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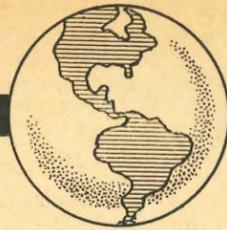
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GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

SOMETHING'S BEEN ADDED

►After this please add the abbreviation of "Sr." on the end of the name of the Training Union secretary—James H. Whaley, Sr. James Harper Whaley, Jr., seven pounds and two ounces, was born to Secretary and Mrs. Whaley on May 26. Mrs. Whaley is the former Miss Wilma Coburn, of Florien, La. The senior Mr. Whaley was from Alabama before coming to Kentucky to be Training Union secretary about four years ago.

JAPANESE BAPTIST DIES

►Matsuta Hara, well known Japanese Baptist and president emeritus of Seinan Jo Gakuin, Baptist girls' school in Kokura, Japan, died after a long illness on May 20 at the age of 72. He had been with the school for 37 years, becoming dean in 1922 at the school's opening, president in 1934, and president emeritus four years ago, after which time he continued to teach Bible classes and to preach.

NEW FIELDS OF LABOR

►J. Perry Carter has resigned as pastor of Flagler Street Baptist Church, Miami, and has become superintendent of Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc., in Florida. Before going to Florida eight years ago he was superintendent of Long Run Association, Louisville, Ky. The Flagler Street debt has been reduced from \$285,000 to \$65,000.

►David C. Brown has resigned the pastorate of the Nortonville Baptist Church to accept a call to become the pastor of the Nebo Baptist Church of the same association. During the past 3½ years the Nortonville church has witnessed many victories including 57 additions to its membership, the paying of the parsonage debt and the construction of additional class rooms and a baptistry which the church now enjoys.

DAVID MUELLER TO BASEL

►David Mueller, professor of religion at Baylor University, will spend the next academic year in advanced research at the University of Basel, Switzerland. He will work under Karl Barth, professor of systematic theology. A 1951 graduate

of Baylor, Mueller received his Ph.D. degree last summer from Duke University. He also holds a degree from Southern Seminary. He is a son of Southern Seminary Professor William A. Mueller.

CHAUDOIN-HYDE WEDDING

►Mrs. Lloyd E. Chaudoin, Louisville, announces the forthcoming wedding of her daughter, Miss Sue Chaudoin, to Mr. David C. Hyde, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hyde, Louisville. The wedding will take place at the Ninth and O Baptist Church, June 26, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening. Miss Chaudoin attended Louisville Baptist High School and was graduated from Shawnee High School in 1956. She formerly was church secretary of Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, Ky., and is at present church secretary at Ninth and O Church. Mr. Hyde is a 1957 graduate of Campbellsville College and is employed by Standard Oil Company.

DYAL IN THE STATES

►William M. Dyal, Jr., missionary to Costa Rica who is now in the States on furlough, has been named missionary associate in the department of missionary personnel of the Foreign Mission Board, where he will assist Bill B. Cody in the Board's work with college students. In Costa Rica Dyal teaches in the Baptist Theological Institute, located in San Jose, and does field evangelism. He gives much time to helping and encouraging newly appointed Southern Baptist missionaries to Spanish America, all of whom take a year in language school in San Jose before proceeding to their fields of service. He was pastor at Bagdad, Ky., before going to Costa Rica.

PROSPECT'S NEW DEACONS

►A service was held at the Prospect Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, May 10, when Lloyd Ferguson and William Sheehan were ordained as deacons. Pastor Jack Prince, of the Crestwood Baptist Church, brought the devotional, and guest Garlon Sills, Jr., sang appropriate special music. The ordaining council was composed of deacons of the Prospect Baptist Church and sister churches, and pastors of neighboring Baptist churches; Prospect Pastor John W. Lynch served as moderator of the council. Pastor I. Ferd Graves, Middletown, led in the examination of the candidates; Edwin F. Perry, pastor of

Broadway Church, delivered the ordination sermon and charges. Deacon Robert Philpot, of Rockford Lane Church, led the prayer of dedication, followed by the ceremony of laying on of hands.

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THIS WORLD'S CRYING NEEDS

By GABE PAYNE, M.D., Hopkinsville, Kentucky

During the months of July, August and September, 1958, a medical mission team under the sponsorship of the Baptist World Alliance made a round-the-world trip, visiting medical mission installations of many different denominations. There were on the team six doctors, five of their wives, one doctor's daughter, a nurse—anaesthetist, a medical writer, a representative of hospital equipment industries and a photographer. It was the purpose of this team to survey the medical missions, to arrange for doctors to visit with doctors and discuss the medical needs of the particular mission station and the area in which it did its work. It was our aim to take to the mission doctor some of the most recent advances in American medicine, to take donated drugs and supplies, and of most importance, on our return to seek to stimulate among other American physicians interest in their American counterpart in the medical mission field. It is our hope and prayer that by this means we will be able to interest American physicians in giving of their means and their time in furthering the medical mission endeavors.

How well all of these objectives have been or will be carried out only time will answer, but it is not exaggerating to say that the lives of the people who went on this trip will never be exactly the same again. You can sit at home and read about conditions in our world and manage to throw this paper or some other paper aside and forget, but what touches your heart is not soon forgotten. Personally speaking, my wife and I returned home quite proud of our Baptist installations which we visited and of our Baptist missionaries. We also came home feeling deeply miserable inside about the terrific inadequacy of our program. We talk frequently of numbers and how proud we are to have over eleven hundred missionaries in the foreign field. Figured on a per capita basis this, we must admit, is a very poor effort for you and me as individual Southern Baptists. According to my figures, it is taking about 8,000 of us to keep one missionary in the field. What is far worse, many of us are not really interested in missionaries anyway. Like it or not, there are other groups who are doing a much better job and proportionally a much bigger job than we are. The finest hospitals we observed, country after country, were those of the Catholics.

It has been indeed a difficult problem for us since we got home to know

just what to say to express fully the desperate need that we saw. As an example, it was a common thing in Africa to talk through interpreters to patients who had traveled by walking, or by canoe, for two, three, four days to get to the doctor at the hospital. In many medical mission hospitals it is necessary at times for the patients to wait a day or more before the doctor can get to them. There are not enough doctors, there are not enough nurses, there are not enough medical technicians, there are not enough drugs. In many places there is little or no oxygen, little or no fluids. Most important of all there are not enough prayers here at home for the missionary doctor, nurse and their helpers.

