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Dinner on the Grounds, a Typical Scene During Summer and Fall Months when Baptists are Having Their Annual District Associations.

►James D. Adkinson, was ordained to the Gospel ministry by the First Southern Baptist Church, Clarksville, Ind., on September 1. A son of Nancy and William B. Adkinson, 442 Andalusia, Clarksville, he is a graduate of New Albany High School and has attended Campbellsville College. He is now pastor of Providence Baptist Church, Russell County, Kentucky. Pastor Dan Thomas, Wing Avenue Church, Owensboro, delivered the ordination sermon, and Pastor Lyndon W. Collings, of the Clarksville church, gave the charge to the candidate. The father of the young man presented the Bible as a gift of the church.

Deaths

►Ex-pastor Jackson E. Halsey, 69, died at his residence, Eubank, Route 1, Kentucky, August 22. He was married to Miss Isabelle Anderson in Grayson County December 13, 1914. Eleven children were born to that marriage. He was for some years pastor of the Eden Baptist Church, in Kentucky, and while there helped to build the McKinney Baptist Church, where his funeral was held, with Bert Whitaker officiating.

Revivals

►Wilburn J. Abbott, pastor of Lewis Lane Church, Owensboro, will lead the Hyland Church, Henderson, in evangelistic services October 6-13, according to Pastor A. A. Thacker.

►Pastor Bob W. Brown, Anchorage, will be the evangelist in a series of September meetings with the Switzerland Baptist Church, Vevay, Indiana, where Sonny Hays is pastor.

►Evangelist Walker K. Price, Danville, has just completed a revival with Pastor Floyd J. Berry at the Petrey Memorial Baptist Church, Hazard, resulting in 16 decisions—12 of these being received by baptism. Edward Clark, minister of music at First Church, Danville, led the song services.

►Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Franklin County, near Frankfort, experienced a revival recently with Pastor Jack E. Thrower, Bethel Church of Frankfort, as the evangelist. There were 8 for baptism, 5 transferred their membership, 1 made a public confession of faith in Christ to join another Baptist church, and there was 1 rededication. Pastor D. Richard Snell led the music.

►Pastor Hugh Potter reports a Spirit-led revival at Faith Baptist Chapel, 803 East Walnut, Louisville, during August 11-18, resulting in 58 decisions for Christ—28 professions of faith, 6 additions by transfer of letters, 1 surrendering to preach the Gospel, and 23 rededications. William Clark Thomas, pastor of Bird's Creek Church, Whitlock,

Tenn., was the evangelist, and Glen Igleheart, Louisville, was in charge of the music. Faith Chapel is a downtown mission of Victory Memorial Church, which now has a resident membership of 106.

Pastoral Changes

►Charles Hicks has resigned as pastor of the Liberty Church, Casey County.

►The new pastor of Ghent Baptist Church, Ghent, Ky., is Victor Mantiply, who for some extended period has been associate pastor and minister of music at the South Side Church, Louisville.

►Kenneth Boster has been called as pastor of the Visalia Baptist Church, Covington. A native of Illinois, he is a graduate of Baptist schools in southern Virginia. He began his work at Visalia on September 1.

►The pastors of Greenup Association have passed resolutions regarding the departure of L. H. Tipton from the Second Baptist Church, Ashland, to go to Lexington where he has become pastor of the East Hickman Church. This is the second time he has left them, having been pastor in former years of the Unity Baptist Church, Ashland. It is also the second time he has become pastor at East Hickman. The resolutions were signed by a committee composed of Ralph E. Webb, M. D. Morton and C. B. Coots.

Kentucky News

►When the Bethel Church, Frankfort, began using their ten additional class rooms last October, the Sunday school was departmentalized. Now a 67% increase in enrollment over last year has been reported, with an average attendance of 117. Also 90 study course awards have been earned. Jack Thrower is the pastor and Willard Welch the superintendent.

►In the year that Carlie Ward has been pastor of Holly Church, Goshen Association, the group has gone from half time to full-time services and they have moved into their new church building. They expect to have it completed and dedicate it this fall. The membership has grown from 28 a year ago to 62. In the last 12 months 24 have come by baptism and 13 by letter. Gifts for all purposes have increased by approximately \$2,600. The church has 25 tithers. A Training Union has been organized and the Sunday School is on its way to being standard.

►Robert L. Pogue, business manager of the Western Recorder, was the speaker at the organization of Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador groups at the Bethel Church, Frankfort, August 27. Also appearing on the program were William

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Affolter, leader of Franklin Association R. A. and pastor of North Benson Church; Garnett Hulette, president of Franklin Association Brotherhood; and Ed Minars, Franklin Association missionary. The W. M. U. of Bethel Church served dinner to the men and boys as they prepared to organize. The Sunbeams, G. A.'s and Y. W. A. were organized in July through the leadership of Mrs. Scott Graves, Franklin Association youth leader, who is also a member of Bethel. With the organization of the Brotherhood and R. A.'s, Bethel is now a four star church.

The Heresy of Class Structured Churches

By GUY H. RANSON

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In *The Social Sources of Denominationalism* (New York: Henry Holt and Co., 1929), Richard Niebuhr shows that American churches are characterized more by social classes than by theology. He says that in seeking to understand the theological distinctives of the various denominations that "The effort to distinguish churches primarily by reference to their doctrine . . . appeared to him to be so artificial and fruitless that he found himself compelled to turn from theology to history, sociology, and ethics for a more satisfactory account of denominational differences . . ." (p. vii). This book has become something of a classic in American Christianity, and its thesis is almost universally accepted in principle.

When this startling truth is applied in relation to Baptists, we recognize that we are committing a great heresy without being aware of it. We are a denomination primarily of the lower classes, but even so our churches are formed according to classes. This becomes readily apparent when we stop to note that within almost any city or village that there will be the "First" or "Suburban" Baptist church catering to professional and merchant classes, another Baptist church appealing to the working classes, and finally a Baptist church for the Negroes. This is a heresy because the New Testament condemns class structured churches and teaches that all must be united in Christian love, equality, and mutual helpfulness within one church.

How Churches Become Socially Structured

Our churches become socially structured as a combination of two factors. First, is the free associational nature of Baptist churches. This is fundamental in the Baptist understanding of the New Testament church and we must continue to insist upon it. This is to say that people become members of Christian churches not by birth or the choice of others but by their individual response to God and voluntary association with His church. Second, and here is the root of the heresy, is the social basis for choosing membership in a free associational group. Americans choose their clubs on the basis of social congeniality and compatability. Without realizing what we are doing, we choose our churches on the same basis. Sometimes we even use social congeniality as the open appeal to people to come into our churches. For example, we may say, "You will feel right at home among our quality folk," or again, "You will love our shirt sleeve crowd." What people are actually doing here is to think of the church primarily as a social club rather than as the household of God.

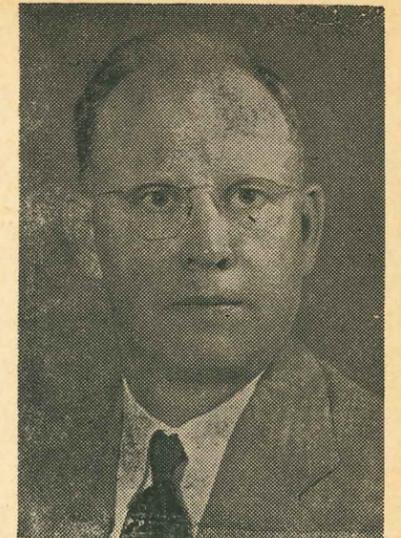
The Basis of the New Testament Church

The realization that our churches are socially structured is especially shocking to Baptists because we maintain so strenuously that we are New Testament churches. And what do we find concerning the basis of churches in the New Testament? Here we find not a social but a theological basis. Over against the idea of the church as a social club where good friends meet, we find the church as the redeemed people of God, the new Israel, the household of God, the people of faith, the body of Christ among whose members there must be no distinction of class or race. The church is not to perpetuate such worldly and sinful distinctions but overcome them in love and mutual concern.

If we turn to particular passages we find that racial and class distinctions are condemned in the strongest language. In 1 Corinthians 12 we are taught that the church is under the direction of the Holy Spirit, and we must therefore become concerned for God's eternal purpose in us and not in our own particular goals. In verses 12 and 13 we are told that we must become one body as Christ is one, forgetting racial and class distinctions. In Ephesians 2:11-22 we are told that the atonement of Christ has broken down the wall of hostility between classes or races and that we have become one new race in Christ. In James 2 we are told that to love all alike is to fulfill the royal law. In these passages, and many others, we are made to understand that if we act according to the artificial and worldly standards of class and racial distinctions that we deny the atoning and reconciling work of Christ and the newness of life in His church.

How To Overcome The Heresy

There are two primary things that we must do in order to overcome the heresy of class structured churches. First, we need to examine afresh the New Testament teachings concerning the nature of the church and the reconciliation of classes and races in Christ's atonement. To do this is to see that our current appeal to class and race interests, though it is effective, is worldly and sinful. Second, we need to act in ways to break up the class structured churches and bring together in one body the various classes and races. Again in 1 Corinthians 12 we are told that one group alone cannot be the body but that all of the members must be united to make one body. We must visit and enlist peoples of all races and classes in our churches. This can be done, of course, not by our own strength alone but only under the direction of God.



