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One Hundred Twenty-five aged preachers or their widows look to Kentucky Baptists in their hour of need. Fellowship offering for Ministerial Relief—July 24. Remember this worthy appeal in your Church.

►Registration, before the opening of the Baptist World Alliance in London, had already reached 7,250, according to reports from registration committee.

►Dr. H. H. Stembridge, Jr., formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky., has just completed his eighth year as pastor of the First Church, Forest City, N. C.

►J. W. Bishop was the evangelist in a two weeks' revival at Foster Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, resulting in 6 professions of faith, 2 transferring letters, and 4 rededications. "The church was blessed with the Gospel preaching of this sincere servant of the Lord," says Pastor Foster Rose.

►Information has been received to the effect that a certain young man has been soliciting financial assistance from pastors and others, giving the Kentucky Baptist Hospital as reference and place of employment. It is true that this young man did work at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital sometime ago, but he has no connection with the hospital at the present time. It is hoped that the use of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital as reference by this young man when asking for financial assistance will not be interpreted to mean that the hospital will vouch for the worthiness of the solicitor.

►Crestwood Church and DeHaven Memorial Church, LaGrange, jointly sponsored a mission tent revival at Buckner, Ky., June 12-22, 1955, with Charles Mitchell doing the preaching. Brother Mitchell is a Seminary student and a member of the Crestwood Church. The revival resulted in five additions, four by letter and one by baptism, and plans are maturing for a permanent mission work at Buckner under the sponsorship of the two churches. This is a rather significant venture since it is the co-operative effort of the Crestwood and LaGrange churches and is on the borderline of Long Run and Sulphur Fork Associations. A. L. Meacham is the LaGrange pastor, and Joseph Richard Estes is pastor at Crestwood.

►Fourteen-year-old co-principals of this year's V. B. S. at Friendship Baptist Church, Russell County Association, were Miss Betty Lou Ragle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ragle, and Miss Cherry Alice Holt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Holt. These two young ladies are the youngest ever to head a V. B. S. at Friendship Church; and it is thought they are the youngest to do so in the Russell County Association. Almost half the school's workers were high school students. The school was held June 6-10, with an enrollment of 41. There were two conversions, both of them uniting with the church on the night of commencement, June 12. Drewry Meece has begun his fifth year as pastor of the Friendship Church.

►Youth Week was held in the Lexington Avenue Church of Danville, opening with a Youth in Religion broadcast over Station WHIR, followed by a campfire service that evening with the inspirational address by Walter K. Price, pastor of First Baptist Church, Danville. Other activities of the week included a church-wide ping pong tournament held in the recreation room; a prayer service conducted wholly by the young people; and a fellowship breakfast Saturday morning. The week was climaxed Friday, Saturday and Sunday with a Youth Revival service. John Claypool, student at Southern Seminary, was the minister. On Sunday the young people were completely in charge of all the regular services of the church. Mr. Dick Parks, senior at Centre College, was Youth Week Pastor.

►Miss Lorene Tilford came to Louisville, Ky., from her home in Chattanooga, Tenn., Saturday, June 25. After spending a few days in the home of Miss Mary Sampson here, the two ladies sailed from New York City June 29 on the S. S. Queen Elizabeth for the Baptist World Alliance at London. They will leave Southampton, England, on the S. S. Corfu July 22, going through the Mediterranean and the Suez Canal, en route to Hongkong. From there they will go to Formosa. Their new address will be Box 139, Taichung, Formosa. Just before leaving Louisville Miss Sampson said, "We covet the prayers of our Kentucky friends as we re-enter upon our duties as missionaries in that vast Island off the coast of China." Friends wishing to communicate with them may write them at the above address.

►Pleasant Grove Church, Anchorage, ordained its associate pastor, Sonny Hays, to the Gospel ministry June 12. The council was composed of 30 ordained men. A native of Virginia, he has been graduated by Lincoln Memorial University and is now a student in Southern Seminary. Mrs. Hays was raised on a foreign mission field in India and is a native of New York. They have one son, John Mart. The interrogation was led by Dr. C. R. Daley, Harrodsburg; the charge to the church was delivered by Dr. H. C. Jackson, Seminary faculty; and the ordination sermon was delivered by Pastor Robert W. Brown, Pleasant Grove. In addition to the church giving the traditional Bible, the deacons presented him with a lifetime Pastoral Record Book, and the church members presented a number of gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Hays.

►After 12 years of service, Pastor L. E. Holt has resigned the leadership of the Highland Park Baptist Church, Texarkana, Texas. The resignation was because of an impaired hearing, which so far has not been corrected. The church



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accepted the resignation only because he urged it. He indicated in his resignation that he felt he was unable to do what he should as a pastor, due to his bad hearing. His health is excellent otherwise. His resignation was accepted with deep regret. He plans for the present to do supply work and work in the field of church architecture. He will also hold meetings where and when the openings come. He has done, and is doing, church designing, and drawing plans. He will continue to reside at 3022 Garland Avenue, Texarkana, Ark. He is a native of Cunningham, in western Kentucky, and was formerly a pastor of Lone Oak Church, Paducah, Ky.

Baptist Mission Work in Italy

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Baptists have a historic right to Italy. In 1540 a colony of Anabaptists came from Switzerland and settled in Venice. They began at once to preach the gospel and very shortly established missions in other parts of Italy.

Before the middle of the sixteenth century there were more than seventy localities in northern Italy between Ferrara and Switzerland, where Baptists had established themselves.

However, before the end of the century, all of these Baptists had either suffered martyrdom or fled in order to save their lives. Such was the work of the Inquisition in the hands of the Dominican Order!

From that period until the middle of the nineteenth century there is no historic trace of Baptist work in Italy, though doubtless there were many individuals who held Baptist views.

The American Baptists (through the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention) began work in 1870, shortly after the Pope lost his temporal power. This Mission was beset with many difficulties at first. In 1873, Dr. George B. Taylor, late chaplain of the University of Virginia, was chosen to take charge of this difficult field.

For thirty-four years he was the director and inspirer of this work. His scholarship, his wisdom, and his deep piety greatly impressed all who knew him. He was called by his friends "the angelical doctor." In 1880 he was joined by Dr. J. H. Eager who remained sixteen years.

Missionaries, Past and Present

Dr. D. G. Whittinghill came to Italy in 1901 to assist Dr. Taylor. Dr. Everett Gill, Sr., arrived in 1905 and Rev. J. P. Stuart in 1909. In 1937, Dr. W. Dewey Moore came to assist Dr. Whittinghill and has been the Board's representative since 1939 when Dr. Whittinghill retired.

In 1947 Dr. Benjamin R. Lawton arrived to reopen the theological school which had been closed for many years due to wars and other reasons. He is now president of the school, *Istituto Filadelfia*, at Rivoli, near Turin.

Dr. Roy F. Starmer came in 1947 and is now directing the publication department. Miss Virginia Wingo arrived in 1949 to be principal of the new Armstrong Memorial Training School for Girls. And in 1952 Miss Grace Tyler came to assist in the school.

Rev. Albert B. Craighead arrived in 1952 and is assisting Dr. Lawton at the theological school. At present there are ten Southern Baptist missionaries work-

By Alice (Mrs. W. Dewey) Moore
Missionary to Italy

ing in Italy. (This number includes Mrs. Lawton, Mrs. Starmer, Mrs. Craighead, and Mrs. Moore.)

There are about sixty missionaries of other evangelical denominations and groups, most of whom have come since the war. These include Pentecostals, Brethren, Church of Christ, Seventh-day Adventists, Jehovah's Witnesses, et alii.

Churches

At present there are in Italy about four thousand members in our Baptist churches. The actual "population" in Baptist families is about twelve thousand. These are scattered here and there among the forty-eight million who live in Italy. There are sixty churches and groups and over one hundred evangelistic stations, and fifty Italian pastors and evangelists. The churches are grouped in the "Italian Baptist Work" (*Opera Battista d'Italia*).

The Italian Baptist churches grouped in the Italian Baptist Work meet in the General Assembly every year. During the interim a central committee co-ordinates the work of the churches and decides about common activities and enterprises. Regional conferences in the different areas are held annually.

The Baptist visitor to Italy will not have opportunity to see many of the churches but certain important ones will be found along the tourist route in and near the larger cities.

Institutions

Rome

The headquarters building of the Baptist Mission in Italy is at Piazza in Lucina, 35 (phone, 61-320). Here are the offices of Dr. Manfredi Ronchi, executive secretary of Italian Baptists; Dr. W. Dewey Moore, the representative of the Foreign Mission Board; and Dr. Roy F. Starmer, director of the publication department.

Armstrong Memorial Training School for Girls (*Istituto Betania*): Via Antelao 14 (phone, 890-941), Miss Virginia Wingo, principal; Miss Grace Tyler, co-worker. Organized in 1949, this school honors the memory of Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, who served for twelve years as president of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. The purpose of the school is

to prepare young Italian girls of high school age for Christian service wherever the Lord might lead them: in home, school, office, church. At present there are seventeen students in the school.

A Good Samaritan Clinic, Via Antelao 14 (phone, 890-941), Dr. Marco Fasulo. Open to the public at certain hours morning and early afternoon. The purpose of this institution is to offer medical help as a means of Christian testimony and evangelization.

George B. Taylor Orphanage for Boys and Girls and Rest Home for Old Folk, Via delle Spighe 8, Centocelle (phone, 711-412), Mrs. W. Dewey Moore, director. This institution honors the memory of Dr. George B. Taylor, first missionary of Southern Baptists in Italy. The girls' building was given in 1948 by Mr. and Mrs. George B. Fraser of Washington, D. C. The chapel was provided by a group of friends and Texas Woman's Missionary Union to honor their president, Mrs. Marie Mathis.

The Rest Home (*Casa di Riposo*) for old folk was founded in 1953 and is yet to be paid for. There are ninety children in the Orphanage and twelve old folk in the Rest Home. Connected with this institution is also a medical clinic under the direction of Dr. Fasulo, which is open to the public at certain hours daily. The Orphanage and Rest Home are maintained by Italian Baptists.

Turin

Theological School (*Istituto Filadelfia*) at Rivoli, about eight miles from Turin. (Phone Rivoli 208 for instructions or transportation.) Address: Via L. Colla 6. This school, founded in Rome in 1910 by Dr. Whittinghill, was closed from 1931 to 1949 when it was reopened at Rivoli. Dr. Benjamin R. Lawton is the president and Rev. Albert B. Craighead is the missionary co-worker.

Besides the theological courses, there is a hostel for Baptist students. There are about fifteen Baptist churches and groups near by. The Waldensian Valleys are near by. There is a delightful view of the Alps from the campus. This institution more than deserves the short trip from Turin, for a visit, or the two-hour trip by fast train from Milan.

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►Pastor Burton Calico, after more than twelve years with the Beech Grove Baptist Church, near Perryville, has accepted the pastorate of Kirksville Baptist Church. He began his new work May 22.

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Deacons and Authority in the Church

A letter has come from a cherished friend, and it is very interesting.

The friend talks about some of the problems faced in a church. No one will know who the friend is, nor the name of the church. We only use a few words from his letter, and this is done because there may be other churches which have the same problem. The friend said in part:

"We shall appreciate it very much if you will give us any definite information as to the real duties and obligations of a deacon in a Missionary Baptist church. I have always been taught that the deacon board should, to a great extent, control the activities of the church. Any information or instructions you may give regarding this matter will be greatly appreciated."

The letter has the word "board" to which may object on the ground that it carries the connotation of "an authoritative council." If this were the explicit meaning of the word, then all would object to it; for in the thinking of most Baptists the deacons are not an authoritative council, nor should they ever try to "control the activities of the church." Deacons get their commission from the church, and the authority rests with the church, not with the deacons.

The English word "deacon" is not found many times in the New Testament. It is found in Philip-
pians 1:1 and in 1 Timothy 3:8, 10, 12, 13. The original word (diakonos) primarily meant "a servant." Nowhere in the New Testament was the word ever used to describe a ruler or a lord or a controller of the affairs of the church.

Most people think that deacons as such started amid the events told about in the sixth chapter of Acts. The church at Jerusalem was having trouble. Other Baptist churches have had like troubles. It seems that some had the feeling that there were favorites when it came to handing out relief to the needy. Some got more than others, and there was a lot of grumbling. The fact of the business is, things were just about ready to split wide open. Something had to be done. But what? That was the question.

The Apostles could neglect their main work and look after the distribution of relief materials, but then the more spiritual side of the work would suffer. They must have prayed a lot, for they came up with a good idea. They called the church together and Peter made a short speech. He said in part: "It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word."

The idea suited the people of the church and they chose the men who seemed to come up to the standard set by the Apostles. The seven good men were brought out after the church's election and placed down front before the Apostles and the whole

congregation, and they set them apart to the work by laying hands on them.

The English translation does not actually call those seven men deacons, but a good many of us believe that's where the office started. If they were deacons, as this writer believes, then the office was created for the general purpose of keeping smaller things from hindering the bigger things. Those seven men were to act as *servants* of the church. They were to carry out the will of the church. There was nothing of authority in their commission. They did not control the church or the affairs of the church, for that church was a complete democracy. The Apostles offered a suggestion, *to the church*, which would solve a difficulty. The suggestion "pleased the whole multitude, and they [the church] chose..."

In the long remarks about the work of deacons and the character they must have (1 Tim. 3:8-13), Paul showed that a deacon must be "grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre; holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience." Deacons were first to be "proved" and then, if found worthy, set apart to the service. Those who were made deacons were to "use the office of a deacon, being found blameless." Also, the wives of deacons were to be "grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things." (A deacon's work can be hurt by his wife.) They were to have only one wife; they were to rule "their children and their own houses well," but nothing was said about their ruling or controlling the activities of a church. A New Testament church is completely democratic, we say again. All members are on the same level and have equal voice in church matters.

Neither is the pastor ever spoken of as one authorized to "control the activities" of a church.

Perhaps some churches have allowed themselves to drift a little away from the New Testament pattern of church government. Sometimes this has come about because of failure of members to be at business meetings and take part. Maybe, too, there have sometimes been a few people who just naturally wanted to take things into their own hands and run the church—people with influence, money, prestige, but not much acquaintance with the New Testament pattern. And, rather than have a church fuss, the rest of the members have too many times submitted.