I got a letter not long ago from Dr. John Abernathy. Dr. and Mrs. Abernathy are in Seoul, Korea. Four different times they have lost everything they possess in earthly goods to the Communists. As many of you know, they were in China prior to their going to Korea after China was closed. Dr. John writes this: "Our work goes on about as usual. There are so many things that have to be taken care of and so many opportunities for extra service that one sometimes wishes he could multiply himself many times. We now have thirty-five missionaries in Korea, but this is only a beginning of what we need and ought to have. The work is limited only by the limited number of missionaries and national workers. We shall greatly appreciate your continued prayers for us as we carry on here."

As an example of the need in Taejon, Korea, a city of 150,000 people or more and an important rail center, there is no hospital. Here would be a marvelous opportunity for a medical mission.

A word about the missionaries we met. As a doctor, I am accustomed to meeting people, to listening to their troubles and complaints. It is part of my everyday work to be able to understand my fellow human beings. In short, to try to comprehend what makes them tick. I want to report to you that the men and women who are representing us as missionaries in the foreign field are the finest Americans and finest Christians it has ever been my pleasure to meet. It was a real thrill and a great spiritual lift for us to be able to know them, fellowship with them and pray with them. It was also interesting to us as doctors to notice how little they seemed to show of the tensions, anxieties and insecurities that seem so commonly to beset Americans today in all strata of society. We felt that the difference really lay in the fact that these were people with a mission. They knew the ground they stood

on, they have a purpose, a daily objective, a goal and they are persuaded that God will in truth never leave them. Time after time, they cautioned us not to come home and describe them as needing anything personally, or as wanting anything personally. They asked us to spend our time describing the needs of the people they were trying to help and simply to say that they, the missionaries, needed just our prayers.

There were some interesting by-products of American missionary effort that we saw in and around the mission stations. You know, once you think about it, it seems entirely logical that after a man is won to Christ he is taught the Bible. Regardless of his former condition he now, by becoming a Christian, is taught to believe that all men are equal in the sight of God and that all men are endowed with certain gifts to be used in service of God and that all men are entitled to be free. From believing this, it really is a short step to something that we in America today tend to describe in other countries under the term of Nationalism and we seem not to like it, in fact to be afraid of it. As a matter of fact, we seem to have already forgotten that this nation was the only nation ever founded on faith in God. Only 183 years ago this nation exhibited some mighty positive Nationalism. Time and time again we found ourselves hard put for an explanation when the peoples of other lands asked us how it was that America "land of the Free", could seem totally to fail to understand their desires, the desire of peoples of other lands to enjoy this same freedom.

Our missionary work which has been so carefully kept up in many countries over such a long period of time, really in many places with blood, sweat and tears, is being very seriously threatened today by the way we in America are handling the "race" situation here. A Baptist missionary in Nigeria told me that race problems in America were causing the Baptist mission in Nigeria more trouble than they had ever had in their entire existence before.

More and more, I am coming to the opinion that we can't see the trees for the forest. We talk about changing the world and bringing peace in our time, when actually our chief concern should be with the way we are living as individuals. I am persuaded that that is the only task that God has set for each of us, to live our lives as individual witnesses. This means living in love, this means living in love with all people. We have learned fabulous scientific facts and have accomplished some seemingly scientific miracles, but we have never yet learned to live together. The missing ingredient is personified in God's love for us through Jesus Christ. When we as individuals live a life of love, this

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[This article was prepared by Dr. Gabe Payne, dedicated Kentucky Baptist layman, at the request of the editor, and he highly recommends it to every reader.—Editor.]

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Rain and Sunshine

The sun shines bright on my old Kentucky home and it was never more welcome to Kentucky farmers trying to get crops started for summer growth and fall harvest. The recent torrential rains have made a sea of mud out of the finely prepared pulverized soil of many fields.

In western Kentucky many of the fertile fields along the river bottoms were under water last week and the rest were soggy from the constant rains. About half the fields were planted and the others still waiting. Where the corn was four inches high the weeds and grass were three inches high and the task of separating the two would be difficult. All the way from Louisville to Providence where I was invited to help dedicate the magnificent new First Baptist Church, the farming outlook was bleak.

The same rains that played havoc with farming made the meadows and woodlands a sight of unbelievable beauty. All the world was aglow with the life of springtime. Honeysuckle perfumed the earth, the last iris, the first hollyhocks and roses in full array made lovely yards for homes along the way. The many pairs of mourning doves along the roadsides gave promise of a record crop this fall and the bow-tied meadow-lark strutting before his mate gave assurance of a secret nest nearby.

Gardens which had been worked between showers looked good and no famine is in sight, judging by the bumper crop of irish potatoes in prospect. Strawberries seemed the poorest in years suffering earlier from lack of rain and lately from the overabundance of water.

Drought nor flood had daunted the jubilant Baptists of Providence. A large congregation gathered on a week night to participate in dedication services to be climaxed on the following Sunday. Walking into the beautiful sanctuary with the late evening light streaming through the beautifully colored windows was a worship experience in itself. The simple but beautifully appointed sanctuary is air-conditioned and carpeted. The cordiality of Providence Baptists and their kind words concerning the *Western Recorder* will long be remembered.

Most credit for the successful completion of the project was given to Pastor Bob Williams and Deacon S. R. Wood seemed to sum up the feeling of the whole congregation when he said, "If any people in the world have reason to be grateful to God, the Baptists of Providence have." And this editor along with many fellow Baptists is grateful to God for Providence Baptists and rejoice with them for their new worship and education facilities.

Right and Wrong

Now that the dust is settling somewhat from the Louisville meeting of Southern Baptists, the American Baptists meeting in Des Moines this year give promise of some dust stirring of their own which relates to Southern Baptists. Heading a list of issues for consideration by these Baptists to our north is the matter of whether Southern Baptists are right or wrong in their intense mission activity during recent years in territory traditionally served by American Baptist churches.

Most of us grew up on the idea of Northern Baptists and Southern Baptists with the Mason-Dixon line being generally considered the dividing line with some spilling over from each side. This division dates back to 1845 when the Baptists of America split over several issues. The refusal of the denomination's Home Mission Society to appoint a slave owner as missionary triggered the division. Each group went separate ways in a generally friendly way.

In passing years Northern Baptists, who changed their name to American Baptists, tended toward more liberal theological positions and ecumenicism, while Southern Baptists clung to conservative theological views and shunned suggestions of church union. Of course there were always exceptions, but Northern churches more and more accepted alien immersion and practiced open communion while most Southern Baptist churches refused to adopt these practices.