ROY F. WILLIAMS has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Peculiar, Mo., to accept a position on the faculty of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Ky., according to announcement made by President D. M. Aldridge. Dr. Williams is a native of Missouri. He was graduated by Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo., in 1939; and earned the A. B. degree at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., in 1941. He was awarded the Th. M. (1945) and the Th. D. (1952) degrees by Central Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas. Previous pastorates have included Bethlehem at Sedalia; Mt. Olive at Syracuse; Little Bonne Gemme; New Salem at Ashland; First at Clifton Hill; First, Thayer; and Stover, all in Missouri. He has served on the faculty of the extension departments of both Central and Southern Seminaries since 1953. At Clear Creek he is teaching primarily Bible and systematic theology. Dr. Williams and his wife, the former Mildred Harris of Sedalia, are residing in Mitchell Faculty Apartment Building.

►Miss Mary Frances Gould, Southern Baptist missionary to Thailand, is scheduled to return to the States for furlough in early October. Her new address will be 440 Greenup St., Covington, Ky. She is a native of Dayton, Ohio.

►The Dry Ridge Church has passed resolutions concerning the going of George Russell Henson from their pastorate to become missionary in Boone's Creek Association. While at Dry Ridge he has led them in the erection of a \$30,000 educational building, remodeling the auditorium at a cost of \$6,000, nine lots have been added to the church property and a bus has been put into operation, and the membership has been increased a net of 100 more members than when he went there. He has been moderator of Crittenden Association, and has served on many, many committees and in strategic places.

Daley Observations



C. R. Daley

EDITORIAL NOTE. — In appreciation for the ministry of Dr. R. T. Skinner as editor of the Western Recorder, the Board of Managers in their last meeting asked Dr. Elroy Lamb, member of the Board, to prepare an article relative to the retirement of the beloved editor. Dr. Lamb, pastor of Lexington Avenue Baptist Church in Danville, is a distant relative of Dr. Skinner and joins a long list of Baptist preachers from this illustrious family. I am sharing with you as a guest editorial Dr.

Lamb's well chosen words on Dr. Skinner and his wonderful ministry.—Chauncey R. Daley, Editor.

Baptists not only in Kentucky, but throughout the entire Southern Baptist Convention and even the world fellowship of Baptist people accepted with sincere regret a few months ago the announcement by Dr. R. T. Skinner that he had asked the Board of Managers of the Western Recorder that he be allowed to retire within the 1956-57 denominational year. The Western Recorder Board and Baptists everywhere have grieved over the loss in the active ranks of this great editor of the Western Recorder and man of God. We rejoice to know that he will continue to serve God and our denomination as an interim pastor, supply preacher, and writer for various denominational publications. His address is 2712 Jetton Avenue, Tampa 9, Florida.

Dr. Skinner was born near Murray, Kentucky, son of Dr. J. E. and Emily Miller Skinner. He comes from a long line of Baptist preachers. He is a graduate of Hillsboro High School, Tampa, Florida, attended Columbia College in Florida, and was graduated from Union University, Jackson Tennessee, in 1918. He was licensed to the ministry by Palm Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida, and ordained by Lockeland Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee. After graduation he became principal of Doyle Academy in Tennessee, which is operated under the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He there taught Latin, Greek, French and English. In 1936 Union University honored him with the Doctor of Divinity Degree.

He was pastor of a number of churches in Tennessee before going to the Central Park Baptist Church of Birmingham, Alabama, for more than a six-year pastorate. The Birmingham membership more than doubled while he was there—most of the additions coming on profession of faith and by baptism. The Birmingham News once devoted an entire page to an interview with him, publishing a story concerning his work and methods.

His last pastorate, extending over a period of twelve years, was with the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, Kentucky. In addition to ministering to the local membership, his ministry extended to the young people attending Western State College and Bowling Green Business University. It was there that he became aware of the great need for every Baptist

church in a college town to do its best to reach and enlist actively the students. For many years, there, he held open house every Saturday night for the students; and they came, filling the house and sometimes the yard. After a period of worship together, there was a program of entertainment which made the students feel at home. Consequently, they (Baptists and others) came to the church services in great numbers. His experience there led him to be one among the first in Kentucky to appeal to Kentucky Baptists to establish a BSU Department with a state secretary. This they did, finally. He resigned the Bowling Green pastorate and became editor of the Western Recorder in 1946, taking up the new work September 1.

His denominational connection and service are long and varied. In Tennessee he was a member of the Baptist State Mission Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, a member of the Board of Trustees of Union University, and also of Hall-Moody Institute. While in Tennessee, being an accredited worker for the Sunday School Board, he also spent a good deal of time extending Sunday School and Training Union work over the state.

In Alabama he was a member of the Hospital Commission, pastoral adviser to Training Union organization of Birmingham Association, and also did extensive work for the Sunday School and Training Union Departments in that state.

In Kentucky he was three times a member of the Executive Board of the General Association, was twice a member of the Executive Committee of the Board, and served for two times as vice-moderator of the General Association. He has served the General Association as a member of the Special Committee on Schools and Colleges, chairman of the Budget and Appropriations Committee, chairman of the Special Committee on Children's Homes (to seek closer coordination), chairman of the Nominating Committee of the General Association, and chairman of the Committee which brought about, through the General Association and its Executive Board, the adoption of the Ministers' Retirement Plan of the Relief and Annuity Board. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Clear Creek School and also a member of the Board of Trustees of Georgetown College. For several years he was a member of the Board of Managers of the Western Recorder and for nearly eleven years was editor of the Western Recorder—September 1, 1946 to July 1, 1957. Dr. Skinner was contributing editor of the Western Recorder from July 1, 1957 to September 16, 1957.

He has served the Southern Baptist Convention as president of the Southern Baptist Press Association, an organization made up of Southern Baptist editors. He was associate member of the Missionary Education Council of the Southern Baptist Convention—periodicals, graded lessons, etc. He served as a member of the Program Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Former Editor Skinner is the father of three sons and two daughters by a former marriage (first wife deceased). In April of 1956 he was married to Mrs.

Irene Hale Duffer, with whom he attended Hillsboro High School in Tampa, Florida. He and Mrs. Skinner now reside at their home in Florida.

Though editorial duties were exacting, he was week-by-week going among the churches and associations for special assignments. He has been heard to say again and again, "Unless a man stays in close contact with the people he serves, he dries up as a public servant." In November of 1956 Editor Skinner requested of his Board that he be allowed to retire within the 1956-57 denominational year. He consented to

work on until his successor could be chosen and take up the work. He remained connected with the paper as Contributing Editor until September 16.

Dr. Skinner's long and varied ministry has endeared him to thousands. He is a man greatly beloved. The Board of Managers of the Western Recorder expresses on behalf of Kentucky Baptists their grateful appreciation to Dr. R. T. Skinner for his magnificent service as the editor of the Western Recorder and for his ministry as one of God's chosen servants.

THE JUNCTION CITY STORY

From One Room to a Modern Plant



Homer D. Carter

Junction City is a quiet little village on Highway 35 several miles south of Danville. But the physical and spiritual growth of the Junction City Baptist Church during recent months makes it sound more like a thriving suburban area than a small central Kentucky community.

A few years ago the Sunday school struggled to average 100, and there were no adequate facilities for these nor for those who remained for worship services. The church owned no home for the pastors who came and went in rather rapid succession. In 1948 Pastor Carey Ballback and a corps of faithful men and women with faith and \$10,000 began an \$85,000 sanctuary and educational unit. It was a real struggle, and as late as 1953 an unfinished building with cold subfloors and unplastered walls greeted the discouraged but determined members.

Then came that wonderful experience for a church where the right man was sent by God at the right hour. Other pastors had had made their contributions and prepared the way but it was a new day for Junction City when Homer D. Carter began his pastorate three years ago. The winsome personality, gentle spirit, deep consecration and progressive leadership of this young pastor captured the imagination of the people and completely won their hearts. Enthusiasm and confidence spread like a forest fire through the church and community with amazing results following.

The building was beautifully finished and today is one of the most attractive edifices among Kentucky Baptists. The sanctuary seats 335 and the education area accommodates 300. A lovely new pastorium has been recently purchased bringing the value of the church property to well over \$100,000. The membership now totals 638 with 250 of these being added in the last three years. One half of these 250 came by profession of faith for baptism though few would have dreamed there were a hundred prospects in the whole area.

Ten years ago the total income of the church was \$3,900. Last year contributions amounted to \$18,194. A Sunday morning scene last fall explains this record. Following a stewardship message on Loyalty Day an invitation was given for tithers to bring their cards down front to be placed on a table. Instead of a dozen or so which would be the expected response, the pews were literally emptied and the front of the church would not hold the almost 200 who accepted the Bible plan of giving.

In a great day of rejoicing the church and pastorium were dedicated debt-free several weeks ago. Joining the pastor for the special services were J. V. Case, former pastor now serving the Greensburg Church, C. R. Hill, South District Associational Missionary, E. C. Newlin, a Danville minister, and Ray Jenkins, Junction City's first minister of music.

