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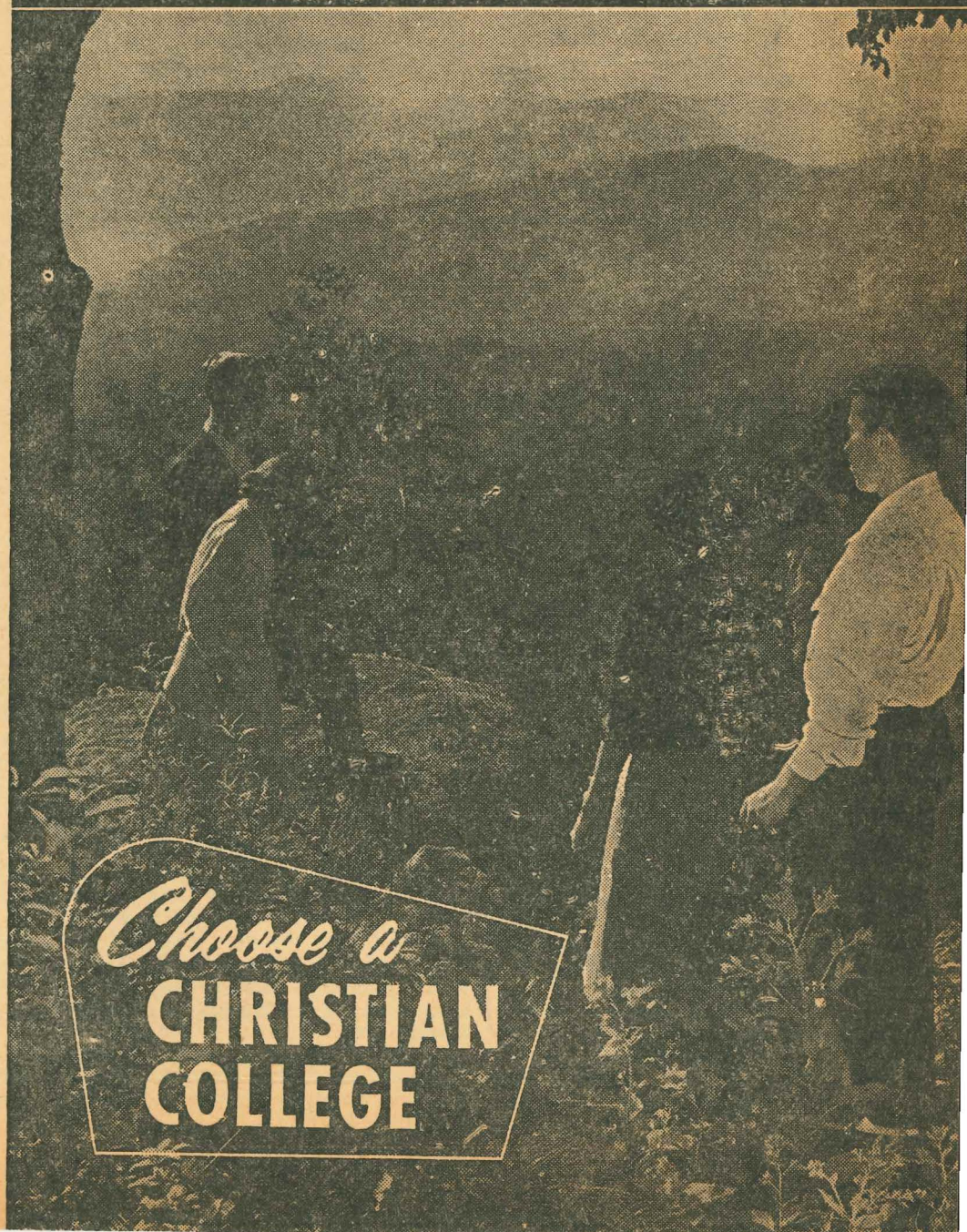
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TAKE THE LONG LOOK



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►Mrs. T. M. Floyd, manager of the Birmingham Baptist Book Store for a good many years, will retire June 30. No announcement as to her successor has been made.

►The Board of Trustees of Grand Canyon College, Phoenix, Arizona, have announced the election of Dr. Loyed R. Simmons as president of their institution effective April 15, 1955.

►A new film for Texas Baptist hospitals, "God's Medics," has been produced for release in May, stressing evangelism, teaching, healing and charity care carried on by those hospitals.

►The third church related to Southern Baptist work in Indonesia was organized April 3 at Semarang, site of a Baptist seminary which opened last October, the Foreign Mission Board reported.

►Ben Brewer, Memphis, Tenn., has become assistant administrator of Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta. He succeeds George E. Linney, who became administrator of a hospital in Americus, Ga.

►Brother W. C. Dudley, one of the assistants in the Training Union Department, was called to Birmingham on March 22 in connection with the illness of his father, who suffered a heart attack.

►Pastor Marion T. Duncan of the Second Church, Russellville, Ky., and a nephew of Pastor A. A. Thacker, will lead the Hyland Church of Henderson in its spring evangelistic services beginning April 10.

►Dr. T. W. Medearis, who was for twelve years until his recent general superintendent of the Missouri Baptist General Association, has become pastor of the First (Southern) Baptist Church, East Los Angeles, California.

►Plans are being made to construct a new gymnasium at Mary Hardin-Baylor College in Belton, Texas. The \$200,000 plant will be known as the Goodman Building, named for the parents of M. T. Goodman, Port Isabel, Texas, realtor.

►The Trinity Church, Newport, has become the sponsor of the Alexandria Baptist Mission, and has called Brother John Stott as mission pastor. He is a native of Williamsburg, a graduate of Carson-Newman College, and has had two years in the Southern Seminary.

►One other teacher taught in the W. M. U. Mission Study Institute in Central Association, in addition to those previously mentioned in our columns, according to information now reaching us. This was Mrs. W. H. Warren, from Lebanon, who taught the Junior Book. The omission was an oversight.

►The Baptist Sunday School Board will have a Broadman Press edition of the "Baptist World Fellowship" by F. Townley Lord. The book is a history of the Baptist World Alliance from its begin-

ning in 1915 in London, England, to this, its Jubilee Year, and is being published by the Carey-Kingsgate Press, London.

►Prof. E. J. Loessner brought about forty of the students from the School of Religious Education at the Southern Seminary to the Kentucky Baptist Building, 127 East Broadway, on a lecture-tour he was giving to acquaint the young people with the Baptist offices in this state. Come again, students, and come often.

►President Harvey D. Bruce, of East Texas Baptist College at Marshall, Tex., and formerly of Kentucky, did the preaching for the South Avenue Baptist Church, Pasadena, Texas, recently. During this meeting of eight days there were 47 additions, 35 of these coming for baptism. Brother J. R. Pearce is the pastor of this church which is not yet one year old.

►Little Sheila Leona Somers was born to Pastor and Mrs. E. A. Somers at the James B. Haggin Memorial Hospital, Harrodsburg, March 13. She weighed nine pounds and four ounces. Mother and daughter are doing well. The newcomer has a sister, Marsha Jo 9, and brother, Randall 6. The young lady's father is pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church Harrodsburg.

►The Springfield Church has decided to have one Sunday night in each month given over to a special missionary service, using as visiting speakers the missionaries at home on furlough from their fields of service, or foreign mission students. The first speaker was Eric Clark who has worked in Rhodesia and is now at Campbellsville College. For the March speaker it was Dr. W. L. Jester from Africa, now guest teacher in Georgetown College. This new feature has created much interest in missionary work among the young people.

►General Secretary W. C. Boone preached in an eight day revival meeting in March at the First Baptist Church of Gainesville, Georgia, where his son-in-law, Dr. Warner Earle Fusselle, is pastor. Dr. Fusselle was formerly pastor at Taylorsville and Fort Thomas, Kentucky, and at Rivermont Avenue Church, Lynchburg, Virginia. Music for the meeting was directed by Mr. George Watkins, minister of music at Grove Avenue Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia. There were 34 additions to the Gainesville Church of whom 29 came on profession of faith for baptism. Dr. Franklin Owen, of Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, was formerly pastor at Gainesville.

►The Louisville Baptist Pastors' Conference has passed resolutions about the going of Dr. Hankins F. Parker from the Highland Baptist Church, this city, to the First Baptist Church, Paducah. The document pays tribute to his serv-

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ice at his own church, as well as his labors in missionary endeavor, having been in positions of leadership and counsel on the Long Run District Board and the Executive Board of the General Association. Also he has served as chairman of the Long Run B. S. U. Committee, "where he has done a monumental work." The Resolution closes by saying, "In all of these capacities he has served our Lord and our Association wisely and well." The paper is signed by the Resolutions Committee, Henry Beach, Carroll Hubbard and Ben F. Mitchell.

When Life Lacks Balance

"There is a time to weep and a time to laugh" (Eccl. 3:4).

By DR. J. T. FORD, Pastor
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George Gobel is America's reigning comedy sensation. In the space of six months, a short time even by TV standards, he has become a national hero. Why? Simply because he has the ability to make people laugh! *Newsweek* has observed that "in a day when issues get more serious, and any touch of humor, which strays outside the normal, formal channels, becomes increasingly suspect, Gobel is a pretty important fellow to these United States."

The country's delighted acceptance of a laugh-master like Gobel is completely within the tradition. Americans in particular like jokes. An English historian and diplomat once said, "All the world knows that they are a humorous people," and modern Europeans are frankly envious of individual American touches like the subtle humor in the *New Yorker*. Other foreign observers, however, have thought American humor obtuse, dull, or inappropriately ever-present!

Nevertheless, Americans have considered a sustained laugh so vitally necessary to the national emotional stability, that George Gobel's comedy was lauded at the end of the year as one of the most important discoveries since gold appeared in California!

I. A TIME TO LAUGH

I like to laugh. The fact is, I usually enjoy Gobel. And I need to laugh. Because of the subjective dangers of his profession, every minister should be able to laugh.

Old Elspeth Macfadyen, quaint character from Ian MacLaren's classic book, *Beside the Bonny Briar Bush*, after listening to a long sermon by a minister with "no more sense of humor than an owl," said quite positively, "A man without humor should not be allowed in the pulpit."

David Christie makes good sense when he says that "whatever a minister may lack, two absolutely essential things in his equipment are humor and prayer."

W. R. Maltby, the English Methodist preacher-scholar, laments "that religion and a sense of humor should have fallen out so often—always to the degradation of humor and the impoverishment of religion." Writing along this line in the *Western Recorder* (September 11, 1952), Dr. DeWitt Matthews warns that "humor in preaching must be relevant to what the preacher is talking about, and not just thrown in to get a laugh. It must not be cheap and tawdry. It must be unobtrusive, illustrating something more important

than itself. It must be kind. It must not bite. It must not be used too often."

After all, humor is a part of humanity—its best part many believe. It keeps us from taking ourselves too seriously, for as another has said, "God gave us humor to keep us from going mad."

The writer of Proverbs reminds us that "a merry heart doeth good like a medicine." And Dr. John A. MacKay believes that "Christian truth, when worthily presented is not only a light, it is a lilt."

Society must have humor. The church needs it, too. It helps to oil the machinery and prevent friction. There is many an old grouchy brother whose influence for good would be multiplied, if he only knew that laughter is divine and not devilish. It can help us over many a bumpy road. Henry Rutherford Elliott wrote:

Are you worsted in a fight?
Laugh it off.
Are you cheated of your right?
Laugh it off.
Don't make tragedies of trifles,
Don't shoot butterflies with rifles
Laugh it off.
Does your work get into kinks?
Laugh it off.
Are you near all sorts of brinks?
Laugh it off.
If it's sanity you're after
There's no strategy like laughter—
Laugh it off.

II. WHEN LIFE LACKS BALANCE

Humor like anything else can be overdone. This fact is often illustrated in the lives of those who are devoted to the production of the conventional laugh. The fact must be recognized that there are specters of gloom and serious concern that no merriment can chase away. There are sorrows too deep and difficulties too hard for humor ever to remove, but the vulgar and ungodly attempt such cheap malpractice on human souls.

Charles Matthews was said to be the greatest English comedian of his day. He could make the great city of London merry. Worn out in body and brain, he became a victim of sad despair, and

called on an English specialist for treatment, exclaiming: "Doctor, what can you do for me? I am so sad it seems my heart will break."

The physician made a most thorough examination, and then said, "My advice to you is to go and hear Charles Matthews. You need to laugh. You do not need medicine. His humor will be a satisfactory tonic for your tension."

The poor, nerve-racked comedian replied, "I am Charles Matthews."

To be sure, humor is a helpful ally of faith, but it is not a cure all—not a panacea for human sorrow and seriousness, nor is it intended as a constant diet for the human emotions!

Laughter when one is amused is normal. Smiling from a cheerful heart is praiseworthy, but this cannot be said of the shallow smile which is artificially produced. "Some have turned the smile into an intellectual and religious fad. They are devotees of the cult of grinning," observes Dr. O. W. Taylor. We are often urged to "KEEP SMILING" even when circumstances do not call for it and whether we feel like it or not!

How far removed is such a course from the hypocritical? Some religious gatherings, particularly among young people seem to base their very lives on the premise that "religion is fun." They have so keyed the serious to the idea of "funology" that they seem to think they should make everything funny! So with light remarks interspersed with more or less breezy smiles, they discuss everything from Gobel to Golgotha with no obvious change in spiritual tone or emotional pace!

Such people have evidently never read any of the great soul-stirring literature of the Scriptures which call for a "broken and a contrite heart." When this situation prevails, then certainly LIFE LACKS BALANCE. Helpful as may be a good sense of humor, and as lamentable as it is for one never to laugh, it is downright tragic when national personalities and religious leaders get the idea that they must always be tickling the funnybone even when things are supposed to be dead serious!

III. A TIME TO WEEP

The writer of Ecclesiastes is right. There is a time to weep! More often than some think there is a time for serious thought and determined action.

In a day when international diplomatic relations are so tense that World War III could explode with atomic fury at any moment . . .

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Church and State Trouble in Argentina

According to the *Associated Press*, two key pro-Government newspapers in Argentina (April 3) were battling alongside President Juan D. Peron and his associates to bring an early end to "Roman Catholicism's privileged status as Argentina's state church."

