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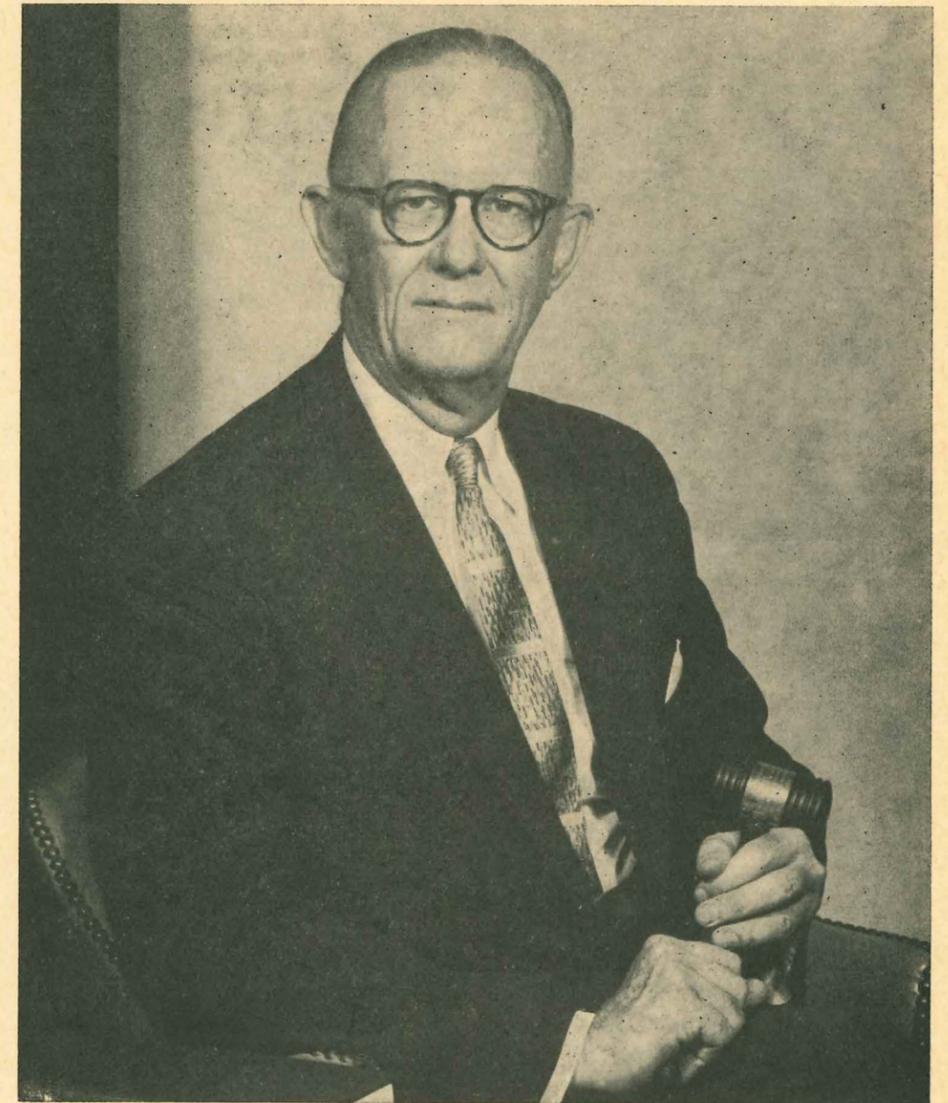
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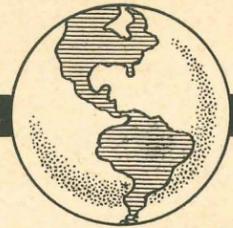
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Brooks Hays, U. S. Senator from Arkansas and President of the Southern Baptist Convention, is moderator of the 101st session of the latter body being held at Houston this week



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

Revival Fires Burning

►South Park Baptist Chapel, Louisville, had 17 added to the church in a recent revival. Ten of these came for baptism. Ted Sisk, associate pastor of the Buechel Park Church was the evangelist. Music was under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Sloan. Alton H. McEachern is the pastor.

►James Oertwig, pastor, First Church, Clay, helped Pastor E. M. Skinner in a youth revival in Victory Church of Providence, April 9-14. The singing was led by Miller Skinner, student at Murray State College and son of Pastor Skinner. The pianist was Charles Markham, also a student at Murray State. There were professions of faith, 6 of whom were for baptism.

►The Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church of Huntington, West Virginia, James Walters, pastor, reports a gracious revival with Connie L. Hargrove as evangelist. Bro. Hargrove, well known and much loved in Kentucky, now lives in Tavares, Florida. He is scheduled for a revival later this year with the Alton Station Baptist Church, in Anderson County, and is available for other revivals or supply.

►General Secretary W. C. Boone preached in a revival meeting with Pastor Shelby R. Beaty at the Marion Baptist Church. Song leader was Mr. Charlie Orr, member of the Marion Church and director of their choir. Dr. Boone states that the Marion Church is making splendid progress under the leadership of Pastor Beaty and hopes soon to undertake a building program to enlarge their auditorium. The revival closed with five additions by baptism.

Educational Items

►Harvey B. Hatcher, director of the Speech and Drama Department at Carson-Newman College, has been named professor of educational arts in the School of Religious Education at Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

►Thomas E. McCollough, teacher in the department of religion at Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., has been elected professor of theology at the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland. Mrs. McCollough is a daughter of Mrs. M. Theron Rankin, and the late Dr. Rankin.

►Sabbatical leave for 1958-59 has been granted Herbert C. Jackson, associate professor of comparative religion and missions at Southern Seminary. He has

accepted a \$4,000 faculty fellowship by the American Association of Theological Schools, and will study in Southeast Asia.

►The Alumni meeting of Clear Creek School was held April 29. D. M. Aldridge, president of the school, delivered the message and showed an historical film at the banquet. Fred Ponton, president of the Alumni Association, is pastor at Elizabethton, Tenn. Carl Hunter, former professor who is now pastor at First Church, Jellico, Tenn., gave a musical number.

►Dr. George Brodschi, director of the International Center at the University of Louisville, has been named visiting professor of political science at Georgetown College the first session of summer school. Dr. Brodschi, a native of Romania, is a graduate of the University of Bucharest, where he was granted the degree of Doctor of Economic and Political Science. He came to the United States in 1949.

►A summer term of ten weeks has been announced for Campbellsville College by Dean Roy O. Chumler. Registration will be on Monday, June 2, for the term ending Friday, August 8. A large selection of subjects is being offered. Unusually low costs are announced for the ten weeks' term. On campus students will be charged only \$180 which includes \$80 tuition, \$80 for meals and \$20 for a dormitory room. Drive-in students will be required to pay only the \$80 tuition.

Sunday School & Temperance

►E. M. Cullen, Sturgis, has been elected associational Sunday school superintendent of Ohio Valley Association. He succeeds J. A. Oakley, who has moved to Georgetown. Mr. Cullen was formerly superintendent of Little Bethel Sunday School, Grove Center, and for the last seven years superintendent at the First Baptist Church, Sturgis.

►Crooked Creek Church, Route 2, Berry, Ky., broke its Sunday school record on April 6 with 124 in attendance, according to Pastor M. W. Hansen.

►Walter C. House, executive director of the Temperance League of Kentucky, was one of a large group of temperance leaders who packed the Senate Caucus Room in Washington at the hearings April 22-23 on the Langer Bill (S. 582) to ban liquor advertising and beercasting. During his stay in Washington, Mr. House visited several Kentucky congressmen and senators, and, with Senator Cooper, called on President Eisen-

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hower. "The Langer Bill hearing," said Mr. House, "indicated a growing demand for congressional action to protect the American home from air-wave invasion by the liquor traffic over radio and TV. National Temperance leaders were proud to have Rep. Brooks Hays of Arkansas, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, state at the hearing that the government owes it to the people to do what it can to reduce temptation to drink beer, wines and other alcoholic drinks."

THE CHURCH'S MINISTRY TO THE FAMILY

By THOMAS A. BLAND

How can the church minister effectively to families in the latter half of the twentieth century? The family is a primary group both in human society and in the Christian fellowship. As a primary group in human society the family maintains such important social functions as giving and receiving affection, bearing and rearing children, and transmitting basic culture from one generation to the next. With respect to the Christian fellowship the family is primary both in the order of creation and redemption. The Creator who declared that "it is not good that . . . man should be alone . . ." (Gen. 2:18) has "set the solitary of earth in the midst of families" (Psalms 68:6). The Redeemer has created the church as a family and the family are vitally interrelated.

Interpretation of Christian Marriage

In the first place, the church may offer to the community it serves an interpretation of Christian marriage. Special attention should be given to the preparation of young people for marriage as a Christian experience.

The church must make a distinction between marriage as a human experience and Christian marriage. Christian marriage is qualitatively different. It is the union of a man and woman, both of whom have found the center of life in Jesus Christ. Further, Christian marriage is based upon a three-fold covenant between a man and a woman, between couple and society, and between a couple and God. Recognition of the covenant nature of Christian marriage places the relationship above the level of a civil contract. The marital covenant is a moral commitment to permanent, monogamic union. Such a union is sustained and enriched by mutuality, fidelity and love.

