciousness and her patience in suffering.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be placed on the records of the W. M. S. of Ashland and a copy sent to the family and

to the Western Recorder.—Committee: EDITH A. CHAPLAIN, MRS. I. N. RUSH, MRS. C. E. QUILLEN.

MRS. L. Y. JOHNSON

ASHLAND, Ky., Feb. 15. — Whereas, an all-wise God has removed from our midst a faithful member, Mrs. L. Y. Johnson, we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Ashland, Kentucky, extend to her daughters, Miss Dorothy Johnson and Mrs. Jean Todd, and to her sister, Miss Dorothy Cooke, our heartfelt sympathy and prayers that God may give to them the faith and patience that she exemplified in suffering during her long illness. Her example of Christian fortitude will be long remembered and be a blessing to her loved ones and friends.

Therefore, be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be placed on the minutes of the W. M. U. and a copy sent to the Western Recorder.—Committee: EDITH A. CHAPLAIN, MRS. I. N. RUSH, MRS. C. E. QUILLEN.

MRS. DIXIE MILLS

ERLANGER, Ky., Feb. 24. — Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom, called home our beloved sister, Mrs. Dixie Mills on January 27, 1955, therefore be it resolved that her passing has left a vacancy which no other can fill in our missionary society, church and community. She was a consecrated Christian, endeavoring at all times to put Christ first in her life. Her kind and pleasant ways will be greatly missed in our midst.

We extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy and pray that the Heavenly Father will comfort them in their sorrow. Be it further resolved, that a copy of these

resolutions be recorded in the minutes of the W. M. S. and a copy sent to the family and to the Western Recorder for publication.—Committee: Mrs. Elizabeth Claunch, Mrs. J. C. Powers and Mrs. C. B. Yelton.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR GEORGE F. BARTON

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 18, 1955.—Rev. Geo. F. Barton, 76, for eleven years associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Phoenix, died at his residence, 48 East Weldon, October 15.

Born in Lentner, Mo., near Hannibal, July 16, 1878, he had been preaching for 51 years. He attended William Jewell College, and was graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1912. He was married to Miss Mary Alice Douglass, the church organist, while he was pastor of the High Point Baptist Church, Leeton, Mo.

He came here in 1943 from Tacoma, Washington. At a former time he was for five years pastor at Winona, Miss. He has been a subscriber to the Western Recorder since his years spent in Kentucky back in 1910.

He leaves his wife, already mentioned, two brothers—Edgar C. Barton, Chapman, Neb., and Jesse Barton, Lentner, and two sisters—Miss Eva Barton, Lentner, and Mrs. Etta B. Noel, Springfield, Mo. Burial took place in the Greenwood Memorial Park.

Somerset Pastor Commends Young Minister to Baptist Churches for Special Services

Dr. Preston L. Ramsey, pastor, First Baptist Church, Somerset, writes:

"At the last business meeting of the church, February 9, William H. Ramsey III was licensed to preach the gospel.

"I would like to take this opportunity to recommend this fine young man to the brethren of the state. This young man is exceptionally well endowed—both in musical ability and in speaking ability. He is making an outstanding record his last year in high school. I would recommend him to any church seeking a young preacher for a youth revival."

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Growing Protestant Strength Seen In Opposition to King's Favorite

(17th Century Baptist Press)

LONDON, June 1, 1626—(BP)—Opposition to King Charles I and the growing strength of Protestantism in this country was evidenced in the recent election of the Duke of Buckingham as chancellor of Cambridge.

The handsome and witty duke was the candidate of the king, but he won the election at Cambridge by a surprisingly narrow margin of one hundred and eight votes to one hundred and two.

Buckingham's opponent, who had the hearty support of the clergy and many college and governmental leaders, was the Earl of Berkshire. He is the son of the Earl of Suffolk, former chancellor of Cambridge who died last month.

Following the death of King James, Protestants in England had hoped that his successor, King Charles I, would be a defender of religious freedom. Their expectations were soon quenched as Charles showed his Catholic sympathies. And in the Duke of Buckingham dissenters saw their real enemy because of his influence over the king.

A favorite with King James, Buckingham soon proved to be more strongly entrenched with Charles I. Resentment of the tyrant mounted in the House of

Commons until there was an open breach with the king. In February impeachment proceedings were begun against Buckingham with epoch-making speeches by Sir Edward Coke, the brilliant lawyer, his son Clem, and John Eliot. Four months later the impeachment petition was made formal and presented to King Charles.

The monarch was furious. He was determined to slap the hand of Parliament for its audacity and at the same time to prove that the learned men of the realm supported him by making Buckingham chancellor of Cambridge.

At Protestant-tinged Cambridge feeling has been intense, especially among the students. At Pembroke, one of the Cambridge schools, President Beale urged immediate compliance with the wishes of the king. But his stand did not win the wholehearted support of the student body.

