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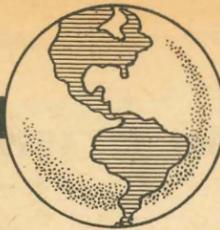
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William Hayden Curl has Retired as Director of Missions and Stewardship Training After 24 Years



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

HI ACRES TO NORTH VIEW

►The name of Hi Acres Baptist Church in Lexington has been changed to North View Church.

NORTHSIDE IN MURRAY

►The Northside Church was organized in Murray on October 25, 1959, and hopes to unite with the Blood River Association at its next annual meeting.

AVERETT CENTENNIAL

►The centennial of Averett College, Danville, Va., is being observed. Its original name, when founded in 1859, was Union Female College. It has an enrollment of 300, and is seeking to raise \$350,000 for a new girls' dormitory.

SEATTLE A "BIG CITY"

►The Home Mission Board has included Seattle in its "Big Cities" program, voting to spend \$100,000 there. The Board has provided \$400,000 for Chicago, San Francisco and New York City previously. With nearly 1,000,000 people, Seattle now has 17 Southern Baptist churches.

MERIDIAN TO MACON

►For eight years pastor of First Church, Meridian, Miss., Walter L. Moore has resigned to accept the pastorate of Vineville Church, Macon, Ga., effective December 16. He succeeds C. DeWitt Matthews, now professor of preaching at Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City.

REVIVAL FIRES

►Dr. W. K. Wood was the evangelist and Phil Hargrove the song leader in a revival with Pastor A. H. Phillips at the Columbia Baptist Church, Columbia, Ky., at which time 16 were received by baptism and one by letter. There were numerous rededications with an evidence of some wonderful victories for the Lord.

►Dr. John M. Carter, president of Campbellsville College, assisted Pastor Richard DeBell in a series of revival meetings recently at the Gethsemane Baptist Church, on Grade Lane, Louisville, resulting in 89 decisions, made up of 39 by baptism, 10 moving their letters, and 40 rededications. Pastor DeBell says that the meetings have resulted in a 10% increase in Sunday school enrollment and a 20% increase in Training Union enrollment. Gethsemane Church was organ-

ized more than 15 years ago by Ninth and O Baptist Church, while Dr. Carter was its pastor.



C. E. Autrey, professor of evangelism at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, has been elected director of evangelism by the Home Mission Board, to take the place of Leonard Sanderson, now gone to a Louisiana pastorate. Formerly for three years he was head of evangelistic work in Louisiana, and for four years was on the Home Board staff. His new headquarters will be in Dallas, Texas.

DEATH KNOCKS TWICE

►The wife of Charles F. Sims, South Carolina executive secretary, Columbia, S. C., died December 2. Burial was near her birthplace at Greenville, S. C. She leaves her husband and three daughters.

►Miss Minnie Landrum, 67, emeritus missionary, died November 30, 1959, at the home of a sister in Clinton, Miss. She had been suffering from cancer. Funeral was held at Clinton Church on December 1 at 3:00 p.m. She served in Brazil 37 years before her retirement early in 1959. She was executive secretary and treasurer of the W.M.U. of Brazil for 27 years. Native of Goodman, Miss., she attended Hillman College (now merged with Mississippi College), and W.M.U. Training School (now Carver School). She knew the hardships of pioneer work, travelling by oxcart and horseback and walking miles over rough trails. Often she slept on church pews

and in hammocks. Out of her rugged experiences there grew a permanent headquarters or the W.M.U., two training schools for Christian women in Brazil, three good will centers and G.A. and R.A. work was started in Brazil.

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"SO NOW WHAT . . . ?"

By JOHN T. WALLACE, JR., Lexington, Ky.

It was a Deacons' Meeting, hastily called by the chairman, Brother Bauer. Most of the men knew what it was about, for news of their pastor's automobile accident spread fast. No one knew just how it happened, for no other car was involved. Pastor Meyers was still unconscious in the hospital. From all the doctors had told Mrs. Meyers, he would remain there for an indefinite time. His fractures and the possible complications from internal injuries meant that he could not expect to be active for at least three months, if then.

The men met with a quiet concern, both for the pastor whom they loved, and for their church, now faced with a sudden crisis.

The treasurer of the church, Brother Shear, seemed the most concerned. He knew that the church had not been able to pay their pastor more than just a living wage. Everyone knew that Mrs. Myers must manage the family budget well to feed and clothe the family and have enough left over to provide the many extra demands placed upon the pastor.

Brother Morgan, clerk of the deacons and a teller in the local bank, knew that the pastor was paying on a note he had made in trying to stave off debts and taxes and the rising cost of living. Now, the family faced a new drain on their income, a chasm of medical expenses. How would they fill that demand, even with the help of their hospitalization?

Another concern the men expressed was their obligation to the pastor in the face of his years of service and in the light of their Christian conscience. Even the employers in the secular world provided for their employees in case of sickness and accident. Brother Tenney was a mechanic in a firm that provided a 90% medical coverage for its employees, plus salary compensation when sick. Brother Lackey was a carpenter, who his employer had protected with workman's compensation plus an accident policy. Could the church fail to show less concern for their servant than does the world?

As they discussed these points of view, someone asked if the pastor wouldn't be cared for by the Relief and Annuity Board of our Southern Baptist Convention? Isn't there a disability clause in the pastor's policy with the Board? What they did not know was that only as a pastor suffers total and permanent disability can he draw on that. This did not touch a long recovery period for a man that would eventually return to his active work. Brother Meyers could not be helped by his Relief and Annuity policy.

Brother Eager spoke above the hum of the deacons' talk and said, "Brother Chairman, I move that we continue our

pastor at full salary until he is able to return to us again in active service, and I also move that the church authorize a love offering to aid in some of the immediate financial demands which he will be needing in specialized medical care."

Almost before the motion had a second, the treasurer of the church, Brother Shear, spoke up:

"Brethren, no one would like to do this more than I, but here is what we face: At the present our church is not strong financially. We do not have any members of unusual financial means that we can turn to for extra help. Like every church, the few carry most of the financial load. Our church is not in a booming city and the economy of our town is limited. As you all know, we recently extended our borrowing power to the limit. We bought that big old house and lot next door to prepare for our expansion program. We also borrowed several thousand dollars to make critically needed repairs on the church. We have cut our missions and local operations as low as we feel we should go. By the most careful management we are meeting our obligations, but with nothing left over. Now our pastor is unable to serve. We certainly should not let him and his family down now, but pulpit supplies in his absence will be an added and unexpected expense. If we cut his salary to pay for the supplies, he will suffer; if we have to pay both—where will we get the money? So now what . . . ?"

This above dilemma is imagined, but nevertheless, true to life. It has possibly been faced by some who read this. It certainly could happen to many. What should the church do that might some day face this financial problem?

It should do what some churches are doing and what many of the business organizations in the world have already done. A church would be wise to take out a sickness and accident income protection policy on their pastor. The church would pay the premiums and be the beneficiary to receive the monthly income benefit.

The purpose in such a policy is to protect the church and the pastor in case of his inability to serve due to sickness or accident. The monthly income benefit to be paid the beneficiary should be an amount sufficient to pay for all pulpit supplies during the pastor's absence. In this manner, the pastor could continue to receive his salary when he most needed it and the church would be delivered from the financial strain of added and indefinite pulpit supply expense.

The deacons in a church would do well to appoint a committee to study the wisdom of such an arrangement and investigate policies issued by several companies. In their consideration they should

be from a reliable company that is known to pay off without difficulty. By all means, it should be a non-cancellable and guaranteed renewable policy. If it is not, the church could lose this protection if the pastor was found to have a lingering or recurring illness. It should also state that the premiums shall not be increased.

