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Pastor and Mrs. Harlan E. Spurgeon, of Glencoe, Ky., were appointed missionaries to Taiwan (Formosa) by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in its monthly meeting in Richmond, Va. (See article on page 14)

CHANGING WORK

►Charles C. Lemons, Chattanooga, Tenn., has been called to be pastor of First Church, Delray Beach, Florida.

►Leaving his work as minister of music at the First Church, Tallahassee, Fla., Frank Boggs is going into the work of musical evangelism. He will reside in Dallas, Texas.

SPECTOR OF DEATH VISITS

►Mrs. Philippine Eicher Rosenberger, 85, died in Louisville December 31, 1957. She was the mother of Mrs. V. V. Raines, wife of the pastor, Portland Avenue Church, Louisville. Other survivors include her children—Mr. A. Rosenberger, Mrs. Loraine Plenge, Mrs. Lily Plenge, and Mrs. Minnie M. Plenge; 17 grandchildren, 19 grandchildren; and one brother, Frank Eicher.

►David F. Ray died January 1 from injuries received when he was struck by a private automobile near Eatontown, N. J. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ray, emeritus Southern Baptist missionaries to Korea, and the brother of Rev. Daniel B. Ray, missionary in Taejon, Korea, he was serving his tenth year in the U. S. Army. Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ray's address is 1203 North Cedar Street, Bonham, Texas.

►Miss Margaret C. Jett, 68, retired school teacher and a charter member of the Newman Baptist Church, Newman, Ky., died of a heart attack Christmas Eve at her residence at Newman, in Daviess County. She was a teacher in the Sunday school and a pianist at Newman Church. Her public school teaching was in Daviess County, and for a few years in Jefferson County. Her funeral was conducted by Pastors Truman Johnson and Cecil Laster, with burial in Thurston Cemetery. She was a sister of Miss Nina Jett, well-known woman's worker in Kentucky, with whom she resided.

►Durward V. Cason, Jr., 23, was drowned while swimming in California December 18. His end came just one day prior to his expected return to Georgia where he was to become assistant professor at Georgia Tech. He is survived by his wife, the former Virginia Dorsey, Hapeville, and two young daughters; by his father, D. V. Cason, Sr., formerly pastor at Hapeville's First Baptist Church and now secretary of Negro work for the Georgia Baptist Convention; his mother, both of Atlanta; and two brothers, Dr. Hansel Cason, Stockridge; and Lamar Cason, Atlanta.

CHANGES OF ADDRESSES

►Rev. and Mrs. Gerald A. McNeely, Southern Baptist missionaries to Spain, may now be addressed at Balmes 387, Barcelona, Spain. They are both natives of Kentucky, he of Louisville and she, the former June Hall of Pikeville.

►Rev. and Mrs. Melvin E. Torstrick, Southern Baptist missionary appointees to Chile, have returned to language school in San Jose, Costa Rica. Due to the illness of their daughter, Terri, they left language school and returned to the States in 1955. Mr. Torstrick has been pastor of Sand Spring Baptist Church, Lawrenceburg, Ky. Both he and Mrs. Torstrick, the former Shirley Lee, are natives of Louisville.

►Dr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Hill, Lexington, have moved to their new home at Versailles, Kentucky, and have united with the Versailles Baptist Church. Dr. Hill was formerly president of Georgetown College. During 1957 Dr. Hill served as interim pastor, supply pastor and conducted revivals in five different states, and he is hoping to carry on in the same capacity during 1958 and following. With all of his educational and pastoral background, this writer happens to know that he would be especially able in leading churches in Bible study. He should be kept busy by the pastors and churches.

ORDINATIONS

►Philip Ray Kazee, pastor of Royal Spring Baptist Chapel, was approved by an examining council and ordained to the gospel ministry, and the ordination took place at Royal Spring Chapel, a mission of the Georgetown Baptist Church, December 17. The father of the candidate, Buell H. Kazee, preached the ordination sermon; L. M. Hamilton, pastor of Gano Baptist Church, gave the charge to the candidate; Dan C. Moore, pastor of the Georgetown Baptist Church, gave the charge to the Mission; and Garland Wilkerson, a student at Georgetown College, led the singing and provided the special music.

NEW PARSONAGE

►Aware of their need for a pastor's home the Eddy Creek Baptist Church of Caldwell Association, near Princeton, built for Pastor Paul Sullivan, a six room house. The home was completed at the cost of \$7,500 on December 21, 1955. Two years later, on December 29, 1957, the regular fifth Sunday building fund offering was more than enough to pay the last of the debt. In addition to this, the regular

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contributions to the church in the same two-year period were higher than ever before in the history of the church, and gave 27% of all regular offerings to missions.

BEHIND PRISON BARS AGAIN

►Word has been received that Dr. Henry Lin of China has been put in prison again. No details are available. Baptists throughout the world rejoiced a year ago at the word Dr. Lin had been freed after several years of imprisonment. Dr. Lin, a former president of the University of Shanghai, is a fourth generation Christian and a great Baptist leader in China. He is a graduate of the University of Shanghai and studied also in the United States. He was vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance 1947-50 (BWA).

THE CHURCH, THE CHRISTIAN HOME, AND SPIRITUAL MATURITY

By T. B. MASTON

(Address delivered at 1957 General Association, Harlan, Ky.)

The church and the Christian home are closely related. They belong together. The church is a family. On the other hand, the Christian home, in a very real sense, is a church. It is a little group of called-out ones. The father is the pastor or the priest of the household.

The church and the home are both divine-human institutions. They were founded by the Lord but they minister to people facing very real problems.

As divine institutions they have the same big overall purpose: the promotion of the kingdom of God among men. As human institutions they are to minister to the needs of the individuals they can and should reach for God. Neither institution is an end within itself. It is a means or an instrument to broader, deeper, and more significant ends.

From the viewpoint of the individual, the initial purpose both of the Christian church and the Christian home is to win individuals to a vital, life-changing union with the living Christ. After these individuals have been brought into union with Christ, they are to be led into an increasingly mature life for Christ. This is the major emphasis of this particular message.

The Need for Maturity

Dr. J. B. Chisholm has said, "So far in the history of the world there have never been enough mature people in the right places" (and we might add "at the right time"). There is a real need for more mature people at the United Nations headquarters in New York, in Washington, at the state capitol, in the county seat, and everywhere men have the responsibility for making decisions that affect men and nations.

There is also a need for mature people in our colleges, our seminaries, and our churches. We are handicapped by immaturity.

Many are still babes in Christ when they should be mature men and women. They need someone to teach them the first principles of God's word, when as the writer of Hebrews says they should be teachers themselves.

Many problems on our campuses and in our churches stem from the fact that entirely too many Christians are spiritually immature. They may be mature in years and may have been Christians and church members for many years, but they are still quite immature in their spiritual growth and development.

It is the responsibility of the Christian church and the Christian home to lead individuals to a constantly maturing Christian experience.

The Meaning of Spiritual Maturity

Certainly none of us is as mature as he should be. Maturity is a process. It will not be completed until we awake in His likeness. One thing that will help one to progress toward maturity is for him to understand what it means to be spiritually mature. We only have time for a few general suggestions. You may think of many others.

The spiritually mature individual is one who has the inner resources to meet life and its needs and problems. On our college and seminary campuses and in our churches we have too many people who are counselor addicts. They seek counsel and advice from everyone. They have to lean constantly on someone else. Other evidences of the lack of maturity are the tremendous sale and use of pain relievers and tranquilizing drugs and the contemporary popularity of the psychiatrist. There may be times when all of these are needed, but if people were as spiritually mature as they should be, none of these would be so widely used. If our churches and our Christian homes had done their jobs as well as they should have, there would not be so much need for counselors, tranquilizing drugs, or psychiatrists.

The spiritually mature individual also has increasingly the capacity to make decisions for himself. How wonderful it is for children to grow up in a home where the parents not only gradually shift the responsibility for making decisions to the children, but who also build into their lives fundamental principles on which they can wisely make those decisions, and lead them progressively to accept full responsibility for their decisions, which is an important phase of the maturing process.

Still another evidence of moral and spiritual maturity is one's ability to discipline himself. The church can help some with the discipline problem, but it is primarily the responsibility of parents. They should see that their children are properly disciplined. They will do this if they are concerned about their future maturity. Wise parents will gradually shift the control from themselves to the growing children in the home, helping them to develop the ability to discipline themselves.

