

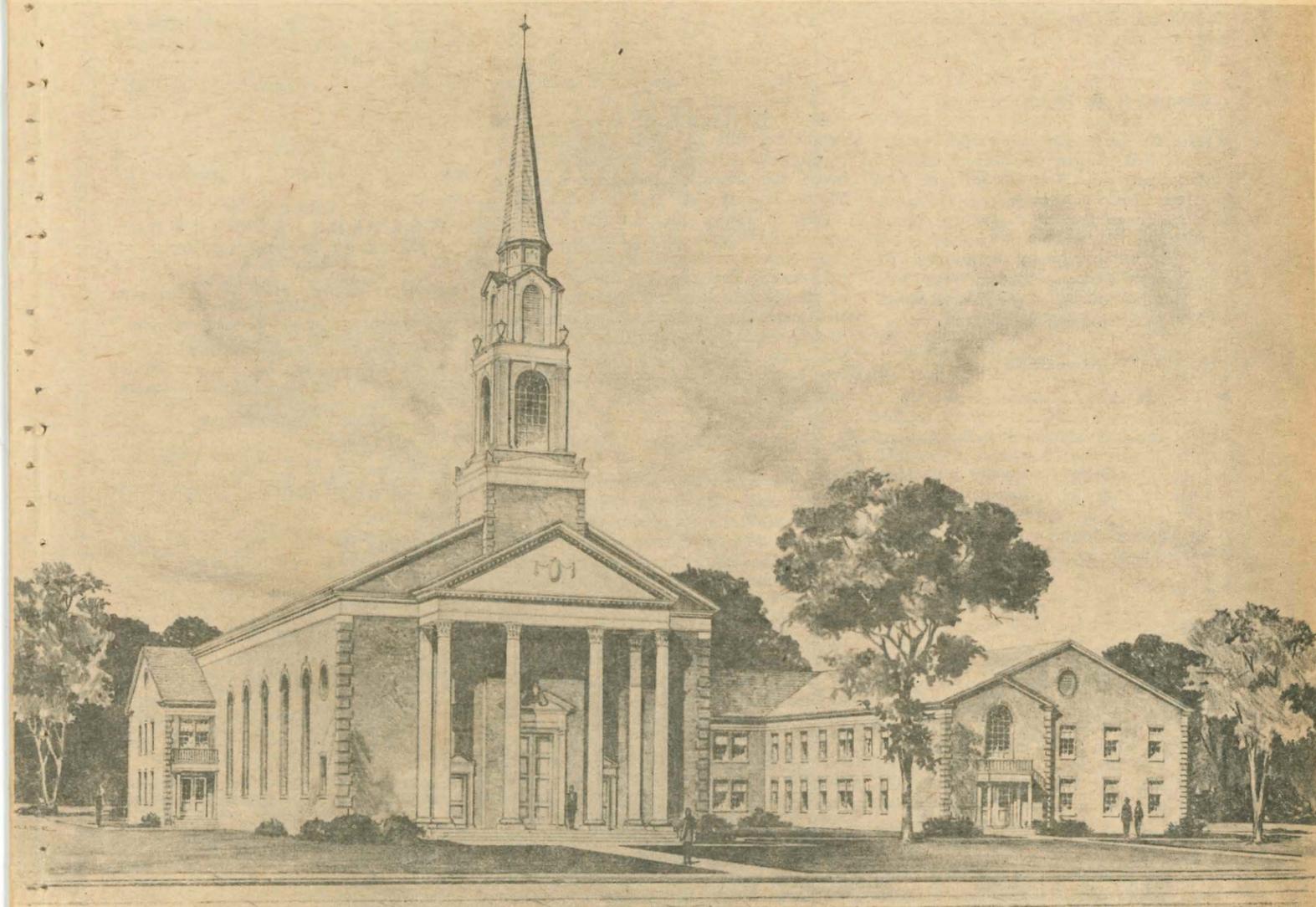
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The architect's front elevation of the shape of things to come at the First Baptist Church, Franklin, Kentucky, where J. V. Case, Jr., is pastor. The new auditorium will seat 1,000 and the educational building 700. Cost is expected to be about \$400,000 without furnishings. Clemmons and Gingles, Nashville, are the architects, and Frank Shaub, Nashville, is the contractor. The Building Committee is composed of J. H. Shugart, Emmett Ashlock, Romey Austin, M. E. Johnson, and Mr. C. M. Martin.



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

RITTENHOUSE IN LEXINGTON

►Dr. William Rittenhouse, Atlanta, Ga., will be the evangelist in a revival at Immanuel Church, Lexington, Ky., March 13-20.

FURLOUGH IS DELAYED

►From Mrs. T. B. Summers, Box 113, Route 3, Bardstown, we learn that Mabel Summers, missionary to the Near East located in Beirut, Lebanon, has been unable to get home on her furlough because she is tied up with important Sunday school literature translations. She will probably not arrive until after the middle of July.

HARGROVE AT CLEAR CREEK

►Billy Hargrove, Director of Survey and Special Studies for the Home Mission Board, spent the week of January 9-14 at Clear Creek Baptist School. He spoke in chapel each day and taught the classes in rural church, where the students were instructed in the survey techniques. He also directed a survey for the West Pineville Baptist Church, where Arnold Moon, a Clear Creek graduate, is pastor.

THE CHANGING SCENE

►Floyd Warrix, of Allen, Kentucky, a third-year-student at Clear Creek Baptist School, has been called as pastor of First Baptist Church of Jonesville, Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Warrix have one son, Gary, who is 15 years old. Last summer Mr. Warrix served as interim pastor of the Allen Baptist Church, where he had been ordained to the ministry.

►A farewell was given Winn T. Barr and his family at First Baptist Church, Hazard, just before they took their departure for First Church, London. Many were present and showered the family with many gifts, including a full set of China and crystal. The deacons also gave a testimonial dinner for the Barrs, and presented them with a silver tea service. The church has grown in attendance and stewardship in the last ten years the Barrs have been there, Sunday school average going well above 400 and the church gifts \$60,000 for all purposes.

►Thomas M. Richardson has gone to be pastor of the Zion Baptist Church, Henderson, Route 4, Kentucky. He hails from Tusculumbia, Ala., is a B.S. graduate of State Teachers' College, Florence, Ala., and was graduated last week from

Southern Seminary. He was formerly pastor of Gravely Springs Baptist Church, in northern Alabama, and is a reserve chaplain in the U. S. Army. Mrs. Richardson is the former Miss Mary Jane Helsley, choir member and soloist of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville. She attended Campbellsville College, and has been office secretary for Ronald K. Wells in the Music Department of her church and for Eugene F. Quinn in the Church Music Department at the Kentucky Baptist Building.

