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The Georgetown College Choir singing before the Southern Baptist Convention at Miami, Florida, under the leadership of Dr. A. G. Thomson (not shown in the photograph) on Foreign Mission Night.

►Superintendent C. Ford Duesner, of the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, Glendale, Ky., has been spending some time recently in the Kentucky Baptist Hospital.

►Mrs. H. W. Ellis, wife of Dr. H. W. Ellis of Paducah, recently spent 16 days in a hospital for surgery. Dr. Ellis states she is recovering splendidly. He was formerly pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, but is now retired.

►1957 CONVENTION: For the information of those interested, the site for the 1957 Southern Baptist Convention is Chicago, Illinois, and the headquarters hotel will be the Hilton. Sessions will be held in the International Amphitheater.

►Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, organized June 11, 1911, is just beginning its 45th year. The original 38 charter members have now been expanded to 2,685. Pastor A. W. Walker completed his twelfth anniversary with them June 15.

►We have received information that the names of Harry E. Sammans, Williamson, W. Va., and Orloff Dwight Kern, Madison, Ind., were omitted from the list of those receiving diplomas from the Southern Seminary, as printed in the February 10 issue of the Western Recorder.

►Furman University officials have announced that Joseph C. Clapp, Jr., will join the school staff September 1 as director of religious workshops and professor of religion. Clapp, educated at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, has served the Louisiana seminary as director of public relations.

►Milton Lowery pastor at Crittenden, Ky., preached in the revival at Wilming-ton Church at Fiskburg, Ky., recently. Four came by letter, 19 for baptism, and Pastor James Helvey, Box 72, Independence, Ky., writes that these new members are studying "Your Life and Your Church."

►Ralph Douglas, associate secretary of the Arkansas Convention, was guest evangelist at the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Owensboro in their recent revival. Some 126 decisions were made for the Lord Jesus Christ. Pastor James L. Adkins says that the preaching was superb. A daily radio service was held and also a noon-day service in a downtown theatre.

►Recently the Falmouth Baptist Church completed the construction of an Educational Building at a cost of \$50,000. The dedicatory services were held on Sunday afternoon, June 12. Dr. A. M. Vollmer, secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, was the preacher for the occasion. Rev. Carl Sears is the pastor. The Falmouth Church was or-

ganized in 1792, the year Kentucky was admitted into the union.

►President H. D. Bruce of East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas, did the preaching recently for a revival with the First Baptist Church, Gilmer, Texas, where Dr. D. A. Williams, Jr., has been the beloved pastor for some three years. Loyd Jarboe, also of East Texas Baptist College, is the educational director. W. A. Cox, a graduate of East Texas who is now director of visual aids, Baptist Sunday School Board, led the singing. There were 32 additions, with 25 of these coming on profession of faith for baptism.

►Pastor William A. Merryman reports that 15 were baptized in the Auburn Baptist Church, Auburn, Ky., at the conclusion of their recent revival. This included a young married couple, two matrons, one father of a fine, large family, most of whom were already members, four junior boys, five junior girls, and one intermediate girl. Each member of this group is now enrolled in a class of instruction for new members. Dr. Harold J. Fuggian, pastor of the Jewell Baptist Church, St. Louis, did the preaching, and Edward Crawley, minister of music at the Gallatin Road Church, Nashville, led the singing.

►President H. Leo Eddleman, Georgetown College, did the preaching and Robert Crutcher, a junior student at the college, conducted the music in an 8-day series of revival services with Dr. C. W. Elsey at the First Church, Shelbyville, closing May 23. Pastor Elsey writes: "In many respects this was one of the best meetings we have ever had. Certainly we have never had better preaching, and the song leader was highly acceptable. There were only 10 services in the series, but the crowds were good from the start. Sixteen were received into the church by experience, 11 by watchcare, and there were 3 rededications."

►A council called by the J. M. Weaver Memorial Church, Louisville, examined W. Louis Walters with a view to ordaining him to the Gospel ministry on April 3. Fred G. Tucker was elected moderator and Roy L. Puckett as interrogator. The candidate underwent a thorough examination, following which the council recommended that the church proceed with his ordination. Charles H. Ham preached the ordination sermon; Louis Keeton led the ordination prayer, Garlan C. Sills made the Bible presentation, and Robert M. Johnson led the closing prayer. Brother Walters is a former engineer and school teacher, and is at present a student in the Southern Seminary.

►Hardin-Simmons University conferred the honorary Doctor of Literature degree upon retired Pastor Millard A.

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Jenkins at its recent commencement. Dr. Jenkins was for 32 years pastor of the First Baptist Church of Abilene, Texas, where Hardin-Simmons is located. Native of Asheville, N. C., he served three Kentucky churches shortly after the turn of the century. These were, the First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville (1906-8); The First Baptist Church, Owensboro (1911); and the Twenty-second and Walnut (now Twenty-third and Broadway) Baptist Church, Louisville (1913). His sixth book, "Brands from the Burning," was recently brought out by the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Dr. S. L. Morgan, Sr., Wake Forest, N. C., Tells—

"I go out of my way to search out the souls made great by what they have suffered and overcome."

What 1954 Taught Me or The Miracles I Saw In 1954

The year 1954 will mark an epoch in the history of mankind. It forced the attention of the world upon the hydrogen bomb, the most terrifying power ever unleashed by man.

The *Christian Century* of December 15 quoted editorially a famous French scientist as saying that enough hydrogen bombs have already been exploded "to create deadly danger for the world's animal and plant life," and declared that New Zealanders protest indignantly the United States' proposal to switch H-bomb tests to the frozen wastes near the South Pole as too near to be safe.

Such fears scream to the world the most startling lesson of 1954—the utter insanity of war which might unleash atomic forces capable of blotting the race from this planet. But precisely that fact may be our greatest security. What person or nation could be so utterly insane as to make any move that might unleash an atomic war! That's the warning written by 1954 in letters of flame across the sky!

Spiritual Power Unleashed in 1954

But for me 1954 will be memorable for the miracles of spiritual power I actually witnessed. Wherever I went in the past year or so, I made it my chief quest to discover such miracles.

Others look out the men and women of fame; they go through the giant industrial plants; they visit the parks and zoos, the big colleges and benevolent institutions. My own quest is for something more wonderful to me than all these.

I go out of my way to search out the souls made great by what they have suffered and overcome. Often I discover them below the surface, hidden and unseen by the passing throng. I have found nothing else on earth so thrilling and rewarding.

One Sunday morning in 1954 I preached in a North Carolina city. I chanced to hear of a woman I knew in the sanatorium nearby. Several weeks before, she had written me from a great hospital. She said, "I'm to have my thirteenth operation tomorrow—the removal of a lung. Pray for me." I had heard no more. That afternoon I went to see her.

She began, "It was 19 years ago when you came to see me as I was leaving for the sanitarium." Well I remembered the pain in her face and tone

as she said, "It breaks my heart to leave my dear husband."

A year or so passed before the next report came. Her husband had been to see her. Still sick, the way ahead dark, she needed all he could do for her. But he asked for a divorce! She said, "That indeed broke my heart, but I agreed." My wife and I saw a great tragedy unfolding, and we asked her to write us—at least once a year. If I have ever known a miracle, God worked one in her soul. Her letters traced it for us.

Through 19 years not once did her beautiful letters ever show even a faint trace of resentment or bitterness toward the husband or any other human being. Nor would she consent for a moment for me to utter a word that reflected on the man who had discovered her—and married another. Her love as true as ever, she saw only how hard a test it had been for him, and all her heart went out in sympathy and forgiveness. And she added, "His people have been so lovely to me!"

I submit that to preserve a heart pure and sweet, and utterly free from bitterness, through a long Gethsemane of 19 years of physical and mental suffering, is a miracle that dwarfs the miracle of the H-bomb, even as "the still small voice" in the Elijah story dwarfs the

power that rent asunder the rocks of the mountain (I Kings 19:11f.). The power that kept her heart sweet and forgiving through 19 years of sore trial stirs all that is deep in me, and shame me when I'm hard or bitter. In the exploding bomb I see physical force acting; in such a heart I see God personally present, miraculously keeping it sweet and forgiving.

"Jackie"

Ten years ago I met "Jackie," a helpless, hopeless cripple, then 16 years old, and with the mind of a little child. Her lawyer father told me in his office the tragic story. The doctor attending at her birth made a disastrous slip and severed a vital nerve or ligament that doomed her for life. For many months acute pain made sleep impossible for her or her mother. Said the father, "For several years she remained our despair, while we consulted many doctors at a cost of perhaps \$10,000." Their verdict was unanimous: "She is beyond all human help."

Last fall I went to see her. She was the same frail little skeleton, lying helpless on the bed, now 26 years old, with not a ray of hope. The admirable parents were now in a Baptist parsonage, the church they served close by. They had turned from the law to the Christian ministry, and were in a happy, successful pastorate, beloved and honored by all the community.

I said to them, "I came to see Jackie, but mainly to ask you a question: 'What has Jackie done for you in the 25 years of her hopeless suffering?' For I venture the guess that she has done more for you than to you." They said, "You are right. Her patient suffering has taught us the best we know, and made God seem very real." He said, "She has had much to do with turning me from the law to the ministry."

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►"Hark the Herald Angels Sing" was first published 100 years ago in 1855.

Concerning Rural Members of Convention Committee

Some of the brethren seem greatly disturbed because the Southern Baptist Convention ordered that half the members of the special Theological Education Committee be either rural pastors or rural workers.

One editor said: "Why should the Southern Baptist Convention divide the preachers into rural and city preachers and antagonize one group against the other? . . . After all, the place one serves, whether in the city or in the country, does not qualify or disqualify a person to serve on an important committee of the Southern Baptist Convention." And he concludes: "We hope the Convention is not swayed by emotion or prejudice again to require that a certain per cent of the committee members be of one class in distinction to another class. This is bad for the Convention fellowship and is an unnecessary division that should be avoided."

Our answer is: The Convention did not divide them that way. They were already either rural or urban people, and the Convention only recognized a fact. We do not know why the esteemed brother feels that recognizing a fact will cause antagonism.

Another editor said: "Please, let's stop this thinking that a man has to be from the rural area to understand its problems or be interested in them. If we are to divide the Convention on this basis, let's divide the auditorium seating. Then what becomes of the villages and towns?"

What the Convention does about the matter of Bible institutes, etc., is its own business. We do not here discuss this. We are willing to leave that matter to the wisdom of the Convention. But as to objections raised to the Convention's ordering that half the committee be either rural pastors or rural workers, we think something should be said.

Without discrediting urban pastors or urban laymen (this writer was a city pastor for years, and earlier a rural pastor), a good many of them know all too little about the real problems of rural churches and their pastors—especially those far out in the undeveloped areas. And it must be said, also, that many rural pastors and churches know all too little about the actual problems faced by city churches and their pastors.

The idea that placing rural pastors on the committee, because they are rural pastors, would logically lead to a dividing of the seats of the Convention seems to this writer to be without value; and so is the idea that requiring half the committee to be rural will antagonize one group against another.

As a matter of fact, all our committees should be chosen on the basis of members' acquaintance with the fields in which they are to make their studies. We need complete understanding of the *total need and problem* in every field of operation. When men in different areas and with varied experiences and special acquaintances are brought together, they can

and will arrive at more realistic conclusions than otherwise possible.

In fields demanding acquaintance with investment problems, wouldn't a committee be chosen which is acquainted with money matters? In choosing boards of trustees for our great seminaries, wouldn't men be selected who know the total needs of those institutions as well as the needs of those attending them? Does the fact that well informed and experienced men are chosen in these and other fields cause one group to be antagonized against another? No!

The Convention's action, as this writer sees it, does not reflect on the integrity of members of the committee serving last year, or their advisers. They were all good and trusted individuals. And so are the members of the committee appointed at the Miami Convention for this year. One has but to glance through the list to know that all the new members are acceptable: J. W. Storer, Oklahoma, chairman; J. S. Bell, Kentucky; Carl Clark, Texas; Thos. E. Capei, Florida; Forrest Feezor, Texas; Garland Hendricks, North Carolina; Hershel Hobbs, Oklahoma; Douglas Hudgins, Mississippi; J. W. Lester, Alabama; Mrs. George R. Martin, Virginia; Louie D. Newton, Georgia; and E. V. Peyton, Virginia. It is a good committee, and they'll get along together and bring back to the Convention whatever recommendations seem to them wise. Then the Convention will take whatever action seems best to the messengers, and all will be governed by the will of the majority.

We have profound sympathy for the effort of the dear brethren to preserve peace and harmony, but in our judgment their fears of antagonisms are not justified.

Ground for Discontent

On the other hand, could it be that failure to recognize rural messengers, *as such*, and to place them on important committees could lead to the very thing which these brethren seek to avoid?

We published in our June 25, 1953, issue of the Western Recorder a searching and challenging article by Dr. Henlee Barnette, assistant professor of Christian Ethics, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. Dr. Barnette is a scholar of first rank and a careful student of facts.

He directed attention to the fact that all too few rural people had been placed on important committees of the Southern Baptist Convention. He stated: "The source of this study is the ANNUAL OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, 1952. All materials have been carefully checked. It may be possible, however, that the writer has made some minor error in his analysis, but this would not significantly change the picture. Two definitions are necessary . . . The rural community, according to the U. S. Bureau of the Census, is a center of population with less than 2,500. Therefore a rural pastor is a pastor of a church in a rural community."