Roger Williams, a ministerial student of Puritan views, reportedly has been a leader of the opposition to Buckingham among the students. Williams is a protege of Sir Edward Coke, who led the Buckingham opposition in Parliament.

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Pastors Using Christian Education Material Are Looking Toward Convention-Wide April Emphasis

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The first order received from Kentucky by the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission for material, to be used in the second annual Convention-wide April emphasis on Christian education April 10, came from Pastor Frances S. Chesson of the Uniontown Baptist Church, Uniontown.

Packets of sample materials were mailed to every Southern Baptist pastor in Kentucky February 12, and Pastor Chesson's order for enough materials for 60 Intermediates' was received by return mail. Final shipments of more than 23,500 sample packets of materials

and letters were mailed from Nashville February 18 and were sent to pastors in 22 states and the District of Columbia.

"The number of orders we are receiving from various states indicates the great concern Southern Baptists have for the vocational future of their young people," Dr. Freeman H. Beets, assistant to the executive secretary of the Education Commission and writer of many of the materials being used in the emphasis, stated.

The packets contained special materials designed to encourage high school students and other young people to make a systematic and careful study of their interests, aptitudes and abilities and to relate them to occupations which are worthy of their God-given talents and in which they can lead effective Christian lives. Theme for the 1955 Emphasis on Christian Education is "Finding a Worthy Career."

Dr. Beets explained that any church

not having received a sample packet of materials may secure one free by writing the Education Commission, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

Calling All Deaf and Friends of the Deaf!

Within the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church of Louisville there is a group of people, locally known as "The Church For the Deaf"—a mission of Fourth Avenue.

Every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock deaf people gather into two classes—one for men and one for women. Plans are now in the offing to organize a third—for the young people. These classes are taught in the sign language by competent teachers. In charge of this work at this time is Rev. Marvin L. Cash, a third-year Seminary student from Greenville, S. C., who is assisted by an interpreter. Though he has never previously worked with Deaf people, already he has reached the place where he can converse with them, pray for them and sing with them in the graceful movements of the hands.

Every other Friday night they hold a social in the basement of the church, and every first Sunday they have a covered dish supper following their regular worship service.

So often people deprived of their hearing are forced to live alone and apart in the world, and cannot enter into the usual things other folk are doing—but not these people. During the coming Simultaneous Revival Crusade they are planning to have a revival among themselves in the Fourth Avenue Baptist Chapel, April 11-15, just like other churches will be doing in their communities.

Pastors and people in and near Louisville who know deaf people who say they cannot hear the services in their own churches are asked to tell them of this group which specifically ministers to the deaf in the sign language which many hard-of-hearing already know or would like to learn. You may put them in touch either with Dr. Manual Augustus Cooper, pastor of Fourth Avenue, or Rev. Marvin L. Cash, in charge of the Deaf Mission.

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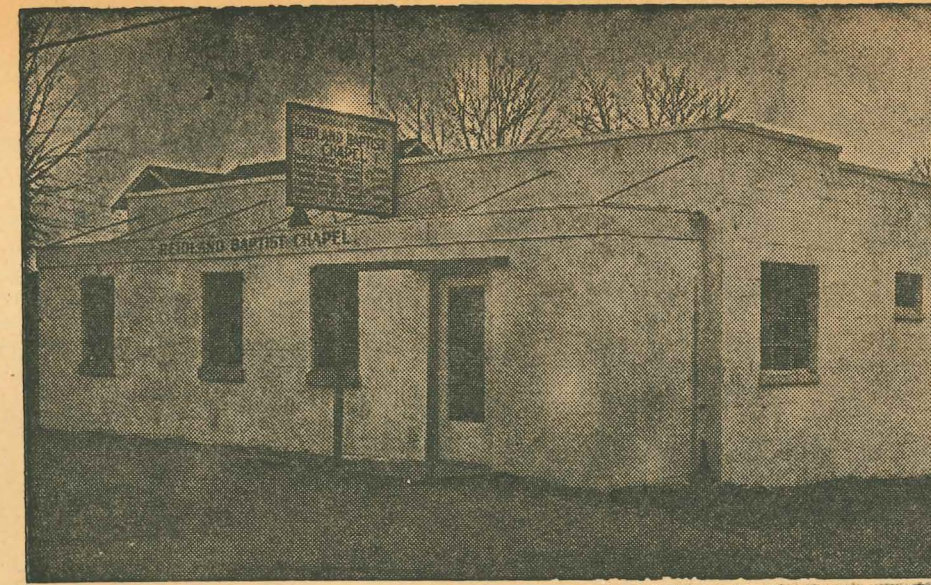