WEDDING BELLS

►Miss Priscilla Lytle of Monticello and H. G. M. Hatler, minister and evangelist, Princeton, were married December 23, 1959, in the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, with Dr. W. R. Pettigrew performing the ceremony. The bride is the home demonstration extension agent in Wayne County. Mr. Hatler was a pharmacist in Texas when he felt called to preach and came to Kentucky to enter the Seminary. He has served Kentucky churches in Ballardsville, Gatliff, Central of Corbin and First of Princeton. They will make their home at Monticello, and their present address will be P. O. Box 474, that city. He will continue doing evangelistic and supply work among the churches.

C. F. BROCK PASSES

►Charles Francis Brock, 88, died December 10, 1959, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Wallace, in Frankfort, Indiana. Funeral and interment were in Richmond, Ky., former home of Mr. Brock. Born October 18, 1871, in Madison County, Ky., he married Julia Parks, who died in 1936. To them were born ten children, nine of whom are still living. One daughter, Mrs. Willie Mae Walker, died in 1951. The survivors are: Mrs. Hallie Engle, Hazard, Ky.; Mrs. C. H. Wallace, wife of the pastor at First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Ind.; Mrs. Edgar Smith, Bloomington, Ind.; Oliver Brock, Grand Junction, Colo.; Mrs. Dan Waltman, Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. Lester Eversole, Hazard, Ky.; Mrs. Stanley York, Fowler, Ind.; Charles F. Brock, Connersville, Ind.; and Russell Brock, Fowler, Ind. Also he leaves 19 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, and one brother, Oliver, Holton, Kans. He spent his first 60 years in Madison, Fayette, Clark and Perry Counties in Kentucky, and was a teacher, farmer and merchant. He was a farmer

at Connersville, Ind., from 1932 to 1940, at which latter time he retired. He was a deacon and teacher in several Kentucky churches and was active in organizing Sunday schools.

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Preparation For Tomorrow

W. T. Chapin, President, Lincoln Bank & Trust Co.
Louisville, Kentucky

Heaven is not reached at a single bound, but we build the ladder by which we rise from the lowly earth to the vaulted skies; and we mount to its summit round by round.



W. T. Chapin

To me this verse sums up man's existence here on earth. We do progress through life step by step.

Our founding fathers were preparing for our tomorrows when they drafted those principles that have kept us a free nation. Our parents were preparing for our future when they instilled within us our ideals and furnished us with an education, and developed in us an ambition to plan and work toward accomplishing worth-while goals.

The discipline that was taught me by my parents; the early training in a Christian home, in the Sunday School, and in church—all of these experiences have served to prepare for the decisions each of us is confronted with during our lives. Each day we are continually harvesting old crops and sowing new seed. We are reaping the harvest—good or bad—of our actions or lack of actions in the past.

At the time I accepted a very minor job in the bank at Cloverport, I am not sure that I fully visualized the opportunities in the field of banking; but as the days, months, and years went by, I gradually realized that by hard work and planning and preparing for more responsible assignments, opportunities would come and I have been rewarded in a full measure.

I believe that preparing for tomorrow also means that tomorrow when we pass to our eternal reward, and that all of our plans should not be centered on our secular life at the expense of overlooking the most important—the spiritual. Obviously, the spiritual deals with preparing our lives so that our souls have eternal life.

"Set thy house in order" invokes the Bible. To me this means our souls as well as finances. Setting our finances in order includes the making of a will.

Actually, wills were used during the time of the Old Testament. We are told that Adam, Noah, and Job disposed of their property by wills. We are further told that Joseph received a "portion above his brethren" indicating that Jacob left a will disposing of his property. Therefore, it would seem that the making of a will is not only preparation for the future and a legislative privilege, but is also a Christian obligation.

Perhaps there are many who would like to do more for our Baptist institutions during their lifetime but for one reason or another have not been able to do so. May I suggest for your consideration that you give serious thought to providing through your will a gift to the Kentucky Baptist Foundation for the benefit of whatever Baptist Cause is uppermost in your heart.

Under our wills and through the fine work of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, we have the chance to achieve our objectives and memorialize our philosophies of life.

This presents a golden opportunity to sow seed for the future, and it will be seed that will spring up with the seasons, year after year, on and on, into the future. One planting, many harvests! One gift; a lasting memorial that will benefit the Baptist cause throughout the years to come!

The prophet, Ezekiel, who could scarcely be accused of having been an estate expert, sounded a trumpet that has endured through the ages: "Son of man, stand on thine own feet, and I will speak not with thee, but through thee."

Wealth in our hands, therefore, is only a trust. It is up to us to decide how well we manage it.

Rosemont Baptists Honor Pastor O. W. Yates

The Rosemont Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, has honored Pastor O. W. Yates upon his eighth anniversary as Rosemont pastor. The church voted unanimously to present the pastor with a week's vacation.

In the eight years of the pastorate of O. W. Yates, Rosemont has gone from a small church of 40 members with a block building 21x60 to a membership of 1,005 in a large well-equipped plant. The church was organized in 1947.

Poplar Grove Church Loses Two Members

Poplar Grove Baptist Church, Webbs Cross Roads, in Russell County, as taken note of the recent loss of two beloved members of the church.

The beloved Poplar Grove members were Mrs. Mary LaFavers and Mr. Ollis Wilson. Mrs. LaFavers was prominent in the Woman's Missionary Society and faithful in attendance at all services of the church.

Mr. Wilson was a deacon, trustee, teacher of Junior boys in the Sunday School, and treasurer of the cemetery fund. In words of resolutions of respect passed by the Poplar Grove Church, Mr. Wilson was described as discharging his responsibilities in the "highest Christian spirit."

Former Kentucky Pastor Honored by Furman

Announcement from Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina, names William Austin Roberts as one of three to receive honorary degrees from the Baptist school.

Roberts was formerly pastor at Williamstown and at Cynthiana, Kentucky. He left the Cynthiana pastorate to accept pastorate at the First Baptist Church, Aiken, South Carolina where he is presently serving. Roberts occupies a prominent place of leadership in the life of South Carolina Baptists. He is a graduate of Georgetown College in Kentucky.

The degree to be received by Roberts is doctor of divinity and it will be awarded at the May 29 commencement. Others to receive honorary degrees from Furman are Clifton J. Allen, Nashville, editorial secretary, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, and Walter J. Heacock, Wilmington, Delaware, director of research and interpretation for the Eleutherian Mills-Hagley Foundation.



All Doubt Removed

Any doubt that one's religious faith will vitally effect his performance as a public office holder has been removed by an admission on the part of Senator John Kennedy of his treatment of an invitation to take part in an interfaith meeting.

In 1950 Kennedy was invited to speak in a meeting in Philadelphia where plans were being made to erect a memorial to four famous chaplains of World War II. The invitation was extended Kennedy by Christian Herald Editor Daniel Poling. Kennedy gladly accepted the invitation but later canceled his appearance.

Poling charged that Roman Catholic Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia got Kennedy to cancel his appearance because the archdiocese of Philadelphia refused to support the interfaith project. This, to Poling, was clear evidence that a Catholic would be influenced in his action as president by the views of his church.