Dr. Barnett then pointed out that the Executive Committee, composed then of 31 members, had not one rural man on it. The Foreign Mission Board, with

46 members, had one rural member. The Home Mission Board with 46 members had only two from rural areas. The Sunday School Board with 46 members had none from rural areas. The Relief and Annuity Board with 45 members had only one from a rural area. The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary board of trustees, numbering 55, had no rural members. The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 25 trustees, none from a rural area. The New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 31 trustees, no rural members. The Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, 30 trustees, no rural members. The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, 30 trustees—all from urban areas. All 29 trustees of the Southern Baptist Hospital were urban. All 23 directors of the Southern Baptist Foundation were urban. The Education Commission, 18 in number, were all urban. All 25 directors of the Social Service Commission were urban. The Radio Commission, 29 members, had only one rural member. All 25 members of the Historical Commission were urban. The Commission on American Baptist Theological Seminary had only one of its 20 members from a rural area. The Baptist Brotherhood had 30 directors, all urban. The Public Affairs Committee, 15 members, all urban. The Committee on Order of Business for the Convention had seven members, all urban. The Committee on Baptist Circulation Campaign had nine members, all urban. The Committee on Baptist Papers had 20 members, all urban. The Committee on Denominational Calendar had 14 members, all urban. All eleven members of the Committee on Negro Ministerial Education were urban. All twenty members of the Committee on Relations with Other Religious Bodies were urban. The Committee on Audio-Visual Education, five members, all urban. The Committee on Study of R.A. Boy Movement and Scouting, five members, all urban. The Committee on Boards, twenty members, all urban.

Out of 710 members on the committees and commissions and boards of the Southern Baptist Convention that year, only six were from rural areas. And Dr. Barnette stated: "Yet a recent survey shows that 12,712 of our pastors are rural, while only 4,822 are urban. To put it another way, about two-thirds of our pastors are in rural communities. Percentage-wise, this means that 99.3 per cent of our boards, commissions and committees are made up of urban people while less than one per cent are rural."

Dr. Barnette continued: "This imbalance between rural-urban representation is further illustrated in the fact that only 16.7 per cent of our churches are urban while 83.3 per cent are rural. Moreover, about fifty per cent of our Baptist population is still in the rural areas."

Because some have forgotten Dr. Barnette's article or else may not have seen it, we offer his conclusions:

Implications

"(1) The rural pastor is not adequately represented on boards, commissions, and committees of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"(2) The rural pastor is not recognized and appreciated by our denomination as a whole and by those who are responsible for the appointments to offices in the Convention.

"(3) The rural pastor is either incompetent, unwilling to serve, or discriminated against, in the process of electing to membership on boards, commissions, committees. Are rural pastors incapable and unwilling to serve in these places of responsibility? We think not. Many are as capable as urban pastors.

"(4) When our rural pastors are given a little more recognition and a greater voice in denominational affairs, stronger young men will be attracted to the rural church.

"(5) All of this analysis tends to reflect a lack of understanding of the significance of the rural minister, the rural church, and the rural community for the survival of the Christian faith, *democracy, freedom*, and those virtues of frugality, self-respect, hard work, the dignity of the individual, and the courage to be. Cities are cemeteries. They kill. No city in the United States produces enough individuals to maintain even a stationary population. The seed-bed of the nation is in the rural South. Neither Baptists nor any other religious group can long survive in the metropolis. That is why the Roman Catholic Church is now developing a 200-year plan to make rural America Catholic. The first 20 years of Roman Catholic strategy to make rural America Catholic is focused on the rural South, the source of population. This should be a challenge to Southern Baptists to give some attention to the rural situation.

"This article is not written in an antagonistic spirit. The writer loves and appreciates his Southern Baptist brethren, especially those who have the heavy responsibility for determining policies and planning for present and future strategy. His passionate plea is that we will recognize the importance of our rural pastors and give them a more equitable representation in Convention affairs, all for the sake of Christ and democracy."

There is already a trend toward Dr. Barnette's objective; not the forgetting of our urban brethren, but the inclusion of rural pastors and churches in the councils of the denomination.

It seems to this writer that some have not taken into consideration the full perspective when they objected to including rural members on the committee, *as such*. No antagonism can develop from this; it can develop by adhering to the policy of neglect.

►Some people hold a conversation as they would a baby—afraid to drop it.—John Quill.

►It is reasonably estimated that \$20,000,000,000 annually is the cost of crime in this country. This represents a cost of \$495 for each family in the United States. For every dollar spent on education, \$1.82 goes for crime; for every dollar donated to churches, \$10 goes to crime.—Quote.

►ALCOHOLISM: Alcoholism is the number four health problem in the US today. Alcohol addiction is ten per cent more prevalent than tuberculosis, 50 per cent more prevalent than cancer, and 225 per cent more than poliomyelitis.—Jeeley Institute.

The Leadership of The Holy Spirit

By LEE GALLMAN, Director
Seminary Extension Department

The attempt made here will not be to investigate this subject thoroughly, but to ask certain questions relative to it.

Perhaps even there we will only raise these questions.

One hears this expression so often in Baptist life that one gets the impression that it is the easy answer to all things. Should a pastor move to another field, he need only to ask the Spirit. The Spirit will answer in no uncertain terms. Should a church want to build or repair, just as you would pick up the telephone to ask for information, it appears that the answer is immediately accessible.

While I definitely believe in the work of the Spirit of God and particularly as it relates to the life of individual Christians, I am also conscious in my own experience that the answer has not always been an easy one.

I can look back and see where, through certain circumstances, I was led to make this decision or that decision, and at the same time I was not aware that such a decision had the implications that it contained.

I can look back to moments when I prayed earnestly for an answer and came up with a mistake. I was just as conscientious in making the mistakes as I was in doing the thing right. I can see now that I was guided in making certain decisions by some self-centered influence or some self-centered motive that may have been more deeply hidden than I realized.

Sometimes we find the answer in a choice of several possible answers. Sometimes we fail to find the answer in such considerations. Sometimes the answer comes as a result of prayer and impressions. Sometimes the answers are not dependable. This is not to say that the work of the Spirit is not dependable, but it is to say that the human instrument which interprets the work of the Spirit is not an infallible one.

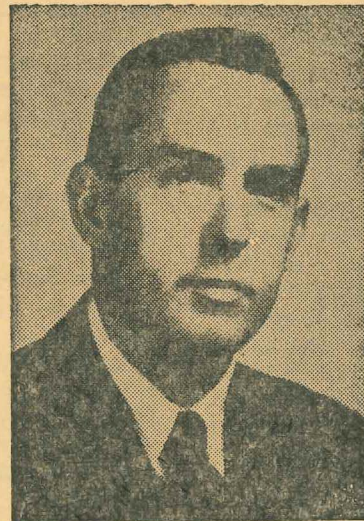
Not too long ago I listened to three different sides of a question, all of which was supposed to have been the result of the Spirit's leadership. The individuals involved, I believe, were conscientious. Each said that he prayed earnestly in the matter, but the Spirit of God does not have such divisive nature.

Some of my friends were a little dis-

turbed when I made a decision to enter the Seminary Extension Department. We all know how much I loved to preach and that I loved people. They all warned me that I would miss the pastorate. And I could assure them now, after these nearly four years, that I miss it now more than ever.

At the moment I made this decision,

Kentucky Man Joins S. S. Board Staff



Rice Pierce

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Dr. Rice Pierce, head of the department of Christian Education at Georgetown College, has joined the staff of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, and will edit the *Baptist Young People's Training Union Quarterly*.

Pierce is a graduate of Union University, holds the LL.B. degree from Cumberland University, Tennessee, a Th.D. degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, and also has the M.A. degree from Columbia University. He spent three years with the U.S. Navy, and is a graduate of the Navy Supply Corps School, Harvard University.

Before going to Georgetown College in 1952, Dr. Pierce did educational work at Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, and served as pastor-advisor of the Baptist Student Union at the University of Louisville.

friends held me by the hand and said, "Be sure that you are doing what God wants you to do." I accepted the work with the convictions and with the promise to offer to the Lord all that I had to offer, but there certainly was no sure feeling that this is the one and only thing God would let me do.

When I was in the seminary, I used to meet with young people who had specific calls to mission fields. One in particular do I remember who said that God had given her a definite call to Morocco. She is further from Morocco now than she was then, for she married a Baptist preacher who had no intention of going to Morocco, and I believe now that she was doing the will of God.

Others stated that they were supposed to go to some particular spot on the globe. "God told me so," they said. Some did go and some didn't. Perhaps some disobeyed Him in not going. Perhaps still others answered the call of God to give complete dedication, thinking that it meant to go to the mission fields, only to find later that it was a mistake.

This preacher could not answer in a paragraph nor in a book the question that asks, How do you find the will of God? For each individual must find it for himself. Through his own method he must come up with an answer that is so satisfactory to his own heart that he can give himself completely to it.

The call of God is a prominent one. It is one of dedication. This never changes, but in the dedication one may be called to be a missionary over a number of years only to return to this land to take up another task. It may be to spend a time in the pastorate and go out and lead in some particular area or *vice versa*. In making changes, of course, we should be very careful lest we follow the bent of our self-centered natures. We must also be careful lest we confuse the Holy Spirit's leadership with some other motive, hidden or unhidden.—Bulletin, Seminary Extension Department.

DON'T BAKE A CAKE!

HEREFORD, Tex. — (BP) — Kinsfolk, relax! We can't come down for a visit the fourth Sunday in April.

A young men's Sunday school class at First Baptist Church here has designated that particular Sunday as "Don't Visit Kinsfolk Sunday."

The reason? Too frequent visiting of kinsfolk on Sundays keeps both guests and hosts from getting to church, the men decided.

At the Miami Convention the Chaplains Commission reported 458 Southern Baptist Chaplains on duty, of which one-third are overseas. In addition there are 405 reserve chaplains. The chaplains on duty reported 16,195 professions of faith.

Guard Those Ordinances

By W. BARRY GARRETT,
in The Baptist Beacon

Does looseness in one's interpretation of baptism and the Lord's supper produce liberalism? Or does liberalism produce looseness in the practice of the ordinances?

This is like asking, "Which comes first, the chicken or the egg?" In either case the result is the same.

Of one thing we can be sure, those churches that are loose in their practice and beliefs about baptism and the Lord's Supper are headed for plenty of trouble. The door is thereby opened for a multitude of evils.

Baptism and the Lord's supper are key doctrines in the Christian religion. They have to do with death, burial resurrection, and the shedding of blood for the remission of sins.

On the cross Jesus shed his blood and gave his life for the sins of the world. On the third day he rose from the dead and now "he ever liveth to make intercession" for us.

Any looseness that strikes at the central message of the gospel should be guarded against at all costs. It is better to lose a few persons who get their feelings hurt because we do not bend the Scriptures to meet their whims and fancies than it is to lose the whole war between Christ and the forces of evil.

Some of our friends say that Southern Baptists are too narrow-minded because they do not agree with us about the ordinances. To which we reply that it is not so much a matter of narrow-mindedness as it is a matter of conviction about vital truth as revealed in the Bible.

Baptism is for believers only. Baptism is by immersion only. Baptism is once for all, never to be repeated. Baptism belongs to a New Testament church, and no other group or individual has a right to administer it. Baptism is an act of "obedience" and is not a sacrament to secure salvation.

The Lord's supper also belongs to a New Testament church and to no other group. The Lord's supper is an act of "remembrance" and is not a sacrament to secure any of the special blessings of God. The Lord's supper is only for baptized believers who are in fellowship with the church.

A Baptist church that expects to remain an effective Baptist church cannot afford to be loose on the ordinances. Let us guard baptism and the Lord's supper as we protect our very lives.

Pandora's Box and the Ordinances

Pandora (in Greek mythology) let her curiosity get the best of her and she had to see what was in the box. When she cracked the lid all the evils of the human race rushed out and she was never able to get them back in.

In Christianity many churches let sentiment and the desire for popular appeal get the best of them. In their administration of the ordinances they open the lid to unscriptural practices. They find it nearly impossible to correct these evils once they get out.

Baptist churches, that accept the baptism of unscriptural churches and that throw open the Lord's supper to any and everyone who has an urge to participate, open the door to evils that destroy the very foundation of the Christian religion.

Open membership is one of the evils that will plague a church if looseness on the ordinances is followed to its logical conclusion. Open membership is practiced in varying degrees in various parts of the country. It varies from receiving members from non-immersionist churches on an "associate membership" basis, to an outright reception of members without baptism of any kind.

An unregenerate membership always threatens a church that lets down the bars on baptism and the Lord's supper. Fill a church with members who have never been born again and anything can happen. We have enough trouble with members who are saved without getting in a bunch who know not the Lord.

Churches that have lost their conviction on the ordinances have lost their conviction on the gospel. At least they are on their way to preaching a watered-down gospel that is not the power of God unto salvation.

Churches that do not maintain the standards on the ordinances are governed by human authority rather than the divine. They would rather heed "what saith the people" than "what saith the Lord."

People who do not think the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's supper are important and who have slipped into loose practices are lacking in a proper concept of the doctrine of the church. They let sentiment set the standard for fellowship rather than Biblical principles.

Looseness in the ordinances indicates immature or unscriptural concepts of salvation and how to secure it. The authority of Christ and of the Scriptures

are ignored when churches go astray on the ordinances.

The best thing for a church to do is not to open the lid of Pandora's box but keep all these evils locked up where they will do no harm.

Sound Doctrine Is Not Enough

Are you sure 'nuf a Baptist? Do you really believe what Baptists believe? Are you strict on the ordinances, enthusiastic about "once saved always saved," zealous against modernism and contentious about the local congregation as the only New Testament church?

If you are sound in doctrine, well and good. But we would like to ask another question. Are you as willing to live the Christian religion as you are to defend the faith?

The following story is told by Dr. J. L. Corzine in his study course book, "Teaching to Win and Develop."

"An early Christian was condemned to death for his faith. A friend walked by his side to the place of execution. On the way the friend reminded the condemned one of a grievance which he had against a fellow Christian.

"'You must forgive your brother,' said the friend.

"'No, I will not,' replied the man on his way to martyrdom.

"'The Lord commands you to forgive.'

"'I cannot, and will not do it,' the answer was final.