An important factor to consider is when the payments will begin. If they can be set up to begin the eighth day of the pastor's disability, then the church's supplies will be cared for during a brief illness in which the pastor may be confined. His recovery will be helped by his not feeling that he just must get back to the pulpit before he is completely recovered. Such haste sometimes results in a relapse of longer duration. Should the beginning date be on the thirty-first day of disability, the policy will be of much less value to the church than if it began earlier.

Another important factor in such a policy is whether or not it pays off if the pastor is not confined in a hospital. In other words, would the policy pay if the pastor were confined in his home? Many companies pay if confined just in the home, and some even for partial confinement, just so the patient is under the doctor's care. It is wise to remember that the least expensive policy is not always the most economical.

Such a policy will not only give protection to the church financially, but its benefits will be felt by both pastor and people in a deepening of appreciation for such care and consideration provided. It will ease the tensions of the pastor who not only must meet the around-the-clock demands of a busy church, but also carry the burden of his own family's welfare with the meager resources of his income. It will give the people of the church a sense of pride and gladness that they were thoughtful and considerate in protecting the pastor and his family despite the financial limitations often faced by a church.

Wendell Romans Moves to Salem

Wendell Romans, pastor of the Beech Grove Baptist Church, South District Association, for the past four years, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the Salem Baptist Church, Shelby County Association. Romans began his new ministry on November 29.

Salem is one of the leading rural churches in Kentucky. In preparation for the new pastor, the pastorium was completely renovated and an office area was constructed in the church building.

Romans leaves a very fine record in South District Association where he served in many important associational posts.



Good News

A more welcome Christmas present for Southern Baptists could not be received than the announcement from the American Association of Theological Schools that Southern Seminary retains accreditation. It avoids further embarrassment to Southern Baptists, and probably averts a squabble among us as to whether or not to withdraw from the accrediting group.

The announcement was no great surprise to those close to seminary affairs. A guarded optimism prevailed since the A.A.T.S. investigating committee visited the campus in October. Strenuous efforts have been made since last year to take corrective measures and substantial progress was evident.

Most credit for saving accreditation probably should go to the new dean, Dr. Penrose St. Amant. He came last summer committed to save the seminary, if possible. He had the advantage of not having been connected in any way with the controversy and could work without the disadvantage suffered by all who had been on the scene throughout the episode.

St. Amant has worked day and night and has left nothing undone that could be done. Apparently he has had full co-operation from all faculty members, old and new, the administration, the trustees, and alumni.

While it was no great surprise that the A.A.T.S. took favorable action toward the seminary, it was also not surprising that a few licks were taken at the seminary in the full report. What was declared an intolerable situation a year ago could hardly be expected to be eliminated to the entire satisfaction of the A.A.T.S. by now.

It is interesting that much of the report this year had nothing to do with the fault found last year. Faculty-student ratio, library, etc., were not considered a year ago when the whole argument centered around the dismissal of 13 professors.

The report this year expressed less than satisfaction with the "repairing of the damage" to the professors, but went on to other matters and made much of some of these.

In a sense these criticisms were unfair though true. The report failed to say that such deficiencies as number of teachers on faculty and books in library are existent in many accredited seminaries. In fact, in these respects Southern probably rates better today than anytime since 1938 when accreditation was first granted. The teacher-student ratio at Southern is probably better now than it has been in a number of years. There are more books in the library than ever before, and salaries are the highest in the history of the school.

Most theological schools, except those heavily libraries of a number of schools accredited by the

have an unsatisfactory teacher-student ratio, and the libraries of a number of schools accredited by the same organization would not come up to the Southern library.

This is not to disparage our other Southern Baptist seminaries but it is known that the three which are accredited by the A.A.T.S. would hardly surpass Southern in teacher-student ratio, library facilities, or teacher pay. Indeed, Southern Seminary professors in a number of instances have higher salaries than teachers in our other Southern Baptist accredited seminaries.

What it seems to amount to is that while Southern remains formally accredited by vote of A.A.T.S., the school is discredited informally by the accompanying criticism. Certainly the estimate of the school in the eyes of the world stands to be lowered by the report.

The severest blow would appear in the recommendation to discontinue temporarily the admission of students to master and doctor degree study. This seems hardly justified in spite of faculty and library limitations. More faculty members are needed but a better quality of instruction could hardly be found anywhere.

There was a time when it might have been not quite difficult enough to earn a doctor's degree at Southern but not now. Some who have transferred from Southern to schools like the University of Edinburgh claim Southern is harder.

The main thing to be thankful for is that Southern has passed what can be hoped is the last great crisis in the two-year-old turmoil. If the sun has not come out completely, certainly the clouds are not as thick.

For Hunters Only

The best things in life are free—that is, to this editor. When it comes to what pleasures this world affords, what compares with a warm fireside in the country with old friends, a table brimming with two-year-old Kentucky-boiled ham, fried quail, and the other rural delicacies? What is better for the body or the spirit than sleep under warm covers in a cold room, interrupted long before light for hot sausage, eggs, biscuits, soughum molasses and coffee?

Off to the fields and woods for the illusive and challenging quail puts a zip in every step. What a thrill to walk up to trained dogs frozen on point! What a sound to hear the flutter of the whole covey barrelling out of honeysuckles, and what a sight to see the fluff of a bob-white brought to the ground by No. 8's! And what dismay to fire away at the whole covey only to have to say, "I didn't cut a feather!"

With the chilly wind playing around your collar and the blowing snow gently pelting your face, lunch time is never too early to be welcome. Sandwiches of old ham thick as a steak, home made cake and fresh

apple cider make for a lunch which outclasses Belshazzar's table.

From such, a man gains a new appreciation of nature's grandness and a new overwhelming of God's greatness and goodness. Add the thought of Calvary to such an experience and it's worthy to be called worship. But for the fact that they picked them up instead of trying their marksmanship, what a great day to have been alive when God sent the quail to His children in the wilderness of Sinai!

Quail hunting is not only a revelation of nature and its Creator but also a sure revelation of the character of the hunter. If he walks in front of his partners, he's greedy or ignorant. If he doubles with some-

one else and quickly claims the bird, he's that way in life and bears watching.

For these reasons I appreciate all the more Jim Goin, James Caudill, and Bob Mallicoat of the Providence Baptist Church community in Simpson County. They stand back to give their guest first chance, have to kill the birds finally, and then give them away.

Mallicoat is the pastor of Providence where I was tolerated for five years as a student pastor. He let me preach on Sunday morning. It was something of a homecoming with basket dinner and made for a perfect Thanksgiving. Thinking back on these years of student pastoring, I'm convinced we don't know when we have it well. So is life!

Southern Seminary Sells Norton Property To Presbyterians and Plans New Buildings

John A. Broadus Auditorium and Music Building To Be Constructed

Southern Seminary Trustees, meeting on December 8, voted to sell for \$225,000 the 21-acre Norton estate including the president's home to Presbyterians for a construction site of the Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. Initial plans were also taken for the conversion of the old library facilities into faculty offices and a small auditorium, and the construction later on of a new music building on the main campus.

The Norton property, on Alta Vista in Cherokee Park, a short distance from the seminary campus, was given to the seminary several years ago by the will of Mrs. Geo. W. Norton, Sr. Since then it has served as home for the president. Another residence on the property is currently occupied by Allen W. Graves, dean of the School of Religious Education. Trustees are seeking a new home for the president and Graves has plans for purchasing a home.

Members of the Norton family were consulted before negotiations for the sale of the property were undertaken and approval was expressed for use of the property for the Presbyterian seminary.

Both seminary presidents, Dr. Duke K. McCall, of the Baptist, and Dr. Frank H. Caldwell, of the Presbyterian, expressed joy that the seminaries would again be located close together. Both institutions were once on Broadway before Southern's move to Lexington Road. Through the years the seminaries have enjoyed fine relations. Special lecturers, chapel speakers, etc., have been shared by the schools, and this will be made more convenient with the campuses being near one another. The spirit of co-operation between the schools has in no way affected the individual identity of the two institutions.