Kennedy's office, at the time, according to newspaper reports, said that Poling's statements were inaccurate. In a recent appearance before the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., Kennedy was asked if he had accepted this invitation and then declined and, if so, was the cancelation of the appointment upon the advice of Cardinal Dougherty? Kennedy answered yes to both questions but claimed Poling was wrong in his conclusions. He claimed that he learned he was invited to the affair as a representative of the Catholic faith and he decided he could not attend because the project was interfaith and the memorial was to be erected in a Baptist church which was against the precepts of the Catholic church. Poling had claimed that the meeting to which Kennedy was invited was a civic affair held in a hotel.

In spite of the double talk of Kennedy that he accepted the invitation as a senator and canceled when he learned he was to be a representative of the Roman Catholic faith, this is a clear example of conflict between religious conviction and civil responsibility. Kennedy acted consistently with his religious faith and for this he should be respected no matter how we feel about such religious convictions. Catholicism does not recognize other religious faiths. How then could a Catholic consistently attend an interfaith affair promoting a memorial to be erected in a Baptist church?

The Bible doctrine of church and state is obedience to God in the affairs of religion and obedience to the state in affairs of the state. But what about it when the church and the state conflict? The only course a Christian has is to obey God according to his conscience rather than men. The only hope for a Christian to stay out of conflict with the state is non-interference between the church and the state.

America is so designed and the constitution tries to guarantee a free church in a free state. This will work as long as one is willing to recognize the freedom of the other. But here's where the rub comes in the matter of Roman Catholicism:

The hierarchy of Roman Catholicism has never advocated separation of church and state. A Catholic controlled absolute monarchy is ideal for Catholicism. This is attested to by history and by current practices. Witness Spain where Dictator Franco, by an agreement with the Vatican, suppresses all religions except Roman Catholicism. American Catholicism is an accommodation to a governmental system less than ideal for Catholic purposes.

Could a president be true to his Catholic faith and also properly discharge the duties of the presidential office without a conflict, as Kennedy says? It would appear not without being a traitor to one or to the other.

For example Catholicism does not believe in the American public school system. Yet this very moment there is strong support for a multi-billion dollar federal aid program for public schools. How could a Roman Catholic president conscientiously sign a public school aid bill passed in Congress?

Catholicism is unalterably opposed to birth control by artificial means. Suppose a bill should be passed by Congress calling for the United States to provide birth control information to other countries asking for such information. What could a Catholic president do about such a bill? One Catholic authority has already given the answer. A Catholic president could not sign such a bill but might let it become law without his signature. How pusillanimous! What a way to hamstring a president!

Because there is so much difference between official Catholic dogma and the American way of life, it would seem next to impossible for one to be a good Catholic and a responsible president at the same time. To approve and champion certain American institutions and freedoms would be treason against Rome and the pope. To follow the counsel of Rome and the pope, which any loyal Catholic president would have to do, would be treason against the office of the president. From Catholic teaching and Kennedy's conduct in this office, it would appear that a Catholic president could not make an appearance at an interfaith affair without specific permission from ecclesiastical authorities. Imagine the appointment secretary of the president having to clear presidential appointments with the archbishop of Washington!

It is lamentable that one claiming allegiance to a religion so out of line with American freedom would seek the highest office of the land. Let him renounce such religious views or give up his presidential ambitions. It's too much to ask Americans to swallow both.

Safari for Souls

Billy Graham is now engaged in what he considers his most ambitious and most difficult campaign in his evangelistic ministry.

"Operation Africa" will cover 10,000 miles by plane, jeep, boat, and foot in 10 weeks. Interpreters will make it possible for the gospel to be preached by Graham in twenty languages in Liberia, Ghana, Nigeria, Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, Tanganyika, Kenya, Ruanda, and Ethiopia. The most extensive and thorough preparation has been made for this African campaign. Wherever possible the responsibility for arrangements has been put into the hands of native religious leaders.

Graham believes the outcome of this campaign

could well influence the direction of the world. This could well be so considering the terrific struggle for the African mind by Communism, Mohammedanism, and Nationalism. In light of the report that Mohammedans are winning ten converts from paganism for every one new follower of Jesus Christ, the preaching of Graham might meet its greatest challenge.

Everyone familiar with Graham and his campaigns knows to what extent he depends upon the prayers of fellow Christians. Before taking off for Africa he made a personal appeal to this editor and presumably to all Southern Baptist editors to share his appeal for prayer with their readers.

Nothing could be more heartily endorsed by this editor than a united intercession with our Heavenly Father for this crucial effort of a fellow Baptist in the evangelization of Africa.

A FELT NEED

Editor:

In a December issue of the *Western Recorder* I find your article about Ann Nonymous to be interesting. If this party still has the urge to help people with an education (in other ways) you might inform her, or any others who have the means, of our excellent school here at Clear Creek where the boys could use a little financial help that they, too, might become better workers in His vineyard.

We, here at Clear Creek, are doing our best to get an education so we can help carry out the great commission.

We have consecrated teachers and leaders whose greatest desire is to be able to help the student more, but their hands are tied financially. Personally, I don't think anyone will get any more rewards, than one who would see the need here at our school, and invest in souls that will be won through the preachers going forth to work for Him.

A Student's Wife

Clear Creek Baptist School
Pineville, Ky.

FOUR SCORE AND SIX

Editor:

I am sure this will be my last year for the *Western Recorder*, if I live. I am going blind so fast. I live alone in an apartment. No one to take time out and come in to read to me. Takes me a day to read your paper. I have no complaint to make, for God has been so good to me and I have used these eyes almost 86 years. I want to tell you I have enjoyed your editorials more than any editor's we have had. The *Western Recorder* is a wonderful paper with its good old sound Baptist editor. May God spare you many years to tell the true story! I wish you a happy Christmas and your new year filled with health, success and contentment.

God's blessings with you every day.

111 N. Chestnut Mrs. B. C. Jones
Fresno, California

BAPTIST FORUM



QUESTIONABLE T.V.

Editor:

I was very concerned about the letter on letting our children watch all T.V. programs.

Many mothers believe that T.V. is a good baby-sitter while it keeps them quiet and attentive now. What are they absorbing to store up and use later? Only last summer a Lexington youth set fire to the Woolcott Flour Mills and the damage resulted in thousands of dollars and he admitted he got the idea from watching a T.V. program.

As Christian parents we are guilty of giving our stamp of approval to drinking, swearing, murder, and low morals by either insisting or not caring if our families watch such programs.

Flemingsburg, Kentucky Mrs. Bill Farris

MORE ON DEACONS

Editor:

I read with interest Brother Yates' article "How Do You Elect Your Deacons?" Most Kentucky Baptists would have to answer that question differently from the way he did.