Pastor Carter gives all the human credit to the members, but they know where their inspiration was found. The Junction City story demonstrates what a pastor and people united under God's leadership can accomplish. The same story can already be told of other churches and in days ahead will be told of many more.—

EDITOR

Mary Ella Davis, Ex-Elementary Secretary, Goes to Texas Church

Miss Mary Ella Davis, long a school teacher in the Owensboro City Schools, but more recently elementary secretary in the Department of Sunday School Work in Kentucky, has become the new elementary director of the First Baptist Church, San Angelo, Texas, where she will be associated with Pastor James B. Leavell, Jr., and Educational Director Felton T. Jones.

In her new work she will have charge of the Cradle Roll and Primary Departments in both the Sunday School and Training Union.

Several years ago she resigned her position with the Kentucky Baptist Sunday School office to enter deeply into the study of religious education subjects. She therefore enrolled in the School of Religious Education, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and that institution awarded her its M. R. E. degree at its Spring commencement.

Kentucky Foundation Receives Ford Grant To Georgetown College

Of the \$50,000,000 the Ford Foundation recently gave to the colleges and universities throughout the United States, Georgetown College, in Kentucky received \$178,500. The income from the investment of this sum is to be added to teachers' salaries. Upon recommendation of Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, president of Georgetown, and by vote of the trustees of the college this gift was placed with the Kentucky Baptist Foundation for administration.

This action on the part of the trustees is indicative of their willingness to cooperate with the Foundation which was created and is controlled by the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

More and more throughout the south the Baptist institutions are using the facilities of the State Foundations to advance the Kingdom of God in the fields in which they function.

The Ford Grant raised Georgetown's endowment close to the \$1,000,000 mark.



Five Junior girls and one Junior boy who accepted Christ as their Saviour at the Junior Music Camp at Schafer Memorial Camp in Daviess-McLean Baptist Association during the first week in August. They are Cecil Lee, Owensboro; Mary Lou Pence, Owensboro; Brenda Jean Prince, Patricia Hunt, Martha Calhoun and Lucille Meredith of Bowling Green. Six others made a public dedication of their lives to Christ, namely, Linda Graves, Jenifer Taylor, Sarah Russell, Jon Ann Morgan and Marvadean Henderson of Owensboro; and Charlotte Pierson of Bowling Green.

CHRISTIAN RESISTANCE

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Followers of Christ especially need to ponder this matter of Christian resistance. Of course, we are referring here to resistance to evil in all its forms, because obviously no Christian should resist the good. It is tragic but true, however, that the latter is often the case.

Resistance is a principle which we see in operation in every sphere of life. It is an essential function of all aspects of existence. For example, the sturdy tree resists the blasts of the wind by clutching with its finger-roots the soil and rocks below. The bird rises to flight on the air resisting her wings. The incandescent bulb sheds its cherry glow because the tiny filament resists the flow of the electrical current. Further examples of resistance in nature could be cited, but any observer should easily see that resistance as such is not necessary evil, but as such is good and beneficial. Resistance only becomes evil and destructive when it is misused or misunderstood.

Students in college often find themselves faced with the problem of resistance. Sometimes resistance is encouraged in school activities in the form of student competition, such as in debating, sports events, grading, etc. Usually these forms of competition are conducted on a high level in the spirit of "good

sportsmanship," but all too often this spirit of competition is misused and becomes "demonic" and destructive of divine and human values. This serves to demonstrate again the urgent need for students to understand fully the nature and danger of competitive resistance in order to make it creative of value and not destructive.

In the final analysis, the way the principle of resistance will be applied depends upon the character of the persons involved. This is why we are thinking at the moment of *Christian* resistance. How should the Christian conceive of resistance and its use? Often this takes the form, especially among immature persons, of a rather "puritanical" attitude toward life. The Christian of this type will resist evil simply by denouncing it and separating himself from it. He wraps his robes of self-righteousness about him. Being puffed up in wisdom and stature, he seeks the company of other legalistically minded persons, especially those who agree with his opinion and judgment. These people usually identify evil with a certain act, event, or habit of life. They never stop to think that a given act which may be evil because of its present misuse, may, when one's attitude toward it is changed or improved, actually be good. You see, in the final analysis, one's attitude and

character are inevitably involved in this principle of resistance.

To be sure many things need to be resisted with all our strength. But, even though that which we oppose may be very wicked, our attitude toward "it" (or the person) is of tremendous importance. Actually we must never speak of evil as an "it," for evil is always related in some way to persons. So, it must be understood at the outset that, when we are resisting evil in the name of Christ, we are really resisting other persons who have their problems even as we do.

Let us see how Jesus used the principle of resistance. Did he ever resist evil in order to destroy "evil" or to destroy evil persons? Did he ever radically separate the "sin" from the "sinner?" Certainly not! Even in resisting evil his ultimate purpose was to save life and not to destroy life and values.

In Matthew 5:38-48 we find one of the most arresting teachings of Jesus. What are we to make of his suggestion that we "turn the other cheek" to our enemy? Is it not true that, when this passage is read, the only part of it that usually commands our attention as a rule is this very statement that "we turn the other cheek?" Many have accused Jesus of being an impractical idealist at this point; but is this true? Does not Jesus in the large context of his discourse supply us with an answer to the problem of the resistance of evil? I think he does. Let us go on.

In the verse concerning the "turning of the other cheek" Jesus is speaking in "extreme" (hyperbole) language. He is doing this to offset the "extreme" idea of resistance mentioned in verse 38, where he tells of the "eye for an eye and tooth for a tooth" kind of resistance which sinful men usually employ. At the outset Jesus is denouncing the use of sheer retaliation by force as a solution to the problem of resistance. Can any good come from the use of force? Can more evil eliminate evil? No! Evil can be overcome **only** by good.

But, as is characteristic of Jesus' teaching, he does not close his argument on a negative "turn the other cheek" made of resistance. Rather, he goes on to state the positive and creative way of dealing with evil by the use of good. This is brought out in verses 40-48. If, Jesus implies, you succeed in destroying your enemy (the person) in your attempt to destroy his "evil," then you have gained nothing, except possibly to build up your own ego. The principle then is this: resist evil in such a way as to overcome it in the life of your enemy, thus turning an enemy into a friend. Paul puts this principle in another way when he says that the Christian's armour should include the "sandals of peace" (Eph. 6:15). The Christian never fights for the sake of fighting alone, but always, in the midst of war-

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FALLEN ASLEEP

ALFRED McMURTRY

CYNTHIANA, Ky., July 16, 1957. — Resolutions of Respect in Memory of Brother Alfred McMurry, Union Baptist Church, R. F. D. 5. Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and tender mercy to call unto himself our beloved brother,

Whereas, in the death of Brother McMurry the church has lost a true and faithful member, the family a loving husband and father and the community a good and loyal citizen, be it

Resolved, that we extend to the family our deepest sympathy and commend them to One who brings peace and understanding to troubled and bereaved hearts.—Mrs. M. D. Martin, Felix E. King, Joe H. Bell, S. Pollard Gash.

MRS. LEAH WALKER SHIPP

OWENTON, Ky., August 1. — Whereas God in his infinite wisdom has called from our midst Mrs. Leah Walker Shipp, we the W.M.S. of the First Baptist Church of Owenton do hereby express our gratitude and appreciation for her consecrated life, sincerity and loyalty. She will be remembered for her loving spirit and willingness to serve God in her church. Her influence as wife and mother, W.M.S. member and church worker will always linger with us and will help us to strive to emulate her sweet example of service. She will be greatly missed by all those who knew her, but one sorrow not as those who have no hope. It can be said of her she loved her church and was faithful and diligent in service for her master.

Be it resolved that the husband and daughter have lost a devoted wife and mother, also the church a faithful and consecrated member.—Committee from Ann of Ava Circle: Mrs. J. D. McPherron, Mrs. Roy Cobb, Mrs. J. W. Smither.

MRS. OLA COBB HOLBROOK

OWENTON, Ky., August 1. — Mrs. Ola Cobb Holbrook answered the call home on April 15, 1957 just a few days more than three months after the passing of her husband Ran G. Holbrook.

She suffered many infirmities of health in the last years of her life, but bore it all patiently and was ever ready to greet you with a smile and a kind word. She was a good neighbor, a devoted wife and mother, a loyal member of the Owenton Baptist Church and its different activities. When she was no longer able to attend services of the church and W.M.S. she kept in close touch with the work and made her regular contributions until the last.

In appreciation of her beautiful life and Christian influence among us it is fitting we record her departure from us.

Therefore be it resolved that we, the W.M.S. of Owenton Baptist Church, have lost a true and devoted member.

Be it further resolved that we extend to her son Roy of Owenton, her daughters, Mrs. Nell Smith of Owenton and Mrs. Gladys Cotton of Dry Ridge our deepest sympathy and commend them to the One whom she trusted so fully for peace and understanding.—Committee from Ann of Ava Circle: Mrs. J. D. McPherron, Mrs. Roy Cobb, Mrs. J. W. Smither.