"The condemned one went to his death with hatred in his heart. He died for the faith which he would not practice."

We wonder how many Southern Baptists are more contentious for their faith than they are like Jesus in their Christian life. It is good to contend for the faith once for all delivered to the saints, but it is better to add a generous supply of applied Christianity to one's personal life and to one's dealings with his fellow man.

Something Hard to Understand

Why is it that some people want to dictate the terms on which they will join a Baptist church? If they are not let in on their own terms, they cause trouble in the congregation and often mar the fellowship of the church.

These people don't try to change the rules for any other organization when they want to join. They don't insist that the Masons or the Kiwanis club or the labor union change up all their rules just so they can get in.

Why, then, should they pick on a church that not only had rules but has fundamental convictions about religious truth? This is something hard to understand.

During May, the First Baptist Church of Central City, of which C. W. Devine is pastor, there were 30 baptisms. The total membership is now 1,146.

Simultaneous Revival Crusade Brings Rejoicing in Heaven

"There shall be joy in heaven over one sinner that repenteth" (Luke 15:7).

By **ELDRED M. TAYLOR**, Superintendent of Missions and Evangelism

If there is joy in heaven over even one sinner that repents, then heaven experienced a great crescendo of rejoicing during our Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade, April 10-24.

More than 6,500 sinners repented and joined a Baptist church by baptism in Kentucky, and something near 200,000 came for baptism in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Not only is this an occasion for rejoicing in heaven, but here on earth. Following such victory which God has given, our churches ought to rejoice, our homes ought to praise the Lord, and our own hearts give thanks.

For two whole years Southern Baptists planned, prayed, and prepared for the '55 Crusade. Many pastors, churches, and associations made adequate preparation for this great soul-winning endeavor and they were richly blessed. Others only partially prepared or made no preparation. The Lord is never pleased with negligence or unconcern regarding the salvation of the lost!

Since so much hard work and prayer went into this Crusade, and since the Lord so richly blessed his people, I feel Kentucky Baptists would like to have a report of the visible results.

Following are the results as reported to us by 74 of our 79 associations.

Sixty-seven associations organized to promote evangelism for the current associational year by electing a Chairman of Evangelism. Sixty-two of these set up an Associational Steering Committee to make full plans and adequate preparation for the Crusade. Sixty-nine associations have reported churches participating in the '55 simultaneous effort. The 74 associations reporting show that 964 churches participated in the revivals and experienced the following visible results:

6,568 additions by baptism; 98 additions by statement; 2,399 additions by letter; 9,065 total additions; 172 full time service.

Following is a report of the Crusade results by associations:

Association	Number churches in Crusade	VISIBLE RESULTS	
		By Baptism	By letter and Statement
Allen	2	0	0
Baptist	11	42	17
Bell County	37	205	41
Bethel	13	50	16
Blackford	7	13	7
Blood River	19	96	43
Boone's Creek	15	117	28
Booneville		31	5
Bracken	14	80	9
Breckenridge	7	22	5
Caldwell	26	107	22
Campbell County	15	95	45
Casey County	8	13	6
Central	9	67	26
Christian County	13	179	61
Crittenden	11	40	19
Daviess-McLean	41	231	146
East Lynn		have not reported	
East Union	11	29	3
Edmonson	0	0	0
Elkhorn	30	316	129
Enterprise	6	58	3
Franklin	14	68	53
Freedom	4	6	0
Gasper River	14	24	13
Goose Creek	0	0	0
Goshen	3	7	0
Graves County	16	59	22
Green River	0	0	0
Greenup	26	175	25
Greenville	2	28	3

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Mrs. H. L. Taylor Dies After Long Teaching Career In Baptist Tabernacle

Mrs. Ora Louise Deiss Taylor, 71, wife of Mr. Herbert L. Taylor, superintendent of the Western Recorder Printing Department, died at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital following eight weeks of illness on Friday night, June 17, at 8:25 o'clock. Her funeral was conducted by Pastor Lewis C. Ray at Schoppenhorst Funeral Home, June 20, at 2:00 p.m., before an overflow assembly. Pastor Ray was assisted in the service by Pastor Harry L. Green, Owenton, a life-long friend of the family.

Mrs. Taylor was for 52 years a member of Baptist Tabernacle, and started teaching in the Sunday school the very day she became a member. Starting to teach at such a young age, it was no uncommon thing in those early years for her to have pupils in her classes much older than she was. Many of the deacons, officers, teachers, and others now in the leadership of Baptist Tabernacle, were at one time or another in her classes, and this includes her own husband, and some of the preachers who have been licensed and ordained to preach by Baptist Tabernacle, including the two Green brothers, Pastor Harry L. Green, already mentioned, and Pastor Guard Green, of Monterey, Tennessee.

Pastor Ray says that her loyalty to Christ, her home and her church characterized her life's activities. These three came first at all times, and all other matters and invitations to claim her attention were secondary.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by three sons, Robert S., Edwin L., and Harold A. Taylor; one daughter, Mrs. Ora Ruth Taylor Gillespie; one sister, Mrs. Chester R. Snyder, two brothers, Fred E. Deiss, all of Louisville, and Carl V. Deiss, Chicago; as well as ten grandchildren.

Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery.

►Gastonia, N.C., citizens have pledged to raise \$100,000 to help Gardner-Webb Junior College in nearby Boiling Springs, N. C., expand. It is a Baptist-operated school.

►Walter C. House of the Temperance League recently spoke to the morning congregation of the Walnut Street Baptist Church concerning the work of the Temperance League of Kentucky. The people showed their appreciation by making an offering of \$958.04.

►Next week we hope to carry a story about the passing of Dr. Finley F. Gibson, for 22 years pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., and before that at Grace Street Church, Richmond, Va.; First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky.; and the First Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

"If the Lord Be God"

By **STEWART B. SIMMS**, Pastor
Woodland Heights Baptist Church
Richmond, Virginia

According to a notice sent out by *Religious News Service*, there was held in San Francisco on June 19 a "giant Festival of Faith with members of a half dozen creeds participating."

Scheduled for June 19, the eve of the United Nations Tenth Anniversary Commemoration, this festival purportedly afforded the opportunity for "Protestants, Jews, Buddhists, Hindus, Moslems, and Confucianists to join forces on that day to offer prayers for peace."

No one will deny that it is good for men everywhere to pray for peace; but what a pity that the evangelical people of our nation allow themselves to be placed in the same category with such as do not know or recognize the Lord Jesus Christ and who, therefore, according to God's Word, do not know God and cannot avail in prayer. "Neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him" (Matt. 11:27, Luke 10:22).

Why should our people send missionaries to the Moslem, Buddhist, Confucianist and Hindu nations of the world in an endeavor to convert them to our Christian faith if they will then "join forces" with them in a league of "prayer" for peace? Does this not tend to put our Christian faith on the same level with these other world religions? Does it not seem to say to the world that any approach to God is as good as another? There is entirely too much thinking abroad in the world today already which holds that it doesn't make much difference what a man believes just so long as he is sincere in his belief.

God says, "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?" (II Corinthians 6:14-15)?

Was it not wrong when on the Mount of Transfiguration Peter in that moment of splendor and rapture said, "Lord, it is good for us to be here: If thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias." Wasn't he putting Moses and Elijah on the same plane with Jesus Christ and isn't that why "while he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and behold, a voice out of the cloud which said, This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him."

God was trying to say to these disciples that Jesus was not to be placed in the same category with either of these venerable Old Testament saints.

The Scripture tells us that "they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. And Jesus came and touched them, and said Arise, and be not afraid. And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only."

In Elijah's day he literally made sport of the prophets of Baal whose prayers were futile and unavailing; can it be that in ours we shall "join forces" with those whose prayers will be equally as unavailing. Maybe we need a modern Elijah to stand and cry again, "If the



SCROLL DEDICATION.—The 1955 edition of "The Scroll," the yearbook of Bethel College, Hopkinsville, has been dedicated to Dr. E. C. Masden, Bible professor. Dr. Masden has taught Bible at Bethel since 1952. Before that he was head of the Bible Department at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn. In the three years he has been at Bethel there has been a 15% increase in enrolment in the Bible department and the ministerial enrollment has increased almost threefold.

Lord be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him."

All of this makes me exceedingly proud to be a Baptist. I am well aware, however, that in the minds of the people of America and of the world generally Baptists are lumped in the same category along with Protestants. Technically, Protestants are so named because of their having protested against and withdrawn from the Catholic Church. In practice, however, the term [is often used so as to infer that it] includes all Christian people outside of the Catholic faith. If this San Francisco Festival of "Faith" and the ever increasing embarrassing and compromising stands and programs of the ecumenical forces constitute directional markers for Protestantism, then let Baptists say to the world with renewed fervor, We are not Protestants and cannot walk with Protestants in paths that compromise the Christian faith and the clear teachings of the Word of God.

Kentucky Baptist Hospital Graduates 47 Nurses

The commencement exercises for the School of Nursing of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital was held at the Alumni Memorial Chapel of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, on the night of May 26, with Dr. R. S. Burhans, pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, as the speaker. Administrator H. L. Dobbs presided, and the diplomas were presented by Dr. Glenn Bryant, head of the physicians' staff.

The forty-seven 1955 graduates were:

Carolyn Ruth Austin, 7924 Elm St., New Albany, Ind.; Betty Jane Barnard, 2216 Wrocklage, Louisville; Alma Trece Brittain, Corbin; Mary India Burk, 2104 Ellerbe Ave., Louisville; Geneva Catherine Dailey, Cynthia; Jimmie Rose Elliott, Corbin; Valeria Jane Erstine, Corydon, Ind.; Kathryn Louise Landers, English, Ind.; Betty Allene Murray, Greensburg; Patricia Ann Norris, Jeffersonville, Ind.; Nancy Margaret Paxton, Beaver Dam; Sarah Hale Poteat, 2553 Trevilian Way, Louisville; Mildred Lavern Sweeney, Henryville, Ind.; Daphne Jean Terrell, Bloomfield; Bertie Ann Tinsley, Louisville; Stella F. Barr, LaGrange; Anna Mae Brooks, Shelbyville; Anna Lou Caccity, Anchorage; Jennie Earl Dailey, Cynthia; Vera Elizabeth Daughterty, Solway; Peggy Jean Dugan, Louisville; Mary Lou Grace Figart, Richmond; Hazel I. Garrett, 955 Lilac Ave., Dayton, Ohio; Edith Lynn Gentry, Franklin; Nina Jean Gentry, 518 Denmark St., Louisville; Laddie Joyce Gilbert, Oneida; Charlotte Rose Hawkins, 5545 Minors Lane, Louisville; Catherine Irene Hosea, Scottsburg, Ind.; Julia Beth Howard, Benton; Violet Lorraine Huffman, Paint Lick; Dora Sue Hunt, Penrod; Imogene Lloyd, Vine Grove; Joyce Evelyn Loy, Fairplay; Malcenia Jane Martin, Owensboro; Carol Jean Michaels, 319 Norbourne Blvd., St. Matthews; Marilyn Frances Miller, Taylorsville; Bessie Lou Palmer, Cynthia; Wilma Jean Rice, Sellersburg, Ind.; Ann Louise Shields, Bloomfield; Alicia Arlene Smith, Fern Creek; Charlotte Strickland, Arkadelphia, Ark.; Georgia Ann Thomas, Windsor; Patricia Ann Thomas, Cox's Creek; Dorothy Jean Thornton, Owenton; Faye Bill Wallace, Somerset; Jacqueline M. Walker, Pekin, Ind.; and Susan Clelie Whitlock, Bradfordsville.

►Dr. W. H. Moody, retired, Canton, Ga., was back in his former pulpit June 12, preaching for the present pastor, Dr. J. T. Burdine, Jr., at the Bardstown Baptist Church.

What 1954 Taught Me, or, The Miracles I Saw in 1954

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He told me an incident: "One day a man came to see me—desperate. He said, 'This is the last time you'll see me. We have a baby doomed to be a hopeless cripple and imbecile. We are heart-broken over it. I can't take it. You won't see me again alive; I'm going to end it all.'"

He said, "I bantered him, I challenged him. I said, 'Maybe you ought to kill yourself—if that's all the character and manhood you have! How are you going to do it—with a gun, a knife—or jump in the river?'"

"And then I told him of our great sorrow and disappointment, and of our 26 years given to Jackie, while she taught us patience and goodness and courage, and inspired us to live to help others. And as he heard the story he sat with tears running down his face, and he blurted, 'You make me ashamed of the coward I am, and show me something to live for. I'll go and make something of life yet!' And he's doing it."

I left Jackie and that able, admirable minister and his wife with a thrill. I knew I had seen a miracle mightier than the hydrogen bomb—God in two human lives turning heart-breaking sorrow and disappointment into the stuff of saints and martyrs, happy and dedicated and a force actually transforming a church and community. That's a miracle for you!

A parallel was my young deacon Shoffner. I watched him from his youth till his recent death—growing for 45 years. Once or so I saw his imbecile boy, helpless and hopeless till his death at 28, all his mother's life given up to him. Disappointment? Sorrow? Yes, of the most poignant kind. But when I asked my friend, "What did the boy's 28 helpless years do for you?" his face lighted up, and he said, "He did for me what no other human could do. Before going to my work each morning, I went and sat by him a few minutes, and his patience and sweetness and goodness softened me, sweetened me, put courage into me, and I went away to my work calm and brave for my task. He was the greatest blessing that ever came into my life."

The power back of such a life is mightier than the H-bomb!