With the expansion of America and the opening of new states, both Northern and Southern Baptists moved west. Then came the great shifting of population with many Southerners moving to the industrial north and east. Many of these Baptists from down South did not find in the American Baptist churches all they left back home. It was natural that they would start churches like they left and send back home for help and encouragement.

Inevitably our Home Mission Board became involved and awoke Southern Baptists to the challenge of the great areas beyond our traditional bounds where little or no Baptist witness was to be found. Southern Baptist churches began to appear everywhere and soon new district associations and state organizations came into being. Many of these grew up side by side with American Baptist work of long standing.

It is natural that some question of jurisdictional rights would arise between American and Southern Baptists. Some American Baptists called it invasion, others welcomed the help. Some Southern Baptists questioned the ethics of the move but most considered it in keeping with the Great Commission.

Should we resent American Baptists discussing our spread to all the continental United States? Of course not. With the shoe on the other foot, we would have been discussing them long ago.

Is it right for Southern Baptists to move in territory served by American Baptists? Of course it is, if there is a place for our ministry. Wherever people need the gospel, all who have heard it and believed have not only a right but an obligation to go.

It is questionable to go in the spirit of competition and it is downright wrong to go in a Pharisaical spirit, as if only Southern Baptists have the truth. Proselytizing should be beneath us, for it's reprehensible enough to poach on non-Baptists to say nothing of our fellow Baptists.

The only complaint I ever heard about Southern Baptist activity in pioneer areas was from an American Baptist executive secretary in a western state. In answer to a direct question about his feelings on the matter, he said Southern Baptists were welcome everywhere a definite need was present, but he resented some types of Southern Baptist mission activity. He then told of a community in his state where American Baptists had sponsored a mission for several years and had finally brought the mission to a self-supporting status when a Southern Baptist missionary moved in, started a work nearby, talked

several of the active valuable members of the established mission into joining the new project and thus made two Baptist missions, neither of which could support itself. This obviously is an exception, but is wrong and creates grave misunderstanding.

Some would say Southern Baptists ought to move into every community where there is an American Baptist church because of the leniency on baptism and the Lord's Supper. By this argument we would need to start missions beside many Southern Baptist churches and beside some probably in every Southern Baptist state which are also lenient in this respect. Why not? After all we have a goal of 30,000. This may be the answer.

And while we are saving the great centers of sin in the north, we might be prepared to welcome from some northern group a mission in Poplarville, Mississippi. And while we are listing our victories in new fields we might be amazed at statistics on Church of God, Nazarene, Mormon, and Roman Catholic victories among listed and unlisted Southern Baptists in the Bible Belt. These latter statistics are non-compiled by Baptists for the most part.

Churches Urged to Pay Pastor's Annuity

By W. C. BOONE, Gen'l Secy., Executive Board, General Association Middletown, Kentucky

In their last annual meeting the Executive Board of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky gave unanimous and hearty approval to suggestions from the Relief and Annuity Board that 1959 be set aside as a year for emphasis of the Southern Baptist Protection Plan, and that the churches be encouraged to assume both pastor and church dues in the Plan, thereby providing complete protection for the pastor and his family without cost to him.

Under this new arrangement an effort will be made not only to enlist new pastors and churches on this basis, but also to encourage the presently participating churches that are not paying the pastor's dues to assume this amount as well. This means that instead of paying 5% of the pastor's salary as heretofore, churches will pay 10% of the salary. The maximum paid by any church would be \$400 per year, unless the pastor is over age 60, in which case the dues would be 1/2% higher. This new arrangement can be effective whenever a pastor and church join the Southern Baptist Protection Plan, or when the church votes to assume the dues as stated above.

Only about one-third of the pastors in Kentucky are in the Ministers' Plans of any type. As a consequence, many ministers reach old age without adequate provision, or they leave widows in destitute circumstance. If the churches will assume the pastor's dues, it is believed that a much larger percentage of our pastors may be enlisted in the Southern Baptist Protection Plan, thus providing

for their retirement in old age or disability, or for their widows who survive them.

The State Brotherhood Department has also given hearty approval to this matter and is working in closest cooperation in the promotion of this work. It is felt that this organization can be of real assistance, since the laymen of the churches are the ones who must carry this responsibility for their pastors. The Brotherhood Department in Kentucky is recommending to all of the Associational Brotherhoods that they set aside one of the regular associational meetings for the purpose of the discussion and promotion of this Plan. We trust that such meetings may be held in every association in our state and that every pastor and church may be enlisted in the Southern Baptist Protection Plan.

Engagements for such meetings are now being set up by Brother Fox through the Associational Brotherhood Presidents. Further information concerning this matter may be obtained by writing to Rev. Baynard F. Fox, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky.

ment at Southwestern Seminary, succeeding Ray Summers, who had now accepted a similar place at Southern Seminary. Professor MacGorman has been on the teaching staff of Southwestern since 1948. Native of Nova Scotia, Canada, he holds a B.A. degree from the University of Texas and bachelor's and doctor's degrees from Southwestern. Recently he was awarded a \$4,000 fellowship for graduate study by the American Association of Theological Schools.

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►Pastor Norris G. Hite led the First Baptist Church, Scottsville, Kentucky, in a series of revival services. Dr. W. C. Boone, general secretary of the Executive Board, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, was the evangelist. Everette C. Ruby, minister of music of the church, led the singing. Pastor Hite says: "Dr. Boone's sermons were characterized by simplicity and compassion. . . . Dr. Boone expressed great appreciation for the excellent quality of the revival music." As a result of the eight-day effort, there were 16 additions to the church, including one by letter.

►J. W. MacGorman has been named head of the Department of New Testa-

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More Southern Baptist Convention Items

Mention was made previously in the *Western Recorder* of the election of Ramsey Pollard, Sr., Knoxville, Tenn., as the new president of the Southern Baptist Convention. Later W. R. Pettigrew, pastor of the Walnut Street Church, Louisville, and general chairman of the local arrangements committee for this convention, was elected first vice president. He was elected over three other nominees, i.e., C. Vaughan Rock, Phoenix, Ariz.; J. B. Weatherspoon, Louisville, Ky.; and Charles C. Bowles, Birmingham, Ala.