Plans were also announced for the conversion of the old library facilities into faculty offices and a small auditorium. The old assembly room used many years for a chapel will be divided

into faculty offices and the old reading room of the library will be made into a small auditorium. The sum of \$250,000 is earmarked for this project.

The small auditorium will be named in honor of John A. Broadus, one of the founders of the seminary and one of the great preachers of Southern Baptist history. His book on preaching is still used as a basis for the preaching classes at Southern. Presumably practice preaching classes will use the auditorium as well as concerts and other activities of the School of Church Music.

Another important building project considered was the construction of a \$500,000 music building on the main campus near Norton Hall. Presently the music school is located across Lexington Road in a converted residence. The new music building is not scheduled for immediate construction but is being considered for two or three years away. The new building will be named in honor of V. V. Cooke, the donor of the present music building.

The sum of \$75,000 was voted to the trustees for completion of the Alumni Chapel organ. The organ will be increased from 40 ranks of keys to 110 ranks, making it one of the outstanding organs in the South, according to President McCall.

The trustees also heard the A.A.T.S. report which continues accreditation of Southern and sang the Doxology.

A council composed of 2 pastors and 12 deacons met at Petersburg Church, Sunday afternoon, November 22, to examine Leroy Voshell and Ray Vice for the office of deacon. Pastor George Bridges read Acts 6, and Pastor John Durham, Crescent Springs, led in prayer. The council elected John Durham as moderator; Albert W. Weaver, clerk; George Bridges, interrogator. Following

Eisenhower To Consider Lack Of Freedom In Spain

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — President Eisenhower described as "significant and informative" a letter he received from a Baptist leader in Spain protesting the lack of religious freedom in that nation.

The president also promised "thoughtful consideration" of the matter in connection with his visit to Spain during his current good will trip.

Louie D. Newton, pastor of Atlanta's Druid Hills Baptist Church and a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, transmitted the letter to the White House through Senator Herman E. Talmadge. Mr. Eisenhower wrote Mr. Talmadge of his appreciation for the letter and asked him to advise Newton that "this matter has come personally to my attention and that I will not fail to give it thoughtful consideration in connection with my forthcoming trip." The letter was signed on December 3 and the President left Washington that night.

Newton did not identify the Baptist leader in Spain who wrote the letter. The letter called attention to Baptist churches in Spain which are denied permits for opening and said "while the Spanish people do not enjoy many privileges of the free world, their lack of religious freedom is most apparent."

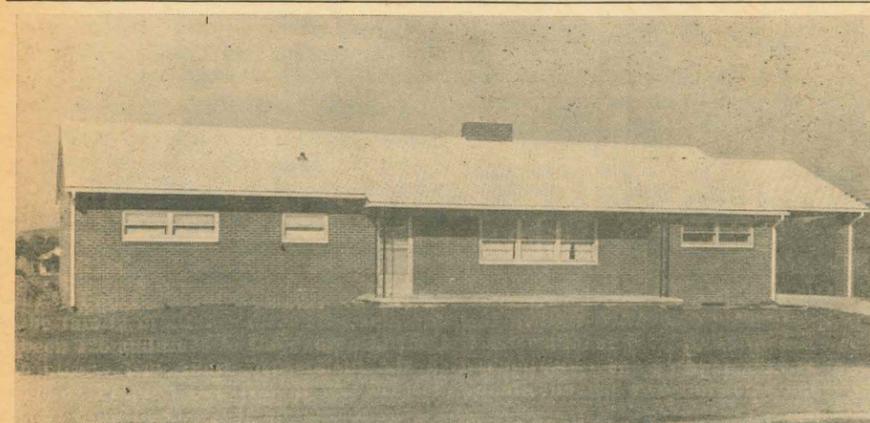
the examination the council voted unanimously to recommend to the church that they proceed with the ordination.

Boyd Godby, a third year student at Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, has been called as pastor of the Sunshine Baptist Church near Harlan. The family has moved to the church field and Mr. and Mrs. Godby will commute to classes Tuesday through Friday. He was formerly pastor of the Flat Lick Baptist Church in Pulaski County and has been employed at the Clear Creek Church Furniture Factory, a student industry, some two years. His wife has been in charge of the afternoon session of the campus nursery this year. They have three daughters, Geraldine, age 16, Mary Lou, 15, and Patsy, 10.

Report of Nominating Committee of General Association of Baptists in Kentucky 1959, at Lexington

Parts of the report of the Nominating Committee to the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky made at Lexington, Kentucky, last month pertaining to the time and place of meeting and the preacher of the annual sermon and his alternate were published in a recent issue of the *Western Recorder*. The following is another part of its report, having to do with the nominations for board, committee and commission personnel, all of whom were duly elected by the General Association:

Association	MEMBERS — EXECUTIVE BOARD Name and Address	Term Ending
Allen	Carl Wright, 191 Donna Dr., Lawrenceburg	1962
Anderson	John Partin, Tinsley	1960
Bell County	Charles Jones, Box 710, Middlesboro	1961
	Robert Reams, 5 Edgewood Ct., Middlesboro	1962
Bethel	Lawrence Martin, Auburn	1967
Blackford	Robert E. Grass, Pellville	1962
Blackford	J. Frank Young, Benton	1962
Blood River	H. C. Zachry, Winchester	1962
Blood River	Robert Wayne, Hardinsburg	1962
Boone's Creek	R. G. Shelton, Eddyville	1961
Breckenridge	Perry Ginn, 308 Hopkinsville Rd., Princeton	1962
Caldwell	J. O. Coldiron, 2810 Alex. Pike, Highland Heights	1962
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Davies-McLean	John P. Weaver, Pleasant View	1962
East Union	Frank Rhodus, R. 3, Georgetown	1962
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Graves County	Homer Parsley, Brownsville	1962
Green River	William T. Flynt, First, Ashland	1962
Greenup	O'Ray Weeks, Louisa	1962
	Dillard West, 1317 Helm St., Henderson	1960
	Ellis Coleman, Sulphur	1960
Green Valley	Elmer George, 401 Chestnut St., London	1960
Henry County	Elmore Ray, Halls Gap	1960
Jackson County	James G. Pickens, 3921 W. Broadway, Louisville	1962
Laurel River	Jack Prince, Crestwood	1962
Lincoln County	Chas. Mitchiner, 7436 Old Third St. Rd., Louisville	1962
Long Run	Edwin F. Perry, 4000 Brownsboro Rd., Louisville	1962
	W. R. Pettigrew, 220 W. St. Catherine, Louisville	1962
	Lewis C. Ray, 2854 W. Market, Louisville	1960
	Ralph McConnell, Box 322, Mumfordsville	1961
	Calvin Staley, Wiborg	1962
Lynn	J. A. Hamblin, Buckhorn	1962
McCreary Co.	Fred Sprawl, Tompkinsville	1962
Middle Fork	J. Bill Jones, 600 Kentucky Ave., Corbin	1960
Monroe	Wallace McGill, Lebanon Junction	1960
Mt. Zion	Thos. Hicks Shelton, 3911 Church, Covington	1962
Nelson	Wesley O. Hanson, 419 Liberty St., Hartford	1962
North Bend	Robert Hopkins, Rt. 1, Walton	1961
Ohio County	A. J. Houchen, R. 4, Owenton	1962
Owen County	Harry L. Garrett, Ferguson	1962
Pulaski Co.	David Bratcher, Brandenburg	1961
Salem	V. C. Kruschwitz, 321 Churchill, Elizabethtown	1962
Severn's Valley	J. V. Case, Jr., Franklin	1961
Simpson	Elroy Lamb, Perryville	1962
South District	Henry Hedgespeth, Perkins Ave., Danville	1961
	Morris J. Calico, Berea	1962
Tates Creek	James Heizer, Warsaw	1961
Upper Cumberland	W. E. Smith, Ages	1960
West Kentucky	John Redden, Clinton	1962
West Union	Fred Thompson, R. 3, Kevil	1962



First Church, Monticello, has completed a modern, new seven room pastorium for the family of Pastor Joseph Nickell, and was dedicated November 29. There have been 126 additions to the church in the last associational year, 69 of these being by baptism. The Adult Department has been enlarged from 5 to 11 classes, and a Young People's Department was created. Monticello has two missions which they started in the last year and a half.