MRS. ZETHA MEFFORD KIRBY

CYNTHIANA, Ky., Aug. 8. — Mrs. Zetha Mefford Kirby, aged 61, wife of Leonard L. Kirby, died May 5, 1957, at the Harrison Memorial Hospital here after an illness of six weeks. She was a consecrated and faithful member of the Cynthiana Baptist Church. She was active in Sunday school and was an officer in the Sarah Gayle Parker missionary circle. She is survived by her husband, already mentioned, and a sister, Mrs. Zorah Anderson, Lexington, Ky. Funeral services, conducted by Pastor Carl Sears, were held at the Whaley Funeral Home, Cynthiana, and burial was in the Riverside Cemetery, Falmouth, on May 8, 1957. His impressive remarks paid a high tribute to her sterling qualities and Christian character.

MRS. CORA BOTTS

OWENTON, Ky., Aug. 17. — Our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, has called from our midst our dearly beloved Mrs. Cora Botts, life long member of the First Baptist Church here. She will always be remembered for her faithfulness, love, and loyalty to her church. She was devoted to every organization of the church, serving as teacher of a boys' class for many, many years. She was also a most active member of our W. M. S., serving as president at different times. Her sincerity and willingness to serve her Lord were exemplified in her daily life.

She gave generously of her time and money and was ever ready to lend a helping hand to those in need. She always considered it a privilege to visit the sick and shut-ins and comfort the sorrowing.

Her sincerity and willingness to serve her Lord wert an inspiration and a challenge to those of us who loved her and cherished her memory. Therefore, be it resolved, that our W. M. S., our church, town, and community have suffered a great loss in the home going of one of our members.—Mrs. Roy Cobb, Chairman, committee.

MARY ETTA C. FRITTS

LEXINGTON, Ky. — We the members of the W. M. U. of Felix Memorial Baptist Church wish to pay tribute of love and respect to one of our beloved members, Mary Etta C. Fritts, whose death occurred July 4, 1957. She was a consecrated and faithful member of our missionary society and our church, and a devoted follower of our Lord. Her sweet spirit, willingness, cheerfulness and loyalty are a constant challenge to us to live and work as she did. She loved the Lord in a precious way and was a blessing to all who knew her. Her prayers leave with us a sweet remembrance of her devoted life to Him.

This tribute of love and respect to her memory can only in a small way convey the wonderful Christian life as she lived it day by day. To her family we express our deepest sympathy.—Mrs. James Hillen, Mrs. Wilbert Cook, Mrs. Mary Crockett, Committee.

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Busy Day for Pleasant Grove, Near Anchorage

The 152nd anniversary of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Avoca, near Anchorage, Ky., was held on the last Sunday in August. This was also the homecoming of the church, which, as an annual event, has come to be a tradition at Pleasant Grove. Judge Bertram Van Arsdale of Jefferson County spoke briefly at the Sunday School service. Following dinner on the grounds the afternoon service was held at 2:30, at which time a portion of the program was devoted to three musical groups. The first was by the Junior Choir under the direction of Mervyn Altman. The second was a group of songs rendered by Mike and



KENNETH S. CLENDANIEL has been named acting dean of instruction of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Ky., according to an announcement made by President D. M. Aldridge. He succeeds A. N. Abercrombie, who resigned to accept a position on the faculty of Jefferson Military College, Washington, Miss. Clendaniel came to Clear Creek faculty two years ago. He has served as director of public relations and as professor of Christian history and missions.

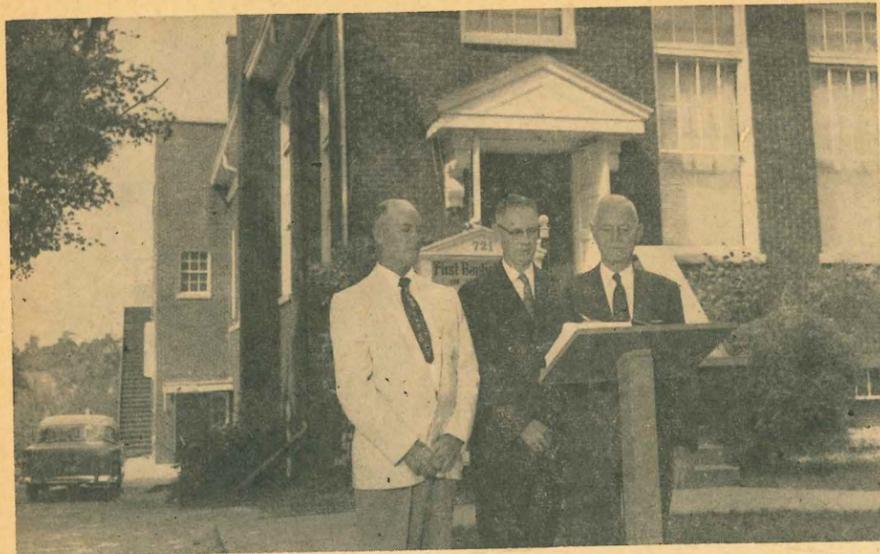
►Lloyd Stormont, assistant pastor with the First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Ky., for the last two and a half years, has become pastor of the Walnut Street Church, Owensboro. Native of Iuka, Miss., he was educated at the University of Mississippi, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Union Theological Seminary.

Rachael Acree, of Covington. The third was a solo by Dr. James Wood, of the faculty of the School of Church Music, Southern Seminary.

The principal address on the afternoon program was by Congressman Eugene Siler, representative from the eighth district of Kentucky, now of Washington, D. C., and Williamsburg, Ky. Senator John Sherman Cooper, of Washington, D. C., and Somerset, Ky., was also expected to be present for the occasion, but press of other duties in the Nation's capitol prevented him from coming. He did send a telegram expressing regret that he could not attend.

Pleasant Grove more than a year ago finished the stone basement of its new building. It is now marking time, trying to raise \$25,000 a year toward the completion of the new structure. It is situated between and parallel to the old building and the church parsonage.

Middletown Church Holds Open House



Emmett F. Estes signs guest book at First Church, Middletown, open house while Louis Brown (left) and Pastor I. Ferd Graves (middle) look on.

The First Baptist Church, Middletown, celebrated the addition of its three-story educational building Sunday afternoon, September 8.

Dr. E. F. Estes preached at a special service at 2:30 to a crowd of about 225 church members and well-wishers from neighboring congregations. Several hundred others visited the church during the afternoon and signed the guest book.

Pastor I. Ferd. Graves was in general charge. Louis Brown was chairman of the open house committee.

Although the building was put into use nearly a year ago, Mr. Graves explained, it has just become ready to show.

Mr. Graves said that the men and women of the church had painted the walls of both the educational and the main buildings—a total of 40,000 square feet. He added that the departments furnished their own drapes, plus the flowers for the open house.

Dr. Estes preached a gospel message from 1 Corinthians 8 around the keyword, "Abound."

Charter members recognized were Dr. H. D. Berryman, Mrs. G. T. Moore, and Henry Sanford. The presences of Mrs. James A. McCaleb, widow of a former pastor, was noted. About a dozen Baptist churches in the Louisville area were represented, as were the community churches of other denominations.

Cost of the new building, exclusive of furniture and decorations, was \$83,000. Mr. Graves reported proudly that the building was built at the low price of

seven dollars per square foot. The Church Architecture Department of the Sunday School Board was consulted. Architect was H. Newkirk. E. M. McMahan and Sons was the general contractor.

Seven New Churches

Added to Western Recorder List During August

Corinth Baptist Church, McQuady, Ky.
Pastor—James C. Sherwood, McQuady, Ky.

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Yosemite,
Pastor—George B. Lay, Junction City,

Vicco Missionary Baptist Church, Vicco,
Pastor—None at present.

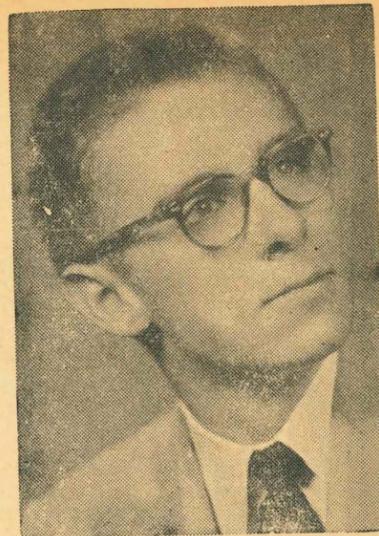
Beulah Hill Baptist Church, Dawson Springs, Ky.
Pastor—John L. Washburn, Princeton,

Farmington Baptist Church, Farmington,
Pastor—Hal Jenkins, Hopkinsville, Ky.

First Baptist Church, Grayson, Ky.
Pastor—Jesse Stephens, Grayson, Ky.

Rosehill Baptist Church, Ashland, Ky.
Pastor—Curtis McComis, Ashland, Ky.

We welcome these into our great family of weekly readers and pray God's richest blessings upon the ministry of the paper in each individual home.



Ray Jenkins has accepted the work as minister of music and education at the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, where he will be associated with Pastor Raymond Lawrence. He has heretofore been supervisor of music in the Danville City Schools and has been minister of education and music at the Junction City Baptist Church. He is a graduate of Louisville Male High School and Georgetown College. During his college days he worked with the churches at Cynthiana and Harrodsburg.