The spiritually mature individual is mature in his conception of God. He recognizes that God is a moral person. He expects his children to be like him. He is holy; he demands holiness in those who claim to know him. So it is with every other quality of His being.

This means, among other things, that one cannot be right with God unless he is right in his personal relation to Him. He cannot satisfy God's expectations of him by merely keeping certain ceremonies or going through prescribed forms.

The spiritually mature individual will not attribute every natural phenomenon to the miraculous intervention of the Lord. He will recognize that God ordinarily works through natural processes or laws. This means among other things, that the mature Christian will have a proper understanding of God's relationship to and responsibility for suffering and sorrow.

The spiritually mature individual will also understand that God, who was active in the life of Israel and surrounding nations, is creatively active in the affairs of the nations of our world. He will have an abiding faith in a God who is big enough for the problems of our day. He may seem to lose some battles, but he always wins the war. The final word is his. He calls the final plays. A strong robust faith in a sovereign God will be a great source of strength and encouragement to the serious minded child of God.

One who is spiritually mature is mature in his interpretation of the Christian life. The Christian needs to mature in his understanding of the initial experience when he became a child of God. There is a sense, of course, in which that experience was very simple. The small child can believe and become a child of God. However, as we get older we ought to be able to rethink that initial experience and see something of its depth and significance, which was not evident to us when the experience itself took place. At that time we were brought into a vital union with a living person, and that living Person is the source of the eternal life that we have as a present possession. "He who has the Son has life; he who has not the Son has not life."

The mature Christian will also have an increasingly clear understanding of what it means to be a real Christian. He will understand that it means more than faithfulness to the formal requirements of his religion, freedom from questionable activities, or orthodoxy in belief.

What it means to be a real Christian can be summed up in one statement: It means to let that which was a potentiality in the initial experience become a reality in our lives. In that initial experience we were brought into

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Daley Observations



C. R. Daley

Whoever said suggestions are a dime a dozen just about gave the true value of most of those offered for increasing church attendance and raising money for church purposes. Some I've run across recently might well get the crowds and the money but the ultimate consequences could be worse than poor attendance and church poverty.

Most suggestions about church attendance are directed toward men since women and children are already fairly faithful.

Benjamin Franklin came up with an answer a long time ago for increased attendance of men at religious services. Writing in his autobiography of his experiences in the Indian wars of early America, he tells of a zealous Presbyterian chaplain who couldn't get the men to his services of prayers and exhortations. It seemed that then as now strong drink was made easily available for military men and, noticing that the soldiers were always punctual for the handouts of rum, Mr. Franklin suggested to the chaplain that the rum be dealt out right after the prayers. The chaplain took to the idea and according to Franklin "never were prayers more generally and more punctually attended."

No Baptist would seriously consider such an idea, I trust, but it would do away with dry services, help the preacher always give something the people would take home and save money by combining the liquor ads and church publicity in the Saturday editions.

More recently a West London minister has offered another idea to catch the men. Using a psychological approach, he accounts for the congregation being 90 per cent women because the clergymen are all men. Having at least one woman preacher for each church to supplement the male ministry would surely bring the men, he says. With all the pack-a-pew, bring-a-buddy and like gimmicks of our day, it's a wonder some enterprising Baptist preacher hasn't tried it. Come to think of it, we have with just a little variation. Who has not been to a revival service highlighted by a testimony, solo or instrumental number from a glamorous lady? One of the biggest crowds that night, too.

The plan might be a great boon to unemployed, broken-down, done-for movie and television stars but would hardly suit Baptists who find no women ordained in the New Testament Church. A mixed ministry would be about as popular as mixed swimming used to be, and besides all that, if the team were husband and wife, church harmony might be more of a problem than usual; if not, the pastor's wife might neglect her home keeping watch over the staff members.

New ideas for raising money are not scarce, either. Harvey's, a leading Nashville, Tennessee, department store, has inaugurated a yearly one-day event when 10 per cent of all sales will go to the church or synagogue designated by the buyers. Monday before Thanksgiving Day has been set for each

year. How wonderful for such slogans, as "Buy a television and help send a missionary" and "A fur will go a 'fur' piece for the Lord."

Members of a Kentucky Baptist church have been recently challenged with two plans. The first is to leave off one vegetable from one meal each week and contribute the saving to the building fund. The other is to have a haircut by a certain barber who will turn 25c of the price into the church in the customer's name.

So far as I know there's no copyright on any of these ideas. I see no special objections to them but the practice of Malachi 3:8-10 would make them unneeded.

As for increasing church attendance, Paul had a fairly good idea in suggesting to Timothy to "Preach the Word" (2 Tim. 4:2).

There Is A Reason

Quite often Baptists are heard complaining about the high costs of sending their boys and girls to Baptist schools and sometimes such remarks as this are heard: "Why can't Baptists have as many hospitals, schools and children's homes as Roman Catholics?" One answer to such complaints and questions appeared in a Courier-Journal news article the last day of 1957.

The article was a report of the distribution of gifts in 1957 by the Keeneland Foundation. This foundation, in case you don't know, receives all its funds from the horse racing industry and gave away almost \$106,000 last year. The benefactor list is interesting as the grants are restricted to Kentucky educational, charitable and research institutions. Three Roman Catholic colleges in Kentucky, Bellarmine, Ursuline and Villa Madonna, two Presbyterian Colleges, Centre and Pikeville, one Methodist, Kentucky Wesleyan, one Christian, Transylvania, and Berea College are reported among those receiving grants.

Here's where part of the answer lies to the high cost of Baptist schools. No Baptist college was listed as receiving Keeneland Foundation grants, thank the Lord! This is not because the grant was not offered but because Baptists have scruples about such money. When boys and girls study Bible, languages, science, etc., at Baptist colleges in Kentucky, they are not instructed by professors part of whose pay comes from the legalized form of stealing which takes place at Keeneland's betting windows. We have also refused to solicit funds which have been available from the liquor industry while other denominations have abandoned all hesitation. The temptation is great because the need for money is so dire but we had better hold the line.

The hospital situation is even more tempting. The government gives away millions and millions of dollars every year for hospital construction but Baptists have never stood in line with Catholics and many others for this handout since it is clearly a violation of the precious American principle of separation of church and state. Baptists who admire and envy the fine facilities of many Catholic hospitals ought to remember that Catholics are not due all the credit. Baptists can thank themselves because their tax money

helped build the hospitals. They even have the right as a taxpayer to go there for treatment but when they do, they are subject to the indoctrination of garbed sisters and fathers. This is about as fair as the trial of Jesus.

All Baptists are not agreed on this. Some would take such money claiming that no strings are attached. There are some arguments on this side but not enough, in my opinion, to justify departure from our historic policy. All of us have heard the reported

reply of the preacher who was offered a contribution by a bootlegger from his nefarious trade. "Give it to me," said the preacher, "the devil has had it long enough." I'm not sure that in such an instance the money and the devil are not so intertwined that when you accept one, you get both.

I'll be expecting to hear from some readers asking about the tobacco money which supports so many Kentucky Baptist churches and the welcome tithe every Sunday from the dishonest business man.

Baptist Forum

RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION IN COLOMBIA

Editor:

Last year I was in Barranquilla, Colombia, where, at the American Consulate, the following story was told me and was verified.

The Baptist Church had set up a small medical clinic in Barranquilla staffed by a Baptist missionary and his wife and performing a badly needed service in Roman Catholic Colombia. One day a priest from a nearby Roman Catholic school marched his class, equipped with rocks, up to the clinic and taught the little boys to throw rocks at the clinic shouting "down with the Protestants" in Spanish.

I was reminded of this and indeed the status of public education in all predominantly Roman Catholic countries when reading this morning of the effort which Kentucky Baptists are making to assure children in Marion County "equal educational opportunities."

I am not a Baptist but I am an American and I think that all Kentuckians interested in the future of our children support your efforts.

Louisville, Ky. H. L. Cobb

DOESN'T LIKE MR. HAYS

Editor:

One of the most tragic happenings in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention was the election of Brooks Hays as its president for 1957-58. Unless Southern Baptists become sufficiently alarmed to prevent it, he will be re-elected at the Houston Convention in May of 1958.

Mr. Hays' record as a left-wing politician goes back at least as far as 1938, when he was listed as vice-chairman of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. This organization has been cited repeatedly as a communist front.

Mr. Hays's activity as a member and as chairman of the Christian Life Commission is well known.

