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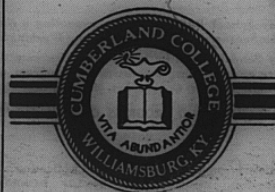
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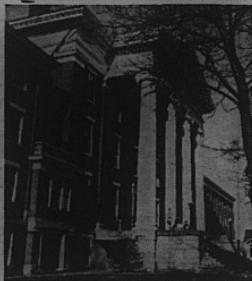
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Royalty

Korean King's Descendant To Enter Baptist College

BELTON, Tex. — (BP) — Amelia K. Lee, granddaughter of Korea's last king, will enter Mary Hardin-Baylor College here to study music.

Miss Lee, who already has a B.A. degree from Ewha Girls' School, Seoul, Korea, will seek a bachelor's degree in music at this Baptist college.

The 25-year-old soprano is being sponsored by R. E. Streetman, pastor, First Baptist Church, Coleman, Texas. Streetman's son, David, met her in 1955 at the Seoul Military Post Library,

where she has worked for the last three years.

Her grandfather, Emperor Yi, abdicated his throne in 1910 after the Japanese annexed Korea. Her grandmother was slain in 1895 by Japanese soldiers.

Miss Lee expects to leave Korea in April. She will enroll here for the Fall, 1956 semester.

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Gleanings From The Field

►Pastor Henry M. Chiles, Knoxville, Tennessee, will assist Pastor George S. Monro in special meetings at the First Baptist Church, Fort Thomas, Ky., April 1-8.

►Mrs. W. L. McIlwain has resigned her work at the First Baptist Church, Fort Thomas, Ky., to assume her new duties as educational director at Ensley Baptist Church, Ensley, Alabama.

►Miss Gladys Hopewell, Southern Baptist missionary to Formosa, has returned to the States for furlough and may be addressed at 125 Hill Street, Talladega, Ala. Miss Hopewell is a native of Hopkins County, Ky.

►Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Berkeley, California, has purchased the building of the Home Board's International Center for use as a seminary dormitory. The building, sold by the Home Board, is nearby Golden Gate Seminary in Berkeley.

►Frank W. Rhodus completed his fifth year as pastor of the Warsaw Baptist Church on February 26. The church life and Sunday school have had an appreciable increase. The church is now debt-free and anticipates a new building program in the near future.

►Thomas J. Holmes, pastor, First Baptist Church, College Park, Georgia, has been elected a local member of the Home Mission Board, succeeding D. V. Cason, who is now director of Negro work for the Georgia Baptist Convention in co-operation with the Home Board.

►The question has been raised as to whether the designation for 1956-57 is for World Mission Year or World Missions Year, to which Dr. Merrill D. Moore says that page 53, of the Annual of the Southern Baptist Convention clears up the matter, designating it as World Missions Year.

►An informal reception honoring Southern Baptist foreign missionaries will be held in the Little Theatre of the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, on Friday, June 1, following the afternoon session of the Southern Baptist Convention. Furloughing missionaries and new appointees, grouped together by areas, and members of the Foreign Mission Board headquarters staff will be on hand to greet friends who want to drop by for a moment of fellowship.

►Dr. O. W. Yates, pastor of the Rosemont Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, left by plane for the Raleigh-Durham Airport, in North Carolina, and then drove out ten or fifteen miles to the place where he was born, and then later, born again, for a revival at the Mount Pisgah Baptist Church. This is the old home church of Matthew T. Yates. The Baptists of the Raleigh-

Durham area are having a simultaneous revival with more than 100 Baptist churches—colored and white—co-operating.

►Stanley Crabb, Jr., was ordained to the Gospel ministry by the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, on Wednesday night, March 14, with Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, the pastor, delivering the charge to the church, Dr. J. J. Owens, of the Southern Seminary faculty, delivering the charge to the candidate, and Dr. A. R. Crabtree, retired president of the Brazil Baptist Seminary and now a visiting professor at the Carver School, made the presentation of the Bible. The newly ordained young man has been called to be pastor of the White Plains Baptist Church, in Little Bethel Association.

►The Erlanger Baptist Church, Erlanger, Ky., has just experienced a wonderful revival with Dr. Robert E. Humphreys, Owensboro, as the evangelist for the series of services, March 4-11, according to Pastor Jack P. Lowndes. "Dr. Humphreys was faithful in his proclamation of the Word of God," writes Lowndes, "and the entire church felt the influence of his strong personality. Attendance was good at all the services, including the seven a.m. service, and 31 were added to the church—24 of these coming for baptism. In each service a number came confessing sin and rededicating their lives to Christ. Dr. Humphreys can be very highly recommended as an evangelist."

►The first services were conducted in the College Heights Baptist Church, Chickasha, Okla., on March 4, with Senator Robert S. Kerr and President Dan Froeter, Oklahoma College, as the speakers. Three years ago members of the Michigan Avenue Church voted to erect a new church in the city near the college and in a rapidly growing community. The new building is of buff brick construction, and its main auditorium will seat 1,000, and is equipped with air-conditioning. Wade E. Darby is the aggressive pastor of the Michigan Avenue Church, going there in 1948. Pastor Darby was ordained in the First Baptist Church, Murray, Kentucky, and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Darby, Route 2, Paris, Tenn. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, Southwestern Seminary, and is expecting to obtain a post-graduate degree from the latter institution in May.

►The Kentucky Standard, Bardstovon, carried a brief story about the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Arch T. Ludwick, Old Heady Road, Jeffersonton, at the home of their daughter, Mrs. C. James (Anna Clay) Dister, 209 Pelham Court, Jeffersonton, on Sunday, March



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11. They have been members of the Jeffersonton Baptist Church since their removal to that city about 35 years ago. Prior to that they were members of the Cox's Creek Baptist Church in Nelson county. Mr. Ludwick was the son of the late Deacon Joseph Ludwick, long at Cox's Creek Church and whose Christian influence was long felt in that community. Mrs. Ludwick was the daughter of the late Sam P. Evans, of the Murrays Run neighborhood, near Bardstovon. Both families are of the lineage of fine old Nelson county stock of solid citizens of this day. The Golden Wedding celebrants are the parents of two sons and two daughters.

The Resurrection

A Christian Certainty

By BRUCE H. PRICE

The world-famous Magnolia Gardens near Charleston, South Carolina, continue to offer the beauty of flowers and plants to all who pass, but it was not this beauty which impressed me most. In the midst of the azaleas and japonicas, and beneath the strong trees which stood with arms lifted to the sky, we came to an imposing tomb.

This tomb, encircled with glowing beauty of many colors, showed the effects of the ravages of time—stained by the rains of many seasons. Even more noticeable were the marks of the Charleston earthquake, a mute reminder of that night more than half a century ago.

As I stood there that sunny afternoon shortly before Easter, the quest of Mrs. R. B. Cannon, well-known lover of gardens, the silence was broken by this expression, "Wouldn't it be wonderful on Resurrection Day to come from this tomb to meet the Lord?" I made no answer at that time, but since then this reply comes to me: "It will be no more wonderful to come from this grave in Magnolia Gardens than from some unkept country churchyard." The splendor of Magnolia Gardens and all other lovely spots in this world will fade into insignificance on that day when the Lord comes in all his glory for his own.

Approaching the tomb more closely, we saw carved marble on either side; marble which had been imported for use on a mantel of a palatial home in Philadelphia—a home which was never completed. In 1795, this marble was carved and placed on the tomb and is one of the earliest pieces of carving in America. On one side were these words: "This corruptible must put on incorruption;" and on the other side, "I am the resurrection and the life."

This second quotation was spoken by Jesus to Martha near the tomb of her brother. Those who have not accepted Jesus as Saviour and Lord may wish to know on what grounds Jesus makes this claim for himself. The question is answered in three statements by Peter in his great sermon at Pentecost. Peter gave proof that Jesus was a man approved by God, that this Jesus hath God raised up, and that Jesus was by the right hand of God exalted.

Approved by God

The greatest commendation that can come to any man is the approval of

God, and Jesus had this approval in everything he said and did. The miracles, wonders, and signs which God did by him bear witness of his approval by the Father. Until now, all had been uncertain, but with these words Peter proclaimed a Christian certainty, "This Jesus hath God raised up." God raised him, and he became "the resurrection and the life." This put the seal of divinity on both his life and death. There was no doubt about the resurrection in the minds of Peter and the thousands who heard him speak. He hastened to add a word of proof which would be accepted in any court: "Whereof we are all witnesses."

To the skeptic who may insist the resurrection is impossible, Peter would reply that it was not possible for the grave to hold his Lord. The resurrection is the heart of the gospel, and Peter gave it this place in his preaching. Christianity without the resurrection is no more than a social club or a fraternal society.

No Room for Doubt

During this Easter season, I ask you: "Was the stone never rolled away? Did the angel never enter the tomb? Did he never rise from the dead?" If not, Paul reminds us, that our faith is in vain, we are yet in our sins, and of all men we are most miserable. "But," writes Paul, "now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept."

After forty-five years as a professor in the Southern Baptist Seminary, Dr. John A. Broadus said: "If Jesus did not rise from the dead, there is not one line of true history in the world for me."

There is one more word which Peter adds: "Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted." The presence of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost was living evidence that God exalted him. This majestic event was the final scene in the divine drama of salvation. This was the triumphant return of the Lord Jesus to the throne of God, where he sits at the right hand of the Father, making intercession for us that we, too, may be exalted into eternal fellowship with God.

It is this Jesus whom God approved, whom God raised, and whom God ex-

alted who says, "I am the resurrection and the life."

In the following words M. Ethel Anderson expresses this Christian certainty:

Search not the cold and empty tomb;
He is not linked with night and gloom;
He is not bound by death and strife;
His name is Light and Love and Life;
He lives: Is risen! Go, find ye then
The living Lord—in the hearts of men!

Elect Officers

Hospital Administrators-Chaplains

ST. LOUIS — (BP) — Administrators and chaplains of hospitals affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention met here recently and elected new officers.

Administrators, meeting in an organization known as the Southwide Baptist Hospital Association, installed Robert Guy, of Baton Rouge General Hospital, Baton Rouge, La., as president, and elected Edwin B. Peel, of Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta, as president-elect.

Emmett R. Johnson, of Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah, Ky., was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the administrators' group and Frank Tripp, New Orleans, was re-elected executive secretary.

Chaplains of the Southern Baptist hospitals, organized as the Southwide Baptist Chaplains' Association, chose B. B. Hilburn, Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, president; H. L. Hawkins, Baptist Hospital, Alexandria, La., vice-president, and E. A. Verdery, Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta, secretary-treasurer.

The two Southern Baptist groups met in connection with sessions of the American Protestant Hospital Association. They will meet in Chicago next February, and in Atlantic City, N. J., in 1958.

Juvenile Proficiency

Eleven-Year-Old Boy Has Perfect Attendance Record for a Decade

JEFFERSON CITY, Tenn. — (BP) — One of the youngest persons ever to complete 10 years of perfect Sunday school attendance is William Norman Snoderly, of Jefferson City, who is eleven years old.

Norman began attending Sunday school in October, 1945, a few months after his first birthday. He hasn't missed a Sunday since.

His parents are students at Carson-Newman College here.

Georgetown College Tells Its Story

The editor this morning (March 16) received a beautiful brochure from Georgetown College—senior Baptist college in Kentucky. The brochure tells winsomely the story of a great institution of learning and of the lovely little city in which it is located.

The college derived its name from the city. During pioneer days, under the leadership of Col. John McClelland, early settlers were deeply impressed by Royal Spring and established there what was called McClelland's Station. A spirit of patriotism and devotion to George Washington prompted the settlers to change the name of the place, in 1790, to Georgetown.

The brochure states: "In 1787 Elijah Craig, founder of Kentucky's first paper mill, opened a classical school, Royal Spring Academy. Buildings were erected on the bluff overlooking the spring. This was the beginning of Georgetown College, one of the oldest continuous educational institutions now in existence in Kentucky."

The brochure abounds in pictures of the past and present. In compliment to the city of Georgetown it is stated:

"Through the years Georgetown has given to the college an ideal college town. Improved streets, three banks, a hospital, water service, cultured homes, municipal services, a lovely public school."

And referring to the contribution the college has made it is stated: "Georgetown College in return has offered cultural opportunities—a Christian atmosphere—a scenic landmark—great athletic teams—outstanding minds—leadership—progress—an ever-improving climate for learning—educational advantages for local families."

The men of Georgetown and Scott County have told the story of the college and that splendid community throughout the earth, and Georgetown's graduates have served in many parts of the earth as business men and women, in government circles, as professional men, as homemakers, as missionaries. The brochure could not, of course, call the entire roll, for that would require a book of many hundreds of pages. They are all over the United States, and hundreds have served in foreign lands—including Africa, the Canal Zone, Central America, China, Cuba, England, Formosa, Germany, Hawaii, India, Japan, Porto Rico, Malaya, New Zealand, Norway, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Thailand, and other countries too numerous to mention. It staggers the imagination to think of the impact Georgetown College has made throughout the earth during its history.