Miracles in Common Things

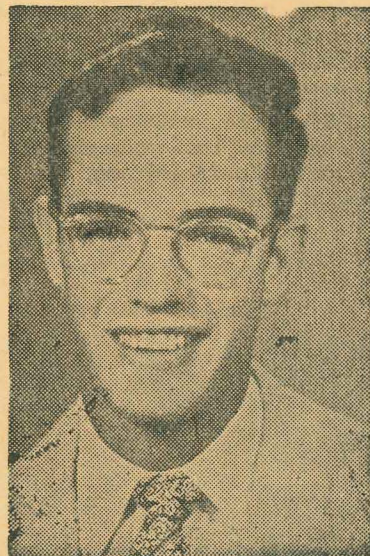
I saw miracles in common things over and over in 1954. One was the plain woman breaking under the heavy burden of caring for an ailing husband and her home, with also a blind sister and an invalid father, 94 and almost helpless, yet going on without a murmur under the heavy load, and radiating smiles and sunshine to all who came

near. That is the miracle needed by millions of struggling men and women. And such miracles are in easy reach of all with eyes and heart to see in almost every community.

Miracles over Death

And 1954 reinforced my confidence that spiritual power is available to conquer death. Two years ago I was thrilled with Mrs. Peter Marshall's vic-

Ralph Jackson Park, Mt. Sterling, Ky., Goes to Texas Chinese Church



Ralph Jackson Park

Ralph Jackson (Jack) Park, of Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, has just been graduated with the B. D. degree by the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and is going to Texas where he will be pastor of the 200-member Chinese Baptist Church in San Antonio.

Jack graduated from Mt. Sterling High School in 1948, and then enrolled in Georgetown College. There he met and later married Miss Mary Ellen Hoe, Middlesboro, on May 23, 1952. They were both graduated from Georgetown College in June, 1952, and they both spent a summer working for the Home Mission Board among the Indians of New Mexico. Following that, they both entered New Orleans Seminary.

The new San Antonio pastor is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Park, Mt. Sterling. He was licensed to preach, and later, in April 1952, ordained to preach by the First Baptist Church of Mt. Sterling.

Going with them to San Antonio was one little son, Danny.

tory over death as told in her remarkable book *A Man Called Peter*, and with the almost identical victory of Mrs. Sibyl Townsend as told in her articles in *Home Life* magazine. Eager to know if their victories have continued down to the present, I wrote asking them to say frankly, as a boost to the faith of others. Their replies are wholly reassuring, each saying: "The thrill of victory gives present assurance that no matter what calamity may overtake me in the future, I do not doubt that God will work in me the same miracle of victory!"

Value of Church Property In Southern Baptist Convention Shows Increase

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — "There will be no decrease in the amount of church building which may be expected during the year," W. A. Harrell, secretary of the Church Architecture Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, said recently. He predicted that more than \$145,000,000 will be spent by Southern Baptist churches during the year for church buildings.

The total value of all church property in the Southern Baptist Convention is now \$1,162,761,138, according to information gathered from Baptist Associational Minutes, and reported by the Sunday School Board's Survey, Statistics, and Information Department. This represents an increase of \$142,256,924 during the past year, which is the largest single increase in any year's time. It is also noted that the church building debt is only 11.03% of this total value.

Harrell said that judging from the number of churches requesting assistance in building programs and making requests of the department there is yet much building to be done. This is also indicated by the establishment of new churches, not only in the new territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, but also in the well-established parts of the Convention, mission churches being established, and the growth and expansion of all existing churches.

Building conditions are perhaps more favorable at this time than ever before. Materials of all kinds, including many new materials, are available in abundance. Labor is available and financial considerations seem to be favorable according to Harrell. All of this he said, will be an advantage to the church that is planning to enter into a building program.

Harrell said that the churches ready with plans and finances will no doubt take full advantage of these favorable conditions during the coming year. If unfavorable world conditions should develop, it would perhaps be many years before church building construction might be undertaken again.

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

By MISS IONE GRAY, Press Representative, Richmond, Va.

Fourteen Young People Appointed Missionaries

Fourteen young people were appointed missionaries at the June meeting of the Foreign Mission Board, bringing the total number of active Southern Baptist missionaries to 1,014. The June appointees are:

Edgar H. Burks, Jr., and Linnie Jane Joslin Burks, both of Missouri, for Nigeria; William A. Cowley, Kentucky, and Audrey Evans Cowley, Florida, for Nigeria; Sarah Lou Henley, Texas, for Nigeria; John B. Hill, South Carolina, and Louise Lewis Hill, Alabama, for Nigeria.

Reiji Hoshizaki, California, and Asano Masaki Hoshizaki, Hawaii, for Japan; Karl J. Myers, Jr., West Virginia, and Mary Elizabeth Lawton Myers, South Carolina, for Nigeria; James W. Smith and Elizabeth Flanders Smith, both of Georgia, for Israel; and Amy Snelling, North Carolina, for Paraguay.

The Foreign Mission Board has appointed 78 missionaries this year and it is expected that the total for the year will go beyond 100.

Factors of Encouragement

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, told the Foreign Mission Board that the recent meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention indicated the growing concern of the entire Convention for a larger world ministry. "One of the most encouraging reinforcements in the world task is the spiritual concern and mutual helpfulness of all the agencies and institutions of the Southern Baptist Convention," he said.

"Another heartening factor lies in the continued response of the young pastors who have completed their training and are now offering themselves to go as missionaries even though they had thought themselves settled permanently in the ministry. It is probable that we will appoint more missionaries this year than in any previous year of the Board's history. We must increase appointments to not less than 150 annually."

Dr. Cauthen expressed the hope that all those who attend the Baptist World Alliance will avail themselves of every possible opportunity to see mission work and that they will, upon their return, share widely their impressions of the urgency of the world task of Southern Baptists.

Africa

Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, has received significant reports concerning Africa from two outstanding non-Bap-

tist leaders during recent weeks. One of these reports, by a missionary from India who has recently surveyed Africa south of the Sahara, says:

"Africa offers incomparably great opportunities for church growth. Fifty million persons may be won for Christ in the next thirty years. No such open door has ever faced Christendom. Here is a continent which may be brought into the Kingdom of Christ in this generation. . . . There is extreme need to act now in the uniquely favorable climate of today. Tomorrow will be too late."

Several months ago the relief committee of the Southern Baptist Convention appropriated \$5,000 to aid in the rehabilitation of the members of the Kikuyu tribe who are related to the Mau Mau movement. A letter from Rev. S. A. Morrison, of the Christian Council of Kenya, says:

"Your contribution has enabled us to arrange for regular visits to home guard posts and to the new villages for evangelistic meetings. It has made it possible for us to appoint full-time workers in the detention camps. It has also enabled us to make a survey of the situation in the reserves with a view particularly to developing evangelistic work among women and young people." Mr. Morrison indicated there has never been a time of such opportunity for evangelistic work among the Kikuyu people.

Latin America

Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, says Baptist churches of that area are growing in their awareness of biblical stewardship. Following a week of studies in the Zacapu Church, Mexico, the 38 members were asked to pledge to tithe. When the pledges were counted, there were 41. Five were signed by sympathizers who are interested in the gospel but who are not yet believers.

The pastor of this church gave a Bible to an elderly man who had been attending services at one of the missions. In reading the Levitical teachings about tithing, the man was convinced that he must do his part. He said to himself, "I have 10 pigs; one belongs to the Lord. I have 20 hens; two belong to the Lord."

The next morning he took the pig and the two hens to the market, sold them, and brought the money to the pastor to be placed in the treasury. Since that day he has been a faithful steward of the things which the Lord has given him.

Dr. Means reports that two of the pressing problems for Baptist work in

Brazil are (1) far too few pastors to minister to existing churches, and (2) extensive sections of the country which have not yet been reached. "Added to the weight of their ordinary responsibilities, the crushing consciousness of need is a very real part of the burden the missionaries carry," he says.

Christian Education Board Regarding Holland Garnett

The Board of Directors of the Department of Christian Education, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, has prepared a letter for the family of the late Mr. Holland Garnett, long the chairman of the Board of Trustees of Bethel College in Hopkinsville. The letter is signed by the recording secretary, Dr. William Wilson Stevens, and is addressed to Mr. Marion H. Garnett and Mrs. Elizabeth Countzler, both at Hopkinsville:

"Dear Christian Friends:

"As the recording secretary for the Board of Directors, Department of Christian Education, I am writing this letter on behalf of every member of the group.

"This is a letter of appreciation for the character, life, work and contribution of Mr. Holland Garnett to Bethel College and to the Baptist work in Kentucky. His noble influence and Christian example will long be remembered by the many Baptists in Kentucky who knew him. His magnanimous spirit and unstinted generosity will be felt for many years to come. As I understand, his grandfather, Rev. S. A. Holland, was a member of the first Board of Trustees when Bethel College was founded in 1854; and his father, Mr. Joseph F. Holland, served the board also, being followed by Mr. Holland Garnett himself, thus making at least one of the three a member of the Board of Bethel College for the first one hundred years of the existence of the school. I am also told that besides making many wonderful contributions to the College during his life time, he left \$15,000 to the college in his will.

"Bethel College, as well as every Baptist cause in Kentucky, is grateful for his life and contribution to the work of the Lord. Surely he was greeted by our Saviour Himself with a 'Well done, good and faithful servant. . . . Enter thou into the joy of Thy Lord.' You are to be congratulated on being members of his family. May God bless you!"

►Tom Nix, pastor of the Albany Church, preached for Pastor J. C. Raikes in a revival at the Morehead Church, April 18-27. Ray Fowler, a student in Georgetown College, directed the music and led the youth conferences. There were 6 professions of faith, and 4 young people made public their surrender for full-time Christian service.

The Little Red Sailboat

By FLORENCE J. JOHNSON

"I wish we could think of something to do," sighed Jimmy.

For seven whole days he and Susan had been here at the camp where the doctor had said Mother must stay until she was stronger. There did not seem to be anyone their own age in the cabins scattered through the woods and along the river.

Suddenly Jimmy jumped up. "Susan," he cried, "isn't that a boat in the reeds?"

He kicked off his sneakers, and waded out into the stream, and pulled a little red sailboat free from the reeds.

"What a beauty!" Susan said. "Look! There's a name." She pointed to the small white letters painted on one side of the boat.

"D-a-n-n-y R-u-t-h," Jimmy spelled it out. "Do you suppose that's the name of the owner, Danny Ruth somebody? Maybe the boat floated away from him or her."

Susan looked at the river. "Water flows down," she said. "It must have come from that direction," and she pointed to the north.

"There are several cabins around the bend. We haven't been there yet."

Jimmy examined the boat. The paint was bright and shiny and red and new-looking. The sails were snowy-white. But, that wasn't what had caught his eye. There was a piece of oilcloth wrapped around one of the masts. He had never heard of seamen wrapping oilcloth around a mast when the sails were spread out. Carefully he unfastened the heavy thread, and unrolled the oilcloth. A small slip of paper fluttered to the ground.

Susan picked it up and read:

"A northern trail,
An old tin pail,
A big oak tree,
And there we'll be."

"What in the world?" Jimmy examined the paper, then looked at the boat. "Susan, someone wants to meet us. They made a mystery out of it. Instead of coming here, they've sent us a riddle to solve and find them."

"A northern trail! Must mean to go north," Susan said slowly. "I'm sure the boat came from that direction."

"North to an old tin pail." Jimmy turned toward the cabin. "Let's ask Mother if we can go."

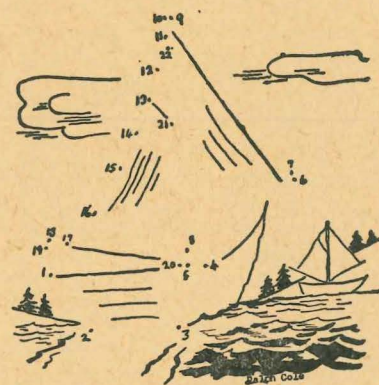
A few minutes later they were following the trail along the riverbank and

around the bend. They went past two cabins, but no tin pail did they see.

Finally Susan saw a tin pail lying on its side beside a cabin.

"There's no oak tree," Jimmy said thoughtfully. "Let's go on."

They went past two more cabins, then Jimmy saw the big oak tree. It stood straight and tall, and beneath it was a log cabin with flowers blooming around



the step. The door was wide open. but there was no one in sight.

Jimmy and Susan looked at it.

"There's no tin pail," said Jimmy.

"Oh, dear! I did hope this was the place.

"Oh!" Susan stopped, and pointed. "There is a tin pail. Look! They have flowers growing in it."

Jimmy turned quickly. He saw the big tin pail on the stump of a tree. It was filled with geraniums. He and Susan ran toward the open door.

"Hi!" A boy and girl stepped out, giggling. "What sleepy-heads you are! We didn't hear a sound when we went to leave the ship early this morning," said the boy.

"Didn't it float down?" Susan asked in disappointment.

"Sure. But we followed to make sure that it would stop at your place. Mr. Bright, the grocery store man, told us about you," the girl said. "I'm Ruth Oliver. He's Danny," nodding toward her brother.

"Then the boat is named after both of you!" Jimmy handed it to the other boy. "It's a peach of a boat."

"We almost got side-tracked. There was a tin pail by another cabin, but when we didn't see the oak tree, we

came on." Susan looked around. "Do you live here all the time?"

"Oh, no. But we've been coming here every summer for years. We saw the tin pail by Mrs. Gridley's cabin this morning, and wondered if you'd see it, too," laughed Ruth.

"Oh," Jimmy exclaimed. He was staring at a boat Danny had brought out. "Why, it's just like yours, except it's white instead of red." He looked at it admiringly. It was a beauty—the white sails, the white boat with red lines for trim.

"It's yours," Danny told him. "Cap Smith makes them. He'll paint the name on it when you decide what to call it."

Jimmy looked at his sister. She nodded.

"Jimmy Sue and Danny Ruth! Come. let's see how they race," said Danny. "You can stay for lunch, can't you? Mom's over at Mrs. Nelson's but she'll be back soon. We'll go part way with you this afternoon, to Cap Smith's cabin, to leave the boat so he can paint on the name."