At the Thursday night session J. T. Ford nominated for second vice president Charles C. Bowles, Birmingham, Ala.; W. Thos. Pomeroy, Newport, Ky., nominated John E. Huss, Main Street Church, Jacksonville, Fla.; Elroy Lamb, Lexington Avenue Church, Danville, Ky., nominated Cort R. Flint, Anderson, S. C.; and Erwin L. McDonald, Little Rock, Ark., nominated Bruce H. Price, First Baptist Church, Newport News, Va. Flint and Price were the two highest, so a second vote was taken in which the Newport News pastor was elected second vice president.

James W. Merritt, Gainesville, Ga., and Joe W. Burton, Nashville, Tenn., were re-elected secretaries, and Porter W. Routh was re-elected treasurer.

Future Conventions

The convention voted to select its meeting places five years in advance hereafter. There are now so few places available that can take care of such a large convention that it is necessary to plan far ahead. By previous and present

arrangements, the Convention will go to Miami Beach, Fla., May 17-20, 1960; St. Louis, Mo., May 23-26, 1961; San Francisco, Calif., June 5-8, 1962; Kansas City, Mo., May 7-10, 1963; and Atlantic City, N. J., May 18-24, 1964, which latter meeting will be a joint session with American and other Baptists.

Annual Sermon

Ralph A. Herring, Winston-Salem, N. C., will be the preacher of the convention sermon in 1960, with W. D. Wyatt, Albuquerque, N. Mex., as his alternate.

Second Largest Convention

Near the conclusion of the Southern Baptist Convention in Louisville Secretary Joe W. Burton, Nashville, announced that the current convention was the fourth largest ever held, there being 11,814 messengers in attendance. However, since returning to Nashville a recount shows that there were 500 more registered in Louisville than the previous count showed. This brought the total to 12,326, meaning that it was the second largest Southern Baptist Convention ever held, being surpassed only by the 1953 convention in Houston, Texas, when the total was 12,976.

**Largest Messenger Attendance
From Kentucky**

Kentucky had the honor of having the largest attendance of any state—2,117 registered messengers. Of course, there were thousands of others from Kentucky who attended one or more sessions who could not be registered messengers be-



Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference Officers: Wayne Dehoney, Tennessee, vice-president; W. O. Vaught, Jr., Arkansas, president.

cause their churches had a ceiling on their quota.

Texas was second largest, with 1,090, and North Carolina had 1,038. Tennessee was fourth with 980; Georgia fifth, 907; South Carolina sixth with 843; and Virginia seventh, with 713. Others listed were: Alabama, 697; Florida, 574; Missouri, 564; Mississippi, 483; Oklahoma, 402; Louisiana, 355; Illinois, 285; Arkansas, 278; Ohio, 181; Maryland, 152; Indiana, 125; California, 120; New Mexico, 69; District of Columbia, 61; Colorado, 59; Kansas, 55; Michigan, 51; Arizona, 47; Oregon-Washington, 20; and Hawaii and Alaska, each 3.

**Kentuckians Elected and Re-elected
To Boards and Commissions**

Kentuckians elected to the Board of Trustees, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, were as follows: Gordon Ford, Louisville, term expiring in 1961; Franklin P. Owen, Lexington, 1962; Gabe Payne, Hopkinsville, 1964; and re-elected were: V. V. Cooke, Prospect, 1964; and Leo T. Wolford, Louisville, 1964.

Other Kentuckians elected were:

Executive Committee: W. R. Pettigrew, Louisville, 1960.

Carver School of Missions and Social Work: John Sandidge, Louisville, 1963; Mrs. C. P. Gunther, Louisville, 1963; and

re-elected, Richard Van Hoose, Louisville, 1962.

Foreign Mission Board: Carroll Hubbard, Louisville, re-elected, 1962.

Home Mission Board: T. J. Barksdale, Louisville, 1962; and John C. Huffman, Mayfield, was re-elected for 1962.

Relief and Annuity Board: Rollin S. Burhans, Louisville, 1962.

Southeastern Seminary: Chauncey R. Daley, Middletown, 1964.

Golden Gate Seminary: E. Keevil Judy, Harlan, re-elected for 1964.

Brotherhood Commission: Eugene Siler, Williamsburg, re-elected, 1962.

American Baptist Theological Seminary: J. T. Spurlin, Pembroke, re-elected, 1962.

Sunday School Board: Harold D. Talant, Madisonville, re-elected, 1962.

►Oakland Church, Gallatin County, celebrated its centennial with an all-day meeting and a dinner served on the grounds. Fellowship with former Pastors Reed and Hensley was enjoyed the previous week. Pastor Thomas Caudill, Sparta, Ky., says: "The spirit of all who attended was marvelous and the singing, along with the history by Vernon Henderson, produced an atmosphere

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kind of love, we will be completely supporting the American missionaries. They are the ones who represent to the world the finest of America. They are the ones who represent America's love and concern and through them exists the frame work for us to live and love for our fellow men.

... Lee Lindsey and his brother, Rev. Homer Lindsey, brought inspirational greetings." The church, between Warsaw and Glencoe, has been using the same building for 100 years.

►The Mary F. Knight Hall, new dormitory for girls, soon to be constructed, will be the first girls' dormitory erected at Georgetown College since 1895—fifty-four years ago when Rucker Hall was built. The hall is named in honor of the mother of Lucien B. Knight, Baptist layman of Greenville. Mr. Knight was present for the groundbreaking May 29. Knight Hall will take care of 106 students, which is about the same size as Anderson Hall for boys, finished last year. Long range plans call for the erection of accommodations for about 600 in the next few years.

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Another Association Reaches Standard in Sunday School Work

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT



Willie D. Greer

The Laurel River Association, under the leadership of Mr. Willie D. Greer, associational superintendent, and Rev. Vernon N. Barnett have reached the standard of excellence. This association has not failed to reach this high standard of achievement in many years.

The following churches have qualified for standard recognition: London First, West London, Corinth, Providence, Laurel River, East Bernstadt, East Pittsburg, Mount Zion, Pilgrims Rest, Hawk Creek and Swiss Colony.

We wish to commend the leadership of Laurel River Association, the churches and the Sunday school officers for this success.

EXTENSION DAY EMPHASIS

The first Sunday in June has been designated as Extension Day in our Sunday School. If this is not a suitable date some other Sunday in June may be observed. The following are some suggestions which you may find helpful:

1. Start an Extension department on that day if you do not have one. Enlist your workers ahead of time and present them to the congregation in the church service. Order the free offer of Extension materials.