First, many of us would disagree with his flat statement that "any church who does not have this system (rotation) will greatly improve its services by inaugurating the same." Most churches feel that they do not wish to rotate out a man just at the time his experience will become most valuable.

Then the system of selecting the deacons should always be democratic. Baptists pride themselves on having a pure democracy at work. Thus rather than to allow deacons to handpick 16 men to go before the church, most churches allow the whole congregation to vote all the

way through. Thus, the first vote is for, say eight men, and the top 16 men are in the runoff. This way nominations come from the congregation, not the deacons.

This may not be a perfect plan, but it probably comes closer to the usual Baptist procedure than the other.

Richmond, Kentucky Fred Engle, Jr.

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

Editor:

Pope John XXIII recently advocated what he referred to as "legal restrictions in the exercise of freedom of the press" "because some newspaper coverage may poison the morals of the people." This raises the question of whether the Catholic church has the right to encroach upon American Freedoms with its own doctrines.

Why were American newspaper editors only mildly critical or silent about this brazen attempt by a foreign religious dictator to muzzle our free press? What lies behind their deadly fear of criticizing the Pope?

Imagine the howls that would have went up if Bishop Pike or some other Protestant leader had demanded that our free press be censored to conform to the doctrines of his church.

In obedience to the Popes' pronouncement the Roman Catholic Hierarchy in America will be obligated to increase even further its efforts to censor or control our sources of information.

As a loyal and obedient Catholic Senator Kennedy would be expected to support this doctrine if he became President.

Ft. Bragg, Calif. Jack Odom

A Demonstration of Biblical Scholarship

By JOHN R. SAMPEY, JR.,
Furman University

Rigged TV shows have given America one of its severest moral jolts of a decade. The picture of a young college professor winning the admiration of millions by a display of scholarship far beyond his years was changed overnight into that of a cheap fraud and faker by a Congressional investigation of dishonesty in quiz shows.

In contrast to the sickening and sordid spectacle of rigged quizzes, I was privileged to witness an unrehearsed demonstration of Biblical scholarship when I was a boy which I have never seen equalled.

My father was the most thorough stu-

dent of the Bible that I have known. He read the Old Testament in Hebrew and the New Testament in Greek with as much ease, and more understanding, than he did an English translation. For sixty years he held the Old Testament chair of Biblical Interpretation at Southern Seminary. He served forty years on the International Sunday School Lesson Committee, and its scholars from other seminaries and divinity schools have testified of his detailed knowledge of the Scriptures. When he was present there was little need of a concordance to locate obscure verses in the Bible.

My father believed in physical fitness. At eighty years of age he was as impressive a figure as was his hero, Robert E. Lee, when he commanded the armies of the Confederacy. His chief, President E. Y. Mullins, and his understudy, Dr. Kyle M. Yates, were excellent golfers.

New Executive Board Members Elected at Lexington

The report of the Nominating Committee of the General Association was printed in the Western Recorder of December 17. The list of the Executive Board members was cast on two slugs of type—a short slug and a long slug. The displacement of one or more of the short slugs, caused by getting some of the blank spaces in the wrong places, tended to create the impression that many men were elected to serve for other associations than their own. We are republishing this list this week, hoping that this time each member will be listed opposite his own association. We believe it is correct this time.

Association	MEMBERS — EXECUTIVE BOARD Name and Address	Term Ending
Allen	Carl Wright, 191 Donna Dr., Lawrenceburg	1962
Anderson	John Partin, Tinsley	1962
Bell County	Charles Jones, Box 710, Middlesboro	1961
	Robert Reams, 5 Edgewood Ct., Middlesboro	1962
Bethel	Lawrence Martin, Auburn	1962
Blackford	Robert E. Grass, Pellville	1962
Blood River	J. Frank Young, Benton	1962
Boone's Creek	H. C. Zachry, Winchester	1962
Breckenridge	Robert Wayne, Hardinsburg	1962
Caldwell	R. G. Shelton, Eddyville	1961
	Perry Ginn, 308 Hopkinsville Rd., Princeton	1962
Campbell County	J. O. Coldiron, 2810 Alex. Pike, Highland Heights	1962
	W. B. Byland, 268 Ward Ave., Bellevue	1962
Central	C. E. Butler, Willisburg	1962
Christian County	J. T. Spurlin, Pembroke	1962
Crittenden	Fred Richerson, Dry Ridge	1962
Daviess-McLean	R. R. Williams, 345 Maple Ave., Owensboro	1962
East Union	John P. Weaver, Pleasant View	1962
Elkhorn	Frank Rhodus, R. 3, Georgetown	1962
Graves County	Jack Brown, R. 2, Boaz	1962
Green River	Homer Parsley, Brownsville	1962
Greenup	William T. Flynt, First, Ashland	1962
	O'Ray Weeks, Louisa	1962
Green Valley	Dillard West, 1317 Helm St., Henderson	1960
Henry County	Ellis Coleman, Sulphur	1962
Jackson County		1960
Laurel River	Elmer George, 401 Chestnut St., London	1960
Lincoln County	Elmore Ray, Halls Gap	1960
Long Run	James G. Pickens, 3921 W. Broadway, Louisville	1962
	Jack Prince, Crestwood	1962
	Chas. Mitchiner, 7436 Old Third St. Rd., Louisville	1962
	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
Lynn	Ralph McConnell, Box 322, Munfordville	1961
McCreary Co.	Calvin Staley, Wiborg	1962
Middle Fork	J. A. Hamblin, Buckhorn	1962
Monroe	Fred Sprawl, Tompkinsville	1962
Mt. Zion	J. Bill Jones, 600 Kentucky Ave., Corbin	1960
Nelson	Wallace McGill, Lebanon Junction	1960
North Bend	Thos. Hicks Shelton, 3911 Church, Covington	1962
	Robert Hopkins, Rt. 1, Walton	1961
Ohio County	Wesley O. Hanson, 419 Liberty St., Hartford	1962
Owen County	A. J. Houchen, R. 4, Owenton	1962
Pulaski Co.	Harry L. Garrett, Ferguson	1962
Salem	Oavid Bratcher, Brandenburg	1961
Severn's Valley	V. C. Kruschwitz, 321 Churchill, Elizabethtown	1962
Simpson	J. V. Case, Jr., Franklin	1961
South District	Henry Hedgesbeth, Perkins Ave., Danville	1962
	Elroy Lamb, Danville	1962
Tates Creek	Morris J. Calico, Berea	1962
Ten Mile	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

His pastor, Dr. A. Paul Bagby, was golf champion of Kentucky. He admired all three for their physical skill, but he preferred to take his exercise in his garden or in brisk walks through nearby Cherokee Park. I did some of the heavy spading in the garden, but I preferred the walks beneath the stately beaches of the park, and the blue grass fairways of the public links. It was during one of these walks that I witnessed the demonstration of scholarship.