The ideal church is one in which the whole church decides every issue, in which no member hesitates to express his conviction and vote. But each ought to speak in a brotherly manner, with the Word of God as his guide and with Jesus only as his Master and the Head of the church. Departure from the New Testament pattern means trouble sooner or later, in any church, large or small, rich or poor.

We want to say, however, about deacons, that the great majority of those we have known and worked with through the years have been real *servants* of God and the people.

► We are happier in many ways when we are old than when we are young. The young sow wild oats. The old grow sage.—Winston Churchill.

An Ultimatum from The Liquor Industry

By DUKE K. McCALL
President, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Liquor distillers are demanding "more co-operation or else" in an advertising ultimatum handed the nation's press, radio, and television outlets.

Seagram, a nationally-advertised brand, issued the ultimatum. The trade magazine, *Advertising Age*, in a recent issue reported:

"A stern warning to newspapers to come up with more and better merchandising services or face loss of advertising has been voiced by (Seagram)."

An executive of this company, the magazine said, "criticized editorial departments for... playing up such things as drunken driving."

The liquor advertisers asked newspapers publishing their ads to tell where they would be carried in the paper. The liquor companies said they preferred positions on the back page of the paper or section, the page across from the editorial page, or a news page near the front of the paper.

Congressman Eugene Siler, of Kentucky, who is author of a bill to ban liquor advertising in publications and on radio and TV in interstate commerce inserted this rebuttal in the Congressional Record:

"I wish to call attention... to this advertising policy of the distillers (and) also their apparent attempt to influence the editorial policy as well as news columns of the daily press."

The further impact of liquor advertising dollars on news media is shown in a statement by Robert C. Kintner, president of American Broadcasting Co. (ABC), one of the nation's three major networks. Talking to the United States Brewers Foundation, he said:

"I would not have accepted your invitation if ABC was not a willing servant of the beer industry... The part radio and television have played in helping you bring beer into the home has been a part of which we are proud. The more the story appears... the greater is consumption."

The last sentence of this statement should convince those who believe that liquor advertising merely pits one brand against another and is not designed to increase drinking.

On June 12, the "Mr. Peepers" television show, a Sunday program billed as a family show by Reynolds Aluminum

Co., used its commercial time to plug for the beer industry.

Announcer Rex Marshall, pouring from an aluminum pitcher into an aluminum tumbler, declared, "I probably don't have to tell you that the cold, amber liquid I am pouring from this pitcher is beer—known throughout the ages as the beverage of moderation. Reynolds... is the nation's leading supplier of printed aluminum beer labels..."

A family not wanting its children to see beer advertising on TV could refuse to let them watch programs sponsored by the beer industry. If, however, family-type shows sponsored by other firms use beer commercials, the only recourse of mother and dad is either to burn the TV set or tell the offending firm that it will counteract the beer industry's pressure with a customer's boycott.

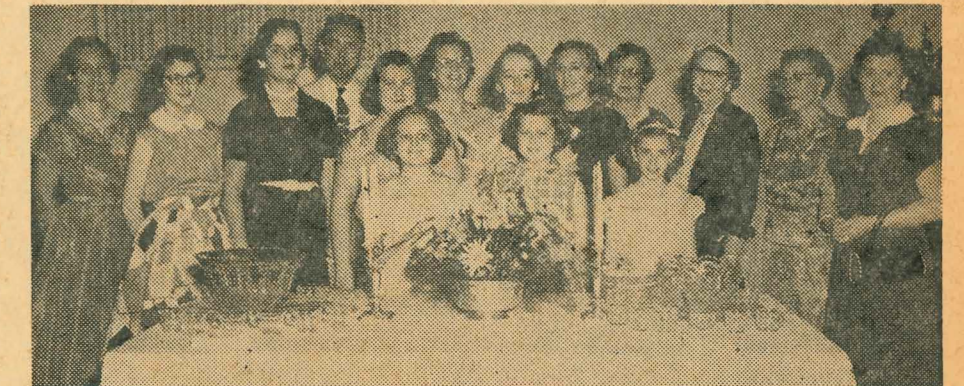
Such a boycott is vicious but so are the tactics of the beer industry. Unless news agencies and business firms generally stand firm against the pressure of liquor advertising dollars, it will be necessary to fight fire with fire.

Fortunately most newspapers, radio

and TV stations, and businesses have demonstrated independence and integrity in the face of this insidious pressure to yield their editorial policy to the interests of an industry, which by its own statement, produces a poison that must be taken in moderation.

► A daughter was born to Pastor and Mrs. David A. Friedly, Jr., May 24, at the John Graves Ford Memorial Hospital in Georgetown. She is their first child and has been named Ruth Wheeler. Mrs. Friedly is the former Miss Elizabeth Wheeler McMurray of Lexington.

► Sam Ed Bradley, superintendent of Spring Meadows, has asked the Western Recorder to inform its readers that neither Spring Meadows nor any other Baptist Home in the Southern Baptist Convention authorizes its children or "graduates" to solicit magazine subscriptions in the name of the Home. Mr. Bradley, who is president of the Kentucky Association of Child Care Executives, says he doubts if any Children's Home in the state would sanction such sales. He said that apparently there are several crews of magazine subscription salesmen operating in Kentucky this summer and, according to reports made to him, young men say they have been raised in a Baptist Children's Home and that they have just finished high school and if they make enough sales they will be sent to college. For years both Spring Meadows and Glendale have made arrangements for any worthy boy or girl from the Homes to attend college without resorting to such practices as have caused concern among the friends of the Baptist Homes in Kentucky.



HENDERSON, FIRST, WMS BANQUET. . . Mrs. Al Burton, regional vice president of the Kentucky WMU, was introduced by Mrs. James Ellis, WMU president, at the dinner given at the First Baptist Church of Henderson. She spoke on "Up and Down the City Streets," stressing the great need of Christian witnessing. The Roswell Owen Circle, with Mrs. Jesse H. Brown presiding, was in charge of the meeting, with the circle chairman, Mrs. Phillip Marlowe, receiving the members and visitors. Mrs. Charles Wolf was program chairman. Among the GA girls on the program, Barbara Brame read the Scripture and Judy Shelton sang a solo, accompanied by Becky Stokes at the piano. Shown in the picture are Back Row (left to right)—Pastor Francis Tallant, Mrs. Tallant, and Mrs. Phillip Marlowe. Second Row—Mrs. G. H. McMurtry, Miss Judy Shelton, Miss Becky Stokes, Miss Linda Ellis, Miss Barbara Brame, Mrs. Stanley McCormick, Mrs. Al Burton, Mrs. Bethel Royster, and Mrs. James Ellis. Front Row—Miss Mary Ruth McMurtry, Miss Carolyn Freels and Miss Betty Grace Threlkeld.

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Organizations

In addition to the above institutions, there is a Baptist Youth Movement, headed by Mr. Guido Saccomani, executive secretary. This organization has 1,300 members in forty unions. Each year there is a national assembly. A "Little Ridgecrest by the Sea" is under construction at Santa Severa about thirty kilometers (a kilometer is nearly five-eighths of a mile) from Rome, on the Mediterranean. A work camp, with Bible study and conferences, will be in progress during July and August. Visitors are welcome.

Woman's Missionary Union (*Movimento Femminile Missionario Battista*) has approximately 1,500 members in fifty unions or groups. Their aims and work follow the plan of the same group among Southern Baptists. There is a national convention every two years and regional conventions alternating years. A summer camp ground in the "Roman Castle Country" near Rome has just been acquired and temporary construction completed. Three camps will be held this year in July and August for Royal Ambassadors, Girl's Auxiliary, and others. Miss Gina Bassi is president, Mrs. Lydia Schiro is executive secretary, and Miss Concetta Ascolese is director of children's work.

"Holy Places" for Baptists

Rome

Rome is where the great apostle Paul preached the simple gospel and from which he wrote at least five epistles:

1. The Appian Way over which Paul came to Rome.
2. The Palatine Hill, the scene of his trial.
3. The Mamertine Prison where he very probably wrote the second letter to Timothy shortly before his martyrdom.
4. The catacombs which testify to the godly life and simple doctrines of the primitive Roman Christians.
5. The Colosseum where the blood of Christian martyrs flowed during the early persecutions, a place sacred to Christians of all confessions.
6. Piazza del Popolo where, at the request of Pope Adrian IV, Arnold of Brescia was burned and his ashes thrown into the Tiber near by. He directed his efforts against the corruption of the clergy and loudly proclaimed the liberty of conscience. The Convent back of St. Mary of the People, in the same square, was the abode of Luther when he came to Rome in 1510.
7. Campo dei Fiori, for a long time a place of execution for criminals and "heretics." Giordano Bruno was burned

honored Italy with their life and death during the Reformation: Francesco Della Sega, Antonio Risetto, and Giulio Gherlandi.

The Baptistries

There are two ancient baptistries within the city of Rome: (1) San Marcello on Corso Umberto, and (2) St. John Lateran, probably the oldest ecclesiastical building still in use. A large part of it still remains as it was built by Constantine who tradition says was baptized in it.

Outside the city there are four others: (1) Santa Costanza, (2) in the catacombs of St. Pontianus, Via Poruense, (3) in the catacombs of St. Priscilla (Via Salaria), and (4) in the small basilica of Santo Stefano at the third milestone of the Via Latina.

In all there are forty-two places which contain monuments testifying to the primitive form of Christian baptism.

► Rev. and Mrs. Neville Claxon, Southern Baptist missionaries, are soon returning to the States from Nigeria for furlough and may be addressed c/o James J. Osborne, 1916 Hampden Court, Louisville, Ky. Mr. Claxon is a native of Switzer, and Mrs. Claxon of Frenchburg.

here in 1600 for heresy. He declared to his judges that they were more afraid to pronounce the verdict than he was to receive it.

8. St. Angelo Bridge, opposite Hadrian's tomb, the scene of hangings and burnings during and after the Reformation.

9. The Protestant Cemetery at Testaccio where "heretics" of various nationalities have found their last resting place. The English poet, Keats, and the heart of Shelley are here. Dr. George B. Taylor and his wife lie under the cypresses of this beautiful spot, as also does little Geraldine Gill, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Everett Gill, Sr.

Florence

Signoria Square, place of martyrdom of Savonarola and his two disciple brothers, Silvestro and Domenico.

Venice

The lagoons of Venice have a special interest for Baptists. A goodly number

Stewards of Freedom

By CHAPLAIN DARRELL C. RICHARDSON

Over large areas of the globe today, freedom is denied to millions of people. The men of the Kremlin, the Soviet's Communistic masters, along with their puppets, dominate the destinies of 800 million people—over one third of the total population of the world. Their goal is the domination of the world. Their ambitions are a threat to all people who believe in human liberty. The freedom of the world is at stake.

Freedom is defined in Webster as the "quality or state of being free, as: liberation from slavery, imprisonment, or restraint."

According to J. M. Dawson, "History is the story of man's struggle for freedom—freedom from inhibitions within his own being, from limitations imposed by nature about him, from the tyranny of rulers and masters, from the oppressions of race over race, class over class, creed over creed, and from rigid restrictions of ideas and institutions."

Freedom, however, is more than the achievement of man. Freedom is a gift of the Creator. Like all other gifts, we hold the gift of freedom in trust. As good stewards we must render an account to God.

God gave man the freedom of choice. Man exercises his moral freedom by choosing between good and evil. We, then, need to be good stewards of our moral freedom as a trust and use it wisely and well. It is possible to use freedom destructively or creatively. If we would be good stewards, we will use freedom creatively.

All who enjoy the benefits of our "land of the free," in a very broad sense, are stewards of freedom. However, it seems that Christian people would feel this responsibility most keenly. The distinguishing characteristic of Christianity is freedom. Paul wrote of "the glorious liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another" (Gal. 5:13).

We are stewards of freedom in the spiritual sense. One of the tangible results of the genuine practice of Christian discipleship is spiritual freedom. Spiritual freedom implies freedom from sin, as well as freedom from its bondage, its control from the law. In other words, we live by Christ's principles rather than by a set of rules. Spiritual freedom also brings freedom from the tyranny of self. This frees us from the lower passions and appetites, from the captivity of self-seeking.

As stewards of freedom we feel a solicitous responsibility for its perpetuity.

"You do not know what you are advising us to do," replied the Spartans to a Persian envoy who urged them to submit to Xerxes, "for you know what it is to be a slave, but the sweetness of freedom you have never tasted. If you felt it, you would tell us to fight for it, not with spears only, but with axes."

Freedom is one of our greatest gifts, and we should love it ardently. In 1837 the British Parliament abolished slavery in the West Indies; but the decree was not to go into effect for a year. The night before the year was up, twenty thousand slaves came together in Jamaica. They put on white robes and, kneeling down, they waited for the hour. As the clock struck twelve, the twenty thousand former slaves turned their faces upward and leaped and shouted joyously, "We are free! We are free!" Thus we should love that which we hold in trust.

The stewardship of freedom involves the proper personal use of freedom. Freedom has its temptations. Many men defend freedom merely as the right to do as they like. They think that freedom is a selfish liberty that removes all restraints. All of us have seen the freedom-loving driver who acts as though the highway had been built for him alone. And we have heard people try to explain away their mistakes by saying, "Well, it's a free country, isn't it?"

When freedom tempts one to interfere with the rights of others, it is no longer true freedom. If you make so much noise in your house that your neighbors cannot sleep at night, then your so-called freedom is interfering with the personal rights of others. A democracy is a controlled freedom in which each citizen respects the rights of others. Lincoln said, "Government of the people, by the people, and FOR the people."

In a very real sense, our great political freedom has been entrusted into our hands. Are we good stewards of our citizenship? In "free America" today, there are millions of individuals who refuse even to exercise the right to vote.

There are millions of others who are shackled and bound to vice, crime, immorality, pleasure, selfishness—lives so tangled that they are held captive by a power stronger than their own will power. To all such our Lord says, "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed" (John 8:36).

Our political freedom is the natural fruit of our faith in God. The founders

of our Republic believed this. They believed that freedom was a God given right, and they believed it so strongly that they made it the keystone in the foundation of our government. Perhaps this is the reason why God has blessed us above all other nations of the earth. However, we must not think that freedom cannot be lost. Already we are in danger of taking it for granted.