The papers, *Democracia* and *La Prensa*, long recognized as the official voices of Peron's regime and, in all probability, of a great many more in that country, came out with editorials which plainly and sharply advocated making constitutional changes which would do away with the present status of the Roman Catholic Church.

It seems that *Democracia* started the battle to make the changes in the Constitution which would put the Roman Catholic Church on the same level as other religious denominations in that country.

For the past five months the sharp political and religious conflict has been growing hotter by the day between the Peron regime and the Roman Catholic hierarchy. *La Prensa* charged that the hierarchy is carrying on a "crafty" campaign to create problems for the Government and to break down the influence of Peron and his associates. This, it is charged, is being done because of the Government's efforts to eliminate the power of the hierarchy in political affairs. And the paper added that the "malicious position" of the hierarchy amounts to "subversion," and that there is no way to resolve the present crisis but by the "elimination of all that presently is the cause of the friction."

La Prensa, in its argument in favor of absolute separation of church and state, cited the United States as an ideal example, stating that in our country (U.S.) church and state are completely separate. That paper then said that if the hierarchy in Argentina continues to make disturbances in the Government's affairs, then the Government should follow the example of "other advanced countries" and take all necessary steps to change the Constitution so as to do away with the "bad faith sectarianism"—referring to the Roman Catholic hierarchy's present status and attitude toward the Government.

The Constitution of Argentina not only recognizes the Roman Catholic Church as the official state church but requires that the president shall be a Roman Catholic. Under the Constitution the Government controls the appointment of the archbishops, the bishops, and many parish priests. The Government gives financial support to the "church" and its private schools. Peron, a Catholic, has charged that some of the Roman Catholic clergymen are "open enemies." In the trouble, a number of priests have been arrested for causing disturbances, and a good many priests have been discharged from their teaching positions in Catholic schools.

A Clear Picture

The trouble in Argentina offers a clear and accurate picture of what takes place in any country where the government is dominated by a religious sect, or, in other words, where there is a state church. Union of church and state means one of two

things (and sometimes both): The "church" dominates the government or the government dominates the "church." The religious sect which accepts funds from a government is inviting the day when that government will control the "church" and its institutions. It has been so down through the ages, and it will continue so. And the government which allows any religious sect to gain control of its political affairs is inviting trouble, not only for itself but for all other religious groups in that particular country. What a pity that Argentina did not recognize this years ago; and what a pity that other church-dominated governments do not recognize and avoid it. And it is a pity, also, that our Roman Catholic neighbors have through the centuries been blind, seemingly, to the dangers of an official tie-in with government. It has happened with them again and again, as history reveals.

We, here in the United States, shall do well to keep our eyes open to the dangers involved when any religious group seeks or allows itself and its institutions to be subsidized by the Government. This paper has again and again said that we are on dangerous grounds—*exceedingly dangerous*—when government funds are sought or accepted by any religious institution for any purpose whatsoever.

Argentina offers, for those who have eyes to see the truth, a clear example of the dangers involved in the union of church and state. It means trouble for the "church." It means trouble for the government. It means destruction of religious liberties for those not of the state church. It is contrary to the teachings of the New Testament. When local, or state, or national officials, of whatever departments, play into the hands of any one religious sect, they are inviting trouble and hastening the day of reckoning.

Every one of us should keep his eyes on that First Amendment of our Constitution. Let people say what they will, the truth remains: When any religious sect gets its nose into the tent, the camel will follow soon. And, ultimately, it means trouble both for the tent and the camel, as well as for those who dwell in the tent.

North Carolina Baptists Strengthen Education Program

According to a *Baptist Press* release, the Gardner-Webb Junior College, Boiling Springs, N.C., is making plans for the erection of a number of new buildings on its campus.

An enlargement campaign is already in progress and a goal of \$1,750,000 has been set to complete the total program.

Gardner-Webb College will be fifty years old in 1957, and every effort is being exerted to raise that amount of money before then.

The total plan includes six new buildings and the enlargement of the endowment fund by \$750,000. Also included in the plan is a girls' dormitory which will cost in the neighborhood of \$180,000 and which will house 100 students.

Thus are Southern Baptists becoming increasing-

ly conscious of the need of far greater emphasis on Christian Education. It is the same in just about all states of the Convention's territory.

Here in Kentucky

The best way to advance Christian Education, along with all other causes fostered by our churches, is by vastly increasing our gifts through the Cooperative Program.

Kentucky Baptists have this year one of their greatest opportunities through support of the budget of the General Association.

After the basic budget of \$1,700,000 has been reached (which budget divides the funds on the announced basis to all the causes fostered), then 75 per cent of all funds beyond the basic budget will go to our schools and colleges. The remaining 25 per cent of the amount raised beyond the basic budget will be divided equally between Southwide Missions and State Missions.

In addition to this, we are to keep prayerfully in mind the great offering to be taken in all the churches of the General Association June 12. It is earnestly hoped that an additional \$200,000 may be raised on that Sunday for support of all causes fostered through the Cooperative Program. More will be said about this from time to time both editorially and by special articles from some of our brethren.

The Hindered Christ

Much as we believe in the complete sovereignty of God, we must admit that His holy purposes for men have been and are being hindered.

He said in Deuteronomy 5:29: "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep my commandments always, that it might be

well with them, and with their children forever." He longed to do more for them and through them than their condition of heart and attitude would allow.

And Mark wrote concerning Christ's visit to His own neighborhood: "And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them. And he marveled because of their unbelief, and he went around the villages teaching." Matthew's statement concerning the incident was: "And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief" (Matt. 13:58).

We can all but hear again the sobbing cry of Jesus over Jerusalem: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, but ye would not" (Matt. 23:37). And He said to others, "Ye will not come to me, that ye might have life" (Jno. 5:40). He yearned to do for them, but was hindered by their unbelief and sin.

He yearns not only for the unsaved to repent and believe, but also in behalf of those who bear His name. So many are hindering and limiting the victories which He could and would accomplish through them. And they are hindering the whole cause of Christ!

Are there not those who need to get out of Christ's way? And how shall they get out of Christ's way? By going along *with Him*, by doing His will! God is sovereign, omnipotent, omniscient; but He had made man with the power of choice, the power of surrender.

What a different situation there would be among Southern Baptists if only Christ had His way with every one of them!

Myers and Rogers Filming Pictures in Foreign Countries

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Truett Myers and Ralph Rogers, Baptist Sunday School Board workers, left Nashville recently for a six-week trip to fifteen European, Asiatic, and African countries, to make pictures on Southern Baptist foreign mission work. Myers is production supervisor of the motion picture unit of Broadman films, the Board's film agency, and Rogers is photographer and film technician.

Myers and Rogers left New York March 13 via TWA for Madrid. From there they will go to mission points in the Near East and Southern Rhodesia, to make pictures for two motion picture films on Southern Baptist work. One picture has been titled, "Balm in Gilead," and will show how the gospel of Christ goes back to Gilead through Southern Baptist foreign mission work. The other film is on the Baptist work in Southern Rhodesia.

The trip is the completion of the visit

made last year by Earl Waldrup and Fon H. Scofield, Jr., workers in the audio-visual aids departments of the Sunday School Board and the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, respectively, when they surveyed the countries preparatory to the production of the two films.

Georgetown's Ex-Math Teacher Dies In Pennsylvania

LEWISBURG, Penna., March 13. — Dr. Clarence H. Richardson, 64, professor of mathematics at Bucknell University here for the last 27 years, and teacher of the same subject in Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky., for the decade, 1918-1928, was found dead in his bed this morning. His case was diagnosed as a heart attack.

Dr. Richardson was a native of West

Plains, Mo., where he was born July 21, 1890, a son of Nannie Hudson and Elias Francis Richardson.

He was married November 7, 1913, to Miss Agnes Brownfield, of Buffalo, Ky., who survives him, as do two sons, Clarence H. Richardson, Jr., lawyer, Louisville, Ky., and Robert B. Richardson, who is pursuing post-graduate courses in the University of Michigan. He also leaves two grandsons.

►Miss Edna Hickman has been named manager of the Birmingham, Alabama, Baptist Book Store, succeeding Mrs. T. M. Floyd who is retiring June 30.

►Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lee Oliver, Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan, announce the birth of William Edward, II, on March 11 in Louisville. They are in the States on furlough and are living at 202 North Birchwood, Louisville, where they make their permanent American home. Mrs. Oliver, the former Susan Pyles, is a native of Louisville.

Excluding Members— Yes or No?

By DR. MAX STANFIELD
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Shall we have no church discipline? Or just a little? If so, when, why, and how? Most church leaders would like to have some answers.

They have seen the tragedy of poorly executed and poorly timed exclusion of members, resulting in bitterness and abandon. On the other hand, they have noticed the weakening voice of churches which have ignored the presence of sin too foul to endure.

Just as we find in most dilemmas, the answer is in Holy Writ. Paul gave us the solution in the fifth chapter of First Corinthians. He told the church at Corinth just what we need to know about a case of church discipline. They were endangering the morals of an entire congregation by allowing sin to continue unnoticed among them.

Take note concerning the occasion of his advising this act of church discipline. It was concerning a sin of incomparable smell, a sin that would sicken even the heathen about them. You can see that it was more than a case of young people who yielded to social pressure and went to a dance. It was worse than the act of disagreeing with the pastor. It was a sin violently evil, immeasurably immoral, without defense anywhere, any time, for anybody. It was an objective reality, no question of personalities involved. It was just a terrible thing in anybody's eyes.

In verse 11 the Apostle continues his lesson by naming this and five other types of wrong doing which would justify the withdrawal of fellowship. The shyster, the idolater, the slanderous troublemaker, the habitually drunken and the robber should not have their sin and the blessings of church fellowship at the same time.

The occasion of Paul's scathing rebuke was also in the fact of their arrogance. They were know-it-alls who knew nothing, pupils who could not be taught. They were so concerned with establishing which faction was to rule that they couldn't see the presence of Satan among them. While they fought each other over trifles, the enemy was destroying them with this stinking, shameful sin.

But the Apostle's command was not limited to what should be done. His choice of terms answers clearly how church discipline should be practiced.

He uses four expressions, each of which says volumes.

"Deliver to Satan for the destruction of the flesh" is one of them. It is the same word that Paul uses in Romans 1:24, 26 and 28 when he says that "God gave them up" to lusts, dishonorable passions and to a base mind. It simply means that if a man is that determined to do evil, turn him loose.

Another expression is in verses 2 and 13, "Remove" or "put away from among you." It means to remove by lifting up and away. Discipline is to improve fellowship, not to harm it.

"Cleanse out the old leaven" is still another expression. Like the removal of a bad tooth, a rotten apple, or a source of infection, it is necessary, if the whole is to be saved.

The other expression summarized means "withdraw fellowship." In the first part of verse 11 "do not keep company" or "associate with" is the term; in the latter part of the same verse it is "do not eat with." In other words, deprive him of your church fellowship, if he is such a person.

We can see that there is nothing but kindness and good intent in an act which can be described by these terms.

Just as clear are the reasons behind any act of church discipline. They are, namely, the fact that sin like yeast spreads quickly; the presence of evil is inconsistent with true Christian fellowship; the church does have responsibility and authority in the matter; and a drastic situation demands a drastic operation for remedy.

The fact that yeast spreads quickly through the entire lump of dough Paul assumes that they ought to know. His amazement is that they do not realize that sin is the same. Like grapes, the fruit of sin is usually in clusters. Snakes and sins travel in pairs. There just is no such thing as a single evil. Doctors scrub interminably and then wear sterile gloves because they fear the multiplying power of even one microbe. That is the reason for church discipline; sin must not be allowed to multiply.

The second reason has to do with the inconsistency of evil with the Christian life. Paul continues to use the yeast as his illustration, relating our fellowship to a festival commemorating Christ's

sacrifice and reminding us that it calls for unleavened bread. Indeed, the ministry of the church is difficult enough with a membership pure from defiling evil. It is virtually impossible with the contradiction of sin among the members.

Thirdly, when looking for a reason we see it in the fact that the church has both authority and responsibility in such matters (V. 12). The church cannot deal with the evil deeds of the world without, but it ought to judge those on the inside. Who else can? Like the old saying, "It is no disgrace to get bedbugs but is a disgrace to keep them," the church which does not deal with such flagrant evils must hang its head in shame.

It is all summed up in the last reason—if it is bad enough to be drastic, it demands a drastic remedy. Serious as is the exclusion of a member, more serious would be not excluding such a member.

What then are the facts in the matter? Church discipline is without doubt Scriptural.

Church discipline should be done democratically ("when you are assembled").

Church discipline is remedial, not penal. We are to cure, not to punish. "Do not look upon him as an enemy but warn him as a brother" (II Thess. 3:15).

Church discipline has nothing to do with final destruction. The membership of the church may be the church's business, but the population of heaven is God's (V. 5).

Church discipline is only a final resort to stop the spread of sin. "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in a spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted" (Gal. 6:1). It should never be sought as the first solution. To do so would be to confess it a tool of malice and destruction void of Christian sympathy and godly patience.

There should be no question about the sinfulness of the sin, about the guilt of the sinner, about the damage to the spirituality and reputation of the church, if church discipline is to be invoked. There should be no variation from a Christlike spirit in its execution. But if all these things be true, there should be no hesitation. It should be done!—*Baptist Messenger*.

►The recent election in Japan produced a total of 15 Christian Diet-members, or 3.2% of the total membership. This is significant in the light of the fact that only .5% of the population of Japan is Christian. How many of these new members are active Christians is in doubt, but it is known that at least a half-dozen are loyal and active in their local churches. Christianity has had for a long time an influence in Japan that is more powerful than its numbers.

Jesus, the Master Soul-Winner

By LAWRENCE MARTIN, Pastor
First Baptist Church
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"Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."—Matthew 4:19.

"What think ye of Christ?" is a question that has thundered its way, echoing and re-echoing, down the chasm of the centuries.

Men have reacted in two basic ways. Some have found the gospel through faith to be the power of God unto salvation. Others have found the preaching of the cross to appear as foolishness (Romans 1:16; 1 Corinthians 1:18). They often hear its challenge as if in a dream—as if it were something upon which to feast the mind and with which to amuse oneself through idle speculation. For these, who do not realize the crisis it brings in men's lives and the urgency of its appeal, there must go forth a clarion call to awake and repent.