Charles H. Mitchell, pastor of Buckner Baptist Mission, Buckner, Oldham County, Kentucky, resigned effective September 8 to become pastor of the Southern Baptist Chapel, Washington Court House, Ohio. He was the first pastor of the Buckner Mission, and has been there 26 months. They have acquired 88 members and have organized a Woman's Missionary Society and a Brotherhood.

David Wayne Ratley was born at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, September 4 at 10:34 a.m., weighing 7 pounds and 13 ounces. The young man is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ratley. The young man's father is minister of music at the Hazelwood Baptist Church. His mother is the former Miss Sarah Skinner, which means that the baby makes Dr. R. T. Skinner, contributing editor of the Western Recorder, a grandfather for the eighth time. The child is also a grandson of Mrs. L. A. Ratley, Montgomery, Ala.

Evaluating Success

By THOMAS L. BRITTON,
Oneida, Kentucky

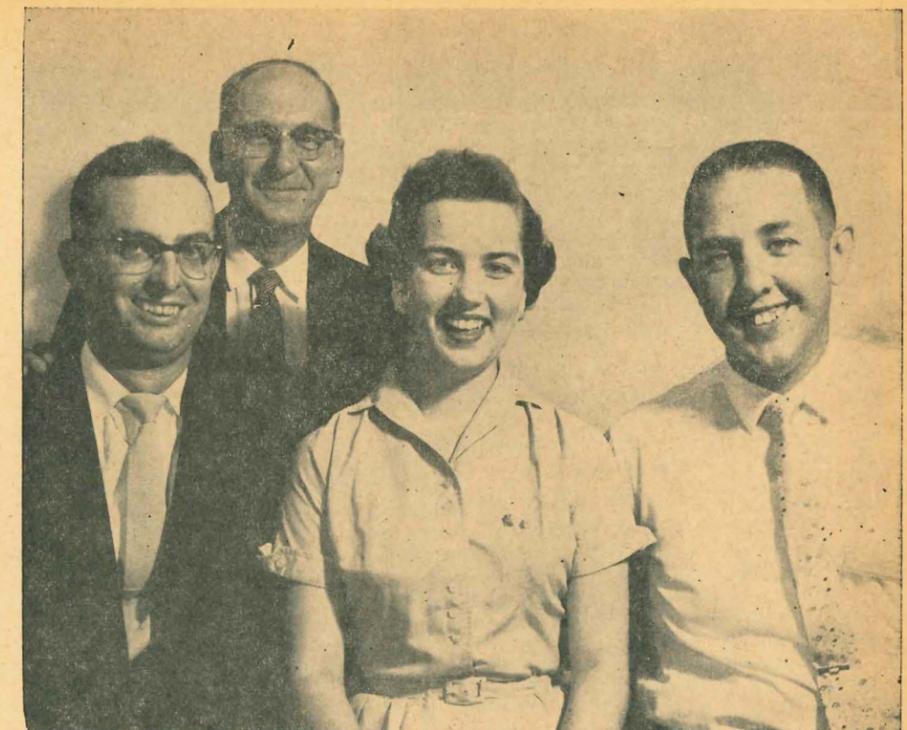
Seriously enough, success is not for all. It does, however, demand sober thought and sound planning. Webster says, "Success is a favorable or prosperous course or termination of anything attempted." The question as to who is successful could be controversial. We often hear one say: "He is a man who came up the hard way; a poor boy of adverse circumstances; one who seemed to have little chance in life. But he has made money; everything he touched turned to money." Is this a fair sample of the way to evaluate success?

If a person's aim and effort hinges solely on making money, and leaving God out of his business, the merit of his accomplishments may be open to question. On the other hand, if he is motivated by thought that we have always with us, the poor, the unfortunate, the weak, the suffering, and are reminded of the parable of the talents, and to help such as come within the length of our cable-tow, we can say surely, this person is on the road that leads to success.

It is not what we give nor what we lay up, that adds to our lasting store, for no man can win this struggle for success without sacrifice. The truest success that I could imagine, is within the person who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task. For all have tasks but most of us seem to forget who gives them, and consequently, fail to ask the giver of all good and perfect gifts.

The man who leaves the world better than he found it, whether by an improved flower, a poem with a heart in it, or one who has rescued a soul—as a Burbank, Kilmer or a Spurgeon—is a signal success. A person who has given the best he had and looked for the best in others, is not, as yet, gone astray but will be numbered with the heavenly host. Neither will that one who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; he too is on that road that leads to the happy goal of success. One who sees books in running brooks, sermons in stones, and good in everything, is a student of success.

The best place I know to settle a question with least controversy, is found in the Bible. We read from Joshua 1:8, these words: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."



SEVERNS VALLEY YOUTH RETREAT. A total of 700 attended the youth retreat of Severns Valley Association. Shown above are (1) Shirley Eggen, young people's leader of the association; (2) Pastor John Wall of the host church; (3) Miss Kay Bolls, publicity director; and (4) Bob Wayne, associational Training Union director. These four represent the major groups which planned the retreat. There were conferences for the different age groups. Some of the leaders were Dr. and Mrs. John M. Carter, Pastor John Couch, Mrs. Dick Allison, Ron Whitlock and Roy Brigance. Inspirational messages were delivered by Terry Davis, and the vesper speaker was Harold Meers.

Winchester Heads Trustees of Western Baptist Hospital

PADUCAH, Ky., Aug. 30. — B. R. Winchester, pastor of the Lone Oak Baptist Church, Lone Oak, Kentucky, was elected to the presidency of the Board of Trustees of Western Baptist Hospital here August 28. The term is for the interim which will end in November. The vacancy occurred as a result of the death of E. C. Barger, who served in the position since 1949. Winchester, vice president since November, 1949, has served as a trustee since January, 1949.

G. L. Chilton, retired, was elected vice president. Mr. Chilton was first elected to the board in November, 1911.

The General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, which meets annually in November, elected trustees to Kentucky Baptist institutional boards. New officers are elected at the first meeting of the separate boards following the General Association. Another election will be held at the regular November meeting of the Board of Western Baptist Hospital, according to Emmett R. Johnson, administrator.

Cooperative Program Receipts

By W. C. BOONE, Treasurer

Receipts for the Cooperative Program for the month of August amounted to \$170,526.41, an increase of \$17,301.81 over the same month last year. For the ten months of the General Associational year, beginning November 1, 1956, Cooperative Program receipts total \$1,660,799.08. For the same ten months last year, receipts were \$1,555,903.01, which is an increase for the ten months of \$896,104.07.

The Cooperative Program goal for this year is \$2,000,000. For the first ten months we lacked only \$5,867.59 of reaching the proportionate part of this goal.

If receipts for September and October equal those of last year, we shall easily reach our goal. It is hoped that all of our churches will make a special effort to gather and send in their gifts for the Cooperative Program before the end of our General Associational year, October 31, 1957.

Church treasurers are requested to send in money promptly to Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Ky.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ROY A. BOATWRIGHT, Secretary

WHAT TO DO IN SUNDAY SCHOOL THE LAST WEEK IN SEPTEMBER AND THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Every Sunday School in the State of Kentucky should observe Preparation Week, September 22-29. At this time plans should be made for the entire Sunday School program for the ensuing year. Final decisions as to goals and plans for the year should be made during Preparation Week. A study of the new book, *Sunday School and Missions* by Dr. W. L. Howse, should be studied by the Sunday School workers and plans should be made for starting new work during the new year.

September 22 should be utilized as Harvest Day. The week preceding should be devoted to prayer, personal contact and plans made to win every lost enrolled in Sunday School. Teachers and officers may be diligent in the leading of unsaved members to Christ on Sunday, September 22.

In October all the new Sunday School officers and teachers should be trained for their task. A clinic should be conducted to familiarize each officer with his duties. Classes should be organized for effective work.

The Sunday School should work with the finance committee of the church in preparing for the annual every member canvas.

In each association where group or central training schools have been planned for October, the Sunday School workers of every Sunday School in the Association should participate enthusiastically.

Plans should be made now to observe State Missions Day, October 27.

BEECHLAND ENROLLS 1,137 IN VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Standing room was at a premium in the Beechland Baptist Church, Pleasure Ridge Park, Kentucky on Monday morning August 5, at the first session of their Vacation Bible School. While there had been a good turn-out for preparation day the 867 who attended were more than had been expected for the first day attendance. This first sessions was

indicative of the enthusiasm and spirit during the entire two weeks, so writes the pastor, Rev. Orin W. Stites.

The chapel pastor, Rev. Leslie M. Huff, Jr., served as principal of the school while Brother Stites served as school pastor. They together with 154 other loyal workers made possible the type of school that resulted. Some men gave a week of their vacation to work with the boys, others working on swing shift came directly from work or went to work from the school. Eight busses were operated in transporting the children to and from the school, while still others were picked up by private cars.

The average attendance of the 1,137 enrolled was 919. The largest attendance for any single day was 950. Extra curricular program was worked out for the thirty-five Intermediates enrolled. Fifty-seven decisions for Christ were made. A mission offering of \$381.49 was received.