Our conversation usually touched on many subjects as we strode along, for father was one of the most widely read men I have seen in a life-time among college and university professors. On this particular afternoon I asked him how many chapters there were in the Bible. His reply was that he did not recall, but that we could figure the answer for ourselves. Beginning with Genesis and going over each of the 39 books of the Old Testament, and the 27 books of the New Testament he recalled the number of chapters in each. There was not a moment's hesitation, or the slightest uncertainty, about the number of chapters in any of the 66 books. Together we did the mental arithmetic of computing the total. When we arrived back home we checked our answer with a copy of the Bible.

The passing of half a century has not erased the thrill I felt that day as I realized what a demonstration of Biblical scholarship my father had unpretentiously staged in answer to my boyish question.

Slight Decrease in National Church Attendance Noted

NEW YORK, Jan. 1, 1960—Worship attendance in the United States leveled off last year after achieving a record high year in 1958, the Gallup Poll has reported. An estimated 49,000,000 adults attended church and synagogue services during a typical week of 1959—or 47 per cent of the adult civilian population (excluding those living in institutions).

"By way of comparison, during an average week in 1958, 49 per cent of the population—or an estimated 50,500,000 adults attended church," the report, issued by the American Institute of Public Opinion, said.

A special survey of attendance during Easter Week of 1959 found that 61,200,000 adults went to church or synagogue. This was 59 per cent of the adult population.

In 1940, slightly more than one-third of the adult population went to worship regularly. By 1955, the number had risen to 49 per cent. It hit 49 per cent again in 1958 when 50,500,000—the highest number on record—went at least once a week.

New Drama Organization Formed by Orlin Corey

Formation of the Everyman Players, a new professional theater company, for the exclusive production of religious dramas, has been announced by Orlin Corey, director. The artistic designer will be his wife, Irene Corey, director of art at Georgetown College.

The Everyman Players will create professional drama of spiritual significance for a national audience. They will be a touring group. Each summer the company will present Corey's biblical play, "The Book of Job," for the Kentucky Mountain Theater Association in Pine Mountain State Park. The second season is slated for June 24-August 21, 1960. Regional and national tours will be planned for other seasons of the year. While maintaining a repertory of classic Christian dramas, the company will commission new plays on religious themes. "Pilgrim's Progress" is one of the works being considered for dramatization by the group.

Corey was formerly associated with Georgetown College as a professor of speech and drama from 1952-1959. He won state and national recognition for his theatrical productions at the college. He established a program of Church Drama extension tours to the Baptist churches of Kentucky throughout his service at Georgetown. His arrangement of "The Book of Job" was invited to the Brussels' Fair in 1958, and was extensively toured in England, Wales, and Canada, receiving critical acclaim in each country. It enjoyed a successful first season last summer at Pineville, and is the only biblical drama in the outdoor theater of the southeastern United States. Mrs. Corey's theatrical designs have received general recognition in the field. She will continue teaching at Georgetown College.

Members of the Everyman Players will be drawn from college and university theaters in Kentucky and the nation. Special stress will be given to talented young people interested in church and religious drama service in the future.

"We've Got the Best Preacher Money Can Get"

By JOHN BLOSKAS, Dallas, Texas

Kentucky rural church folks like to convince you they've got the best Baptist preacher money can get.

Many will tell you without a second thought, how he works long and hard all week, and then preaches good sermons every Sunday.

But, almost to the man, they'll hesitate to tell you how much they pay him for his faithful service.

Ministers' pay on the national average is \$4,418 per year.

Yet, 80 per cent of all rural preachers in Southern Baptist churches make less than \$2,500 a year. Out of this sum, Uncle Sam claims his share. The pastor automatically puts at least a tithe, and sometimes as much as 17 per cent into Sunday's collection plate. From the remainder, he must feed, clothe, house and educate his family. If there is anything left, he sets it aside for his "rainy day." Most of the time, however, there is nothing left.

There are 31,498 churches dotting the Southern Baptist Convention's map, with almost 24,000 of them classified as rural.

Kentucky alone has 1,716 churches with less than 300 members. These startling facts are described in an article appearing recently in *The Years Ahead*,

official publication of the Relief and Annuity Board.

Because of these small salaries, the Annuity Board leaders decided to challenge each church to pay the small cost in the protection plan for its pastor.

All media of promotion was used.

A few churches had the message brought home to them when death or disability struck their pastors. Others learned from nearby congregations how a pastor's death caused an undue hardship, while another heard how a disabled preacher created a two-salary strain on his church.

But many other churches heeded the Annuity Board's pleas. They decided to turn over to the Board the job of worrying about their preachers' needs if they should become disabled, die, or retire while serving in their pulpits.

In a few churches, the protection plan was given as a pay raise. But most churches pay the program's cost over and above the pastor's salary because they realize his tithe alone will cover it.

Cost of this three-fold protection is based on how much you pay your pastor. No church can pay more than \$33.34 a month. In most cases, the cost is a lot less. This is a denominational program, designed to fit any church's budget, regardless of its size.

"It may be a struggle to the church at first," the article pointed out, "but like a baby taking his first steps, they become easier and easier."



Antioch Baptist Church, Knob Lick, Ky., in Metcalfe County, entered its new \$18,000 building this year. Since entering its Sunday school has more than doubled, and on one Sunday had 84 present out of an enrollment of 90. James S. Jones, a student at Campbellsville College, has served as pastor for about three years.

BAPTISTS AND BIRTH CONTROL

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[Birth control, a subject mostly taboo for public discussion in the past, has been widely talked about recently due to the world population explosion and Roman Catholic pronouncements upon the subject of birth control. The following article is not the official position of Baptists or that of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, but is a brief treatment by one qualified to discuss such matters. A careful study of the article is recommended.—Editor.]

Responsible parenthood is the basic issue in a discussion about birth control. Responsible parenthood involves planning for children. This planning is made possible through modern methods of birth control.

The spacing of children and the control of conception is a moral issue. God has given men and women knowledge by which they may increase the health and well-being of their families. The way in which parents use this knowledge involves ethical choices. The future well-being of their family depends upon the decisions that are made.

How may child-spacing be morally justified? Catholic and Protestant moralists are agreed that responsibility for the health and well-being of the entire family is the necessary motive.¹ There are a number of conditions that will influence the spacing of children. Pregnancy may be postponed when the physical and mental health of the mother would be endangered. A doctor may warn that a deformed or retarded child is likely. On occasion, a family may be financially

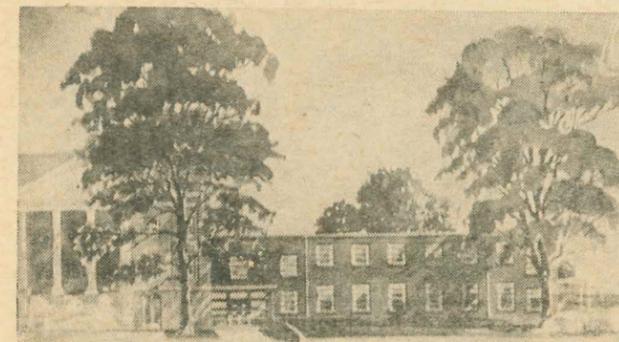
unable to support a child at this time. In some places the living quarters may be so cramped that the family must await better housing before more children bless the home. There may be a temporary crisis in the family that must be relieved before husband and wife can give mature attention to each other and to children.