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Terms Ending 1961: Victory Watts, Elkton; Lawrence Martin, Auburn.
Term Ending 1960: Gene Meyers, Pleasant Grove, Madisonville.

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Term Ending 1960: Ed Ross, Valley Station.
Terms Ending 1963: Bruce V. Hartsell, Shepherdsville; J. Robt. Martin, Danville; C. W. Divine, Central City; O. B. Mylum, Berea; Irvine T. Ratliffe, Campbellsville; Marshall Lyon, 503 E. Main, Campbellsville.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CUMBERLAND COLLEGE

Term Ending 1960: R. D. Sanders, Williamsburg.
Terms Ending 1963: Gorman J. Roberts, 2912 Moran Place, Louisville; O. G. Nicholson, Williamsburg; C. L. Smith, Harlan.

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Terms Ending 1962: Vernon Musselman, 344 Colom Blvd., Lexington; R. W. Jones, 216 Bell Ct., E., Lexington; Chesley Lykins, Box 489, Ashland; W. H. Reynolds, Jackson; E. Gaines Davis, Jr., Box 404, Frankfort.
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By JOHN T. WALLACE, JR., Pastor
Felix Memorial Baptist Church
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This concerns three letters of which we have recently heard. The first is from a newly recruited salesman. It reads: "Dear Boss: I seen this outfit which they ain't never brought a dime's worth of nuthin' from us, and I sole them a couple hundred thousand dollars worth of goods. I am now going to Chiaugo."

The second letter, same salesman, two days later: "I came hear and I sole them half milyon."

The third letter was from the company president. Enclosures were copies of the other two letters. It was addressed to all the sales force and read:

"We been spendin' two much time hear tryin' to spel instead of tryin' to sell. Let's watch those sails."

"I want everybody should read these letters from Gooch, who is on the road doin' a grate job for us, and you should go out and do like he done."

This fits many of us to a "T"! How much time do we in the church spend on secondary things! We get so involved in doing a thousand little things to make

our program function just the way the rules say it should. But we never do the one thing for which Christ established His church. "Ye shall be witnesses unto me!" "Go ye therefore and teach . . . and baptize . . . teaching them to observe what I have taught you." We act so concerned about the rules and standards and proper ways, but seem so indifferent about the lost and the unenlisted and the absentees. How we like to sit in committee meetings and talk about how it should be done! We do love to make deep noises from our chest sound like important messages from the brain. We are authorities on "why it cannot be done" and "why it failed" and on "How someone else should do it." But while we sit around and talk, somebody who doesn't know the rules, but has a love for lost men and for the Saviour goes out and gets results. Let's measure our work by our Lord's first command. To whom have you witnessed today? Whom have you brought to Jesus?

►Dr. Eugene Hill returned to the Foreign Mission Board headquarters in Richmond, Va., on December 7 following the conclusion of evangelistic crusades in Ghana and Nigeria and other countries of Africa.

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Southern Seminary Remains Accredited But Draws A. A. T. S. Criticism

The year long threat of discreditation of Southern Baptist Seminary by the American Association of Theological Schools was removed on December 4 when the accrediting agency meeting in New York voted to continue the accreditation of the Louisville seminary. The A.A.T.S., however, criticized the school on several accounts and suggested that admissions to advanced graduate programs be halted until faculty and library facilities can be improved.

The action followed an on-the-spot investigation during the week of October 24-28 of this year by a three man committee from the A.A.T.S. who reported to the accrediting commission for the organization in a 25-page report. One year ago a similar investigation prompted by the dismissal of 13 professors in June 1958 resulted in a severe censure of the seminary for what was termed "an intolerable situation." The seminary was given one year to repair the damage to the dismissed professors and to the school.

The report last year had to do only with the dismissal incident. This year the report covered all phases of the seminary program.

The decision to continue accreditation was a result of significant steps taken by the seminary to rectify the situation of last year, according to Charles L. Taylor, executive director of the A.A.T.S. He singled out the addition of Penrose St. Amant as dean of the School of Theology as one of the main considerations in the decision to continue accreditation. Before the coming of St. Amant the seminary used only an acting dean of the School of Theology and at times the president served as dean as well as president.

Taylor was quoted as saying that though the school had made "a good start, it needs to go further." He indicated that the A.A.T.S. will insist on further reports from the seminary during the next two years.

Among the specific criticisms and suggestions made by the A.A.T.S. relative to the Southern Seminary are:

1. Fully adequate steps to repair the damage to the dismissed professors had not been taken. In such cases of dismissed professors "the generally accepted principle" is that a full year severance pay be given whether or not the dismissed person has found a job in that period. The dismissed professors in this case were paid full salary one year or until they were employed, in which case they were paid any deficiency between the salary of the new job and that they received as seminary teachers.

2. The seminary has an unfavorable faculty-student ratio. The ideal is one teacher for every 12 to 15 students. The ratio at Southern is one teacher for every 26 students.

3. There is grave doubt that new regulations governing academic freedom and tenure are sufficient to guarantee proper exercise of the administrative authority and faculty responsibility in the future. This is obviously a reference to the belief by the A.A.T.S. that too much power is placed in the hands of the Southern Seminary president. Some limitations on the power of the president have been made during the past year and a more clearly defined policy on the addition and dismissal of faculty members has been adopted. Apparently these are not quite satisfactory to the A.A.T.S.

4. The faculty pay is inadequate.

5. The library is inadequate for the type of program attempted by the seminary.

6. Admissions for study leading to the master and doctor degrees in theology should be temporarily discontinued due to limitations in number of faculty members and library facilities.

Upon receiving word of the A.A.T.S. action, a statement was issued by seminary officials, signed by J. Lamar Jackson, Birmingham, Alabama, chairman of the trustees, seminary President Duke K. McCall, and Dean Penrose St. Amant. The statement read:

"The Commission on accrediting of the American Association of Theological Schools on December 4, 1959 voted to continue accreditation of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The report made it clear that the authorities of the seminary had taken certain positive steps on behalf of the dismissed professors and for the seminary's improvement although the commission did not feel that fully adequate steps had been taken. Strengthening of the faculty, improvement of faculty salaries, and library facilities were noted as necessary by the commission. This continues the integral relationship between the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the American Association of Theological Schools which has been unbroken since 1938."

Seminary officials decided to stand upon their statement rather than release the full text of the A.A.T.S. decision. Assurances were given that all essential points in the full report were covered in the statement released by the seminary. Trustees meeting on December 8 gave approval to this decision.

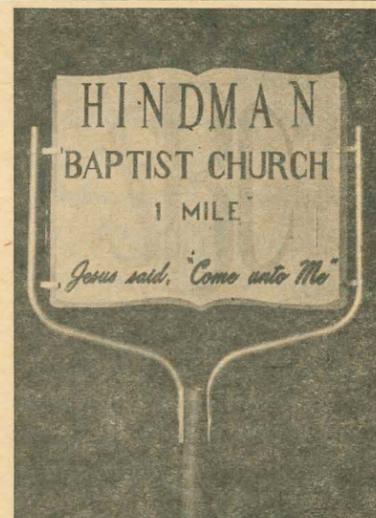
►Roy F. Sutton, superintendent of missions in Tucson, Ariz., is the new secretary of stewardship and director of trust and memorial funds for the Baptist General Convention of Arizona. He is succeeding E. W. Hunke, recently elected associate executive secretary. Sutton was formerly pastor in Dallas, field worker, associate executive secretary, pastor of College Park Baptist Church, Phoenix, and vice president of Grand Canyon College.