"Oh, boy! What a summer we'll have this year," Jimmy said as he lined the white boat up even with the little red boat that had started him and his sister on a mysterious trip up the northern trail, a trail to two new friends.

Follow the numbers in the picture and see if you can draw "The Little Red Sailboat."

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A Visit With Grandma

By Margaret Good Gregory

I like to visit Grandma's house
When Mother's going out,
We find such happy things to do
And things to talk about!

Sometimes we play a checker game
Or make a puzzle map,
And often Grandma reads to me
All snuggled on her lap.

She tells me of the days long past
When she would romp and play
And do her chores and walk to school
About three miles away.

She always has some goodies
Just made for us to eat,
Oh! Going to visit Grandma
Is such a lovely treat!

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►The Thomas V. McCaul Chapel was dedicated by the First Baptist Church, Gainesville, Florida, June 5, as an addition to the spacious church edifice. Dr. McCaul is pastor emeritus of the church, having retired January 1, 1949, after 26½ years service as pastor of the church. The present pastor is Dr. J. R. Noffsinger.

Simultaneous Revival Crusade Brings Rejoicing in Heaven

(Continued from Page 8)

Association	Number churches in Crusade	VISIBLE RESULTS	
		By Baptism	By letter and
Henry County	8	have not reported	8
Irvine	16	have not reported	15
Jackson County	16	have not reported	33
Laurel River	7	have not reported	12
Liberty	20		21
Lincoln County	7		0
Little Bethel	12		27
Little River	5		594
Logan County	66	1,110	5
Long Run	11	16	9
Lynn	3	20	1
Lynn Camp	11	17	0
McCreary County	0	0	8
Middle Fork	5	15	21
Monroe County	14	37	6
Mt. Zion	20	126	26
Muhlenberg	13	93	103
Nelson	22	296	37
North Bend	14	177	32
North Concord	26	96	13
Ohio County	6	42	38
Ohio River	12	67	10
Ohio Valley	12	29	12
Owen County	11	105	28
Pine Mountain	16	61	9
Pulaski County	15	87	4
Rockcastle	22	31	22
Russell County	10	112	8
Russell Creek	29	34	8
Salem	29	222	78
Severns Valley	10	44	19
Shelby County	0	0	0
Simpson	0	0	0
South Concord	24	162	159
South District	10	37	16
South Union	9	59	10
Sulphur Fork	15	42	13
Tate's Creek	4	11	10
Ten Mile	11	68	19
Three Forks	13	89	35
Union	18	105	53
Upper Cumberland	22	194	77
Warren	1	1	3
West Kentuckiana	20	127	41
Wayne County	23	296	134
West Kentucky	4	18	8
West Union			
Whites Run	964	6,568	2,497

Let us redouble our efforts to witness to the lost! We must not relax our efforts in evangelism because the Crusade is now history. There are still many unsaved people in our state. More than 300 of our Baptist churches still go a whole year without having any baptisms to report. There are nearly 200,000 unaffiliated or non-resident church members in Kentucky. Let us all pray that God will help us meet this staggering challenge.

Suggestions:

1. Plan well your next church revival.
2. Go after the unenlisted Baptists on your church field.
3. Urge your non-resident members to move their church letters to a Baptist

►A note, addressed to his immediate office staff, arrived from Dr. W. C. Boone who is on tour of the Near East and Europe and England. The communication, written aboard the Queen Mary, states: "We are having a pleasant voyage. The ship is crowded. The food is excellent and we are having smooth sailing. We expect to reach Paris Monday afternoon and fly to Cairo Wednesday night . . . Trust all are well there . . . Mrs. Boone joins me in love to all."

church where they live. (This can be done by writing those whose addresses are available.)

4. Observe "Transfer Church Membership Week," September 11-18, 1955.
5. Keep your association organized for evangelism by electing an associational Chairman of Evangelism each year.
6. Pray for and offer to help churches that still have not baptized anyone this year.

"He that winneth souls is wise."

O. C. Anderson is New Pastor at High Splint



O. C. Anderson

at the Petrey Memorial Church of Haz-

O. C. Anderson is the new pastor of the High Splint Baptist Church, going there from Inez, Kentucky, where he was for two years missionary for the Executive Board of the General Association for Martin County. For eight years he was pastor at Stone, Ky., and for a time

ard and the Williams Memorial, at Re-venna. Since he came to High Splint the Sunday school attendance has increased 25 per cent. He did the preaching in his own pulpit for the Simultaneous Crusade, resulting in 10 professions of faith. 3 rededications and one addition by letter.

Sam Sloan Baptizes Cumberland Presbyterian Preacher at Paducah



PADUCAH, Ky.—Pastor Sam Sloan baptized Rev. Jewell Barrett into the fellowship of the East Baptist Church here recently. He had been a Cumberland Presbyterian preacher for four years. He conducts "The Way and Truth Hour" over

Jewell Barrett Radio Station WPAD each Saturday at 5:45 o'clock. Also he has "Sunday School of the Air" each Sunday morning over WPAD, which is a public service. Brother Barrett is in evangelistic work, and Pastor Sloan says that he is open for engagements as the Lord leads. He is 24 years of age and was recently licensed to preach by the East Baptist Church.

►The second anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. J. Edward Cunningham was observed by the Campton Baptist Church, July 19.

►In a recent bulletin, the Walnut Street Church of Louisville lists the preachers who will supply the pulpit during the vacation period of the pastor, Dr. Wm. R. Pettigrew, as follows: July 10, Dr. V. L. Stanfield, Seminary faculty; July 17, Dr. Robert E. Humphreys, Owensboro; July 24, Superintendent of Missions Eldred M. Taylor, Louisville; July 31, Pastor John Wallace, Lexington; and August 14, Dr. A. M. Vollmer, executive secretary, Kentucky Baptist Foundation.

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Registration Report—State Training Union Convention Lexington, Ky., May 6-7, 1955

Association	Churches Represented	Att.	Association	Churches Represented	Att.
Allen	8	0	Logan County	0	0
Baptist	7	23	Long Run	24	189
Bell County	1	1	Lynn	0	0
Bethel	5	10	Lynn Camp	0	0
Blackford	1	3	McCreary County	0	0
Blood River	1	1	Middle Fork	0	0
Boones Creek	5	44	Monroe	0	0
Booneville	0	0	Mt. Zion	1	2
Bracken	5	28	Muhlenberg	4	18
Breckenridge	0	0	Nelson	3	42
Caldwell County	1	3	North Bend	9	70
Campbell County	7	70	North Concord	1	20
Casey County	0	0	Ohio County	2	20
Central	3	36	Ohio River	0	0
Christian County	2	7	Ohio Valley	0	0
Crittenden	4	15	Owen County	1	19
Daviess-McLean	8	8	Pine Mountain	1	5
East Lynn	0	0	Pulaski County	2	36
East Union	0	0	Rockcastle	0	0
Edmonson	0	0	Russell County	0	0
Elkhorn	22	161	Russell Creek	4	28
Enterprise	1	7	Salem	3	7
Franklin	4	44	Severns Valley	5	58
Freedom	0	0	Shelby County	4	14
Gasper River	3	20	Simpson	1	3
Goose Creek	0	0	South Concord	0	0
Goshen	0	0	South District	8	51
Graves County	2	16	South Union	0	0
Green River	1	1	Sulphur Fork	1	11
Greenup	2	23	Tates Creek	4	37
Greenville	0	0	Ten Mile	0	0
Henry County	1	10	Three Forks	0	0
Irvine	0	0	Union	3	8
Jackson County	0	0	Upper Cumberland	1	9
Jasper River	1	15	Warren	3	40
Jefferson	1	15	Wayne County	0	0
Lincoln County	2	8	West Kentuckiana	4	51
Little Bethel	2	12	West Kentucky	1	10
Little River	4	19	West Union	7	31
			Whites Run	0	0

COMPARATIVE REPORT

	1953 Conv.	1954 Conv.	1955 Conv.
Churches Represented	192	202	193
Associations Represented	54	49	50
Registration given above	1,747	2,024	1,384
Visitors and Unclassified	35	65	16
Total Number Registered	1,782	2,089	*1,400
Host Church	330	523	64
Host Association	455	657	*161
Total Registration Minus Host Association	1,327	1,432	1,239

*—A check reveals that a large number of the local people attending the convention did not register.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

Capital Punishment

Question: The question of capital punishment has come up several times recently where I am pastor. I answered the question from the Old Testament scriptures, but the people want to know if the New Testament scriptures teach capital punishment. Would you answer this for me?



Dr. R. L. Hudson

Answer: Jesus assumed a normal penal code in Matthew 5:25-26. And Paul referred to a law enforcement in Romans 13:1-4. But the question of capital punishment is not to be settled by a proof text. The real problem is the protection of society in an effective and just and Christian manner.

Human nature being what it is, I am not sure that society can be protected without the death penalty for some. Fear is a strong force in human life. Also I am not sure but that death by law is the kindest thing that can come to some twisted personalities. Too, one life taken may prevent the destruction of five others. It is not Christian to turn the other cheek to an abnormal person. It will not redeem him. At least, you do not have the right to turn to your neighbor's cheek.

The best Christian approach to criminal persons is to work at preventing them where possible, and curing others when possible. But this is a large order. Until we find better means, and prove that the criminal can be changed, we ought to be one hundred per cent for deterring crime by capital punishment. The mentally twisted are always with us.

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

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CHATS WITH THE CHAIRMAN—

W.M.U. Missionary Fundamentals

[Beginning with this issue we bring you articles from the Department of Fundamentals entitled "Chats With The Chairman." This is to acquaint you with our chairmen and plan of work under the new constitution. Today we introduce:]



By Mrs. Charles P. Gunther
Chairman of the Department
of Missionary Fundamentals

Do you know a woman whose love for God has prompted her to read God's word?

As she read the Great Commission did she have an urge to STUDY missions in order to learn how that commission had been carried out, so far, and how existing needs could be further met through prayer, stewardship and active service in her own community?

Did the knowledge of the great needs of the people of the world (including those in her own community) lead her into sincere, unselfish, definite PRAYER to God, the Creator and Redeemer of the world?

Did the prayers of her yearning heart result in the STEWARDSHIP of her time, substance and unselfish service to such an extent that she became a devout and loyal witness for God through COMMUNITY MISSIONS, thus accepting His command to go and give the

message of salvation to the lost at home and abroad?

Of course you can answer "yes" to each of the above questions. You probably know many women who readily fit this description.

Now, let us analyze her actions. First, the cause of her action was her love for God which prompted her to read and heed His Great Commission. Next was her plan for carrying out His command to give the Gospel to the world. What plan, method or project was used by her?

The chairman of each of our divisions would be quick to claim her work. The Mission Study Chairman could claim that study of missions inspired her prayers, stewardship and community mission activities. The Prayer Chairman could argue that nothing would have been accomplished without God's help through prayer. The Stewardship Chairman would be able to show that plans prompted through her division had been used. The Chairman of Community Missions could prove that the results of it all was accomplished through the woman's putting her knowledge, desires and offerings of self and substance into actual practice and active service in her own community.

What do you think her action was? There can be but one answer. She was practicing MISSIONARY FUNDAMENTALS.

You can see that each of the fundamentals has its place of value and that each is of equal importance in the great task of winning the lost. You can also see that activity in any one of the divisions will naturally involve the others. They are all correlated and interdependent.

For this reason a provision has been made in our by-laws for the Department of MISSIONARY FUNDAMENTALS which shall promote and stimulate PRAYER, MISSION STUDY, STEWARDSHIP and COMMUNITY MISSIONS.

This provision has in no way changed any of the fundamentals. It has merely set up a way by which added and equal emphasis can be given to the fundamentals which always have been and will continue to be the might, motive, means and method of our work as we labor together with God to win the world to Him who gave His life that the world through Him might be saved.

[Don't miss the "Chats" in coming weeks (on the W.M.U. Page) from: Mrs. John T. Steverson, Chairman of the

Division of Community Missions; Mrs. O. B. Mylum, Chairman of the Division of Stewardship; and Mrs. Paul Stewart, Chairman of the Division of Mission Study.]

In Memory of Mrs. W. G. Potts, An Ardent W.M.U. Worker in Kentucky



Mrs. W. G. Potts

Mrs. W. G. Potts passed to her reward on Saturday, May 28, 1955. Funeral services were conducted in the Farmdale Baptist Church, Louisville, by the Rev. James Borders, with burial in the Evergreen Cemetery. Brother and Mrs. Potts had lived in their new home in Louisville

for about two years. She served faithfully in all departments of church work where her husband was pastor. She was W.M.S. president for eleven years and youth leader for nine years in local churches. But her work was not confined to the churches of which she was a member. She served as W.M.U. superintendent of both Nelson and Daviess-McLean Associations; W.M.U. vice president of both West Central and Western Regions; as chairman of the Circle Plan work and Community Missions chairman (known then as Personal Service work) for Kentucky W.M.U.; as secretary of Western Regional W.M.U.; as youth leader for Daviess-McLean Association, and was one of the pioneer workers for Youth Camps in Kuttawa and Schafer Memorial.

Her work was outstanding, especially among the women of Western Region and Daviess-McLean Association. Her noble character, wise counseling, leadership and encouragement has been an inspiration to us who follow her in this great missionary cause she loved so well. Mrs. Potts will be loved and remembered by a multitude of her workers in Christ.—By Miss Nina Jett, Superintendent, Daviess-McLean Association, W.M.U., Newmann, Ky.

PAID TO BE HONEST?

The London Recorder reports that Australian dockers are now demanding what they call "Temptation Money."

If they unload something particularly desirable that they might be tempted to steal, they demand to be fortified against the temptation by extra payment.

Bribery to keep the Ten Commandments! If that is accepted, the foundations of society will crumble. Payment for honesty and decency will destroy the qualities of character which make possible civilization, freedom and self-government.—Christian Economics.