Claudius Lysias was a chief captain of Rome. He was in charge when Paul claimed his rights as a Roman citizen. When Paul assured him that he was a citizen, Claudius Lysias answered, "With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I was free born" (Acts 22:28). This brings to mind the COST of freedom. By purchasing his freedom, Lysias became a naturalized citizen of Rome. Paul was born a citizen. In either case there was a cost—and obligation—involved. Each man appreciated his freedom, and each was proud of it.

We, today, must constantly remember that the freedom which we enjoy cost much struggle, hardship, and sacrifice on the part of our forebears. As Nathan Hale faced death for his beloved country and the cause of freedom, he spoke those immortal words: "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." Patrick Henry said, "I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death!"

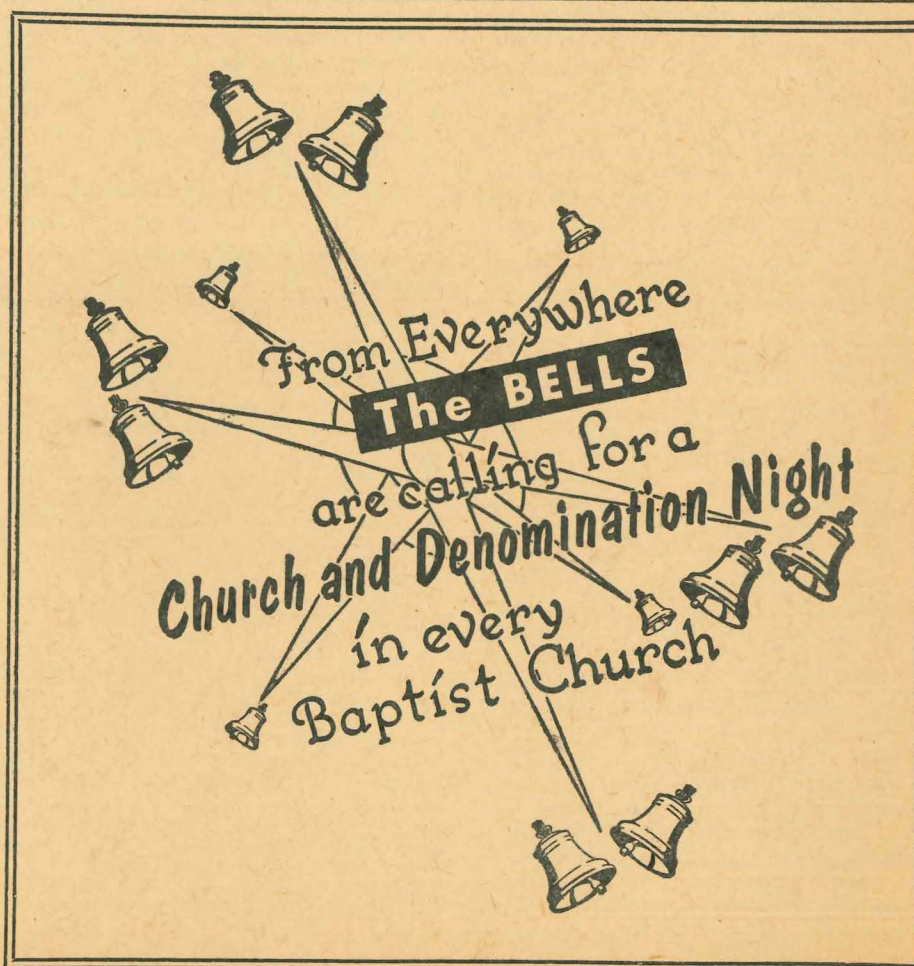
Suppose George Washington had failed to hear the call of duty, had refused to exchange the comforts of Mount Vernon for the chill bivouac at Valley Forge. That courageous spirit which blazed in Washington's breast set the fires of patriotism burning in the hearts of others.

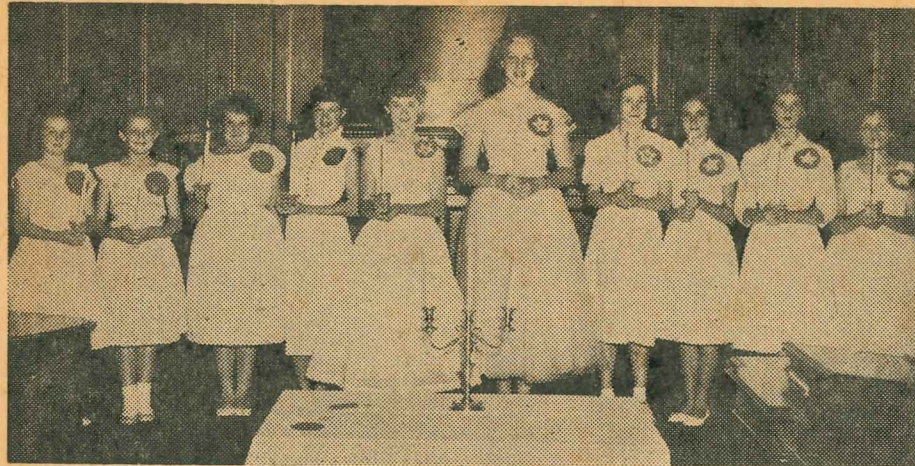
It is one thing to be an heir; it is another to appreciate that which has been inherited. Suppose, going back still further, that the men of the MAYFLOWER had refused to pay the price. Would freedom have been ours?

If the pioneers had not moved over westward across this land to possess it, would it be ours today?

The freedom which our ancestors passed on to us in a sacred trust. We must protect it and pass it on, inviolate. It is our children's birthright. It is ours to hand down to our children and to our children's children.

► William E. Young, formerly of Beaumont, Texas, but temporarily residing at 1001 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Kentucky, is available for work as minister of music. A man of magnificent experience and effectiveness in this kind of work, Mr. Young, with his talented wife, would render real service to any church needing his service. He is also available for evangelistic meetings as director of music. For the present he is in great demand as supply speaker for churches. For the past three Sundays he has supplied the pulpit at Maceo, Kentucky.





WILLIAMSBURG CORONATION . . . Mrs. Archie Croley, young people's leader, had charge of the coronation service held recently at the First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, in which some of the six young people's organizations sponsored by the WMS participated. Ten members of the Junior Girls' Auxiliary receiving recognition for their achievements in the forward steps were (left to right): Frankie Croley, Cathy Hamlin, Annasue Sanders, and Wanda Broyles, Maidens; Shirley Lawson, Wofford, and Amelia Wood, Queens; Glynda Stephens, Princess; Sally Jo Meadors, Charlotte Sharp and Arlene Brown, Wofford, Ladies-in-Waiting.

Can the Catholic Editor Read?

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The current discussion provoked by the book, *Why Johnny Can't Read*, offers a possible clue as to the explanation of a long editorial in the *Catholic Register*, of Salt Lake City, Utah. The editorial is entitled "Baptists Betting on Wrong Horse." The key sentence is "The Southern Baptists will get no where by publicly backing Peron's current attacks on the Catholic Church."

The reference is obviously to the resolution of the Southern Baptist Convention, adopted recently in Miami, Florida, on the theme of religious liberty.

The Southern Baptist resolution, as quoted in the editorial, states, "We do not wish to identify ourselves with any political group but only with the principle of full religious liberty."

That the editor cannot read is indicated by the fact that after quoting this he adds: "The Peronista regime in the Argentine is scarcely a party to be defended. Peron is and always has been a dictator. He is by no means the first dictator in Argentine history."

"The fact that one of the chief developments in the present trouble has been the government's step toward bringing back professional prostitution is an indication of how the Peronist mind is working. Virtuous Baptists

would get along with this crowd no better than good Catholics."

Actually, the Southern Baptist Convention carefully avoided identifying itself with or against any political regime in Argentina. It was on the historic Baptist position of separation of church and state that the Convention took its stand. It might be pointed out to our Catholic neighbors that the current troubles of the Catholic Church in Argentina are due to the historic position of their church, which seeks to unite church and state in every way possible. The Catholic Church uniformly begins with relatively minor issues, like public funds for transportation of children to parochial schools, but though it exercises patience for centuries, is never satisfied until the princes of the church finally control the state.

Never in any land, including Italy and Spain and Argentina, has the Catholic church raised its voice on behalf of religious liberty for a minority religious group, such as Baptists.

On the other hand, as a typical Baptist, I not only have respect for the religious convictions of my devout Catholic friends, but would also fight for their right to hold and propagate their faith.

Why I Believe in The New Birth

By **WAYNE E. OATS**, Professor,
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The main reason why I believe in the new birth is that it has happened to me. I never cease to be grateful for any opportunity to say so. God took initiative toward me in his Son, Jesus Christ, apart from any merit in me. The result was indeed a birth out of darkness into light, out of meaningless anxiety into purposeful dedication, and out of bondage into freedom for which Christ did set us free.

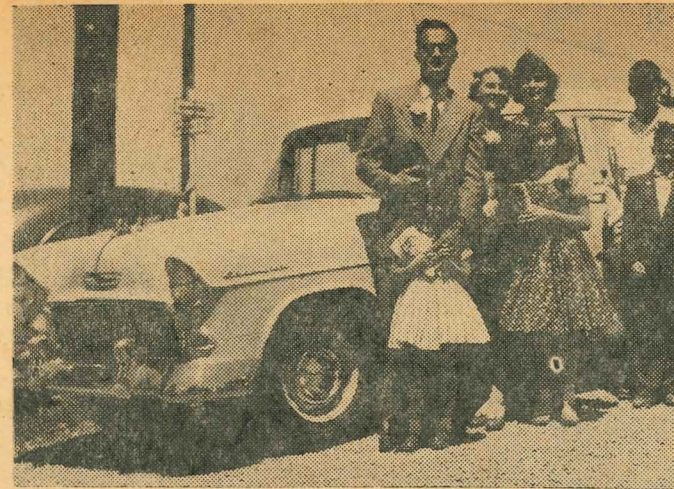


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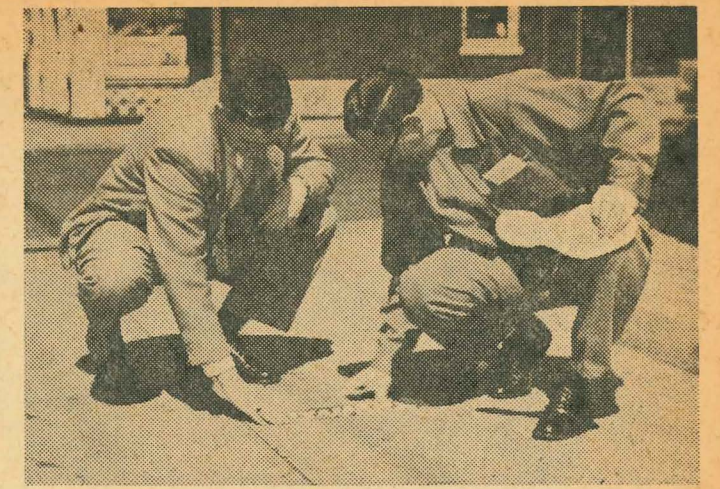
The second reason why I believe in the new birth is that the witness of the whole Bible and of Christian history gives me a unified conviction that the new birth is the continuing miracle of the Holy Spirit in the world in all times, among difference races and customs, and in every language of men. Whereas the outward forms of men's words about the new birth differ widely, the inner reality and spiritual fact of the new birth remains as the activity of the Spirit of God. The new birth is not of flesh nor of the will of man.

The third reason why I believe in the new birth is based on my own experience as an evangelist and counselor of troubled people. I have seen broken personalities made whole, unhappy families made secure, and confused persons find their way through the birth of a new life in Christ. I have seen them weaned from idols, freed of the domination of evil people, and cleansed of personal guilt in the experience of the new birth. I have seen people whose religion was a dead tradition come alive as if they had heard the gospel for the first time. This does not come to pass, however, by going through some outward motion. It cannot be separated from the cross of Jesus Christ. One is crucified with Christ, buried, and raised to walk in the newness of life, as our Baptist mode of baptism symbolizes. This is the new birth. Then men can truly say with Paul, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Gal. 2:20).

►R. Ray Stone, formerly pastor of the Farmdale Church, Louisville, but for ten years pastor of the First Church of Farmington, Mo., has more recently become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Carthage, Mo.



The Fairview Baptist Church, Ashland, Ky., presented a new automobile to Pastor and Mrs. J. E. Felty, Jr. Shown in front of the new car are John E. Felty, Jr., Mrs. Felty, Rebecca, 17; Johnny, 15; Augusta, 10; Spurgeon, 9; and Rachel, 5.



In an effort to "tell" the citizens of Newport of the recent Youth Revival at the First Baptist Church, Danny Stodgill (left), song leader, and Don Grosenback, Sunday school superintendent, placed stickers on the sidewalk around the church.

Our Baptist Democracy

By **C. B. JACKSON**
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The late Dr. E. Y. Mullins said, "We cannot mix episcopacy or presbyterianism with our democracy without an immense weakening of our hold upon humanity, loss of self-respect, and lowering of the spiritual tone. We must develop 'after our kind.' If the way seems long and steep and if we grow weary from time to time, it is because the goal is high and spiritual" (RELIGIOUS AXIOMS, pp. 219-220).

In our present world which is warped by the idea of centralization of power, Baptists must guard themselves from every angle lest they allow themselves to be swept into this world maelstrom.

On the surface, centralized authority and power appear to be a much quicker way of achieving the desired goals in our Christian work. But when it is remembered that everything connected with the Christian life comes through voluntary choice of the individual or the group, it places a different light on this matter of progress and achieving goals.

Dr. Mullins is correct in saying that any use of organized force in Christianity weakens its hold upon humanity.

So long as the denomination depends upon an enlightened mind which is quickened by the Holy Spirit to lead individual believers to achieve great co-operative goals, there is the constant cry of one's conscience, "You must, you must, you must cooperate with your

brethren to exalt Christ." But the moment organized power is applied to attain the same goal, the individual Christian begins to assert his rights and powers, and the would-be leaders have lost their grip upon them.

As Dr. Mullins indicated, there is also loss of self-respect when organized power is used to promote a Christian goal.