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W. H. Curl Retires

W. H. Curl, one of the best known of all denominational leaders in Kentucky, retired from his post as Director of Missions and Stewardship Training on December 1. Originally his retirement had been scheduled for January 1, but, due to a recent operation and ill health, his resignation was offered, effective December 1.

W. H. Curl was born October 1, 1891, at Ammons, Breckenridge County, Kentucky. He received his college training at Bethel College where he graduated in 1923, and attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary until 1926.

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Brother Curl is best known for his many years of intensive work as a state worker among the thousands of Baptist churches in Kentucky. He served for 18 months as association missionary in South District Association, and, beginning January 1, 1937, directed the Mountain Mission Program for Kentucky Baptists for two and a half years. For three and a half years he was located at Ashland, serving as field worker in charge of 32 mountain counties. In 1945 he became Director of Missions and Stewardship Training for the Executive Board of the General Association of Kentucky Baptists and has served in this post until now. He has the distinction of being the only full-time director of schools of missions in the states of the Southern Baptist Convention.

An informal farewell party was conducted for the retiring secretary at the Kentucky Baptist Building on December 4. Testimonies from various denominational leaders were offered and the effectiveness of Curl's ministry was recounted. In response Curl recalled serving under three General Secretaries of the General Association and remembers vividly when the entire staff of the state force included only three girls working as secretaries.

It is estimated by his friends that Curl can call the first names of 20,000 Ken-

tucky Baptists. A fine inscribed watch was presented to Curl by the Baptist Building family in appreciation of his many years of service.

The following estimate of the work of Brother Curl has been made by General Secretary W. C. Boone:

"Brother W. H. Curl has served the Executive Board of the General Association longer than any other department head and perhaps anyone else now on our staff. For nearly twenty years he has been the only Director of Schools of Missions employed by any state in the Southern Baptist Convention. He has given himself wholeheartedly and unreservedly to this work. He has perhaps traveled more over the state and been in more Baptist churches and knows more Baptist preachers than any other person in Kentucky. He has done much to acquaint our smaller churches especially with the needs of world missions and has made arrangements for missionaries from the state, the entire United States and from all over the world to visit in our churches and speak to our people. Truly the value of this work is inestimable and results will be eternal. We shall miss Brother Curl from our official family and hope and pray the Lord will grant him many, many years of useful service in His kingdom."

►Pastor Clayborn E. Landers has resigned at the Michigan Avenue Church, Kansas City, to become city missionary in St. Joseph, Mo., effective January 1, succeeding Cecil Franks, new pastor of Patee Park Church, St. Joseph.



The North Mission of the Immanuel Baptist Temple, Henderson, Kentucky, conducted a ground-breaking ceremony November 1, 1959. Those participating were, left to right: Roger Creek, Thomas H. Francis, Green Valley Associational Missionary; Kenneth Murphy, pastor of the mission; Lyman Smith Allen, pastor of the sponsoring church; I. J. Smith, James Logan, Wendell Brogan, and James Watson. A contract for \$20,862.00 has been let and construction has already begun on the new building.

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By JAMES H. WHALEY, SR.



J. H. Whaley

The catalog giving detailed information on the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training that was effective October 1, 1959, is not being reprinted. However, the Training Union Department has a number on hand. If you would like a copy of the catalog, please write the Training Union Department, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky. This catalog is being replaced by a small tract, *Trained Workman*. *Trained Workman* may also be ordered from the state department.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Plan For Your Vacation Bible School Early

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT



Roy Boatwright

Your State Sunday School Department is working with the associations in planning the Associational Vacation Bible School Clinics. A good associational clinic will be helpful to the churches when they conduct their Bible schools next summer. A better associational clinic can be held if the

department conference leaders will attend the State Vacation Bible School Clinic which will be held with the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, February 25-26, 1960.

The principal of your Vacation Bible School should have been elected at the time the other Sunday school officers were elected by the church. He should be making plans now to have the best Vacation Bible School the church has ever had.

Mark on your calendar February 25-26 as dates vital to Vacation Bible School promotion. Plan to attend the clinic.

PUBLICATION OF BOOK ON CHURCH BUDGET DELAYED

Word has been sent from the Sunday School Board that due to unforeseen difficulties, Dr. J. N. Barnett's book, *The Sunday School and the Church Budget*, has not yet been published. The reference in the November issue of *The Sunday School Builder* that this book was available was incorrect. Please do not seek to purchase it from your book store. The exact date of publication will be announced later.

BROTHERHOOD

Meeting on Camps is Called at K.B. Building, Middletown, Dec. 21-22

By FORREST R. SAWYER

An estimated 10,000,000 people enjoyed some form of camp life during the summer of 1959.

This is understandable when one takes

into consideration the background of "rural America," coupled with the fact that ONLY 10 PER CENT OF AMERICA NOW LIVES STRICTLY RURAL.

The interest of Kentucky Baptists in "camp life" has already arrived, and that interest is increasing rapidly with the passing of time.

The Brotherhood Department has *unofficially*, in the past and at the present time, served as a convener for conferences on camping, by helping to arrange the programs for those conferences and notifying the leadership of the nine or ten associational or area camps that are conducted by groups in the State. (The Department will, in the future as in the past, render service upon request to associational and area camps in keeping with the policies of the Executive Board of the General Association.)

The next meeting of those interested in religious camp life, is scheduled for December 21—1:00 p.m.—December 22, 12:00 noon.

Below you will read some of the reasons for denominational camps.

It has been suggested that within the course of one week's time in a resident camp, the participant receives a Christian emphasis comparable to a full twelve-month period in the normal course of experiences.

Camp life gives people an opportunity to meet others, which has as its ultimate outcome, a cosmopolitan outlook of "getting along with people."

Boys and girls who attend camps are receiving, at an impressionable age, concepts for living that will go into the development of their character.

Royal Ambassador and G.A. Camps often times afford a boy or girl their first away-from-home experience. This first step provides a background for college or other eventualities that will take youngsters away from their own threshold.

The testimony of church leaders and of parents relative to their church members or children, is that it prepares enthusiastic church workers.

Our denominational camps endeavor to make adept campers. Figures recently released show that only 10 per cent of American homes are in the open country, with 15 per cent in small towns and villages, which means that 75 per cent of American homes are in cities or suburban areas. This condition alone warrants the emphasis upon one keeping close to nature.

One of the most important opportunities provided by denominational camps is

that in many instances decisions have been made that afford a goal for life.

Camping keeps alive the basic freedoms accruing from democratic living.

Denominational camp life can, will, and we believe in the majority of instances, does result in denominational, church, and Christian loyalties.

A most important feature of camp life is that it affords those who participate in it, an opportunity to have an honest-to-Goodness GOOD TIME. Another most important feature of denominational camp is that it provides an opportunity to "relate opportunity and responsibility." This is particularly true in the day and age in which we live when non-Biblical teachings are being proposed and practiced as they relate themselves to disciplinary direction for youth. As was recently pointed out by one of our Kentucky Baptist educators, "there is nothing we can do to, or for, the individual who will not accept responsibility for his own actions."

The foregoing has not been presented to try to leave the impression that we are experts in the field mentioned. It is being given in an effort to keep "communication lines" open. Any Kentucky Baptist desiring to make suggestions along any line or upon any phase of camp life, as it relates itself to Royal Ambassador camps at Cedarmore should feel at perfect liberty to do so.

Remember anyone interested in camping, and particularly and especially those who are charged with a responsibility of the direction of associational and area camps, can attend the meeting scheduled for December 21-22, 1:00 P.M., Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky.