2. Strengthen your Extension department if you already have one, by enlisting more workers in advance of Extension Day. Then give them special recognition in the morning worship service.

3. Recognize the Extension members who are in attendance at the services that day. A flower may be given to each one. Have a favorite hymn sung and dedicated to them.

4. In the afternoon, have a churchwide Extension visitation. Send workers out to call on all Extension members and Extension prospects whom you previously have located.

Make this a church affair, planned and executed by the Extension workers with the help of the pastor and Sunday school superintendent, but participated in also by the deacons, teachers of classes, and all other interested church members.

Do not fail to observe Extension Department Day. Make it a "star day" in your church.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Union College BSU

By DON WHITEHOUSE

BSU Director, Union College
Barbourville, Kentucky

The BSU at Union College has just completed its first college generation. It was just four short years ago that the Baptist Student Union in this mountain Methodist school was first organized. Thus, the faithful few who were the nucleus of this organized movement in the pioneer years on Union's campus are now ready to take their place as leading laymen in Baptist churches. These students deserve much credit for building the foundation for an effective student program. In the first months these students were without the guidance of trained adult advisor, and for approximately three years, they had only part-time directors.

Union College has an enrollment of approximately 665 students, with 300 of that number being Baptist or Baptist preference. This high percentage of Baptist students serves as at least 300 reasons for having a BSU on a Methodist campus.

One of the most popular phases of the BSU program at Union, which is located at Barbourville, Ky., has been the Town Parents' Program. Under this program, the Baptist students, who would like to be "adopted" by a town parent, sign up with the BSU'er in charge of the program. During the period of time when the students are "applying" for parents, the BSU seeks to discover the members of the First Baptist Church who would like to "adopt" some students for the school year. These prospective parents are told that the purpose of the adoption program is to provide a home away from home for the students. They are reminded that providing a home does not necessarily mean having a big dinner for the student, but more often it means allowing the student to share in some of the responsibilities of the home, such as

washing the dishes or cutting grass. The parents are urged to treat the student as a member of the family.

Another popular part of the year's program is the Sunday morning breakfast. Each Sunday morning the Sunday School representative on the BSU council is responsible for providing a "breakfast" of hot doughnuts and coffee at the Youth Building where the College Department assembles. This breakfast is served thirty minutes before the Sunday School begins, which allows the students to sleep later on Sunday morning without missing breakfast.

The most characteristic aspect of the Union BSU is its church-relatedness. Though, technically speaking, the BSU is not a part of the church, because of the interest in the students as manifest by the pastor and the members of the Barbourville Church, the student program is well integrated within the total church program.

One of the outstanding examples of the church members' interest in the student program is the fact that the weekly BSU vesper service is held in a home near the campus. Because Union BSU does not have a building of its own, one of the church members has made her home available for these devotional meetings. This unselfish attitude toward the BSU is typical of the members of Barbourville's First Baptist Church.

TRAINING UNION

Speakers For Two Training Union Weeks at Cedarmore

By JAMES WHALEY



James Whaley

During August of this summer the Training Union Department will sponsor two assemblies at Cedarmore. These assemblies are designed for every member of the family as Training Union is a family affair. Provisions are included during conference time for all ages three years old and above. The speaker for the evening session of each week will be:

August 10-14—Dr. Wendell H. Rone, pastor, East Baptist Church, Paducah, Kentucky.

August 17-21—Rev. Ira McMillen, Jr., pastor, Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

You will want to make your plans now to come.

STANDARD ORGANIZATIONS

We are happy to offer congratulations to the following units for being standard:

(Church Units)

January - March Quarter Standard Unions

Long Run Association, Joy Union of the Adult Department, 23rd and Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

South District Association, Junior Union I of Junior Department, First Baptist Church, Perryville. (This union has been standard for the October-December, 1958 quarter also.)

Three Forks Association, Collins Union of the Adult Department, First Baptist Church Whitesburg and the Duvall Union of the Adult Department, First Baptist Church, Whitesburg.

(Church Units)

January - March Quarter Standard Departments

Long Run Association, Beginner Department, Eastern Parkway Baptist Church.

CHURCH MUSIC

20 Selected Music Workers Meet July 28

By EUGENE F. QUINN

The twenty Selected Workers who are to conduct the 1959 Associational Music Planning Meetings in the Fall are meeting from 9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on July 28 at Norton Hall of Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville to prepare for their role in helping Kentucky Baptists to take another big step forward in our associational music ministry for 1960.

C. A. HOLCOMB OF NASHVILLE TO SPEAK



C. A. Holcomb

Mr. C. A. Holcomb, of the Southern Baptist Church Music Department in Nashville will speak to the Selected Workers, who include the following: Louis O. Ball, Louisville; Paul Bobbitt, Owensboro; W. R. Bradshaw, Hustonville; James Driver, Ashland; R. W. Grobe, Madisonville; Harry Hampsher, Murray; Kenneth Massey, Corbin; Bob Hickman, Winchester; J. P. Jardine, Campbellsville; Ray Jenkins, Shelbyville; James R. Jones, Bowling Green; Rev. Wm. Mueller, Hazard; Wm. N. Robinson, Louisville; Wallace Shearon, Williams-

burg; Ronald Sholar, Harlan; Eugene Spencer, Covington; Herschel Spivey, Carrollton; Wayne Halley, Paducah; and Charles B. Dixon, Dawson Springs.

Dates have already been scheduled for 40 of the approximately 80 associational music planning meetings to be held.

KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION

Gift for Bethel College Amounts to \$5,000

By A. M. VOLLMER

The Kentucky Baptist Foundation received a gift of \$5,000 for the benefit of Bethel College, Hopkinsville, on Monday, May 18. This is the second gift of like amount from this generous Baptist who, in this manner, brings satisfaction in life and is assured of continued influence in the world far beyond his own life span.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

New Study Book

By MRS. GEO. R. FERGUSON

Many inquiries have come concerning the new study book in the Jubilee Goals for 1958-59, "Christian Witnessing." We are happy to tell you that this book will

be in the Baptist Book Stores July 1, in good time for your study in preparation for the Week of Prayer for State Missions. Make your plans now for this timely and important study.

In six chapters the author sets forth the meaning of Christian Witnessing, reasons for witnessing, preparation and difficulties, opportunities for witnessing in the home; distinct opportunities of witnessing through the church, such as to the Jews, the needy, the blind; through missions, and other general church activities; wider opportunities of witnessing through the community, such as participation in alcohol education, the use of the ballot, through community institutions and through interracial groups; and finally the personal responsibility in witnessing. The book is written in a readable style that the average woman will enjoy. There are many Scripture references, also illustrations from everyday life.