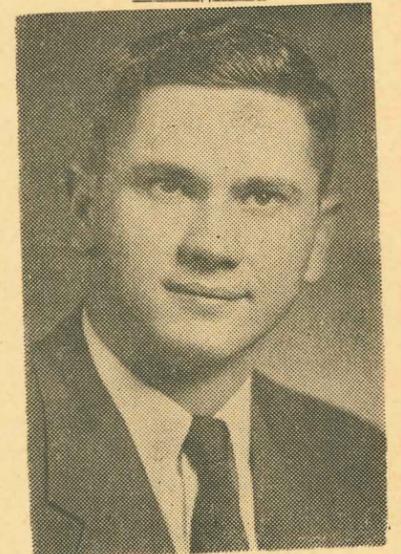
The Christian Life Commission's campaign in favor of integration is also well known.

There is a feeling of discouragement among many Southern Baptists. These believe that the only course open to those churches, a majority of whose membership believe in the preaching

and teaching of the Bible as the sole textbook of faith and practice, is to withdraw from the convention and withhold all financial support from the Cooperative Program.

This feeling is spreading rapidly throughout the south and could result in a serious breach when messengers assemble in Houston in May.

Jackson, Mississippi Louis W. Hollis



Robert Owen Williams assumed his duties as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Providence, Kentucky, January 1. Mr. Williams, a native of Henderson county, is a graduate of Georgetown College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. For the past three years he has been pastor of First Baptist Church, Lawrenceville. Mr. Williams is married to the former Anna Marie Floyd of Hardin County. They have three children, Donald Ray, Laurie Diane and Carl Prentice.

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Cameron Will Direct Chicago Mission Work

CHICAGO — (BP) — Harold E. Cameron, pioneer missionary in northern Illinois since 1952, has been approved by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board as superintendent of city missions in Chicago.

Previously Cameron had been elected by the board of directors of the Illinois Baptist State Association in its November meeting. This election had come after conference with the city missions committee of Greater Chicago Baptist Association.

Greater Chicago Baptist Association, the Illinois Baptist State Association, and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will cooperate in this new program in America's second largest city.

Earlier in the year the Home Mission Board had voted to allocate \$200,000 for 1958 work in Chicago. Known as 'Operation-Big Cities,' the program envisions similar efforts in succeeding years in America's largest cities.

Harold Cameron was born near Ripley, Ill., and attended Georgetown Baptist College and later graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

He is responsible for beginning Southern Baptist work in Wisconsin. On a visit to Madison, capitol of the state, he organized the first Southern Baptist church within the state. The work grew and Wisconsin now has seven Southern Baptist churches, six of which were begun under Cameron.

Chicago has 66 Southern Baptist churches in its metropolitan territory of 6,000,000 people.

Texans Give \$400,000 Trust Fund To Baptists

DALLAS — (BP) — F. E. Gardner, Cleburne, Texas, businessman, announced a \$400,000 gift to the Texas Baptist Foundation.

Income from the trust gift, named for the donor and his wife, Sara, will accumulate until Gardner's death. At that time the trust will become the Felix E. Gardner Endowment and all proceeds will go to Texas Baptist schools, hospitals and benevolent homes.

The 69-year-old Texas pioneer and his wife have made two previous gifts to religious causes totaling \$400,000.

►Glen Jude has resigned as pastor of the Stone Baptist Church, Pike County, effective January 13, 1958.

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

By MISS IONE GRAY, Richmond, Va.

109 Appointments in 1957 Bring Foreign Mission Staff to 1,188

Seventeen missionary appointments at the December meeting of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board brought the total number of active foreign missionaries to 1,188. The 1957 appointments totaled 109.

The new appointees are Samuel R. J. Cannata, Jr., Texas, and Virginia (Ginny) Currey Canata, Mississippi, for Southern Rhodesia; Roger G. Duck and Lavonia Redden Duck, both of Texas, for Venezuela; Betty Jane Hunt, Alabama, for Korea; John H. McTyre, Georgia, and Maurine Robles McTyre, Illinois, for Chile; D. Leon Mitchell, New Mexico, and Anne Moore Mitchell, Texas, for Indonesia.

Also, H. Earl Peacock and Margaret Dorminey Peacock, both of Georgia, for Brazil; Howard L. Smith, Mississippi, and Ada Mae Blanton Smith, Texas, for Nigeria; Jimmie D. Span and Norma Sparks, both of Texas, for Uruguay; Harlan E. Spurgeon, Missouri, and Johann Long Spurgeon, Indiana, for Taiwan.

Yearly Apointments Should Be Stepped Up to 200, Says Cauthen

"While rejoicing in the number of missionary appointments which have been made this year, we are reminded of the fact that the needs are far out of proportion to what we are able to supply," Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, said in his December report.

"It is a growing conviction with many of us that we should be appointing two hundred missionaries per year, and we believe steps will be taken in this direction, year by year. As we look toward the next six years, we keep in mind that a net gain of one hundred missionaries annually will be required in order to bring us to the close of 1963 with a minimum of 1,800 missionaries. A net gain of one hundred missionaries per year will call for a minimum of 130 appointments.

"We are encouraged by increasing evidence on the part of Southern Baptists of a determination to reinforce missionary labor with large giving. The Lottie Moon Offering is now being received. We are also receiving the Advance Program funds from the Cooperative Program."

(The Southern Baptist Convention's operating budget was met early in October. All Cooperative Program funds received by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention from that time through December 31, called

Advance Program funds, are shared by the Foreign and the Home Mission Boards, with the Foreign Mission Board receiving 75 per cent.)

Dr. Cauthen continued: "We have already received more than \$1,900,000 in Advance Program funds this year; and we expect the figure to reach a total comparable to the \$2,400,000 which we received last year.

"There is encouragement also from the fact that Southern Baptists are renewing emphasis upon prayer for world evangelization. When God's people pray, advance will follow. Power is provided, and the energies of God's servants are concentrated upon efforts under the direction of the Holy Spirit."

Dr. Sadler Gives Last Report as Area Secretary

Dr. George W. Sadler, retiring secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, reported that three Southern Baptist missionaries, who serve in East Africa, have visited the South Nyanza District of Tanganyika for the purpose of finding areas in which representatives of the Foreign Mission Board might make distinctive contributions. He said, "A district medical officer strongly urged that work be started among persons afflicted with leprosy and the district educational officer expressed concern that a teacher training center be established in the Homa Bay region."

Dr. Sadler reported that Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, president of the Baptist theological seminary in Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, spent six days in Hungary in November. He gave the following excerpts from Dr. Nordenhaug's report:

"The Baptists of Hungary number close to 20,000 members in nearly 100 churches. The Baptist pastors, which also number about 100, carry on a program of evangelistic preaching and worship at many mission points which are not yet constituted as independent churches.

"After World War II the housing situation in Budapest was so acute that the authorities took over the use of the Baptist theological seminary property. Assurance has now come from the Ministry of Religious Affairs that this building will again be placed at the disposal of Baptists. The seminary now has its quarters on the top floor of the Baptist headquarters space in Budapest. Eleven students live in two small rooms. New classes are started every second year.

"Baptists, along with other church groups, have freedom to preach the gospel in their places of worship and to organize such activities as promote

fellowship and co-operation between their churches. Baptists publish a denominational paper; and a hymn book is now being prepared.

"I came away from Hungary with deep gratitude to God for the living witness of his people there. In spite of many difficulties, they are of good courage and full of hope for the future. They need our aid and support."

This was Dr. Sadler's final report to the Board as secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, a position he has held for more than 18 years. He was named special representative for Europe at the October meeting of the Board; and he and Mrs. Sadler are planning to move to Zurich, Switzerland, in April.

W. Clark Bailey, Sr., M. D., Baptist Layman, Dies

Dr. W. Clark Bailey, Sr., 57, physician, died at Harlan, Kentucky, on November 20—just a few days after he had been attending the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky and the Georgetown College Alumni group there.

Dr. Bailey was well known in both medical and Baptist circles. He had followed in the footsteps of his father, the late Dr. Granville Pearl Bailey, who was the first and only physician for years in the Harlan sector when it was opening up. Following his graduation from the Harlan High School, in 1917, he spent four years in Georgetown College where he graduated in 1922. During his years there he earned considerable fame as a baseball pitcher on the Georgetown team. On the strength of that he was invited to take up baseball as a career, being offered a place with the Cleveland Indians. He, however, chose to enter the Medical School of the University of Louisville, where he was graduated in 1926. On completion of his internship he went back into the hills from whence he had come and there spent his entire life.