Public proclamation alone will not do the task. The method of personal evangelism, as old as the Christian religion itself, is the answer. In this, as in many other Kingdom enterprises, we revert to the example of our Lord.

The Characteristics of Jesus

He knew God the Father in His heart. He realized a unique relationship between Himself and the Father. This He never doubted. Throughout His ministry he had a close relationship with the Father, to whom prayer was made often and with naturalness. His last words on the cross were a commitment of his spirit into the hands of the Father.

He told others of God by His life. All his life was one great example of God at work among men. He said to his own, "For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you."

He had a compassion for lost souls. His heart went out to people of all walks of life. He looked upon the multitudes and thought of them sorrowfully as sheep having no shepherd. He stipulated that little children should be permitted to come to Him even during His most busy moments. A familiar phrase recurs throughout the Gospels, ". . . And he was moved with compassion . . ."

He used tact and diplomacy. With Jesus there were always gentleness and longsuffering for those who sought to know the true way of life. He was most careful in speech when dealing with the most sordid things in men's lives. He did not probe into their pasts. He did not assume the "aha" attitude or employ condemnatory reprimand; for

Him it was rather the understanding look, the assurance of forgiveness, the challenge to "sin no more."

He depended upon the power of the Holy Spirit. The presence and power of the Father in the Spirit he never doubted. The help of that same Spirit he promised and sent.

Having seen the characteristics of Jesus as a soul-winner, we note HIS METHODS IN SOUL-WINNING.

His simplicity was marvelous. The most profound thoughts He clothed in simple and beautiful language. Great truths He made plain by the telling of a simple story. This is why it is said of him, "The common people heard him gladly."

His approach was both direct and indirect. In the Sermon on the Mount, with originality and force, by the use of short pithy expressions void of apology, He exclaimed, "Ye have heard . . . but I say unto you . . ." At the house of Simon He told him plainly that the sinful woman in penitence and love had made for his coming a greater preparation and shown more hospitality. Contrast this, if you will, with the indirectness and gentleness with which he brought Andrew to believe upon him

Home Mission Board Has New Church Aid Program

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board has announced a new plan under which it will buy building bonds to aid Baptist churches in their growth.

The new arrangement provides that the Board may buy, in certain cases, up to 20 per cent of the bonds issued when the total amount bought does not exceed \$10,000.

Minimum interest rate on the bonds must be 5 per cent and they must mature within eight years.

G. Frank Garrison, superintendent of church loans for the Board, said the 5 per cent interest fee compares favorably with that on commercial loans.

The money loaned to churches under the program will come from the Board's memorial fund, which contains undesignated bequests to home mission work. Interest payments will go into the general home mission fund for Board work.

and with the masterful touch he employed in the use of the Elder Brother in the Parable of the Two Sons to silence his critics and accusers.

His attitude was that of tenderness toward sinners who recognized themselves as such and of scorn for hypocrites. "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden," He pleaded, "and I will give you rest." But the same great heart cried out, "Woe to the Scribes, the Pharisees, and the hypocrites!" To those who observed the letter of the Sacred Law but neglected its spirit, who carried about them the air of piety but within were full of sin's pollution, who lauded the great prophets of old but refused the admonition to "do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God," who claimed to love the Scriptures but made it a closed book to the masses, he had nothing but denunciation.

We cannot fail to notice His emphasis on a teaching ministry. Jesus was called a teacher far more often than a preacher. His whole program was built around teaching: first He taught how to be converted and then he taught and trained converts in the fine art of Christian living. In an educational age we still learn from His methods. And we should never forget His sources: He knew his Father; He knew the Scriptures; He knew human needs, attitudes, and behavior.

As Jesus went forth to win, so may all of us. Let us take these traits and methods of His, and add to them His persistence and faith. Let us, like Him, place none outside the reach of God's power. Let us go forth as He commanded in the Parable, into the highways and hedges of this world, with a compelling force, that men may be saved.

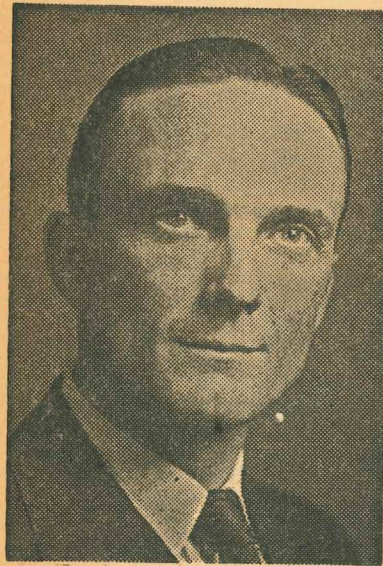
Garrison reported the bond plan was devised because the Home Mission Board's church extension loans, already available for some time, could not provide some churches with enough money to meet building needs.

Churches asking the Board to buy bonds must state that at least 50 per cent of the bonds already have been sold and collected for. The mission board will require each church to fill out a four-page application folder giving data on its overall bond issue, its church banking, its building and property, its previous year's financial statement and other information.

A Board representative will conduct surveys if necessary.

►Melvin E. Torstrick assumed his new duties as pastor of the Sand Spring Baptist Church, Lawrenceburg, Ky., on March 20.

Kentucky Baptists Seek to Raise \$200,000 in One Day

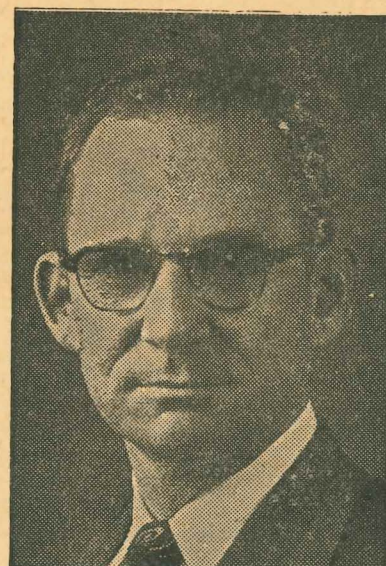


H. Leo Eddleman

Baptists of Kentucky will attempt to raise \$200,000 in one day as a special offering for their Cooperative Program, Dr. W. C. Boone, general secretary of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, has announced. Sunday, June 12, has been designated Cooperative Program Day by the Association, and their 2,254 affiliated churches are being invited to take special offerings that day.

Leading the special fund effort is the Christian Education Department of the General Association. Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, president of Georgetown College and former chairman of the Executive Board of the denomination, is state chairman for the campaign, and the Rev. Erwin L. McDonald, executive secretary of education for Kentucky Baptists, is campaign director.

The Cooperative Program is a world mission budget devised by Baptists for the support of all their denominational enterprises, such as state, home and foreign missions, Christian Education,



Erwin L. McDonald

hospitalization, children's homes and assembly camps.

By special vote of the Baptists in their annual state General Association last fall in Georgetown, all Cooperative Program funds received this year in excess of a basic budget of \$1,700,000 will be divided between Christian Education and Missions. Seventy-five per cent of the surplus will be distributed among the Kentucky Baptist schools and colleges. They are Georgetown College at Georgetown, Bethel at Hopkinsville, Campbellsville at Campbellsville, and Cumberland at Williamsburg; and Mountain Preachers School, Magoffin and Oneida Institutes.

Kentucky Baptist Missions will receive 12½ per cent of the extra funds; and the remaining 12½ per cent will go to Baptist home and foreign missions.

Campaign headquarters are being set up in the Kentucky Baptist Building, 127 East Broadway, Louisville.

Congressman Siler Addresses Brotherhood, Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Congressman Eugene Siler, former moderator of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, recently addressed the regular monthly meeting of the Brotherhood of Fountain Memorial Baptist Church, this city.

Concerning the address by Siler, Pastor Charles W. Holland, Jr., said: "Ninety-four men were amazed to hear

a Congressman walk into the pulpit, take a text and preach (I do mean preach) a wonderful thirty-minute sermon."

Pastor Holland, formerly of Louisville, Ky., stated also that he was happy some weeks ago to have lunch with Congressman Siler in the dining room of the House of Representatives, Capital Building. Other Congressmen were present, and the pastor stated he learned

some things first hand concerning some of the Congressmen. The pastor said:

"At this time a volunteer prayer group had been meeting for five weeks. This meeting was open to Congressmen, only, to meet together at eight to nine o'clock and pray. No ministers or others were invited so that they were no pressure whatsoever. This meeting meant that they voluntarily came to work one hour early to be present. Congressman Doyle of California told me that they had averaged forty-five in attendance for the last five weeks. This was over ten per cent of the House of Representatives. We hear much of the bad news from our Nation's Capital, but somehow news like this is not made public. We, as Baptist ministers, in checking out in midweek prayer meeting attendance, may find it sometimes falls below the ten per cent of the number on our church rolls."

And Pastor Holland adds: "Let us pray earnestly for those in our Government who are church men and women as they fight a battle against overwhelming odds. And let us not forget, as we talk to God, to pray for those that are in high places but do not know the Master."

Communists Failing in Effort to Compel Study of Language

(U. S. Information Agency)

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Communists are failing in their efforts to stamp out the long-smouldering opposition to compulsory study of the Russian language in the Soviet satellite countries, the U.S. Information Agency reported today.

In an overseas press commentary citing the recent strike of East German high school students against Russian lessons was another indication of Moscow's recurrent difficulties in making Russian the common language of the Soviet orbit, the Information Agency recalled that satellite newspapers have admitted from time to time that Russian language instruction is meeting public apathy and even open resentment.

Throughout Eastern Europe and to a lesser extent in the Communist area of Asia as well, Russian is a mandatory study. Graduation from elementary schools in East Germany, for example, requires completion of a Russian-language examination. Russian courses became compulsory in the school systems of the Soviet satellites in 1948 and 1949. Until then there was little student response to Communist pleas for attendance in the Russian classes. In Hungary only three per cent of the students elected to study Russian in 1947, when they still had a choice. But 53 per cent took German; 30 per cent English, and 29 per cent French.

Special Offering For the Cooperative Program

By DR. GEORGE RAGLAND
Lexington, Kentucky

Kentucky Baptists at the last session of the General Association at Georgetown, Kentucky, in November 1954 agreed to a special offering for the Cooperative Program on Sunday, June 12, 1955.

The purpose of this offering is to make the Cooperative Program gifts reach the proposed basic budget of \$1,700,000 and go beyond it in order that the surplus may be devoted twelve and a half per cent to Southwide Missions, twelve and a half per cent to State Missions and seventy-five per cent to Christian Education.

In keeping with this action of the General Association the educational forces of the state have set themselves to do everything possible to make the Cooperative Program gifts as large as possible. The Department of Christian Education has already been giving attention to the matter and is continuing its planning that the offering on June 12 may be a really worthwhile proof of the interest of Kentucky Baptists in our Baptist schools.

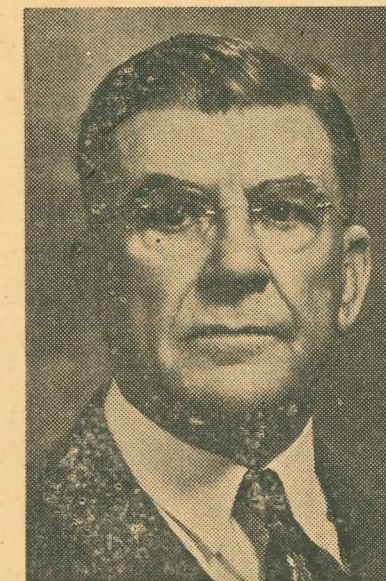
The Department of Christian Education has already had conferences concerning the promotion of this matter. At the meeting of the body in Louisville on March 21, there was evident enthusiasm on the part of the representatives of our schools and the members of the directors of the department.

Another meeting was called for Tuesday, March 29, to consider the matter further. Each successive meeting has seen an increased interest and a consequent determination to go all out in the June offering.

It will be greatly to the encouragement of all of our work if the Cooperative Program offering of that day can show that Kentucky Baptists are ready to add to their regular Cooperative Program giving additional funds for the enlargement of all the work.

In such an enlargement the welfare of our schools is a primary consideration. We believe that a great offering on June 12 will not only magnify the Cooperative Program which is fundamentally our hope and scripturally our direction but will likewise call to the attention of our Baptist people the needs of our schools. There is no reason why we should wait to be moved sentimentally for such a worthy part of our work.

We can be sure that our Baptist people will take care of our children's homes and hospitals. There is enough sincere sympathy and sentiment to assure this. But we must never forget that Baptist education is as vital to our future as hospitals and homes are to our present. It is good to take care of fatherless children and it is good to



Dr. George Ragland

heal broken bodies but the crying need of the present day is a concern for the proper instruction of those who will be in the leadership of our churches as pastors and members in the days ahead. We have no right under God to leave the instruction of our Baptist youth to tax endowed institutions which cannot give the Baptist and scriptural emphasis which will undergird our Baptist work when the youth of today shall become the men and women of tomorrow.

The special Cooperative Program offering ordered by the General Association at its last session for June 12, will soon be here. Every possible preparation must be made to make it not only a large offering but such an enthusiastic response as will show that Kentucky Baptists believe in Christian education.

We believe that God has given to Kentucky Baptists a large measure of responsibility for the propagation of His truth as Baptists believe it. We do not know anywhere in the Southern Baptist Convention a group of people who want

to be truer to the Word than Kentucky Baptists and we want to show the world that we back up our beliefs with our gifts.

No people who are always at the receiving end can ever give the testimony of those who are at the giving end.

We need not fool ourselves by merely praising our Kentucky Baptist schools and colleges. Praise of lip is good but praise of purse is better.

We trust that every Baptist pastor and church in Kentucky will begin at once to prepare for a great Cooperative Program offering on June 12. We believe that here is the opportunity of a challenge and likewise the opportunity of a great testimony.

Let us all determine that we will give God the testimony and give the Cooperative Program the money and advance the whole program in such fashion as to encourage the educational forces of our schools and colleges. They are certainly worthy of our best.

Cooperative Program Film To Be Premiered in May

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — (BU) — Southern Baptist Convention leaders will join Memphis area Baptists to witness the premiere showing of "Together we Build," a film explaining operation of the Cooperative Program, May 6 here.

The motion picture, first in a planned series, tells how Ralph Watson, a typical businessman who has not been too active in church affairs, discovers firsthand how the Cooperative Program works.

Temple Baptist Church has been chosen as site for the premiere showing of the 30-minute movie, which will be made available at standard rental prices.