Three Helps For Parents

In the offering of help to parents in the rearing of children the church may minister to the family. There are three ways in which the church may offer special help to parents of growing children.

First, the church may increase the religious knowledge of parents and children. The teaching and training agencies of the church play prominent roles here. The contest of the Bible, Christian history, doctrine, ethics and mis-

sions may be taught in church classroom and from pulpit. Growing children ask their parents baffling questions relating to theology. Opportunities are abundant in church and family to bring the growing child into an encounter with God in Christ in such a way that the child comes to a personal, saving knowledge of Christ. Resourceful religious leaders will find ways and means to help parents to impart such religious knowledge to their children.

Secondly, the church may strengthen family life by providing meaningful worship opportunities to parents and children. The church needs to develop public worship services in which the family can participate as a family. The family's experience of worship in the sanctuary on Sunday provides a source of strength for daily family life.

The family's worship experiences should not all take place in the church sanctuary, however. The daily experience of worship in the home is needed. Parents need help in planning and carrying out family worship. Nostalgic references by the minister to Bible reading around the fireplace or the kitchen range in his boyhood home will not suffice to instruct modern parents in leadership in family worship. Alas, many modern homes have no fireplace, and there isn't room for the family in the modern kitchen!

In addition to aids to family worship which are available in denominational literature, many helpful materials for family worship on such special Christian days as Christmas and Easter could be developed and made available through the Church.

The third point at which a Christian ministry of helpfulness to parents as indicated in giving a concept of Christian discipline in family life. Discipline is not negative, but positive. It is instructional. A Christian concept of discipline which would be helpful to parents is that of the more mature members of the fellowship guiding the development of the less mature through correction, inspiration, and instruction.

When every person is respected and appreciated, and when the growing child's skills are admired and encouraged, discipline is positive.

Work of Pastor Indispensable

In the effective ministry of the church to the family, the work of the pastor is indispensable. As interpreter and counselor, friend and spiritual guide, shepherd of the people and representative of God in every place of human need, the pastor serves as the church's chief servant among its families. The pastor who is sensitive to human need, trained in theology and human relations,

and submissive to the Lordship of Christ, can have a uniquely helpful ministry in the strengthening of family life in this generation.

West Broadway, Louisville, Calls J. G. Pickens

James G. Pickens, native of Decatur, Ala., has been called to be pastor of West Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville. He will assume his duties there June 1. His wife is the former Miss Clarine Johnson, and they have one son, James G., Jr., age three and one-half years.

Pickens served as associate pastor of West Broadway formerly, and as the first pastor of North 42nd Street Church, which was sponsored by West Broadway while he was a student in Southern Seminary. He has been pastor in Grundy, Virginia, for three years, where the baptisms have averaged 100 a year and the budget has advanced from \$18,000 to \$40,000.

West Broadway has good possibilities which we believe will be realized under the fine leadership of Brother Pickens. This church has a noble history, and many fine and capable people who, we believe, will follow the leadership of Christ through their new pastor to great victories in the years ahead.—Ben F. Mitchell, Interim Pastor.

►A revival was held at First Church, Loyall, Ky. Dr. J. S. Bell, former pastor of the Hindman Church, in Kentucky, and now in Campaign, Illinois, was the evangelist, and Ronald Sholar, music director for Harlan Baptist Church, led the singing. There were 22 souls saved, 8 by letter, with 21 rededications, making a total of 51 decisions.

►Double Springs Church has called Raymond Smith as its pastor and he began Sunday, May 4, preaching the morning sermon at Pollyann and the evening message at Waynesburg.

►Dr. Frank Belvin, general missionary to the Seminole and Creek Indians, Okmulgee, Okla., was the evangelist, and Victor Kaneubbe, general missionary to the Choctaw Indians at Philadelphia, Miss., was the song leader in a revival with Dr. George M. Trout, pastor at Grace Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. There were 39 for baptism, 9 by letter and several rededications. Pastor Trout says: "These Indian missionaries captured the hearts of all our people by their humbleness and sincerity. Dr. Belvin and Mr. Kaneubbe made personal appearances almost every day while in Lexington, visiting the schools and speaking at several churches. Although the revival has come and gone, the revival spirit will continue in Grace Church for some time to come."



DALEY OBSERVATIONS

Anything Goes at the Convention

When Baptists convene only the Lord knows what might happen and some would say it's even a strain on divine omniscience to predict Baptist proceedings. This year's convention in Houston will likely be no exception to this rule and for several reasons it stands to be one of the most interesting and eventful meetings of Southern Baptists in years.

The convention will have more Texas flavor than just a meeting site. A large number of the 15,000 or more messengers will be Texas Baptists. Their cordiality and hospitality will more than offset their corner on hotel rooms and their boasting.

There is an outside chance that some unexpected moves will be made. Though the convention president almost always is automatically reelected for a second term and Congressman Brooks Hays has served only one year, his middle-of-the-road position on the segregation issue and his intervention in the school crisis in Little Rock have been openly criticized and some messenger might attempt to unseat him.

The race issue will in all likelihood be injected one place or another on the program. There are those who would welcome a move to endorse school segregation in the South and to repudiate some actions and statements of the Christian Life Commission. A move even to discontinue this commission might come.

The most important convention matter scheduled for consideration will be a report from a two year old Committee on Total Program. This report will recommend considerable changes in the present operational policies of some of our denominational agencies and will surely evoke heated discussion.

There are some great difficulties even in the matter of presentation of this report. It contains 63 mimeographed pages which must be read. Few Baptists any longer sit still long enough to hear such a lengthy report, to say nothing of considering it in detail. A shorter report, if possible, would surely be better and have a better chance for a fair hearing.

Again the report will not be familiar to many of the messengers in spite of its release several months ago and its treatment in many denominational periodicals including all the state papers. Rumors and scandal travel rapidly but the details of a committee report require many months to become common knowledge.

There will be serious questions about some of the report recommendations. It calls for the establishment of one new commission and one new board. The stewardship promotion now in the hands of the Executive Committee would be a separate agency, known as the Stewardship Commission. This seems good though it does not resolve some conflict which has resulted from stewardship materials being merchandised by an agency other than the Sunday School Board which has generally been the one source of Southern Baptist printed materials.

A new Church Loan Board is advocated to assist in church construction. Heretofore the Home Mission Board has had this as part of its work and strangely enough will also continue to have a lending program. There is some difference in the area of operation of these two but the committee will have difficulty in showing this is not duplication.

The Foreign Mission Board is almost untouched except for the advocating of more English speaking churches in large cities of the world. The Home Mission Board is dealt with rather severely. Much of the work now done by the Board is to be transferred to the individual states and the work in Cuba, Hawaii and other territories is to be turned over to these local conventions as soon as is wise. The Home Board will have special responsibility for promoting work in pioneer fields.

One apparently good recommendation concerns the Sunday School Board. This Board will no longer make grants to other institutions or agencies but will turn over its divisible profits to the Convention for distribution. This will remove the danger of undue influence by this board through grants to other institutions.

Opposition has already been expressed in several states to the recommendation of continuing the Southern Baptist Foundation. The only place for soliciting funds for the Southern Foundation is in the states most of which have foundations themselves and could administer any gifts to Southwide agencies. I believe that the Convention should do only those things which the states cannot effectively do but this does not seem to be one of them.

For this reason I also question the recommendation to continue the Southern Baptist Hospital Commission. Our two Southwide hospitals could be given to the states in spite of legal difficulties and even some loss of specified grants. Hospital work should be reserved for the states.

What will happen to the report? A majority of the editors and other spokesmen have called for a year's delay because of the far-reaching effects of the recommendations so briefly considered. This could well happen. It seems we have bitten off too much at one time. It would have been better to deal with our agencies one or two at the time. After all, we've been more than 100 years in getting our present organization. We could take several years in revising it.

The most talked about matter at Houston will not be anything mentioned above but the present squabble between 13 Southern Seminary professors and President Duke McCall. It will not likely reach the convention floor but the halls will be full of it. Messengers will await with anxiety some announcement from the Houston meeting of the Southern trustees on this matter and will also likely learn of another Southern professor's election to the Southwestern faculty.

BAPTIST FORUM



CHALLENGE OF MOUNTAIN MISSIONS

Editor:

I had always heard about it in the ten years I had been a pastor in Kentucky. I had heard of the work done by J. S. Bell at Hindman, Ira McMillen, Jr., at Prestonsburg, and Harold Waincott at Pikeville, just to mention a few of the places. I had thrilled to the accounts the missionaries gave at the General Association meetings of the work, but "seeing is believing" as the old saying goes! Of course I am speaking of the tremendous challenge of Kentucky mountain mission work.