The brochure states also: "If Georgetown College is to continue to progress, a dormitory for men must be built this year. At this time the only legitimate dormitory on the campus for men is Pawling Hall built in 1844 to house 30 students. The hall was expanded and remodeled in 1877 to accommodate a total of 60 men. Since that time the male enrollment has grown many times larger. To meet the growing demand, the college has added several large residences as student homes—a costly and temporary ar-

angement. A new dormitory for men will be a noticeable improvement to the campus and the community. The proposed dormitory would be a modern, fire-proof structure with room for 100 students. The plan incorporates the finest features found in twentieth century college housing. Included are three floors of comfortable rooms, a modern lounge, recreational facilities and housemother's quarters. Total cost of construction would be \$300,000. Rooms in the dormitory may be designated as memorials for \$5,000, or the furnishings for \$1,000."

Dr. H. Leo Eddleman well states in the brochure: "An accredited college is an incomparable asset to a community. A friendly community is as fine an advantage as a college can have. Since 1793 turbulent storms and untold strife have outdone themselves in America in an effort to disrupt communities and destroy institutions. A groundswell of goodwill can portend a new day for us all.

"Having come this far together, the city of Georgetown and its college can mutually strengthen each other for the future. The college is and ought to be the chief financial asset to the community. The money it pours into the city year in and year out strengthens the economy in every direction. The humblest citizen as well as the professional or business man benefits when the economy for all is undergirded.

"Similarly, the institution is grateful for the advantages of the public school system, business institutions, and social connection which this city makes available.

"But the problem of a non-tax supported institution beggars description. We therefore appeal to our compatriots throughout the community to join us in the effort to build a dormitory for boys. With students from all faiths and some from no faith at all, with emphasis upon liberal arts and pre-professional training, rating fourth out of 489 colleges and universities in the South in production of scientists, Georgetown College would ask, How badly do you want to see a growing institution continue in your community?"

We earnestly hope the people of Georgetown and Scott County will heed the challenge, and that individuals throughout our state will respond to this appeal to build a greater Georgetown College. And not only Georgetown, but all our institutions of learning need fullest support and encouragement from all our people.

- ▶ A person who talks about his inferiors hasn't any.—Quote.
- ▶ Genius is initiative on fire.—Good Housekeeping.
- ▶ All that the overwhelming majority is doing about juvenile delinquency is reading about it.—Grit.
- ▶ Psychologists and psychiatrists agree one of the basic needs of man is love and affection. One can't be his best if he is not loved and wanted. From earliest infancy to old age his feeling of being deeply valued is an important precondition to meeting life's challenges, taking life in stride, and doing one's best without undue stress and strain.—Moody Monthly.

He is Risen from the Dead

By C. A. KENNEDY,
Pastor, The First Baptist Church,
Abernathy, Texas

We are looking down a winding, dusty, little road which wends its way across the knobby hills south of Jerusalem. It is evening. Dusk settles, and the dust stirred by the day's travelers now hangs in hazy banks low over the still valleys and across the low irregular slopes. At the side of the road, shows the early green of sparse spring grass. The far away sounds of a quiet evening are soothing the tired earth to rest.

Ahead of us in the road, some distance, we can make out, dimly, the forms of two men walking. We are drawing nearer now, near enough to see them. One walks with the aid of a long shepherd's staff. He is leaning heavily upon it with every step. Look closely into his face. It is the face of an old man. The wrinkles are deep, the eyes sunken and dark. Here and there his greyed hair has escaped the turban. The other is no more than a lad. His face is weatherbeaten. His long black hair falls loosely about his shoulders. The eyes are beautiful and brown and the features are sensitive and perfect. Both faces show weariness and sadness.

Cleopas looked quickly at his father, and saw that he was weeping again. An agony swept over his own soul. "Mattaniah, weep no more for Him," the boy said softly. "Tis enough; we cannot return to Joanna thus." The old man groaned audibly, and they stopped in the road and looked back through the gathering darkness toward Jerusalem, where, already, the little lights twinkled from a thousand candles. The old man Mattaniah whispered, half unintelligibly, but Cleopas knew what he was saying. Over and again he had repeated those same words since that awful afternoon at Calvary: "Surely this was He which was to have redeemed Israel." A tear broke from the boy's eye and coursed down his brown face.

A sound in the distance. The crunching of sandals in the sand of the road. Someone else going home from the feast, thought Cleopas. Strangers on this road, especially at night, were seldom of the right sort. They turned and quickened their pace, but slowly and surely the steps overtook them. The stranger would have passed them by, but Mattaniah called to him: "Ho, Stranger, walk with us." The man turned aside to join them. "Goest Thou to Emmaus?" Cleopas asked. "Yea," was the solitary reply. They walked in silence for a few moments. "Thou hast been to the Feast also?" Again

the solitary "Yea," and all was silent again, save for the crush of three pairs of sandals in the road and the beat of old Mattaniah's staff.

Cleopas heard the Man take a deep breath, almost a sigh, and knew that now he would speak: "What manner of communications are these that ye have, as ye walk and are sad?" Mattaniah could not reply and Cleopas said:

"Art Thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?" And He said unto them, "What things?" And they said unto Him, concerning Jesus of Nazareth which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people; And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and have crucified Him. But we trusted that it has been He which should have redeemed Israel: And beside all this, to-



MAYFIELD'S NEW EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR. — Miss Mickey Joyce Martin assumed her duties as educational director at the First Baptist Church, Mayfield, Kentucky, on February 1, Born in Virginia, she attended high school in Louisville, Kentucky, received her B. A. from Georgetown College, and her M. E. E. degree from the School of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Following her graduation she worked as educational director at the First Baptist Church Tusculuma, Alabama, before going to Mayfield, Kentucky.

day is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; And when they found not His Body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that He was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said: but Him they saw not. There was a patise, and Cleopas waited for the Man's words. And when He began, Cleopas moved at His voice. It was so beautiful and resonant:

"O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into His Glory? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets He expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning Himself."

It seemed to Cleopas that they came to the edge of Emmaus so quickly. They entered one street where warm beams from little lamps glowed from the low windows. And then, they were at home. And there was Joanna standing in the doorway. The Man made as though He would have gone farther, but Mattaniah constrained Him with the words: "Abide with us, for the day is far spent."

Joanna had busied herself in the adjoining rooms and soon they were reclining on their mats about the low table on the floor. Mattaniah asked The Man to bless the food.

Strangely, Cleopas' eyes fastened on His Hands as He took up one of the little loaves and raised it heavenward in blessing. There was something familiar about it all. And in that moment the boy knew, those hands; they were the same! yea, the same! the same as had taken his own loaves and fishes by the side of the sea that day when the five thousand were fed!

Silently the room became brilliant. From the vicinity of the doorway behind him, Cleopas could hear the rustle of Joanna's robes as she sank to her knees. Old Mattaniah had fallen upon his face. Cleopas watched as the Wondrous Form lifted a little from the floor; with Arms uplifted in blessing upon them all; Face radiant with Heavenly Glory. "And he vanished out of their sight."

The room was just as suddenly dark again. Cleopas could hear the fervent whisper of Old Mattaniah: "It was our Jesus! He is Risen! He is Risen From The Dead!"

- Christ our Lord is Risen today;
Alleluia!
- Sons of men and angels say,
Alleluia!
- Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Alleluia!
- Sing, ye heavens, and earthly reply,
Alleluia!

Called of God

By JACK D. SANFORD
Pembroke, Ky.

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation."—1 Peter 1:15

God has called us to the greatest and most demanding task among men, that of preaching the Gospel.

We who are called "according to his purpose" are the most privileged among men. Yet there are times when our task is greater than we can imagine.

With the greatness of our task before us, and the sense of God's divine call in our minds, let us look at some of the more important elements which should characterize one called of God.

I. The Preacher Must be an Humble Man.

The great men of the Bible were humble men. Among them could be mentioned such men as John the Baptist, who welcomed the opportunity to decrease so that Christ could increase; Jesus himself, who was anxious to do only the work of God regardless of his own will; Paul, who considered himself less than the least. These are but a few of the many who were great yet humble men of God. The great men of God are always humble.

If the time should ever come when any of us think of self more highly than we ought, then we are on the way down as servants of God. However, we must have a certain self-confidence in the midst of humility which will challenge men to trust our leadership and judgment. This self-assurance should come from a dependence on God, and not from a sense of our own ability.

II. The Preacher Must be a Man of Prayer.

This should be obvious to the most casual observer, yet familiarity with holy things can often make one callous to his own needs.

The preacher is expected to pray over the sick and lost; to lead men in the great act of worship; to encourage all of God's people to cultivate a life of devotion and prayer; yet the subtle temptation here is that the preacher will find, after preaching to others, that he is himself a castaway. We can become so busy using the machinery of our churches that we neglect, or don't have time to cultivate, our own spiritual life. This is tragedy indeed!

The glaring sin of the Pharisees was a false religiosity which had no basis in experience with God. We who handle

Holy and spiritual things daily are tempted to neglect our own deep and pressing needs.

III. The Preacher Must be a Man of Study.

Perhaps our greatest failure is in our study-life. We constantly tell ourselves we have no time for serious study, and rely on shallow, almost frivolous preaching. We must guard our time and MAKE room for serious, sustained study, not only of the Scripture, but also of good literature in all fields.

Many preachers feel that simply because they do not have a first-hand knowledge of Greek and Hebrew, they are thereby exempt from thorough study of the Word. No feeling could be more false.

We are called to be interpreters of a living Word, and we can never interpret apart from a studied knowledge of what the Word is and what it says.

Good translations abound on every hand, and the preacher who doesn't avail himself of them is not only depriving himself, but is in reality cheating the people whom God has called him to serve. The Word says, "... study to show thyself approved." It means just that—STUDY.

A specific time not only can, but must, be set aside every day for Bible study and sermon preparation. This period must be closely guarded with no interruptions, except emergencies. Once the habit of study is started, most church people will respect the preacher's study period and make their requests at other times. Sermons created in the quiet atmosphere of devoted study will lift men closer to God, and will make the pulpit what it ought to be, the place where God speaks through His servant to waiting men.

IV. The Preacher Must be a Man Among Men.

Just as there should be a specific time for study, so there should be a time for work among the people who need to be brought to God. The preacher who does not spend time with his people, in their homes, on their farms, in their shops and offices, is the preacher who is trying to live in a vacuum. It cannot be done. Preaching will lose its vitality; appeals to the lost will fall

on deaf ears; and worship will be cold and formal if the preacher does not spend many hours each week among his people.

Even a cursory examination of the ministry of Jesus reveals his constant work among men in their daily lives. He went where men were, did what men were doing, laughed with them, cried with them, and met their needs because he knew their needs. The preacher who spends more time away from his people than he does with them, is the preacher who will help meet no needs, will move frequently, and will never have the satisfaction of BUILDING A CHURCH.

These are but a few of the facts which complicate a great task. If we are to be "as he which hath called" us, we must be careful even in the little things. God will care for our lack, and the glorious task of proclaiming the good news will be a delight forever.

Convention

Kansas City Recording Procedures Announced

FORT WORTH — (BP) — The Radio and Television Commission says that for \$5, you may record the proceedings of both the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference and the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City this year.

Reservations for recorder space at the Pastors' Conference and the Convention should be made by April 15, according to Clarence Duncan, Commission promotion director.

The Radio-TV Commission will provide the necessary tapes at cost, meaning that all you have to do to record the proceedings is bring the recorder.

The Commission also will record the two meetings and sell these tapes to interested persons, if you prefer to handle it this way rather than do your own recording.

Broadman's

First Book on Crime

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Their fourth religious novel in less than a year, *Stumble Upon the Dark Mountains*, was released recently by Broadman Press.

This is Broadman's first book that deals directly with fighting crime, vice, and moral decay of this generation. It complements Southern Baptists' emphasis of "A Crusade for Christian Morality."

The author, Lon Woodrum, of Oklahoma City, has written several other religious novels and is winner of the first prize in the 1955 Zondervan Fourth International Christian Fiction \$5,000 Contest for his novel, *Eternity in Their Heart*.

Doctrinal

Evidences of Salvation

By L. R. RILEY,
Mayfield, Kentucky

"Ye shall know them by their fruits" Matt. 7:16.

I wonder if this text will apply to every saved person or to just a part of them?

It is my opinion that it is truth and will apply to every regenerated child of God in all the world.

Jesus said (Matt. 6:8): "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." In Acts 15:9 the Apostle Peter declared that hearts are purified by faith. Paul said (Eph. 2:10) that we are created in Christ Jesus unto good works.

In the face of these Bible truths, year by year, we face the fact of indifference on the part of nearly half our eight and one half million Southern Baptists that are either non-regular or so unconcerned that we fail to see the fruits of the love of God in their lives.