It was in Memphis in May 1925, that the Cooperative Program, as carried on today, was adopted at a session of the Southern Baptist Convention. Production of the film commemorates the thirtieth anniversary of that event.

Purpose of the film, the first on the Cooperative Program to be produced jointly by Broadman Films and the Executive Committee of the Convention, is to aid local churches which conduct Church and Denomination Nights this fall.

State Baptist secretaries, in co-operation with their Baptist Book Stores, have been asked to sponsor state premieres of the film in each state headquarters' city following the Convention premiere here and to show the picture during their state convention meetings this fall.

To be shown for the first time also during the May 6 premiere will be a filmstrip in color on the Cooperative Program, entitled "Hours that Bless." This filmstrip and a companion one in color, "The Best Minutes," will also be available, but on a purchase basis.

When You Go to England

By JAMES H. BLACKMORE
Pastor, Spring Hope Baptist Church,
Spring Hope, North Carolina

Many Baptist people will be packing soon for the Golden Jubilee Congress of the Baptist World Alliance which will meet in London, July 16-22.

Having been privileged to visit Great Britain twice in recent years (with one of those visits extending two years), I might be able to give some helpful tips to those prospective travelers.

First, think of Great Britain as a foreign country. It is true that we speak the same language (or nearly so) but that may mislead you into thinking we are of the same nationality.

The citizens of Great Britain are proud of their country, and they have a right to be so. Many of their ways are different from ours; but before we find fault, we should try to understand their customs.

Some of our differences are explainable by climate. We like our tea iced, but in a cool damp climate you will find a cup of hot tea very good, even in summer. And you might try to keep your clothes pressed just right, but finally the fog will take conceit out of you and you will come to realize that the crease in your trousers was not so important after all.

There is no need of complaining about the weather; the British can't do anything about it (not even the Socialists). As they say if you don't like it, just stick around; it will change. Expect cool, rainy, raw weather; you might be surprised to have a day of sunshine, but that will be extra. With no part of Great Britain more than 50 miles from the sea, you can count on rain and fog; learn to enjoy it. (There are times you can't tell the two apart; then again it just seems to go up and down, like a yo-yo.)

And don't call everybody over there "English," for a Scotsman likes to be called English just about as much as a Southerner likes to be called a Yankee. They will call you a Yank, but they just don't know any better. Some of the British have heard of the War Between the States, but they don't understand much about it. Neither do we understand much about the wars between England and Scotland. You are safe to call everybody "British," which is equivalent to our being called "American."

Their money will cause you more trouble than all the other currencies of Europe put together, for most of the continental countries have decimal sys-

tems similar to ours. The pound system of Great Britain is ancient, and the British like old things; besides, they can weigh their money as well as count it. Before you speak too loudly about their archaic system of money, think up a good answer for the French who will ask you about America's archaic way of

Mrs. Sadie Morris Goes From Magoffin Staff to Oneida Baptist Institute



Mrs. Sadie Morris

ONEIDA, Ky. — Mrs. Sadie Morris, formerly a member of the staff of Magoffin Institute, resigned that position recently to become secretary-treasurer of Oneida Institute.

A native of Oldham County, Mrs. Morris was educated in the Oldham County and Louisville schools. She formerly served for some time as secretary for a Louisville wholesale company, and, prior to that, as a member of the sales staff of a Louisville appliance firm. She is a member of the First Baptist Church, Oneida, where she teaches a Sunday school class of intermediate girls and serves as counselor in the Intermediate Department of the Training Union.

A daughter and son-in-law of Mrs. Morris, Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Milby, now of the East Bend Baptist Church, at Union, are volunteers for the mission field.

measures and weights; their metrical system is decimal too, and it is very convenient.

Think twice before you shoot off about the royal family. You will find some speakers in Hyde Park who are against royalty, but there are some there who are against everything. Most of the British are devoted to their Queen in a way which is hard for us to understand; but there are some things about America and the way we feel about our country which are hard to explain.

Before you speak of their wasting money on the coronation, remember that likely more money is spent in making a "colossal, gigantic, stupendous" third-rate movie in Hollywood than was spent in crowning Queen Elizabeth. The British like to tease us about our beauty queens, our potato queens, our senior high queens, our queens of the United Diaper Service Clubs; they will ask if this is not evidence of an unconscious desire for a real queen. And believe me, they have a real queen. They like to talk about her and her family. You need not pay much attention to their flag, but when the band starts playing "God Save the Queen," you jump to attention.

You will be disappointed in the size of everything in Britain, but before you boast about your big church back home, remember that most of your folks in the South are descendants from those who, by the thousands, left churches of Britain during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries for the greater freedom of the new world. Also remember that at times and in certain places our Baptist brethren still have it hard. Rather than belittle them, encourage them. If you stay with them very long, you will realize that what they lack in quantity they come near to making up in quality.

There are many great things to see in Britain; there are many things to treasure and remember. There are some little annoyances; there are also some big differences. If your editor will bear with me, I'll write of them another time. [Glad to have another.—R.T.S.]

Dallas's Pastor W. A. Criswell in Revival At Madisonville, First

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas, is the evangelist in a revival at the First Baptist Church in Madisonville, Kentucky, Harold D. Tallant, pastor, during the dates of April 10-17. The services are being conducted each evening at 7:30.

There will be an associational evangelistic rally on Friday morning, April 15 at 10:00 a.m. for the Little Bethel Association in the First Baptist Church, Madisonville, Ky. At this time Dr. Criswell will be the inspirational speaker.

Committee to Study Theological, Religious And Missionary Education Will Make Report To Southern Baptist Convention As Follows:

From the *Baptist Press*, Nashville, we have the following report which will be made to the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami:

"1. That a committee be appointed to further study the need of theological education, and, if deemed advisable and necessary, recommend the location of an additional seminary, and

"2. That the action of the 1950 Convention regarding the relationship of the Southern Baptist Convention to Bible schools be reaffirmed.

"BIBLE SCHOOLS

"1. We recommend to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention that most favorable consideration be given the requests of mountain students who may desire to study in such institutions as Clear Creek Bible Institute of Pineville, Kentucky, or the Baptist Bible Institute of Lakeland, Florida, (now Graceville, Fla.) provided such institutions are approved by their respective state conventions, and that the income from the Opdyke scholarship fund be made available for said students; that the amount of aid annually to each student be increased from \$50 to \$150, if possible; that the ceiling of a total of \$500 per year of aid to students of these institutions be lifted and the number of students aided be increased to the largest possible number.

"2. We further recommend that the Southern Baptist Foundation be instructed to create a Trust, the income of which will be used to aid worthy students who may desire to study in Bible schools of the type mentioned in Recommendation 1, and that the Foundation shall determine how such funds shall be administered.

"3. We recommend that the Southern Baptist Convention does not undertake for the present to operate Bible institutes. (for the present added by Freeman amendment.)"

Signed, Committee

The General Association of Baptists in Kentucky voted unanimously last November in Georgetown to "request the Southern Baptist Convention to enter the Bible Institute fields of ministerial education, and provide at least two or three such institutions for Christian and ministerial training to meet the needs of those who are called to the ministry, but who cannot attend one of our South-wide Seminaries."

The action taken by our General Association further stated:

"... We offer to the Convention as

one of these schools the Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School located near Pineville, Kentucky, subject to ratification by the Trustees of said school . . ."

The *Western Recorder*, in support of the action taken by the General Association, has previously urged all messengers from Kentucky to express themselves in the Miami Convention on the matter concerning which the special committee will make the above quoted report. We believe firmly that the action of the General Association was wise and right, and for the reasons set forth in the action taken. We very definitely

When Life Lacks Balance

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When it is common knowledge that far too many leaders in our own nation are quick to place political expediency above moral principle . . .

When basic cultures are threatened and treasured traditions are tottering . . . When homes and individual lives are disintegrating daily before our very eyes . . .

"When men give unreasonable devotion to sensual satisfaction, insane scrambles after gain; when unmitigated villainies of multitudes of men, and the unblushing vulgarities of multitudes of women abound—along with an undisciplined liberalism that goes nowhere so fast and arrives out of breath . . .

"When the Bible is summoned to appear at the bar of human reason; when spiritual mercury falls low; when black snow falls, and faith's wings are clipped by reason's scissors . . . "When we see the administration of laughing gas for the painless extraction of sin . . . "When civilization seems to be undergoing the frightful process of self-burial . . . "When we are in grave danger of handing down the blood-be-queathed legacies reduced in quality and quantity . . ."—(R. G. Lee, *This Critical Hour*, p. 88).

. . . It is, indeed, a time to weep! Following the preceding analysis, Dr. Lee calls himself and his fellows back to a serious consideration of the purposes of God in this generation. We need to sound the alarm! Too many of us have become insensitive to the seri-

believe it would be an act of wisdom for the Southern Baptist Convention to engage actively in the field of Bible schools or Bible Institutes. More will be said about this later, we hope, by representative writers from over the state.—R. T. S.

Baylor Religious Workers Association

By Bob Feather

DATE—Thursday, May 19, 1955
PLACE—University Baptist Church
Coral Gables, Florida
TIME—Immediately following morning session of the Southern Baptist Convention

PRICE—\$2.00 per plate

Tickets may be secured by writing to Bob Feather, First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky., Ralph Langley, University Baptist Church, Coral Gables, Florida, or H. M. Lindsey, First Baptist Church, Griffin, Georgia.

ousness and unmoved by the ugliness of our modern social-political situation. T. E. Hulme wrote following World War I, "It is as if you said to an old lady at a garden party that there was an escaped lion twenty yards off, and she replied, 'Oh, yes,' and then quietly took another cucumber sandwich!"

CONCLUSION

Jesus wept over Jerusalem and Paul warned people "night and day with tears." There is a time to weep.

Our Lord was a deeply serious man. He was so much in earnest that his friends read in his tired face one day the interpretation of a passage of Scripture that they had never understood before: "The zeal of thine house has eaten me up." He was genuinely in earnest and so deeply serious that he was called "A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." He was so serious that there were times when his face was wet with tears. There were times when he sobbed as only the brokenhearted sob.

To be sure, His was a face which was frequently lighted with a smile of pleasure at seeing the lame healed and the blind made to see. He did sing, but he did also sob. He was no kill-joy when there was reason to rejoice, but he was deadly serious when there was reason to weep. Christ demonstrated the balance between laughter and seriousness, and he is surely the eternal fulfillment of the ideal described by the writer of Ecclesiastes when he penned our text, "There is a time to weep and a time to laugh."

Three Baskets

By GLADYS CLEONE CARPENTER



Illustrated by Carol Critchfield

George and Linda and Dick lived in a trailer. They had come from their home in the east to visit on their uncle's ranch in Texas. Here they had parked their trailer and lived in it with Mother and Dad, just as they used to do at home. Here they had made friends with three Mexican children—Jose, Rita, and Pablo. They had had a good time, but now the time had come for the trailer family to go back home.

"Everything is packed and ready," Linda said.

"No, there are those three Indian baskets," George reminded her.

"Yes, and all the things we have where we play," added Dick.

"Mother says we can't take one more thing," said Linda. "There is no more room in the trailer."

"Oh, can't I take those nice colored rocks I gathered?" asked George.

"No," said Linda, "and I can't take that lovely cactus plant I have either. It just bloomed, too—a big pink blossom."

"I wanted to take Spiky back home with me," said Dick.

Spiky was a horned toad. He lived in a little pen on the ground near the trailer.

"What will we do with all our things?" asked George. "I don't want to go off and leave them here."

"We can put something in each of the three Indian baskets," suggested Linda, "and take them to Jose, Rita, and Pablo, as going-away presents."

George filled his basket with the bright colored rocks he had found. Linda put the can that held her cactus flower in her basket. Dick put Spiky, the little horned toad, in his basket. Then

the three started off to the home of their three Mexican friends. "I wish I could take everything out here in the west home with me," said George.

"You can," said Linda.

Don't be silly," said George.

"I'm not," Linda denied. "You can remember all the things you have seen. You can take them home in your memory."

"Then I'm going to look at Spiky real hard," said Dick. "So I can carry him home in my mind."

"I am pretending I have three baskets you can't see," said Linda. "I've heard people call a stomach a bread-basket, so when I eat I put food in my stomach basket. I have a memory basket, too, which holds things I like to think about."

"What's your third basket?" asked Dick.

"That's my heart basket where I store love and friendship."

"Maybe Jose will give me something to take home," said George. "It would hurt his feelings if I didn't take it. What would I do with it?"

"If they give us things, we'll thank them," said Linda. "Then we'll carry them to the trailer and plan what to do."

By now the children had reached the home of their Mexican friends. The children ran out to meet them.

I brought you a basket filled with my colored rocks," said George to Jose. "You like rocks."

"Oh, si (yes)," said Jose. "Gracias (thanks)!"

"And I brought you this basket with my cactus plant in it," said Linda to Rita.

"Oh, Gracias! I'll leave the plant can

in the basket. It will make our house pretty."

"And here's my toad Spiky," said Dick to Pablo.

Pablo thanked him.

"I'll make a pen for him, and feed him good. I'll call him 'Spiky,' too," Pablo promised.

"We have to go," said George, "Good-by."

"Wait!" Jose said. "We have some going-away presents for you."

The three Mexican children hurried into the house. When they came out, each handed a box to one of their three American friends.

"Thank you," said George and Linda and Dick. "Good-by, now."

Away the children hurried to the trailer.

Daddy and Mother were waiting.

They got into the back seat of the automobile. Then George opened his box.

"Cactus candy!" he exclaimed.

Linda and Dick opened their boxes. They had the same kind of candy. It was in squares, yellow and clear like honey. How glad they were! Now they could put the candy in their stomach baskets. They could carry mind-pictures of things they'd seen in their memory baskets. They could take the friendship and love of the Mexican children in their heart baskets. And the trailer wouldn't be one bit more crowded!

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GOD'S LITTLE CREATURES

(A Poem-Riddle)

By Pauline Tyson Stephens

We buzz among the flowers
That are so bright and sweet,
And make a golden sweet stuff
That is very good to eat.

What are we? _____

Our wings are many colors,
Like gold and red and brown;
We flutter among the flowers
In the country and in town.

What are we? _____

Upon the green, green grasses
We like to hop and play,
And if you try to catch us
We quickly hop away.