Having the privilege of helping Bro. Paul Howerton at the East Williamson Baptist Church in a revival meeting April 27-May 4, I saw for the first time what Kentucky Baptist mountain missions really are. As Brother Howerton laid it on our hearts, we saw valley after valley without a Baptist church. We saw the possibility for missions in at least six or seven different good localities within a short distance of Williamson. We met, and we felt and we knew for the first time the hunger of many people for the Gospel in the mountains of eastern Kentucky and of neighboring West Virginia. We had the thrill of being present and seeing a check presented to the East Williamson Baptist Church from the state Baptist Board and the Springfield Baptist Church for the newly started mission at Phelps, West Virginia, where they had just concluded a revival with 42 decisions for Christ! I returned to Paducah thanking God for such men as Paul Howerton, who loves lost souls, who loves the Kentucky mountains, and who loves Jesus Christ most of all, and for the work he is doing in the Kentucky and West Virginia mountains for Christ!

Paducah, Ky. Sam G. Shepard

MECHANICAL SOUL WINNING

Editor:

Recently I have read of Southern Baptists setting a goal as to the number of souls we would win to the Lord in 1959. "Salvation belongeth to the Lord" and not to us. Who are we to say how many the Holy Spirit will convict and convert!

Jesus said, "Ye shall be witnesses." When we witness for Him, results are left in His hands—not ours. Years ago

in a revival meeting, quite a number "came forward" and the evangelist said, "Who'll make it? (what ever the next number was). Sounded to me like an auctioneer. May God save us from such tragedy!

Covington, Ky. Beulah Gaines

Letters of Spiritual Counsel

By WAYNE E. OATES
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Wayne E. Oates

Question: What do we mean when we call a person an alcoholic?

Answer: This is a medical term which is used to describe a person who drinks alcohol to such an extent and in such a way that (1) it interferes with his work, and his or her ability to earn a living and to carry their normal responsibilities; (2) it isolates him from his associates in such a way that he cannot be accepted by them; and (3) it is beyond his personal self-control or determination to stop the use of alcohol. In other words, he is compulsive, and is desperately in need of outside help beyond that which he can give himself or that which he can get from his family.

A recent book by Howard Clinebell, entitled *Understanding and Counseling the Alcoholic* (Abingdon Press), will be especially helpful in giving a clear understanding of this destroyer of human personality. We often so concentrate upon programs of temperance, alcohol control, etc., to the total neglect of the alcoholic himself. He is a person for whom Christ died. The care of him we should give and not leave these other things undone.

►Frank C. Campbell, 1955 graduate of the Southern Baptist Seminary, has just moved from the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Troutville, Va., to the pastorate of the Bullittsburg Baptist Church, Burlington, Ky., and preached his first sermon there May 4. He is married to the former Mary Catherine Hall, Lyndon, Ky., and they have one son, Byron Alexander.

Cooperative Program Report For Six Months

By W. C. BOONE

Cooperative Program receipts in April amounted to \$158,560.30, a drop of \$10,912.59 from the same period last year and \$26,161.77 less than March 1958.

However, total Cooperative Program gifts for the first six months of this General Association year, November 1, 1957 to April 30, 1958 inclusive, amounted to \$1,055,578.85. This is an increase over the corresponding period last year of \$38,566.18. Total receipts for the first half of this year, including designated gifts, were \$1,840,870.59.

Cooperative Program goal for this year is \$2,150,000. Hence our receipts for the first half year fell short of the goal by \$19,421.15.

We are hopeful that the coming months will show an increase so that we may be able to reach our goal by the end of the year. The Supplemental Offering approved by the General Association for June 29, 1958, should help in this effort.

The itemized list of gifts from churches through the Cooperative Program and for designated objects will appear in a future issue of the WESTERN RECORDER.

Kentucky Is Ninth In S. B. C. Giving

NASHVILLE (BP) — Kentucky contributed a total of \$89,347 to work of the Southern Baptist Convention in April, with the total from all states reaching the SBC's treasurer amounting to \$1,861,750.

The state's monthly contributions included \$61,567 through the Cooperative Program and \$27,779 through specially-designated funds. The state ranked ninth for the month in total contributions.

The Southern Baptist Convention total included \$1,164,167 through the Cooperative Program, undesignated offerings which support the Convention's missionary, educational, and other agency work. Another \$697,583 was in offerings designated for special objectives by donors. The April, 1958, total was \$1,300 greater than the total reported in April, 1957.

►Miss Cliffodean Boyd has resigned as director of public relations of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The resignation is to become effective May 30.

►Pastor Frank T. Florence, Jr., Ormsby Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, was in an accident when his automobile overturned on U. S. 42, near Bedford. He was on his way to Cincinnati to preach in a revival, and had in mind to visit his former pastorate at Florence, Ky. He is author of a recent book, "Feet of Clay."

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102-Year-Old Man Baptized in Living Room

By Mrs. D. M. ALDRIDGE,
Pineville, Kentucky



Jess Morgan

Edward D. Baker, associational missionary of Middle Fork Association, recently baptized 102 year old Jess Morgan in the living room of the man's home.

Brother Baker, who enrolled in Clear Creek Baptist School in 1946 after spending almost twenty years in the U. S. Army, led Mr. Jess Morgan to the Lord at the age of 101. After he was saved, this elderly man wanted to be baptized but was incapacitated and unable to travel to a baptistry. His desire to be baptized became so great that his family consented to help make it possible. They helped the missionary construct a home-made baptistry in the living room, and lined it with a tarpaulin. Then there was the problem of filling the baptistry. The family's only source of water supply was a spring at the foot of a steep hill on which the house was built. Bucket by bucket the water was brought up the mountainside by members of the family and the church and heated in wash tubs for use in the improvised baptistry.

Members of the family helped Brother Baker lift the 102 year old man over the wooden structure and down into the pool of water. After living more than a century without Christ as Saviour, he followed his new-found Lord in baptism, and became a member of the Rockhouse Baptist Church, in spite of such obstacles as old age, lack of a baptistry and scarcity of water.

The ingenuity and determination displayed by Brother Baker is typical of this man who was pastor of a Regular Baptist church, an anti-tither, and anti-missionary when he became a student at Clear Creek Baptist School. After several months in this school, he apologized to the missions professor, whom he had thought was not a Christian because he believed in missions. Later he preached a sermon on tithing in the Regular Baptist church where he was pastor, and 15 members agreed to tithe. For many years Ed Baker has been one of the State missionaries, working in Leslie County in Eastern Kentucky.

►The date of July 23-24 has been set for the Southeastern Religious Education Association at Ridgcrest.

To Launch 'Operation Baptist Biography'

NASHVILLE (BP) — "Operation Baptist Biography" will be launched this year to secure biographical information about as many Southern Baptists as possible.

Norman W. Cox, Nashville, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission, announced the project.

"No Baptist will be denied the opportunity of filing his or her biographical data," he said.

Cox said the "motivating concept and objective" for "Operation Baptist Biography" is found in Malachi 3:16 in which a "book of remembrance" is described.

Such a project would be a co-operative one, requiring participation of state Baptist historical groups and of Southern Baptist agencies. Many of the facts on biographical forms submitted would be punched on sorting cards for business machines in the office of research and statistics, Baptist Sunday School Board.

The biographical files would yield important information for Baptist writers, he added.

The operation provides for securing biographical information on dead as well as living Southern Baptist people. The form to be filled out covers personal history such as place of birth, parents, childhood residence, education, marital information, religious experience, church and denominational activity, public service, clubs, hobbies, and the like.

A person other than the subject will be asked to write a descriptive characterization of the person, outlining the person's contribution to Christianity. (This is designed to supplement strictly objective statistical information with evaluations and life experiences.)

The operation will be financed by asking \$1 for each subject on which biographical information is submitted. The state historical society retains 50 cents on each subject, and remainder is sent to the SBC Historical Commission, Cox said.

This will supply ample money to cover expenses of the project, he continued.

►Members of the Woman's Missionary Society, Parkland Church, Louisville, have sent us an appreciation of Mrs. Charles Strickland who has used her needle and sewing machine to make hundreds of dresses for the children of Spring Meadows and the Bridge Mission; also for some of the homeless children in Brazil.



Leroy Arnold was ordained to the gospel ministry by the Grace Baptist Church, Lexington, December 31. J. W. Brown, pastor, South Campbellsville, delivered the sermon and Sam Hatton, pastor of Spears Mill, gave the charge. John W. Wells, superintendent of missions, Elkhorn Association, led the prayer. Dr. George M. Trout, pastor, Grace Church, Lexington, was elected moderator of the council and led in the examination. Robert N. Solomon, pastor, Porter Memorial, was elected clerk. Dr. O. W. Yates, pastor, Rosement, was a member of the council. Mr. Arnold is a student at Georgetown College and pastor of the Hi-Acres Mission, which is sponsored by the Grace Baptist Church.

►Victory Church, Providence, where E. M. Skinner is pastor, has completely redecorated its auditorium and installed new oak pews.

►William C. Boone, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Boone, is graduating in the Law School at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, on May 23. His father and mother will stop over after the Convention to attend the commencement. The young Mrs. Boone is also graduating with a degree in Business Administration. The young couple has a baby daughter, Karen Ann. Bill Boone, as he is called, will enter law practice in the firm of his brother-in-law, Mr. Charles B. Arendall, Jr., at Mobile, Ala., June 1. Mrs. Arendall, Nan Boone, is the youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Boone. Her husband is the son of the late Dr. C. B. Arendall, Sr., for many years pastor of Dauphin Way Baptist Church in Mobile. Another son, Arthur Upshaw Boone, II, is in business in Austin, Texas, and is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of that city.