However, he found time in his busy life to enter into many things. He was a member of the Board of Trustees, Harlan City School; a trustee of Georgetown College; a delegate to the American Medical Association, and the first vice president of that organization, and a member of its legislative committee. He was president of the Kentucky State Medical Society in 1951-52, and three years later the Kentucky Academy of General Practice named him the Family Physician of the Year. He was president of the Harlan County Medical Society, a deacon and Sunday school teacher at the Harlan Baptist Church. Funeral was held in the Rest Haven Cemetery there.

He is survived by his wife, the former Agnes Asher, Pineville, and one son, W. Clark Bailey, Jr., a banker in Harlan.



"MISSION EMPHASIS WEEK" held November 3-8, 1957, in Campbell County and North Bend Associations has been acclaimed highly successful by missionaries and churches alike. In addition to the services held in the various churches, there were three fellowship nights during the week and one missionary rally. The fellowship nights were held at First Church, Ft. Thomas, Burlington Baptist Church and Latonia Baptist, Covington, and were well attended. With 500 attending the missionary rally at the First Church, Covington, Dr. Courts Redford of the Home Mission Board, was the speaker.

A total attendance for the Mission Emphasis Week was nearly 1,800 and there were 108 registered decisions for willingness to serve in the Foreign Mission field.

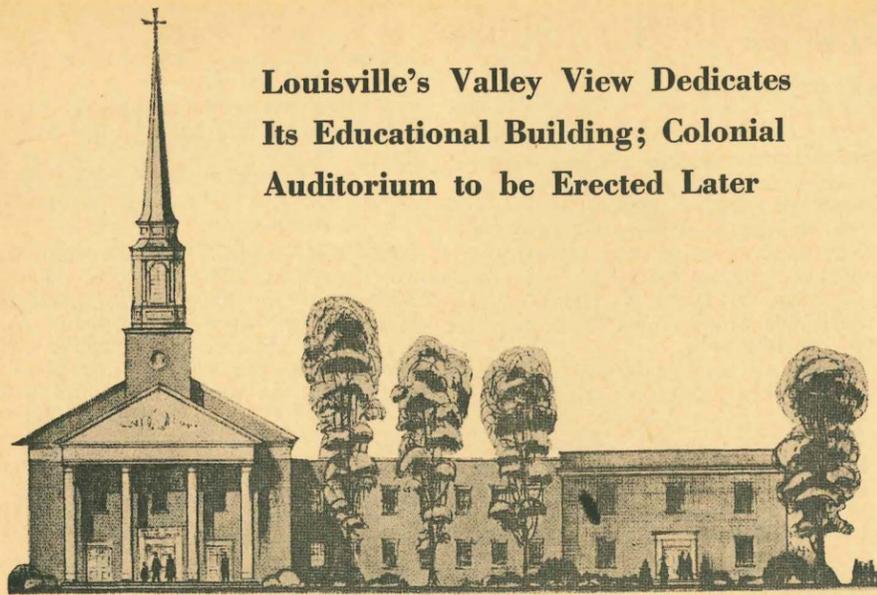
Missionaries who served in the Mission Emphasis Week appearing in the above photograph are:

FRONT ROW—Left to right: Mary Gould (Thailand); Anita Roger (Nigeria); Mrs. William B. Mitchell (Jewish work); Mrs. R. L. Bausum (Formosa); Miss Minnie Berry (Mountain Missionary); Mrs. Burton deWolfe Davis (Brazil);

Mrs. John Mein (Bahama Islands and formerly Brazil); Mrs. Ira Marks (Missionary to Mormons); Miss Bertha Wallis (Field Worker); Lillie Rogers (Malaya); Martha Jean Capshaw (Columbia); Mrs. Hoke Smith, Jr., (Columbia); Mrs. H. C. McConnell (Chile) and Vivan Wilson (Good Will Center worker) were absent at time picture was taken.

SECOND AND THIRD ROWS: J. Walker Beatty (State); Dr. A. J. Roddy (Missionary to the Deaf); Roy Lewis (State); William B. Mitchell (Missionary to Jewish); Dr. E. L. Ackiss (Military); H. S. Sauls (Supt. of Missions); Burton de Wolfe Davis (Brazil); Ira Marks (missionary to Mormons); J. V. James (Juvenile work); Jack Cayce (Juvenile work); Dr. John Mein (Bahama Islands and formerly Brazil); John Ivey (State); Dr. Hoke Smith, Jr. (Columbia).

BACK ROW: Hobart Beck (State); James McCamish (Pioneer Missionary); Thomas Francis (State formerly Missionary to Israel); Paul Rowden (Israel); Carl Robbins (State); Jack Bruce (State); Dr. Truett Smith (Pioneer Missionary); Dr. D. Chester Sparks (President Oneida); and D. A. Meader (State).



**Louisville's Valley View Dedicates
Its Educational Building; Colonial
Auditorium to be Erected Later**

The congregation of Valley View Baptist Church, Louisville, formally dedicated its new Educational Building to God on January 12. The structure is Colonial design, with a texture-face brick exterior. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 537, and provides for six departments, which will accommodate 639. Valley View Church was organized in 1940 with 21 charter members. J. Clifton Knipp served as its first pastor. J. C. Segars, Dedia Anderson, Dale Moody and Robert V. Case have held pastorates in the intervening years. Since March, 1956, the church has steadily grown under the leadership of Jerry Helms. There were 203 additions to the church last year and a present membership of 625. Situated in the center of a rapidly expanding community, there are unlimited possibilities for Valley View. Sunday school enrollment now stands at 679, with an average attendance of 375. Training Union enrollment is 205, with an average attendance of 150. The church program also includes WMU, Brotherhood, Royal Ambassadors and Girl's Auxiliary.

Harold L. Sangster has resigned as associate pastor of the First Church, Dalton, Georgia, to accept the pastorate of the First Church, Lakeland, Georgia, effective January 15, 1958. He has been associated with Dr. Robert W. Jackson at Dalton for almost two years. Sangster served



in the Marines for two years and was chaplain's assistant for 15 months. He is a graduate of Mercer University and of Southern Seminary. While at Mercer he was the recipient of the Algernon Sidney Sullivan Award, and served churches at Monticello, Bostwick and Dawson, Ga. While in Kentucky he was pastor at Fern Creek. He is teaching in the Mercer Extension at Dalton and is active in the associational work. Mrs. Sangster is the former Miss Evelyn Fendley, Walnut Street Church, Louisville, a graduate of the University of Louisville.

Welcome!

The following churches added the Western Recorder by the club or church budget plan during the past month. The Recorder will be sent to all the families of any Baptist church for a 60-day free trial when the names are sent us.

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Valley View, Valley Station, Ky.		Jerry Helms
Ages, Ages, Kentucky		(No Name Given)
Silver Grove, Silver Grove, Ky.		E. J. Engle
Clober Bottom, Versailles, Ky.		Don B. Lam
New Castle, New Castle, Ky.		William E. Hull
Preston Highway Mission, Louisville, Ky.		Bill Givens (Interim)
Rosemont, Lexington, Ky.		O. W. Yates
Great Crossing, Georgetown, Ky.		Dan Stone
Mt. Tabor, Buffalo, Ky.		Lester V. Graham
Baxter Avenue, Louisville, Ky.		W. Lyle Pearce
Burgin, Burgin, Ky.		Donald White
Ninth and O, Louisville, Ky.		Henry Beach

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The sixtieth anniversary of R. C. Bowden, Puritan Apartments, as a deacon of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, was completed on January 5, 1958, and he has just been re-elected by the church for another three-year period. Mr. Bowden was elected the first time on January 5, 1898, at the old building which stood on the northwest corner of Fourth and Walnut Streets. At that time there were only nine deacons with one vacancy. Three nominations were made from the floor, and by a co-incidence, the name of each man nominated started with the letter B. For about half a century he was a teacher of men's classes and has remained active throughout the years.

**100th Southern Church
In Indiana Organized**

KENDALLVILLE, Ind. — (BP) — The 100th Southern Church in Indiana has been constituted here with 19 charter members. It took the name Calvary Baptist Church.

Pioneer Missionary Charles Everitt led in the organization of the mission. The church in Mishawaka, Ind., sponsored the new mission.

The church is affiliated with the Illinois Baptist State Association.

Southern Baptists in Indiana plan to organize a state Baptist convention next October. They want to have 115 churches and 21,000 total members by that time. Work in Indiana is sponsored both by Illinois Association and by the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

Leaders from the Illinois Association office report that if Indiana reaches its goal of churches and members by October, it will be the largest state convention in Southern Baptist life to be organized in the past 50 years. Southern Baptist work in Indiana began in 1914.