People without Christ are lost (Lk. 19:10). Lost people are spiritually sick (Matt. 9:12). Lost people are children of wrath (Eph. 2:3; Jno. 8:44). Lost people are aliens and are without Christ (Eph. 2:12). Lost people are dead in sin (Eph. 2:1). Lost people are condemned by the law of God for unbelief (Jno. 3:18). Lost people walk according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience (Eph. 2:2). If they die like that they must, according to Ps. 9:17 and Rev. 20:15, be cast into hell to spend eternity there.

If such as are thus described ever receive salvation, some things must happen. The Holy Spirit through the Word of God must reprove (or convict) the sinner of sin; not sins as some would have you believe (Jno. 16:8). If failing to be a church member would damn his soul, certainly the Holy Spirit would take time to reprove him of such neglect. If failing to be baptized would damn his soul, surely the Holy Spirit would not fail to reprove him of that sin. If our lives (as many teach) are included in the plan of salvation, we know the Holy Spirit would not fail there. But Jesus said in John 16:9, "Of sin, because they believe not on me." That is in harmony with John 3:18 which says, "He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not

believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

Conviction for sin brings sorrow to the heart, as was at Pentecost; and we find in 2 Cor. 7:10, "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." Salvation comes at the beginning of a good life, and not

JOINS CARVER STAFF — Miss Norma Jean Baker, Cassville, Missouri, has joined the staff of Carver School to assist in public relations.

Miss Baker is a graduate of Southwest Baptist College and Oklahoma Baptist University. She has also done two years of graduate work at Carver School, completing the requirements for the M. R. E. degree. Miss Baker was formerly educational director of the First Baptist Church of Cassville. Her primary responsibility at Carver School will be representation on college campuses and in W. M. U. conferences and young people's camps.



Norma Jean Baker

at the end. No one can live a life he does not have.

When sinners repent and believe, there is something else that happens. There is a new birth, a spiritual birth that is from above (Jno. 3:6).

Some may ask, Is not the new birth a birth of water? I asked one prominent leader once what he taught people as to regeneration and the new birth. His reply was: "That is nothing but water baptism."

If one could be born of water (which is an impossibility), it would be our bodies, and our bodies never need the second birth. Jesus said, "That which is born of flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit" (Jno. 3:6).

We note that everything comes forth after its kind, a law that never changes and never will according to Gen. 1:66.

We note also that birth never changes the nature of anything; hence, if water could bring forth in birth it would be only "WATER."

We find also that the new birth is a birth of incorruptible seed by the Word of God that liveth and abideth forever (1 Peter 1:23). It would be foolish to think of placing a Bible in a pool of water so that there could come forth a new birth. I have never heard of it being done.

If there is a new birth there is of necessity a new creature. Read Eph. 2:10 and 2 Cor. 5:17. The Bible teaches that, if saved, we are new creatures. Does that mean if your eyes were blue they became brown? If your hair was red that it became black? No, that does not mean such at all. The new man is a spiritual man.

Paul says in Gal. 6:15: "For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature." Also in Eph. 4:24 he says, "Put ye on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." This is in harmony with Acts 7 which tells us that Stephen went to the cemetery and to heaven all the same time, which buries forever the doctrine of "soul-sleeping."

It also harmonizes with 2 Cor. 4:16 which says: "Though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day."

The saved have a new heart (spiritual) (Ezek. 36:26). If saved, we have eternal life (Jno. 10:27; 1 Jno. 5:13). If saved, we have a new love (Rom. 5:5 and 1 Jno. 4:7). If saved, we are now sons of God and therefore have a new relationship (1 Jno. 3:1).

These truths will eliminate such prayers, as I have heard like this: "If we have been faithful save us in heaven." In Psalms 40 David says that the Lord put in his mouth a new song and established his goings. Paul, Zachaeus and the woman at the well in Jno. 4 all prove that the saved do bear fruit—according to Matt. 7:16. Some use the fruitless church member to try disprove true Christianity: why not try the faithful and fruitful? True salvation always produces fruit.

West Indies

Lambdins Tour Cuba

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Lambdin are touring Baptist centers of work in Cuba. Dr. Lambdin, secretary, Training Union Department, Sunday School Board, said the tour is in the interest of Training Union work.

Sixty-nine Southern Baptist churches in Cuba have Training Unions. Dr. Lambdin said they expect to visit as many of these churches as time will permit before their return March 15.

The Transfer of Church Membership

By O. W. YATES, Lexington, Ky.

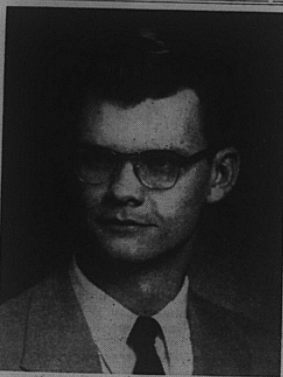
Many Baptists have never realized the significance of holding membership in the church. The act of joining the church is not a gesture of social respectability. It is a public declaration of a saving relationship with Jesus Christ. It is entering into a fellowship with God's people to do God's work. It is sharing an experience which blossoms into a life.

The reports are that something like two million Baptists out of eight and one-half million in the Southern Baptist Convention, do not keep their church letter along with their baggage. They move from one place to another taking along everything that they will need in the next ten years and leave their church identification back home. Since such is the case, there certainly are some reasons why this is done. It may not be malicious, but it is disturbing to our entire Kingdom program and very harmful to the one who follows such a practice.

Some have thought that a large percentage who do not move their letter are lost and thereby have no Christian life to develop. Others would claim that it is negligence, but there is no good reason for negligence about so important a matter as a Christian's church identification. While others would say that whether lost or saved, they are undertaking to avoid responsibilities. Whatever might be the reason, and it would differ with different people, this defalcation ought to be corrected.

Why should moving people refuse to affiliate with the church where they live? There is certainly not enough difference in our Southern Baptist Churches to prevent a Christian being happy where he lives. If so, they need his help in maintaining a thoroughly accepted Baptist church. The excuses given are multitudinous, but when they are all summed up, they are mere excuses and not good reasons. Some say they do not know how long they will live there. I knew a woman who had made that excuse for 54 years, while her family connections went to the devil. Some would say that they dislike to withdraw their membership because loved ones are buried in the old cemetery back home. "Cemetery Christianity" is not very inspiring. Some say that they have not made up their minds as to what they are going to do. This implies that they have minds, but cer-

tainly they are very inactive and are irresponsible. Some would say that the old church down home needs their help. They lost sight of the fact that the leaders in that old church know that they are worth very little to the church and the church is not worth anything to them, and would really be glad to see them identify themselves with the church where they live. That sort of absentee support of any kind is generally a failure. If the more than 30,000 churches should on one Sunday exclude all absentee members, a very little shock would occur. While others say that, as



NEW MAYFIELD MUSICIAN. — Lee Stallings assumed his duties as minister of music and assistant to Pastor John C. Huffman at the First Baptist Church, Mayfield, Kentucky, February 1. Mr. Stallings was graduated from Ludwig College of Music, St. Louis, in June, 1950, where he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Music Education. The academic requirements for this degree were fulfilled at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. He was given his Master of Sacred Music degree at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's School of Church Music on January 19, 1956. He was married to Miss Donna Mae Gains in August, 1953. She is a graduate of William Jewell College, and received her M. R. E. degree at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's School of Religious Education on January 19, 1956.

soon as they get many other plans consummated, they will then move their membership. It is not a fact that their church is of primary importance and a proper adjustment there would enable them more easily to make other adjustments. The lives of others are seriously affected with the Christian backslider. "With one consent, they began to make excuse." Excuses are born of the devil and are thereby unworthy of anyone who calls himself a Christian.

What are some of the advantages of placing the membership where you live?

1. It will help the family make friends with the best people where they live. In a city, particularly, unless there is a church identification, the people in that area will let a family sit there without even forming casual friendships.

2. The family begins to build around the church as a community center and there are loyalties developed that strengthen the entire home life.

3. Church attendance is guaranteed when people have Christian stimulation enough to put the membership where they live as soon as possible. Then there is no back-sliding and delinquency noticed in the transition from one community to another.

4. This policy enables Christian people to be active in the enlistment of others. When a person moves from one community to another and does not identify himself with the local church, he reduces to a minimum the possibility of his enlisting anybody. He may cling to his old church, because of the loyalty of his parents to the church, but he can not transfer this loyalty to the lives of others.

5. The lost one in the family is more easily reached and does not feel he is as good as one who affiliates with the local church.

6. We owe to the Lord and to ourselves to make good, since we pass this way but once, and if we expect to be happy Christians, we must follow the last statement in our Covenant, "We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word."

►Pastor Wayne E. Tood, Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky., preached in a revival with Pastor Dan Cameron at the First Baptist Church of Union City, Tennessee, March 19-25.

►Dr. W. Edwin Richardson, president of Bethel College at Hopkinsville, Kentucky, is the evangelist, and Pastor Joe Canzoneri, Lebanon Junction Baptist Church, is the song leader in a series of meetings with Dr. J. T. Burdine, Jr., pastor, at the Bardstown Baptist Church April 1-8.

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

By MISS IONE GRAY, Press Representative

Foreign Missionaries
Now Total 1,034

RICHMOND, Va. — Sixteen new appointments and two reappointments at the March meeting of the Foreign Mission Board brought the total number of active Southern Baptist foreign missionaries to 1,034. The new appointees are:

L. Bynum Akins and Sybil Means Akins, both of Texas, for Formosa; Mark M. Alexander, Jr., Virginia, and Cecile Price Alexander, Mississippi, for Argentina; Wallace L. DuVall, Georgia, and Pearl Holmes DuVall, Louisiana, for Nigeria; Merna Jean Hocum, Iowa, for Brazil.

Herbert H. Holley and Frances Sayers Holley, both of Alabama, for Malaya; Valda Long, Florida, for Nigeria; R. Edward Nicholas, Michigan, and Anne Youngblood Nicholas, Kentucky, for the Near East; Harrison H. Pike and June Summers Pike, both of Arkansas, for Brazil; and James M. Short, Jr., and Sarah Elizabeth Bradshaw Short, both of Texas, for Mexico.

Dr. and Mrs. Shelby W. Vance, who formerly served in China, were reappointed for work in Southern Rhodesia. Dr. Vance has for several years had a prosperous medical practice at Mars Hill, N. C.; but in response to urgent need in Southern Rhodesia, he is closing his practice to return to the mission field.

Dr. Vance, a native of Pineola, N. C., received his medical training at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Vance, formerly Frances Hudson and a native of Cartersville, Va., studied at schools in Richmond and Farmville, Va. Appointed in 1934, the Vances served as medical and evangelistic workers in Pingtu, Yangchow, and Tsingtao, China, until their return to the States.

Rising Tide of Compassion

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, said the 16 new appointees are the first of 125 expected appointments this year. "We believe we will be able to come to 1964, when the 150th anniversary of the founding of the triennial convention will be celebrated, with a staff already in excess of 1,750 missionaries," he said.

"We look forward to the meeting of the Board in April and the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City with high anticipation of further advance in world missions. There has never been a time when the hearts of Southern Baptists were more united

upon a worldwide enterprise than in this present day.

"We feel that God is definitely moving in our midst. Recent meetings attended by the secretaries of the Board on seminary campuses, world mission conferences, state evangelistic conferences, and other gatherings give unmistakable indication that Southern Baptists are now determining under God to move ahead with renewed zeal in the world enterprise.

"We are to keep in mind at all times our Lord's counsel that new wine is to be put in new wineskins so that we can expand, reinforce, and make more efficient the facilities we have for channeling to the needy places of the world the rising tide of compassion which God is now bringing from the hearts of Southern Baptists."

Lotlie Moon Offering

Treasurer Everett L. Deane reported that as of March 8 the Board had received \$3,858,445 from the 1955 Lotlie Moon Christmas Offering. This compares with \$3,185,146 for the same date last year and is only \$99,376 less than the final total of \$3,957,821 for the 1954 offering. Books on the 1955 offering will be closed May 1.

The Commission

Dr. Eugene L. Hill, secretary for missionary education and promotion, reported that the circulation of the Board's world journal, *The Commission*, reached an all-time high of 119,294 in February. This compares with an average circulation of 78,753 in 1950.

The April, 1956, issue of *The Commission* tells why an Italian village is becoming evangelical—something unprecedented in that land where a Baptist (or any other evangelical) church with more than a hundred members is considered quite large. The article, "Evangelical Marvel," was written by Miss Virginia Wingo, Southern Baptist missionary to Italy.

A timely article from Ecuador is entitled, "Ecuadorians: Not Savages, But Sinners."

Single subscriptions to *The Commission* are \$1.00. However, your church can send *The Commission* to every family in its membership at the cost of only 55 cents per year per family. Send subscriptions to *The Commission*, Box 5148, Richmond 20, Va.