What are we? _____

We're busy little creatures
Wherever we are found;
We gather food for winter
And store it in the ground.

What are we? _____

ANSWERS: Bees; butterflies; grasshoppers; ants.

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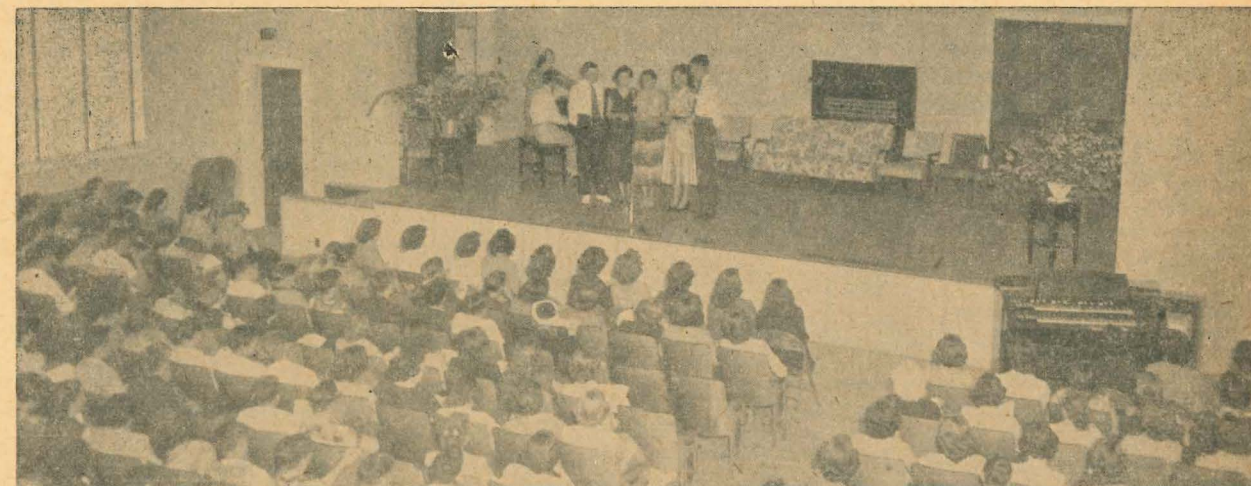
Recommended Distribution of Cooperative Program Funds, 1956

	1955 Operating	1955 Capital	1956 Operating	1956 Capital	1956 Total
Foreign Mission Board	\$2,875,000.00	\$ 600,000.00	\$3,200,000.00	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 3,800,000.00
Home Mission Board	710,000.00	439,800.00	785,000.00	439,800.00	1,224,800.00
Relief and Annuity Board	500,000.00	291,900.00	500,000.00*	291,900.00	791,900.00
Southern Seminary	310,317.00	242,466.67	436,500.00	242,466.67	678,966.67
Southwestern Seminary	360,317.00	242,466.67	463,500.00	242,466.67	705,966.67
New Orleans Seminary	333,316.00	253,203.33	378,000.00	253,203.33	631,203.33
Golden Gate Seminary	204,400.00	199,800.00	249,000.00	199,800.00	448,800.00
Southeastern Seminary	235,650.00	550,363.33	288,000.00	550,363.33	838,363.33
Radio and Television Com.	200,000.00	12,000.00	200,000.00	12,000.00	212,000.00
American Seminary	60,000.00	42,000.00	62,500.00	42,000.00	104,500.00
Carver School	61,000.00		70,000.00		70,000.00
Southern Baptist Hospital	40,000.00	120,000.00	40,000.00	120,000.00	160,000.00
Brotherhood Commission	65,000.00	6,000.00	80,000.00	6,000.00	86,000.00
Public Affairs Commission	15,000.00		16,500.00		16,500.00
Baptist World Alliance	30,000.00		30,000.00		30,000.00
Southern Baptist Foundation	25,000.00		25,000.00		25,000.00
Education Commission	32,000.00		32,000.00		32,000.00
Historical Commission	26,000.00		27,000.00		27,000.00
Christian Life Commission	17,000.00		17,000.00		17,000.00
	6,100,000.00	3,000,000.00	\$6,900,000.00		17,000.00
CONVENTION OPERATING BUDGET			100,000.00		100,000.00
			\$7,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00	\$10,000,000.00

*This item is subject to revision following report of a special subcommittee.

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Simpson Observes "M" Night

On March 14 Simpson Association observed "M" Night at Sulphur Springs Baptist Church. One hundred fourteen people were present from eight churches with two pastors present. Mr. James Whaley from the State Training Union Department spoke on "Be Strong In The Lord."

Owen County Observes Mass Meeting

On Saturday, March 26, an Associational Mass Meeting was held at Owen County with twelve churches repre-

Five Luncheons At State Training Union Convention

For the noon meal on Saturday, May 7, at the State Training Union Convention five luncheons will be held. They are: the Adult Luncheon, the Young People's Luncheon, the Intermediate Luncheon, the Junior Luncheon, and the Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Luncheon. A special program is being prepared for each one using a theme that has been suggested in the *Baptist Training Union Magazine*.

As the convention will begin on Friday night, May 6, it is absolutely necessary to know how many people will be present for each luncheon. The committee in charge is requesting that church secure their tickets for the luncheon before May 2. If for some reason after securing your tickets you find you will not be able to attend, your money will be refunded if requested before May 2. The following form can be used to help you secure your luncheon reservations. After filling it out, send it to MRS. HENRY SHIELDS, 751 ALLENDALE DRIVE, LEXINGTON, KY.

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For the Junior Luncheon:
Jr. (9-12) _____, Jr. Leaders' _____, *Children's _____

For the Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Luncheon:
Nur., Beg., Pri. Leaders' _____, *Children's _____

*Children's tickets are listed for all luncheons in case any Adults attending the luncheon wish to bring their small children.

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(your church) _____

sented and 115 people. Mr. James Whaley from the State Training Union Department spoke at the meeting.

Manual Reviews

Logan County—On March 28 the associational officers from Logan County met to review the Associational Manual. It is expected within a short time to be a standard associational organization.

Lincoln County Association—The associational officers of the Lincoln County Association met at the Crab Orchard Baptist Church on March 7 for a review of the Associational Manual. Mr. George Hale, Jr., the director, has secured a complete list of officers for the association. This is the first time in several years that the association has had all its officers. There were nineteen persons present for the review. Rev. Edward Minars, the missionary for the association, says that every effort will be made to reach the Standard of Excellence required this year.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

Peter the Rock

Question: What does Jesus mean by building the church on the rock? (Matt. 16:13-19). Was it upon the Apostle Peter or upon his faith? The Catholics, I understand, say that Peter was the first Pope and that the church is built upon him.



Dr. R. L. Hudson

Answer: If Peter was the first Pope, it is strange that he never found it out. He would not allow Cornelius to bow down to him (Acts 10:26). Paul withstood him to his face (Gal. 2:11). And Peter himself said that only in the name of Christ can we be saved (Acts 4:10-12), and that each individual Christian is a living stone in the church (1 Peter 2:5)—precisely the same figure of speech that Jesus used.

The fact is, there actually is very little evidence that Peter ever set foot in Rome, *Quo Vadis* and *The Silver Chalice* notwithstanding. In any case, there were no Popes until hundreds of years after Christ. The claim of the Catholic Church is pure religious mythology and forged history.

Jesus meant simply that he was building his church out of people like Peter, including Peter, who had experienced the living faith that Christ is the son of the living God. The rock is Peter who has experienced real faith. But he is no more of a rock than James and John, and the other apostles.

Christ is still building his church out of people whose lives are changed by the living God.

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

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Cedarmore June 13-18

YWA Conference
Ridgecrest June 16-22

Intermediate RA Camp
Cedarmore June 20-24

WMU Conference
(Including BWC)
Ridgecrest June 23-29

Third RA Camp (Juniors)
Cedarmore June 27-July 2

YWA Conference
Cedarmore July 15-17

First GA Camp (Intermediate)
Cedarmore July 18-22

Second GA Camp (Juniors)
Cedarmore July 25-29

Third GA Camp (Juniors)
Cedarmore August 22-26

BWC Camp
Cedarmore September 3-5

RA Leaders' Workshop
(Associational)
Cedarmore September 8-10

Awards Distributed At State Meeting

Awards were distributed in the conferences at the State Meeting for work well-done as follows:

ASSOCIATIONAL WORK

Associational WMU's attaining the Associational Standard of Excellence: Caldwell, Greenville, Little Bethel, Long Run, Muhlenberg, North Bend, Owen County, Pine Mountain.

Associational Young People's Organizations reaching the Associational Standard of Excellence for Young People's work, Caldwell.

The *WMU Loving Cup* was awarded to Allen Association for the highest percentage of A-1 WMS's for the past year.

The *WMU Banner* was awarded to Blackford Association for the highest percentage of new WMS's organized during the year.

The *Young People's Loving Cup* was awarded to Crittenden for the highest

percentage of A-1 young people's organizations for the past year.

The *Young People's Banner* was awarded to Muhlenberg Association for the highest percentage of new young people's organizations for the past year.

A-1 FULL-GRADED UNIONS

(Listed by Associations and churches)
Bell County—Clear Creek and Riverside Churches; Caldwell—Donaldson, Princeton; Crittenden—Crittenden Church; Daviess—McLean—Hall Street

Association and church	Pleasant Valley	Southside
Allen	Siloam	Walton
Scottsville, First	Lincoln	Immanuel
Bays Fork	Drakes Creek	Elsmere
	Mt. Salem	Visalia
Bell County	Little Bethel	Ohio County
Riverside	Earlington	Mt. Carmel
Clear Creek Springs	Grapevine	Rockport
	Harmony	Ohio Valley
Bethel	Slaughters	Poole
Forest Grove	Madisonville, Second	Sturgis, Tabernacle
Trinity	Pleasant Grove	Sullivan
Blackford	Liberty	Owen County
Pellville	Little River	Beech Grove
	Hurricane	Long Ridge
Blood River	Long Run	Mt. Pleasant
Calvert City	Beechwood	New Liberty
Murray, Memorial	Van Buren	Old Cedar
Boone's Creek	Tabernacle	Pine Mountain
Irvine, First	Prospect	Lynch
Bracken	Auburndale	Jenkins
Morehead	West Broadway	Cumberland
Caldwell	Manly Memorial	Pulaski
Kuttawa	St. Matthews	High Street
Pleasant Grove	Garfield Avenue	Salem
Donaldson	Kings	New Salem
Fredonia	Buechel	Buck Grove
	Fisherville	Hill Grove
Campbell County	Calvary	Ekron
Bellevue, First	Weaver Memorial	Seyvern's Valley
	Ormsby Avenue	Blue Ball
Christian County	Lyndon	Rineyville
Hopkinsville, First	Sinking Fork	Sonora
Olivet	23rd and Broadway	Shelby County
Crofton	Southside	Burks Branch
Macedonia	Lees Lane	Simpson
	Highland Park, First	Middleton
Crittenden	Victory Memorial	Ninth and O
Pleasure Ridge	Audubon	Crestwood
Crittenden	Cedar Creek	Clifton Heights
Williamstown	Lynn Acres	Grace
Dry Ridge	Ninth and O	Fourth Avenue
Daviess-McLean	Eden Memorial	Parkland
Eaton Memorial	Owensboro, Third	Fairdale
Owensboro, Third	Hall Street	Monroe
Hall Street	Elkhorn	Tompkinsville
	Clover Bottom	Temple Hill
	Lexington, Grace	Muhlenberg
	Great Crossing	East Union
	Felix Memorial	Greenville, Second
Freedom	Albany	Graham
Cave Springs	Cave Springs	Friendship
Graves County	Cuba	Nelson
Cuba	Greenville	Mt. Washington
	Jackson	Bloomfield
Liberty	Laurel River	North Bend
Cave City	East Pittsburg	Ft. Mitchell
Salem		Latonia
Horse Cave		Sand Run
		Ludlow
		Erlanger
		West Union
		Barlow
		Calvary
		Olivet

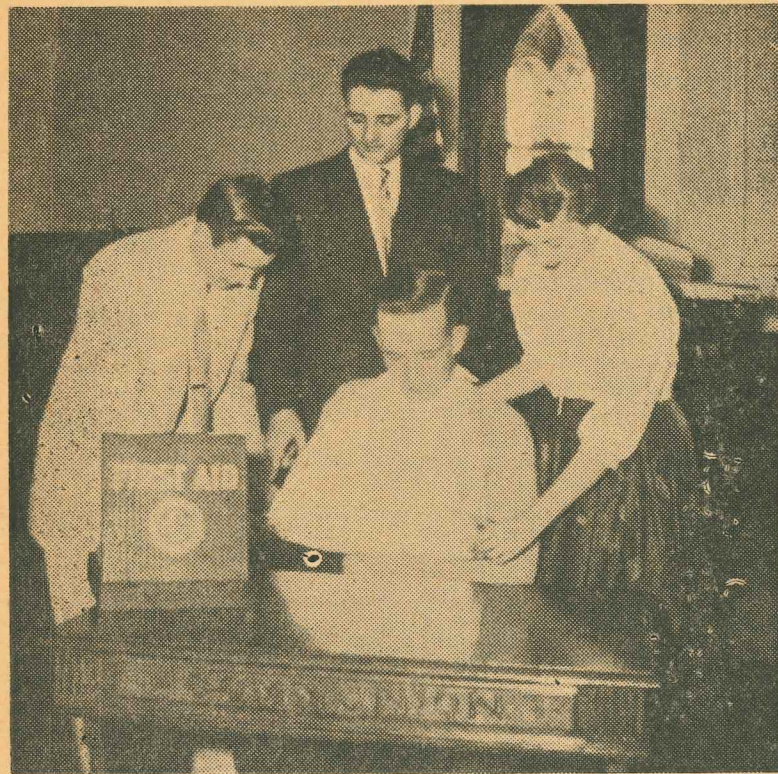
The list of A-1 Young People's Organizations will be given on this page at a later date. This list given here is complete as far as our records show. If your organization reached its Stand-

ard of Excellence and is not listed here, please send us the name of your organizations and the information that you reached all the points on the Standard of Excellence and we will be happy to list it on this page later.