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REIDLAND CHURCH ORGANIZED IN PADUCAH. The Reidland Chapel was organized into a church February 6, 1955, with 63 charter members. The church has elected as their leader, Pastor Craig Ratliff, a native of Amarillo, Texas, a graduate of Baylor University, and now a student in the Southern Seminary at Louisville. When Oaklawn Church looked for a place to start a mission in Reidland, they found a grocery store on two acres of ground. They bought the store, the ground, the stock, the fixtures and all. They sold the stock and fixtures, and converted the building into a meeting house. They had 13 present for their first meeting January 3, 1954. Pastor Grant L. Jones did double duty for a while, preaching at both the mission and in his own Oaklawn pulpit. Craig Ratliff began there last April. The mission grew rapidly and has now increased to more than 100 in Sunday school. John R. Flynn, superintendent of missions in West Union Association, says they are planning to build soon.

Regarding the Passing of Pastor B. B. Boaz

MAYFIELD, Ky., Feb. 24. — Brother B. B. Boaz, well known and greatly beloved Baptist minister, passed on from this earthly life to be with his Lord on November 6, 1954. His funeral was conducted at the First Baptist Church of Mayfield, by Brethren D. W. Billington, Murray, Ky., D. N. Long, Paducah, and L. W. Carlin, Paducah. Burial was in Pleasant Grove Cemetery. As a testimony to the high esteem in which he was held, about thirty Baptist ministers were present. Death came after a long illness.

Brother Boaz was born in Graves County, near Hardmoney, Ky., September 7, 1890, the son of Margaret and George Boaz. He was married to Miss Allie McMurry, April 12, 1911. To this union eleven children were born.

He professed faith in Jesus Christ as

his Saviour in the summer of 1915. He was baptized by Brother J. E. Wood, and surrendered to the call to the ministry in July, 1922. He was ordained to the full work of the ministry June 24, 1923, by the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Graves County, and became pastor of the Mount Pisgah Baptist Church in the same association.

Brother Boaz had a wide and useful ministry, which covered a span of more than thirty years, during which time he was pastor of the following churches: Mount Pisgah, and Pleasant Grove in Graves County Association; Union Ridge and Pine Bluff in Blood River Association Rocky Ridge Pugh Flat, Rocky Frant, Linton, South Union, and Boyd Hill in Little River Association; and North Fork and Salem Churches in Tennessee. His longest pastorate was in Boyd Hill Church in Trigg County, where he served twenty-three years in succession until his death.

In addition to his pastoral work he served as associational missionary in Blood River Association, and under the direction of that association he labored as missionary in the mountains of Kentucky in Magoffin County during 1930 and 1931, and conducted many revival

meetings, and preached in many mission points, Bible institutes, in Kentucky and Tennessee throughout his long and fruitful ministry.

He received his later education in Western Kentucky Normal, Lone Oak, Ky., and Hall-Moody Institute, Martin, Tenn., and the West Kentucky Bible School, Murray, Ky.

In his going he is survived by his widow, Mrs. Allie Boaz, and eleven children: M/Sgt. Woodrow H. Boaz, Yuma, Ariz.; Nolan Boaz, Paducah, Ky.; Pastor David C. Boaz, First Baptist Church, Taylorsville, N. C.; George Boaz, Ocean-side, Calif.; Rev. B. B. Boaz, Jr., Center Line, Mich.; John Boaz, Mayfield, Ky.; Mrs. R. G. Orr, Royal Oak, Mich.; Mrs. Hershel Calhoun, Royal Oak, Mich.; Mrs. Milton Howard, Rockford, Ill. (whose husband, Rev. Milton Howard, is missionary under the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention); and Mrs. Oren C. Robinson (who together with her husband, Rev. Oren C. Robinson, are missionaries to Nigeria, West Africa, under the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention); and Miss Lois Boaz, Mayfield, Ky.

He also leaves two sisters, Mrs. James Gough, Graves County; and Mrs. Nathan Edwards, McCracken County; and eleven grandchildren and several neices and nephews. His only brother, D. J. Boaz, Mayfield, survived him only thirteen days.

►Howard Butt, Jr., well known Baptist layman of Corpus Christi, Tex., and vice president of the HEB Food Chain Store system (62 stores), has been named by the Corpus Christi Junior Chamber of Commerce as the Outstanding Young Man of 1954. He has also been named as one of the five outstanding young men for the year in Texas.