Foreign Missions Conferences

"Forward in World Missions" is the theme of the 1956 Foreign Missions Conferences at Glorieta and Ridgecrest

Baptist Assemblies. The dates are: Glorieta, July 5-11; Ridgecrest, August 16-22.

Dr. Hill, who will direct the conference at Glorieta, and Dr. Rogers M. Smith, who will direct the conference at Ridgecrest, have announced that this year's programs are being planned to help Southern Baptists prepare for World Missions Week (October 29 through November 5) and World Missions Year (October, 1956, through December, 1957).

Approximately 20 Southern missionaries will appear on each of the two conferences. They will represent every general area of the world where Southern Baptists work.

Biography of Dr. Rankin

The Board adopted a recommendation of its committee on missionary education and promotion asking that a biography of the late Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Board at the time of his death in June, 1953, be prepared by Dr. Jesse B. Weatherspoon, of Louisville, Kentucky. The committee expressed hope that the book will be completed in time to implement and give inspiration for World Missions Year (October, 1956, through Dec., 1957).

►Claude ("Sonny") Hawson on a recent Sunday moved his letter to the Immanuel Baptist Church of Paducah, Kentucky, and at the same time announced his surrender to Christian service. The pastor, Dr. Frank F. Norfleet writes: "Sonny, one of Tighman's basketball greats, was a four-year letter man at Union University. After a hitch in the service he entered Murray State where he is at present doing graduate work. God has greatly blessed Immanuel in the quality as well as the quantity of young people whom he has called from her ranks into special service."



The Survey Bulletin

By J. P. EDMUNDS, Nashville, Tennessee

Baptist Highlights

.... The 1956 Southern Baptist Handbook, which went to press this week, reveals that Southern Baptist rural churches are gaining in spite of a diminishing rural population. From 1950-1954, the rural population of Southern Baptist states gained only 1.4 per cent, while Southern Baptist rural church membership gained 6.0 per cent, and Sunday school enrollment, 15.1 per cent. Southern Baptists gained 139 open country churches in 1955 over 1954.

.... At the same time, while the urban population gained 15.1 per cent from 1950-54, Southern Baptist urban church membership gained 27.0 per cent and Sunday school enrollment gained 38.9 per cent.

.... Southern Baptist churches are predominantly small churches. Of our 30,877 churches, 8,321 have fewer than 100 members; 22,531, fewer than 300 members; and 26,344, fewer than 500 members. Only 1,329 churches have more than 1,000 members. Seventy-four per cent of our churches have fewer than 300 members each.

.... A total of \$3,603,828 was appropriated and designated last year for Southern Baptist orphanages; \$9,269,678 for Baptist schools; and \$8,595,977 was expended on state mission work in twenty-five states. The Cooperative Program received \$35,717,008, an increase of approximately \$4,000,000 over 1954.

.... Shelby County Baptist Sunday School Association (Memphis, Tennessee) broke all records in their February Group Training Schools with an enrollment of 6,945 in ten group schools, with an average attendance of 4,807.

.... F. Clyde Helms, pastor of Shandon Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina, for thirty-one years, will retire from the active pastorate on July 31. At that time the church is expected to have completed a \$330,000 additional educational building and to have a plant worth about three-quarters of a million dollars with Sunday school facilities for more than 1,600 people.

.... The Dallas (Texas) Baptist Association Group Training Schools, which ended February 24, enrolled a total of 15,917 with an average attendance of 10,249. There were 201 churches and missions which co-operated in thirty-five schools offering 575 courses.

.... Richard Judd, pastor, Glenwood Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, for four and a half years, has resigned to

accept the pastorate of First (Southern) Baptist Church, Glendive, Montana.

In the World of Religion

.... The National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church has adopted a record budget of \$6,666,562 for 1956. It is \$828,566 greater than that for 1955, the previous high, when contributions were the largest in the Church's history, totaling \$5,061,993.

.... Keith C. Von Hagen, of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, was elected vice-president of the Protestant Church-Owned Publishers' Association at its annual meeting in Kansas City, recently. Gross sales of church literature and supplies by the thirty-one member publishing houses totaled more than \$75 million in 1955. More than 18 million pieces of Sunday school literature alone were distributed.

.... The Jewish population of the world increased 58,557 in 1955 to a total of

11,908,443, or 0.4 per cent of the world population of 2,500,000,000. The United States continues to have the largest Jewish population of any nation, with 5,200,000. The Soviet Union follows with an estimated 2 million. New York has the largest Jewish population of any city in the world—2,050,000.

Facts of Interest

.... Want a hobby? Join the 50,000 "rockhounds" in America who comb the ridges, valleys, streams, and beaches for gem stones. They were rewarded \$500,000 last year, according to the Department of Interior.

.... The Atomic Energy Commission announces a "radiation pocket screamer" which screams if one is exposed to too much radiation.

.... Easy to forget an appointment, or hard to wake up? Then, buy a new wrist watch being manufactured, which, when it goes off, sets up a silent "sympathetic vibration" which alerts the wearer.

.... Meet "Eva," the camera-like gadget which takes "color" pictures in the dark. Eva can see a man 200 yards on a black, moon-less night, or a house a mile away, without any light source. Problem? Cost \$9,500.

Pastoral Change

Georgia Pastor Comes to Southern Seminary



A. P. Cox

ABBEVILLE, Ala. — Rev. Ashley P. Cox, for some years pastor of the local Baptist church, has resigned and moved to Louisville, Ky., to continue his studies in Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

While in Abbeville Pastor Cox was

also active in all denominational life of the state—serving two years as a member of the Executive Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention, and also a moderator of Little River Association.

The church here grew constantly in membership under his leadership, and all departments of the work expanded. Mrs. Cox was also a member of the W.M.U. Executive Committee for the state of Georgia. They have one son, Ashley III.

[The editor has received a letter from Editor John Hurt, Christian Index, Baptist state paper of Georgia, commending Mr. Cox very highly and expressing the hope he may soon be pastor of a good church in this section. We have talked with Brother Cox and find it easy to agree with Editor Hurt's recommendation.—RTS.]

►The pulpit of the Mason Baptist Church has been supplied for three Sundays by Maxie Hansen, Georgetown College student.

►Frank Farris ended service as pastor of Wrightsboro Road Baptist Chapel, Augusta, Ga., to accept call to First Baptist Church, Cottondale, Fla.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Jimmy Joe's New Swing

By IRIS HALLMAN GIBSON

The swing went out from the maple tree and way up into the air. Suddenly Jimmy Joe stopped swinging. Where was everybody? A few minutes ago Billy, Jane, Jack and Pam had been standing beside him, admiring his new swing.

He saw Billy on the sidewalk pulling his little sister Jane in his red wagon. Pam was on the tricycle, and Jack was helping her get started up the street. They were having so much fun playing together, that not one of them looked toward the new swing.

"Hey, Billy," Jimmy Joe called. "Come watch me. I'm going to let my feet touch the tree limb."

"I promised Jane I'd give her a ride, Jimmy Joe," Billy said. He pushed the wagon up the sidewalk.

"Jack want to see something?" Jimmy Joe shouted. He stood up on the swing seat.

Jack gave the tricycle a push he hopped on the back for a short ride. "We're tired of watching you, Jimmy Joe," he called. "Let's go faster, Pam."

Jimmy Joe sat down in the swing. Nobody liked him anymore. He had wanted his Dad to build the swing, but he wanted friends too. They were too busy playing together to notice him.

He saw his dog Honey eating from her dish beside the dog house. The new pup Buff came up. Honey moved so Buff could sample her food. Jimmy Joe went to the dogs. He patted Honey on the head.

"That's a good girl Honey," he said. "When you're not selfish with your food Buff likes you." Jimmy Joe's eyes lighted. He acted selfish with my new swing, he thought.

He dashed out of the yard with Honey and Buff at his heels. Jimmy Joe saw the upset tricycle. The boys were helping Pam to her feet. She brushed off her dress and smiled.

"It was just a little spill," she laughed. "Let's ride some more. It's your turn now, Jack."

Jimmy Joe ran up to them. "I wish you would all come home with me," he said, almost out of breath. "I'll share my swing with you."

They hurried up the street with the two dogs running beside them. Soon they were in Jimmy Joe's yard. "Jane is little," Jimmy Joe said. "Why don't we let her swing first?" The others agreed this was right.

Billy held small Jane as he gently swung her. Everyone had a turn. As the swing left the ground it went up, up, up.

"You can ride in my red wagon Jimmy Joe," Billy said.

Jack was on his turn at the swing. He came to a quick stop. "You can ride my tricycle," he offered.

Jimmy Joe watched Honey and Buff rolling in the grass. Now he knew that sharing things was the most fun of all.

That night Jimmy Joe's mother read him the story about the woman in the Bible who shared her meal and oil even when it was all she had. From that time on she had plenty of meal and oil. Jimmy Joe spoke up "Yes I know what that means. If you share what you have with others, they will share what they have with you."

Jimmy Joe went to bed and dreamed of having more friends than anybody in the world.

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A Bible Game

By Gladys Cleone Carpenter

If you are going to have a gathering of Sunday school friends for a meeting or a little party ask each to bring his Bible. Give each one a piece of plain paper and crayons or pencils. Then pass around slips of paper on which you have written a list something like this:

Job 37:16, Num. 23:9, Ezek. 47:12. Now you explain that each one of these verses mentions one or more objects in nature. Each child must first make a list of the nature picture words he finds as he looks up the quotations. This is what he finds from the list given:

Job 37:16 Dost thou know the balancing of the clouds—

Num. 23:9 For from the top of the rocks I see him and from the hills I behold him.

Ezekiel 47:12 And by the river upon the bank thereof on this side and on that side grow all trees for meat.

So the words in this case are: "Clouds, rocks, hills, rivers, trees."

Now each person makes a little drawing which includes the mentioned nature subjects. You can give a simple prize for the best drawing.

If some of the friends do not care to draw perhaps each could make up a

little story using the five nature words. These could be handed unsigned to some older person who could read them quickly and award the prize. Then it might be fun to read the compositions aloud.

It's a very simple game but seems to awaken us to how many nature words there are in the Bible.

You can have a great deal of enjoyment before the party either alone or with a committee hunting out these quotations from the Bible. A concordance will be your greatest help. If you haven't one perhaps your minister will allow you to use his. However, if you can't use one, just look through Biblical passages until you find nature words. Or perhaps you will recall that certain of your favorite stories talk a great deal about the out-of-doors. There are so many places mentioned like: the desert, the sea, the mountains, and the Bible also speaks of insects and animals, etc.

While we reverence and love our Bibles there are also many ways in which one can have harmless pleasure with it. Maybe you can think up something that will give you hours of happiness while you are learning more about your Bible.

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Foreign

Texas Employs Worker For Foreign Students

DALLAS — (BP) — The Baptist General Convention of Texas has employed a full-time worker for the state's 1,200 foreign students, W. F. Howard, director of the convention's student department, said.

The worker is Miss Eunice Parker, graduate of the Texas State College for Women, former director of the Baptist Student Union at two colleges, and former teacher at the Baptist seminary, Zurich, Switzerland.

One of Miss Parker's main duties will be to help form individual bonds of friendship between the visitors and Baptist students.

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LEXINGTON AVENUE, DANVILLE, HAS NEW DEACONS. — The Lexington Avenue Church of Danville has elected six deacons to serve four-year terms and ordained four of them. Shown above are, front row (left to right) Ed Mercer, James Curd, and Ralph Phillips; back row—Frank McGiboney, William Rankin, Sr., and Smith A. Baughman. Deacon Baughman, with nine years of active service, and Deacon McGiboney, with nineteen years of active service, had been previously ordained. The remaining four were publicly examined at the Sunday evening service, and subsequently ordained at the following Sunday morning service, and Deacon McGiboney, with nineteen years of active service, had been previously ordained. The remaining four were publicly examined at the Sunday service. Dr. John M. Carter, president of Campbellsville College, preached the ordination sermon, and Associational Missionary C. R. Hill, of South District Association, led the ordination prayer. Dr. Elroy Lamb, pastor of the Lexington Avenue Church, conducted the examination and presided at the ordination service. (Photo by Jack Coleman, Danville).

Baptisms

Baptist Churches Overseas Baptized 24,342 Last Year

Southern Baptists had 1,020 foreign missionaries in active service in 35 countries of the world at the close of 1955. Among them were 392 men, 402 married women, and 226 single women. These figures, gleaned from the 1955 annual reports from the foreign mission fields, will be included in the Foreign Mission Board's report to the Southern Baptist Convention and will be published in *The Field Is the World*, annual publication of reports from the mission fields.

Twelve

The 2,250 Baptist churches related to Southern Baptist work baptized 24,342 people last year, bringing the total membership of the churches to 236,494. (Figures from China have not been available since 1949 and are not counted in the report.) These churches were served by 1,541 national pastors and 130 missionary pastors. A total of 4,677 nationals worked alongside Southern Baptist missionaries in 1955.