Those who meekly accept the centralized organized authority begin to question their ability to make decisions. Hence, they lose faith in themselves, while those who presume that such power is a necessity for attaining the desired goal have lost their respect for the opinion of others. Thus they over evaluate themselves.

Inevitably this leads to the lowering of the spiritual tone in the lives of the people. In every denomination which undertakes to attain its goals through centralized organized power, the ability of the people to make sharp distinctions between right and wrong has been impaired. The people came to think, not in black and white, but in gray. Then their lives take on the complexion of their thought, for "as a man thinketh in his heart so is he."

The Baptist democratic way may be long and steep—twenty-five years ago it took fifteen years for a new idea or method to percolate through the Sunday

schools to the last church. Perhaps at this date the time has been shortened by many years, but remember that growth of character like Jesus is the goal for each life. It will be far wiser to take a little more time to attain certain goals the democratic way than to try to hurry the process by centralized, organized power. Every vital decision in the Christian life is voluntary. Jesus never forces the will. He enlightens, He loves and He persuades. So must we.

Dr. Moffatt Attending Baptist World Alliance

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Dr. Fred T. Moffatt, pastor, First Baptist Church, this city, sailed from New York, July 8, to attend the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance.

Following the Alliance, Dr. Moffatt will visit in Scotland and in Ireland.

Rev. Lloyd Stormont, associate pastor, will supply the pulpit during Dr. Moffatt's absence with the exception of Sunday, July 17, when Dr. T. B. Maston, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Moffatt began his year as pastor of the Frankfort church on July 4.

►William Cropper began his work as minister of music and education of the First Baptist Church, Somerset, June 1. He hails from Winchester, and was graduated from Winchester High School and Georgetown College, in which latter place he majored in music, and this year was graduated with the M. R. E. degree by the Southern Seminary. During school days he has served as minister of music and education at Nicholasville and Erlanger. Dr. Preston L. Ramsey is pastor at Somerset.

Cornerstone Laid for Wing Avenue Chapel in Owensboro



Left to Right—Dr. Robert E. Humphreys, Dr. W. C. Boone, Pastor Dan F. Thomas, and Ralph Wible, chairman of Wing Avenue Baptist Church deacons.

OWENSBORO, Ky. — Dr. W. C. Boone, general secretary of the Executive Board, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, delivered the address at the cornerstone laying at Wing Avenue Baptist Chapel, here on April 10.

The Wing Avenue Chapel was instituted in December, 1949, by the First Baptist Church of Owensboro. A city block with an acre and a half of ground was procured, and a large residence on the land was converted into housing for church activities. The next step of expansion was the construction of a \$14,000 pastor's home.

In November, 1954, construction was started on the new church building on which the cornerstone was laid. It is expected to be completed about July 1.

J. R. Robinson Dies Unexpectedly at Southeastern Desk

Joseph Raymond Robinson, 52, comptroller, registrar, librarian and instructor in homiletics, died unexpectedly at his office in the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., June 3. The funeral service was conducted by Dr. J. Glenn Blackburn, pastor at the First Baptist Church of Wake Forest. Burial was in the Wake Forest Cemetery.

While he lived in Louisville, Ky., a few years ago he was a fellow in the

The new structure is being erected at a cost of \$110,000. It will contain a chapel auditorium which will seat 320 people for worship. It will contain a 44-room educational building which will take care of 450. Along with the present class rooms, Wing Avenue will be able to accommodate 500 in Sunday school. The entire building will be air conditioned. When the present construction has been outgrown an auditorium and an additional wing for educational space will be erected.

During the past year Wing Avenue has increased in Sunday school enrollment by 176 and by church membership 60. Dan F. Thomas is pastor of Wing Avenue and Dr. Robert E. Humphreys is pastor of the mother church.

Department of Church History at Southern Seminary, an assistant to Dr. Sydnor L. Stealey. When the latter went to be president of Southeastern Seminary four years ago, he took with him Brother Robinson to be comptroller of that institution.

The deceased was a son of Mrs. Minnie Wigginton Robinson, and the late Joseph Shipley Robinson. He was a native of Parkton, Baltimore County, Maryland, and lived for a time in New-

port News, Va. He was a 1931 A. B. graduate of the University of Richmond; a 1934 B. D. graduate of Union Theological Seminary, also at Richmond; and a 1948 Th.M. graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was ordained to the ministry by the Second Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., March 1, 1936.

Mr. Robinson was pastor in Buckingham, Hampton and Buckroe Beach, Virginia, before coming to Kentucky. While here in the Southern Seminary he was pastor of a field of five churches in the Maysville vicinity.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Catherine Wilmoth of Chase City, Va.; one son, his mother, already mentioned, and one sister and three brothers.

After having spent such a large part of his life in school in preparation for his life work, his death so soon after leaving the Seminary here is in itself quite a shock, all added to the suddenness of the heart attack which took him without warning.

BAPTIST PERSONALITIES

T. W. Henderson completed 24 years of perfect attendance in Sunday school on April 10. This record was compiled entirely in his home church—the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Route 7, Hopkinsville, where Andrew J. Smith, Jr., is pastor, in Christian County. Mr. Henderson is 79 years of age and is still quite active as a farmer. He was converted at the age of 42. His wife is the former Miss Bess Harrison, whom he married in 1929. To this union one child, Portia Henderson Word, was born.

This entire family has an enviable record for attendance. Portia had missed only one Sunday until she finished high school, and Mrs. Henderson has missed only a few Sundays during these years due to sickness in her family.

The Hendersons do not live on a hard surfaced road, so this record was compiled under the most adverse conditions, with Mr. Henderson carrying his little daughter on a sled through the snow and also on horse back many times, and often walking. One time Mr. Henderson got up out of bed and walked almost a mile from his house to the church for Sunday school. He says that his faithfulness to the church of his Lord and Saviour is his formula for a long and healthful life.



T. W. Henderson



HODGENVILLE CORNERSTONE LAYING.—Service was held Sunday morning, June 5. Among those taking part were (left to right): Trevor Read, chairman of deacons; Charles A. McElroy, chairman of finance Committee; Dr. William Wilson Stevens, pastor; William Shelton, Sunday school superintendent; Miss Betty Jean Daughterty, youth representative; Joe Warren, Training Union director; and Lon Keith, chairman of finances. Building is expected to be completed sometime during August. It will have space for two departments each for the Beginners, Primaries, Juniors and Intermediates. Both old and new structures will be air-conditioned. Photo by Mrs. C. D. Middleton, teacher of the Mary-and-Martha Class.

Name of Sunday School Board Building Changed to Honor Dr. J. M. Frost

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — The Baptist Sunday School Board, in its semi-annual meeting held recently in Nashville, voted to change the name of its Executive Building, 181 Eighth Ave., North, to the J. M. Frost Building in honor of the first executive secretary of the Board. Dr. Frost served from 1891 until his death in 1916, excepting three years. The building was completed and dedicated in 1914 at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville.

Improvements

The Board approved expenditures for improvements on its administration building, the two Baptist assemblies, and the Atlanta Book store. This includes completion of the floors of the 11-story Nashville building. A children's building will be constructed and improvements will be made on existing buildings at the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, N. C.

"The children's building will be a demonstration clinic for the nursery, beginner, and primary age groups," Dr. James L. Sullivan said. In addition to the dining room, doubling the present capacity to seat about 1,500 and two wings added to the Hall of States are to be made at the Baptist assembly, Glorieta, N. M.

Expansion

Expansion of the Board's public relations program was announced by Dr. Sullivan. Dr. H. E. Ingraham, director

of the Service Division, will receive the additional Public Relations responsibilities, including the interpretation of the vast ministry and work of the Board to Southern Baptists and the Public at large.

Name Change Being Studied

The committee on name change reported a study is underway and that recommendations will be made at the December 8-9 meeting of the Board in Nashville. The committee was appointed last year to study the need for a possible change in the name of the Baptist Sunday School Board to one more inclusive and definitive of the total program and functions.

Dr. W. A. Criswell was re-elected president of the Board and Dr. Gaye L. McGlothlen, secretary. Dr. Howard G. Kirksey, dean of instruction at Middle Tennessee State College, Murfreesboro, was made chairman of the executive committee.

Baptist World Congress Has a Cable Address

LONDON, England — (BP) — The cable address for messages going to the Baptist World Congress here in July will be "BAPJUBILEE (all one word), London." Cables will be delivered to the Congress Post Office and registry at Westminster Central Hall.

U. S. Passive on Rome Church Sign Dispute

WASHINGTON, D. C. — People in the United States, where it is not necessary to consult policemen on the forms of religious activity which may be followed, will find it hard to understand the explanation offered recently by the Public Services Division of the U. S. State Department regarding the church "sign" dispute in Italy (*Church and State*, April).

"The Italian authorities suggested a compromise solution to the problem of the sign which, according to press reports, the American representatives of the Church of Christ in Rome did not accept," observed the State Department. "The latter is represented by a capable Italian attorney and efforts to reach a solution satisfactory both to the Italians and to the Church of Christ representatives are continuing in Rome, with the active assistance of our Embassy."

This passage recognizes that there is a "problem" to which a "solution" must be found, but the State Department contradicts itself by saying in other passages that it "knows of no case in Italy where Americans are denied the right to worship as they please" and that the matter is one for Italian jurisdiction not involving any issue of freedom of worship. If this were true, then there would be no basis for intervention.

"In fact," says the State Department, "the Church of Christ in Rome is open for public worship." As the Department sees it, there "may have been a general misunderstanding which has led both the public and the press to confuse the question of freedom of worship with that of placing a sign on a building in Rome."

But who does not recognize that freedom of worship includes freedom to publicize one's worship—to announce the time and place of services and so identify the building in which the worship takes place? Non-Catholics in Italy—both natives and foreigners—do not have this freedom. The only "right" they have is to go humbly to the police to ask permission to worship. This the police may refuse altogether, or may grant permission with strings attached—such as, a stipulation that the Church of Christ may erect an identification sign only if the sign's wording is satisfactory to the police. The victims of police restrictions have included Italians and Americans together, and no dissenter may worship freely.—*Church and State*

►It was formerly reported that the attendance at the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami was 11,061. A later check reveals only 10,837. Twenty-three states and the district of Columbia were represented, Florida having the most with 1,273; North Carolina second with 1,202; and Texas third with 1,003.

BOOK REVIEWS

EXPOSITORY OUTLINES ON THE WHOLE BIBLE, by Charles Simeon. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price \$3.95 each volume.

Now available are two volumes of the set mentioned above. These are volumes 14, John 13 through Acts; and volume 15, ROMANS. While each volume carries its own value of expository sermon material, most will consider it best to obtain the entire set of 21 volumes covering the whole Bible. Six more volumes are to be brought out in this reprint classic. Volumes through fifteen are now available and the rest will be shortly.

MODERN ILLUSTRATIONS FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS, by Robert G. Lee. Price \$1.75.

Many stories and anecdotes. The work abounds in quotations from sources not easily available to the average speaker.

THE POWER OF PRAYER AND THE PRAYER OF POWER, by R. A. Torrey. Price \$2.50. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

This is reprint classic. R. A. Torrey's name and work are firmly established in the affections of many Christians. Many have this book already. The writer has. But it is a distinct favor to the public to bring out this reprint.

SO PILGRIM RANG THE BELLS, by R. E. Day. Price \$2.50. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

This is described as the life story of John Bunyan. It is written in a more or less modernistic style of journalism. There are many features which make the book well worth the price. Frankly, however, it would have been much better had the author not been snared by the extremely modernistic style, at least when discussing so magnificent a character as John Bunyan. The style is "jumpy," "choppy." One finds himself having to go back and again to pick up the thread. But we repeat: the book is well worth the price. There is material here which is not found in most writings on John Bunyan.

DOCTOR OF TANGANYIKA, by Paul White. Wm. B. Eerdmans Company, 255 Jefferson Avenue, S. E., Grand Rapids 3, Michigan. Price \$3.

Dr. White tells the story of his own experiences as a missionary from Australia to the Central Plains of Tanganyika, East Africa. A heart-warming story it is. Here is a close-up of missionary life—the kind a missionary doctor faces in a land where the need is great.

STEWARDSHIP SERMONETTES, by Richard V. Clearwaters. Van Kampen Press, Wheaton, Ill. Price \$1.50.

Dr. Clearwaters is pastor of Fourth Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minn., and also the author of "Glory in the Church." This book is laden with rich material on the doctrine of giving. There are bits of poetry which stress the thought, but most of all it abounds with Scripture. Also, there are sharply focused illustrations which stimulate the conscience on the highly important doctrine of stewardship. Here is a book you will want and which you will find highly useful not only for yourself but for preparing talks on vital subjects.

RUTH TRENT, by Ethel Matson. Zondervan Press, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price \$2.

A well-written religious novel centered on mission work in Brazil. One reviewer stated: "The maturing of a soul, the awakening of a young love, the turning of the heart, the making of a missionary—that is what will delight and satisfy you in Ethel Matson's new and absorbing novel."

STUDIES IN THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS, by E. Schuyler English. Southern Bible Book House, Travelers Rest, S. C. Price \$5.95.

English is the successor to A. C. Gabelein, and is author of a number of expository works. He is the biographer of the late H. A. Ironside, and of R. G. Lee. The Oxford Press recently appointed him chairman of the committee of revision of the Schofield

Bible. This particular book treats each verse of the Epistle to the Hebrews, and is laden with material which will be found exceedingly helpful, informing. He dwells at great length on the ministry of Jesus in His priestly work.

ANSWERED PRAYERS ON THE MISSION FIELD, by Basil Miller. Zondervan Press, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price \$2.

Dr. Miller presents supporting arguments as to the effectiveness of prayer, telling what it has done and offering many instances of answered prayer.

GOD BEING MY HELPER, by Ralph A. Herring. Broadman Press, Nashville. Price \$2.

Here is another book you must not fail to get. Dr. Herring states it is "for Christians only—who yearn to know the reality of the Holy Spirit." His great eight chapters are: The Divine Executive; Dealing With Our Foremost Problem; Kindling the Fires of Devotion; His Ministry of Comfort; The Supply of the Spirit; The Ministry of Conviction; Making Jesus Lord; The Promise of Pentecost. Don't fail to buy this book and put one in your church library.