GEORGETOWN GA CORONATION took place May 11. The accompanying picture shows Mrs. Nathan Hall adjusting the cape for Queen Regent Lucy Pat Redding. Mrs. Hall, young people's director of the WMS, presided over the ceremony in which 22 girls were recognized. Diana Lewis, Connie McDonald, Bobbie Florian, Anne Kemper Frye, Alicia Jane Thompson, Ruth Scroggin, Helen Frances Cook, Marlene Welch, Wanda Perry and Barbara Jean Willoughby received their Octagons as Maidens; Sandra Sue Thomas and Linda Jo Vaughn each became a Lady-in-Waiting; Myra Hold, Marian Lloyd Curry, Virginia Mifflin, Emily Jane Williams and Jane Sechrest were Princesses; Patsy Lewis, Ann Calvert Thompson and Sharon Welch were crowned Queens; Elizabeth Newell received her scepter as Queen with Scepter; and Lucy Pat Redding achieved the highest rank of all by becoming Queen Regent. Danny McFarland, Robert Frazier Shearer and Greg True were crownbearers and Nancy Moore and Linda Moss, flower girls.

Georgetown College Influences Student to Become Baptist

GEORGETOWN, Ky. — Writes a graduate of Georgetown College, now an engineer at large for AEC project:

"I was an Episcopalian, supposedly, before I came to Georgetown. I finally (after leaving Georgetown) became baptized and joined the First Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.

"The ideals of Georgetown remained with me. In fact, they will always re-

main. I continue to attend church (his job now is in another state) and am proud of what has happened to me, since before coming to Georgetown I didn't know Christ . . ."

The good news was part of a letter to the administration, enclosing a check toward the completion of the College's swimming instruction program.—Public Relations Office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, JUNE 19, 1955

Sunday schools with attendance as low as 100 will hereafter be published. Ten o'clock, Wednesday, is the dead line.

If the total number of additions to the church is included, that, too, will be published in the report.

Numeral after church indicates number of missions.

Church	T.U.	S.S.
Anchorage, Pleasant Grove	130	271
Ashland, Unity	98	409
Barbourville	137	381
Bardstown	283	283
Beaver Dam (1)	170	443
Bellevue	70	430
Benton	93	251
Bowling Green (2)	286	1,193
Eastwood	69	240
Burlington	68	292
Cadiz	84	359
Campbellsville, Pleasant Hill	170	294
South Campbellsville	72	278
Carlisle (1)	65	222
Carrollton	211	308
Central City	237	526
Cincinnati, O., Florence	74	368
Clay, First	253	308
Corbin, First	96	723
Covington, Calvary	144	407
First	48	291
Crestwood	48	291
Danville, First (2)	131	627
Lexington Avenue (1)	465	261
Dayton, First	261	260
Dawson Springs	50	674
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	146	674
Erlanger	67	402
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	89	534

Grace	197	736
Walnut Street (2)	468	214
Falmouth	60	249
Ferguson (1)	78	342
Fort Thomas, First (1)	168	791
Frankfort, First (1)	90	412
Thorn Hill	164	520
Franklin, First	81	670
Fulton	88	212
Glasgow (1)	64	251
Grants Lick	143	421
Greensburg	100	432
Greenville, First	209	869
Harlan	86	244
Harrodsburg (2)	246	306
Hartford	71	279
Hawesville	534	658
Hazard	287	287
Henderson, First (1)	139	534
Himal, Horse Creek	106	658
Immanuel Temple (2)	287	449
Hima, Horse Creek	113	449
Hodgenville, First (1)	181	1,059
Hopkinsville, Second	27	293
Jellico, Tenn., Crouches Creek	72	241
Junction City	42	291
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	230	1,043
Latonia (2)	101	528
Lebanon, First (1)	82	287
Leitchfield	168	780
Lexington, Calvary (1)	115	650
Grace (1)	121	528
Cortier Memorial	115	508
London, First (1)	43	210
Louisville, Audubon	172	636
Baptist Tabernacle	230	840
Beechland	107	555
Beechmont (2)	166	928
Bethany	42	272
Bethlehem	85	263
Buechel	78	306

Carlisle Avenue (2)	272	1,333
Clifton	91	373
Eastern Parkway	70	528
Eighteenth Street	81	332
Farmdale (1)	110	451
Hazelwood	96	515
Highland (1)	163	539
Highland Park First	404	404
Immanuel	143	377
Ninth and O (11)	560	1,681
Okolona	420	420
Parkland (1)	275	933
Rockford Lane	62	282
Shawnee	85	386
Shively (1)	88	465
Southside (1)	129	546
Twenty-third and Broadway (2)	154	703
Victory Memorial (2)	176	773
Virginia Avenue	263	263
Walnut Street (4)	238	1,477
Ludlow, First	114	384
Lyndon	108	350
Madisonville, First	169	889
Mayfield, First	252	905
Middlesboro, First (4)	583	583
East Cumberland Ave.	346	346
Monticello, First	76	214
Mt. Carmel	137	130
Mt. Washington	91	311
Murray, First	86	847
Newport, First (2)	86	696
Trinity	69	202
Owensboro, Buena Vista	87	407
Eaton Memorial (1)	202	474
First (1)	184	1,025
Hall Street (1)	178	474
Macedonia	225	225
Seven Hills	76	250
Third (1)	289	1,066
Paducah, East	172	494
First (1)	161	597
Oaklawn	137	283
Trinity	111	278
Twelfth Street (1)	135	354
Paintsville, First (2)	58	228
Paris, First	46	227
Pikeville, First (4)	50	439
Prestonburg, Irene Cole	517	517
Memorial (9)	565	565
Princeton, First (1)	138	322
Second (1)	85	408
Russellville, First (1)	259	681
Somerses, First	121	218
Calvary	81	246
Somora	168	434
Springfield, First	73	279
Sturgis, First	97	305
Versailles	50	298
Walton	105	419
Williamson, West Virginia (1)	129	421
Winchester, Central	129	421

*—Only one church, Grace Church of Lexington, reported its additions—3. Others are urged to make reports of additions.

Explanation of Cooperative Program Gifts

By Long Run Association, Louisville

Since the report of Dr. W. C. Boone, State Treasurer, printed in June 9 issue of the *Western Recorder*, covering receipts for the first six months of the Associational year, 1954-55, did not show the amounts given by individual churches sending their gifts through the Long Run Association Office, we publish below the records of that office covering receipts from November 1954 through April 30, 1955.

At the bottom of the list is shown the recapitulation of the distribution of these funds and the causes to which the money went.

RECEIPTS FOR FIRST SIX MONTHS OF ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 1954-55

	Co-op. Prog.	L.R. Budget	Desig.		Co-op. Prog.	L.R. Budget	Desig.
Auburndale	\$2,014.77			Kenwood	217.46		
Audubon	816.69			Kings		20.00	
Baptist Tabernacle	2,602.33		1,247.46	Lake Dreamland			50.00
Baptist Temple	995.96		10.00	LaSalle			125.73
Baxter Avenue	125.00		2.00	Lee's Lane	1,074.11		
Beechland	3,403.43		103.89	Little Flock	1,470.00		
Beechmont	3,633.46		1,170.63	Long Run	96.17		
Graceland Chapel	12.50		31.00	Lyndon	976.26		163.92
So. Park Chapel	194.92		8.47	Lynn Acres	542.25		54.52
Beechwood		483.32		Manly Memorial	50.00		
Bethany	1,600.00		20.00	Maple Grove	51.93		
Bethlehem	195.88		62.85	Middletown	1,256.59		175.00
Broadway	100.00		262.00	Mt. Hermon	38.07		
Brooks	276.00		75.55	Ninth and O	11,200.00		1,072.99
Buechel	1,075.00		198.46	North 42nd St.	25.00		38.00
Calvary	1,908.00		591.00	Oakdale	45.00		
Calvary, Ind.	114.77			Okolona		25.00	16.57
Carlisle Avenue	8,620.26		3,190.03	Ormsby Avenue		441.31	
Parkwood			21.51	Parkland		557.50	45.16
Cedar Creek	375.00			Pleasant Gr., B. C.	330.00		
Clarksville	698.36		81.02	Pleasant Gr., J.C.	21.23		
Clifton		875.00	506.00	Pleasant View, Ind.	27.50		49.74
Clifton Heights	263.55		93.36	Plum Creek	150.88		
Covenant	128.92		166.42	Poplar Level			140.25
Crescent Hill		829.59	1,025.46	Portland Avenue	459.51		81.93
Crestwood	2,030.55		200.40	Prospect	1,045.72		180.00
Deer Park		999.99	1,241.82	Ralph Avenue	220.00		72.50
East				Riverside	154.50		878.00
Central Mission	120.37		271.92	St. Matthews		1,708.72	180.00
East Audubon	3,048.54		572.75	Shawnee	850.00		789.73
Eastern Parkway		175.00	2.50	Shively	2,000.00		45.49
Eastwood		35.00		Rockford Lane	750.00		445.40
Eighteenth Street	799.43		450.36	South Jefferson	2,822.60		25.00
Elk Creek	188.94			South Side		220.89	
Expressway				Sunnyside			327.32
Fairdale	1,861.22		16.98	Taylorville	1,050.98		246.80
Cove		15.00		Third Avenue	3,627.83		72.07
Minor Lane	40.40			Fern Creek	326.81		32.67
Farmdale	2,380.94		724.59	23rd & Broadway	406.20	740.00	63.05
Fisherville	493.76		136.34	Middle Road	153.23		
Foster Avenue	2.50			Valley View	182.07		
Fourth Avenue		270.00	55.00	Van Buren		550.00	70.00
Franklin Street	612.50			Victory Memorial		1,916.66	145.33
Garfield Avenue				Virginia Avenue	944.52		107.30
Gethsemane				Walnut Street	2,006.59		3,493.95
Grace	638.99		71.98	Weaver Memorial	689.28		63.25
Harmony	544.40			West Broadway			19.00
Hazelwood	1,122.28		810.08	West Side			477.39
Highland	5,974.09		2,036.20	W.M.U. Adv. Com.			335.08
Highland Park, 1st	2,405.20		753.50	Central District			
Highland Park, 2nd	338.80		211.00	Long Run W.M.U.			
Highview	575.01			V.B.S. Clinics	69.36		
Hopewell				WGRC			652.58
Immanuel	1,025.52		725.70				
Jeffersontown							
Totals	\$88,689.94	\$9,932.98	\$28,024.75				

Distribution

Total designated to Long Run Budget	\$12,757.98
Total from Cooperative Program receipts to meet Long Run Budget	26,692.02
Total Cooperative Program Funds sent to Dr. W. C. Boone, State Treasurer	58,587.23
Total designated to State and Convention-wide causes	20,739.68
Total amount sent to W. C. Boone, State Treas.	79,326.91

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Cleanings

►Bill J. Smith becomes pastor of Whites Run Baptist Church, Carrollton, Ky. He comes from College Heights Baptist Church, Eldorado, Ill.

►The First Baptist Church of Montgomery, Alabama, is installing escalators in its educational building. The church was founded in 1829.

►Texas Baptists are considering a \$9,000,000 budget for their annual convention this year. This will be \$500,000 greater than last year, and more than double the 1949 budget.

NO WESTERN RECORDER NEXT WEEK JULY 7, 1955

►G. G. Lanter, evangelist of Atlanta, Ga., assisted in a revival at Fellowship Baptist Church near Lawrenceburg, Ky. There were 14 additions by baptism and five by letter. Pastor R. E. Booker speaks highly of Lanter.

►The Negro work department of the state Baptist convention in Mississippi has launched a project to place Bibles in 100,000 homes of negroes which do not have Bibles. The project covered a three-year span.

►Dr. Harold W. Seever, pastor, Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile (largest church in Alabama), has been named Baptist Hour speaker for the summer quarter—July through September. Dr. Seever is a Georgetown graduate and also of Southern Seminary.

MUSIC DIRECTOR AVAILABLE

A Graduate of Stetson University with a major in voice and with several years' experience in directing church music is available for a position after August 1, 1955. She has also studied in the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. A combination job of Music-Education director would also be considered. Please address answer to R.A. c/o the Western Recorder, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

ROY E. BOATWRIGHT
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Standard Sunday Schools

Paint Lick—Pastor Harold Earl; Superintendent Robert Wren.
Pleasant Grove—Pastor Raymond Rich; Superintendent J. Harold P. Pool.
Old Bethel—Pastor Charles Burklow; Superintendent John Glass.

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Cedarmore Sunday School Week

We are happy to announce plans for another wonderful Sunday School Week at Cedarmore, August 8-12. We are



Dr. Forrest Heeren



Mrs. Forrest Heeren

fortunate in securing Dr. Forrest Heeren, Dean of School of Church Music, Southern Seminary, to lead the music and Mrs. Heeren as his accompanist.

Other persons who will appear on the program are: Dr. W. W. Adams, Southern Seminary, and Dr. Rollin S. Burhans. Conference leaders will be announced later.

Now is the time to plan to send your Sunday school superintendent or pastor to Cedarmore. All who are interested in Sunday school work are urged to attend. Send your reservation to Rev. Marvin Byrdwell, Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Bagdad, Kentucky.