Mrs. J. W. Black, 95 Years Old, Honored by WMS, London's First Church

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, London, was recently honored by the attendance of its oldest member, Mrs. J. W. Black. Mrs. Black, at the age of ninety-five, is still active in church life and affords inspiration for the entire church.

Mrs. Cecil Yeary, president of the First Baptist W. M. U., characterizes Mrs. Black in the following words:

"More than three-quarters of a century of quiet service in the Lord's vineyard and now, although 95 years of age, Mrs. J. W. Black is still active in every phase of her church life. Mrs. Black is in her place near the front of the church every Sunday. She is an active member of her Sunday School Class, takes part on her Circle program of the WMU and her Training Union group.

"Mrs. Black was born August 30, 1862, accepted Christ as her personal Saviour very early in life and was baptized into the fellowship of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Bengie, Kentucky. Later, in 1921, she moved her membership to the First Baptist Church, London, where for many years she has made her home with a daughter, Mrs. Lucy E. Bowling. Mrs. Black is the mother of 10 children, 14 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren. She is a benediction to her family and an inspiration to all who know her.

"Her hobbies are quilt piecing and sewing. Her stitches are minute, her work neat. Her outlook on life is as fine as her needlework. She is blessed with good health, good eyesight and an alert active mind which she exercises daily by reading her Bible and the daily newspapers. She has an excellent memory, enjoys visiting, making long trips and new friends.

"Only a few months ago she thoroughly enjoyed a motor trip to Florida visiting some of her children and grandchildren. She is beautiful in character and a picture of life as to God's plan. She has grown old in grace and beauty in the service of her Lord, and now in the sunset of life she is as lovely to look at as a bright autumn leaf. Yes, Mrs. Black is truly a radiant, shining Christian spirit."

►The Ages Baptist Church, Harlan County, met Sunday afternoon, April 27, at 2:00 and ordained Elmer Blakely, G. H. Young, and Bob Jackson as deacons. Assisting Pastor T. J. Ingram in the service were George Shelton, pastor of the New Riverside Baptist Church who offered the ordination prayer, and Graden Sears, pastor of the Pansy Baptist Church who preached the sermon and gave the charge.



GREAT CROSSINGS CALLS RHODUS.—Frank Rhodus is the new pastor of Great Crossings Baptist Church, Georgetown, Kentucky. Rhodus succeeds Dan Stone who recently assumed a new pastorate in Harrisburg, Illinois. Mr. Rhodus is a Kentuckian and comes to Great Crossings after several successful pastorates in North Central Kentucky. For the past several years he has been pastor of the Warsaw Baptist Church and an outstanding leader in the work in Ten Mile Association. His training includes Georgetown College and Southern Baptist Seminary. Great Crossing is one of the oldest churches in Kentucky being constituted in 1785 by Lewis Craig and John Taylor. Among the pastors of Great Crossing are listed such Baptist greats as John L. Waller, William F. Broaddus and Basil Manly, Jr. The church is among the outstanding rural churches in Kentucky today.

Ross E. Dillon, Former Kentucky Pastor, Honored By Houston Baptists

HOUSTON, Texas — Houston friends of Dr. Ross E. Dillon honored him on Tuesday night, April 22, in observing his tenth anniversary as executive secretary of Union Baptist Association. Dr. Forrest C. Feezor, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, was the principal speaker for the meeting which was held at Second Baptist Church. Dr. Arthur B. Rutledge, secretary of direct missions for the Texas Convention, also spoke.

Dr. Dillon received his master's and his doctor's degrees from Southern Seminary in Louisville and lived in Kentucky 17 years. He was pastor of the Ormsby Avenue Church of Louisville; First Church of Paris; and First Church of Frankfort.

"Garden of Hope" Nears Completion

An unique project located on a hilltop at the end of Edge Cliff Road, Covington, Kentucky, is nearing completion. The project, called the Garden of Hope, is the dream of a Covington clergyman, Morris H. Coers.

The project was first conceived by the minister on a visit to the Holy Land in 1938. He was so impressed by the Garden Tomb, believed by many to be the tomb built by Joseph of Arimathea and given by him for the burial of the body of Christ, that he began plans for the construction of a similar garden in America. In 1956 plans for the garden were first announced and June of this year has been set for its dedication.

The replica tomb has been completed at the cost of over \$40,000 with a million pounds of stone and steel. The garden also contains a Carpenter Shop of the type in which Christ worked as a boy and in which will be found for sale, articles made by boys and girls in a Jerusalem orphanage.

Completing the garden is a small chapel to be known as the Chapel of Dreams. This structure is patterned after a sixteenth century Spanish mission church in San Francisco and will be dedicated as a place of meditation and prayer. It will also serve as a chapel for the performance of marriages. A five hundred pound stone taken from the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem will be used for a Wall of Memories in the garden.

The Garden of Hope has been financed by personal contributors. The largest contribution so far has been made by a Jewish friend. The project is reported as non-sectarian and designed for the inspiration and enjoyment of all who visit the place. Mr. Coers serves as executive director of the project and also serves as pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Covington.

►The tour of Secretary W. C. Boone to Europe this summer has been cancelled. This trip was planned by Dr. Roland Q. Leavell of New Orleans Seminary, and, since he was unable to go, so many of his friends canceled that it was necessary to give up the trip.

During Dr. Dillon's decade of service the Association has organized 68 churches and 77 missions, most of the missions have become churches. A total of 91 new missions and churches have been organized in 1948-1957. There are now 156 churches and 27 missions in the Association.

Mrs. Dillon shared in the expressions of appreciation. The couple was presented with a thousand dollars from churches and friends.

The Current Crisis At Southern Seminary

By THE EDITOR

"Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelen, lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph" (II Samuel 1:20). This lament of David over fallen Saul is hardly expressive enough for the grief of the hearts of thousands who so dearly love Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville. If there were tears in heaven, the eyes of Boyce, Broaddus, Mullins, Sampey and other seminary greats would be full today.

A controversy between President McCall and some members of the theological faculty has come to a point of bitterness hardly imaginable. At this moment the hope for settlement without severe loss is indeed dark. The affair is now in the hands of the trustees, where it should be.

Southern Baptists have chosen to place their educational institutions under the direction of trustees elected and responsible to the convention. Since this is our method, calmness, restraint and poise should prevail. These trustees are men of spiritual stature and sound judgment. They face a grave responsibility and a difficult task in dealing with this matter, but it behooves everyone else to reserve judgment and expression until they act. If their decision does not suit the convention, the convention can call for an accounting at the next session.

For this reason it would be highly unwise for local or state groups to pass judgment before the trustees

act and it would be even worse for the matter to be aired on the convention floor this year. I doubt if anyone except the trustees have enough facts to make a sensible and sane observation now.

Being the editor on the scene, I feel an obligation to other Baptist editors as well as to all Southern Baptists to provide some of the facts. I feel just as strong an obligation to reserve observations and discussion until the trustees make some announcement. For that reason I am giving all the newspaper reports on the incident as information. There are some things which have been wisely kept from publication at this time which all Baptists deserve to know later. At a later time the Western Recorder will sincerely attempt to deal with these facts and developments in a way fair to all and helpful to the Lord's cause.

In the meantime the best thing for all of us is not a whispering campaign of unfounded rumors but a spirit of repentance and prayer. We could well take time out from our reports of the Lord's blessings upon us to put on sackcloth and ashes for Satan's victories among us. In bold caps under one of the following newspaper articles were the words, "HELL ON EARTH." They announced a forthcoming series of articles on India to be in this newspaper, but their position in relation to the description of the seminary affair made me wonder if the lay-out man was not under inspiration.

Testament; Dr. John M. Lewis, professor of Christian theology, and Dr. Thomas O. Hall, Jr., professor of Old Testament.

Louisville Times,
Saturday, May 10:

Conflict at Seminary Given Study

A meeting will be held Monday to try to resolve a conflict between a faculty group of 13 professors and Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The professors have drawn up a lengthy statement of criticism of Dr. McCall's administration. They presented the statement to an investigating committee from the seminary's board of trustees.

However, neither the faculty members nor the investigating committee would reveal at this time the contents of the statement of criticism.

The issue is expected to come to a head at a meeting of the full board of trustees in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention at Houston, Texas, May 19 to 23.

Investigators to Report

An investigating committee, headed by Dr. Howard Spell, dean of Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., will report there to the full board.

Meanwhile, the faculty group is scheduled to meet with Dr. McCall at the seminary at 9:00 a.m. Monday. One of the 13 professors said today that the meeting will represent an effort to iron out some of the differences.

The investigating committee from the board of trustees has visited the campus twice in the past two weeks to look into the conflict.

The controversy appears to involve the role of the faculty in the affairs of the school.

Three Issues Reported

The statement of criticism from the 13 professors reportedly questions the manner in which new faculty members are hired, cites what it describes as instances of the limitation of academic freedom and questions Dr. McCall's use of administrative authority.

Dr. McCall could not be reached for comment.