RIGHT OR WRONG?—a guide for young people and their leaders in discovering principles of Christian conduct. By T. B. Maston. Broadman Press, Nashville. \$2.

Here is another MUST-BOOK for yourself and your church library. For many years Dr. Maston has worked with young people and therefore understands their problems. He meets them sensibly, and with conviction. His chapters are: Levels of Living; The Christian and His Stewardship; Sources of Wrong; Three Tests; Right or Wrong; Three Sources of Light; Principles and Practice; Cheating; Gambling; Movies; Sunday Observance; Smoking; Drinking; Dancing; Petting; Popularity; Victory Over Temptations; Religion; Negative and Positive; A Personal Covenant; Challenged by Christ.

THE LIFE OF DAVID, by Alexander MacLaren (Co-operative Reprint Library). Price \$3. Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan.

This is a study of the life of David as reflected in his Psalms (Seventh Edition). A great book by a great preacher and author. If you do not have this work, or if your copy has become worn, then you will want to get this reprint.

EXPOSITORY OUTLINES ON THE WHOLE BIBLE, by Charles Simeon. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price of this volume, \$3.95.

This is Volume 12—the Gospel of Mark through Luke 16. This volume, including the others in the set, covers the whole Bible, offering sermonic material, talks to young people, prayer meeting messages, Sunday school lesson information, personal Bible studies. The entire work is a reprint of a highly praised contribution to Christian literature. There are 21 volumes in the entire set and all can be obtained, ultimately, from the publishers.

EVANGELISTIC ILLUSTRATIONS FROM THE BIBLE, by Faris D. Whitsell. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price \$1.75.

There are approximately 1,765 entries dealing with more than 140 topics—all taken from the Bible. Frequently, illustrations from our own experiences are helpful. This work, however, enables the speaker or teacher to find, at once, many illustrations from the Bible itself which support and make clear a point.

BASKETS OF SILVER, by C. Roy Angell, pastor, Central Baptist Church, Miami, Florida. Price \$2. Broadman Press, Nashville.

A book of fourteen sermons by one of America's strong preachers. All who know Dr. Angell know also, and appreciate, his unique style. This book is characteristic. His chapters are: Baskets of Silver; Rules of the Road; Who Crucified Christ?; In a Far Country; The Cross Pull; Needed, but Not Deserved; Your Life Is What You Make It; Sons

of God; The Half-Way House; Three Ways of Life; Not a Spirit of Fear; The Balanced Life; The Interrupted Sermon; A Glorious Church.

The book can be purchased from any Baptist Book Store.

THE GOSPEL IN LEVITICUS—or holy types, by J. A. Seiss. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price \$3.95.

As the name indicates, this is a study of Leviticus, showing the author's interpretations of the types of that book and their relation to the gospel of Christ.

FOREVER TRIUMPHANT—the Secret of Victory in the Christian Life, by F. J. Huegel. Zondervan Publishing House. Price \$1.50.

The author has served as Army chaplain and has done much work as evangelist in prisons. This book is an accumulation of his suggestions which he now offers his readers.

FAVORITE HYMNS to play and sing, in easy piano arrangements, selected and arranged by Loren R. Williams. Broadman Press. Price not given.

A most interesting arrangement, and recommended highly. There are 36 songs, printed in attractive form. The booklet is broad and will "stay put" on the piano or organ.

HIGHWAYS OF WORSHIP, by Beth Fulton. The Judson Press. Price \$2.

A beautifully bound volume of meditations for use in personal devotions and in group worship. Miss Fulton has a service background which fitted her to write such a work, a part of her experiences having been on foreign fields.

EXPOSITORY OUTLINES ON THE WHOLE BIBLE, by Charles Simeon, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

This is a set of 21 volumes covering the entire Bible and laden with helps for the preacher or teacher. We have previously called attention to the set and its values. This particular volume of the set is No. 13 in the set and covers Luke 17 through John 12. The price is \$3.95. All the volumes are beautifully bound and in type easily read. The entire set can be purchased (when the other seven volumes are released) from your Baptist Book Store.

CHARLES E. MADDRY—an autobiography. Broadman Press. Price \$2.50.

This book contains valuable information not only about Dr. Maddry himself but most of all about the work of the Foreign Mission Board during his administration as executive secretary. From the missionary standpoint it is highly interesting, covering a period when problems were large and times exceedingly difficult. There are two introductions, both written by men who have served their denomination well and long—Dr. Hight C. Moore and Dr. E. C. Routh. Both are high in their praise of the achievements of Dr. Maddry during years prior to his connection with the Foreign Mission Board and also while he was executive secretary. No study of the total work of our Foreign Mission Board would be complete without this work.

BROADMAN CHOIR SERIES 2, by Broadman Press, Nashville.

Southern Baptists are proud of their Music Department, and Dr. W. Hines Sims is to be highly commended for compiling and editing this work—26 great numbers for the church choir, all worshipful, soul-stirring, and meeting needs not only of the church choir in its Sunday-by-Sunday program but on special occasions. You will want enough copies of this work in your choir's library.

►The First Baptist Church of Amarillo, Texas, recently celebrated the fifth anniversary of its pastor, Carl E. Bates. During his pastorate there have been 4,058 additions, 1,369 by baptism. The Training Union now has 13 departments, with an enrolment of 1,946. The Sunday school has increased from 3,548 to 4,579. The annual budget is \$475,500. Property value has increased \$2,000,000.

Funeral Held for W. A. Gardiner, Retired Sunday School Secretary



W. A. Gardiner

The funeral service for retired Sunday School Secretary William A. Gardiner was conducted by his pastor, John Boykin, of the Buechel Park Baptist Church, at the McAfee Funeral Home, Buechel, on Friday morning, July 1. Interment was at Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery. Dr. Gardiner, 71, underwent a sick spell on June 29 at his residence 2121 Bashford Manor Lane, Buechel, and he was rushed to the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, where he died about fifteen minutes later at 11:30 o'clock.

Dr. Gardiner was for thirty-one years and seven months the Sunday school secretary of the Executive Board of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, until his retirement October 31, 1952.

He was born in Friendship, Tennessee, December 25, 1883. He was a son of the late Rev. William W. Gardiner, pastor of churches in Tennessee, West Hickman, Kentucky, and Arkansas. His father established the Bottoms Orphans' Home, in Arkansas. Also the deceased was a nephew of the late Dr. Charles Spurgeon Gardner, for many years teacher of Christian Sociology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. C. S. Gardner was among these members of the family which dropped the "i" from their name, but Dr. W. A. Gardiner's father preferred to follow the use of the "Gardiner" as it had been originally.

Dr. W. A. Gardiner was graduated in Expression by Ouachita College, Ark., and attended one year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Georgetown College conferred an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree upon him in 1948.

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He married Miss Alma Walton, of Corpus Christi, Texas, and together they formed a vocal team, she a contralto and he a lyric tenor. They sang in revival meetings, in assemblies, conventions.

In early life he was pastor of the Skidmore and Sabinal Baptist Churches in Texas, and was educational director of the Prospect Hill Baptist Church in San Antonio, Texas. For two years, 1919-1921, he became superintendent of Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. work in a district association in Texas, with headquarters in San Antonio. It was from that work that he came to Kentucky in April, 1921, to become Sunday School secretary.

He is survived by his wife, by one brother, Dr. C. S. Gardiner, II, head of the Civil Service Merit System, State of Texas, Austin, Texas, and by a number of nephews and nieces.

Centennial of Friendship Church, Near Oakland

The Friendship Baptist Church, near Oakland, Ky., observed its centennial May 29. The church had been redecorated. The wainscoting ceiling and window casements are white, which contrasts well with the green walls, carpet and choir curtains. Gas heaters have taken the place of the high coal stoves which kept many from seeing the speaker. Beautiful electric lights have been installed. The seats have been returned to the natural grain. White window shades and screens are among the improvements.

Rev. John W. T. Givens, at the age of twenty-two years, first came to this church as an evangelist with Pastor J. B. Benton sixty-three years ago in July, 1888. Sixty persons were baptized. And he has made repeated visits throughout the years, and had charge of the morning service at the Centennial. He never lacked for anything to say, nor has his manner of speaking slowed down. "He fed us, as it were, with manna from heaven for fifty minutes," writes Mrs. M. Ruth Whitlow Bratton. "Then he gave the invitation for the lost to come to Jesus. Three grandchildren of B. Frank Page, who so recently left his earthly penthouse for his celestial home, stepped right out and were saved. Then came the good old handshake, the mingling of former members and friends who had come back for the day."

The church enjoyed the new hymn books. The songs were led by Julian Eastons, with Mrs. Harriett Eastons at the piano.

Dinner was served, following which

the afternoon sermon was delivered by F. C. Hardcastle, who was pastor there 29 years ago. Harold Matthews, of Smith's Grove, directed the evening music.

Missourians Draft \$1,850,000 Budget

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — (BP) — The board of the Baptist state convention here recently drafted a \$1,850,000 Cooperative Program budget for 1956, which it will submit to the convention in session at Joplin in October.

The proposed budget is divided into two sections, the first for \$1,600,000 and the second for \$250,000. The Southern Baptist Cooperative Program will receive \$610,000 under the first section.

All money raised under the second category will be divided 75 per cent for Missouri Baptist work and 25 per cent for work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The '56 budget figure is \$350,000 more than for 1955.

Dr. E. F. Estes, West Broadway Church, Louisville, Says: "Some time ago we had Brother Walter House of the Temperance League of Kentucky, at West Broadway and our people were informed and challenged with reference to the liquor traffic. I am glad to recommend him to the churches of Kentucky."

►The Executive Board of the South District Association has passed resolutions regarding the resignation of Pastor Burton E. Callico of the Beech Grove Church and as secretary-treasurer of the South District Association. He is leaving their territory to go to the Kirksville Church. The resolutions are signed by Brethren Homer Carter, Herbert Tuck and Stanley Smith.

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Both Kentucky Participants Chosen for First Places at Glorieta Assembly



Miss Elaine Brown

On Saturday morning, June 25, Miss Elaine Brown representing Kentucky won first place in the Intermediate Sword Drill Elimination held at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, New Mexico. Miss Brown is from the First Baptist Church, Madisonville, Little Bethel Association, in Western Region. She was also chosen to represent Kentucky at the State Training Union Convention at Calvary Baptist Church in Lexington in May. Congratulations to Elaine and her Intermediate Leaders.



Miss Margaret Hall

On Saturday evening, June 25, Miss Margaret Hall won first place in the Young People's Speakers' Tournament held at Glorieta. Miss Hall is from the Lebanon Baptist Church, Lebanon, Kentucky in Central Association. She was chosen to represent Kentucky at the State Training Union Convention in Lexington.

Miss Hall's plans are to attend Eastern State College and become a High School Teacher.

Congratulations to Margaret.

Presenting the New Study Course Diplomas

Beginning July 1, several important changes were made in the Graded Baptist Training Union Study Course for All Church Members. These changes in brief were as follows:

1. The Administration Course was merged with the Adult Course. All books formerly in the Administration Course have been placed in the Adult Course. The latter has now become a course not only for Adult union members but also for general officers and adult workers in the Nursery, Beginner, Primary, Junior, and Intermediate departments. The merging of these two courses will make a stronger course for Adult union members, and also for all general officers and leaders, in that for them also.

2. New diplomas in color have been issued. These diplomas are of uniform size. They are modern in design and

attractive in appearance. A frame may be purchased from the ten cent store for a study course diploma. The Adult diploma has space for twenty seals, the others ten each.

3. New seals have also been issued. These are in the shape of the Training Union emblem. For the first time, seals are interchangeable. That is, if a person has several diplomas, a seal will fit on any one of them. The adult teacher of a Junior study course class may request a seal and can place it on his Adult diploma if he so desires.

4. The study course tract has been revised and published in a new format. This tract, "The Graded Training Union Study Course for All Church Members," gives complete information about the study course. Associational and general officers should be thoroughly acquainted with it.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

Deacon For Life

Question: If a man is ordained a deacon in a church, is he a deacon for life in that church, even if he moves away? Also can he go to another church (of the same denomination) and automatically become a deacon of that church? I have reference to Southern Baptist churches.



R. Lofton Hudson

Answer: Baptists believe that each church must find "the mind of Christ" for itself. Jesus left the local church as the authority in such matters (Read Matt. 18:17; Acts 6:5a; 9:26). This means that each congregation must counsel together and decide its own issues. Who is better prepared to decide?

Yet there is an amazing similarity among Southern Baptists. In matters of doctrine and practice most Baptist churches agree.

Concerning deacons, some churches elect them for life in the electing churches, some receive deacons from other churches as active from the time they join the particular church, and some elect them for a given term (three or six years). I have never heard of a deacon's being active in a church after he had moved his membership to another church. This last is contrary to Baptist practices.

There is no more reason for electing a deacon for life in a church than there is for electing a pastor for life.

Any deacon who is worthy of the name will be humble enough to take the judgment of the congregation in all such matters. If he has a lust for power he will want to stay in the saddle regardless of the opinion of the majority. Deacons are servants of the church, not bosses.

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MR. J. C. BALLEW, Royal Ambassador Secretary

Chats With the Chairmen

By Mrs. John T. Steverson

[In our plan to bring you these get-acquainted "chats" we bring you, this week, words from one whom most of you know as a former member of our Executive Board. She is Mrs. John T. Steverson, who has been elected to the office of Chairman of the Division of Community Missions.]



Mrs. John T. Steverson
Chairman of the Division of Community Missions

"Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee" (Mark 1:19).

Surely, any woman who has felt the transforming power of Jesus in her own life, can not ignore the command of our Lord, "Go tell," beginning at home.

There is nothing complicated about Community Missions. It simply means to witness personally where you are. In your home, your place of business, on the streets, everywhere as the opportunity arises. Lost people in the cities or in the rural sections are waiting and longing for us to give them the good news of salvation. Oh! that we might not fail them, is my constant prayer. Won't you make it your prayer too?

There are those who are bowed down with problems, spiritually and materially. Those who are in deep sorrow that

need a sympathetic word from someone who cares enough to say to them, "I am talking to my Father about you. He understands and will help." What an opportunity!

New people are constantly moving in our communities. They need to be lined up with your church immediately. What about your visitation program? It is most important.