Vacation Bible Schools Reporting through June 13

School	Enrolment
Pleasant View	124
Wasiota	36
Marion	154
Campton	83

First Baptist, Sebree	120
Crescent Springs	91
Hawesville	122
Oak Grove	66
Hazel	122
First Baptist, Barbourville	138
South Carrollton	101
Cherry Hill	71
First Baptist, Scottsville	130
First Baptist, Williamsburg	207
Second Baptist, Madisonville	90
First Baptist, Leitchfield	169
Cloverport (Negro School)	24
White Sulphur	66
White Plains Missionary Baptist	71
Grangertown	60
Olive	100
Penrod	62
Baptist Chapel (Mission, First, Russellville)	57
First Baptist, Russellville	191
First Baptist, Franklin	210
Uniontown	175
Garfield	60
New Liberty (Knob Lick)	59
Calvary	146
First Baptist, Wheelwright	158
Lambert School (Mission of First, Wheelwright)	28
Melvin School (Mission of First, Wheelwright)	62
Spring Bayou	90
Immanuel (West Union Association)	260
Beechland, Louisville	570

High Ten in Sunday School Training Thru May 31, 1955

1. Harrodsburg	757
2. Madisonville, First	593
3. Louisville, Parkland	470
4. Harlan	390
5. Lexington, Grace	372
6. Cadiz	328
7. Covington, Latonia	319
8. Louisville, Victory Memorial	308
9. Louisville, Beechmont	300
10. Paducah, Twelfth St.	260

Notice

Often we have requests for awards for individual studies in the Sunday school training course with only the person's name signed to the paper. Before proper credit can be given, we must have the name, address, church, and association. The following persons have earned awards but have given only their names: Mrs. B. O. Hinton, *Studies in Phillipians*; Esther Van Cleave, *Beginner Sunday School Work*; Mrs. W. E. Burgin, *Living in the Faith*; Miss Althea Fleming, *The Book We Teach*; Mrs. R. L. Cull, *Baptist Distinctives*; Mrs. W. S. Bailey, *Jesus, the Teacher*.

We are anxious to send awards to these people and will do so as soon as we know where to have the awards sent. Thank you.

Reviewing Four Years of Clear Creek Springs Baptist Church

PINEVILLE, Ky. — Clear Creek Springs Baptist Church, located at the Clear Creek Mountain Preachers' Bible School, near here, is on a tract of land provided by Dr. L. C. Kelly for the purpose of training young ministers.

Dr. Kelly called a number of people together November 2, 1950, for the purpose of constituting a Baptist church for young ministers and their families. About 80 persons lived on the campus. Also the president of the school and his good wife and the members of the faculty and their wives. Brother Kelly said he had prayed for months with the faculty and it appeared to be of the Lord to have a church where these young preachers and their wives could get some training for their life work. We gladly helped Brother Kelly in constituting this new church. Here are the results of the four years' work of the Clear Creek Church, of gifts made to the Cooperative Program:

1951	\$1,332.00
1952	1,728.00
1953	1,901.00
1954	1,692.00

We think this record is great. Dr. L. C. Kelly stood by this young church 100 per cent. The Bell County Baptist Association is to meet at this church next session, September 16, 1955.

Visit us and see the working of this great young church here in the heart of the Eastern Kentucky Mountains.—BELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, W. T. ROBBINS, Clerk, 50th Year, Route 1.

►The Totz Church, in Pine Mountain Association, has called E. H. Mullins, Hiram, as its pastor. He has been pastor at Totz before, so he knows the field well. The Totz Church is now in the midst of a building project.

►A North Carolina couple recently gave Gardner-Webb Junior College, Boiling Springs, N. C., a \$10,000 scholarship fund. It will be known as the George and Ida Wood Blanton Scholarship Trust, named for the donors.

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THANK YOU BRETHERN!

A bulletin from the Brotherhood Commission this week spots Kentucky right at the top of the heap in BROTHERHOOD JOURNAL circulation. We quote as follows:

"Eleven states pushed through to a gain in BROTHERHOOD JOURNAL distribution for the second quarter to keep the grand total above the 100,000 mark. They were Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

"Greatest gains were scored by Florida with an increase of 559, KENTUCKY—546, and Alabama—236. States surpassing their 1955 goal for quarterly distribution numbered eight." [Kentucky was one of these eight.]

During this second quarter 228 church Brotherhoods ordered the Journals. This was against only 185 for the first quarter. These 228 Brotherhoods ordered 4,560 Journals as against only 4,014 for the first quarter.

Thank you brethren for your wonderful spirit of cooperation. Not only are we helping good old Kentucky hold her own with some of the other states but our men are receiving some real information and inspiration through the Journal.

PLEASE—BROTHER MODERATOR!

The time for the annual meetings of our various associations is fast approaching. We now have forty-four associations with a Brotherhood President. This leaves thirty-six without this important officer. We appeal to the Moderators in those associations where no Brotherhood officers have been elected to give this matter your careful consideration as you plan your programs for the annual meeting. If you will elect a good man who is interested in Brotherhood, we will work through him and do our dead level best to make Brotherhood work a blessing to the churches in your association. In those associations where you already have a Brotherhood leader, we would appeal to you to be sure that this important officer is among the list of officers to be elected by the association again this year. Our plan is to try to hold a joint Brotherhood-Royal Ambassador clinic in each association during 1956, and if we have this "key" man to work through we will appreciate it very much. Watch your mail for some new materials on the subject of organizing the Associational Brotherhood which has recently been produced by the Brotherhood Commission. You will find this material valuable for suggestions on the "how" of associational Brotherhood work.

Let's Get the Facts

By C. CARLTON WEATHERTON
Ky. Member, Relief and Annuity Board

A popular television personality often says, "Let's get the facts, just the facts." These are the facts as they relate to the Ministerial Relief problem in Kentucky.

Fact No. 1: The Relief and Annuity Board has 1530 dependent preachers or their widows on the relief roll, with more than 125 of these in Kentucky.

Fact No. 2: The Relief and Annuity Board paid benefits in Kentucky last year of \$21,862, but received only \$16,881 from Kentucky for this purpose. Thus, Kentucky had a deficit of more than \$5,000 last year.

Fact No. 3: The Relief and Annuity Board cannot carry such a deficit. Funds must be made available to meet this situation.

The above facts are cold and impersonal, yet they must be realistically faced. Unless Kentucky Baptists through their Fellowship Offering for Ministerial Relief meet this deficit, the Relief and Annuity Board will be forced to reduce the benefits now being paid and decline to add any additional beneficiaries to the roll. As harsh as this may seem to us, it will appear even worse to those who are in need of this assistance. To them it is not a matter of expediency, but it relates to the vital necessities of life. Relief Funds to them mean shelter, clothing, medical care and remembrance by a grateful denomination.

The Apostle Paul has written, "As we have opportunity let us do good unto all

men, especially to those who are of the household of faith." Who are those men "of the household of faith?" Certainly they would be those called as pastors and their helpmates who have already given a life-time of service to the Lord and to Kentucky Baptists. Many of us today are enjoying the fruits of their labors, as we build on the foundation which they have laid. Salaries of days gone by were pitifully small, and these friends were unable to save for the future. Out of our abundance today, we must provide for those who have given their lives for the spiritual and material blessings which we enjoy.

The beloved Apostle said, "As we have opportunity" The opportunity will be ours on July 24 to express our Christian compassion and our personal love for those men and women who are our spiritual forebears. We earnestly trust that every church in Kentucky will on this Sunday, or at the earliest convenient date, receive a special offering for the care of aged and dependent preachers and their wives or widows. It is imperative that every church have a part if the need is to be met. Offerings received should be designated for Ministerial Relief, and sent to the State Secretary, Dr. W. C. Boone, 127 East Broadway, Louisville 2, Kentucky.

Kansas City Reports 4,900 Rooms Available

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (BP) — With an eye already peeled toward the 1956 Southern Baptist Convention session here, officials here reported there are 4,900 first class hotel and motel rooms available.

Conrad R. Willard, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church here, who is serving as general chairman for the local arrangements committee, based the information on data from the city's convention bureau.

According to Willard, only 3,309 rooms were used by persons attending the 1954 Convention in St. Louis, Mo. In addition to the 3,309 hotel rooms, Baptists attending the St. Louis Convention session also occupied more than 1,000 motel rooms. Therefore, he said, he considers Kansas City's room supply sufficient.

The local committee said the following procedure will be used for the 1956 Convention:

1. All hotel reservations for the Convention will be handled through the convention bureau of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce.

2. A list of hotels and an application form will be printed simultaneously in all Baptist state papers in September.

3. No hotel reservations will be confirmed before November 15.

When Should a Church Divide?

By E. N. PATTERSON
City Line and Lancaster Avenue
Philadelphia 31, Pennsylvania

Are there any occasions when a Baptist church should split? How far should a person be willing to go, as a church changes its doctrinal position, before he withdraws from its membership?

Personally I have never had an occasion to think about such questions until several weeks ago. My wife and I attended the morning worship service of a Baptist church here in the east. We worshipped in their beautiful new auditorium and the cross and candle sticks were in the center representing the host.

In the bulletin that Sunday, to my amazement, there was a notice that in the next business meeting of the church they would discuss whether the church should start practicing open membership. This would mean accepting sprinkling for baptism. The church met in the business meeting and an outside speaker presented open membership in a favorable light. There was such a difference of opinion that the church decided not to vote on the matter for a while.

The pastor of this church is in favor of open membership. He feels that it will be a progressive step for this Baptist church, after all these years, to open its doors to people who have not been baptized.

Now a member of the church, who is disturbed over this question, tells me there are a number of members who are against open membership. This member wants to know what to do if the church votes for open membership. My advice was, if the church votes for this, move your membership to a church that holds to this New Testament doctrine, baptism. If you cannot find such a church close by, then the group should think about organizing a New Testament church.

Someone will say what this member said, "I don't want to split the church." Now the question comes, just how far a church can go from the New Testament before one should leave. The requirements for membership in a New Testament church are simple and clear.

1. You accept Christ as a personal Saviour.
2. You follow Christ in Christian baptism (immersion of believers).
3. You purpose in your heart to live for Christ day by day.

There are many other things that are important to a New Testament church, but we are not concerned with them in this article.

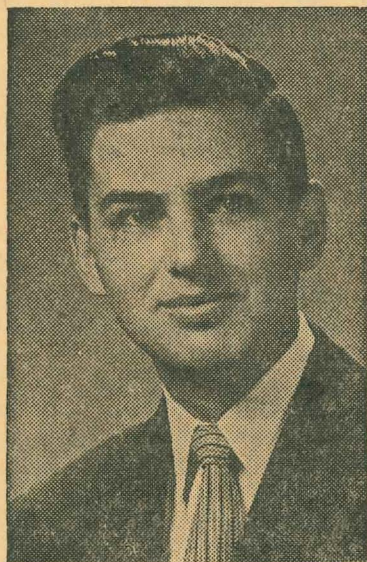
The question of open church mem-

bership is a vital question among Baptist churches in some sections of the United States today. Many Baptist churches have been practicing open membership for years, others are thinking seriously about starting this practice. When a Baptist church starts this it becomes a community church, and there is always room in that community to start a New Testament church.

Let us remember this as Baptists, that if all our churches should turn away from the New Testament, God will raise up another group to take our place in propagating the simple faith of the New Testament.

What a day for Southern Baptists and for any other churches that will follow the simple teachings of the New Testament in regards to the church. The common people are hungry for the bread of life. People will flock to churches of this kind in any section of this land. May God help us to be true in our generation.

Dr. Patterson is a professor in New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La.



William J. Smith has been called to be pastor of the Whites Run Baptist Church, Carrollton, Ky., and he assumed his new duties May 29. He succeeds Brother Milton Snyder who has gone to a pastorate in Baltimore, Md. Brother Smith is a second-year student in Southern Seminary, and goes to his new work from the College Heights Church in Eldorado, Ill., where he has been pastor for three years. Mrs. Smith is teaching in the Louisville City Schools.

Chewing Gum in Church

By L. R. RILEY

No doubt some one will say when they read this what the colored woman said about her pastor when he spoke of dipping snuff. She said, "He had done quit preaching and gone to meddlin."

In I Tim. 3:15 we find these words: "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."

Note these quotations both coming from preachers and think on them. One man said, "When I see some one chewing gum in church I feel just like I do when I see a woman smoking a cigarette." Another man who had traveled extensively as an evangelist said, "In all my experience of these many years, I have never seen any one converted who had a chew of gum in their mouth."

One of the main reasons against taking gum into church services is the fact that so much of it is stuck to the under part of the seats. Try it out when you attend church and just see how many seats with no gum sticking to the under part of the seat. It will surprise you how many of them have it.

It might be well if we plan to chew gum next Sunday while the pastor preaches to stand before the mirror and practice awhile before we go just to see how we look in church chewing gum.

Now if the party quoted above is right as to the woman smoking and the party chewing gum in church, both being in the same class in his thinking, how about their witnessing power being hindered to some degree in both cases?

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things" (Phil. 4:8).

Bro. Moderator, I move you that we prefer charges against "Mr. Gum" and exclude him from our church service; do I hear a second?

►Miss Rena Calhoun, head of the speech department of Georgetown College, was recently elected president of the Kentucky Speech Arts Association, a group composed of drama and speech teachers throughout the state. Since 1933 Miss Calhoun has held the following offices in some varied organizations: president of the Council of Administrative Women of Kentucky; secretary of the Kentucky Association of Teachers of Speech (and later president of the same group); secretary of the Kentucky Association of Deans of Women (later president of this organization); and member of the Executive Council of the Southern Speech Association. Last year she completed 25 years as director of the Maskrafters, drama group of Georgetown College.



CLEAR CREEK WMS, AT PINEVILLE.—Showing 22 of the 45 members attending the Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer. The offering for home missions totaled \$116.32, while the Lotie Moon offering for foreign missions was \$225. Training of

the student-preachers' wives in the WMU is a vital part of the training program of Clear Creek Mountain Preachers' Bible School, because the work of future preachers is greatly enhanced when their wives are well trained.

Canadian Baptists

By J. W. STORER

On Sunday night, May 1, 1955, in Toronto, Canada, one of the most epochal and moving gatherings of Baptists in my experience was held. It was called the "Rally for Advance," staged under the auspices of the Baptist Convention of Toronto and Quebec, in co-operation with seven associations. Meeting in the University Arena were between 5,000 and 6,000 Baptists.