A-1 Woman's Missionary Societies

Following is a list of A-1 (Standard) Societies for 1953-54. This information was gained from superintendents' reports and from questionnaire sent to Regional Vice-President. If there were Societies that were Standard and are not listed here, we are sorry but have not received the correct information:

James Allen Hipps, Young Kentucky Pastor, Combines Life-Saving With Soul-Saving in His Two-Fold Ministry



Pastor James Hipps (dark suit), pastor of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church in Alexandria, Ky., looks on as members of his congregation practice what he has been teaching them in a Red Cross first aid class. Donald Baker, left, and Judy Bittle are shown putting an arm splint on George Gilb.

The Rev. James Allen Hipps is only in his third year as a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, but he is already very busily engaged in a two-fold ministry—saving souls and saving lives.

As pastor of the Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky., he travels to that Campbell County community each Sunday to conduct morning and evening church services, Sunday school and a young people's meeting.

Throughout the rest of the week, besides keeping up with his classes, he works for the Louisville Chapter of the

American Red Cross as assistant director of safety services.

In this post he had a big part in the training of 3,750 Louisvillians in first aid and 6,970 in swimming, boating or lifesaving.

While most of the time Brother Hipps is engaged in saving either souls or lives, he has found that the two jobs go together very well.

At the request of his congregation, he now teaches a Red Cross first-aid course at the church on Sunday afternoons.

Somehow, Brother Hipps also finds time to spend some time with his wife and young son at their home, 1503 Oleanda Court, Louisville.

Gleaning

►Evangelist Jess Moody will assist Pastor H. Rhea Gray in a revival at the Lynn Acres Baptist Church, Louisville, April 17-24.

►Rev. Frank B. Fitzgerald, Shelbyville, Ky., is assisting Pastor William L. Aspy in the simultaneous revival at the Poplar Level Baptist Church, Route 2, Jeffersonton, April 10-17. The music is being led by the pastor's son, David N. Aspy.

►Mrs. George R. Ferguson, executive secretary of the Kentucky W. M. U., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Ruth Ferguson, to Mr. Sam B. Brewer, Louisville. Mr. Brewer is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bowman Brewer, Lebanon, Kentucky. Miss Ferguson is a graduate of Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky., and Mr. Brewer is a graduate of Davidson College, Davidson, N. C., and the Bowling Green Business University, Bowling Green, Ky.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, APRIL 3, 1955

(Numeral after church indicates number of missions.)

Church	T.U.	S.S.
Anchorage, Pleasant Grove (1)	151	282
Ashland, Unity	108	483
Auburn	91	214
Barbourville	151	452
Bardstown	---	394
Beaver Dam (1)	200	471
Bellevue	95	510
Benton, First	109	301
Briensburg	97	224
Bowling Green, Eastwood	77	239
First (2)	368	1,322
Broadhead	---	227
Burlington	81	314
Cadiz	102	300
Campbellsville (3)	---	705
Pleasant Hill	169	292
South Campbellsville	115	308
Carrollton, First	26	270
Central City	263	501
Clay, First	---	255
Cloverport	---	216
Corbin, First	112	395
Central (1)	150	620
Covington, Calvary	---	702
First (1)	146	434
Latonia (2)	303	---
South Side	107	539
Crestwood	51	268
Cynthiana (2)	---	506
Danville, First (2)	224	764
Lexington Avenue (1)	---	632
Dayton, First	---	293
Dawson Springs	66	321
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley (1)	160	784
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	136	570
Grace	---	870
Walnut Street (2)	---	484
Falmouth	---	233
Florence	101	468
Fort Thomas, First (1)	78	350
Frankfort, First (1)	201	931
Crestwood	82	296
Thorn Hill	130	350
Memorial	81	220
Fulton	196	705
Georgetown (1)	104	519
Glasgow (1)	140	732
Grant's Lick	112	206
Greensburg	77	249
Greenville, First	172	418
Harlan	130	733
Harrodsburg (2)	228	972
Hartford	103	260
Hawesville	63	257
Hazard (2)	88	498
Hazel	90	300
Henderson, First (1)	159	665
Immanuel Temple (2)	104	810
Hodgenville, First (1)	139	476
Hopkinsville, First (1)	172	901
Second	191	873
Junction City	80	253
Jellico, Tenn., Crouches Creek	55	256
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	61	331
Lawrenceburg, First	70	447
Lebanon, First	118	---
Leitchfield	101	282
Lexington, Ashland Avenue	---	1,293
Fellowship	---	498
Grace (2)	181	802
Hilcrest	130	393
Immanuel	311	920
Porter Memorial	133	---
Rosemont	87	408
London, First (1)	160	640
Louisville, Audubon	97	255
Baptist Tabernacle	185	698
Baptist Temple	---	317
Beechmont (2)	201	1,045

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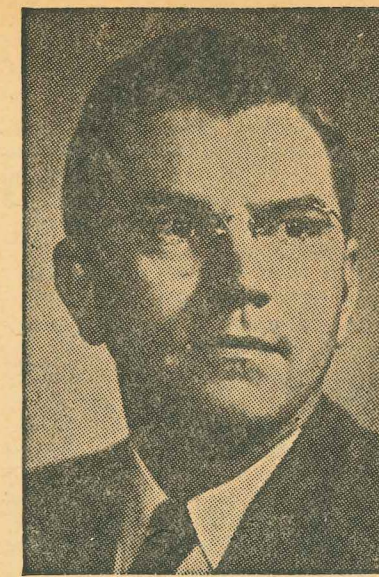
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Ethington Brothers in Revival At East, Louisville



Prentice Ethington, Jr.



W. Howard Ethington

Two Ethington Brothers—W. Howard and Prentice—are to assist Pastor William J. Skasick in a revival meeting April 17-24 at the East Baptist Church of Louisville, Kentucky.

Both men are the products of the East Baptist Church. W. Howard Ethington is now pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cornelia, Georgia, and his previous pastorates have included Baptist Churches in Royston, Ga., Columbus, Ga., and Chattanooga, Tenn.

Howard was converted at the age of twelve years of age, and entered the ministry under the pastorate of Fred G. Tucker, now director of institutional work for Long Run Association. He soon became Junior Sunday school superintendent, Training Union director, church clerk, a deacon, and organist and choir director. He became a student in the University of Louisville, and for three years was the president of the B. S. U. there. He served as organist and choir director at the St. Matthews Baptist Church during 1942-43; and was graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in June, 1943.

His brother, Prentice Junior, was converted at the age of 16 at the time Brother Tucker was pastor at East Church. Unlike his preacher brother, he has gone into the business world, where he is a tabulating supervisor in the machine accounting department in a large Louisville firm, but like his brother, he has served the East Baptist Church in many capacities, such as choir director, deacon, trustee, assistant junior Sunday school superintendent and a teacher in the Junior Department.

The Cornelia pastor will be the evangelist in the East Baptist Church meetings and Prentice Ethington, Jr., will

direct the choir and lead the congregational singing.

Both young men are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Prentice Ethington, Sr., also members of the East Baptist Church.

2,438 Southern Baptists Plan to Attend Baptist World Congress

(By the Baptist Press)

A group of 2,438 Southern Baptists will attend sessions of the Baptist World Congress when it convenes in London, England, July 16-22.

More Baptists are going from Georgia, 373, than from any other state in the Convention. Ranking second in states is Texas, with 353, while 256 North Carolina Baptists plan to attend.

Other leading states include Virginia, 153; Tennessee, 115; Kentucky, 106, and Louisiana and South Carolina, each 102. Four hundred of those attending are not classified according to states.

Hidden Talent Comes to Light at Dallas Meeting

DALLAS, Tex. — (BP) — Ordinarily a minister isn't required to possess the ability to drive a bus, but a local pastor proved he had the hidden talent and that it could come in handy.

City mission superintendents in the Southern Baptist Convention, here for a recent annual meeting, needed someone to drive a bus on a tour of mission points in the city.

Charles Pitts, pastor of Dallas' Highland Baptist Church, (membership 2,500)

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answered the unusual call. He skilfully guided the large vehicle through the city's rush hour traffic for the visiting missionaries.

Pitts revealed later that he had been a school teacher for two years and driving a bus had been part of his responsibility then.

►A portrait of Dr. Floy Barnard, dean of women, professor of educational arts, and a teacher for twenty-two years at the institution, has been unveiled in Woman's Building, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

►The First Baptist Church of Frankfort has called H. Lloyd Stormont to be associate pastor to Dr. Fred T. Moffatt. He will also be a youth worker. Mr. Stormont is a native of Iuka, Miss., and is a graduate of the University of Mississippi and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Mrs. Stormont is also a graduate of the University of Mississippi. They have a small daughter, Amanda.

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Does Your Church Have An Active Cradle Roll?

A letter received from Miss Hannah Brummitt, our Cradle Roll worker from Nashville, suggests ways in which an association can help promote Cradle Roll work in each church. You may take these suggested ways and increase your Cradle Roll work in your association.

1. Meet the pastor and superintendent of churches without a Cradle Roll department. Give them copies of "The Pastor and His Cradle Roll" and "The Cradle Roll Visitor." In two weeks follow this up, and discuss with them the Cradle Roll ministry. Set a time for organizing.
2. Locate a sympathetic person in each church without a Cradle Roll. Work with and through that person to get a department organized.
3. Get representatives from churches without the work to attend monthly associational Sunday school meeting—Cradle Roll conference.
4. Arrange an opportunity to feature Cradle Roll work at pastors' conference. Use one of the pastors with a department to speak on ministry and benefits.
5. Use every opportunity to promote the work—personal visit, letters and cards, individual conversations, association meetings, testimonies.
6. Pray consistently and earnestly for this week in your association.

Intermediate Day—April 24

This is a wonderful opportunity for our churches to lead Intermediates into making life's greatest decisions. Let's go all out in promoting this day in the churches in our association. Any church can plan one day for Intermediates and make it a success.

To help in the planning of this important day a new leaflet just off the press is available. Send for it. Plan to use it in your church. Let's do our best for our Intermediates this year. They will respond when we do our part. Don't forget it's April 24!

State Mission Material

The V. B. S. program places emphasis on State Missions this year. A package of State Mission material has been prepared for each school, free of charge, upon request. If you desire a package of this material, write to the Sunday School Department, 127 East Broadway, Louisville 2, Kentucky, requesting it. Please make clear the name and address of the person to whom the material is to be sent.

This material will only come to your church upon request; therefore, get your order in soon. Remember, only one package to a church.

K. E. A. Reunion for Georgetown Graduates

GEORGETOWN, March 9. — Graduates and former students of Georgetown College are reminded of their reunion luncheon during the Louisville conference of the Kentucky Education Association. The luncheon, on Friday, April 15 at 12:15 p.m., will be in the Louis XVI Room of the Brown Hotel. A HUNDRED TICKETS ONLY ARE AVAILABLE. The tickets, at \$1.25 each, may be obtained from the reunion ticket agent, Mrs. Ann Poindexter Couey, Carrollton, Ky. It is imperative that tickets be bought in advance since the number is limited.

If any tickets are still available during the conference, they will be on sale at the Georgetown College booth in the Brown Hotel (mezzanine).

An overflow crowd attended last year's luncheon, and it is anticipated that an even larger crowd will be present this year.

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Reservations for the big Baptist Men's Tour, May 3-6, are coming in every day. From the looks of things we will have at least 300 which is the goal we hope to reach in numbers of men to make the trip. Remember, Tuesday, April 26 is the "dead line" for making your reservation. We would encourage you to get yours in as soon as you can.

Herewith is a picture of Nelson F. Tull, Brotherhood Secretary of Arkansas, who will be our rally speaker for the tour at Georgetown College, Tuesday, May 3. Tull is a "go getter" and will stir our hearts. Next week we will publish the picture of our speaker for Cumberland College and the next week will follow with the picture of our Bethel College speaker.

Everyone of our institutions are co-operating with us to make this tour something really worthwhile. This is deeply appreciated and we hope our men will take advantage of the opportunity offered them through this tour.

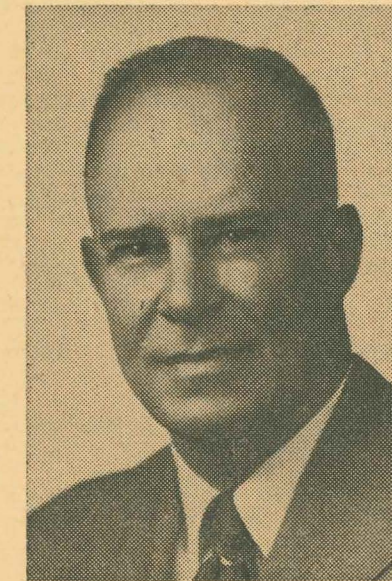
UP TO NOW!

Up to this date, we are now corresponding with three-hundred-eighty-six Brotherhood Presidents. These Brotherhoods represent an approximate membership of thirteen-thousand men. Think Brethren what it will mean to the cause of Baptists in Kentucky when we have reached our minimum goal of nine-hundred Brotherhoods and a membership of thirty-thousand men or more. Remember, the difference in churches

is their enlisted man-power! We are ready to help you brother Pastor when you are ready to organize your Brotherhood.

DON'T FORGET!

We do not want to detract from the promotion of the Baptist Men's Tour, May 3-6, but would remind you to not forget the big Baptist Men's Rally and free barbecue at Cedarmore on Friday, June 24. You will be hearing from us about that.



Nelson F. Tull

Boston Congregation Shocked By Pastor's Sermon, Resignation

(17th Century Baptist Press)

BOSTON, April 2, 1631 — (BP) — Roger Williams, fiery Puritan minister of the Boston church, fired a broadside at the local congregation and government from his pulpit yesterday and then submitted his resignation.

Williams did not escape unscratched, however. In a return volley Bostonians labeled his scorching sermon as "a most foully scandalous and treasonable attack on our holy institutions."

The Puritan minister condemned the Boston church for maintaining a con-

nection with the Church of England, which Williams bitterly fought before he was forced to flee to America to escape persecution.

"I dare not officiate to a congregation not separated from the Church of England," the preacher declared as he tendered his resignation. "I must keep my soul undefiled."

Williams long ago separated from the Church of England, renouncing its authority and practice in open defiance of law. It was for this outspoken opposition that the Bishop of London signed

a warrant for Williams' arrest, forcing the Puritan to flee to America.

"The individual conscience must be free before God," Williams said in his explosive message. "The first four Commandments are private and spiritual, and the government has no right to enforce obedience to them.