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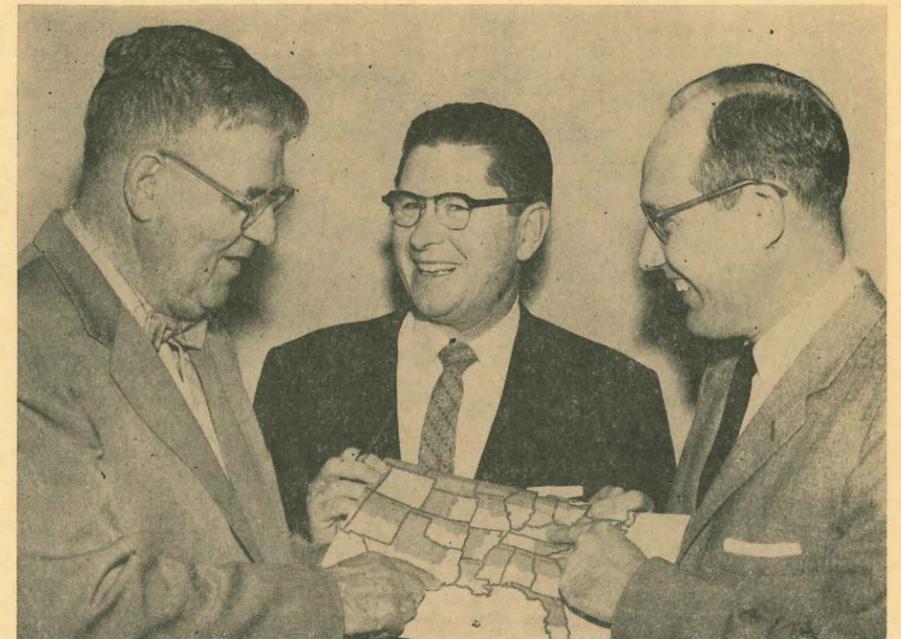
**P.O.A.U. Suggests
Catholic Candidates
Answer Questions**

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A predominately Protestant organization today suggested that every Roman Catholic candidate for President or Vice-President should be asked to take a definite stand for or against the denominational boycott of public schools, the demand for public funds for sectarian schools, and the appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican.

At the same time the national organization warned against the formation of any anti-Catholic political party and opposed any "blanket boycott of the candidates of any particular denomination." It declared, "Most citizens are born into their religious affiliations, and no one should be penalized for an accident of birth. Millions of Catholic-Americans are in complete agreement on matters of church-state separation with their fellow citizens of other faiths." "We recall with regret those chapters in our history when religious prejudice ran amok in the Know-Nothing movement and the Ku Klux Klan."

The statement concerning Catholic candidates for the presidency was part of "A Ten-Year Balance Sheet" issued for Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State by its leading officials, Charles Clayton Morrison, honorary president; Louie D. Newton, president, and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention; G. Bromley Oxnam, bishop of the Methodist Church and former president of the Federal Council of Churches; John A. Mackay, president of Princeton Theological Seminary and former moderator of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.; and Glenn L. Archer, executive director and former dean of Washburn University Law School.

The summary reviewed the struggle to maintain the separation of church and state during the ten-year period since the organization issued its first manifesto in 1948. The report praised the United States Supreme Court and Congress for "defeating every move toward new or general appropriations for sectarian institutions." "This organization," the report declared, "is now co-operating with local taxpayers in the preparation or prosecution of ten court proceedings designed to protect the taxpayers against the unconstitutional use of public funds for sectarian purposes in Kentucky, Maine, Vermont, Connecticut, New York, Louisiana, In-



EVANGELISM PLANS FOR 1959. — These secretaries—left to right, R. O. Cawker, evangelism secretary of Louisiana, Leonard Sanderson, secretary of evangelism, Home Mission Board, and Eldred M. Taylor, secretary of evangelism of Kentucky—were among those who met in Nashville on December 5 and 6 to make step-by-step plans for the 1959 World Year of Evangelism in which 30,000 Southern Baptist Churches will be invited to participate.

diana, New Mexico, Oregon and Alaska."

The report warned against a new plan suggested by Cardinal McIntyre of Los Angeles to secure Federal grants for parents of parochial school children "in a pattern paralleling the G.I. educational bills." It also charged that the Constitution is being violated by Protestants in many parts of the South who are "illegally operating sectarian religious classes in public class rooms." "We believe," the report said, "that we cannot consistently oppose Catholic intrusions into public schools unless we are equally scrupulous in opposing Protestant encroachments."

Three "special questions" were suggested, to be addressed to every Catholic candidate for President or Vice-President, as follows:

1. The Canon Law of your church (Canon 1374) directs all American Catholic parents to boycott our public schools unless they receive special permission from their bishops. Do you personally approve or disapprove of this boycott rule?

2. The bishops of your church, in an official statement in November 1948, have denounced the Supreme Court's interpretation of the religion clause of the First Amendment and have urged

that the Constitution actually permits the distribution of public money on an equitable basis to sectarian schools and other sectarian institutions. At present the Catholic press and ranking prelates are promoting a plan (See *United States News and World Report*, October 25, 1957) for securing grants of Federal money to parents to cover the costs of parochial school tuition by laws which would parallel the G.I. educational bills. What is your personal attitude toward your bishop's interpretation of the Constitution, and toward the new plan for financing parochial schools?

3. Many nations recognize your church as both a church and a state, and send official ambassadors to the Holy See. If you became president, what would be your policy concerning the appointment of an American ambassador or a personal representative to the Vatican?

The report also said: "We also believe that non-Catholic candidates for public office, on the national and local levels, should be carefully quizzed whenever they reveal any inclination to favor legislation that would grant public money to sectarian enterprises or which would otherwise threaten our traditional policy of church-state separation." The complete report follows.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ROY E. BOATWRIGHT, Secretary

STATE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC



Crawford Howell

Your Sunday School Department is promoting one State wide Vacation Bible School Clinic in 1958. It will be held with the Lexington Ave. Baptist Church in Danville where Dr. Elroy Lamb is the pastor. The dates are February 27 and 28. The clinic will begin on Thursday morning at 9:30, and will close on Friday afternoon at 3:30.

The second series of the new Vacation Bible School Textbooks will be explained and demonstrated. This State Clinic is designed to be especially helpful to all pastors, associational missionaries, associational Vacation Bible School superintendents, and those people who will be leading department conferences in the one-day clinics in the local associations. The Sunday School Department will pay five cents per mile for one car load of the above mentioned people from each Association who attend the State Vacation Bible School Clinic. The host church will furnish bed and breakfast for all clinicians who desire this service.

Mr. Crawford Howell, the new Superintendent of Vacation Bible School Expansion, with the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, will be present to make several appearances on the program. Mr. Bill Cox with the Visual Aide Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, will also be present.

Rocky Mountain Baptist Retains Present Status

DENVER — (BP) — The Rocky Mountain Baptist, publication of the Colorado Baptist General Convention here, will continue to publish twice a month in 1958 with Convention Execu-

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The department conferences will be led by Mrs. Charles Ham, Nursery; Mrs. Lyman Austin, Beginner; Mrs. A. B. Colvin, Primary; Mrs. Roy E. Boatwright, Junior; and A. B. Colvin, Intermediate.

We are praying for a registration of at least 700. Make plans now to be a part of this clinic. We are counting on you.

HOW IS YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRESSING?

The first quarter of the 1957-58 Sunday School year is history. Now is a good time to check on the progress. Do you need to start new classes, departments or a new school? Have one-fourth of all goals been reached? Is your school doing standard work? Do you have more enrolled now than last October? Are your teachers and officers winning the lost to Christ? It is all for His glory. Let's do our best!

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tive Secretary W. J. Ray as its editor. The convention had hoped to publish the paper on a weekly basis during 1958 and to elect a full-time editor. However, lack of finances resulted in postponement.

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CHURCH, HOME AND SPIRITUAL MATURITY

(Continued from Page 3)

a vital union with the resurrected Christ. To be a real Christian means to let him live in us and express himself fully through us.

The Contributions of the Church and the Home to Spiritual Maturity

We have already implied some of the possible contributions.

One responsibility that the church clearly has is to set out the goal of spiritual maturity. This goal is stated in a number of places in the Scriptures, but nowhere more clearly than in Ephesians 4:13. There Paul suggests that we are to attain "to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." What a continuously challenging goal! How far short the most mature of us fall!