CHURCH MUSIC

New Angle for Associational Music Conference

By EUGENE F. QUINN



E. F. Quinn

The Greenup Association met in Ashland with forty-four members of six churches present for the fifth associational music education conference held in Kentucky. Two pastors, three music directors, two assistant directors, seven pianists, two organists and twenty-eight choir members were

among the group at the conference. The purpose of the conference was two-fold. First, fellowship over a meal together, and second, attacking some of the problems related to music in the Baptist churches in Greenup Association.

A new angle was used in developing an attack on the problems of the churches in regard to music. The associational music director, Jimmy Driver, formed a

questionnaire and passed it out to all of the people present at the conference. Each one made out his answers to the questionnaire and turned it in. Then the questionnaire was tabulated in relation to the answers to each question and this bulletin was mailed to those who had attended the conference for their edification after the conference.

The mailing of this digest made it possible for all who had attended, plus some who were not able to attend to begin to see the problems and some possible solutions to them which the associational music organization under Mr. Driver's direction will be seeking to solve. Their first steps are to have an associational carol sing on December 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Ashland and to provide an associational choir for the "M Night" service at Pollard Baptist Church on December 7 at 7 p.m. Other plans include a regional music festival, some group music schools and a youth music camp.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Sunbeam Bands Obtaining Approved Rating Status

By MRS. HUGO CULPEPPER

The following Beginner Sunbeam Bands have earned the APPROVED RATING:

Association	Baptist Church
Bethel	Dripping Spring, Olmstead
Campbell County	First, Ft. Thomas
Christian County	First, Hopkinsville
Elkhorn	Midway
Little Bethel	Second, Madisonville
Little Bethel	Second, Morton's Gap
Nelson	First, Mt. Washington
North Bend	First, Walton
Shelby County	Burk's Branch, Shelbyville
South District	First, Danville
South District	Junction City
South District	Perryville
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Association	Baptist Church
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Little Bethel	Charleston, Dawson Springs
Muhlenberg	Second, Greenville
Nelson	Bullitt Lick, Shepherdsville
Owen County	Mt. Pleasant, Pleasant Home
Pulaski County	First, Somerset
4 year olds	
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Red River	Compton
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Simpson	First, Franklin
Upper Cumberland	Calvary, Loyall

The following Primary Sunbeam Bands have earned the APPROVED RATING:

Association	Baptist Church
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Bethel	New Union, Russellville
Bethel	Mt. Zion, Trenton
Boone's Creek	First, Irvine
Campbell County	Trinity, Newport
7 year olds	
8 year olds	

Christian County	Second, Hopkinsville
Christian County	New Palestine, Crofton
Christian County	Olivet, Howell
Elkhorn	Midway
Lincoln County	Fairview, Hall's Gap
Little Bethel	Second, Madisonville
Little Bethel	Second, Morton's Gap
Muhlenberg	Dunmor
Muhlenberg	Second, Greenville
North Bend	Union
North Bend	New Bethel, Verona
North Bend	Walton
6-7 years old	
8 years old	
Owen County	Mt. Pleasant, Pleasant Home
Owen County	Dallasburg, Wheatley
Pine Mountain	Cumberland
Simpson	Lake Spring, Franklin
Sulphur Fork	DeHaven Memorial, LaGrange
Upper Cumberland	Harlan
West Kentucky	First, Clinton
West Kentucky	Crutchfield
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Nelson	Bullitt Lick, Shepherdsville
Ohio Valley	Grangertown, Sturgis
Pulaski	First, Somerset
Pulaski	High Street, Somerset
Shelby County	Mt. Pleasant, Todd's Point
Simpson	First, Franklin
South District	First, Danville
Upper Cumberland	Calvary, Loyall

For the year ending September, 1959, we have:

Approved Beginner Sunbeam Bands	19
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Canal Trouble Hampers Work Only Slightly

ATLANTA, Ga.—(BP)—The present problems in Panama and the Canal Zone but slightly hamper Southern Baptist mission work in the area, according to R. G. Van Royen, superintendent of Home Mission Board work in the Republic of Panama.

"The recent difficulties have created a situation in which we cannot work as freely as before," he said. "However, all of our missionaries are co-operating in a wonderful way. We do not feel that there will be any permanent damage to our work."

Van Royen was in Atlanta for the annual meeting of the Home Mission Board. He indicated that one reason the disturbances would affect the work so little is that there are only eight of the 86 missionaries and workers in the field who are not natives.

Southern Baptist work in the Republic, which extends 500 miles from north to south and up to 100 miles wide, includes 26 churches and 35 missions.

"The rapid spread of the work in Panama has been so great that we find it difficult to keep up with the demand for property, new buildings, and trained leaders," Van Royen said.

He compared the work there with Baptist beginnings in the states 100 years ago. The greatest need is in the education field, to train pastors and workers in the basic principles of Southern Baptist education work.

To do this, a seminary was started five years ago. There are 18 students this year, and last year 16 graduated. "All 16 are in the work now," he said. "We are already receiving the fruits of these people who are trained in our work."

Van Royen has a dream of 30 acres of land to house the seminary, a secondary school for missionary children, headquarters for leadership, an orphanage, and apartments for retired missionaries.

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Mission	113	--	--
Bowling Green, First	953	4	241
Andrew Mission	210	3	--
Murray, First	915	--	148
Mission	38	--	--
Owensboro, Third	892	9	261
Louisville, Crescent Hill	865	3	266
Missions (2)	118	--	--
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Owensboro, First	838	7	132
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	830	--	247
Missions (2)	91	--	--
Covington, Calvary	817	--	--
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Hopkinsville, First	745	--	211
Mission	125	--	68
Newport, First	734	2	207
Missions (2)	139	--	37
Louisville, Beechmont	728	7	178
Harrodsburg	698	1	174
Missions (2)	72	--	44
Frankfort, First	697	--	199
Paducah, Immanuel	692	--	209
Louisville, Beechland	691	2	173
Mission	193	1	65
Covington, Latonia	679	--	211
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Lexington, Grace	624	2	163
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Mission	72	--	55
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Mission	90	--	40
Bellevue	475	--	101
Louisville, Bethany	462	1	111
Danville, First	458	--	124
Mission	44	--	--
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Louisville, Green Acres	420	--	150
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London, First	409	--	114
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Paducah, East	406	1	180
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Mission	19	--	--
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Jeffersontown, First	398	--	90
Morganfield, First	396	2	167
Covington, Southside	396	4	93
Ludlow, First	388	1	102
Nicholasville	386	--	98
Lebanon, First	384	1	111
Walton, First	383	--	184
Bowling Green, Eastwood	381	--	130
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	376	--	157
Ft. Thomas, First	373	--	88
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Danville, Gethsemane	368	3	187
Greenville, First	367	--	152
Frankfort, Crestwood	367	--	117
Corbin, Central	352	--	160
Mission	45	--	21
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	348	--	137
Lexington, Trinity	346	17	97
Springfield	345	--	100
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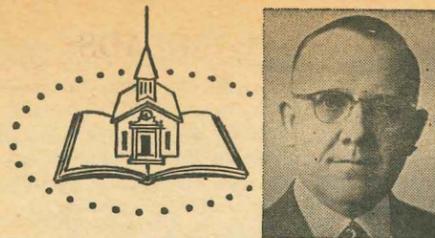
Eugene Spencer to be Ordained at Latonia Church in Covington



Eugene Spencer

C. Eugene Spencer, now serving as minister of music at Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, will be examined on Monday night, December 21, at his home church, the Gillespie Avenue Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee. If he passes the examination successfully, his ordination is to take place at the Gillespie Avenue Church on December 23, 1959. M. K. Cobble is pastor there. Raymond T. DeArmond, 1959 president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, will deliver the ordination sermon, and Pastor Cobble will give the charge to the candidate and the church. David Spencer, a nephew of Mr. Spencer, and a music student at Carson-Newman College, will sing "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains," by Harker. Pastor Thomas H. Shelton will present the Bible to Mr. Spencer at Latonia on Sunday, December 27, on behalf of the Latonia Baptist Church.