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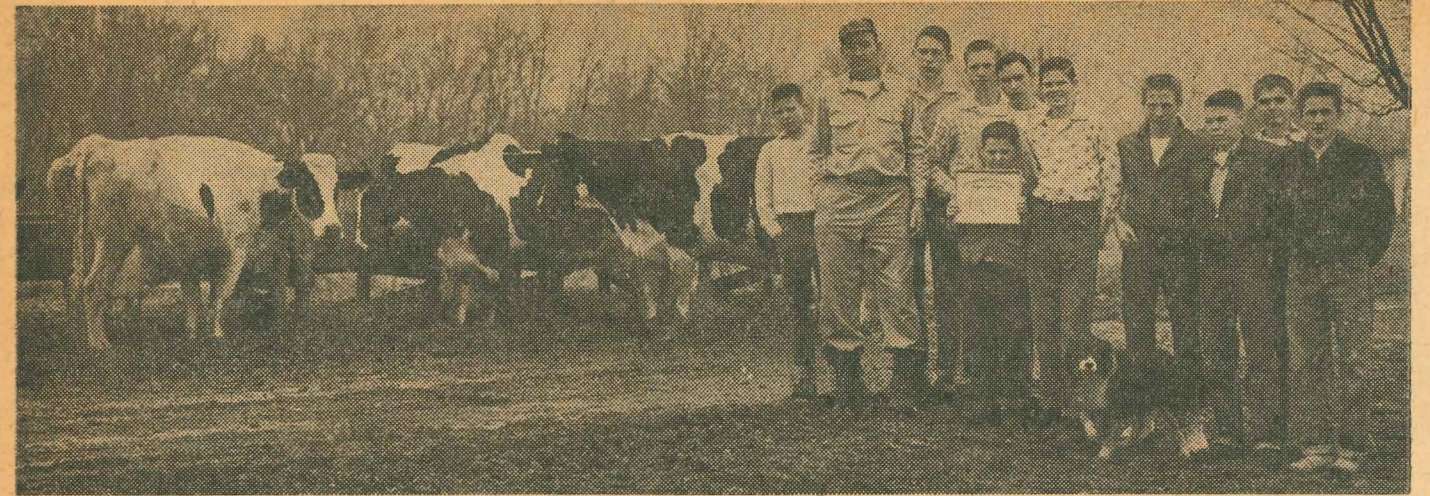
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HOMELAND DAIRY RANKS FIRST IN STATE

National Dairy Corporation Honors Kentucky Baptist Children's Home

By George Wright, in Hardin County Enterprise, Elizabethtown, Kentucky

Homeland Farms, owned by the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, near Glendale, was recently named winner of the 1954 Dairy Production Contest at the Farm and Home Convention at the University of Kentucky.

The farm received a plaque and \$75 for winning the contest, which was open to the 340 members of the Kentucky Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

Since this marked the first time a Hardin County dairy farm had gained such distinction, this reporter decided to visit the dairy at Homeland and determine, if possible, how the feat was accomplished.

This task proved none too arduous, for one tour of the gleaming, modern dairy barn and a glance at the herd of sleek, purebred Holsteins will convince the most critical observer that perfection is demanded at Homeland.

Bray Explains Triumph

W. C. Bray, mild-mannered boss man at the prize-winning dairy, attributed the success to four factors.

"First," said Bray, a hard worker who's been at Homeland for almost four years, "everybody knows your milk cows have to be fed properly. We use homegrown grains with a supplement. A trench silo we dug recently helps pro-

vide the livestock with good feed all winter."

Bray listed punctuality as a vital factor in the success of any dairy.

"Routine's a big item around here," said Bray. "We milk at 4:30 a.m. and 4 p. m., with very little variation. Every cow knows she'll be tended to at these hours and that's mighty important."

The cows, most of which are registered, are milked with three single-unit electric milkers.

Eight boys from the Home do a lion's share of the dairy work, with each boy assigned an important job on the production line.

"If you're going to write a story," said Bray, "give the credit to the boys. They get the job done, day after day."

Bray named good breeding as a third factor conducive to successful dairying. The Homeland herd, which now numbers 56 in milk cows and heifers, is "home grown," with all female calves being retained for replacement purposes.

"While we're naming factors which make for successful dairying," asserted Bray, "don't leave out sanitation. Every farmer knows milk cows won't produce if they're racked with disease."

Bray lives on the Homeland Farm with his wife and two sons, Jimmy, 16, and Billy Joe, 13. Mrs. Bray teaches in the grades at Glendale School.

Facts and Figures on Homeland Dairy

The dairy award was made to Homeland by National Dairy Products Corporation for showing the most improvement in dairy operation during the past four years. Contestants were judged on dairy feeding, management, sanitation of milk fat.

With 26 cows on D. H. I. A. test last year, the herd at Homeland Farms averaged 13,998 pounds of milk and 471 pounds of fat a cow. The average income over cost per cow was \$407.76.

Principle source of income at Homeland, of course, is dairying.

Total daily milk production is 140 gallons. Fifty gallons are consumed every day by the 209 children now living at the Home. Remaining 90 gallons are sold to Elizabethtown Dairy.

Dairying is now a big business at Homeland, thanks to the remarkable strides made in recent years by Mr. Bray and his boys.

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