The faculty members who drew up the statement of criticism are:

Drs. Theron D. Price, Henry E. Turlington, J. Morris Ashcraft, Guy H. Ranson, T. C. Smith, William H. Morton, Heber F. Peacock, G. Hugh Wamble, John J. Owens, William L. Lumpkin, J. Estill Jones, John M. Lewis and Thomas O. Hall, Jr.

Louisville Courier-Journal
Monday, May 12:

Talks Set Up to End Rift At Seminary; Faculty 'Very Hopeful' of Solution

There was cautious optimism yesterday that tomorrow may bring a solution to a rift that has developed between 13 professors and Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

A special meeting of the professors with Dr. McCall is scheduled for tomorrow morning. It is in addition to a long-scheduled faculty meeting tomorrow afternoon.

One of the 13 professors said yesterday the group is "very hopeful" the special meeting will bring a solution to the crisis. For that reason, he said, "and to avoid closing any doors," the group has decided not to comment before the meeting.

Drew Up Statement

The professors have drawn up a lengthy statement critical of Dr. McCall's administration. It was presented to an investigating committee from the seminary's board of trustees.

The role of the faculty in the affairs of the school seems to be the principal point at issue.

If the problems are not solved tomorrow, they are expected to be discussed at a meeting of the full board of trustees at Houston, Texas, May 19 to 23.

Louisville Courier-Journal
Tuesday, May 13:

Seminary Professors and President Discuss Rift

Thirteen professors and the president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary spent 5½ hours yesterday discussing their differences, trying to heal a rift.

The professors later agreed that any statement on the controversy should come from the president, Dr. Duke K. McCall.

Dr. McCall would say only, "It is an internal matter that must be settled internally."

The controversy, which has stirred the Lexington Road institution in recent weeks, appears to be over the faculty's role in the school's functions.

The 13 professors drew up a lengthy statement of criticisms of Dr. McCall's administration and presented it to a committee of the seminary's board of trustees.

The committee held hearings on the campus the past two weeks. It will report next week to the seminary's full board of trustees at Houston.



Edward St. John, Jacksonville, Fla., became minister of music and youth director of First Baptist Church, Central City, Ky., on February 1. He received his elementary and high school education in Montgomery, Ala. He is a graduate of Howard College, Birmingham, Ala., where he received a B. Mus. degree. After serving two years in the service, he entered the Southern Baptist Seminary, where he studied for a year and a half.

►Pastor Joe T. Stevens, First Church, Blanco, Texas, has announced his entrance into full time evangelism. Stevens begins this new phase of his ministry July 1, 1958, with the encouragement of his fellow servants of Texas and other states of the Southern Baptist Convention. He plans to adapt his services to the particular need of the church to which he ministers. Among the emphases of his efforts will be evangelism, missions and Bible study.

►James Lester Land was ordained by the Hustonville Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon, May 4. He is 25 years of age, is married and they have one child—a small girl. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Land. He has served a period in the U. S. Army. A graduate of the Hustonville High School, he is now attending Campbellsville College and is pastor of Frey's Creek Church, in Casey County Association. Pastor William R. Bradshaw served as moderator and interrogator at the ordination; B. C. Norris, Jr., as clerk; Kit Yeast, Stanford, preached the ordination sermon. The charge to the minister was given by R. C. Flynn, pastor at Mt. Salem and the charge to the church by Albert Gisler, pastor at McKinney. H. R. Watson, Harris Creek, presented the Bible and W. H. Curl conducted the devotional. Ernest Martin, Moreland, offered the prayer.

Newspaper Releases On Current Southern Seminary Controversy

Louisville Courier-Journal,
Saturday, May 10:

Baptist-Seminary Rift At Top Level Probed

Report Could Bring Firings Or Resignations; President, Some Faculty Members Disagree

By ORA SPAID

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary has been the scene in recent weeks of a controversy between some members of its faculty and Dr. Duke K. McCall, the seminary's president.

The controversy appears to be over the role the faculty should play in the affairs of the school.

A committee of the seminary's board of trustees has been on the campus twice in the past two weeks investigating the clash. After concluding hearings with the president and faculty members Thursday, the trustee's committee declined to disclose its findings.

Any action on the controversy will come at a meeting of the full board of trustees in connection with the Southern

Baptist Convention at Houston, Texas, May 19 to 23.

Report to be Made

The investigating committee, headed by Dr. Howard Spell, dean of Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., will report there to the full board.

The investigating trustees were presented with a lengthy statement of criticisms of Dr. McCall's administration drawn up by 13 prominent professors of the school.

The statement was understood to question the manner in which new faculty members are hired, to cite alleged instances of the limitation of academic freedom, and to bring charges against Dr. McCall's use of administrative authority.

Neither the professors involved nor the president would make a formal statement on the matter.

Call it an Impasse

Persons close to the controversy term it an impasse beyond the point of reconciliation. They say discharges or resignations appear likely.

Both sides of the clash insist that theological doctrine is not an issue.

The nearly century-old Lexington Road institution has been stirred by

rumor and tension in recent weeks.

The student body, now in the midst of final examinations, has received no formal statements on the matter from the administration or the faculty.

But rumors—such as mass firing of faculty members and the resignation or discharge of the president—have permeated the life of the school.

The issues of the clash apparently have been brewing for many months, perhaps years, but it is not clear what touched off the current agitation.

Members Are Listed

The 13 faculty members who drew up the statement of criticism of the president are:

Dr. Theron D. Price, professor of church history; Dr. Henry E. Turlington, professor of New Testament interpretation; Dr. J. Morris Ashcraft, professor of Biblical archaeology; Dr. Guy H. Ranson, professor of Christian ethics; Dr. T. C. Smith, professor of New Testament; Dr. William H. Morton, professor of Biblical archaeology; Dr. Heber F. Peacock, professor of New Testament; Dr. G. Hugh Wamble, professor of church history; Dr. John J. Owens, professor of Old Testament; Dr. William L. Lumpkin, professor of church history; Dr. J. Estill Jones, professor of New

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

BROTHERHOOD

State Royal Ambassador Track Meet, Georgetown

By FORREST R. SAWYER, Secretary



F. R. Sawyer

May 3 found more than 100 boys from associations all over the state of Kentucky assembled at the stadium of Georgetown College for the occasion of their second State-Wide Royal Ambassador Track Meet. Mr. Brad Jones, the athletic director of Georgetown College, directed the meet.

Dr. Glen Yarbrough, director of religious activities on the campus, made available sleeping places for 67 of the boys who stayed over-night on Friday.

Mickey Brown, of Taylor County Association, was the individual high scorer. His associational Royal Ambassador leader is Billy Tillett.

Pastor William Towery, of Sugar Grove Church at Utica and the Royal Ambassador leader for Daviess-McLean Association, with his boys took the associational championship.

Kentucky Baptists can be proud of their boys. ON NO OCCASION WAS THERE ONE SINGLE INCIDENT BY CONTESTANTS UNBECOMING A CHRISTIAN ATHLETE AND SPORTSMAN. Next year's meet will be bigger and better.

KENTUCKY'S LOSS, FLORIDA'S GAIN

May 23 Kentucky Baptists in the Brotherhood Department, along with the hospital interests of the state, particularly the Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah, will lose one of their outstanding personalities. Emmett R. Johnson, Regional Brotherhood President, will be moving to Jacksonville where on June 2 he will become the Assistant Administrator of the Southern Baptist Hospital of that city. For a number of years Mr. Johnson has been quite active in Brotherhood work and will be missed. Certainly, all will wish him God-speed.

TATE'S CREEK ASSOCIATION BROTHERHOOD AT BEREA

May 4 the Associational Brotherhood officers of the Tate's Creek Association

assembled at the Berea Baptist Church for their Executive Committee Meeting. This meeting preceded associational-wide participation in the clinic that was held Monday and Tuesday evenings, May 5 and 6, also at the Berea Baptist Church. C. H. Gillespie, the Associational Brotherhood President, and the Berea Baptist Church Pastor, O. B. Mylum, gave good leadership and served efficiently as hosts to the men of the association. Tate's Creek Association has had its Brotherhood completely staffed and organized for the past eighteen months. There are now nine churches with organized Brotherhoods. Mr. Gillespie is to be commended for his leadership. No doubt there will be additional organizations in the near future.

MUSIC

June Music Events

By EUGENE F. QUINN

Below are printed a list of musical events which are to take place in Kentucky:

ASSOCIATIONAL HYMN SINGS:

June

- 1—Shelby County at Shelbyville.
- 8—Breckenridge at Cloverport.
- 13—Boone's Creek at Providence in Clark County.
- 22—Salem Association at Paynesville.
- 29—Lincoln County.
- 29—Sulphur Fork.
- 29—Bracken at Germantown.
- 29—Severn's Valley at Sonora.

ASSOCIATIONAL CHOIR FESTIVAL:

June

- 8—Nelson Association at Little Union Church, Fairfield.