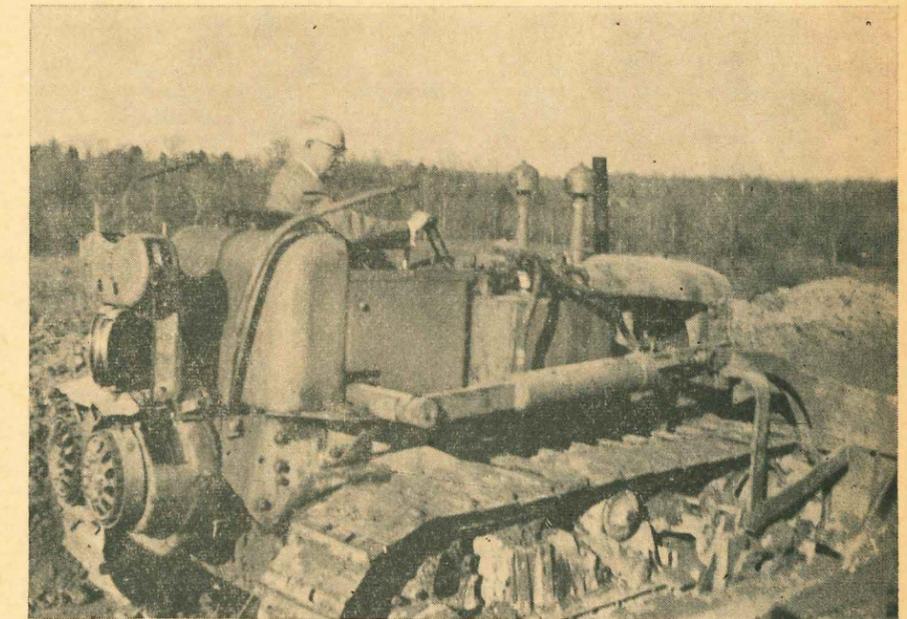
The author, Dr. Floy Barnard, is professor of missionary education at Southwestern Seminary. She is greatly admired and beloved over the Southern Baptist Convention and has been a coveted speaker at Woman's Missionary Union conferences and conventions through the years.

"Kill two birds with one stone" with

(Continued on page 16)

BROTHERHOOD

Cedarmore Assembly Swimming Pool in the Making



Versatile is the man who can grace the pulpit in the largest church (numerically) in the land and also can operate a bull-dozer. The swimming pool at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly is under construction. Volunteer labor is being used on Saturdays. One of the first volunteer laborers was Dr. W. C. Boone, secretary-treasurer for the Executive Board of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky. This picture shows Dr. Boone at the controls the day the dozing began.—Forrest R. Sawyer.