Covington, First	320	1	165
Mission	72	--	--
Louisville, Melbourne Heights	316	--	78
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	316	--	102
Fern Creek, Cedar Creek	310	--	97
Ashland, Pollard	305	--	104
Missions (2)	75	--	--
Louisville, Gethsemane	302	--	130
Louisville, Audubon	297	--	77
Dawson Springs, First	292	--	70
Bowling Green, Glendale	284	1	132
Marion	283	--	79
Corbin, First	281	--	74
Louisville, LaSalle Avenue	280	1	105
Barbourville, First	279	--	181
Missions (3)	145	--	--
Middletown, First	274	1	86
Lebanon Junction, First	264	--	123
Owensboro, Seven Hills	249	--	82
Hazel	247	--	247
Sonora	243	--	90
Carrollton, First	223	--	77
Cold Spring, First	221	--	92
Williamson, E. Williamson	219	--	67
Lexington, South Elkhorn	212	1	127
Owensboro, Wing Avenue	209	7	93
Folsomdale, Liberty	206	--	70
Mt. Vernon, First	185	--	40
Missions (4)	62	--	--
Calhoun	154	1	70
McQuady, Corinth	94	--	73



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

GOOD NEWS FOR THE WORLD December 20, 1959

The glorious gospel of Christ is the best news that anybody ever heard. The gist of this good news is recorded in I Corinthians 15:3-4: "How that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." This glorious news should be proclaimed to all men.

Luke 2:8-14

The story of the birth of Jesus Christ is of continual interest and constant blessing to those of us who know and love Him. His coming has meant more to the world than that of any other person. Some seven hundred years before the Saviour was born, the prophet Micah had foretold that He would be born in Bethlehem in Judea. Just prior to the birth of the Lord Jesus, Joseph and Mary were in Nazareth, some sixty miles north of Bethlehem. In order that they might be at the proper place at the right time, God caused Caesar Augustus to issue a decree that all the world over which he had control should be enrolled, everyone in his own city, with a view to taxation and perhaps military service. In response to this decree Joseph and Mary made their way to Bethlehem. While they were there the Lord Jesus was born. His birth is absolutely unique; there is no other like it in all the annals of history.

At that time there were lowly shepherds in the Judean hill country, watching over their flocks by night. As these humble shepherds were guarding their sheep and protecting them from robbers and wild beasts, they were visited by an angel of the Lord. As the glory of the Lord shone round about this heavenly messenger, the shepherds were frightened. No wonder these men were filled with fear. Most anyone would have been under the circumstances. Seeking to calm them, the angel said, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." The angel not only told the city in which Jesus Christ was born, but he gave to them a sign by which they might recognize Him—"Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

Thus the angel revealed intimate knowledge and announced the most wonderful news that was ever given to men.

Instantly the heavenly hosts sounded forth a paean of praise to God because of His wondrous gift of the Prince Who had come to bring peace to the hearts and minds of the people of this sin-cured world. Soon after the departure of the visitor from heaven, the shepherds went to see the newly born Saviour. Upon seeing Him lying in a manger, they manifested humble awe and reverential joy. When they returned, the shepherds were "glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen." They rejoiced because they had seen the Son of God Who was to bring so many and such wonderful blessings to this world.

Acts 11:19-26

Antioch, the capital of Syria, had been famous for its commerce, art and literature, and infamous for its worldliness, licentiousness and wickedness. Into this populous and wicked city the gospel of Christ had been faithfully proclaimed by those unnamed disciples, who had been forced to leave Jerusalem in order to live. As those brave and daring souls preached the gospel of Christ, the Lord placed His stamp of approval upon their work. Many believed on Christ and were saved, and the first Gentile church was established.

Tidings of these triumphs of grace soon went abroad and speedily claimed the attention of the church in Jerusalem. Greatly stirred by the news of the extraordinary happenings in Antioch, the leaders in the Jerusalem church decided to send one of their honored members, along the trail of these zealous evangelists, to inspect their work and to ascertain what should be done about it. They dispatched Barnabas thither as an official observer and a qualified investigator of this new movement. Barnabas was a man of high rank, distinguished presence, unquestioned integrity, unblemished character, open mind, broad vision, keen perception and genuine sympathy. Full of the Holy Spirit and of faith, he was known far and wide as a good man. No other word except "good" accurately describes this fine, heroic man.

When Barnabas arrived in the city and saw the wonderful manifestations of the grace of God in the chaste conversations and transformed lives of the believers, his heart was filled to overflowing with joy and thanksgiving. Being en-

tirely free from jealousy, he was delighted to see their thriving new church, even though he had not participated in its establishment. It is commendable when one truly rejoices in the achievements of fellow believers in the work of the Lord. How we need to be like Barnabas in this regard!

Barnabas heartily approved the work as being of the Lord. He never proposed a change in it, but he did admonish the believers to live in dependence upon Christ and in devotion to Him. He was impressed so favorably with their work and its possibilities that, instead of returning to Jerusalem to make a report, he remained there and led in launching an evangelistic campaign in which many were saved and added to the church. He promoted the work in every way possible.

It was not long until the work had grown to such proportions that additional help was necessary. Barnabas was convinced that the field required the services of the ablest man who could be found. Possessing that remarkable talent for selecting the right man for an important task, he immediately went for Saul, who had been waiting and watching for an open door of service. Upon their arrival in Antioch, he introduced Saul to his great work as the apostle to the Gentiles. Immediately they plunged into the great work of teaching those who had been saved. They had remarkable success in giving instruction to the recent converts and in building them up in the most holy faith.

Presently, the nickname "Christians" was first applied by others to the children of God in Antioch. This nickname, which meant "little Christs", was occasioned by their manner of life. In their conversations, lives and work they manifested a close relationship and likeness to Christ. When those who were unsaved heard their words or saw their actions, they were reminded of Christ. What a compliment! Would that the same were true of us!

►Wayne Rosecrans, pastor of First Church, California, Mo., died at the Memorial Hospital, Jefferson City, Mo., following a heart attack, which occurred just two weeks after he had served as recording secretary of the Missouri Baptist Convention. Also he had served in the Missouri General Assembly as chaplain of the senate in its recent session.

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

By MISS IONE GRAY, Press Representative, Richmond, Va.

Volunteers, Money Parallel Needs in Missions Advance

"As we look ahead toward sustained mission growth we are conscious of a number of important emphases which must be stressed," said Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, in his report to the Board in its November meeting.

"For one thing, there must be continued increase in the number of mission volunteers," he said. "We look to 1960 with the objective of appointing 150 missionaries; and we have in mind increasing that number year by year until in 1964 we will appoint 200. The sustained flow of mission volunteers depends upon individual churches praying for the going of missionaries from their own midst.

"Paralleling the need for increased numbers of mission volunteers is the need for growth in financial support."

Dr. Cauthen announced that the Convention-wide Cooperative Program entered its Advance Program period November 12, thereby bringing added financial reinforcement to the Foreign Mission Board. (Cooperative Program money received after the Southern Baptist Convention's operating budget is met is called Advance Program funds and is shared by the Foreign and the Home Mission Boards, with the Foreign Board receiving 75 per cent.)

"This money is vitally needed," Dr. Cauthen said. "One million dollars of it will be applied to the 1960 budget; and the remainder will be used to meet capital needs and to supply some of the items not included in the budget because of limitation of funds.

"This is also the time when prayer is focused upon the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. We await the offering this year with much anticipation, as it has for its objective the largest goal ever in its history. We pray not only that it shall result in gifts of money, but also in spiritual blessings through prayer, the study of missions, and life dedication."