CHURCH MUSIC SCHOOLS:

June

- 9-13—Park City Baptist Church, Park City, in Liberty Association.
- 23-27—Pleasant Run Baptist Church, Manchester, in Booneville Association.
- 23-27—Clarks River Baptist Church, in Graves County Association.
- 30-July 4—North Bend Associational Music School at Bethel Encampment.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Summer Workers

By MRS. GEO. R. FERGUSON



Mary Ann Wacker

Introducing—three summer workers as provided by Kentucky WMU to assist and work with as many of the scheduled 25 GA and YWA camps as possible: Mary Ann Wacker, the president of Kentucky YWAs, is from Louisville and is a graduate of Blue Mountain College in

in Mississippi and has completed one year of study at Carver School of Missions and Social Work. Mary Ann has had much experience in camp work at Cedarmore, having served as counselor and unit leader. She also served last year as a summer student worker with our State Mission Board, as a member of a youth revival team.

Patty Batsel is a student at Georgetown College and hails from Central City. She has had much experience in recreation in her church, school and college. She offers her services as recreational leader in camps this summer. Patty can do many other things too, such as play the trombone, sing, direct choirs, etc. She served as a counselor at the Cedarmore GA camps last summer.



Patty Batsel



Joanna Holton

Joanna Holton needs no introduction to some of you since she served as one of our camp workers last summer. She said, "Kentucky stole my heart and I would like to serve another summer in the work I love." Joanna is from Birmingham, Alabama. She is a graduate of Campbellsville College and is now enrolled in Howard College.

All three of these young ladies say their main interests are missions and youth. We present them to you for this summer. They are depending on every WMU member to back them up with their prayers.

CAMP DATES

State Girls' Auxiliary Camps	
Cedarmore:	
Junior (ages 10-12)	July 7-11
Junior (ages 10-12)	July 14-19
Intermediate (13-16)	July 28-Aug. 2
Girls' Auxiliary Camps	
Oneida	June 2-6 June 16-20
Camp Joy:	
Intermediate YWA	June 16-20
Junior (11-12)	June 23-27
Junior (9-10)	July 7-11
Jonathan Creek:	
Intermediate	June 23-27
Junior	June 30-July 4
Junior	July 7-11
Schafer:	
Junior	June 30-July 4
Junior	July 7-11
Intermediate	July 21-25
Boone's Creek:	
Junior	July 7-11
Intermediate	July 14-18
Bethel:	
Junior	July 28-Aug. 2
Junior	August 4-9
Young Woman's Auxiliary	
Camp Joy:	
Intermediate and YWA	June 16-20
Jonathan Creek	June 27-29
Bethel	July 27-29
Schafer	August 1-3
State-Cedarmore	August 22-24

FOUNDATION

Kentucky Foundation Makes Second Quarter Income Distribution

By A. M. VOLLMER



A. M. Vollmer

On May 10 the Kentucky Baptist Foundation made its income distribution for the second quarter of the association a year totaling \$11,873.71 or a total for the six months since November 1, 1957, of \$29,386.90. At this rate, the total for the year should be well in excess of \$60,000.00.

The three institutions receiving the largest amounts for six months were Spring Meadows, \$8,670.36; Glen Dale, \$6,264.96; and Georgetown College, \$4,603.72; with State Missions receiving \$4,817.23.

Assets added to the endowment during the six months was \$30,000.00, bringing the total endowment with the Foundation to \$1,385,000.00. Its securities have a market value of \$150,000.00 in excess of their book value. The trust funds in the hands of the various State Foundations total more than \$50,000,000.00. More and more our Baptist people are naming the Foundation in

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bethel Association Conducts Pastor-Led Campaign

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT



Front row: left to right: Shirley DeBell, pastor Dripping Springs Church; Dr. Stanley Williamson, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee; Reed Rushing, Missionary for Bethel Association; Eugene Hamilton, Associate, Sunday School Department for Kentucky Baptists; Dr. Roy E. Boatwright, Sunday School Secretary for Kentucky Baptists.

Second row: left to right: Joe Carrico, pastor Post Oak Church; Charles Binkley, pastor, Sharon Grove Church; Earl A. Northern, pastor Trenton Church; J. L. Page, pastor, Forrest Grove Church.

Third row: left to right: Harry L. Winters, pastor Guthrie Church; J. E. Camp, pastor Adairville Church; Raymond Rich, pastor Second Baptist Church; Guy P. Hall, pastor Walnut Grove Church.

The Bethel Association, under the leadership of Reed Rushing, associational missionary, Dr. Stanley Williamson, Nashville, and Eugene Hamilton, associate in the Sunday School Department, has completed a Pastor-Led Simultaneous Sunday School Enlargement Campaign which is the first of its kind ever held in Kentucky.

The following churches participated in the endeavor: Dripping Springs, Post Oak, Sharon Grove, Trenton, Forrest Grove, Guthrie, Adairville, Second Baptist Church, Russellville, and Walnut Grove.

their state the beneficiary of bequests, as is evidenced by the number of attorneys making inquiries in behalf of their clients.

The Foundation has made SIX church loans from its Building Loan Fund totaling \$22,000.00. The interest from these loans, plus \$4,500.00 each year from the Cooperative Program, is added to the principal of this fund.

CHURCH COMMUNITY SURVEY

Lewis County Baptists Have Week's Program

By ROSS FIGART, JR., Pastor First Church, Vanceburg, Ky.

Recently the First Baptist Church of Vanceburg began a week's program of

The campaign was a success in every respect. The total Sunday school enrollment of the nine churches is 1,802. Twenty-three new departments and 43 new classes were started. Five churches advanced from class Sunday schools to department schools. Eight started visitation and training programs. Four adopted the standard as a program of work. One started the use of the six-point record system. This enlarged program calls for 83 additional workers. The religious census which was taken prior to the campaign revealed a total Sunday school possibility of 3,147.

Church Community Survey. G. R. Pen-dergraph, the director of Rural and Survey Work in Kentucky, was in charge. The other Baptist churches in Lewis County were also starting the week's program with several of the associational missionaries directing in those churches. Missionary John Ivey, Greenup Association, led the Survey at Garrison Church; Missionary Charles Tipton, Severn's Valley, led the survey at Union Church; and Missionary Tom Lewis, Christian County, led the one at Hesselton.

Vanceburg has never had a visitation program, but now a church-wide visitation program has been started with every organization taking part. The church has only 105 resident members, and many of these are inactive or unable to attend. Faced with the chal-

lenge of more than 1,200 lost people above the age of nine years, and 65% of the total population unreached, and many such overwhelming odds, the church has acquired a sense of soul-searching prayer and urgency as it labors to reach the lost.

For a church that is evangelistic and missionary, for a church that is concerned with its own community, I believe the Church Community Survey Program is the best help that has been developed in the present religious world. It has been stated in our church after this program: "If we do not intend to do anything about what we have seen and found, then we ought to close up or sell out and let someone come here who will do something about it."

TRAINING UNION

Mickey Martin Becomes Elementary Worker

By JAMES WHALEY



Mickey Martin

Miss Mickey Joyce Martin began working with the Training Union Department on April 15 as the Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Worker.

Miss Martin was born in Virginia, attended high school in Louisville, received her B.A. Degree from Georgetown College, and her M.R.E. Degree from the School of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Following her graduation from the seminary she served as educational director at First Baptist Church, Tuscumbia, Alabama, and then as educational director at First Baptist Church, Mayfield, Kentucky.

As the Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Worker Miss Martin will be available for conferences, clinics, and other special types of work related to these three age groups in Baptist Churches.

Committee Seeks Man To Succeed Leavell

NEW ORLEANS — (BP) — A Baptist newspaper editor heads a seven-man trustee committee to nominate a successor to Roland Q. Leavell, who retired May 1 as president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary here.

The committee, of which S. H. Jones, Greenville, S. C., editor of the Baptist Courier, is chairman hopes to nominate a new president before the opening of a new school term in the Fall.

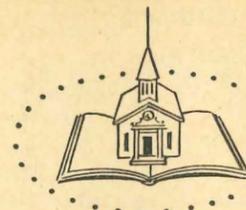
Leavell, who had been president of the seminary since 1946, asked to retire. On January 19, he suffered a cerebral thrombosis which confined him to the hospital for a month.