Fourteen hundred and twenty-four of the churches are self-supporting; and

all of them contributed the equivalent of \$1,582,388.95 during the year.

There was a total of 3,800 outstations at the end of the year, most of which will become churches.

The 3,209 Sunday schools on mission fields showed an enrollment of 263,532; the 3,401 youth groups, 101,740; and the 2,861 missionary societies, 62,973.

Among the 791 Baptist schools on foreign fields were 22 theological seminaries with 896 enrolled and eight training schools with 684 enrolled.

Thirteen Baptist hospitals, 10 dispensaries, and 30 clinics were served by 35 missionary physicians, 54 national physicians, 42 missionary nurses, and 107 national nurses. These medical units served a total of 240,411 patients during 1955.

Ten publication plants printed 195,000 Bibles, 483,435 copies of 155 books, 4,034,994 pieces of 307 tracts, and 2,194,537 copies of 128 periodicals.

Ten good will centers enrolled 1,688 children and 797 adults.

Dr. Baker James Caughen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, says in the preface to the annual report: "God is at work in the hearts of Southern Baptists moving toward a vastly enlarged world mission undertaking. This is in keeping with his will and the demands of our day.

"The Scriptures clearly teach that each New Testament church has world responsibilities. Making disciples of all nations is not a labor to be undertaken at our option or convenience. It is the mission given to us by our sovereign Lord. Our value to our Master in his redemptive purpose depends upon obedience to his commands."

Fire

Damage \$125,000 in Georgia Church Fire

COLUMBUS, Ga. — (BP) — Second Baptist Church here lost its sanctuary, and a large part of its educational buildings in a recent fire.

Flames broke out in the ceiling of the auditorium while the mid-week prayer meeting was going on. There were no reports of any injuries to members of the congregation present but one fireman suffered minor injuries.

Insurance covered about half of the estimated damages of \$125,000. Church records were saved but most of the equipment was lost.

Pastor of the church is Billy J. Roberts.

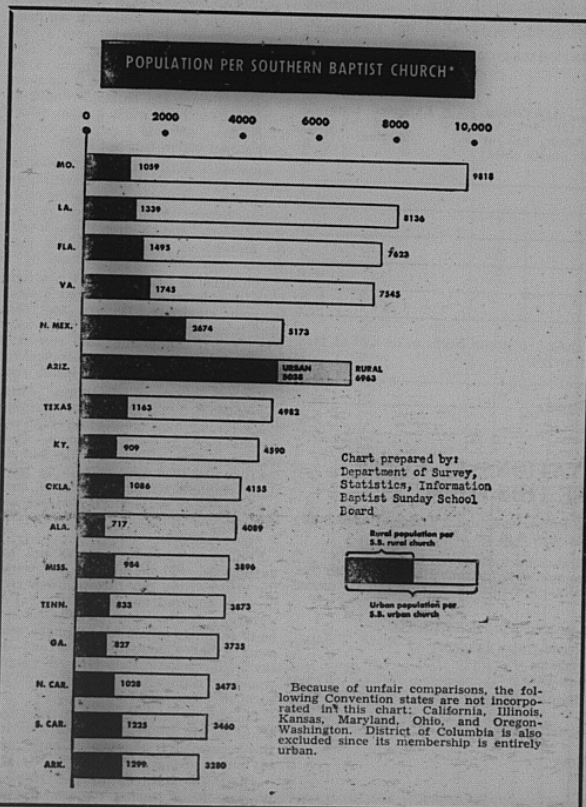
► The United States Government owns 21.4 per cent of the nation's entire land area, valued at \$2,400,000,000. It owns more than 50 per cent of at least four states, but less than 1 per cent of New York.—*The Survey Bulletin*.

March 29, 1956

Population Per Southern Baptist Church

The following chart provides a picture of population per Southern Baptist church. The chart, sent us by Baptist Press, Nashville, was made available by the Department of Survey, Statistics and Information of the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is noted that because of unfair comparisons certain states have been omitted from the chart—California, Illinois, Kansas, Maryland, and Oregon—Washington. The District of Columbia is also omitted since its membership is entirely urban.

Southern Baptists owe a debt of gratitude to the Department of Survey, Statistics and Information, of which J. P. Edmunds is secretary. Mr. Edmunds and his associates keep us informed concerning the progress being made by the churches and the denomination.



► Malcolm Lester, dean of liberal arts at Mercer University, Macon, Ga., has been appointed to the executive committee of the Conference of Academic Deans of the Southern States.

► Ralph Bayless was honored by the Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, for his fourth anniversary with them as their minister of music. Dr. Frank F. Norfleet is the pastor there.

WESTERN RECORDER

FALLEN ASLEEP

DR. A. U. BOONE

The Executive Committee of the Executive Board, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, passed resolutions on the passing of Dr. A. U. Boone at its recent session. The statement follows:

WHEREAS Dr. Arthur Uphaw Boone was born at Elkton, Kentucky, on July 18, 1860, and was called to his rich reward in Memphis, Tennessee, on January 19, 1956, at the ripe age of ninety-five years, and

WHEREAS his first pastorate was that of his home church at Elkton, and later at pastorates being of Kentucky churches, and

WHEREAS the remainder of his life was spent in Tennessee, beginning in 1891 at the First Baptist Church of Clarksville, where he fulfilled a pastorate of thirty-two years at the First Baptist Church of Memphis in 1898, and

WHEREAS Dr. Boone was influential in shaping the program of Baptists throughout the South as he served on the various boards and agencies of both his state and Southern Convention during his active pastorate, and on into his period of retirement, and

WHEREAS he has made a great contribution to Baptists in Kentucky through his son, Dr. W. C. Boone, our beloved secretary and treasurer of the Executive Board of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

THEREFORE be it resolved by the Executive Committee of the Executive Board of the General Association of Baptists in session on February 21, 1956:

FIRST: That we express to our beloved secretary, Dr. W. C. Boone, on behalf of our Kentucky Baptist fellowship, our sincere sympathy in the passing of his sainted father, and assure him of our love as he leads on in our work in Kentucky, and

SECOND: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Western Recorder for publication as the expression on behalf of Kentucky Baptists—A. B. Colvin, Chairman of the Executive Committee; Hughlan Richey, Secretary of the Executive Committee; Lewis C. Ray, Chairman of the Committee.

MISS HELEN VINCENT

The Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, passed resolutions on the passing of Miss Helen Vincent, long its superintendent of Nurses. That part of the minutes devoted to the Board's action reads as follows:

Mr. James Moss moved, seconded by Mr. V. V. Cooke, and carried, that the following resolution be adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and that copies be sent to the family of Miss Helen Vincent and to the Western Recorder.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital extend to the family of Miss Helen Vincent its deepest sympathy upon the loss which has come to them and to the Kentucky Baptist Hospital by reason of the death of our beloved fellow-worker, Miss Vincent, on December 14, 1955.

Miss Vincent was a graduate of the School of Nursing of the General Hospital, the then City Hospital, of Louisville, Kentucky, and became Supervisor of the Department for Crippled Children at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital in October, 1922. A year later, in 1927, she became Directress of Nurses, and continued in that position until the day of her death. In addition to being Directress of Nurses, she was also head of the School of Nursing and had general charge of all the nursing services in the Hospital. Her full worth to the Hospital and to the Administrator will be understood and valued more and more as time goes on. She was a person wholly devoted to her work, of seemingly tireless energy, and although stern as a disciplinarian, always had the warmest feeling of sympathy and love for those who were under her charge, whether members of the Staff of the Hospital or patients to be served. Her quiet good humor and delightful manner, her clear thinking, and her sound judgment endeared her to the members of the Board, the Medical Staff, and to all with whom she came in contact.

The Board of Trustees count it a privilege to pay tribute to the memory of our loved sister. The loss of her unselfish strength will be keenly felt for years to come. We pray that the Holy Spirit may rest upon her family and bring to each of them comfort and peace.—H. L. Dobbs, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Kentucky Baptist Hospital.

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BAPTIST TRAINING UNION DEPARTMENT

JAMES WHALEY, State Secretary
127 East Broadway
Louisville, Kentucky

HOME RESERVATION REQUEST FORM

TRAINING UNION CONVENTION
Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., April 13-14, 1956
MAIL THIS TO:

Mrs. W. P. Meyer, 5704 Southern Parkway, Louisville

Please reserve on April 13 for the _____ Church

In _____ Association the following:
NAME PLEASE GIVE ALL THIS INFORMATION FOR EACH PERSON

(If two or more wish to stay together indicate by grouping their names in brackets.)

Example	Male or Female	Age Group (Jr., Int., Y.P., Adult, age of a small child)	Expected time of Arrival
Tom			
Jack			

If additional spaces are needed use another sheet. If group needs to be met at the train or bus depot indicate time and place of arrival.

(name) _____
(address) _____

FOR BANQUET RESERVATIONS AT STATE CONVENTION, USE THIS FORM

All Banquets will be held at the same hour Friday evenings. Transportation will be furnished to and from the places they will be held.

Tickets for the Banquets will be sold on a first come first served basis. Only a limited number of tickets are available for each Banquet due to the seating capacity of the Banquet halls. Refunds for tickets can be made through April 9.

ADDRESS ALL REQUESTS FOR BANQUET TICKETS TO:

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127 E. Broadway
Louisville, Kentucky

Check or money order should be made to Baptist Training Union Convention and must accompany the request for tickets.

Please send me the following Banquet tickets:

- _____ @ \$1.15 for Adult Banquet
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- _____ @ \$1.15 for Nursery, Beginners and Primary Leadership Banquet
- _____ @ \$.75 for children to attend (please list how many children to attend which Banquet)

The above order totals: _____ You will enclose \$ _____ for the tickets.
_____ at \$1.15 _____ Please send to (Name) _____
_____ at \$.75 _____ (Address) _____

Total _____ Church _____

Fourteen



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By
DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

Loveless Marriage

Question: I have been married to a fine man for several years and we have three children. I married real young and did not know what love was. Now I am in love with another man. I do not believe in divorce. Even if we were to get a divorce the children would go with him for he is such a fine, affectionate man. Should I continue to live with a man whom I do not love?

Answer: I doubt if you know what love is yet. It involves unselfishness and loyalty and trying to make the other person happy. Would you do this to your husband and children if you loved? No amount of explaining would ever satisfy your children's questions.

You need to find out what is wrong with your marriage. Are you jealous of your children? Do you feel that your husband does not love you? Are you capable of giving and receiving love? Something is wrong, something basic. And it is likely right inside you.

You can do one of two things. First, if you could find a competent marriage counselor perhaps you could discover the real cause of your discontent. It is emotional or spiritual. People just do not live together long enough to have three children without loving, if they are reasonably mature. If you are not mature, you wouldn't be mature with a second husband long.

The other solution, a moral and religious one, will be difficult but worth the effort. Stop this flirtation and give to your husband and children what is rightfully theirs, your love. God can be of real help to you here. I have seen some great Christians come out of thwarted romantic love. [If such people would get right with God, they'd have no such problems.—R.T.S.]

I'm not unsympathetic with you, but I just do not believe that your love for this new man is genuine. I have seen too many similar cases.

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

►Dr. Fred Wood, pastor of the Eudora Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., will preach in a series of meetings April 2-8 with Pastor J. Ray Dobbins at the Beechmont Baptist Church, Louisville.

March 29, 1956



CAMP TIME IS COMING!

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NOTE: 1. The Three Weeks For Juniors Run Monday Supper Through Friday Lunch; The Intermediate Week Extends Through Saturday Breakfast. Registration Begins At 2:00 P.M. On Each Monday Afternoon.
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The Official Church Family Ought to Be An Informed Family DOES YOURS RECEIVE THE STATE PAPER?

How to Have a Better Pastor

Since no pastor is perfect and since most laymen want all of them to be such, it would be a profitable exercise for church members to spend some time thinking of what they could do to make a better pastor of the one they have.

Experience proves that in some places better pastors are needed, better pastors are possible, and better pastors would make for better churches.

The thinking of many is that is the shortest road to a better pastor is to get a new one. Sometimes that is true, but it is not always so. New pastors are like new wives: when the glamour wears off they are usually found to be just as human as the former ones.

There are advantages and disadvantages to a long pastorate. He has the distinct advantage of knowing this people well and knowing the spiritual needs of the individual. He knows how to minister to them, and they know how to understand him when he does. He likes to love them for that they are rather than just for that they profess.

However, there are some disadvantages, too. He knows too much of them, and they know too much about his frailties. He becomes too sympathetic with their feeble excuses, and they become too free to be excused.

It should never be hard for a pastor to know when he ought to move. When the sheep refuse to be fed they need new feed or a new feeder; but he does not need to leave just because one or two old rams leap over the fence or a few old ewes stand off and snort at feeding time.