So far as motivation is concerned, most writers on birth control are in agreement.

Why, then, has there been so much discussion about birth control? The current question revolves around our increased knowledge of fertilization. In 1784, Father Spallanzani placed the movement of sperm. For a hundred years after this, there was little conversation about birth control. But in the past fifty years there has been increased research concerning conception and birth. Physicians have given much attention to the spacing of children and have recommended adequate contraceptive devices. In 1925, the American Medical Association Committee on obstetrics, gynecology and abdominal surgery endorsed birth control by contraceptive devices.

As a result of increased information about the control of conception, Roman Catholic and Protestant writers have taken increasingly divergent stands. Catholic theologians have condemned

The First Baptist Church, Central City, held dedication services on Sunday, January 3, for a \$141,000 educational addition. The educational addition includes eight new departments, four nurseries, and increases educational accommodations by 467. New furnishings in the building include chairs, tables, kitchen annex, nursery equipment, and



new pianos. W. C. Boone, general secretary for Kentucky Baptists, was the main speaker in the morning dedication service. Ray Dean, former Central City pastor, was the visiting speaker for the evening service. Central City Baptists organized in 1878. About 30 charter members constituted the first church. The present main building was constructed in 1920. Twenty additional rooms were constructed in 1949 under the direction of Pastor Ray Dean and extensive remodeling took place in 1952 during the pastorate of Francis R. Tallant. C. W. Devine has been the Central City pastor since April 1953.

contraceptive devices as "unnatural" and "against nature." Protestant theologians take a different viewpoint. My own belief is that man is to use the knowledge given him by God to control nature. This includes knowledge of contraceptive devices. The biblical teachings concerning birth and parenthood lay emphasis upon mature responsibility rather than upon prohibitions which are not even mentioned in the Scriptures.

Warren Attends First Meeting After Illness

ATLANTA, Ga.—(BP)—C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C., director of Southern Baptists' movement to start 30,000 missions and churches, attended his first meeting since he was stricken by a heart attack last year.

Speaking only briefly to the annual conference of state superintendents of missions at the Home Mission Board, Warren said, "I don't have the slightest doubt that Southern Baptists can organize 10,000 churches and 20,000 missions by 1964. The outlook was never so bright."

This statement followed a brief estimate made by the state superintendents of the missions and churches started in their states since the movement started. The estimate indicated that 10,000 of the 30,000 have been started.

Baptist Preacher Accused of Proselyting

CHALKIS, GREECE—(BWA)—A 45-day prison sentence has been imposed on Rev. Spiros Zodiates, an ordained Baptist minister, for using the title "Reverend" before his name in articles for Greek gospel publications. The sentence was imposed by the (lower) criminal court of Chalkis.

Ekklesia, the official organ of the Orthodox churches in Greece, brought the situation to world attention in an article commending the court for its sentence on Mr. Zodiates. It accused Mr. Zodiates as an "arch-propagandist" for Protestantism. Articles written by Mr. Zodiates appear in three-fourths of the newspapers in Greece, according to *Ekklesia*. The minister, who divides his time between New York and Greece, is appealing the prison sentence to the Greek Supreme Court.

Archimandrite Christopher Kalyvas, who brought the suit, claimed that only "married priests of the Greek Orthodox Church" had a right to use the title of "Reverend."

Immanuel Church, Lexington, has voted to proceed with the ordination of Keith Mee, its educational director, to the gospel ministry.

Lecture Hall at the Southern Seminary Named for Gheens Family

One of the major facilities of the new James P. Boyce Centennial Library of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, a lecture hall, has been named in honor of the Gheens Family which has been represented on the board of trustees of the Seminary for the 70 years of the school's 100 years.

Dr. Duke K. McCall made the announcement of the trustees' action at the annual Founders Day program commemorating the birthday of Dr. James P. Boyce, one of the four founders of the Seminary.

C. W. Gheens, Esq., was a member of the trustees group from 1889 to 1921 and his son, C. Edwin Gheens, of Louisville, Ky., was named a member of the board of trustees in 1921 and still serves.

Dr. Duke McCall pointed out that the Gheens family had been generous in the support of the Seminary, "but this lecture hall is designated the Gheens Lecture Hall because of the investment of the father and son of something more precious than money, namely, time, experience, worry, prayers, life itself."

South Elkhorn Church, Versailles Road, Lexington, dedicated its new three-floor

Educational Building January 10. Dr. Robert L. Mills, president of Georgetown College, was guest speaker. The first floor provides a kitchen, dining area, and along with the other two floors, provides space for 500 additional people in Sunday school. Total cost of the building will be about \$100,000. January 10 also marked the fourth anniversary of Pastor J. Oliver Drew. In the past four years the gifts to missions have increased, 238 additions to the church, Gilbert Wilder, a student at the Seminary, has been employed as minister of music and education, the membership roll has been revised, a church training program has been set up, one minister and three deacons have been ordained, and new departments and class have been organized in the Sunday School and Training Union.

"All we hear from this man is Jesus." Thus one Korean Baptist preacher voiced his and his colleagues' amazement that the president of the Southern Baptist Convention would go to Korea and preach simple evangelistic sermons. Dr. Ramsey Pollard, Knoxville, Tenn., and two other Southern Baptist pastors, Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, Oklahoma City, and Dr. Thomas A. Patterson, Beaumont, Tex., set in motion ripples of revival with their gospel messages during the Baptist New Life Crusade, held November 8-20 in six Korean cities.



An unique rendition of "The Messiah" by Owensboro's First Baptist Church Choir included the accompaniment of 19 members of the Evansville Symphony. The orchestra replaced the usual organ and piano. Edward Clark, minister of music for the First Church, conducted the orchestra and choir. Attended by 1,300 people, the oratorio drew unusual praise and set a new pattern for church music with instruments.

Priceless

A member of First Baptist Church, Kirbyville, Tex., pulled off her diamond engagement ring, handed it to her pastor, and said "I want this to go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering."

Pastor James W. Harmon learned the next day why she would want to part with one of the dearest possessions a woman might have.

Letters she had received from two missionaries—one serving in Hong Kong, the other in Africa—told him the story. Each said in substance: "I shall ever be grateful to you for your love and patience with me as a Junior child in Sunday school and Training Union. It was you who explained to me the meaning of John 3:16. It was you who instilled in my heart the need for missions around the world."

A jeweler, when told the story and asked to appraise the ring, replied, "I can place a value on the ring, but the spirit behind it cannot be bought."