"When the government exceeds its rightful bounds, then it, too, is a sinner."

In a statement defending their position against the public attack of the minister, local government officials said, "We are the custodians of the truth. This settlement was made by God's people for the establishment of a true religion from the tyrannies of England and English bishops.

"The truth must be protected by force of law from every encroachment of error. There must not be the slightest deviation from the truth which we believe and which we have established on these shores."

"The Lord Brethren of New England are defining the truth to suit themselves," Williams said in answer to the statement.

Both church and government officials were bewildered by Williams' action. His courageous stand for religious liberty in England won the admiration of many, and he was eagerly sought for the Boston pastorate because of his staunch Puritanism.

But clergy and political leaders likewise agreed that the radical views expressed by Williams in his sermon yesterday would destroy the state if put into practice.

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NEW LIFE, Dept. WR-46, Rowan, Iowa

For April 24, 1955

By H. C. Chiles

Asa's Religious Reforms

Rehoboam had passed away. His son, Abijah, succeeded him. Abijah was not a strong character. Although God had enabled his armies to be victorious, within a very short time Abijah had drifted into polygamous marriages and into the abomination of idolatry. After a reign of three years, he was "gathered to his fathers." At his death, his son, Asa, ascended the throne of Judah when he was approximately twenty years of age. He was an entirely different sort of man and king from his father and grandfather. "And Asa did that which was good and right in the eyes of the Lord his God: For he took away the altars of the strange gods, and the high places, and brake down the images, and cut down the groves; And commanded Judah to seek the Lord God of their fathers, and to do the law and the commandment." II Chronicles 14:2-4.

When this conscientious young king saw what was transpiring, he resolved that he would make some great reforms. He sought to please God by removing the strange altars, breaking down the images and destroying the groves, and trying to get the people to obey the commandments of God. Moreover, Asa capitalized on the ten years of peace in the early part of his reign by reforming the worship and rebuilding the cities which had been devastated during the war with Israel. He also gathered and trained a strong army of something over a half-million troops. Ere long, his kingdom was attacked by the advancing armies of the Ethiopians, which numbered a million men. God miraculously enabled them to overthrow the enemy so completely that they did not send another army into Palestine for three hundred years. Such a decisive victory could never be explained on natural grounds. It came simply because God was with them.

I. THE ADDRESS OF AZARIAH.

II Chronicles 15:1-7.

As that marvelous victory had been preceded by prayerful trust in God, so it was followed by the obedient dedication of the people to Him who had answered their prayers. God inspired and led His prophet, Azariah, to go forth and meet Asa as he was returning from his great victory over the Ethiopians. He reminded the king of the reason for his remarkable victory and urged him to continue in his dependence upon God. He tried to impress him with the fact that the Lord would be with him only as long as he sought to please Him. He told him that the divine blessing was

contingent upon his conformity to the will of God.

Azariah's counsel to Asa, and to the people as well, might be expressed very simply in the words, "Be faithful." In applying this truth to our own lives, it may be said that it is practically impossible to overestimate the value of faithfulness and steadfastness in the service of our Lord. So long as we are loyal and obedient to Him, we shall enjoy His gracious blessings. It is well for us to remember that His presence with us and blessing upon us will mean success and victory. Obedience to Him will always result in victorious living and fruitfulness in Christian service. Those who are right in their relationship to God and go forth as His representatives and in His strength are not going to fight a losing battle. Victory is assured all of God's children who depend upon Him for strength to do those things which please and honor Him.

II. THE ANSWER OF ASA.

II Chronicles 15:8-12.

Asa heard the Word of God through His prophet and cheerfully accepted it. By his prompt response thereto, Asa proved himself to be a man who wanted to do God's will when it was revealed to him. We certainly admire him for his immediacy in responding to the challenge of the prophet. After listening to God's message through Azariah, Asa "took courage." Even so today, it is through searching God's Word and obeying it faithfully that Christians obtain sufficient courage for their daily tasks.

Asa's courage led him to put away the idols and renew the altar of the Lord. Evidently the altar had been neglected and was not being used. That being the case, the blessings of the Lord were being withheld and very undesirable conditions were prevailing. Asa promptly resorted to actions which were sweeping and drastic, but godly and commendable.

Asa called the people from his own realm, and also from other tribes (Ephraim, Manasseh and Simeon in particular), to assemble in order that they might offer sacrifices unto the Lord. The response of the people to Asa's call indicates the extent of the influence of one man who is determined to obey the voice of the Lord and to serve Him acceptably.

In this special religious assembly Asa and those gathered with him offered praise to the Lord. They freely made

their offerings and sacrifices unto the Lord and then pledged themselves to do His will more perfectly. Moreover, they entered into a covenant with God to serve Him to the limit of their ability. Naturally, their entrance upon this covenant relationship meant separation from idolatry and wickedness. When the people turned from other gods to the true and living God, He met their daily needs and delivered them from their enemies. A complete surrender to God is the need of people everywhere. Success and victory are ours when we do the will of God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, APRIL 3, 1955 (Continued from page 16)

Beechwood	78	237
Bethlehem	130	319
Broadway	75	365
Carlisle Avenue (2)	336	1,541
Crescent Hill (2)	263	1,074
Eastern Parkway	85	615
Eighteenth Street	115	342
Fairdale (2)	142	483
Farmdale	---	394
Harmony	103	322
Highland Park First	---	495
Kenwood	---	295
Ninth and O (10)	573	1,792
St. Matthews (1)	201	890
Shawnee	---	417
Twenty-third & Broadway (2)	220	703
Victory Memorial	200	900
Walnut Street (4)	298	1,716
West Side	113	420
Ludlow, First	115	490
Madisonville, First	239	1,115
Marion	129	316
Mayfield, First	293	1,006
Middlesboro, First (5)	70	716
East Cumberland Avenue	---	339
Monticello, First	61	278
Immanuel	87	203
Morganfield, First (1)	172	479
Morgantown (1)	139	253
Mt. Sterling	---	292
Mt. Washington	108	321
Murray, First	---	924
Newport, First (2)	93	831
Trinity	120	240
Owensboro, Buena Vista	97	449
Eaton Memorial (1)	196	494
First (1)	206	1,149
Hall Street	222	515
Macedonia	105	220
Seven Hills	122	305
Third (1)	350	1,284
Paducah, East	228	614
First (1)	177	646
Oaklawn	133	280
Trinity	158	352
Twelfth Street (1)	147	403
Paintsville, First (2)	84	268
Paris, Central	121	331
First	62	293
Perryville, Beech Grove	---	214
Pikeville, First	63	419
Pineville, First (1)	291	510
Prestonburg, Irene Cole	---	633
Memorial	165	610
Princeton, First (1)	132	253
Northside	181	367
Second (1)	---	206
Providence, First	95	452
Russellville, First	---	---
Post Oak	130	307
Shepherdsville	---	703
Somerset, First	221	246
Calvary	78	237
Pleasant Hill No. 2	---	247
Sonora	108	433
Springfield, First	---	305
Sturgis, First	72	424
Versailles	135	386
Walton	60	207
Wheelwright, First (1)	57	410
Williamsburg, First (1)	48	216
Main Street	---	---
Williamson, W. Va.	49	361
East Williamson (1)	128	463
Winchester, Central	143	538
First	---	---

►Evangelist Reginald Wall, Decatur, Ga., was in a revival March 6-18 at the First Baptist Church, Pineville, La. There were 114 additions.

Texas Board Defers Action On Hospital Loan Proposal

DALLAS, Texas. — (BP) — The executive board of Baptist General Convention of Texas has deferred action on a proposal to seek federal loans for its hospital expansion program.

At the same meeting, the board also was advised that it can not legally loan trust funds or credit of the Baptist Foundation of Texas to the convention's church loan association.

After discussing the hospital funds issue, the board decided for the present not to seek an amendment to the Hill-Burton Act making federal funds available as loans at a low interest rate.

The Act provides for outright grants of money for construction at non-profit hospitals which meet certain requirements.

Members of the Texas board, con-

cerned about the principle of separation of church and state, questioned whether borrowing government funds might also violate the principle.

A legal opinion presented to the executive board said that lending of funds by one agency to an affiliate agency was prohibited by the constitution of the Southern Baptist Convention.

►Eldred M. Taylor, superintendent of missions and evangelism, reported for February: 107 workers; 1,411 preaching services conducted; 520 teaching services; 2,856 visits to the unsaved; 20 new organizations; nine professions of faith; 65 baptisms; 41 additions by letter; six fields surveyed; and 117,358 miles traveled by all workers.

FALLEN ASLEEP

PASTOR W. H. JACKSON

PINEVILLE, Ky. — Pastor W. H. Jackson died recently and his funeral was conducted in the East Pineville Baptist Church where he had served as pastor for the last two years.

Born February 9, 1881, he was ordained to the Gospel ministry March 22, 1924, and spent the succeeding 30 years as the pastor of worship at the East Pineville Church at the time of his passing.

Brethren W. T. Robbins and W. B. Bingham conducted the funeral service. The former had assisted in his ordination at the Hutch Baptist Church, and had been a yoke-fellow with him throughout the years. His labors also took him into the Lynn Camp and North Concord Associations.

The deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sadie Jackson, and seven children.

GUS A. JONES

LEXINGTON, Ky., March 25. — Mr. Gus A. Jones departed this life February 25, 1955. Funeral services were held at the South Elkhorn Baptist Church three days later, February 28, 1955, by the pastor, Rev. George L. Burnham and Rev. Robert Wallace, pastor of the Clover Bottom Baptist Church in Woodford County. The message was delivered by Pastor Wallace.

Mr. Jones and his wife lived a long life together having already celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary. To this union were born three (3) daughters: Mrs. Gertrude Peek, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. James Searcy, of Versailles, Ky.; and Mrs. Nannie Noland of Iowa, and two sons, Elmer of New York state, and Ernest of Lexington, Kentucky. Had he lived until March 22 he would have been 94 years old.

Mr. Jones was a member of the South Elkhorn Baptist Church for many years. He served his church 37 years as secretary of the Sunday school. He had a record of 25 years of perfect attendance without ever being late for its services.

Because of his faithful service to God and his church his influence will continue to live to inspire and encourage others.—SOUTH ELKHORN BAPTIST CHURCH, George L. Burnham, minister; John Ritchey, Chairman of Deacons.

MRS. LIZZIE KENNEY

The following resolution was unanimously passed by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Lexington, Kentucky, at the regular business meeting held March 1, 1955.

Whereas God in His infinite wisdom has called from earth's labors to that Celestial Home one of our most faithful and devoted members, Mrs. Lizzie Kenney.

Therefore be it resolved that we the members of the W. M. S. of Immanuel Baptist

Church, Lexington, Kentucky, express our gratitude to God for her exemplary Christian life of service in this Society, in the circle which bears her name, in her church and in her home.

Be it further resolved that we extend to her family our sympathy and commend them to God who can strengthen them in this hour of need, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and to the Western Recorder at Louisville, Kentucky, for publication.—The Lizzie Kenney Circle of the Woman's Missionary Society, Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.

MRS. MYRTIE GRUGEN

MONTEREY, Ky., March 28 — God, in His wisdom, called from our midst on March 12, 1955, our beloved friend and member, Mrs. Myrtie Grugen.

We, the members of the WMS of the Monterey Baptist Church, express our heartfelt sympathy to all members of her family.

Her humble Christian spirit, sweet smile and patience in suffering will remain in our memories and will continue to live and inspire us for a greater service in His Kingdom's work.

Therefore, be it resolved, that a copy of this be sent to the Western Recorder, a copy to the News-Herald, Owensboro, Ky., and a copy to the family, and one to be placed in our records.—Committee, Mrs. Sherry Kemper, Mrs. W. B. Kemper and Mrs. Alice Fitzgerald.

V. B. JOHNSON

WADDY, Ky. — On December 20, 1954, Mr. V. B. Johnson, a retired telegraph operator for the Southern Railway, was called to his eternal home.

He was greatly beloved by a wide circle of relatives and friends.

From the time he moved to Waddy from London, Kentucky, as a young man in 1909, he exerted a wonderful influence for good on many boys and young men of the community as they gathered together each night in his depot office.

His radiant smile, happy disposition and cheerful, patient acceptance of many physical infirmities during his latter years, inspired and blessed all who knew him.

He loved his Bible and his church, and he knew why he was a Baptist. "A good man, full of faith" fittingly describes V. B. Johnson, and his influence lives on in our hearts.

In the absence of his pastor, his funeral was conducted by a former pastor, Rev. George Munro, of Georgetown, at the Waddy Baptist Church on December 22, 1954.

To his devoted wife, Mrs. Maggie McClain Johnson, his daughter, Mrs. Shannon Rankin, three grandchildren, six brothers and two

sisters, our church extends love and sympathy as we commit them to Him Whom Mr. Johnson served so faithfully during his seventy years on earth.—Waddy Baptist Church.

MRS. DORA GARRETT

WADDY, Ky. — For the second time in six weeks, the Angel of the Lord came again into our midst to call another one of our most faithful church and W.M.S. members, and on January 31, 1955 Mrs. Dora Briscoe Garrett went to be forever with the Lord. Like Dorcas she was "a woman full of good works and acts of Charity."

Her many deeds of neighborly kindness and love will long be remembered by those to whom she was always so willing to lend a helping hand.

She never failed to attend all services of her church when she was physically able, and she always responded most generously to any and every financial appeal.

As mother, grandmother, sister, friend and neighbor, she gave freely of her time and service whenever a need arose.

May we who miss her so much strive to exemplify her faith in her Lord and her faithfulness to Him.—Waddy Baptist Church.

MRS. JANE PERRY

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst our dear friend and member Mrs. Ione Perry, and,

Whereas, we desire to express our gratitude to God for her consecrated life, sincerity, loyalty, and faithful service for the Kingdom's work,

Therefore be it resolved that we, the members of the Fidelis Class of the Greensburg Baptist Church will ever remember her readiness to serve, her great faith and courage which will inspire us to better service.

Be it further resolved that we express our deepest sympathy to her family, and that a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the class records, and that copies be sent to members of her family and to the Western Recorder for publication.—Lettie Perkins, Mattie Durham, Myrtle Thompson.