J. Wash Watts, professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, has been serving as acting president since Leavell's illness. He will continue to be acting president until further action by the trustees.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, MAY 11, 1958

	S.S.	Add.	T.U.
Louisville, Walnut St.	1,390	3	356
Missions (3)	247	2	53
Lou., Carlisle Ave.	1,162	2	280
Missions (3)	260	3	21
Madisonville, First	1,123	1	268
Hopkinsville, Second	1,079	—	272
Bowling Green, First	1,008	—	194
Mission (1)	110	—	—
Owensboro, Third	946	1	245
Owensboro, First	907	2	226
Murray, First	893	—	—
Mission (1)	26	—	—
Mayfield, First	890	—	239
Lou., Crescent Hill	889	—	246
Missions (2)	122	—	—
Lexington, Ashland Ave.	867	2	125
Evansville, Grace	862	—	271
Lexington, Calvary	855	1	236
Mission (1)	47	—	—
Hopkinsville, First (1)	841	—	215
Covington, Calvary	840	—	—
Lexington, Immanuel	814	6	307
Elizabethtown,	—	—	—
Severns Valley (2)	811	1	189
Newport, First	808	6	201
Missions (2)	189	—	—
Lou., Parkland	761	1	207
Mission (1)	213	24	77
Lou., Victory Mem.	752	1	159
Missions (2)	162	—	69
Lou., Beechland	743	3	179
Harrodsburg	733	3	217
Missions (3)	147	—	118
Lou., Beechmont	729	2	122
Missions (2)	420	—	146
Covington, Latonia	707	2	159
Mission (1)	117	2	29
Glasgow	693	—	110
Missions (2)	172	1	—
Ashland, First	633	—	105
Missions (3)	195	—	—
Lexington, Grace	632	21	165
Missions (2)	106	—	—
Lou., Hazelwood	626	—	120
Georgetown	623	3	204
Missions (2)	48	—	—
Frankfort, First	606	26	157
Mission (1)	102	—	68
Somerser, First	593	—	180
Mission (1)	74	—	—
Owensboro, Hall St.	587	—	234
Erlanger	565	—	103
Henderson, Immanuel	559	2	90
Missions (2)	101	—	—
London, First	556	—	170
Mission (1)	55	—	—
Paducah, First	551	3	166
Corbin, Central	549	—	122
Mission (1)	74	—	37
Lou., Third Ave.	546	3	127
Mission (1)	125	—	37

Ashland, Unity	527	—	94
Middlesboro, First	522	—	91
Evansville, Calvary	517	—	185
Covington, Southside	509	—	84
Owensboro, Buena Vista	500	—	140
Lou., Rockford Lane	497	3	204
Owensboro, Eaton Mem.	493	—	193
Bellevue	480	—	98
Lou., Shively	474	1	89
Mission (1)	95	—	30
Lou., Eastern Parkway	473	—	106
Lexington, Porter Mem.	467	—	161
Lou., Farmdale	463	6	126
Mission (1)	114	1	41
Florence	463	—	83
Danville, First	461	—	134
Missions (2)	156	13	43
Lebanon, First	455	—	123
Mission (1)	129	—	69
Ludlow, First	448	2	101
Hodgenville, First	446	1	166
Lou., Bethany	445	6	74
Lou., Bethlehem	442	—	105
Valley Station, Beth Haven ..	436	4	139
Sand Spring	433	—	61
Corbin, First	430	—	93
Cynthiana	430	2	67
Mission (1)	66	—	—
Covington, First	428	—	165
Danville, Lexington Ave.	426	—	70
Mission (1)	52	—	—
Lou., 18th St.	423	6	119
Mission (1)	73	—	—
Lou., Immanuel	415	3	79
Mt. Washington	411	—	103
Morganfield, First	403	1	129
Versailles	402	—	72
Franklin, First	400	—	89
Mission (1)	45	—	23
LaGrange, DeHaven Mem.	400	—	87
Russellville, First	398	—	173
Mission (1)	39	—	—
Walton, First	390	—	127
Hazard, First	388	—	96
Paducah, East	381	—	166
Greenville, First	376	—	156
Bardstown	372	—	57
Lou., Shawnee	371	—	142
Ashland, Pollard	371	—	120
Mission (1)	60	—	—
Valley Station	360	4	84
Springfield, First	358	—	122
Danville, Gethsemane	348	6	176
Nicholasville	344	—	83
Mission (1)	34	—	—
Shepherdsville, First (1)	341	—	57
Bowling Green, Eastwood	340	—	124
Paducah, Twelfth St.	338	—	136
Hima, Horse Creek	336	—	—
Hima, Horse Creek	331	—	81
Scottsville, First	324	—	71
Dawson Springs	321	—	—
Dayton, First	319	—	118
Lexington, Felix Mem.	315	8	133
Frankfort, Crestwood	309	—	151
Williamson, E. Williamson ..	114	1	41
Missions (2)	303	—	113
Paducah, West End	29	—	—
Mission (1)	301	—	131
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	301	16	64
Radcliff, Stithon	295	2	89
Owensboro, Crabtree Ave.	295	3	86
Middletown, First	291	—	111
Lou., Beechwood	290	—	96
Sonora	—	—	—
Campbellsville,	—	—	—
Pleasant Hill	289	—	137
Hawesville	284	—	108
Campbellsville, South	—	—	—
Campbellsville	278	—	96
Middlesboro, East	—	—	—
Cumberland Ave.	277	—	80
Covington, Ashland Ave.	265	—	57
Clarksville, Ind., First	259	—	34
Missions (2)	112	—	—
Cloverport	250	4	56
Owensboro, Seven Hills	245	—	63
Hazel	244	—	74
Covington, Decoursey	241	—	76
Lou., Baptist Temple	118	—	71
Mission (1)	241	—	—
Falmouth	27	—	—
Mission (1)	240	13	127
Somerser, Calvary	40	—	—
Mission (1)	239	—	61
Lou., Audubon	238	—	46
Carrollton, First	237	—	41
Cold Spring, First	—	—	—
Prestonsburg, Irene	—	—	—
Cole Memorial	231	4	66
Missions (12)	456	—	—
Earlington	226	5	72
Horse Cave	226	—	62
Frankfort, Memorial	226	—	—
Bowling Green, Glendale	215	—	86
Pleasant Grove, (Jeff. Co.) ..	197	—	111
Mission (1)	51	—	—
Milton	156	—	76
Forks of Elkhorn	97	—	26
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	—	—	145
Plum Point	—	—	85



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

May 25, 1958

LIVING BY GOD'S LAWS

Moses summarized and interpreted God's laws for the Israelites and urged them to be obedient thereto. He also placed great emphasis on the importance of teaching these laws to the oncoming generations. That religious training should be given in the home is as mandatory today as it was in the days of Moses. All need the influence of a home life empowered by the worship of the true and living God and the guidance derived from the study of His Word.

DEUTERONOMY 6:1-3.

Before entering the Promised Land, the children of Israel were given specific instructions as to what should be their manner of life within the land. They were requested to be a peculiar people because they had a unique God. This great declaration concerning the person of God underlies all the revelations given to Israel. Jehovah, the God of Israel, is one Lord. He is the true God as opposed to the many false gods of the pagans. He is the living God, therefore unlike all of the gods made by men. He is distinguished from all others in the following words, "They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not; They have ears, but they hear not" (Psalm 135:16-17). Since He is the one true and living God, His supremacy must be acknowledged. Man is obligated to love Him supremely. God is entitled to our complete and constant devotion. He must be loved with all the heart, soul and might.

DEUTERONOMY 11:18-21.

Exaltation of God must be maintained if there is to be true religion in the home. The Word of God teaches parents how to live and how to train their children. It challenges them to study and obey it and then to teach it diligently to their children. This involves far more than parents merely sending their children to Sunday School for a brief period of instruction once a week. God's Word is to be pondered in the heart, proclaimed to the children, perpetually discussed and published openly. It is to be taught to the children in the home, to be made the subject of conversation within numerous groups, to be borne in mind as one goes about, to be meditated upon before retiring at night and to be recalled upon arising to begin the duties of a new day. His Word

is to have a great bearing upon every phase of our lives—physical, intellectual, moral, social, financial and spiritual—and to control our actions in the various circumstances of life.

Christian parents, like the Israelites of old, have a God-given responsibility to their children which nobody else can bear for them. They are required to instruct them in the things of the Lord. Such teaching requires thought, time and energy. If parents will only perform their God-given duties in this realm, they will be able to lead their children into a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ during the tender years of childhood. In doing so they will be laying the proper foundation for them for the highest and best things in life.

BIBLE VERSE



DEUTERONOMY 6:4, 5

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:
And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

Not only are we to store up the words of the Bible in our memories, but we must also translate the truths of the Scriptures into our conduct. When the Word of God is in the heart as the governing principle of the purposes of life, the individual will be engaged in doing things in conformity to God's will. Such living and serving will result in the fullest satisfaction and the highest praise. Any nation that is filled with Christian homes will be blessed with longevity. It is upon the parents in these homes that God has placed the first responsibility for teaching the great truths about Him and His relation to people.

DEUTERONOMY 11:26-28.

Israel's future was to be determined by the attitude of her people towards God. In summarizing His reasons for

urging them to be obedient unto Him, God said to the Israelites and through this passage of Scripture to all peoples, "Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse." Obviously the line of demarcation between them was very clear, so God gave them a clear-cut choice between receiving blessings and cursings. The one factor which would determine which they would receive was their obedience or disobedience as the case might be. In the event of their obedience, God would richly bless them; but, if they disobey Him, punishment or suffering would be the inevitable result. Faithful obedience to God brings honor to Him, but disobedience results in dishonor to Him. It is no light matter to earn God's disapproval. God's children forfeit so many wonderful blessings through their disobedience. Obedience is the test of love, and there is no substitute for it. Through faithful obedience to God one not only pleases Him but also earns for himself a desirable reward.

—Sunday School Lesson Outlines, copyrighted International Council of Religious Education.

►Carlos Anderson was the evangelist and Tom Budesheim the music director, both students at Georgetown College, in a revival April 25-27 at Sligo Baptist Church, Pendleton, Ky., where Don W. Gillis is pastor.