The program was simple and geared to a deeper consecration, a quickened witness and an acceptance of the Great Commission both as to Canada and beyond the seas.

A magnificent choir, carefully trained and beautifully voiced, simply thrilled my soul. I longed for it to appear before the Southern Baptist Convention some time; we would be better for it, and our understanding of our Canadian brethren would be more as it should. A young Baptist preacher, the Rev. Arthur Poynter, has trained the musicians from all Toronto churches for five years. How they can sing!

Two young men and two young women told what Jesus Christ had done for them and why they had dedicated their lives for definite Christian service. It was as if I were listening to our Foreign Mission candidates at the appointment meetings in Richmond.

Following them it was my privilege to speak to the packed arena, after the introduction by Dr. T. B. McDormand, Convention general secretary. Never

have I had a more responsive hearing to what our Lord commanded in the Great Commission.

When the final word of the dedication hymn, "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross," had come, it looked to me as if a third of the people stood—by so doing pledging themselves to an all-out evangelism and church responsibility—in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the only Saviour from sin.

Canadian Baptists have had to endure much of the same dissentious attacks as have Southern Baptists, and only now is the day clearing for them. But, a new hope has come to them, and all of us will be grateful for their aggressive spirit of evangelism, and church extension. They have a good name for it, "FRONTIERS FOR EXTENSION AND EVANGELISM."

Comparatively small in numbers, they are steadily moving into a place of leadership. Toronto has a population of one and a half million, one of the fastest growing cities in the world. Since 1945, seven new, attractive Baptist church buildings have been erected, nine sites for other Baptist churches have been acquired, and another six areas are under study by the department of church extension.

All members of our household of faith will rejoice with our Canadian brethren in the manner with which they are entering their door of opportunity and responsibility.

Stricken Family Gives Property to Mission

UDALL, Kans. — (BP) — The tornado that levelled little Udall in late May claimed the life of Katherine Jeffries, 6, a member of the Baptist mission Sunday school here.

The girl's parents, after the tragedy, decided to return to Missouri. They deeded the lots they owned in Udall to the Baptist mission church, to be used for a building.

First Baptist Church, Mulvane, Kans., sponsors the mission.

►The comics not only continue to be the best read section of a newspaper, but they have an estimated readership of 75 million adults daily. With children included, this readership exceeds 100 million.—Survey Bulletin.

►Betty May Tribble, daughter of Wake Forest College President Harold W. Tribble and Mrs. Tribble, has been awarded a Fulbright scholarship to study in France next year. She will attend the University of Besancon, Dijon.

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Five Million-Milestones Reached By Southern Baptists

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Southern Baptists passed five million-milestones in 1954: (1) church membership passed the eight million-mark; (2) Sunday school enrolment, the six million-mark; (3) Training Union enrolment, the two million-mark; (4) mission gifts, the fifty million-mark; and (5) total gifts, the 300 million-mark.

No other year in Baptist history registered so many outstanding achievements, reported J. P. Edmunds, secretary, Survey, Statistics, and Information Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, in making an annual report of the department to the Board.

Greatest enrolment gain was in Sunday school enrolment, 597,361 over 1953. Baptists can boast that this was the greatest Sunday school annual gain of any denomination in history. It was greater than the combined gain of the past two years. The 1954 gain was greater than the total Sunday school enrolment in 1895, after fifty years of organized work as a denomination.

The significance of these achievements is in their spiritual implications, such as increased Bible study, greater soul-winning opportunities, stronger churches, and better homes and communities, Edmunds said in his report.

The Training Union percentage gain was even greater than the Sunday school. In going beyond the two million-mark in enrolment, the Training Union forces achieved a record not to be overlooked. It took Southern Baptists fifty-two years to reach their first million in Training Union enrolment, whereas it took only six years to reach the second million. At their present rate of growth, they should reach their next million in three years.

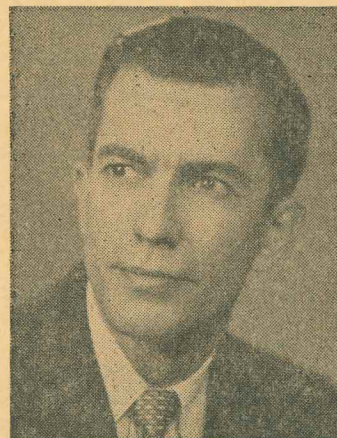
Southern Baptists now number 8,169,491 in 29,899 churches and 1,032 associations. There were 396,857 baptisms in 1954, an increase of 35,022 over 1953. Total gifts reached \$305,573,654, of which \$52,926,157 were for missions.

Edmunds said that important surveys completed by the department in 1954 were a music survey, and a survey of college enrolments, which showed that 64.9 per cent of Baptist students are enrolled in government and municipal colleges; 18.7 per cent in Southern Baptist colleges; 6.5 per cent in private colleges; and 9.9 per cent in other colleges. It also revealed that in the con-

vention states covered Baptist students comprise 27.4 per cent of government school enrolments; 19.5 per cent of Methodist schools; 17.1 per cent of Presbyterian schools; 13.7 per cent of private schools; 75.6 per cent of Southern Baptist schools; and 16.0 per cent of other schools.

Edmunds said that the prime function of the Board's Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information, through the medium of statistics, is "to help the churches "see" the unreached multitudes and sense the responsibility which Christians should feel in carrying the gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth."

Georgetown's A. G. Thomson to Teach Theory On Music Program



A. G. Thomson

Dr. A. G. Thomson, head of the Music Department of Georgetown College, will teach theory classes and serve as host to the State Music Leadership Conference that meets on Georgetown College campus, July 4-7.

The Conference begins Monday afternoon at 2 P.M. and closes Thursday at noon. Come and plan to stay through the whole conference. Be sure to bring your sheets, pillows, towels. The rooms and beds are furnished free. The only cost is transportation, food, and \$2.00 registration fee.

Phone now your reservation immediately to State Music Leadership Conference, Kentucky Baptist Building, 127 East Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

►The First Baptist Church of Ft. Thomas, Ky., has passed resolutions concerning the recent labors of their former pastor, Dr. Jesse M. Rogers, as their interim pastor from October 15, 1954, to March 31 of this year. While supplying a total of 33 new members were added to the church. Dr. Rogers, a former missionary to China, is now residing at Decatur, Alabama.

Russian Baptist Writes Newton

(Baptist Press)

ATLANTA, Ga. — Louie D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church here, recently received a letter from the general secretary of Russian Baptists, expressing hope that the two will meet each other again in the near future.

In his letter to Newton, Alexander Karev, general secretary, Baptist Union of Russia, said he is "getting ready to take part in the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in London in July."

Newton met Karev when the Atlanta minister toured the Soviet Union in 1946.

The Text of Karev's letter follows:

"Dear Brother:

"Since 1946, when we last saw you and had our meeting in Moscow, many events have happened which have much meaning to our general Baptist brotherhood.

"I will name the following events: the coming to our country of well known Pastor Niemoeller in 1949; the coming of seven English Quakers in 1951; the visit of Townley Lord, W. O. Lewis, E. A. Payne in 1954; our taking part in the two conferences of the East and West Christians in Sweden in August of 1953 and August of 1954.

Right now, we are getting ready to take part in the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in London in July, 1955. We are now also looking forward to the visit of the brethren: Arnold Ohrn, Carney Hargroves, Joseph Jackson, Theodore Adams to the Soviet Union in August, 1955.

"In hope that our wish may be realized, I remain known to you,

Brother Karev
(Alexander Karev)
General Secretary of the
Baptist Union of U.S.S.R."

►Miss Mary Neal Morgan, Southern Baptist missionary to Japan, has returned to the States on furlough and may be addressed at 321 N. East, Harrodsburg, Ky. She is a native of Mercer County.

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Advertising Our Churches

By FRANK W. RHODUS, Pastor
Warsaw Baptist Church
Warsaw, Kentucky

"It pays to advertise" is the accepted slogan of the business world. They know that if their product is to be sold it must be kept before the public. If churches are to fulfill their purposes in the community life, they too, must advertise.

All the adverse publicity appearing in the daily newspapers must be offset by a positive, well-planned program of publicity by our churches. We must let the public know our churches are busily engaged in the work of the Lord and are not necessarily and constantly in inner turmoil and strife.

Three Methods

There are at least three positive ways to advertise our churches. The first, and perhaps the most widely used, is through weekly church bulletins. The S.B.C. affords every church an opportunity to do this through its BAPTIST BULLETIN SERVICE. These bulletins are reasonable in price and also keep the church abreast of the denominational movement. Many articles of interest appear on the fourth page of these bulletins each week.

Through the use of weekly bulletins the church membership is kept informed of the program and organizational meetings of the church. This provides a constant reminder to those who do not belong that other members do belong and meet regularly to carry on the work of the church. When others learn what is being done they will desire to belong also. It is much better for the members to see these announcements in print, for that which meets the eye makes a more lasting impression than that which meets the ear.

Another medium of advertising is through the local newspaper. Many editors are happy to receive and print news of the churches that has spiritual value for its readers. This is not to say that we are to overburden them with insignificant news, but we are to give them the most outstanding events. Most editors are happy to print stories of special services, revivals, ordinations

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or other services of interest to the community—usually free of charge. We should not impose on their goodness by asking them to advertise for us free of charge. This is their profession and way of livelihood, and we should respect their rights and needs.

We should not be guilty of getting them to publish a front page story about our services and then get our revival advertisements, calling cards, letterheads and other needs printed elsewhere. Most local papers are in a position to fill our needs.

Through the local paper we can advertise our weekly services, which is usually done for a nominal fee. In this

way we keep our church activities before the people. Our weekly sermon topics or titles should be scriptural and not some eye-catching misnomers. People more readily come to church to hear sermons that help them meet life than to find out how the preacher ever found that text in the Bible.

A third way to advertise is writing the Sunday school lesson for the local paper. Of course this medium can be used by only one church, but it will prove a blessing to the writer as well as to the people. This medium takes more time and work than the others but the results are far-reaching.

Since 1952 I have written the Sunday school lesson for our local paper

GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Charles E. Adams, editor, and have found it to be a distinct blessing to our church and community. This work is usually rendered as a public service, and even though one receives no material gain for it, he is able to reach more people with the message of God than otherwise possible. There may be other editors who would appreciate a local man writing the Sunday school lesson for his paper. The far-reaching results makes it worth investigating.

I have used these three media of advertising and have found that the church and its messages is kept before the people, showing them that the church is a vital, spiritual, helpful force in the community life.

Staggering Statistics

Sometimes as many as five out of eight who join churches eventually drop out of active life and service.

Someone has surmised that of the reported church members:

- Five per cent do not exist;
- Ten per cent cannot be found;
- Thirty per cent never attend services;
- Forty per cent never give to any cause;
- Fifty per cent never go to Sunday school;
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Dudley T. Pomeroy New Pastor At Newport



Dudley T. Pomeroy

NEWPORT, Ky. — The First Baptist Church, Newport, has called Rev. Dudley T. Pomeroy as pastor, Mr. Clarence Benedict, Jr., chairman of the pulpit committee, announced June 8.

The new pastor comes from Spartanburg, S. C., but is a native of Norwood, Ohio, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pomeroy of Loveland, Ohio. The new pastor has a brother who is pastor of the Baptist church in Newark, Ohio.

Pastor Pomeroy was graduated from Norwood High School, and was ordained to the ministry by Norwood Baptist Church. He is a graduate of Georgetown College (Ky.) and received the Master of Theology degree from Southern Seminary.

He has held pastorates in Owen County and Wilmore, Kentucky, and Piqua, Ohio. During World War II he served as chaplain overseas. He leaves Boiling Springs Baptist Church near Spartanburg, S. C., to come here.

Mrs. Pomeroy is a native of Pineville, Kentucky. They have two children, a girl 13 and a boy 9.

The new pastor will assume his duties here August 1, succeeding Dr. E. Keevil Judy who resigned in January to become pastor of Harlan Church.

The Newport church building is at Eighth and York Streets and has mission stations at Eighth and Brighton and in South Newport. This church's membership is 1,700, and for the past

two months it has averaged more than 800 in Sunday school attendance. Rev. R. T. Daugherty, associate pastor, has been serving as interim pastor.

►Miss Carl Jackson, Waco, Kentucky, and Ernest N. Perry, Jr., Richmond, Ky., were united in marriage June 5 at the First Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. The groom is a son of Pastor and Mrs. E. N.

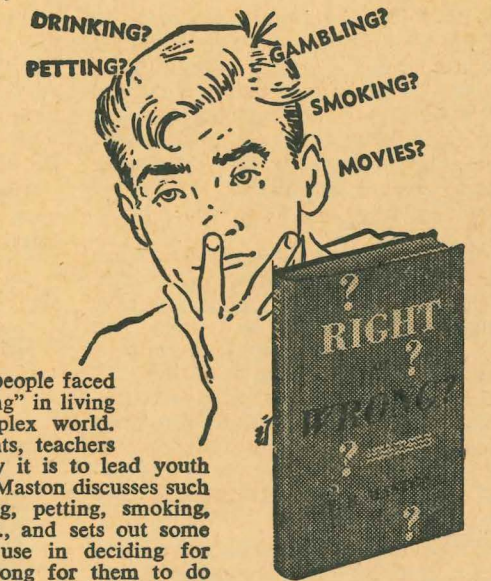
Perry, Sr., and his father conducted the ceremony. He teaches in the Custor Consolidated School, Monroe, Michigan. The bride expects to remain in Eastern State Teachers College, Richmond, Ky., until her graduation this summer, after which she will go with her husband to teach in Michigan. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Richard Brown. ►Pastor John W. Clark, of Georgia, and his wife will be visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Newton Dupin, 808 South 34th Street, Louisville 11, Ky., the parents of Mrs. Clark, for two weeks during the last of July and the first of August.

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