At the commencement services on Sunday night there were more than 1,200 people present by actual count, which made it the largest single group ever to assemble at Beechland church. Resulting from this great school many of the workers and children have entered into a new experience of dedication and consecration.

The Sunday School Department of Kentucky would like to offer congratulations to the pastor of Beechland and the faithful workers for this excellent school.

While this is the story of one great Vacation Bible School held in Kentucky this year, no doubt many others equally as great have been held, although, fewer enrolled. We congratulate all Vacation Bible School workers and pupils for making 1957 the greatest Vacation Bible School year Kentucky has ever experienced.

STANDARD SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Sullivan Baptist Church
Ohio Valley Association
Frank Mitchell, Pastor
W. G. Dorroh, Superintendent
Decoursey Baptist Church
North Bend Association
C. K. Radar, Pastor
E. M. Thomas, Superintendent
Campbellsville Baptist Church
Russell Creek Association
J. Chester Badgett, Pastor
E. Lee Edwards, Superintendent

Campbellsville (6)	239	24	667
Lou., Hazelwood	86	5	629
Henderson, Immanuel (2)	88		625
Corbin, Central (1)	86		571
Dan., Lexington Ave. (1)	80	3	566
Middlesboro, First (2)	91		566
Shelbyville, First	97	2	557
Lou., 23rd and Broadway	170	6	526
London, First (1)	146		518
Erlanger	102		514
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial (1)	243		506
Lebanon, First (1)	155	3	494
Lou., Immanuel	159	1	489
Hodgenville, First	159		488
Winchester, Central	88	1	487
Covington, South Side	93		485
Lou., Eighteenth Street (1)	146	4	484
Paducah, First	133	2	484
Owensboro, Buena Vista	121		474
Cynthiana (1)	121		471
Russellville, First (1)	135		468
Lou., Eastern Parkway	97		466
Evansville, Calvary	157		464
Bellevue	62	2	461
Lou., Bethany	86	2	460
Lou., Clifton (1)	119	3	459
Owensboro, Hall Street	181		449
Lexington, Porter Memorial	118		445
Paducah, East	166	2	443
Lou., South Side	124	3	439
Florence	76	4	438
Ft. Thomas, First (1)	87		431
Lou., Rockford Lane	128		428
Lou., Farmdale	128		428
Georgetown (4)	114	1	423
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial (1)	66	4	401
Bardstown	55		399
Corbin, First	106		396
Covington, First (2)	171		391
Springfield, First	110		374
Lou., Shawnee	88	2	372
Hazard, First	64		370
Nicholasville	96		370
Williamson, W. Va., East Williamson (1)	78		370
Walton, First	124	4	367
Mt. Washington	123	5	365
Versailles	72		360
Frankfort, Crestwood	115		357
Lou., Fairdale	93		351
Lou., Baptist Temple (1)	127	6	347
Lou., Valley View	137	4	344
Lou., Beechwood	106	2	343
Greenville, First	101		341
Shepherdsville	61		315
Scottsville, First	67		308
Middlesboro, East Cumberland Ave.	73		297
Dawson Springs	87		295
Marion	72		289
Owensboro, Seven Hills	68		279
Middletown, First	69	4	278
South Campbellsville	98		275
Paducah, Twelfth St.	80		272
Sonora	104		269
Monticello, First	71		266
Cloverport (1)	50	3	265
Paducah, Oaklawn	139	1	260
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	102		254
Falmouth (1)	60	3	249
Lou., Audubon	51	5	249
Radcliff, Stithon	98	1	246
Perryville, Beech Grove	70		241
Ferguson (1)	62		237
Mt. Vernon (1)	41		234
Carrollton, First	90		226
Hawesville	61		225
Lou., Portland Ave.	91		224
Owensboro, Wing Ave.	91		223
Covington, Ashland Ave.	67		214
Providence, First	65		212
Beaver Dam	138		
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	136		
Fordsville	54		
Barnetts Creek	50		

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, SEPTEMBER 8, 1957

Numeral after church indicates number of missions.

	T.U.	Add.	S.S.
Lou., Walnut Street (4)	253	11	1,732
Lou., Carlisle Avenue (2)	296	2	1,330
Lou., Beechmont (2)	275	6	1,136
Owensboro, Third	247		1,088
Lou., Parkland (1)	265	2	1,051
Madisonville, First	272	14	1,029
Lou., Beechland (1)	251	3	1,027
Bowling Green, First (1)	158	7	1,009
Evansville, Grace (1)	244		996
Hopkinsville, Second (1)	240	6	969
Lou., St. Matthews	226	6	932
Lou., Victory Memorial (2)	231		932
Harrodsburg (2)	245		920

Newport, First (2)	158	2	892
E'town, Severn's Valley (2)	190		888
Covington, Latonia (1)	177		885
Mayfield, First	225		834
Lexington, Immanuel	258		832
Lexington, Grace (1)	831		831
Covington, Calvary	792		792
Lexington, Calvary (1)	154		788
Frankfort, First (1)	176	3	775
Glasgow (2)	774		774
Murray, First (1)	736		736
Somerset, First (1)	163		733
Hopkinsville, First (1)	161	4	723
Prestonsburg, Irene Cole Memorial (13)	61	1	675
Danville, First (1)	180	18	671
Carlisle	74		207
Forks of Elkhorn	42	2	125
Lou., Shively (1)	143	4	668

TRAINING UNION

JAMES WHALEY, Secretary



Miss Frances Masden who has served as records secretary for the Training Union Department for seven months has resigned from this place in order to enroll in Campbellsville Baptist College.

We are very happy that Miss Masden is continuing her education as preparation for following the Lord's will. She feels that the Lord has called her to a church related vocation.

During the seven months she has been with us she has done an excellent job in handling the study course awards requests and other records of the department.

Youth Week

Hays Fork Baptist Church in Tates Creek Association, Berea, Kentucky, has just reported the results of their Youth Week. According to their Training Union Director this week has been a great inspiration to the Young People, and has reassured them of their ability to lead.

Sand Run Baptist Church in North Bend Association, Sand Run, Kentucky had a wonderful group of leaders during their Youth Week.

During the annual Youth Week of the First Baptist Church of Dayton in the Campbell County Association, 20 Intermediates and 10 Young People filled offices, making a total of 30 participating.

New Nursery Quarterlies And Pictures

Living With Children

For Parents of Children Under Four. This quarterly magazine guides parents of the nursery child in Christian living in the home, acquaints them with the nursery activities of the church, and helps the home work with the church in teaching the nursery child. Each cover picture is suitable for the child's room. Contents:

Special Articles Section, Helpful Hints, The Specialist Speaks (by physicians, Psychologists etc.), You Asked for It (answers by a panel), It Happened Like This (home experiences), Current and Choice in Books and Records, Home Activities, Stories and Songs, Devotional Readings.

In addition to Nursery distribution, Cradle Roll departments will distribute Living With Children along with Home Life.

Price: 25c per quarter. Order along with other Training Union Quarterlies.

Church Nursery Guide

PURPOSE: (1) To help the workers understand the nursery child. (2) To acquaint workers with the best methods. (3) To provide Bible-based guidance material for the child whenever he is at church.

USE: Sunday morning, Sunday evening, and any time during the week when nursery children are at church.

CONTENTS: Enrichment Materials, help for workers, inspiration for workers, daily Bible readings, and specific helps for workers with babies, toddlers, two-year-olds, three-year-olds.

This periodical replaces the other Nursery leadership periodicals. The 68 pages are 8 1/2 x 11 and one-quarter inches, well illustrated, and have an attractive two-color cover. It is issued quarterly.

Each department worker needs a copy. Repetition in the use of the material will be necessary, for a nursery child enjoys learning through repetition.

Price: 30c per quarter. Order along with other Training Union Quarterlies.

Church Nursery Pictures

These beautiful full-color pictures are important teaching aids. They catch the attention and hold the interest of the children. This one set replaces the earlier sets of Nursery department pictures for both Sunday school and Training Union use:

(1) In Sunday School, (2) In Training Union, (3) During the week when the children are at church. Definite suggestions for their use are given in the Church Nursery Guide.

Size: 8 and three-quarters by 12 and one-quarter inches.

Order at least one set for each Nursery department.

These pictures are inexpensive. They supply the Nursery workers needs year after year and do not have to be replaced as long as they remain in good condition.

Price: Set of 20 pictures, \$1.75. Order along with other Training Union Quarterlies.

CHRISTIAN RESISTANCE

(Continued from Page 6)

fare, looks for the opportunity to bring peace and good will to men. He then is in a position to be a peacemaker between God and men.

How then should the Christian resist? Strangely enough, Jesus says, by giving your enemy your extra cloak, and by going with him an extra mile. This last illustration has great significance. Picture in your mind a coarse and rugged Roman soldier with his heavy pack "impressing" a native Judean into service to carry his pack for him. Legally the Roman soldier could require any civilian to carry his pack for one mile. Picture one Judean who is pressed thus into service doing it with deep resentment and bitterness in his heart against these "cursed infidels, the Romans." He resists evil with evil.