The church also has considerable responsibility for those who do not come from Christian homes or come from merely nominal Christian homes. If anything is to be done for them it must be done by the church. The church, however, is tremendously handicapped in what it can do. It has those it reaches for such a limited amount of time each week. It is also extremely difficult to relate the ideals and ideas that it teaches to immediate life situations. The home has many advantages over the church in leading children and young people to a developing spiritual maturity. The parents have the opportunity of relating immediately their teaching to life needs and life situations.

There is also the advantage or the disadvantage, depending on whether or not the home is really Christian, in the close relationships in the home. There is a sharing within the family circle of the joys, the sorrows, and the disappointments that come with life. Whether or not the children react with increasing maturity to those experiences will depend largely on the maturity of the parents.

What are our homes doing to help our children to be increasingly adult or mature? Are they maturing in their ability to make decisions for themselves? Are they finding increasingly within their own lives the resources to meet the problems that come with life? Have we built into their lives basic moral principles? Are we gradually shifting the responsibility for decisions from ourselves to them? Are we providing in the home the kind of discipline that our children need to mature into well disciplined individuals? Is the faith of our children increasingly mature? Are we mature enough to help our children properly to interpret what it means to live the Christian life?

Neither the church nor the home can do its task adequately without the

TRAINING UNION

JAMES WHALEY, Secretary

Sword Drill in Every Church

(First of two articles)

I. Sword Drill is a monthly activity of every Intermediate union.

1. Standard: III Activities. 3. Sword Drill—"Each Intermediate shall be encouraged to memorize the Sword Drill materials in his quarterly each month. The leader or the sponsor shall conduct at least one Sword Drill each month, using the materials memorized by the Intermediates."

2. Begin by reviewing the books of the Bible. Example: What are the first five books of the Old Testament? What book comes after the book of Ruth? What is the last book in the New Testament,

3. After each union member is familiar with the books of the Bible, having had a book drill several times, begin scripture searching. References for scripture searching may be taken from any part of the Bible.

4. Your members are now ready to learn the Sword Drill references listed in either Intermediate Quarterly I or Intermediate Quarterly II.

Suggested Plan:

a. Just before the Bible quiz each Sunday night, the leader or sponsor will give each member of the union an opportunity to learn two references from the listed references in either quarterly. These references appear in three places in each quarterly. They are for character, doctrinal, and unfinished quotation drills.

In three Sundays six references have been learned. These references constitute the major portion of the monthly drill in the union.

assistance of the other. Certainly the home ought to co-operate with the church in everything it is attempting to do for the members of the family. On the other hand, the church should co-operate with the home and do what it can to strengthen and stabilize the home. The Christian church and the Christian home must labor together with God if they are to do effectively the task He has given them to do.

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b. Learn all references and review. At the end of the quarter approximately 18 references have been learned.

c. Each quarter, on the last page of each Intermediate quarterly, there is a recap of all the material for the previous quarter. Keep this page for reference and review.

d. The January-February-March quarterly has all the material to be used in the associational, regional and State drill. The July through December material is found in the back of the quarterly with the January through March material in the quarterly.

5. Now you are ready to use all types of drills (Books, Scripture Searching, Doctrinal, Character, Unfinished Quotation).

6. It is not necessary to score or time every drill held in the union. Doing so might tend to discourage those who are slower than others in participation.

7. When conducting the drill call on different ones to give the answers. Calling on the first person who steps out discourages those who are slow.

Associational "M" Night In Blood River

Blood River Baptist Association will observe "M" Night on January 20, at the Sinking Spring Baptist Church. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Norman Culpepper, Associational Director, has announced that Stanley Howell, Associate, Kentucky Training Union Department, will speak on the subject, "Inherited—a Trust and a Challenge."

►William Reynolds, Nashville, Tenn., director of music for the Fifth Baptist Youth World Conference in Toronto, Canada, June 27-July 2, is now receiving applications for a 1,000-voice youth choir. Young people who can sing and want to volunteer their services should write him at 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tenn. Age, choral experience and voice range should be given.

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	S.S.	Add.	T.U.
Louisville, Carlisle Ave.	1,299	2	282
Missions (2)	422	1	189
Madisonville, First	1,081	1	301
Mayfield, First	1,003	---	315
Owensboro, Third	995	---	248
Hopkinsville, Second	920	2	235
Mission (1)	167	---	66
Murray, First	907	---	---
Mission (1)	58	---	---
Harrodsburg	885	---	176
Missions (3)	135	---	78
Evansville, Grace	876	---	309
Elizabethtown,			
Severns Valley* (2)	828	---	183
Hopkinsville, First* (1)	811	5	233
Covington, Calvary	793	---	---
Lexington, Grace	792	6	170
Lou., Beechland	786	7	209
Mission (1)	367	4	116
Lou., Parkland	785	2	209
Mission (1)	182	2	68
Lexington, Calvary	758	3	203
Mission (1)	53	---	---
Lou., Beechmont	738	---	125
Missions (2)	422	1	189
Lou., Victory Mem.	724	7	201
Missions (2)	188	---	92
Covington, Latonia	695	---	185
Missions (1)	117	---	33
Frankfort, First	694	---	173
Missions (1)	81	---	49
Glasgow	676	---	115
Missions (2)	187	---	---
Georgetown	674	---	279
Missions (2)	48	---	---
Somerset, First	645	---	171
Missions (1)	69	---	---
Newport, First	624	---	173
Missions (2)	163	---	---
Shelbyville, First	606	---	---
Henderson, Immanuel	593	5	120
Missions (2)	108	---	125
Lou., Southside	566	7	142
Lou., Hazelwood	564	3	104
Lou., Third Avenue	563	3	163
Mission (1)	134	8	53
Ashland, First	547	---	126
Missions (3)	154	---	---
Erlanger	529	---	96
Corbin, Central	512	---	151
Mission (1)	74	---	---
Lou., Bethany	510	---	100
Lou., Eastern Parkway	509	1	127
Evansville, Calvary	505	---	191
Lou., Shively	494	---	122
Mission (1)	112	4	50
Lou., Highland	490	1	156
Owensboro, Buena Vista	487	---	136
Covington, Southside	486	---	98
Danville, Lexington Ave.	484	---	81
Mission (1)	54	---	---
Owensboro, Hall St.	476	---	189
London, First	472	3	159
Mission (1)	56	---	---
Middlesboro, First	468	---	109
Lou., Farmdale	454	2	135
Bellevue	451	---	81
Lou., 18th St.	---	3	140
Mission (1)	---	1	23
Owensboro, Eaton Mem.	442	---	187
Paducah, East	441	---	79
Lou., Shawnee	438	2	145
Lebanon, First	436	1	111
Mission (1)	124	---	54
Paducah, First	436	---	156
Lou., Rockford Lane	430	4	125
Florence	427	8	76
Corbin, First	405	---	128
Russellville, First	404	---	133
Mission (1)	70	---	---
Morganfield, First	400	1	116
LaGrange, DeHaven Mem.	400	---	79
Walton, First	394	---	139
Bardstown	394	---	63
Versailles	386	---	64
Hazard, First	384	---	78
Hodgenville, First	382	---	136
Sturgis, First	377	4	76
Lou., Valley View	376	2	136
Lou., Immanuel	371	3	106
Frankfort, Crestwood	368	9	159
Nicholasville	367	---	102
Richmond, First	362	1	79
Springfield, First	358	---	140
Cynthiana	352	2	61
Mission (1)	76	---	37
Lou., Green Acres	344	2	116
Danville, Gethsemane	343	4	155
Greenville, First	339	---	133
Ludlow, First	337	---	77
Lou., Fairdale	335	3	126
Mt. Washington	334	---	104
Glendale, Gilead	331	---	269
Bowling Green, Eastwood	330	---	132
Louisville, Beechwood	328	3	115

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**Family Estate Becomes
Site for Midwestern Campus**

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (BP) — Property which had been a family estate for more than 100 years will be the site of new Midwestern Baptist Seminary here.

Trustees of the new seminary, sixth one in the Southern Baptist Convention, have signed a purchase agreement with Mrs. Sheffa Vivion Foster. Mrs. Foster sold the seminary 99 acres, but retained a home and five acres on which she and Mr. Foster live.