A far better way to have a better pastor is to help the one that is trying to help the church. Many churches would have better leadership if they would allow the pastor time to improve himself. Churches would do well to recognize that his calling is from God, that his potentialities are unlimited, that his position is that of spiritual overseer, and

that his nature is a combination of the spiritual and the physical.

Paul told the Thessalonians to know their preachers. Laymen should seek to know what the pastor is talking about when he preaches the Word. They should know what are his individual needs. They ought to know something of the scope of his work, and they would do well to take a look into his innermost heart. In most every instance they would find that he carries there a burden for every member of his flock and a deep-seated longing for the salvation of his community.

Recently a very fine layman said of his pastor, "He needs a great group of men to boost him." That is the answer. The one who is boosted by his people will never have occasion for boasting of his own prowess.

—Baptist Standard

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION

ATTENDANCE, MARCH 18, 1936

Numeral after church indicates number of missions.

Church	T. U.	S. S.
Ashland, First	159	626
Unity Additions 2	129	383
Pollard Additions 5	76	203
Barbourville, First Additions 1	172	450
Beaver Dam (1)	156	431
Belleuve	69	453
Benton, First	88	242
Boston, Mt. Moriah	36	119
Bowling Green, Eastwood	109	279
First (1)	280	1,175
Burlington	79	270
Cadir	89	335
Campbellsville (2)	596	823
Pleasant Hill	149	308
South Campbellsville	96	222
Carrollton, First	151	311
Central City (1)	65	239
Cloversport (1)	219	481
Corbin, First	54	217
Covington, Ashland Ave. Add. 1	87	384
Calvary	70	266
First (1)	738	2,200
Latonis (1)	116	873
South Side	140	483
Cynthiana (1)	426	826
Danville, First (2)	194	644
Lexington Avenue (1)	507	1,041
Dawson Springs	79	327
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	765	2,065
Erlanger Additions 2	144	468
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (1)	193	680
Grace	903	2,244
Falmouth (1)	39	255
Ferguson (1)	244	604
Florence	76	359
Fort Thomas, First (1)	97	365
Frankfort, First (1) Additions 12	201	841
Memorial	69	210
Thorn Hill	263	623
Crestwood	311	823
Fulton, First	82	314
Georgetown (2)	262	830
Glasgow (1)	138	634
Glendale, Gilead	239	343
Dravosville, First	137	396
Harlan	186	553
Harrodsburg (2)	254	802
Hartford, First	66	260

Hawesville	100	245
Hazard (2)	85	411
Hazel	119	372
Henderson, Immanuel Temple (2)	662	1,662
Hima, Horse Creek	296	816
Hopkinsville, First	205	616
Second	198	875
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	61	294
Lawrenceburg, First	193	536
Lebanon, First (1)	148	540
Leitchfield Additions 3	100	252
Lexington, Calvary (1)	226	797
Grace (1) Additions 1	203	759
Immanuel Additions 7	308	812
Porter Memorial	153	545
Rosemont	108	409
London, First (1)	181	692
Louisville, Audubon	62	213
Baptist Tabernacle	177	617
Baptist Temple	93	286
Beechland Additions 1	137	637
Beechmont (2) Additions 2	382	1,118
Bethany Additions 5	83	325
Broadway (1)	145	530
Buechel Park	104	242
Carlsale Avenue (2) Additions 3	215	1,444
Clifton (1)	128	612
Deer Park Additions 1	83	455
East	83	292
Eastern Parkway	75	493
Eighteenth Street	294	874
Farmdale (1)	176	497
Harmony	95	348
Hazlewood	92	569
Highland Park First	472	1,118
Highview	54	221
Immanuel Additions 2	172	417
Jeffersonton	72	279
Lynn Acres Additions 11	157	262
Ninth and O (1) Additions 19	441	1,592
Okolona	61	500
Parkland	288	971
Rockford Lane	116	394
St. Matthews Additions 2	261	919
Shawnee	107	400
Southside (1) Additions 1	178	602
Third Avenue	112	654
Valley View Additions 1	93	216
Victory Memorial (2)	180	890
Virginia Avenue	258	288
Walnut Street (4) Additions 13	359	1,065
West Broadway (1)	150	603
Ludlow, First	107	465
Madisonville, First	241	1,082
Marion	83	271
Mayfield, First	206	908
Middlesboro	349	1,041
East Cumberland Avenue	54	315
Old Yellow Creek	49	207
Midway	89	286
Monticello, First	89	286
Morganfield, First Additions 1	179	570
Mt. Washington	106	387
Murray, First (1)	54	200
Newport, First (2) Additions 5	163	800
Trinity	103	227
Owensboro, Buena Vista	152	500
Easton Memorial (1)	231	473
First (1)	257	1,029
Hall Street (1)	168	590
Macedonia	82	207
Seven Hills	73	275
Temple	45	189
Third	308	1,041
Pudicub, East	49	207
Lone Oak	121	447
Oakdale	187	295
Twelfth Street Additions 4	102	318
Paris, Central	84	305
First	73	276
Pikeville, First (4)	73	276
Prestonburg, Irene Cole	77	485
Memorial (10)	53	118
Richmond, Rosedale	77	485
Russellville, First (1)	128	473
Shelbyville, Salem	90	394
Shenpherdsville	90	290
Shelbyville, First	78	260
Somerset, First	127	284
Sonora	118	294
Sornerfield, First	142	455
Sturgis, First	142	455
Versailles	79	375
Walton, First	197	230
Williamsburg, First	53	532
Winchester, First	53	438

Bowling Green Calls

Crestwood's J. R. Estes

The First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky, has called Pastor Joseph Richard Estes, of the Crestwood Baptist Church, Crestwood, Oldham County, Kentucky, to be its pastor, and he has accepted effective April 1.

Brother Estes was a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force Cadets for two and a half years from the middle of 1943 to nearly the end of 1945. He is a son of Pastor and Mrs. Emmett F. Estes, of the West Broadway Baptist Church of Louisville, and his wife, the former Miss Helen Frances Trout, is a daughter of Pastor and Mrs. George M. Trout of the Grace Baptist Church of Lexington. Hence, both of them were raised in Baptist parsonages. Also, both of them attended and were graduated from Georgetown College. "Joe Dick," as he is familiarly known to his many friends, returned to Louisville to attend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1948 and was awarded his B. D. degree by that institution in 1951. Concurrently, he was pastor at Carrollton and Wilmore, Kentucky, later going to Crestwood. Also, along the way he has been carrying post-graduate studies in the Southern Seminary, and much of the time he has been a fellow and instructor in Systematic and Christian Theology there.

capacity of any Baptist church auditorium in Kentucky. Besides ministering to the people of Bowling Green, the church ministers to hundreds and thousands of students who are enrolled from year to year at Western Kentucky State College and the Bowling Green Business University.

A beautiful new pastor's home is



Joseph Richard Estes

now nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by the time the new pastor moves on the field the first of May.

Interracial Fellowship Sets Louisville Meeting

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — (BP) — The 11th annual interracial Fellowship of Baptist Theological Students was held on the campus of Southern Baptist Seminary here March 21-22.

Principal speakers included Ralph Phelps, Jr., Arkadelphia, Ark., president of Baptist-owned Ouachita College, and J. B. Weatherspoon, professor of preaching at Southern Seminary.

S. E. Poston, executive director of the Fellowship, said its main purpose was "to promote among Baptists and all Christians an awakened Christian conviction and a proper understanding and application of Christian principles in the area of race relations."

►Pastor Jodie Thomas suffered a heart attack while leading in public prayer at the Sunday morning service at the Milton Baptist Church, Clanton, Ala. Two days later he died in a hospital there.

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Long Run Experiences A Great Group School

The Long Run Association of Baptists, which includes ninety-eight churches and forty-three missions, completed one of the largest Group Schools with 1,755 enrolled. This is a great gain over the first Group School in 1951 with 300 enrolled.



George S. Bingham

This group study was held in thirteen different sections of the Association, making the training available and convenient to all churches and missions. The study was five nights, February 20-24. The following books, which are required in each section for a certificate, were taught: *THE BOOK WE TEACH, THE CHURCH USING ITS SUNDAY SCHOOL, WHEN DO TEACHERS TEACH, TEACHING TO WIN AND DEVELOP, BAPTIST DISTINCTIVES*, and *STUDIES IN ACTS*. Provisions were made for the Intermediate, Junior and Primary boys and girls with the following books being taught: *TOMORROW YOU LEAD, THIS IS MY BIBLE* and *SKI-CHIUS*. The children loved the teaching and a good number of our adults were able to attend because of the children's program.

A long range planning and promotion must be encouraged if your groups are to take part.

We had thirteen churches, thirteen deans, thirteen pianists, thirteen song leaders, sixty-five inspirational speakers and 117 teachers. We had a total of 224 workers and 1,755 enrolled. The average attendance was 1,300 each night. The total requests for awards have not come in as yet but we feel that we will exceed 1,400 awards. Of course the follow-up, promotion is as important as the pre-promotion material.

I would heartily recommend to any association to go all out to promote such a group study in your association.

George S. Bingham
Director of Promotion
Long Run Association

Eighteen

Standard Departments

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Intermediate Day Last Sunday in April

BUILD THIS VITAL DAY ON SPIRITUAL PURPOSES

1. To win lost Intermediates to Christ.
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3. To give Intermediates an invitation to respond to God's call for full-time Christian service.
4. To enroll prospects and reclaim irregular members.
5. To deepen moral convictions of Intermediates.
6. To strengthen and encourage workers with Intermediates.

PLAN THIS DAY IN PRAYER

1. Begin early—make complete and detailed plans.
2. Use a representative from each Intermediate class to help formulate plans.
3. Make it participation-centered. Use Intermediates as much as possible.
4. Make program challenging, demanding the best of all involved.

KEEP THIS DAY CHURCH-CENTERED

Use this day to strengthen the bonds tying the individual Intermediate to the church and to awaken and enlarge the sense of responsibility of the church and its leaders to the Intermediates.

INCLUDE PARENTS TOO

Parents should be present when their Intermediate's decisions are made. A teacher's visit to the parents in the week before Intermediate Day will get them there. Use some of these parents in preparing and carrying out the day's activities.

FOLLOW UP THIS DAY

1. With opportunities of service for Intermediates.
2. Have personal conferences on decisions made.
3. Help parents and family to understand, accept, and encourage any decisions made.
4. Guidance in growth of decision to realization.

INTERMEDIATE DAY CAN RESULT IN INTERMEDIATES MAKING LIFE'S GREATEST DECISION.

Thus Saith the Preacher—

Let George Do It

Dear Friend:

You've heard that phrase "Let George do it" ever since you were a little boy, which was a long time ago. Do you know how it got started? Well, according to the church bulletins I receive each week, here's the story. It must be true, because three different ones carried it and no credit was given to anyone.

Anyway, George was a very popular fellow in town who ran a "fix-it" shop. Every town has a chap who is sort of a tinkerer who can do anything. Ours is named Cliff. George believed in advertising so he used as his motto: "Let George do it." So it became the accepted custom that when a job came along that you didn't want to do, such as sharpening the lawn-mower or mending the kids' bikes, you would say: "Let George do it."

Maybe the reason why I subconsciously reacted to my first name of George is that unwillingness to be the one to do things.

George's advertising scheme was most successful, for every place you turn there are those who use his motto. Getting a person to accept responsibility is one of life's most difficult tasks. And often after a fellow accepts the responsibility, he isn't dependable enough to finish the job.

No place is this more true than in the church. You remember Isaiah's experience in the temple? When he saw the majestic holiness of God he saw the sinfulness of the people, then he heard God call and he answered: "Here am I, Lord, send me."

Far too many of us are not like that. Let me paraphrase it just a bit with another Biblical character's experience. Moses. Back when God was trying to get Moses to do a job, Moses answered: "Here am I, Lord, send Aaron."

There is a task, however, that George can do. Whose picture is on the one dollar bill? That's about the only portrait I can carry in my billfold, except the family. If we would listen to the appeals of our churches, if we would see fields white unto harvest, buildings to be erected, missionaries waiting to be sent we could send a lot of Georges out to do a job.

What if every Southern Baptist sent one George out on a missionary journey—7½ million Georges at work. Think of that! Come to think of it, it might not be a bad idea to send old "Abe Lincoln" and "Tom Jefferson" out to accompany George.

I don't mind George doing some things, but personally in the Lord's task I'd prefer to be along with him.

Lettingly yours,
G. Avery Lee

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On Our Way!

Confucius say—"One lock worth one thousand say-so," and today we took a look at the pink sheets which the clerks of our associations sent into Nashville, and when we added the names of Brotherhoods shown on those records to those who were already on our office records, we have at this time 544 Brotherhoods in Kentucky. These pink sheets revealed a membership of 16,667 and when you add the membership of the 124 Brotherhoods which have been reported since the beginning of this as-

sociational year you will discover that our total enrollment is now approximately 18,000. Yes sir, we are on our way to a minimum goal of 900 Brotherhoods with an enrollment of 30,000 men. Come on pastor, remember, "The difference in churches is the enlisted manpower."