Dr. Means to Live in Rio Eight Months

Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, will make his headquarters in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, during the first eight months of 1960. He and Mrs. Means will sail from New York on December 23.

Dr. Means will establish his office in the Baptist publishing house in Rio; but he will travel extensively to other areas of Latin America during his tenure in Brazil. One of his tasks during the early months of next year will be that of helping Southern Baptist missionaries and Brazilian Baptists prepare for the meet-

ing of the Baptist World Alliance in Rio, June 26-July 3, 1960.

Less Tension in Colombia

In his report to the Board Dr. Means cited reports and incidents which may indicate that there is a lessening of tension between Roman Catholics and Protestants in Colombia. "Although unsavory incidents still occur," he said, "the remarkable thing is that constitutional guarantees are being supported and religious bigots are being opposed."

Missionaries Enter Forty-First Country

Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, reported that Rev. and Mrs. Tom G. Small have moved from Southern Rhodesia to Kitwe, Northern Rhodesia, thus becoming the first Southern Baptist missionaries to that country and bringing to 41 the number of countries in which Southern Baptists now have work. They are soon to be joined by Rev. and Mrs. Zebedee V. Moss.

Dr. Goerner commented: "Thus, after delay and disappointment due to lack of personnel, the Central Africa Mission has at length been able to station workers in all three of the countries that make up the Central African Federation: Nyasaland, Northern Rhodesia, and Southern Rhodesia."

Suspended Sentence Termed Face-Saving

Dr. Goerner made the following comments on the recent trial of Pastor Jose Nunez, of the Second Baptist Church, Madrid, Spain, on charges that he had entered and held a service in a church building which had previously been closed by police:

"The publicity given to the trial seemed to be an embarrassment to the prosecution who could not present a strong case against the young pastor without further exposing themselves to charges of intolerance and bigotry. The small fine and light jail sentence which were imposed upon Brother Nunez were promptly suspended by the court, giving to the procedure the aspect of a face-saving device. The reaction of the American public to this form of religious oppression was indicated by the fact that the Foreign Mission Board received letters from several churches and individuals who asked for the privilege of paying the fine for the young pastor."

►Dr. J. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient for the Foreign Mission Board, has just participated in the 70th anniversary celebration of the Baptists in Japan and is visiting other countries in the Orient, and returned to Richmond, Va., December 1.

►Dr. W. Edwin Richardson, president of Bethel College of Hopkinsville, Ky., was elected president of the American Association of Junior Colleges at its Southern Regional group meeting in Louisville November 30. Also, Ralph Lee, dean of Mars Hill College in North Carolina, was reappointed to the office of secretary-treasurer.

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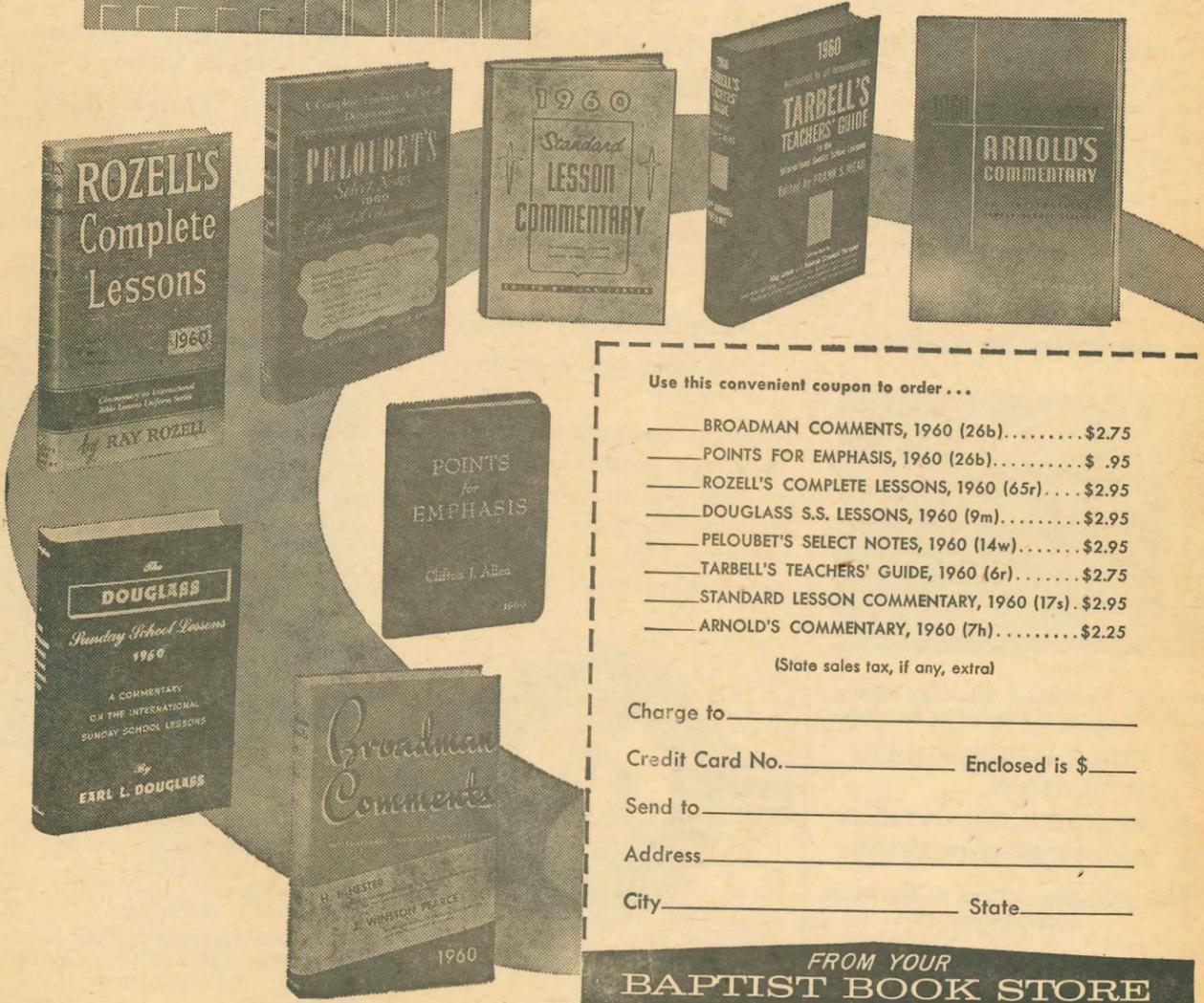
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Fellow members of Mrs. Marcum characterized her as a radiant Christian who

made no display of her religion but who lived it constantly and quietly every day. Friends testify that her influence will continue to be felt in the lives of many who were close to her.

Mrs. Marcum was the teacher of a Primary class and was always present for her duties regardless of the weather or other adverse circumstances. She taught her class one Sunday in January when her infant child was only eight days old. She leaves her husband and seven small children and her friends are

comforted only by faith in the goodness and the wisdom of our Heavenly Father.

►David Mein, director of the North Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary, Recife-Pernambuco, Brazil arrived in the U. S. for his furlough December 14, and during 1960 he will be a visiting professor of church history and missions at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. His address will be 1440 Gambrell St., Fort Worth.

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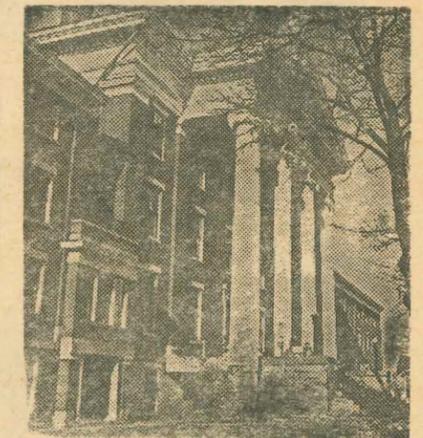
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