The trustees paid the first payment of \$62,500 toward the total cost of \$252,000 for the 99 acres. The balance will

Covington, First* (2)	323	4	174
Shepherdsville	308	---	73
Campbellsville	---	---	136
Pleasant Hill	307	---	88
Ft. Thomas, First	307	---	---
Mission (1)	85	---	---
Poducah, Twelfth St.	306	---	118
Poducah, West End	305	2	126
Scottsville, First	301	---	91
Dawson Springs	301	---	70
Ashland, Pollard	299	2	110
Mission (1)	67	---	---
Middletown, First	294	4	66
Benton, First	287	---	139
Lebanon Junction	281	---	107
Campbellsville, South	---	---	---
Campbellsville	277	---	94
Williamson, E.	---	---	---
Williamson	275	---	127
Mission (1)	32	---	---
Lou., Audubon	262	---	73
Hawesville	261	---	92
Middlesboro, East	---	---	---
Cumberland Avenue	260	---	76
Sonora	257	2	107
Radcliff, Stithton	252	3	61
Lou., Temple	238	---	66
Mission (1)	118	---	66
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	234	---	110
Mt. Vernon, First* (1)	228	---	79
Horse Cave	227	---	65
Owensboro, Wing Avenue	224	2	75
Covington	---	---	---
Ashland Avenue	220	3	102
Carrollton, First	214	2	59
Pleasant Grove,	---	---	---
Jeff. Co.	211	---	89
Hazel	211	---	85
Cloverport	201	1	58
Mission (1)	9	---	---
Providence, First	200	---	57
Paintsville, First	187	---	101
Missions (2)	112	---	---
Forks of Elkhorn	120	4	26

*—Number includes attendance at home church and missions.

be paid out by December, 1960, according to H. I. Hester, Liberty, Mo., president of the trustees.

Mrs. Foster said that the home and remaining five acres—valued at \$150,000—are to go to the seminary in her will. Hester said that it would probably become the future home of the seminary president.

The property is located in Kansas City North, a section of the city north of the Missouri River. It is at the intersection of two federal highways and a third federal highway is being constructed nearby.

Hester said the property is "highly desirable" land. He said the seminary received the property, despite other offers of purchase, because Mrs. Foster wanted the estate to remain intact and be used for a single purpose.

Conrad Willard, Kansas City minister and chairman of the trustees' executive committee, said that from the standpoint of acreage, the Midwestern Seminary campus will be the largest of the six SBC seminaries.

Midwestern plans to begin classes next fall in Calvary Baptist Church, Kansas City, where Willard is pastor. Construction of the first buildings on the recently-acquired Foster property may begin about the same time, according to Hester.

Hester reported the property for the seminary is already landscaped and is bordered by a fence along which roses have been planted. He said that seminary trustees will meet soon to discuss a master plan for developing the property and buildings for the seminary.

Mrs. Foster was born and reared on the Vivion estate. She and Mr. Foster are Disciples of Christ and attend Independence Blvd. Christian Church.

Hester, Willard, Trustee Charles Curry, and Seminary President Millard Berquist were present for the transaction in which the seminary acquired the land. Curry is chairman of the building committee. They met with Mrs. Foster and her attorney.

Sunday School Lesson

For January 19, 1958

By H. C. Chiles

THE CHURCH IS A FELLOWSHIP



H. C. Chiles

Fellowship is the intimate association of two or more people on a friendly basis. It involves reciprocal knowledge, reciprocal love and reciprocal endeavor. Real fellowship means knowing each other better, loving each other more, and doing things together and for each other.

**I. The Picture Of This Fellowship.
Acts 2:42-47.**

The New Testament writers commended and practiced Christian fellowship. They magnified the benefits derived from it. Enriching Christian fellowship is one of many glorious privileges afforded us today. How thankful we ought to be for it!

When Peter preached his great and memorable sermon on the Day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit used it to make those who heard it deeply conscious of their terrible guilt. Conviction for sin is a divine work, and it always precedes concern about salvation. Approximately three thousand of Peter's hearers repented of their sins and believed on Christ as their personal Saviour. After He saved them, they gladly submitted to baptism as an evidence of their faith in Him and as an act of loving obedience to Christ. Baptism had nothing to do with their salvation. Baptism never has saved anybody. Only Jesus Christ can save. People are not baptized in order to have their sins forgiven, but because they have been forgiven already on the ground of their repentance toward God and their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Members of the church in Jerusalem were characterized by steadfastness. Regardless of their circumstances and hardships, those early Christians remained steadfast in the things of the Lord. They were eager to receive instruction from the apostles, who had been taught by Christ. When the apostles instructed them in the things of Christ, the Christians gladly accepted them and promptly put them into practice. A faithful teaching ministry is one of the crying needs in our present day church life. We need to train our people to be steadfast in doctrine.

Those early Christians continued in intimate fellowship with God. Bound together by the unbreakable ties of Christian love, they enjoyed a won-

derful fellowship. Instead of indulging in criticism, they prayed for and encouraged each other. True brotherly love prevailed among them.

They were steadfast in the breaking of bread. This expression is usually interpreted as having reference to their observance of the Lord's Supper. None of them refused to obey the dying command of their Lord. What a pity that so many church members today act as if the command, "This do . . . in remembrance of Me," had never been uttered!

They also continued in the attitude and spirit of prayer. Their prayers indicated their reliance upon God. Had they failed to pray their efforts would have been fruitless, but as a result of their praying they were powerful and influential. They were reverent, whereas many of our church services are characterized by the lack of reverence. They were very generous and sacrificial because of their love for their Lord and their love for others.

They were happy in the Lord and in their work together for Him. Their gratitude to God for His blessings upon them found expression in praise to Him. Their spirit, fellowship, attitudes, conduct, testimony, labors and service won the admiration, esteem and love of the unsaved around them, and resulted in the salvation of many precious souls and their addition to the church. Fellowship with those who know the Lord and truly love Him is one of the greatest and most glorious privileges which God gives to His children. As they together devote themselves to the doing of His blessed will, He delights to fill their souls with joy, to bless them, and to win others through them.

**II. The Principles Of This Fellowship.
Romans 15:1-9.**

In this passage the Apostle Paul emphasized the proper relationship between the strong and the weak Christians. He addressed the strong Christians, appealing to them to recognize their obligation to manifest a vital interest in and concern about the weaker brethren. Not only did Paul include himself with the strong Christians, but he made it clear that we may be found in their company also.

A robust Christian faith does not create selfishness, but always enjoins helpfulness. The interests of the true Christian are not to be in self-gratification primarily, but in the welfare of others and in compliance with the will of God. Christ came to reveal God to men, to redeem them from sin and to reconcile them to God.



Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Colvin, 1901 Nelson Avenue, Louisville, will observe their Golden Wedding anniversary with a reception open for their friends at the Kentucky Hotel, Mezzanine Floor, Fifth and Walnut, Sunday afternoon, January 26, from 2:30 to 5:00. They were married January 22, 1908, but their observance of the anniversary will be on the next nearest Sunday. Before marriage he was a member of Good Hope Church, Taylor County, and she of Rolling Fork and Union Band Churches, LaRue County. They attended old Science Hill Normal School, Campbellsville, and both taught school in Taylor County. Since marriage they have belonged to Calvary and Eighteenth Street Churches in Louisville, being at the latter place since 1920. Wherever they have been they have been active. He has been a deacon and a trustee. Both have been Sunday school teachers, church clerks, and have filled many places of service.

Verse four teaches us the purpose of the Old Testament Scriptures. It informs us that they are meant for the instruction of New Testament believers every generation. Though they were written aforetime, they are for our time, too. They were written for our instruction and improvement. Therefore, we should read and study them frequently, regularly, reverently, prayerfully, gratefully, diligently, persistently and obediently. Through them we can converse with the past, find comfort for the present, and derive hope for the future. Patience, comfort and hope are needed by all of us, and the more of them that we have the happier we shall be. Hope is sustained and nurtured by the glorious promises of the Word of God.

BROTHERHOOD

J. C. BALLEW, Royal Ambassador Secretary

ASSOCIATIONAL ROYAL AMBASSADOR RALLIES February 13, 1958

Theme: "Master Builders." This is the first attempt to have simultaneous associational rallies in our state. The following associations are planning their rally on this date:

1. Anderson
2. Caldwell
3. Campbell
4. Daviess-McLean
5. Little Bethel
6. Shelby County
7. Simpson
8. South District
9. West Union

Associations that will have their rallies in February, but on different dates: North Bend will meet February 10; Liberty—February 14; and Long Run—February 22. Blood River, Christian County, and Graves County associations will conduct rallies this Spring, but have not set their dates.