But picture another Judean, a Christian, who, when commanded to carry the pack one mile, at the end of the "required" mile offers to carry the pack another (and perhaps many more) miles. Who is really in command during these extra miles? The Christian of course. He is doing what he is not required to do. He is now in a position to resist the Roman soldier, but in a creative way. His resistance now is neither destructive, nor passive, but loving and creative. The Roman soldier may not respond to this kind of resistance, but if he does, he will likely respond favorably. Hence the only kind of resistance that will truly work for the good of all persons, and bring lasting results for good, is the "loving resistance" taught by the Prince of Peace.

►Mr. and Mrs. H. Eldon Sturgeon, Southern Baptist Missionary appointees for Mexico, have left the States for San Jose, Costa Rica, where they will spend a year in language and orientation school. Their new address is Apartado 4035, San Jose. They are natives of Kentucky, he of Milton and she of Sonora.

►Paul Prather, pastor of the Pulaski Baptist Church, Somerset, Ky., has gone to be a mission pastor with the Main Street Baptist Church, Wadsworth, Ohio, where he will be associated with Pastor Gerald K. Ford, also formerly of Kentucky. Prather is a graduate of Georgetown College. Mrs. Prather is the former Alice Chestnut. They will reside in Akron, Ohio, where she will teach school.

►William H. Jones is the new pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Reynolds Station, Ky. He comes to his new work from the four-year pastorate of Cum Lick Church, Crittenden Association, in Pendleton County. Native of Kentucky, he is a graduate of Georgetown College and is now a student in Southern Seminary. Mrs. Jones is the former Miss Dorothy Aly, Orlando, Fla. His wife also was granted her degree by Georgetown.

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**Tom Chaney Elected
State Finance Director**



Thomas B. Chaney

Thomas B. Chaney, Jackson, Mississippi, was elected director of the Forward Program of Church Finance for the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky September 10.

Now serving as superintendent of missions of Hinds County Baptist Association, Mississippi, he assumes his duties in Kentucky October 1. He was the unanimous choice of the Kentucky Executive Board called into special session to fill the newly created position.

A former Kentuckian, Mr. Chaney served as educational director of Walnut

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GARRISON AND DOWIS TOUR ALASKA. — G. Frank Garrison, assistant executive secretary and Dr. S. F. Dowis, secretary of co-operative missions, both of the Home Mission Board, have spent two weeks touring Alaska. The purpose was to visit missionaries for the purpose of counsel and encouragement, and make an inspection of the 30 Southern Baptist properties in the territory. L. A. Watson, superintendent of missions in Alaska, later joined them. Together they visited every Southern Baptist Church and mission site except one which is situated at Big Delta. Properties are located in Anchorage, Juneau, Sitka, Ketchikan, Kotzebue, Kenai, Fairbanks, North Pole, Ft. Yukon, Eagle River, Spenard, Kobuk, Selawick, Douglas, Haines, Seward, Valdez, and Big Lake. The visitors met with the Alaska Sunday School Convention at First Baptist Church, Anchorage, and with the Executive Board of the Alaska Baptist Convention. In the picture Frank Garrison gets a preview of the situation in Alaska from L. A. Watson and his family. Shown are (left to right) Garrison, Martha Jean Watson, L. A. Watson and Mrs. Watson.

Street Baptist Church 1948-51. He is a native of Arkansas.

It will be the duty of the new finance director "to seek to raise the financial power and ability of the churches affiliated with the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky." This was the statement of Rollin S. Burhans, chairman of the special committee to recommend a man for the office. His objective will be "to make actual financial ability commensurate with potential ability," Dr. Burhans said.

Mr. Chaney will conduct area-wide clinics and help with local church campaigns, Dr. Burhans continued. "He is not a department head. His work will be related to all other departments of work in the state and to all denominational causes. He will undergird the pastor, the local program, the building program, the Cooperative Program."

W. C. Boone revealed that Mr. Chaney will be a part of the administrative staff rather than a department head.

The executive committee voted several months ago to create the position, and their action was ratified by a poll of the Executive Board.

A layman, Mr. Chaney is married and has four children. He attended Arkansas State College and worked as a businessman for 15 years. Later he was educational director of Immanuel Baptist Church, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

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NEHEMIAH, PATRIOT IN ACTION

Nehemiah 2:17-18, 4:6, 13:19-21



H. C. Chiles

Nehemiah was one of the truly great characters of the Old Testament and one of the most ardent patriots the world has ever known.

Nehemiah was born in exile and reared in a foreign land. In his youth he was appointed by Artaxerxes, king of Persia, to the responsible position of cup-bearer. Later, some Jewish brethren, including his brother, Hanani, went to visit Nehemiah. He inquired of them concerning his people and their beloved city, Jerusalem. With saddened voices they reported that the Jews in Jerusalem were in a miserable and deplorable condition. They told him that Jerusalem was wasted, its walls broken down and its gates burned. The news of the sorry plight of his brethren brought Nehemiah real grief, whereupon he sat down, wept, fasted and prayed. In his prayer he confessed the sins of the people and invoked the divine favor upon them.

Normally Nehemiah was happy and buoyant. So, when he appeared before the king with a sad countenance, which was very unusual, the latter asked him to reveal the cause of his sadness. Nehemiah replied by bravely telling him that he was grived because Jerusalem was in ruins and his people were suffering terribly. Then, he requested permission to return to his beloved city in order that he might rebuild its walls, restore its gates and lead in the work of reconstruction. After asking Nehemiah how long it would take him to do the job and return, the king granted his request, gave him a letter to Asap, the keeper of the king's forest, ordering him to supply the necessary timber for the wall, the fortress and the temple. Moreover, he appointed him governor of the province of which Jerusalem was the capital. He also provided a military escort for his protection on his long and perilous journey. Armed with these credentials and powers, and stirred with a spirit of patriotism and devotion, Nehemiah immediately went to Jerusalem with a determination to help his brethren and do all that he could for their beloved city.

Man of God that he was, Nehemiah sought the counsel of the Most High in prayer. After he had spent three days in meditation in Jerusalem, he arose in the night and, with a few friends, went

forth to make a personal, secret and thorough investigation of the whole situation.

Having discovered the real conditions Nehemiah called a meeting of the Jewish leaders and disclosed to them how God had led him to Jerusalem, what He had laid upon his heart, what he had discovered and how he intended to go about changing the prevailing undesirable conditions. He pictured to them the desolation of the city, which condition brought upon it the reproach of all beholders. So ardent was his eloquence and so cogent was his argument that the assembly shouted, "Let us rise up and build." Thus his program challenged and enlisted the services of all. So strong was his determination and so great was his zeal that he inspired all those who were associated with him to do all that they could to rebuild the walls of their beloved city. Nehemiah organized the laborers and the work was started with remarkable enthusiasm. It is truly wonderful when God's children are united in heart and soul as one man.

How fortunate that Nehemiah knew how to plan, how to handle people, how to instill in them the desire to co-operate and the willingness to sacrifice! Unafraid of the threats, unmoved by the mockery and unashamed by the ridicule heaped upon them, the people continued the work of building. The enemy sneered at their character—"What do these feeble Jews?"; their motives—"Will they fortify themselves? Will they sacrifice?"; their enthusiasm—"Will they make an end in a day?"; their attempted task—"Will they revive the stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned?"; and their completed work—"Even that which they build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down their stone wall."

After their enemies had mocked them and ridiculed the very idea of their building the wall, they entered into a conspiracy to oppose the work actively and openly. In spite of bitter opposition, Nehemiah and his people kept right on building. When they sought to have a private conference with him, he displayed shrewdness by making the wise and famous reply, "I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down."

Another problem with which this great patriot had to deal was that of despairing friends. Some of his men got discouraged. The faint-hearted said, "The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, so that we are not able to build the wall." The pessimistic "insider" is often more dangerous than

the spiteful "outsider." The cry, "It can't be done," has killed many worthwhile projects.

In spite of the numerous sneers, active opposition and despairing friends, it must have been with justifiably proud satisfaction that Nehemiah wrote, "So built we the wall." They built the wall in the atmosphere of prayer and through the hearty co-operation of all the people. They had the will to work. Despite discouraging remarks and seemingly insurmountable difficulties, they finished the job in the brief and almost incredible period of fifty-two days because each was willing and anxious to do whatever and all he could. The secret of their success in that project is the secret of all true success in Christian service. Truly, the team spirit counts.

That remarkable achievement in that brief time was made possible by an unshakable faith in God, an inspiring leadership, a corps of willing workers, an enthusiasm for the task and a wonderful spirit of co-operation. They put first things first and refused to allow anything to distract their attention and energies from that which God had committed to their hands. Their co-operative spirit and their enthusiasm were due to the fact that they were working for their personal safety, religious liberty and national honor.

It is important that we note what Nehemiah did with his enemies who ridiculed and opposed him and his collaborators. He did not curse them nor fight them, but he did talk to God about them. The result of that course was amazing. Due to determined, united effort and efficient organization, coupled with implicit trust in God, the work was completed in fifty-two days. The opponents of the project were cast down for they perceived that the work was of God. Moreover, they were enraged. Nothing so angers the enemies of God as the progress of His work at the hands of His obedient children.

With joyful thanksgiving and singing the people assembled for a great service of dedication, which was richly blessed of God.