►Albert M. Casteel, native of Indiana, has assumed his duties as missionary in Helena, Montana. He was appointed by both the Colorado Baptist General Convention and the Home Mission Board. He has been for three years pastor at Elm Grove Church, Metamora, Ind., and helped organize and served as clerk of the first Southern Baptist Association in that state. He was active in the Walnut Street Church while in Louisville, and has supplied various churches in Kentucky.

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**Dr. Sory, Ex - Sunday School Superintendent,
Honored By First Baptist Church, Richmond**

RICHMOND, Ky. — "DOCTOR SORY DAY" was observed in the First Baptist Church here on Sunday, May 4, 1958.

The day was so designated in honor of Dr. Robert Sory, who for 31 years served as superintendent of the Sunday School. A large crowd assembled in the auditorium in honor of the occasion and to share in the special service arranged in his honor.

After a brief devotional period by the present superintendent, Ramon E. Black, suitable resolutions, prepared in recognition of Dr. Sory's long, useful, and consecrated leadership, were read by Dr. Samuel Walker.

His pastor, Dr. Ernest N. Perry, expressed on behalf of the church something of the love and esteem in which Dr. Sory is held in his church and in the community, and also his own sincere gratitude for the privilege of working with Dr. Sory during the past 14 years. Miss Barbara Ann Block presented Dr. Sory a vase of American Beauties.

The United States Public Health Service ordered Dr. Sory to Richmond on August 1, 1926, to open the U. S. Public Health Service Trachoma Hospital, and to serve as medical officer. Dr. Sory examined and treated more than 15,000 cases of Trachoma, improving and restoring the priceless vision to those who came to the hospital from many parts of Kentucky and surrounding states.

Dr. Sory was born near Springfield, Tennessee, but has spent most of his life in Kentucky, having lived in Madisonville and served as Sunday school superintendent there for 13 years. His matchless skill as a surgeon made his major ministry one of healing, yet he showed by his life and labors of love an earnest concern that a spiritual vision be freely received by all from the One whose light will never grow dim but will grow brighter through the passing years.

**Jackson Church Calls
William D. Jagers**

William D. Jagers, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Jagers of Elizabethtown, preached his first sermon on May 4 as the new pastor of the First Church of Jackson, Kentucky. Located in the county seat of Breathitt County, the church reaches out into the surrounding countryside in its ministry for Christ. At present the church sponsors four missions besides a full-time program of work in the county seat town.

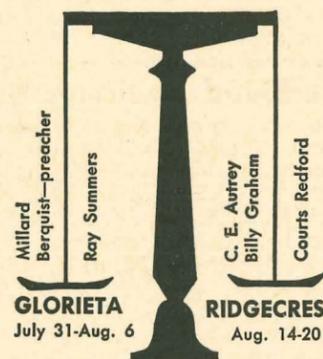
Jagers is a graduate of Elizabethtown High School and received his B.A. degree from Georgetown College. At Georgetown he served as president of the Baptist Student Union and the Student Body. During college days he served with the Home Mission Board for two years, spending one summer in the San Andres Islands off the coast of South America and another summer in the Washington-Oregon area. He received his B.D. degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary last spring and is a candidate for the Th.M. degree at the coming commencement.

For the past four years Mr. Jagers served as pastor of the Rowletts Baptist Church, in Hart County. Under his leadership the church made extensive improvements on the building, including additional Sunday school space, and now has church services three Sundays each month.

Mr. Jagers is married to the former Dodie Crowder of Mayfield, Kentucky. They have two children. The Jagers moved to Jackson about the middle of May.

►The Pollyann Sunday School, which has been a mission of the Double Springs Baptist Church, has been organized as the Pollyann Baptist Church, and has called J. D. Floyd, their mission pastor. Church and Sunday School officers were elected and the members are expecting to make application to unite with the Lincoln County Association of Missionary Baptists. E. V. Carrier had charge of the meeting and closed with a message on "Jesus Christ, the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever."

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RUSSIAN BAPTISTS SEND MESSAGE OF LOVE, PEACE

WASHINGTON — (BP) — "Tell American Christians that we love them and that we want peace." This is the message brought back from Moscow from Russian Baptists by Congressman Brooks Hays, president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A recent visitor in Moscow as a representative of the Foreign Mission Board of the SBC, Hays reports significant progress for the gospel in Russia. There are now 550,000 Baptists in 5,000 churches.

"Russians do not have religious freedom as I know it," Hays stated, "but they have more freedom now than under the Czars." Restrictions on the printing of Bibles were recently eased with permission being granted for 50,000 to be published.

Hays traveled in the company of Clarence W. Cranford, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, and president of the American Baptist Convention. Mrs. Cranford also made the trip.

THREE-MAN COMMITTEE TO DIRECT SEMINARY

FORT WORTH — (BP) — Southwestern Baptist Seminary trustees have appointed a three-member interim administrative committee to guide the affairs of the school until they can select a president to replace the late Dr. J. Howard Williams.

Named to the committee were Robert E. Naylor, chairman of the board of trustees and pastor of Travis Avenue Baptist Church here; William Fleming, Fort Worth oilman and vice-chairman of the board; and Wayne Evans, seminary business manager and secretary of the trustees.

Beechland Dedicates New Beth Haven Chapel

Some 315 people met at the new Beth Haven Chapel Building, located on Johnstontown Road and Terry Lane, near Louisville, consummating 18 months of work, March 9, 1958. The first services were held in the Sylvania Wilkerson School September 16, 1956. The next Sunday 196 were present in Sunday school. It has now advanced to more than 700. Likewise, the Woman's Mission Society has three circles, and the Training Union has increased from 68 to 220. The group worshipped in its new building January 1, 1958. Leslie M. Huff, Jr., is the pastor and Frank Drewery the minister of music.

The fact that L. M. Huff, Sr., father of the pastor, was able to be present for the services of the day added an unique note to the occasion. The dedication was a family affair and one which will not soon be forgotten by the Mother

church. The motion approved by the trustees empowered these three men to discharge and fulfill all duties of the administration, especially to the duties of the president.

The trustees are to meet again May 22, during the Southern Baptist Convention session at Houston.

**CHURCH AT 5:30 P.M.?
NINE IN TEXAS TRYING IT**

DALLAS — (BP) — Visitors to the evening worship service at a church here arrived promptly at 7:30 p.m., only to learn to their amazement that the service had been over for more than an hour.

What they didn't know was that the church is one of nine in Texas Baptist circles that has started holding its Sunday evening worship at an earlier hour.

Churches begin their services at 5, 5:30, or 6 p.m., attempting to solve a perennial attendance problem at night services. Some of the churches hold Training Union after the service instead of before.

For most the new starting time is an experiment, and already one church has gone back to the former starting time. But comments by pastors in a feature in the Baptist Standard, Texas Baptist weekly newspaper, indicates there are advantages to the earlier hour.

'MOUNTAIN MINISTER OF YEAR' SELECTED

PINEVILLE, Ky. — (BP) — Clear Creek Baptist School here selected an Athens, Tenn., minister for its "Mountain Minister of the Year" award.

The award went to Oscar Davis, pastor of Mount Harmony Baptist Church. Davis received the award May 15, when he spoke at the baccalaureate service at Clear Creek School.

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George A. Carver Named Acting Head of Carver School in Louisville

Prof. George A. Carver, teacher of missions and Social Work, Louisville, since 1953, has been named by the Board of Trustees of that institution as its interim president. He has taken up the work left vacant with the resignation of Dr. Emily K. Lansdell at the end of last calendar year. The new acting president is a son of Mrs. Alice Shepard Carver and the late Dr. W. O. Carver, for whom the institution was named.

Professor Carver is well known in Louisville where he was born and reared. He and his wife, Mrs. Saxon Rowe Carver, spent a decade as missionaries in China, where he taught English in the University of Shanghai. He spent a year on the faculty of Wake Forest College, and eleven years on the faculty of Peddie School, a prep school for boys in New Jersey.

As professor of missions at the Carver School he has been following in the steps of his late father who taught the same subject in both the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the Carver School (formerly known as the W. M. U. Training School) for many, many years.

►At the request of the Short Creek Baptist Church, Hyden, Kentucky, the Baxter Avenue Baptist Church of Louisville ordained Brother James W. Cecil to the gospel ministry on April 13. Dr. W. Peyton Thurman, dean of students at Southern Baptist Seminary, where Bro. Cecil is a first year student, preached the ordination sermon. W. Lyle Pearce, pastor of the Baxter Avenue Church, gave the ordination charge.

►W. H. Curl, director of missionary training and stewardship revivals for the Executive Board of the General Association, preached in a series of evangelistic meetings with Pastor W. R. Bradshaw at the Hustonville Baptist Church, April 23-May 4. The music was led by the pastor, and the meetings resulted in 14 additions by baptism and 2 by letter.

►Three new missions have been reported for the month of April in the 30,000 Movement. They are the Slade Mission, Red River Association, sponsored by the Campton Church; Indian Hill, Casey County Association, sponsored by the Clear Fork Church; and Shelby Street Mission of New Albany, Indiana, Long Run Association, sponsored by the Southside Church of Louisville. These missions will be numbered in the 30,000 goal of new mission stations begun by Southern Baptists by 1964.

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