Vacation Bible Schools are great opportunities for personal witnessing, and service. They are being held all around you in churches and missions. Or, they could be organized in sections where there are no churches, by consecrated women. Pray about it and then go and do whatsoever He saith unto you to do.

There are institutions that we need to be ministering to. Some of the richest experiences have come from personal witnessing in these. Whether they be hospitals, nursing homes or penal institutions, we have a direct responsibility to carry the message of hope to the inmates. Opportunities of giving the written word in the form of a Bible, Testament or tract, are ours, in the greatest way, in the institutions of one kind or another that are to be found in all communities, rural or city.

One of our main emphases this year has been on Christian recreation for our youth. Much could be done toward eliminating juvenile delinquency, with good recreational programs, and most of all our unselfish love and interest in young people. Read Miss Stokely's article in the May issue of Royal Service, concerning the many things that can be done for youth recreation.

I would also recommend that you read the book written by Helen Bryan, "Inside." It will open your eyes as to our responsibility and opportunity of planning to keep our youth out of worldly places and help them to avoid many heartaches that come as the results of getting in with the wrong crowds and forming wrong habits. Christian love and guidance are the answers in most cases.

There are so many projects that can be promoted in every section of our fair state, if we would seek them out, and apply ourselves in His name. Remembering anew, that He never sends us on a task without first going before us and preparing the way. I pray that God will burden the hearts of Kentucky women with the souls of those who are lost, and that we may be willing to say, "Here am I, send me."

W. M. U. Rates For Cedarmore—1955

The following rates include room, meals, linens and insurance:

Motels—Cedarmore Inn, Gracemore Lodge, Gracemore Annex:	Per Conference
1 person to room	\$18.50
2 persons to room	16.50
3 persons to room	15.50
4 persons to room	14.50
Dormitory	11.50

No charge for children 2 years of age and under. Half rate for children 2 to 6 years of age. Full rate for all other ages.

To make reservations send \$2.00, giving NAME, ADDRESS and ROOM PREFERENCE to Rev. Marvin Byrdwell, Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Bagdad, Kentucky.

One dollar will be dedicated from your room and board bill, and one dollar will go to the W. M. U. Office for Registration fee.

If you come for one day only there will be a 50 cent registration fee and meals may be secured at the following prices:

Breakfast	\$.65
Lunch85
Dinner	1.00

Meal tickets should be purchased at Registration office on arrival.

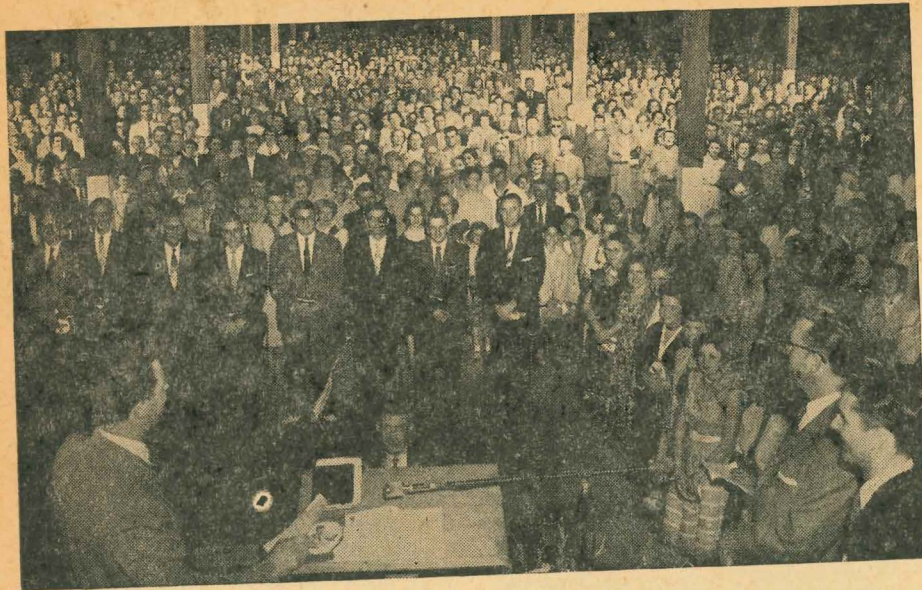
CANCELLATION MUST BE MADE TEN DAYS PRIOR TO RESERVATION DATES.

B. W. C. — The same rates will apply for B. W. C. Camp. Divide above rates in half for the two-day period (from banquet Saturday evening through noon meal on Monday.)

Expense Plan: Kentucky W. M. U. will pay transportation at the rate of 1c per mile per person for Associational Officers. These officers are to return to their associations and conduct clinics for the local officers in the WMS's of the churches. The plan is the same as last year. Fill your car with at least five of your Associational Officers. If five come in one car, Kentucky WMU will pay 5c per mile on expenses, if four come, 4c, etc. The same rate will apply to other modes of transportation.

►The Hyland Baptist Church, Henderson, Ky., is making plans to dedicate its new building July 17, at 2:30 p.m. Pastor Truett Miller, Providence, has been invited to preach the sermon. This is a proper arrangement, since Brother Miller's father, the late Dr. Martin E. Miller, completed his ministry by supplying the pulpit of this church for several weeks during an illness of Pastor A. A. Thacker, who says: "God has been good to Hyland. May she ever be faithful to Him!"

George Sweeting Party in Southern Kentucky



RUSSELLVILLE, Ky., June 7. — Comparable in magnitude to the Billy Graham revivals in cities was the Sweeting Crusade held in Russellville, May 22 through June 5.

Fifty-five churches from Logan County, Bethel and Simpson Baptist Associations sponsored the revival, with large crowds.

Nationally known as the "palette preacher," George Sweeting conducted a revival at the First Baptist Church in Russellville last year. His is an unusual combination of magnetic personality, compelling power as a speaker and aptitude for illustrating sermons through drawings.

Sweeting has appeared in the British Isles on invitation, and has been heard by great throngs throughout England, Scotland and Ireland. His crusade for Christ also included the largest American airbase in England and refugee camps in Germany.

Other members of the Sweeting team are Harold De Cou and Irv Chambers. Harold is a gifted organist, whose music was formerly televised on a coast to coast program, and is recorded by Singpiration. Irv has had an extensive ministry in church, radio and television fields in the United States, and has recently returned from a missionary-evangelistic tour of South America. In addition to conducting the song services, he appeared as soloist on the trumpet as well as vocally.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, JULY 3, 1955

Church	T.U.	S.S.
Ashland, First	130	383
Beaver Dam	69	330
Bellevue	90	249
Benton, First	245	1,090
Bowling Green, First (2)	140	637
Campbellsville (4)	140	298
Pleasant Hill	63	274
South Campbellsville	212	212
Carrollton, First	180	442
Central City	202	202
Clay, First	217	217
Cloverport	69	344
Corbin, First	81	470
Central (1)	652	652
Covington, Calvary	114	312
First (1)		



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Latonia (2)	178	866
Danville, Lexington Ave. (1)	53	524
Dawson Springs	53	224
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley (1)	165	850
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	91	406
Grace	191	709
Walnut Street (2)	61	327
Ferguson (1)	61	253
Florence, Cincinnati, O.	70	327
Fort Thomas, First (1)	81	333
Frankfort, First (1)	147	707
Franklin, First	147	375
Fulton	128	523
Greensburg	60	226
Harlan	90	565
Harrodsburg (2)	189	791
Hartford	87	249
Hazel	42	249
Henderson, First (1)	147	597
Immanuel Temple (2)	102	643
Hopkinsville, First (1)	137	691
Second	161	836
Junction City	56	210
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	30	281
Lawrenceburg, First	61	346
Lebanon, First (1)	99	451
Leitchfield	85	251
Lexington, Calvary (1)	161	721
Grace (1)	124	656
Porter Memorial	115	487
Rosemont	64	307
London, First (1)	136	547
Louisville, Baptist Temple	96	228
Beechland	96	481
Beechmont (2)	162	786
Bethany	193	235
Carlisle Avenue (2)	91	1,086
Clifton (1)	63	310
Eastern Parkway	109	485
Farmdale (1)	63	372
Harmony	64	198
Hazelwood	64	451
Immanuel	386	305
Ninth and O (10)	82	1,387
Parkland (1)	82	737
Shawnee	80	312
Shively (1)	82	436
Southside (1)	106	455
Twenty-third and Broadway (2)	161	542
Victory Memorial (2)	74	662
Ludlow, First	87	354
Lyndon	179	278
Madisonville, First	87	871
Marion	227	255
Mayfield, First	523	817
Middlesboro, First (4)	523	523
East Cumberland Avenue	65	259
Monticello, First	120	258
Morgantown	68	253
Mt. Carmel, Addition 1	68	155
Mt. Washington	804	263
Murray, First	148	804
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	164	370
First (1)	164	827
Hall Street	61	330
Seven Hills (1)	61	224
Third (1)	229	881
Paducah, East	174	502
First (1)	138	535
Trinity	87	257
Twelfth Street	122	319
Paintsville, First (1)	60	231

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Red Hill Groundbreaking . . .



On Sunday, June 5, 1955, the 92-member Red Hill Baptist Church, Severns Valley Association, broke ground on its new 4-acre plot of ground for the first unit of a new auditorium and educational building for a 400 capacity. Shown in the picture are (left to right): Pastor W. R. Cook of Stithton; G. R. Jacobs, deacon of Vine Grove; Pastor James H. Royalty, Rufus Patterson and Thurman Witten. The church was started as a

mission of Vine Grove in August, 1952. Brother Royalty, a student in Georgetown College, has been its pastor from its beginning to the present. In 1953 Red Hill led all the churches in Severns Valley Association in per capita gifts to the Cooperative Program. Pastor Cook delivered the message at the groundbreaking; Deacon Jacobs, who was active in the starting of the mission, turned the first shovelful of dirt.

Illinois Nominates Great Lakes for Proposed School

CARBONDALE, Ill. — (BP) — Illinois Baptists have nominated the Great Lakes area as site for the talked-about sixth Southern Baptist seminary.

A committee, headed by J. M. Baldwin, president of the Illinois Baptist State Association, will prepare an appeal for the seminary to be located in the Great Lakes region.

The Convention's committee on theological education, headed by J. W. Storer, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla., and immediate past Convention president, is studying the seminary matter.

Baptists in the Memphis, Tenn., area earlier expressed their desire for the proposed seminary and Kansas City, Mo., has been mentioned as a possible location.

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Kansas Observed Its Centennial June 20

TOPEKA, Kans. — (BP) — On June 20 a century ago, the Southern Baptist Convention launched work in Kansas by taking over a mission near here and another near Paola.

According to the 1955 Southern Baptist Handbook, there are 99 churches in Kansas today with a membership of close to 15,000. Southern Baptists in the state gave a total of \$818,560 last year, of which \$105,705 went to missions.

►Rev. and Mrs. Ruben I. Franks, Southern Baptist missionaries, have returned from Chile to the States for furlough. After September 1 their address will be Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville.

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Vacation Bible Schools Reporting Through June 20

Church and Association	Enrollment
Highland, Warren	54
Dunbar Hill, Russell Creek	20
Salem, Christian County	51
Dione, Pine Mountain	35
Shady Grove, Simpson	41
New Friendship, Logan County	134
Bethel, South Union	52
Cumberland River, South Union	117
Conway, Rockcastle	52
Nevisdale, South Union	66
Mountain Ash, South Union	55
Highsplint, Upper Cumberland	92
Fairview, South Union	50
Hodgenville, First, Severns Valley	281
Elkton, Bethel	80
Bethany, Ohio Valley	30
Pryorsburg, Graves County	80
Liberty, West Kentucky	102
Slaughters, Little Bethel	57
Caskey, Christian County	58
Putney, Upper Cumberland	41
Everts, Upper Cumberland	95
Elcomb, Upper Cumberland	55
Bumpus, Little River	107
Central City, First, Muhlenburg	278
Willisburg, Central	199
Hillcrest, Elkhorn	236
Mt. Pisgah, Muhlenburg	146
South Broadway, Elkhorn	154
Corinth, Laurel River	68
Smiths Grove, Warren	72
Cedar Creek, Long Run	213
Dycusburg, Ohio River	46
Earlington, Little Bethel	100
Grace, Enterprise	103
Stone, Enterprise	82
Rosemont, Lexington, Elkhorn	258
Eastwood, Warren	135
Colesburg, Severns Valley	15
Greensburg, Russell Creek	145
Calvary, Warren	100
Pleasant Ridge, Daviess-McLean	82
Eubank, Pulaski County	134
Mexico, Ohio River	85
Ebenezer, Christian County	63
Jellico Creek, South Union	104
Charleston, Little Bethel	116
Rosine, Ohio County	56
Fairview, Ohio County	47
Elm Grove, Blood River	59
Ludlow, First, North Bend	222
Macedonia, Caldwell	67
Loyall, First, Upper Cumberland	157
Big Creek, Booneville	60
Pleasant Run, Booneville	64
Riverside, Bell County	120
Kelly Street, Harlan, Upper Cumberland	95
Hyland, Henderson, West Kentuckiana	144
Audubon, West Kentuckiana	148
Bells Run, Ohio County	54
Utica, Daviess-McLean	158
Dyer Hill, Ohio River	105
Clay, First, Ohio Valley	132
Farmdale, Long Run	216
Friendship, Muhlenburg	83
Providence, Boone's Creek	62
Lower Bend Mission School, Boone's Creek	30
Golden Pond, Little River	97
Bowling Green, First, Warren	382
Beech Grove, Russell Creek	53
Nelson Creek, Muhlenburg	121
Marrowbone, Enterprise	71
Providence, First, Ohio Valley	138
Hopkinsville, Second, Christian County	421
Marion, Second, Ohio River	80
Bell City, Graves	89
Bandana, West Union	66
Salem, Blood River	151
Tabernacle, Ohio Valley	80
Jeff. Three Forks	53
Grayson, First, Greenup	51
Salem, Little Bethel	97
New Design, Monroe	38
Hamlet, Blood River	122
Liberty, Caldwell	59
Greasy Creek, Russell Creek	77
New Brandenburg, Salem	81

Cedarmore Sunday School Week

Dr. W. W. Adams, Professor of New Testament Interpretation, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has graciously consented to teach Bible during Cedarmore Sunday School Week, August 8-12.