Under the splendid leadership of Nehemiah an outstanding program of reform was inaugurated and executed. He commanded that the scriptural observance of the Sabbath be revival and perpetuated. Our nation certainly needs patriots today of the character and energy of Nehemiah.

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John W. Hall

John W. Hall, prominent Baptist layman and fraternal leader of Martin, Kentucky, was elected president of Regional Brotherhood Number 7 at its rally held with the First Baptist Church of Ashland on August 2. Mr. Hall, in addition to serving his church and denomination faithfully is the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Masons this year.

Other officers elected were:

John T. Hereford, Ashland, Program Vice-President; Norman Allen, Prestonsburg, Attendance Vice-President; C. B. Chinn, Ashland, Promotion Vice-President; D. L. Henning, Ashland, Song

Leader; J. W. Cecil, West Liberty, Secretary; and, C. F. Walters, Paintsville, Treasurer.

Pastors elected to the Pastor's Advisory Council included: Ira McMillen, Prestonsburg; Harold Wainscott, Pikeville; D. E. Meade, Road Fork; Sam Sloan, Ashland; Vernon Perkins, Jackson; and, Jerry Miller, Lawson.

Two-hundred and eighteen men were present for the rally and heard Glenn L. Archer, Executive Director, P. O. A. U., Washington, D. C. speak on the subject of separation of church and state.

ATTENTION ROYAL AMBASSADOR LEADERS

Plan now to attend the Joint Junior-Intermediate Workshop to be held nearest you on October 7-11. Places and dates for the meetings are:

OCTOBER

- 7 First Church, Madisonville.
- 8 Crescent Hill, Louisville.
- 9 First Baptist, Newport.
- 10 Central Baptist, Winchester.
- 11 First Baptist, Somerset.

DON'T FORGET!

Don't forget brethren, Sunday, October 13 is LAYMAN'S DAY to be observed in all of our churches when the men of the church will be given special recognition. Posters, tracts, etc. have been mailed to all pastors, Brotherhood Presidents, Educational Directors and associational Brotherhood leaders. If you need more of these, write us!



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Pastor E. Keevil Judy of Harlan reports that the hotel and motel reservations for the General Association are exhausted but that many excellent rooms in private homes are still available. Persons desiring these accommodations should write immediately to Mrs. Garnie Purcell, P. O. Box 819, Harlan, Kentucky.

The 1957 General Association of Baptists in Kentucky meets with the Harlan Baptist Church November 11-14.

►Crutchfield Church has called Ira Henderson as its pastor. Crutchfield is in Hickman County, near Clinton.

►Evangelist Billy Graham has announced that the next scheduled series of evangelistic meetings following the close of the New York Crusade on September 1, would be a tour of nine countries in the Caribbean Area beginning in mid-January 1958. Included in the tour will be meetings in Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Barbados, Trinidad, Panama, Guatemala, Venezuela, Costa Rica and Mexico. The exact dates and sites have not been announced, but will be decided upon after representatives of the Graham Team visit the area later this Fall.

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VICTOR GLASS ELECTED TO HOME BOARD POSITION. — Victor T. Glass, Nashville, Tennessee, has been named associate in the Department of Negro Work, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga. He will have principal responsibilities in the educational phase of ministry among the Negroes. He has been associated with the American Baptist Seminary, Nashville, since 1946, and has been serving as its acting president until recently. He began his new work Sept. 1.

►Lynn P. Robbins, pastor of the Hosman Church, Tinsley, Ky., is to be instructor in U. S. History, Biology, Literature and Religious Education in the Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville. Native of Colmar, Ky., he attended Bell County schools, and was given by B. S. in Education by Union College, and his B.D. by Southern Seminary. He served in the Army Signal Corps for two years, and saw service in Southeastern Asia.

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THE 1957 G.A. CAMPS

Under the banner of "Christ-Likeness" 879 G.A.s, counselors and staff met at Cedarmore for State G.A. Camps this past summer.

The G.A.s came from 38 associations and 152 churches. Mission offering given during the four weeks of camp was \$208.06. Decisions registered included 40 conversions and 47 for special service.

Of the 88 counselors and staff, 63 served for one week, 12 for two weeks, 4 for three weeks and 9 FOR ALL FOUR WEEKS!

STATE Y. W. A. CAMP brought 142 YWAs and leaders to Cedarmore in August; these came from 26 associations and 52 churches. During the Anniversary Year, Kentucky YWAs have given over \$500 for the establishment of the Prayer Garden at Cedarmore, plus \$577.08 to go with gifts of other YWAs in the southland for work with the Indians in Winslow, Arizona, and the medical work in Ghana, West Africa.

State officers elected to serve this year with Mary Ann Wacker, Louisville *president*; Jeannette Teasley of Georgetown College, *vice-president*; Andolene Perkins, Paducah, *secretary*; Gay Nell Shearer, Somerset, *chorister*; Joyce Neel, Versailles, *pianist*; Nancy Bufkin, Georgetown College, *recreational leader*. These will be installed at State YWA Houseparty. Campbellsville, Oct. 18-20.

JUNIOR-INTERMEDIATE WORKSHOPS:

Attractive posters in maroon and green have been mailed to every pastor in Kentucky announcing the forthcoming joint opportunity for every Sunday school teacher, Training Union worker, G. A. Counselor, Director on Associational and local levels, plus workers in music and Royal Ambassadors.

WHAT? The Junior-Intermediate Workshop
WHEN? October

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WHO? Specialist in Sunday school, Girls' Auxiliary, Music, Training Union and Royal Ambassadors from Nashville, Birmingham and other states will join hands with your state representatives in these fields in this endeavor.

WHY? To help the leadership of our churches to see the responsibility of the individual churches to the junior and intermediate age groups; to see the suggested over-all program of a Baptist church for these ages; to help train our workers and stimulate interest in the junior and intermediate boy and girl in our midst.

We in Woman's Missionary Union are especially happy to have Miss Betty Brewer, Southwide G.A. Secretary, of Birmingham, Miss Mary Christian, Missions Book Editor from Nashville and Mrs. J. Winston Pearce of Deland, Florida, to be in Kentucky for this week. Let every WMU President, Superintendent, YOUTH worker mark the date and place nearest to you and be present. Your YOUTH Secretary looks forward to seeing you!

FLASH! Important Change!

The place for the Regional Meeting for Southwestern Region, September 24, has been changed to First Church, Princeton.

CLIP AND FILE IN HANDY PLACE:

Mailings from State WMU Office: 1957-1958:

Annual packages and "Quarterly Quotes" and any other materials for workers with G.A.s, YWAs., Sunbeams will be mailed directly to the **W. M. U. President of local church** for distribution.

Like materials will be sent directly to **Associational YWA, G.A. and Sunbeam Bank Leaders**, plus Associational YOUTH Leaders in associations maintaining such during this coming year.

Quarterly associational YWA Council programs will be mailed to the **Associational YWA Leader.**

OPTIONAL STEP IN GIRLS' AUXILIARY . . .

G.A.: Beginning this October we shall be following the suggested requirements for the optional steps of Queen in Service and Queen Regent in Service as provided by the Southwide WMU Office. This will add uniformity in our program of work. Copies requirements for *Queen in Service* are available free for any junior girl passing the step of Queen, who is not yet Intermediate age, and *Queen Regent in Service* for intermediate G.A.'s passing the Queen Regent step and not yet promoted into Y. W. A. Write WMU Office, Ky. Baptist Building, Middletown.

►Mr. and Mrs. John R. Cheyne, Southern Baptist missionaries to Southern Rhodesia who are now in the States on furlough, have moved from Fort Deposit, Alabama, to Louisville, Kentucky, where they may be addressed at Samuel Missionary Apartments, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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► **Henry Ramey**, native of Lyon County, has resigned his three year pastorate at the Dyer Hill Baptist Church, in Livingston County, and has accepted the call of the Zion's Cause Baptist Church, Benton, in Blood River Association.

► Much delay is being caused by people who still continue to address letters, parcels and other mail to the Western Recorder at 127 East Broadway, Louisville, Ky. The new address is in care of the Kentucky Baptist Building, Midletown, Ky.

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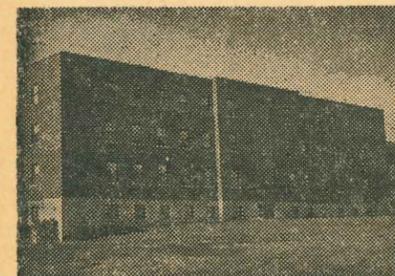
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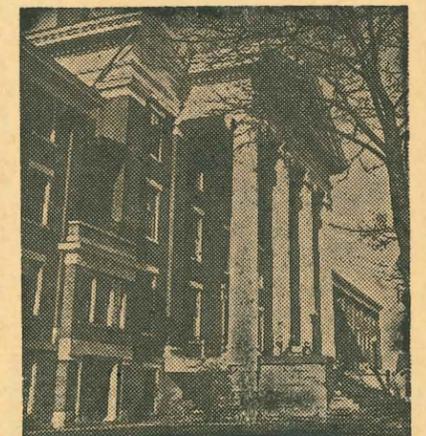
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