Appreciation

Your brotherhood secretary is deeply appreciative for the fine attendance by the laymen of our churches upon the regional conferences this year. Those who have been going on these tours since they began ten years ago say that the meetings this year have been the best attended of any of the ten years. We are also grateful to Dr. W. C. Boone, our general secretary, under whose leadership these conferences have been directed, for his having invited us to go along on the tours to represent the work of our department and the Cooperative Program, which we tried to feature in a special sort of way as our contribution to the programs. As it looks from this desk, Kentucky Baptists are really moving forward together as they have never moved before. No doubt, the Cooperative Program, which is the Baptist plan of missions anywhere, is the key to our thinking and working. Men, get behind the Cooperative Program with all your strength, personally and through your churches.

WESTERN RECORDER

Australian Baptists

Invite U. S. Brethren

MELBOURNE, Australia — (BF) — Australian Baptists would like to know if any Southern Baptists plan to be in this country in November for the Olympic games.

J. C. Thompson, general secretary of the Baptist Union of Victoria, reports that the annual assembly of Baptists in Victoria province will convene in Melbourne Oct. 16-24.

Any Baptists from America present in Melbourne at that time will be welcomed to the assembly, according to Thompson. He also says that he is interested in some Baptists from the United States appearing on the assembly program.

If you plan to be in Australia at that time for the Olympics, and want to meet with the Australian Baptist group, you may contact Thompson at 488 Albert St., East Melbourne, C. 2, Victoria, Australia.

Convention

Straw-Hat Convention? That's Your Decision

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (BP) — The average June temperature in Kansas City, the weatherman says, is 75 degrees. The range from high to low is 85 to 65 degrees.

There are about nine rainy days during June and over the years, a little less than five inches of rain has fallen here each June.

There is little change in temperature at night.

Does this mean you can wear straw hats and white shoes to the Southern Baptist Convention sessions? That's up to you, because the weatherman won't commit himself.

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Luke, a scholarly physician, and the faithful friend and beloved companion of Paul, was the author of the Book of Acts. His earlier writing was a record of what Christ began to do and to teach. The things which Christ had started were still going on and gaining momentum, so Acts is a continuation of Luke's Gospel and has to do with the things which the Saviour continued to do and to teach.

Acts 1:6-8.

Just before Christ ascended, His disciples, who were still expecting Him to bring national restoration and political independence to Israel, asked Him if He would restore the kingdom immediately. He merely answered that this was not the consideration of present or paramount importance. It was not their privilege to "know the times or the seasons," as those things are entirely with God. Christ stressed the fact that they were not to be absorbed in counting days, but in witnessing for Him. Instead of peering into the future, they were expected to be busy witnessing for Him. They were to witness by their words, by their ways, by their work, and by their warfare. For this work the witnesses needed a power beyond any provided by nature, or any which they might have acquired through their fellowship with the Lord as He had wrought and taught among them.

Witnessing to Christ's power to save is a task incumbent upon all Christians. No greater work than this can occupy the thought, the time, the strength, or the substance of human beings. What a tragedy that Satan has blinded the eyes of so many Christians to the tremendous privilege and the great responsibility the Lord has conferred upon us in commissioning us to be His witnesses! The sphere in which we are to witness is unlimited. No tribe, or district or nation is to be excluded. We have an opportunity to believe. Our supreme business is to take the gospel to every person.

This task transcends our national abilities, so we must have spiritual and supernatural replenishment. Ability to perform this task does not lie in learning, however wide, nor in enthusiasm, however great, nor in money, numbers, prestige or any self-attainment. No amount of education, training, culture or human achievement will ever enable and qualify any of God's people for effective witness-bearing. It is entirely

possible for a church to have a beautiful building, excellent equipment, thorough organization, cultured people, talented members and precise services and still be without spiritual power. All of these things may be used by the Holy Spirit to advance the work, but the power resides in Him alone. Apart from the Holy Spirit testimony for Christ will be ineffective. He alone can give us the power which we need for what needs to be done in the service of our Lord. If our witnessing for Christ is to be effective in changing the hearts and lives of people, the supernatural power of the Holy Spirit must accompany it. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts."

Acts 2:22-33.

Whereas Peter was formerly timid and cowardly, he was bold and brave. This was due to the fact that he was filled with and empowered by the Holy Spirit. When the Holy Spirit is in control of any life there is not any room for cowardice and fear. When a Christian is filled with the Holy Spirit he is bold and courageous in speaking for Christ.

Peter's sermon at Pentecost was truly a masterpiece. And the fact that it was a reclaimed backslider who preached it is abundant proof that God can take a wayward man and use him mightily provided that man will yield himself completely to Him. Peter's sermon was scriptural, logical, practical, pointed, personal, convincing, persuasive and effective.

In his sermon Peter emphasized the manhood, Messiahship, miracles and manifestation of the Lord Jesus Christ. To prove to the people that Jesus of Nazareth was in reality the promised Messiah, Peter reminded his hearers that He had been "approved of God" among them. This approval was evident in the "miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by Him," in their very midst. Those manifestations of divine power had been foretold by the Old Testament prophets. Peter declared that Christ had fulfilled so completely these prophecies that, beyond the shadow of a doubt, He was the promised Messiah. He proclaimed Him as the redeeming, risen and reigning Messiah.

Peter made much of the crucifixion of Christ. He knew that if the crucifixion be left out, with its stupendous message of the innocent suffering the punishment which the guilty deserved,

then the sermon would not bear the credentials of Christianity. Preaching, which is worthy of the name, magnifies the crucifixion of Christ and sets Him forth as the One Who bore our sin in His body on the cross. Any preacher or Sunday School teacher who fails to emphasize the vicarious death of Christ is a very poor one.

Christ's death was certainly not a surprise to God. Rather, it was by God's determinate counsel and foreknowledge that the Son was delivered up to die for the sin of the world. Christ's death was in fulfillment of God's decree, and the manner of His death, "by wicked hands," was foreknown and foretold. In the light of this truth, Peter declared the complete moral responsibility of those who put Him to death. The fact that the cross was in the eternal plan of God did not justify those who slew Christ. They acted as free moral agents fully responsible for their wicked deeds. Peter was careful to make it clear to the Jews that they were guilty of two things—they rejected Christ and they nailed Him to the cross.

Moreover, God had shown His approval of Christ in that He had raised Him from among the dead. Men had done everything within their power to prevent His resurrection. They had rolled a big stone in front of the door of the tomb, put a Roman seal on the stone, and then placed a guard of soldiers around the tomb as a final precaution. But, as Peter said, "It was not possible that He should be holden of death." The Old Testament scriptures, such as Psalm 16:8-10, had predicted the death and resurrection of Christ. Christ's deity was vindicated magnificently when He rose from the dead, which event was well attested. Peter's proclamation was born of the irrefutable fact of the resurrection of our Lord and His own personal knowledge of that glorious event. His ascension to the right hand of God and His enthronement were proved by the outpouring of the Spirit.

►Miss Eunice Parker has become a worker with the Baptist General Convention of Texas, helping 1,200 foreign students to become adjusted in the American way of life. Formerly she was director of BSU in two colleges and a teacher in the Baptist Theological Seminary, Zurich, Switzerland.

►Mrs. G. T. Lobb has been elected manager of the Baptist Book Store, Glorieta Baptist Assembly, New Mexico, according to Jay O. Turner, manager of the sales department of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Since the Glorieta Baptist Book Store is open only during the summer assembly months, she will spend the remainder of the year in the Merchandise Sales Department at Nashville.



KIDDVILLE ON THE GO.—A portion of those who attended the Kiddville Baptist Church on the last Sunday of a Rural Church Program conducted by Pastor Raymond Smith and Rural Worker G. R. Pendergrass. The Kiddville Church is 86 years old and is still worshipping in its original meeting house. An educational building was added several months ago. Also, a parsonage has been acquired. The church is located in a fertile valley known to the pioneers as a lake bed. This location is known to historians as the place where the Shawnee Indians lived. Their chief was Black Hoof, and they called village "Eskippakithiki." They called the flat lands about them "Kantakee," from which we get the name of our state, Kentucky. Arion F. Davis is the missionary in the Boone's Creek Association, where Kiddville Baptist Church is located.

Letters to the Editor

A Dentist Replies to C. H. Robertson

The Editor,
Western Recorder,
127 East Broadway,
Louisville 2, Kentucky

Dear Editor:
May I as a retired practicing dentist and a present medical student comment on the letter written by C. H. Robertson, D. O., Owensboro, in the March 8 issue of the Western Recorder? I feel impelled to discuss this matter of fluoridation of city water because much was left unsaid and what was said was apparently done without knowledge of the purpose and extent of the program.

I must agree with Dr. Robertson that fluoride is slowly excreted from the human body and may in excess over prolonged periods of time have a sedating effect and I will not deny that the Texas State Medical Society passed a resolution condemning the use of sodium fluoride in its drinking water.

However, it was in this same state of Texas that dentists first noted in children and adults who had lived around a certain area for a long period of time a proportionately lower amount of dental cavities. After intensive investigation it was finally proved that this condition was the result of natural fluoride in the water. Since such a high content appeared in a number of areas throughout the state, it is likely that the T.S.M.S. adopted this resolution as a safety measure to prevent excess consumption.

After many hours of research to determine if sodium fluoride was the answer to the problem of tooth decay, scientists agreed that there were many benefits to be derived from it—especially for children, if fluoride, in its salt form, is present in their drinking water. The optimal amount determined was one part of fluoride per one million parts of water—an infinitesimal amount.

To bring this closer to home, Louisville for the past two or three years has had fluoride in its water supply. I have not personally seen any report from anyone in the field of

education indicating a mass trend downward in learning ability. Moreover, I am certain that if such were indicated, the American Medical Association, if not the American Dental Association, would so strongly oppose the use of fluoride it would be removed from the water immediately.

In recent months, Chicago has added fluoride to its water supply, and it is estimated that cities with an aggregate population of 30 million are supplementing their water supplies with it at the present time. This does not include the millions who have it naturally present in their water. Where then does Dr. Robertson get his information that hundreds of cities are discontinuing it?

Let us remember that many other substances, such as the bromides (present in many of our commonly used sedatives), chlorides (present in our table salt), iodides (a protection against goiter, used in iodized salt) and even calcium in milk, may in excessive amounts have undesired toxic manifestations. We still use these however, because we feel that for the majority of people a great benefit is realized and that if used as directed, are not really hazardous.

In talking with parents I find that most are eager to have the utmost protection for their own teeth and especially for their children's teeth. Furthermore, physicians and dentists and their families are drinking the treated water. I, therefore, believe that beyond Mr. Robertson and the Roman Catholic priest who aroused him, not many people are concerned with this matter. In fact, I feel that the American Dental Association has rendered a generous service in attempting to improve the dental health of our nation through this program.

In closing, let me say that I do not feel the public mistreated any more by this endeavor than they are by rabies, polio, diphtheria and typhoid vaccinations, all of which have their own risks in the individual cases. But, of course, the overall results in many instances make them a Godsend. For the same reason, thinking people cannot look upon fluoridation as a "horrible crime" and pastors may thus feel free to instruct their flocks concerning more important social and health principles.—Max Ervin, 3652 East Pinecastle Road, Louisville, Ky.

Concerning Working Mothers

Dear Dr. Skinner:

Have read with a great deal of interest the article, Working Mothers, by Mrs. Shepherd. [Article by Lois C. Shepherd, 718 E. Main Street, Glasgow, Ky., published recently in the Western Recorder.]

Naturally I can't say that everything

brought out in her article made easy reading for me, but it did make me thankful for the fact that people can differ with us and voice their difference.

If for no other reason, I am thankful for her because it presents very well the side of the woman who is sincerely dedicated to bettering her lot in life. Also it has hurt my pride, which I am sure is very good for me.

I can't begin to take issue with Mrs. Shepherd on many points she brings out, as it is all too obvious to me, after reading her article, that I must have gone off the deep end in judging our fellow workers whether in the home or out. That is sometimes the tragic part of presenting our views—we may be sitting in judgment on someone without intending to do so. Maybe someday, when I am more mature as a Christian, I will be able to verify what I say by the Scripture, but, as for now, I realize she has made her point far better than I ever could.

Maybe after our expected child is born I can find a job.

Thanks again for being the editor of such a paper as the Recorder where both sides of any issue can be presented. After being reared in a Catholic influence or no Christian background at all I realize over again what it means to follow Christ according to the dictates of our hearts through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

Mrs. Betty Collins
Vivian Baptist Church
Covington, Ky.

►The Civil Service Commission has revealed that California has 230,200 Federal Government employees, while Washington, D. C., together with nearby counties in Maryland and Virginia, has 229,615. Far behind, in third place, comes New York State, with 185,400.—J. P. Edmunds.