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BOOK REVIEWS

THE NEW BIBLE—PRO AND CON, by Dr. W. C. Taylor. Vantage Press, Inc., 120 W. 31 Street, New York 1, N. Y. Price \$3.50.

Dr. Taylor, well known here in Kentucky and for many years a missionary of our Foreign Mission Board to Brazil, calls attention in his book to many features of the Revised Standard Version which he likes. Among these features are: "Its Mechanical Attractions and its Excellent Diction; Its Elimination of Much of the King James Catholicism; Its Body Blows at Modernism;" and its "Individual Translations Which I Like."

The author then goes on to point out features of the new version which he does not like, citing hundreds of verses in both the Old and New Testaments.

Concerning his book the publisher states in part, "Here is a book that is sure to cause controversy and disagreement as well as to enlist fervent support."

Neither the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky nor the Southern Baptist Convention has taken action either for or against the Revised Standard Version. It is regarded that each reader has the right to choose the translation or version of the Bible he or she will use. Scholars have differed widely at certain points concerning translations and renderings in the Revised Standard Version and in the King James Version, and, for that matter, concerning all the versions and translations. Many pastors and teachers are using the RSV in their studies, along with the King James Version and others. Some use the RSV in worship services. Others refuse to use the RSV on grounds which to them seem good, and they are as conscientious in their refusal to use the RSV as others are in their use of it.

We predict that good, strong men and women on both sides of the question will study Dr. Taylor's work carefully, anxious to discover his views as expressed in this 351-page book.

This reviewer has read many statements pro and con concerning the much discussed RSV, and in nearly all of them he has seen what he feels are statements which would have been more effective had the makers of them shown more calmness and less bitterness, less of the caustic. The calm thinker is more effective, more convincing. Each will judge Dr. Taylor's book on its own merit. That is the Baptist way. Though Baptists are not unmindful of the opinions of others, one thing is certain: they are going to reach their own conclusions; and so it should be.

Dr. Taylor's book is, insofar as this reviewer knows, the most extended and detailed discussion of the RSV so far to come from the press in book form. We repeat, many on both sides will want to read this book, and we predict also that this work by a well known teacher and missionary will bring forth many comments both for and against conclusions reached by Dr. Taylor.

THE YEARS OF OUR LORD, by Charles M. Crowe. Abingdon Press, Nashville 3, Tennessee. Price \$2.50.

A book of sermons on the life of Christ by a well known writer and preacher. Mr. Crowe is pastor of Wilmette Parish Methodist Church, Chicago, and is also the preacher over WMAQ, Chicago, in the program, "Faith in Our Time." He is also a contributor to the CHRISTIAN CENTURY, the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and THE UPPER ROOM. He is also the author of several books, including "Sermons from the Mount," "Sermons on the Parables of Jesus," "Sermons for Special Days," and "On Living With Yourself."

EXPOSITORY OUTLINES ON THE WHOLE BIBLE, by Charles Simeon. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. This volume (XI—Matthew) is priced at \$3.95.

The entire set, of which this volume is only one interesting and useful part, numbers 21 books and offers expository outlines of the entire Bible. The work offers rich material for sermons, devotional talks, young people's messages, prayer meeting talks, Sunday school lessons, etc. The set is a reprint of an old work by a great evangelical preacher (1759-1836). Simeon, born in England, was educated at Eaton and Cambridge. Concerning him Bishop J.R.S. Taylor said: "Simeon was a sane saint. There was no affectation of piety, no self-conscious sanctimony. In him manliness consorted with godliness. Only

such a sincere and robust Christianity could silence the criticisms of a scientific university." You will not agree with all opinions expressed in Simeon's writings, nor does this reviewer. But you will find here a wealth of information and inspiration, usable material which will stimulate your own study and thinking.

MAID OF ISRAEL, by Tolbert R. Ingram. Broadman Press, Nashville. Price \$3.

Here is a highly fascinating story which we predict will reach a sales level rarely attained.

The author has long manifested profound interest in biblical characters. He possesses an imagination which has seemed always to find its richest exercise when ruminating on individuals and events and periods portrayed in the Old and New Testaments. For a while, according to the publishers, "he experimented with the Jerusalem Herald, carrying feature stories, society items, sporting news, advertising and editorials, in the form of a daily newspaper which might have been published in Jerusalem during Jesus' life." This imagination of his, after a good many years in other fields of journalism, finally led him to produce the "Maid of Israel."

Ingram builds his most winsome story about the captive maid, in the house of Naaman the Syrian, whom he calls Miriam. Included in the plot also are Baskan, Naaman, Ben-hadad, Jehoram, Gabbar, and Elisha the prophet. Of course there are other minor characters needed to complete the story. We repeat, here is a book that will sell, will become the talk of the year in the field of religious fiction.

When You Build Your Church, by John R. Scotford, published by Doniger and Raughley, Great Neck, N. Y., 1955, price \$3.00.

Chapters 1-4, 11, 13, 14, 16, and 17, have some worthwhile considerations for churches with such a program as Baptists. Of special benefit are the considerations of site, parking lots, and entrances. The sanctuary is discussed almost solely from the liturgical services standpoint. The predilections of the writer show strongly the influence of his own denomination (congregational). The book might have been of greater benefit and use had the writer visited not only the buildings, but also the complete services, of many of the Baptist churches in the Southern states.—Ben F. Mitchell.

PREACHING ON BIBLE CHARACTERS, by Paris B. Whitesell. Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Mich. Price \$2.50.

Dr. Whitesell is a well known writer and teacher, professor of practical theology at the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary. His chapters are: The Advantage of Preaching on Bible Characters; Organizing Bible Character Sermons; Seven Great Bible

Characters; Four Hundred Names of Bible Characters for Sermon Use; A Bibliography on Bible Characters 250 titles). This book useful not only for students but busy pastors.

DREAMS AT SUNSET, by F. W. Boreham. Judson Press.

Those acquainted with F. W. Boreham's writings need no urge to buy this book. There are 21 brief essays filling 120 pages. Few could. His thinking, style, method of expression, range of subjects and treatment—all unique. But so is the author. You will want this book to read, to keep. You'll lend it grudgingly.

HALLEY'S BIBLE HANDBOOK—an abbreviated Bible commentary, amazing archaeological discoveries, how we got the Bible, an epitome of church history, "best Bible verses," H. H. Halley, Box 774, Chicago 90, Ill. Price \$3.

There are 956 pages in this cloth bound volume. Two former volumes are combined in one. The author presents here an amazing volume of information along with interpretations he offers of certain Scriptures. It is a useful book.

PULPIT THEMES, by Matthew Henry. Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Mich. Price \$2.80.

Another of the Baker Book House's great reprint jobs. There are 100 of these timely, forceful sermon themes—streamlined sermons. This book will make both the minister's life and his preaching richer.

NOTES FOR ADDRESSES AT FUNERAL OCCASIONS—36 funeral sermons and outlines—by William P. Van Wyk. Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Mich. Price \$2.

What minister has not all along felt the need for such a book! And this book will not disappoint you. It abounds in rich suggestions.

Copies of the following new books have been received from the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan—all of them novels with a distinct religious and Christian emphasis:

BEYOND THE NIGHT, by Rachel Borne, \$2.50—the story of "a girl who found that God is indeed a faithful Friend and Guide."

THE DAWN CAME LATE, by C. De Ruischer, \$2.50—a young minister who had his problems;

LOOK TO THE HILLS, by Albert C. Wycokoff, 35c (paper)—the story of a young minister who came to Kentucky mountains for his health but stayed on to guide spiritually the mountain people;

THE PASSING NIGHT, by Marie Chitwood, \$2.50—the story of a love which war and death shattered, but a life which found happiness again;

FIRST LOVE, by Phyllis Speshock, \$2—the story of a girl who had to learn as a Christian to make Christ her first love, the story of a young woman and a young man.

Kentuckian Named Manager of Accounting and Control Department, Business Division, Sunday School Board

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Ben R. Murphy, native of Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky, has been elected manager of the Accounting and Control Department, Business Division, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. Murphy will assume his duties April 15.

Formerly an associate partner with McIntyre and Associates, Nashville, Murphy received his education in Somerset and at Eastern Kentucky State College, Richmond, Ky. He attended the University of Kentucky, and holds a B.S. degree from Bowling Green Business University. He served in the Army

Air Force from December, 1945 to May, 1947, and was stationed in Japan nine months.

Murphy was first employed as staff accountant by McIntyre and Associates in 1950, and was made associate partner in the firm in January, 1953. He holds membership in the American Institute of Accountants and the Tennessee Society of C.P.A.'s.

He was baptized into the First Baptist Church, Somerset, in 1937. He is married to the former Miss Eva Hammond, and they have one son, William H.

Regional Meetings Again Successful

By W. C. BOONE, General Secretary

The annual regional conferences on Evangelism and Stewardship, promoted by the State Mission Board were held this year at Unity Church, Ashland; First Church, Somerset; Immanuel Church, Lexington; First Church, Mayfield; First Church, Owensboro; First Church, Bowling Green; and Severns Valley Church, Elizabethtown. High water and blocked roads prevented the speakers from reaching Hindman, but the brethren in that area had a good meeting, anyhow. Conferences were also held at Bethel College, Hopkinsville, and at Clear Creek Mountain Preachers School.

Speakers for these meetings were B. L. Bridges, Executive Secretary of Arkansas Baptist; W. Fred Kendall, formerly of Kentucky, now pastor of First Church, Jackson, Tennessee, and President of the Tennessee Baptist Convention; H. C. Chiles, pastor of First Church, Murray, and Moderator of the General Association; David T. Mashburn and E. M. Coleman from the Brotherhood Department, Nashville, Tenn.; H. Leo Eddleman, President of Georgetown College; and the following from our State Baptist Board: W. C. Boone, Eldred M. Taylor, A. M. Vollmer, W. H. Curl, J. Chester Durham, L. E. Coleman, Sr. Mrs. Geo. R. Ferguson, Executive Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, and Mrs. W. C. Boone conducted conferences at each place for the women.

These meetings were attended by a very representative group of leaders from over the State. There were 234 pastors, 61 state missionaries, 375 women,

415 laymen, and 223 visitors, or a total of 1,381 in the meetings. Seventy-five of the seventy-nine associations in Kentucky were represented by those in attendance.

The program was of a high order, with inspiration and encouragement for the great cause of evangelism and stewardship. The host pastors extended a cordial welcome, and the churches provided a free dinner for those who came.

This is the ninth year of these regional conferences. Plans are now under consideration for the 1956 meetings. Suggestions for the program and for securing even larger attendance will be gladly considered from any who attended this year's conferences.

Bethel's Trustee, Holland Garnett, Dies After More Than 30 Years' Service

HOPKINSVILLE, March 18 — Holland Garnett, president of the Board of Trustees of Bethel College, passed away Tuesday night, March 15.

For more than thirty years Mr. Garnett was a member of the board of trustees of Bethel College. He had served as the president of the Board for the past eleven years. During his many years of connection with Bethel, he gave generously of his time, his energy, and his money to the school.

One of the boys' dormitories is named in honor of Mr. Garnett. The building, known as Garnett Hall, was purchased in 1952. In addition to a large donation given by him on the purchase of Garnett Hall, in 1954 he gave the furnishings and curtains for Bethel's stage. His last substantial gift was the air-conditioning units installed in Bethel's chapel and dining room last spring.

Mr. Garnett's heritage in Bethel began a century ago. When Bethel College was founded, the Rev. S. A. Holland, his grandfather, was a member of the first board of trustees. His father, Joseph Faunt le Roy Garnett, served the board long and nobly. His mother, the former Willie Holland, with three of her sisters, were students of Bethel.

His wife, the late Iona Sawyers Garnett, and, later, his daughter-in-law, Mary Ann Forbes Garnett, and, recently, his granddaughter, Elizabeth Ann Garnett, were all Bethelites.

He had been a member of the Locust Grove Baptist Church since early childhood and was a noted farmer on the Clarksville Pike.

Dr. W. Edwin Richardson, president of Bethel, stated, "Mr. Garnett was one of the most valuable friends that

Bethel ever had. His faith, vision, courage, and devotion were assets to Bethel College which will be sorely missed. I have sought his counsel month by month and found him to be a friend and a statesman who measures up to the ideals of our country. He was a Christian gentleman and a noble citizen. Young people who want the best education have lost one of their best friends."

►Pastor Robert W. Brown, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Avoca, Ky., was the evangelist, and Bryant Tolbert directed the music in a recent revival at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church of Anchorage. Attendance was at capacity several nights, and more than 70 decisions were made public during the week. Brother Brown has been pastor of the church since January 9, and Bro. Tolbert has served as minister of music for the past two years. Sonny H. Hays was called as associate pastor on February 1. The first unit of a building program is rapidly nearing completion.

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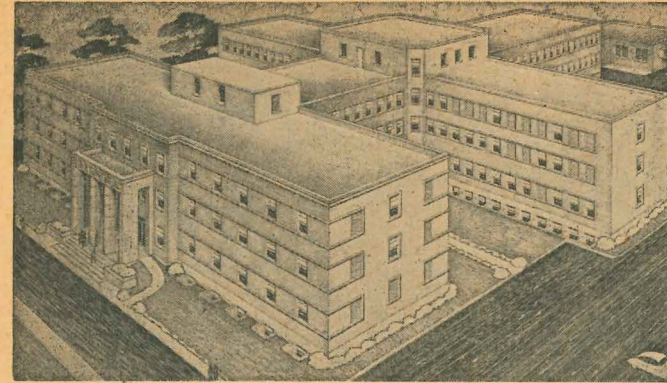
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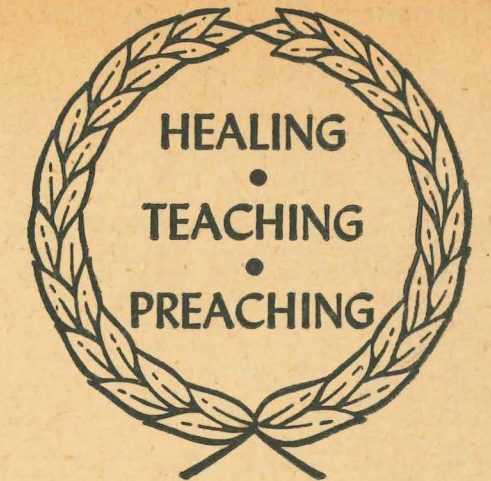
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