Dr. Adams is an outstanding Bible teacher and will delight our hearts and enlighten our minds as we study the scriptures under his direction.

Sunday School Week promises to be very enriching—PLAN NOW TO ATTEND.

State Planning Meetings

The State Sunday School Planning Meetings will be held with the First Baptist Church, Central City on September 1 and the First Baptist Church, Richmond on September 2. We are happy to announce that Stanley Williamson, in charge of associational work of the Sunday School Board, will be with us for both meetings.

The purpose of these meetings is to initiate the training of associational Sunday school officers specifically for their tasks, to inspire them to continuously train themselves, and to plan a tailor-made associational Sunday school program for the coming twelve months for each association.

Brother associational superintendent, plan now to have all your associational officers present at one of these meetings.

How to Apply for Diplomas and Seals

When requesting diplomas and seals, send the Certificates of Award required for that particular diploma or seal to the Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee, requesting the appropriate diploma or seal. Be sure to indicate for each worker the name, address, church, and association. It is not necessary for these requested to come through the State Secretary's Office.

All requests for Certificates of Award for training courses are to be mailed to Roy E. Boatwright, 127 East Broadway, Louisville, in duplicate on report blanks provided for this purpose. Individual work is also to be mailed to this office. When the Certificates of Award for these training course books are received, be sure to retain them, as Nashville requires that they be sent to them before they will grant diplomas and seals.

Rev. and Mrs. B. Elmo Scoggin, Southern Baptist missionaries to Israel, have moved from Louisville to Charleston, S. C., where their address is 346 King Street. They are in the States on furlough.

Bill Cody Named to Foreign Board Post



Bill Cody

RICHMOND, Va.—William B. Cody, associate secretary for the Student Department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, was elected to a newly created position in the department of missionary personnel of the Foreign Mission Board in the closing session of its two-day April meeting. His title will be assistant secretary, student representative. In the position Mr. Cody will seek to develop through local Baptist churches, the Baptist Student Union, and other youth groups a well-organized program of recruitment and conservation of life commitment decisions among young people of college age and under. He took up his new duties June 15.

A native of Farmersville, Texas, Mr. Cody was educated at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, where he received the bachelor of arts degree and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, where he received the master of religious education degree; and he has done further study at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, and the University of Kentucky, Lexington.

He has had wide experience in working with Baptist youth. During three of his college years he was a member of the local B. S. U. executive council and for two years a member of the Texas B. S. U. executive council. He served as organizer and advance worker for a number of major city-wide youth revivals across the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention from 1946-50.

He served as co-ordinator for the first youth night at a meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Oklahoma City in 1949 and has since served in the same capacity at Houston in 1953 and St. Louis in 1954. He presided during youth night at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami.

Other denominational experience includes that of being supply pastor of the Floyd and Pleasant Valley Baptist Churches, both in Texas; youth director for the Columbus Avenue Church, Waco, and Polytechnic and Travis Avenue Churches, Ft. Worth. He was B.S.U. director at the University of Kentucky for three years before going to his present position in Nashville.

Mr. Cody married Elizabeth Ann Compere, native of Houston. They have two children, Kathryn Elizabeth, 2, and David Compere, 5 months.



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3,275 Attend Brotherhood Rally in June

Three thousand, two hundred and seventy-five men attended the second Annual Baptist Men's Rally of Kentucky at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly grounds Friday, June 24. These included 3,125 who registered at the gate, 134 Intermediate Royal Ambassador campers and staff members and 16 who indicated they had not filled out Registration cards.

At the time of this writing, we have not had time to make a digest of associations and church represented, however, we will give this information and picture on page 1 in next week's issue of the Western Recorder.

Suffice it to say at this time, the Rally was a success, we think, from every angle. Your Brotherhood Secretary will take this early opportunity to express his appreciation to everyone who helped make the Rally a success. Senator Kerr's message was what we were looking for. We thank the Lord for busy men of his type who love the Lord and who will take time out of their busy work to share their experiences with other men. We are grateful for all others who had a part on the program especially do we want to express our appreciation to George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission and Edward Hurt, Jr., one of his associates and who is in charge of the Ambassador program for the

Southern Baptist Convention, who were our out-of-state speakers.

We will try to give a more detailed report of the Rally in next week's issue of this paper. We will also give you the total amount of the offering which was received at the Rally for a Swimming Pool at Cedarmore. We know at this time it will pass the \$3,200.00 mark. We cannot give a final figure until our accounting department has checked and re-checked the offering which they have not had time to do as of now.

REPORTING ON JUNE

June 6—Brotherhood meeting, First Baptist Church, Lyall, Kentucky; June 7—Twelve Mile Baptist Church Brotherhood meeting near California, Kentucky; June 9-12—Kiddville Baptist Church for Evangelistic emphasis; June 13—Forest Park Church, Bowling Green; June 14—Burton Memorial Brotherhood Meeting, near Bowling Green; June 15—Wing Avenue Baptist Church, Owensboro; June 16—Mt. Carmel Brotherhood Meeting (between Owensboro and Hartford); June 17—Newton's Creek Brotherhood Meeting (near Keevil, Kentucky); June 19—Immanuel Baptist Temple, Henderson; June 20—Vine Grove Brotherhood Meeting; June 21—Brotherhood meeting, Rosedale Church, Richmond; June 24—Attended Baptist Men's Rally, Cedarmore Baptist Assembly; June 27—Trinity Baptist Church, Hopkinsville; June 29—South Jefferson Church, Louisville. Dates not mentioned here were spent in the office and at Cedarmore preparing for the Men's Rally.

FALLEN ASLEEP

MRS. W. G. (ZILLA H. BARNES) POTTS

A faithful member of Farmdale Baptist Church, and Prayer Chairman of the Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. Zillah Barnes Potts fell asleep May 28 at the St. Anthony Hospital after an illness since Christmas.

Her husband, the Rev. W. G. Potts, has held pastorates in her native Breckenridge County, Irvine, Lebanon Junction, Horse Cave, Whitesville, and Marion.

Mrs. Potts, ever at his side, was always ready to minister to the sick, hearten the distressed, encourage the weak, cheer the old, and inspire the young.

Be it resolved that the Woman's Missionary Society expresses its appreciation of her life of unselfish service, not only to the Society, but in the various other organizations of the church; that we express to her husband and family our deepest sympathy and remember with profound appreciation the devotion of Mrs. Potts to her Lord, the inspiration she has been to us, and her faithful service.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her husband and daughter, Mrs. Oather Blair, and the Western Re-

order, and that a copy be made a part of the minutes of the Society.—Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Edward Owen, W. M. U. President; Mrs. James Borders, Mrs. Reginald Hodgson.

MRS. GUY MARTIN

STEPHENSPOET, Ky., June 8, 1955.—Mrs. Guy Martin, one of our beloved sisters of the Stephensport Baptist Church, quietly fell asleep. She was an active member of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Be it resolved that we extend to the family our heart-felt sympathy and commend them to our heavenly Father who will give them strength and courage in their time of sorrow.—Mrs. Ernest A. Smith, Mrs. Ralph Pumphrey, Stephensport Baptist Church, Clerk.

MRS. BETTIE H. HARDESTY

MOUNT EDEN, Ky.—Whereas, in the unerring Providence of an all-wise God, it has been His holy will to call our beloved member, Mrs. Bettie H. Hardesty, to her Heavenly Home.

Whereas, she was liberal and sacrificial in

the giving of her money, time, and efforts, a loving Mother, loyal friend, and helpful neighbor, and possessed a character which exemplified patience in trials and suffering, and a great faith.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we extend our deepest sympathy to her family and loved ones, and that we shall always remember with deep appreciation her years of service as Sunday School Teacher and faithful member of the church and W. M. S.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be placed on the minutes of the W. M. S., and a copy sent to the Western Recorder.—Respectfully submitted, W. M. S. of Mount Moriah Baptist Church.

BENJAMIN B. DUKE

CAVE CITY, Ky., May 21.—Funeral services for Benjamin B. Duke, 79, prominent layman and retired grocery salesman, was conducted in the Cave City Baptist Church, with two former pastors, Albert S. Hale, Pulaski, Va., and Ray Dean, Orlinda, Tenn., assisting. Interment was in the Cave City Cemetery.

Mr. Duke was for 29 years a salesman for the J. D. Reynolds Wholesale Grocery Company, prior to his retirement ten years ago. Native of Barren County, he was a son of the late Jennie Cornelia Wheeler and Benjamin Duke, pioneer citizens. He became a Christian at the age of ten, and united with the Salem Baptist Church. He married Miss Lizzie Martin, who survives him, as does one sister, Mrs. Duke Farris. Two daughters, Mrs. Dovie Williams and Mrs. Annie Mae Dickey died some years ago. Also three brothers, James, John and the Rev. Tom C. Duke, and one sister, Miss Jennie Duke, all preceded him in death.

He served for 45 years as a deacon of the Cave City Baptist Church, and was chairman of that group at the time of his passing. For the same length of time—45 years—he taught a class of intermediate boys, and seven of those boys entered the ministry. Also, in previous years he had been superintendent of the Sunday school and director of the Training Union.

MRS. FRANCES GARRETT

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Since God in His providence has called our beloved friend, Mrs. Frances Garrett, home to be with Him the Women's Missionary Society of the Felix Memorial Baptist Church presents the following resolutions:

1. Both our church and our W. M. S. are deeply grateful to God for all the years of service which she so faithfully rendered.

2. We are also grateful for her beautiful spirit and gracious attitude when in the humblest tasks.

3. We are grateful for the many boys and girls whom she led to the Saviour and for her unflinching vision of work with young people.

4. We are grateful for her long years of leadership in our Missionary Society, as our president, and in many other capacities.

5. We have been challenged to serve Christ more fully by the beauty of her example, and pray that her passing will make us increasingly aware of that challenge.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."—Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Arthur Owens, Mrs. John T. Wallace, Jr.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE

Rain On the Ranch

By GLADYS CLEONE CARPENTER

"How can you do that?" Jim asked.

Wu Yung pointed to the image in the wheelbarrow. "It god of rain. If god of rain see dry fields, he make it rain. God too heavy to carry much far, so Wu Yung wheel him about, so he can see."

"Aw, that idol can't make it rain," Jim said. "Only God can make it rain."

The two boys went on toward the creek. Soon they met Little Fawn, a Hopi Indian girl. She was carrying a queer wooden doll with a painted face. It was very fierce looking. She called it a Kadcina doll.

"Go to the creek with us," Jim invited. "I'm going to wade. It's cool wading."

"Me go," said the Indian girl. "But no wade. Me carry Kadcina doll to make it rain."

"How can it do that?" Jim asked.

"Kadcina doll made to look like gods that live underground. They come up to make it rain," Little Fawn explained.

The three went on and soon came to the creek. They crossed a little bridge to get to the wading place Jim liked best.

Jim started wading.

Wu Yung walked about pushing the wheelbarrow.

Little Fawn made queer motions with her arms and legs. She talked to the Kadcina doll, begging it to make it rain.

Suddenly it started to rain!

"Come on!" Jim called to the others.

They started toward a shed that belonged to Jim's father.

Just as the three got inside, the rain poured down!

"Chinese god bring the rain," Wu Yung declared.

"No," said Little Fawn, "Kadcina doll bring rain."

It rained hard and long. The children in the shed wished there was something to do.

"I'll tell you a story of Noah and how it had rained for forty days and forty nights and caused a flood," said Jim.

When Jim had finished, the children looked outdoors. It was still raining. They wished it would stop. They wanted to go home.

"Rain god make it stop," Wu Yung said.

He set the statue of the rain god out in the rain, but the rain still poured down.

Then Little Fawn said she'd try her

Kadcina doll. She put it outside, but it didn't stop the rain.

"Only God can stop the rain," Jim said.

Finally the rain stopped. The children hurried to the little bridge. It was under water. And the creek was so swollen, they were afraid to wade.

"It's too far to walk home from this side of the creek," Jim said.

What should they do? The children were frightened.

Suddenly Jim said. "We'll go to the trading post. I can telephone to my father. He will come get us."

Away the three went to the trading-post. Jim telephoned his father.

"Did you come to trade?" the trading-post man asked Wu Yung and Little Fawn.

"Could I trade my rain god?" Wu Yung asked. "Him no good. Him not stop rain, either."

"Yes, you may trade them," the man answered.

Among the toys Wu Yung found a Noah's ark and animals. He decided to trade the rain god for that.

Little Fawn traded for a picture book of Bible stories.

Soon Jim's father came. He loaded the children into the station wagon, and away they went.

The children were all happy. The three of them would have good times with the Noah's ark and the picture book.

Jim had a special reason to be glad. His two friends no longer believed in their idols. They had learned a little about the true God.

The sun was shining brightly. Wu Yung said, "White man's God bring the rain. Him brings the sunshine. Him very good God."

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Gift of the Queen

Love should grow in your heart, as you grow, day by day, year by year. You are taller now than you were a year ago—taller and bigger and able to do more things. Your heart is growing, too. It can hold more love now than it could when you were little. God helps your heart to grow and expand, if you reach out toward others, and try to fill it with love.

Some one has said that "Love rules

the world," and it just about does. You rule if you make a soft answer when some one speaks crossly to you. You rule if you forgive when your playmate hurts you.

Once upon a time there was a girl who was so plain-looking that the other children called her ugly. "Oh, how I wish I were beautiful!" she cried one day. "It's so dreadful to be ugly."

"You can be beautiful if you wish," said the queen of the love fairies.

"Tell me how!" the girl begged eagerly.

"Follow me!" The queen led the girl to the house of an old sick, rheumatic woman. "You must wait upon her," said the queen, and vanished.

At first the girl rebelled, but soon she felt sorry for the poor old woman, and made her a soft cushion for her back. Then she wheeled her out into the sunshine. She rubbed the rheumatic old limbs to ease their pain.

One day the queen of the love fairies returned. "Go home now and look in the mirror," she said to the girl.

"But who will take care of the crippled old woman?" the girl asked anxiously, forgetting about herself.

"I was the crippled old woman," the queen answered. "I watched your face grow more beautiful day by day as your heart filled with love. See!" she cried, holding up a mirror.