The Church having the largest group of Royal Ambassadors present will receive the Associational ribbon. Plans for future activities will be presented: Home Mission Week of Prayer, Royal Ambassador MISSION DAY (book on Home Missions), Association and State Track meets, Camps, and the 2nd Convention-Wide Royal Ambassador Congress—August 12-14, 1958, Ft. Worth, Texas. Kentucky has a goal of 210 boys and leaders.

YEARS OF SERVICE

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Pastor and His Wife Going from Glencoe, Ky., To Be Missionaries

Pastor and Mrs. Harlan E. Spurgeon, of Popular Grove Baptist Church, Glencoe, Ky., were appointed missionaries to Taiwan (Formosa) by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at its December, 1957, meeting (See page 1).

Mr. Spurgeon began as pastor of the Glencoe church in August, 1954. Prior to that he was pastor of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Everton, Mo., Mount Moriah (Mo.) Baptist Church, and Bethel Baptist Church, Lansing, Kansas. He also taught in the public schools of Leavenworth, Kansas, and worked for a grocery store in Louisville, Ky.

A native of Bolivar, Mo., he received the associate of arts degree from Southwest Baptist College in his home town, the bachelor of arts degree from William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., and the bachelor of divinity degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

While in high school, Mr. Spurgeon dedicated his life for Christian service and later, while studying in the semi-

for five (5) years or more. They are at present serving the following churches:

1. Lloyd Barron, Dry Run Church, Georgetown.
2. Carl B. Edwards, St. Matthews, Louisville.
3. J. E. Darter, Upton.
4. Leon Eubank, First, Tompkinsville.
5. Bill Funk, 23rd and Broadway, Louisville.
6. Carl Gerth, First, Walton.
7. Billy Joe Gibson, First, Danville.
8. Paul Huskisson, Gethsemane, Danville.
9. O. W. Lasater, Edmonton.
10. Hubert Line, Munfordville.
11. Rev. William McElrath, Jordan, Eagle Station.
12. Paul S. Owen, Lone Oak, Paducah.
13. Rev. M. A. Reese, Cave City.
14. Rev. Duncan Smith, Bells Run, Hartford.
15. Billy Tillett, Campbellsville.
16. Bill Vaught, First, Danville.
17. Rev. Ralph S. Voris, Riverside, Four Mile.
18. Gay Whitfield, Second, Madisonville.
19. L. E. Wilson, South Jefferson, Valley Station.
20. Bill Woolums, Crestwood, Frankfort.

You are performing a very real Christian service. Keep up the good work. And may the Lord continue to use you and bless you in this great task of leading boys.

nary, he realized that he had closed the biggest part of the inhabited world out of his personal ministry, he said.

"At the very beginning of my senior year in the seminary God began to lead my life in a more definite way toward the foreign mission enterprise," he told the Board. He related how his conviction toward doing overseas work grew as he studied missions in different classes and talked to missionaries on the campus.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon have said, "Whether God sees fit to use us at home



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or abroad, we are missionaries and world Christians."

Mrs. Spurgeon is the former Joann Long, native of Indianapolis, Indiana. She received the associate of education degree from Southwest Baptist College. Her working experiences include teaching in the nursery school of Southern Seminary and working as typist in Kansas City, Mo., and in Leavenworth.

"It was through Girls' Auxiliary, a youth organization of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, that I first heard the challenge of missions," she said as she told of the impression made upon her by a missionary to Burma.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon have two children: Timothy Eugene, almost four, and Twila Jean, 20 months.

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The annual meeting of Kentucky Baptist Woman's Missionary Union will be held at First Church, Bowling Green, April 1-3, 1958.

A very fine program is being prepared by our president and those working with her. Among the speakers will be Mrs. R. L. Mathis, of Waco, Texas, president of Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. Eugene Hill of the Foreign Mission Board; Miss Mary Frances Gould, Kentucky missionary just returned for furlough from Thailand, and a number of other outstanding speakers.

There will be special features on youth work and the work of business women. Make your plans now to attend this important, inspirational meeting, with a large group from your church.

Watch this page for information about program features, conferences, awards, banquets, and other important information.

REPRESENTATION

According to our By-laws, official messengers to the annual session, with the privilege of voting are: (1) members of the Executive Board; (2) WMU Field Workers; (3) Chairmen of Departments of Fundamentals and Youth; chairman of the Divisions of the Departments, namely, Prayer, Mission Study, Stewardship, Community Missions, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Girls' Auxiliary, Sunbeam Bands; (4) Regional Chairman of Departments and Divisions; (5) Regional Youth Leaders; (6) Superintendents of Associations; (7) Associational Group Leaders; (8) Associational Youth Leaders; (9) Former State President; (10) one from each WMS and one additional for every fifty members above the first fifty, three being the limit (except the hostess church which is entitled to six) and three from the Department of Youth of each W. M. S.

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Requests for credential cards for messengers are to be sent to the State Office. Names and addresses of those requesting them and the organizations they represent must be included with the request for the cards.

Because so many people lose or forget their cards, the cards will not be mailed to you when your request is received but your card will be on file at the registration desk in Bowling Green, if you have requested one.

Your request must reach us in time for cards to be prepared before the State Meeting. Please get your request in early. Remember, also, that we can issue cards only in keeping with provisions of the state by-laws.

ROOM RESERVATIONS

Entertainment in homes will be on the pay plan, which is the plan adopted many years ago. The rates will be \$2.00 for bed and breakfast. Watch this page for further information about this. A list of hotels and motor courts, with rates, will also appear soon.

Make your reservations as soon as possible.

FOR YOUR FEBRUARY PROGRAM

In February we look at the Jews as we study Doorposts and Gates in the WMS program. You may want to pass on this thought from an Episcopal church bulletin:

"We are distressed to learn that several children in our church school taunted some Jewish children with 'the Jews killed Christ.' The facts, historically and spiritually, are: The Jews of Jesus' day were a subject people of Rome, who did not have the power to execute anyone. The official agent was not a Jew, but Pontius Pilate, Roman governor of Judea. He had full power of life and death.

The arrest and trial of Jesus were held secretly at night and early morning for the precise reason that the Jewish people would have risen up in protest had they known what was happening. The Jewish people, generally, did not desire Jesus' death. The leaders of the Jewish religious party, such as Annas and Caiaphas, did, but are the German people held responsible for Hitler's madness or the Russians for Stalin's? We urge our parents to relate these facts to their children. Our love for Christ is shown by our love for all people, everywhere, regardless of race, color or creed."

Sinners both then and now crucified Jesus. The Jews and Romans were only the means for His crucifixion.

ACTIVATE CHRISTIAN STANDARDS

In reply to the question "How have your societies activated the Christian standards?" Mrs. Lon Smith of Texas says:

"Members of the WMS have entered the state community missions poster contest and submitted attractive posters, Christian Use of the Ballot and The Alcohol Problem. They have distributed bumper stickers "Arrive Alive—don't drink and drive;" presented the play "The Whirlwind," the skit, "Saying 'No' Politely" and the film "The Choice;" wrote letters to magazines protesting liquor ads; wrote to congressmen asking their support of bills prohibiting the advertising of alcoholic beverages on TV and the serving of intoxicants on airplanes; sponsored "I Buy Dry" campaigns to prevent the sale of beer and wine at grocery stores; circulated petitions for local option elections to vote counties dry.

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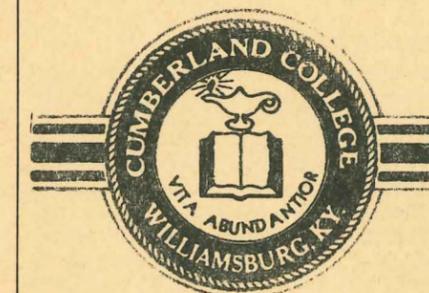
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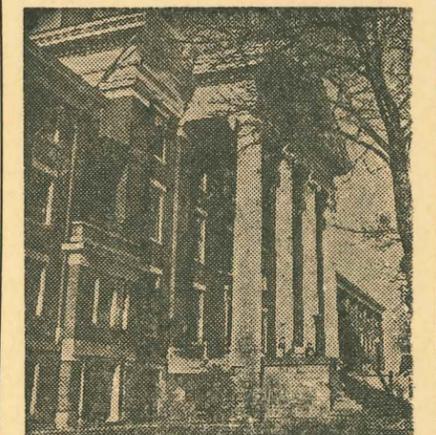
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