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
ROCKCASTLE ASSOCIATION (Continued from Last Week)			
Ottawa	149.70		
Pine Hill	75.00	79.00	
Poplar Grove			
Round Stone			
Sand Hill			
Sand Spring			
Scaffold Cane			
Valley			
Watts Chapel	50.00	106.00	
Total	964.90	1497.26	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
RUSSELL COUNTY ASSOCIATION			
Russell Co. Assoc.			
Cave Spring			
Clear Fork	106.48	120.65	
Clear Spring	16.00	24.17	
Coffey Friendship			
Mission	3.50		
Fairview	150.00	160.99	
Friendship	201.00	191.97	
Indian Hill Mission	19.30		
Jamestown	120.00	90.11	
Lakeriew		103.10	
Liberty	114.30	45.00	
Mt. Calvary		26.50	
Mt. Olive	19.00		
Mt. Vernon	103.09	53.56	
Oak Grove			
Pleasant Hill	22.47	24.50	
Poplar Grove	191.99	187.55	
Providence	40.00	47.88	
Russell Springs	608.40	1056.21	
Sano	36.16	44.10	
Scotts Chapel			
Scouts Oak			
Welfare	94.82	66.57	
White Oak	40.00	23.50	
Total	1886.51	2266.36	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
RUSSELL CREEK ASSOCIATION			
Russell Creek Assoc.	165.08	222.38	
Beech Grove			
Bethlehem			
Big Creek			
Brush Creek		56.58	
Cane Valley	42.96	54.85	
Charity	22.30		
Columbia	1700.00	1187.01	
Dunbar Hill			
East Fork			
Fry	42.22	34.12	
Gradyville		10.00	
Greasy Creek	111.10	181.96	
Greensburg	3620.21	952.14	
Good Hope			
Harrodsfork	98.40		
Hopewell			
Leatherwood	191.36	69.44	
Macedonia	60.00	25.30	
Milltown		15.00	
Mt. Gilead			
New Hope			
New Salem		146.03	
Newt, Tabernacle			
Mission			
Pierces Chapel		76.92	
Pink Ridge		75.00	
Pleasant Ridge	20.00	35.26	
Pleasant Valley	129.00		
Plum Point		37.80	
Prices Creek	33.80	40.00	
Red Lick		75.00	
Russell Creek			
Society Hill			
Sparksville		50.00	
Sulphur Springs			
Summersville	165.44	362.58	
Trammell Creek	120.00		
Wells Chapel			
Zion			
Total	6521.87	3907.37	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SALEM ASSOCIATION			
Salem Association	60.55	69.18	
Big Spring		7.00	
Blue River Island			
Buck Grove	100.00	295.87	
Cold Spring	148.15	41.47	
Ekron	194.28	418.40	
Grandview			
Guston		108.70	
Hill Grove	193.36	61.96	
Muldraugh	629.13	182.77	
New Brandenburg	350.71	66.76	
New Highland	417.54	386.17	
New Salem	191.83	180.13	
Payneville	177.06	117.07	
Phillips Memorial	1564.97	667.81	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
Raymond	270.27	413.30	
Rock Haven	54.00	60.00	
Salem	575.63	251.94	
Vertrees	48.10	95.00	
West Point	1204.23	715.40	
Wolf Creek	166.19	42.84	
Total	6346.00	4131.77	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SEVERNS VALLEY ASSOCIATION			
Severns Valley Assoc.			
Barren Run	720.00	1486.91	
Bethel	170.55	130.02	
Blue Ball	75.00	96.89	
Buffalo	2517.41	1222.77	
Cecilia	312.00	513.35	
Colesburg		5.50	
East Rhudes Creek	187.87	143.88	
East View	52.87	282.69	
Franklin Cross Roads	17.00	121.19	
Gilead	281.50	764.49	
Hodgenville	6000.00	2877.98	
Immanuel	574.46	102.56	
Locust Grove	60.00		
Magnolia	500.01	280.80	
Meeting Creek		50.00	
Middle Creek	199.98	184.02	
Mill Creek	380.20	307.40	
Mt. Zion	432.05	251.99	
Nolynn	208.66	174.32	
Oresen Heights	451.58	74.06	
Pleasant Grove	29.00	293.60	
Red Hill	116.01	11.78	
Rineyville	34.00	38.25	
Round Top	117.00	205.50	
Severns Valley	13592.00	4181.82	
Sonora	1050.00	849.50	
Stithton	778.04	512.03	
Tunnel Hill	243.75	184.00	
Valley Creek	240.00	233.45	
Vine Grove	3352.30	824.20	
White Mills		72.60	
Youngers Creek	367.91	90.00	
Total	33061.15	16567.55	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SHELBY COUNTY ASSOCIATION			
Shelby County Assoc.			
Bagdad	1669.93	449.78	
Beechridge	193.45	115.31	
Bethlehem	94.04	27.14	
Buffalo Lick	473.92	519.45	
Burkes Branch	400.98	177.31	
Christiansburg		61.00	
Clay Village	594.26	382.83	
Cropper	184.83	218.35	
Dover	529.94	149.22	
Elmchapel	265.00	232.83	
Finchville	486.81	695.94	
Graefenburg	896.30	324.50	
Hempridge	578.99	282.00	
Highland	361.13	146.95	
Indian Fork	122.92	224.00	
Mount Moriah	600.00	450.25	
Mount Pleasant	57.00	238.85	
Mount Vernon	668.61	209.97	
Pigeon Fork	530.16	356.01	
Salem	618.72	496.58	
Shelbyville, First	4015.00	2903.96	
Simpsonville	879.17	297.55	
Waddy	429.50	1105.51	
Total	14711.66	10361.67	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SIMPSON ASSOCIATION			
Simpson Assoc.			
Barbe	34.76	18.00	
Black Jack	113.41	128.63	
Cedar Grove	46.78	41.80	
Franklin	4376.88	2458.75	
Lake Spring	324.97	586.25	
Middletown	390.89	306.80	
Mt. Vernon			
New Salem			
Providence	96.07	566.40	
Shady Grove	200.00	200.75	
Sulphur Springs	780.70	446.60	
Walker Avenue Miss.			
Whippoorwill	252.96	268.39	
Total	6616.82	5022.37	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SOUTH CONCORD ASSOCIATION			
South Concord Assoc.			
Bethel			
Big Springs			
Canadas Creek			
Cedar Grove			
Concord		58.01	
Cooper	60.00	196.50	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
Fall Creek	14.24		
Fellowship			
Freedom			
Lick Creek			
Mt. Carmel			
Mt. Pisgah			
New Hope			
Old Charity			
Parmleys Grove			
Parnell			
Pleasant Hill			
Pleasant Ridge			
Rogers Grove			
Taylor's Grove			
Total	60.00	254.51	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SOUTH DISTRICT ASSOCIATION			
South District Assoc.			
Beech Fork	141.50		
Beech Grove	300.00	753.41	
Bethel Mission		30.00	
Bryantsville, First	206.27	6.50	
Bryantsville, Miss.			
Danville, First	1582.93	1811.75	
Danville			
Lexington Ave.	2562.24	2774.95	
Doctor's Fork	185.78	99.19	
Faulkners Lane Miss.			
Forks Dix River	410.98	234.35	
Friendship			
Gethsemane-Danville	787.53	244.60	
Gravel Switch	59.98	247.86	
Hedgeville Mission			
Hyattsville	149.63	164.24	
Junction City	981.06	387.42	
Lancaster	1741.67	782.28	
Mt. Freeman	85.58	11.19	
Mitchelsburg	75.00	173.99	
North Rolling Fork	5.00	52.35	
Parksville	242.65	83.47	
Perryville	1124.47	769.15	
Pleasant Hill		40.00	
Pleasant Run		14.11	
Salt River	52.98	143.58	
Valley Grove			
Willow Grove	50.00	252.00	
Total	10603.75	9217.89	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SOUTH UNION ASSOCIATION			
South Union Assoc.			
Bethel	42.40	33.45	
Big Cane Creek			
Cane Gap			
Chitwood Mountain			
Clay Hill			
Crunches Creek	60.00	495.00	
Cumberland River	97.52	37.00	
Fairview			
Fusion Settlement			
Gum Fork			
Hanging Rock			
High Cliff		19.75	
Holly Chapel			
Jellico Creek		20.50	
Laurel Fork			
Lower Marsh Creek			
Maple Creek			
Mt. Ash		11.00	
Nevidale			
North Buffalo			
Oswego	66.09	67.00	
Patterson Creek			
Piney Grove			
Pleasant Hill			
Primroy			
Red Bird			
Rock Spring			
Ryan's Creek			
Sulphur Springs			
Upper Marsh Creek			
Walnut Grove			
Wolf Creek (Old)	92.80	102.25	
Youngs Creek			
Total	358.81	785.95	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
SULPHUR FORK ASSOCIATION			
Sulphur Fork Assoc.			
Antioch	49.43	71.75	
Ballardsville	750.00	481.57	
Bedford	309.12	556.92	
Buckner Baptist	68.61	47.50	
Corn Creek	40.80	75.00	
Covington	173.44	70.92	
DeHaven Memorial	2390.82	1316.45	
Eighteen Mile		100.70	
Harrods Creek	466.91	327.48	
Liberty	144.57	94.75	
Milton	519.95	596.19	

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
TATES CREEK ASSOCIATION			
Tates Creek Assoc.			
Beech Grove			
Berea, First	1700.00	1425.00	
Bethel			
Blue			

Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated	Co-op. Program	Designated
Southern Baptist Foundation: Coop. Program .. 662.07 Designated		Hospital Commission of Kentucky Baptists: Coop. Program .. 72000.00 Designated 1897.36		American Bible Society: Designated 1881.11		Income State Mission Reserve Fund: Total 1828.18 General Items: Coop. Program ..133240.32 Designated 1034.88	
Total 662.07		Total 73897.36		Total 1881.11		Total 134275.20	
Education in Kentucky: Coop. Program ..239798.17 Designated 4256.84		Kentucky Baptist Hospital: Designated 744.55 Designated, Bibles .. 25.00		Baptist Student Center—Lexington: Designated 2625.12		Miscellaneous: Total 7211.51	
Total 244055.01		*Total 769.55		Total 2625.12		Cooperative Program Returned to Long Run Association for Association Work: Total 51356.02	
State Missions: Coop. Program ..196008.00 Designated 55338.57		Central Baptist Hospital: Designated 250.00		Cedarmore Kentucky Baptist Assembly: Coop. Program .. 9596.34 Designated 14522.93		Cooperative Program Returned to Indiana Association for Association Work: Total 339.07	
Total 251346.57		Total 250.00		Total 24119.27		Total Contributions ..1824640.56	
Glen Dale Baptist Children's Home: Coop. Program .. 18222.02 Designated 91571.24		Western Baptist Hospital: Designated 1313.39		Kentucky Baptist Foundation: Coop. Program .. 4114.32 Designated 2451.14		Other Receipts—Not Contributions: Proceeds from Sale of Real Estate—Bach Chapel: Total 1500.00	
Total 109793.26		Total 1313.39		Total 6565.46		Miscellaneous: (This includes such Receipts as may, of necessity, be handled through our records more than once.) Total 75092.21	
Spring Meadows Baptist Children's Home: Coop. Program .. 16636.72 Designated 89898.87		Church Buildings: Coop. Program .. 9596.34 Designated 3213.06		Western Recorder: Coop. Program .. 7610.89		Total Receipts1901232.77	
Total 106535.59		Total 12809.40		Total 7610.89			
Pine Crest Baptist Children's Home: Coop. Program .. 10696.31 Designated 48017.10		Education Special: Coop. Program Designated 208.58		W.M.U. of Kentucky: Coop. Program .. 17869.05			
Total 58713.41		Total 208.58		Total 17869.05			

►Messengers to the Southern Convention were shocked to learn of the death of Dr. R. T. Daniel, 55, professor of Old Testament at Southeastern Seminary, of self-inflicted gunshot wounds May 16. He had been in ill health for more than a year, and was scheduled to enter Duke Hospital on the day of his death. Funeral was conducted in the Seminary Chapel, and interment was in Wake Forest in

the Southeastern Faculty Cemetery. For 17 years a teacher at Southwestern, he has been at Southeastern since 1952. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alberta Carl Daniel; two sons, Carol R. Daniel, U. S. Navy, and Lee B. Daniel of the home; his father, T. S. Daniel, and four brothers: Joseph W. Russell, and Thomas Daniel, all of Orlando, Florida, and Burdette Daniel, Thomaston, Ga., and one sister, Mrs. Iris Gengle, Orlando, Fla.

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Mother and Son Graduate Together At Georgetown



Mrs. Hobart G. Connelley
and son, Tom Max Connelley

A mother and son were fellow-graduates in the Georgetown College Commencement exercises on May 29. Mrs. Hobart G. Connelley and her son, Tom

Max Connelley, both of Paintsville, received degrees in this year's graduating class, according to J. Foley Snyder, registrar. Mrs. Connelley was a major in elementary education, and her son majored in business administration and economics.

This is the second time in recent Georgetown College history that a mother-son combination have received college degrees together. In the spring of 1956 Mrs. Adeline Shepherd and her son, James Walter, of Carlisle, graduated together.

Mrs. Connelly is the wife of the retired assistant postmaster at Paintsville and, although she had taught for several years in the Paintsville elementary school system, she felt a need to return to college and receive her degree in elementary education. In order to complete her work for the degree Mrs. Connelly carried a mammoth load of 19 hours one semester and 20 hours the following semester.

Tom Max seems to have inherited some of his mother's vitality. In addition to his regular academic load he served in responsible positions in several of the campus organizations.



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IMPORTANT CHANGE

Mark this important change on your calendar and also announce it in your next WMS Meeting. It is necessary to change the dates of the WMU Regional Meetings for this fall. The new dates are as follows: Northeastern Region, Shelbyana, Sept. 22; Southeastern, Harlan, Sept. 23; South Central, High Street, Church, Somerset, Sept. 24; Southern, Tompkinsville, Sept. 25; Southwestern, First Church, Benton, October 6; Western, Floral (Schaeffer Camp), October 7; Central, Sand Springs, October 8; North Central, First Church, Lexington, October 9.

Announcement will be made soon concerning missionary speakers and others for these important meetings. Please see that this change gets into your church calendar.

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FORWARD PROGRAM

Sharing Two Letters

By THOMAS B. CHANEY

We would like to share parts of two letters from Kentucky Baptist pastors recently received.

The first is from Pastor Ira McMillen, Jr., Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. Brother McMillen writes, "I thought you might be interested in knowing how our church is doing after launching the Forward Program last fall.

"In 1958 we had a total budget of \$30,000.00 which we were not able to meet.

"When our deacons learned of the Forward Program they liked it and, at the pastor's suggestion, presented it to the church. The church voted to use the program and, as you will recall, you came to help us set up our committees and to instruct them in their duties. We then followed the program to the letter, doing everything that was suggested and at the proper time.

"After a thorough study of our giving habits and our potential we came up with a budget of \$43,200.00. I am happy to report that at the end of the first quarter of this year we had met this increased budget and had a few dollars to spare.

"We are convinced that the Forward Program has opened our eyes to what we can do and has given to us the impetus we have really needed for the

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financial undergirding of our church program. We know that it works because we have seen it work in our church where giving pledges was unheard of and where no systematic effort was made to reach the membership in a stewardship ministry.

"We found, as have so many others, that there are no short cuts to success through the Forward Program. The church must use it all to get the desired results."

Pastor Harry L. Winters, Guthrie Baptist Church, says, "Five months have passed now since we put on the Forward Program of Church Finance. Our budget goal was \$511.00 per week. We have averaged giving \$583.23 per week for the five months.

"Workmen are presently engaged in putting in air-conditioning in our auditorium. We have ordered our 16mm movie projector. These are two of the big items in our budget that we have done without for years, thinking we were not able to have them. Now we are about to enjoy them without any one being asked for any kind of special offering. More and more our people are saying, 'It is easy to give a little more each week when you know the church isn't going to ask you to dig down so heavy at some time.'"

The matter of church finance is easy when God's people believe in and practice God's plan of stewardship.