"Oh!" gasped the girl as she gazed at her smiling face and her soft eyes, bright with love, reflected in the mirror. "I am beautiful!"—"Gift of the Queen," is from the book, *Shining Armour*, by Edna Ewing Kelley).

Plenty of Wedding Pictures for Them

ADA, Okla. — (BP) — Television viewers in Ada got a treat recently—they watched a couple marry.

The young folks—Sue Fugett and Dixon Roseberry—were wed in a ceremony by Roy C. McClung, pastor of local First Baptist Church, during the church's weekly "Church and Home Hour."

The audience apparently was impressed. Reported McClung: "Reports have come from many sources saying it was a beautiful ceremony and a fine teaching experience for the church."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, JULY 3, 1955

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Paris, First	33	230
Pikeville, First (4)	41	377
Princeton, First (1)	534	
Second (1)	129	304
Russellville, First (1)	100	395
Shepherdsville	282	
Somerset, First	570	
Sonora	79	216
Springfield, First	157	446
Sturgis, First	256	
Versailles	54	320
Walton	92	342
Williamsburg, First (1)	404	
Winchester, Central	95	419

Education Groups Pick New Officers

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Two Southern Baptist organizations having to do with the denomination's universities and colleges elected officers here. Tennesseans head both of them.

The Southern Baptist Education Commission elected as chairman Warren F. Jones, president of Union University, Jackson, Tenn. Vice-chairman is Evan

A. Reiff, president, Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex., while Carl Goodson, of Southwest Baptist (Junior) College, Bolivar, Mo., is recording secretary.

Harley Fite, president of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.,

was elected president of the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools. Vice-president is G. B. Connell, president, Mercer University, Macon, Ga., and secretary is H. I. Hester, vice-president, William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.

"It takes a long time to feather a nest on a wild goose chase."



TO GEORGETOWN . . . Pastor L. M. Hamilton has resigned at the Macedonia Baptist Church, Jonesville, in Ten Mile Association, to become pastor of the Gano Avenue Baptist Church, Georgetown, where he succeeds Pastor George S. Munro, now at Ft. Thomas. Hamilton is a native of Magoffin County, a graduate of Magoffin Institute, Georgetown College, and studied at the Southern Seminary. Previous pastorates have been at Sherman, Oak Ridge, Grassy Run, Clarks Creek, Sand Run in Boone County, Mt. Vernon in Shelby County. Many improvements have been made at Macedonia, including a new organ, stained glass windows, a nursery, new basement entrance, pastor's study, much redecoration, new kitchen, new furnace at the parsonage. Mrs. Hamilton, the former Mildred Woodruff, is a native of Scott County. They have four children: Suetta Faye, Jerry Thomas, Jane Hope and Joy Ruth.

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FORSAKING ALL OTHERS

Often homes are broken because the wife or husband fails to realize the sacredness of the marriage vows. Those who see this picture realize that Marianne and Garland Nelson could have been such a couple if she had not believed in the marriage vows and had enough faith in God to help her see a family crisis through to a happy ending. 14 minutes. Sound. Rental, \$5.00

VOCATIONAL CHOICE: A PARTNERSHIP

Vocations

George and Jim Danfield, brothers, are unable to decide on how to choose a vocation. So their parents attempt to pick their vocations for them. But the boys are not interested in the careers their parents have chosen. Their pastor leads the family to see that each individual is a creation of God and must choose his own career—within God's will. 14 minutes. Sound. Rental, \$5.00

CHOOSING YOUR LIFE'S WORK

Jim Danfield can't decide between two vocations until after much prayer and actually working in each area. George, his brother, is more definite for a time in his choice of aviation. Later, however, he realizes that another field might be better. This film has its own complete story or can be used effectively with Vocational Choice: A Partnership. 14 minutes. Sound. Rental, \$5.00

TOGETHER WE BUILD

Opportunities

Ralph Watson is an indifferent church member who really does not believe in the church "spending" so much money—until he sees how the Cooperative Program extends the witness of his church and its members. Then he realizes that this program is dependent on his stewardship. 28 minutes. Sound. Rental, \$9.00

LIGHT THE CHURCH HOUSES

Jack Walker, a young chemist, is a Christian but has failed to grow spiritually. After difficulties in getting along with an associate, he meets the Roberts family. As he sees what Training Union has done for them and catches some of their enthusiasm, his indifference to church turns to interest, then to participation. He sees that the Training Union helps keep church lights burning on Sunday nights. 28 minutes. Sound. Rental, \$9.00

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KENTUCKY GRADUATES FROM SOUTHWESTERN . . . Three Kentucky students were given degrees by Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary this year. They were: (1) Thomas T. Martin, Paducah, B. D.; (2) Miss Emily Ruth Helm, Bowling Green, M. R. E.; and (3) Thomas S. Brandon, Benton, B. D.

What Would You Do?

By **MANUEL A. COOPER, Chairman**
Relief Committee, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky

As chairman of the Relief Committee of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, I am frequently faced with a letter such as the following:

"Dear Brother: I am 77 years of age and hardly able to get around at all. My eyesight is nearly gone. My wife is bedfast and has to have medical care all the time. I never thought I would be in want, but now all my savings are gone. I preached in Kentucky for over 50 years and received a salary that was only barely enough to live on. I could not lay up much for old age. I understand that our great denomination has some funds for needy preachers. Will you tell me if I could get some help, and what I must do to get it? Your Brother in Christ."

How would you reply to such a letter as this if you were chairman of the committee and already had a deficit of more than \$5,000 in the Relief Funds?

Last year the Relief and Annuity Board spent over \$21,000 in Kentucky in

assistance in similar cases to this one, but received a little more than \$16,000 from Kentucky for relief purposes. This money for relief came from the Cooperative Program, from the special offering of last year and from earnings on trust funds administered by the Kentucky Baptist Foundation; but all of this together was not nearly sufficient even for the very modest grants that were allowed.

Unless our churches respond in greater number than last year, the Relief and Annuity Board will be forced to reduce even the meager amount that is now given to these old people who are so eminently worthy and in such dire need?

I repeat, "What would you do if you were in my place?" As Chairman of the Committee I can only say, "We do not have the funds to help you." To write such a letter is difficult indeed.

As pastor of a local Baptist church I can do something about this matter. I can lead my church to have a part in this worthy cause on July 24. Yes, you can stand in my place, and you can help this cause if you, too, will lead your church to care enough to remember these brethren in need. It is urgent that every church have some part. Send your offering designated for Ministerial Relief to Dr. W. C. Boone, 127 East Broadway, Louisville 2, Kentucky.

► There have been 60 additions in the last five months to the Pleasant Grove Church, Anchorage, giving them an unprecedented growth. A new meeting house is being erected for the mission of the church at Pewee Valley.

Dr. Finley F. Gibson Passes to His Reward

The funeral of Dr. Finley F. Gibson, Sr., pastor emeritus since 1941, was conducted on June 6 in the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Louisville where he had been pastor for twenty-two years. He was 78 years of age at the time of his passing. He collapsed in a cafeteria in Clearwater, Florida, where he had gone to take his lunch with Mrs. Gibson. In recent months he had been desperately sick, but thought he was better and left his room the first time to go out to eat.

Dr. Gibson was a native of Hope, Arkansas. He first came to Louisville in the 'nineties following his graduation from Ouachita College, and was graduated by the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at the turn of the century in 1900. A year later he married Miss Lucille L. Foreman, of this city. After a three-year pastorate at Malvern, Ark., he became pastor of the First Baptist Church of Fort Smith, Ark., for fourteen years. He returned to Kentucky in 1916 to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green. In 1918 he went to Richmond, Va., to be pastor of the Grace Street Baptist Church, and on October 1, 1919, came back to Kentucky to be pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville. The latter church had only 1,108 members when he came, but 22 years later its membership was 3,937. Upon his retirement he was made pastor emeritus. For most of the time of his retirement he spent part of each year in Florida and part in Colorado Springs, Colo., moving with the seasons to keep himself in the best of health. En route both ways, he and Mrs. Gibson would often spend some time back in Louisville visiting with relatives and friends.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Finley Foreman Gibson, Jr., lawyer, Anchorage; W. Oscar Gibson, Owensboro; three grandchildren, Finley F. Gibson, III, Louisville, and Mrs. David H. Dean, Anchorage; and Mrs. Charles (Louise) Kolasa; Springfield, Ky.; and four great-grandchildren—Camille Dean, David Dean, Jr., Finley F. Gibson IV, and Charles Kolasa.

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David E. Hoy and Reet Brooks in Tell City Revival



David E. Hoy



Reet Brooks

Evangelist David E. Hoy, youth director of the Calvary Baptist Church, New York City, assisted Pastor J. D. Troop in a revival at the First Baptist Church, Tell City, Ind., May 2-13. Reet Brooks, bass-baritone of Evansville, Ind., led the music. Pastor J. D. Troop says of Dave Hoy: "He is young, a university graduate, a professional magician, and has preached on two different itineraries to Europe and the British Isles. He is on the pastoral staff of one of America's great churches." There were 44 decisions in the meeting, 35 of these being professions of faith and candidates for baptism.

Dakar, Outpost of Two Hemispheres

By **JOHN R. SAMPEY, II**

One of the most significant developments of our day is the struggle of the totalitarian and free nations of the world for control of mission lands.

China and Africa have been the two most fruitful fields of Christian missions for more than a century.

The former has today fallen into the hands of atheistic communism. If the United Nations can maintain control of the air bases of North Africa, they may save the Dark Continent from a similar fate.

The air fields of North Africa were

built in 1942-43 to drive the Germans off the continent and out of Sicily and Italy. From these bases today the United Nations can threaten the heart of Russia if that power should start bombing the cities of western Europe.

No air field in Africa is more strategically located than that at Dakar, the metropolis of French West Africa. Situated on the western tip of the continent it is only 1,600 miles across the South Atlantic to Natal, Brazil. In World War II both the Allies and the Axis Powers sought control of this gateway to two hemispheres.

In September 1940 the British and Free French sent a task force to capture Dakar. The attack was repulsed, and the excellent harbor and air field were Vichy controlled until early 1943. When the Allies finally gained control the 38th Engineers, United States Army, were sent to construct runways to accommodate the largest Trans-Atlantic planes.

Dakar is a typical French colonial city with a well built European section of 10,000 population, and a native quarter of 65,000. During the war the residents were hard pressed for gasoline. It was a common sight to see trucks and buses

operated on charcoal burners. Most of the White population took to the bicycle, even women peddling to and from the markets with their purchases and their babies crowded into baskets on the front and rear of their wheels.

There is little color line in Dakar. The upper class of Senegalese women in their gaudy native dress eat at the most exclusive restaurants. Many of the Black men wear the white robes and red fez of Islam. The Mohammedians have made far more converts among the Blacks than have the Christian missionaries.

The climate of Dakar is so hot and dry most of the year that only the more venturesome Frenchmen care to make the city their home. The mortality rate is three times that in the United States, and infant mortality is twice that of Europe.

Senegal, the hinterland of Dakar, is one of the world's largest producers of peanuts. Palm oil is exported in tank lots also. The waters off the coast of French West Africa teem with fish. Fishermen come all the way from the Canary Islands for their catch.

Dakar, because of its strategic position as outpost of two hemispheres will play an important role in the increasing tensions of the democratic and totalitarian powers.

► Dr. J. T. Ford has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, where he has been located since December, 1952, to become pastor of the Wieuca Road Baptist Church, in the suburbs of Atlanta, Ga. Before going to Birmingham he was pastor at the Huntsville Church. He has been a member of the Executive Board of the Alabama Baptist Convention, a trustee of Judson College, twice on the program committee of the Alabama Convention, and was its chairman last year. He is a native of Paducah, Ky. He and Mrs. Ford have three boys: Tommy, 9; Warren, 7; and Morris, 2.

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Clear Creek Enrollment Up 29 Per Cent Over Last Year

PINEVILLE, Ky., June 17. — Enrollment at the Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School here showed an increase for the school year just closed of 29 per cent over the previous year, according to Rev. D. M. Aldridge, president. Applications for the fall enrollment are now far above what they were for the corresponding period last year, and a 30 per cent increase is expected for the coming year.

A large number of students are now being employed by the school's furniture factory. Further employment will be provided as orders increase.

Other highlights of the year include a \$12,268 payment on the indebtedness of the school. The administration expects to retire the total indebtedness on the school within the next two years.

A total of \$2,031 was deposited recently with the Kentucky Baptist Foundation to begin an endowment fund for the school.

The trustees unanimously voted to allow the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky to nominate and elect the trustees of the school. They also voted to permit Clear Creek to become a

Southern Baptist institute should the Southern Baptist Convention decide to enter the Bible School movement.

Chosen by the faculty of the Clear Creek School as the outstanding students at Clear Creek in the past year were Raymond Flynn, Irvine, and Harold Perkins, of Indiana. They received the president's medals awarded by President D. M. Aldridge.

Speaking of the influence of the Clear Creek School on the life of the communities it touches, President Aldridge said: "Week by week our students go into many areas and render spiritual service. Approximately 95 per cent of all our students have definite responsibilities in churches, missions, and other preaching and teaching services each week. As an example, each Sunday six or eight of the students conduct jail services in nearby towns. Approximately 15 other students preach in mission points in three states. About one-fourth of the students are pastors of Baptist churches within a radius of 100 miles of the school."

Thirty students are enrolled in the summer school at Clear Creek. Dr. T. D. Brown is teaching a survey course

in New Testament while Professor Carl W. Hunter is teaching Biblical Geography and Old Testament Survey.

Guam Girls to Attend Ouachita on Grants

ARKADELPHIA, Ark. — (BP) — Two girls from the Pacific Ocean island of Guam, thanks to American airmen based there, will attend Ouachita College here next year.

The girls—Irene Beatrice Sablan and Grace Elizabeth Sablan—were winners in the airmen's religious scholarship project. The project also is supported by Ouachita College and Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark.

Chaplain Thomas N. Shaddox, Jr., a Ouachita graduate and former Arkansas Baptist pastor, directed the Guam base project.

►Jerry Ratcliff, from the Seminary of Louisville, on June 12 assumed the duties of interim pastor of the First Baptist Church, Henderson, while Pastor Francis R. Tallant is touring the Holy Land and attending the Baptist World Alliance. Mr. Ratcliff is the music and education director at First Baptist, Henderson.