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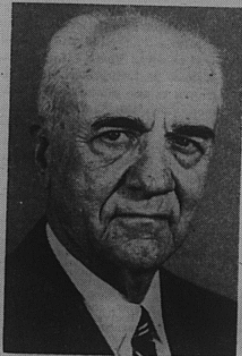
PINEVILLE, Ky., March 22. — Dr. T. D. Brown, senior professor and head of the New Testament department of the Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School, announced in chapel exercises today that he had notified the administration and trustees of his decision to retire. His resignation from the faculty comes after nine years of service and will become effective August 31.

Dr. Brown is a native of Mississippi. He received his early education in the schools of Canton, Mississippi. He was graduated from Mississippi College in 1908, being awarded the B. A. degree with distinction. He received the Th.M. degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1911. The Doctor of Divinity degree was conferred on him by Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, in 1915.

After his graduation from seminary, Dr. Brown's ministry has included the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas; the First Baptist Church, Eldorado, Arkansas; the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, Louisiana; the Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky; the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, from 1926 to 1929. Dr. Brown served as the head of the Bible Department of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas and from 1929-1930 was executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist Convention. Through the years of his

ministry Dr. Brown has served on a number of the boards and committees of the Southern Baptist Convention and various state conventions.

Since coming to the Clear Creek faculty in September, 1947, Dr. Brown has been in almost continuous service as a supply pastor and in interim pastorates. He is currently serving as the interim



Thomas D. Brown

pastor for the First Baptist Church, Corbin, Kentucky.

Dr. and Mrs. Brown will continue to make their home on the Clear Creek campus following his retirement. Dr. Brown will be available for pulpit supply and interim pastoral work from time to time.

Open House Planned

Central Seminary Visitors

KANSAS CITY, Kans. — (BP) — Central Baptist Seminary, on the Kansas side of Kansas City, plans to have an open house May 31 for those attending the Southern Baptist Convention.

The open house will follow a dinner for seminary alumni and friends. The dinner is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

However, the seminary will be open each day from 8:30 a.m. through 5:30 p.m. to visitors. School will not be in session during the dates of the Convention.

The seminary may be reached by bus route No. 9, marked Minnesota Avenue, boarding at eleventh and Wyandotte in

Kansas City, Mo., two blocks from the Municipal Auditorium.

By car, it can be reached by going west across Inter-City Viaduct, continuing on Minnesota Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas, to thirty-first street, Turn south at thirty-first street, which leads to the seminary's main administration building.

Central Baptist Seminary is affiliated with the American Baptist Convention but about 55 per cent of its 400 students are Southern Baptists, the seminary reports.

"At least one-third of our members of the seminary board of directors are Southern Baptist pastors and leaders," Acting President Ernest L. Ackley says.

The seminary was founded in 1901 and has been located on its present campus for 35 years. Ackley became acting president in 1954 when William W. Adams resigned the presidency to accept a position at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Desecration

Texas Convention Board Attacks Sunday Rodeos

DALLAS — (BP) — The Baptist state executive board of Texas has asked state officials to discontinue Sunday rodeos at the Huntsville, Texas, state prison.

Earlier, an association of Baptist churches in the Huntsville area had protested their being staged on Sunday.

The Texas convention's Christian life commission will meet with Texas Gov. Shivers and other state officials about the objectionable rodeos.

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Preachers Will Try Unsuccessfully To Have Him Released from Prison

(17th Century Baptist Press)

BEDFORD, England, August, 1661 — (BP) — John Bunyan, the prisoner who refused to accept freedom on any terms except his own, continues to wage a vigorous if unsuccessful campaign to be released from jail.

The Protestant minister, sentenced for conducting a "seditious and treasonable" meeting, has protested from the time of his arrest almost a year ago that he was only conducting a peaceful worship service. Moreover, the prisoner points out that his three months' sentence has expired.

Bunyan has been offered his freedom, but only on the condition that he will no longer preach. This the minister steadfastly refuses to do, although the court warned him when he was sentenced to imprisonment that he faces banishment or hanging unless he quits the pulpit.

The prisoner has about given up hope of being freed as a result of the recent coronation of King Charles II. In celebration of the event all prisoners not guilty of a felony were offered a pardon. Bunyan had hoped to be in that number, but the pardon must first have the recommendation of local authorities. Law enforcement officers here have withheld their approval. Apparently they regard the preacher as a dangerous religious fanatic.

While Bunyan has languished in prison, his loyal wife, like the widow petitioning the unjust judge of the Scriptures, has sought repeatedly to have her husband released. On at least five occasions she has tried unsuccessfully to have his case brought before an impartial jury.

A devout woman, Mrs. Bunyan on one occasion disregarded propriety and braved the domain of men to win a hearing for her husband before several judges in a tavern. She later confessed

that she did so "abashed and with a trembling heart."

Inside the tavern Judge Hale seemed disposed to hear her petition and advised her to seek a writ of error. To this suggestion Justices Twisdon and Chester protested vehemently, however, declaring that Bunyan had been convicted and deserved his fate.

The justices asked Mrs. Bunyan if her husband would consent to quit preaching if released. She promptly replied that he would not under any circumstances. Advised by the justices that her husband should return to his trade of tinker and quit preaching and disturbing the peace, Mrs. Bunyan replied that it was because her husband was a poor man that he could not get justice. She left the tavern in tears.

Mrs. Bunyan told a reporter that she has twice petitioned Judge Hale, been angrily rebuffed for tossing a written note of petition into the coach of Justice Twisdon, and been to London in an unsuccessful attempt to have the House of Lords intervene in behalf of the Preacher.

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Memphis Hospital to Take Mental Patients

MEMPHIS — (BP) — Baptist Memorial Hospital will be the first in Memphis, and perhaps the first in this part of the South, to provide full facilities for the mentally ill within its normal hospital operations.

Administrator Frank S. Groner reported a 20-bed unit will be completed in July.

"Establishment of this unit in Baptist Memorial Hospital will offer speedy help to marginal cases of mental illness," he said.

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Twenty Three

W. M. U. Executive Secretary Urges Larger Circulation Of Western Recorder Among the Women of the State

TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED and TWENTY-FOUR women in W.M.U. organizations here in Kentucky receive the Western Recorder—our state paper—which carries our W.M.U. page. This is wonderful and we appreciate the cooperation of each and everyone. However, when we consider the fact that the Western Recorder is the only week-by-week medium through which our W.M.U. constituency can be kept informed of both our state and southwide activities, we feel it is highly important that more of our women should receive the paper.

This matter has been on my heart for sometime and I have discussed with Mr. Robert L. Pogue, the business manager of the Western Recorder, the possibilities of a temporary reduction in rate for a limited time in order that we may increase the circulation of the W.M.U. page among our women. Mr. Pogue has consented to cooperate with us and will be contacting the presidents within the next few weeks concerning their special offer, and I trust many of you will take advantage of it. It would be a tremendous help to our work if we could have 35,000 receiving our W.M.U. page in the Western Recorder each week. Let us work to that end.

MRS. GEORGE R. FERGUSON

Education

Georgia Convention Told Of Atlanta College Plans

Atlanta — (BP) — Atlanta Baptist association is thinking about establishing a denominational university in Atlanta, it has notified the Georgia Baptist Convention.

Monroe F. Swilley, chairman of the Atlanta committee, told the convention's executive committee the association is "thinking in terms" of an institution with \$10 million or \$15 million in buildings and endowment and a campus of 200 or 300 acres.

The proposed Baptist university was discussed by the association in its last two annual sessions but this was the first presentation to a convention group.

Swilley said Atlanta would launch the college hoping it would "find its way into the family of Georgia Baptists." The convention already operates six colleges in other areas of the state.

The executive committee agreed to discuss the college proposal in greater detail at its September meeting.

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Twenty Four

Negro Work Council Re-elected Maston

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Advisory Council of Southern Baptist Work with Negroes has re-elected T. B. Maston, professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, chairman.

Other officers, also re-elected at the Council's recent Nashville meeting, are L. S. Sedberry, Nashville, general secretary, Southern Baptist Commission on American Baptist Theological Seminary, vice-chairman, and Clyde Hart, Little Rock, secretary of Negro work for Arkansas Baptists, secretary.

The Council helps coordinate the work of all Southern Baptist agencies with Negro Baptists. It is purely an advisory organization.

The Council selected Nashville site for its 1957 meeting. Tentative dates are February 25-26.

► Pastor Harry L. Green, Owenton Baptist Church, Owenton, Kentucky, has been confined to the Kentucky Baptist Hospital where he underwent surgery March 15. At this writing he is recovering satisfactorily.

► The third in a series of four missionary day exercises was held March 20-21 at Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School, Pineville, with Wendell Belew, Mount Vernon, Ky., and J. S. Bell, Hindman, as the speakers.

► Rutledge E. Courtney, former pastor of Mars Hill Baptist Church, Summit, Miss., has begun pastoral duties at Meigs, Ga., Baptist Church.

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Fulton's Manpower Mobilized For Action



The seven Men's classes of the First Baptist Church, Fulton, Kentucky, joined forces on March 4 to hear Brotherhood Secretary Lucien E. Coleman. Supt. James Willingham and Pastor John D. Laidl have been concentrating on enlisting and enrolling more men this year. They felt that it would be encouraging for all the men's classes to meet together for one Sunday so that the true strength of manpower could be seen. A goal of 250 men was set and 256 turned out to hear Brother Coleman speak. He challenged the men to do more for the cause of Christ in the local church through the Brotherhood. Three years ago, with three men's classes in the Sunday School, the average attendance of men was less than 80; this year with seven classes in three departments the average has been 200.

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W. M. U. Executive Secretary Urges Larger Circulation Of Western Recorder Among the Women of the State

TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED and **TWENTY-FOUR** women in W.M.U. organizations here in Kentucky receive the **Western Recorder**—our state paper—which carries our W.M.U. page. This is wonderful and we appreciate the cooperation of each and everyone. However, when we consider the fact that the **Western Recorder** is the only week-by-week medium through which our W.M.U. constituency can be kept informed of both our state and southwide activities, we feel it is highly important that more of our women should receive the paper.

This matter has been on my heart for sometime and I have discussed with Mr. Robert L. Pogue, the business manager of the **Western Recorder**, the possibilities of a temporary reduction in rate for a limited time in order that we may increase the circulation of the W.M.U. page among our women. Mr. Pogue has consented to cooperate with us and will be contacting the presidents within the next few weeks concerning their special offer, and I trust many of you will take advantage of it. It would be a tremendous help to our work if we could have 35,000 receiving our W.M.U. page in the **Western Recorder** each week. Let us work to that end.

MRS. GEORGE R. FERGUSON

Education

Georgia Convention Told Of Atlanta College Plans

Atlanta — (BP) — Atlanta Baptist association is thinking about establishing a denominational university in Atlanta, it has notified the Georgia Baptist Convention.

Monroe F. Swilley, chairman of the Atlanta committee, told the convention's executive committee the association is "thinking in terms" of an institution with \$10 million or \$15 million in buildings and endowment and a campus of 200 or 300 acres.

The proposed Baptist university was discussed by the association in its last two annual sessions but this was the first presentation to a convention group.

Swilley said Atlanta would launch the college hoping it would "find its way into the family of Georgia Baptists." The convention already operates six colleges in other areas of the state.

The executive committee agreed to discuss the college proposal in greater detail at its September meeting.

Preliminary approval was given Mercer University, Macon, to secure a

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\$600,000 loan as half the cost of a construction program. The convention must approve the loan in its annual session in November for it to become final. The college already has almost \$600,000 with which it is starting some building next month.

T. W. Tippet, secretary of the state Sunday School Department for 22 years, notified the executive committee that he would retire at the end of the year.

Negro Work Council Re-elected Maston

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Advisory Council of Southern Baptist Work with Negroes has re-elected T. B. Maston, professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, chairman.

Other officers, also re-elected at the Council's recent Nashville meeting, are L. S. Sedberry, Nashville, general secretary, Southern Baptist Commission on American Baptist Theological Seminary, vice-chairman, and Clyde Hart, Little Rock, secretary of Negro work for Arkansas Baptists, secretary.

The Council helps coordinate the work of all Southern Baptist agencies with Negro Baptists. It is purely an advisory organization.

The Council selected Nashville site for its 1957 meeting. Tentative dates are February 25-26.

► Pastor Harry L. Green, Owenton Baptist Church, Owenton, Kentucky, has been confined to the Kentucky Baptist Hospital where he underwent surgery March 15. At this writing he is recovering satisfactorily.

► The third in a series of four missionary day exercises was held March 20-21 at Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School, Pineville, with Wendell Belew, Mount Vernon, Ky., and J. S. Bell, Hindman, as the speakers.

► Rutledge E. Courtney, former pastor of Mars Hill Baptist Church, Summit, Miss., has begun pastoral duties at Meigs, Ga., Baptist Church.

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