Just as we go to press on Wednesday, January 20, two deaths occurred this day in the Louisville sector. Both were brethren beloved far and wide—one a preacher and the other a layman. Frank B. Fitzgerald, pastor in other years at Sonora, Baptist Temple in Louisville and Crestwood, in Kentucky, and until recently in Elberton, Va., died in the Pewee Valley Hospital about 1:30 a.m. today, following a long seige of suffering from intense pain. C. P. Hargis, associate Sunday school secretary in Kentucky for 25 years, now retired, died unexpectedly right after breakfast at his home in Okolona, south of Louisville. This paper is already filled up, so more will be said about both of them later.

"Operation Andrew" sparked the Baptist churches in the state of Paraiba, Brazil, to baptize 264 persons last year. Though short of the 500 goal, this number was 52 more than the previous record. The story goes back to the year before when the 21 churches—with 1,456 members—in the state Baptist convention reported only 100 baptisms. Something must be done, decided the convention; and "Operation Andrew" was born. A goal of 500 baptisms was divided among the churches. And on January 1, 1959, many of the members enrolled in the "Andrew Club," promising to try to win at least one person to Christ during the year. The resulting 264 baptisms represent a ratio of one baptism for every six members. Encouraged by last year's record, but determined to do better, the convention is continuing "Operation Andrew" this year—again with a goal of 500.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Requirements for Credit in Schools of Missions

The following requirements for credit in schools of missions have been worked out through Dr. J. M. Crowe with representatives from the Home and Foreign Mission Boards and Woman's Missionary Union and have been approved by the Sunday School Board's Church Study Course Committee:

1. Nine clock hours are required. At least five of these must be spent in classwork. The remaining four hours may be used for missionary addresses or missionary films and filmstrips.

2. A class member who attends all of the nine hours and completes the reading of the book within one week following the last class session will not be required to do any written work.

3. A class member who misses one or more class sessions must answer all questions in the book or from a list prepared by the Baptist Sunday School Board on all chapters he misses. If he misses a missionary address or film, he must write a paragraph of at least 100 words on the mission field discussed by the missionary or presented in the film. Source material will be found in free pamphlets distributed by the State, Home, and Foreign Mission Boards. In such cases, he must turn in his paper within one week and he must certify that he has read the book.

4. The teacher should request an award for himself. When a person teaches an Intermediate, Junior, or Primary book, he will be granted an award in category 11, Special studies, which will count as an elective on his diploma. He should specify in his request the names of the book taught.

5. The teacher should complete the Request for Book Awards in Class Study (Form 150) and forward it within two weeks to the Church Study Course Awards Office, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

6. No home study awards are offered on the Graded series of the Foreign Mission Board and the Home Mission Board.

Questions for use on the present Home and Foreign Mission Graded series will be prepared by Dr. W. O. Thomason, Education Division Office, and will be made available to churches through that office.

In the future, questions will be pre-

pared and printed in all mission books recognized by the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training—C. Howell, B.S.S.B., January, 1960.

TRAINING UNION

Church Study Course for Teaching and Training and Eight Point Record System

By STANLEY HOWELL

One of the most frequent questions asked is, "Can I mark 'Study Course' on the Eight Point Record System if I earn an award in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training?" The answer is, yes.

The standard for each union and department has been changed so that a person may mark "Study Course" for any book award he may earn in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training. The award does not have to be in Category 18, Training Union Principles and Methods. It may be in any of the nineteen categories.

Before October 1, 1959, a person could mark "Study Course" on the Eight Point Record System for any award earned in the Graded Training Union Study Course. The Graded Training Union Study Course included most of the books now listed in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training.

No change has been made in the Standard of Excellence concerning the study of Training Union principles and methods by the officers. Every Training Union should study books in Category 18 at least every year.

Several new study course tracts are now available at the Kentucky Training Union Department office. They are:

Books for Juniors in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training

Books for Intermediates in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training

Books for Young People in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training

Books for Adults and Young People Leading to the Christian Training Diploma

Books for Adults and Young People Leading to the Approved Workman Diploma

Church Membership Training in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training

Director of Study Course

Associational Director of Study Course

BROTHERHOOD

W. Harlan McGinnis is World Missions Leader

By FORREST R. SAWYER



W. Harlan McGinnis

Our World Missions leader for the Kentucky Baptist Brotherhood Convention is William Harlan McGinnis.

Born in Big Rock, Tennessee, he was one of a family of three.

In the life of Harlan McGinnis, B.C. (before Christ), he worked with the WHAS Radio Staff Band, night clubs, etc., with Dale Evans, now Mrs. Roy Rogers. He was saved in 1937, and was ordained for the ministry in 1938. He married Josephine Toomer in 1937, and they have one son, David Paul, age 15.

Harlan is now the pastor of the Vine Grove Baptist Church, Vine Grove, Kentucky. He was pastor of Dry Run Baptist Church while a student at Georgetown College, assistant pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, 1942-44, and pastor of Okolona Baptist Church while in the Southern Seminary.

He was appointed to the Foreign Mission Board in 1950. He and his family served one term in Nigeria and one term in Ghana (Gold Coast). The Ghana Baptist Mission was formed in 1956. Harlan was the first secretary of the mission. At present, he is on leave of absence from the mission board.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Junior Girls' Auxiliaries Attaining Honor Rating

By MRS. HUGO CULPEPPER

The following Junior G.A.'s have attained the very highest recognition, the HONOR RATING:

Association	Baptist Church
Caldwell	Eddycreek, Princeton
Christian County	Crofton
Christian County	Edgewood, Hopkinsville
Elkhorn	Midway
Franklin	Crestwood, Frankfort
Green Valley	Hyland, Henderson
Greenup	Belmont, Ashland
Greenup	Unity, Ashland
Johnni Johnson G.A.	
Virginia Tipton G.A.	
Greenup	First, Flatwoods
Dorothy Carver Garrott G.A.	
Liberty	Horse Cave
Charlotte Shepard G.A.	
Lois Eubank G.A.	
Lincoln County	Fairview, Hall's Gap
Lincoln County	Double Springs, Waynesburg
Little Bethel	Second, Madisonville
Little River	Cadiz
9-10 year old G.A.	
11-12 year old G.A.	
Long Run	Auburndale, Louisville
Lois Hart G.A.	
Stella Porter G.A.	
Mary Neal Morgan G.A.	
Long Run	East, Louisville
Mable Summers G.A.	
Long Run	Maple Grove, Louisville
Betty Martin G.A.	
Mavis S. Hardy G.A.	
Long Run	Parkwood, Louisville
Betty Brewer G.A.	
Long Run	Southside, Louisville
Susan Oliver G.A.	
Long Run	West Broadway, Louisville
Clifton Weber G.A.	
Long Run	Lyndon
10 year old G.A.	
Long Run	Prospect
Long Run	Beth Haven, Valley Station
Long Run	Valley View, Valley Station
Mercer	Cornishville
Mercer	Bethel, Harrodsburg
Mercer	Harrodsburg
12 year old G.A.	
Muhlenberg	New Harmony, Bremen
Muhlenberg	First, Greenville
Marta Bustabad G.A.	
North Bend	Visalia
North Bend	Walton
Ohio County	Beaver Dam
Ohio River	Union, Marion
Ohio River	Mexico
Owen County	Mt. Pleasant, Pleasant Home
Owen County	Dallasburg, Wheatley
Pulaski County	First, Somerset
Junior I G.A.	
11-12 year old G.A.	
Pulaski County	High Street, Somerset
9-10 year old G.A.	
11-12 year old G.A.	
Severn's Valley	Sonora
Shelby	First, Shelbyville
Ann Oliver G.A.	
Cheri McKinnley G.A.	
Simpson	First, Franklin
Dottie Lane G.A.	
Floy Jacob G.A.	
South District	First, Danville
Comie Jay G.A.	
Ethel Harmon G.A.	
South District	Gethsemane, Danville
South District	Lexington Avenue, Danville
South District	Beech Grove, Perryville
Sulphur Fork	DeHaven Memorial, La Grange
9-10 year old G.A.	
Jan Kewiet G.A.	
Union	Pennsylvania Street, Cynthiana
Upper Cumberland	Harlan
Harriet Bolt G.A.	
Sarah G. Parker G.A.	
Ethel Harmon G.A.	
West Union	Immanuel, Paducah
Ruby Nell Hardy G.A.	
Lois Hart G.A.	
West Union	Trinity, Paducah

There is a total of 65 Honor Junior G.A.'s for the year ending September, 1959. Congratulations to all of these for the fine work they have done.

WESTERN RECORDER

CHURCH MUSIC

Campbellsville Guest Conductor to be Dan C. Hall of Nashville

By EUGENE F. QUINN



Dan C. Hall



J. P. Jardine

Mr. Dan C. Hall of the Baptist Church Music Department at Nashville, Tennessee, will serve as guest conductor and adjudicator at the Regional Music Festival at Campbellsville Baptist Church, on February 26 and 27. The festival for choirs of all ages from Juniors up will be under the direction of Professor J. P. Jardine of the Music Department faculty at Campbellsville College.

HAVE YOU READ "SINGING AT CHURCH," AND "SINGING AT HOME?"

There is a whole new section in the "Home Life" magazine, beginning in January, 1960, entitled "The Family Teaches," which is a correlation of material for Christian home life from several departments of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Two of the features in this new section are entitled "Singing at Church" and "Singing at Home." The Church Music Department of the Board is contributing the services of Dr. Loren R. Williams, Miss Nettie Lou Crowder and Mr. Bill F. Leach in the presentation of music at home and in church.

This section, beginning on page 40 in the February, 1960, "Home Life" magazine, can be of great help to parents and to church leaders of the various departments for Christian growth within the family.

MUSICALEDAR

Hymn Sings on January 31:

Association	Baptist Church
Bracken	Ewing
Campbell County	Silver Grove
Graves County	2:30, Clark's River
North Bend	2:30, Oak Ridge
Taylor County	2:00, Friendship
Union	3:00, Falmouth
West Kentucky	2:30, Columbus

Hymn Sings in February:

7—Pike, Big Sandy	Zone	Grace, near Pineville
7—Warren Choir	Festival	First, Bowling Green
14—White's Run		2:30 White's Run

Music Schools in February:

1-5—Nelson Music School	Riverview
8-12—Long Run Music School	Carlisle Ave., Louisville
8-12—Logan County Music School	Antioch
15-19—Graves Co. Music School	First, Mayfield
22-26—Caldwell Music School	Kuttawa
29-Mar. 4—Goshen Music School	Caneyville and Leitchfield

KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION

Money Instead of Funeral Flowers Given Foundation For Foreign Missions

By A. M. VOLLMER, Exec. Secy.-Treas.

On January 18 the KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION received a check for \$1,100.00 from the Riverside Baptist Church, located at Four Mile, Kentucky. This money was given by the family and friends, in lieu of flowers, at the time of the death of the pastor of the church, Ralph S. Voris. It will become a Memorial Fund, perpetuating his memory. The income from the trust will be used to advance the cause of Foreign Missions. This was indeed an appropriate act, since Missions was at the center of Brother Voris' heart. This fund will not only perpetuate his memory, but it will continue his ministry unto the ends of the earth until Christ comes again. Brother Voris, being dead, yet speaks.



David Wright, Carrollton, Kentucky, has not missed a single Sunday in Sunday School since he was 18 days old. David, now six years old, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Courtland Wright, Carrollton, and attends Sunday School at the First Baptist Church, Carrollton. His six-year perfect attendance pin was presented by Sunday School Superintendent Paul Carraco on January 10. R. R. Couey is the Carrollton pastor.

STUDENT UNION

Cattle and Education

By J. CHESTER DURHAM

A recent article in the University of Kentucky paper told about Miss Anita Lester, a freshman home economics major from Harrodsburg, who has a herd of 22 dairy cattle and is using the money from the sale of her dairy products to put herself through school.

The article goes on to say that she has won her county dairy championship for seven years and her district for five. Miss Lester's entry was the only one to ever beat the U.K. senior yearling heifer in a showing.

But what was not said about Miss Lester is even more important. She is a fine Christian—a Baptist and serves in the University of Kentucky as Freshman Vespers Chairman.

WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING

Methodist

Construction on the first unit of the University of Kentucky Wesley Foundation (Methodist) Student Center was begun on December 14, 1959. This unit, which is to be finished the latter part of May 1960, is to cost \$86,100. It will contain an auditorium seating 300. The old Methodist student center was razed to make room for this unit.

The second unit will be built after the first building is erected. It is to cost \$90,000.

Presbyterians

Construction on the University of Kentucky Presbyterian Student Center is to begin before the end of the year. The \$110,000 building will be erected at Rose Street and Rose Lane, opposite the east end of Stoll Field.

It will replace the old Westminster Fellowship Center on East Maxwell Street.

Plans for the center include a chapel, lounge, kitchen, dining and recreation room, game room, conference room, two seminar rooms, and a library.

The library will have books on religion, philosophy, great literature, and other subjects of interest to students.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, JANUARY 17, 1960

	S.S.	Add.	T.U.
Louisville, Ninth and O	1380	2	501
Louisville, Carlisle Ave.	1135	7	287
Madisonville, First	971	--	239
Bowling Green, First	966	--	204
Mission	199	4	--
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	920	--	238
Missions (2)	103	--	--
Hopkinsville, Second	917	--	215
Louisville, Crescent Hill	910	--	265
Missions (2)	112	--	--
Owensboro, Third	891	--	297
Lexington, Ashland Avenue	889	2	104
Louisville, St. Matthews	863	--	219
Owensboro, First	842	2	148
Lexington, Calvary	839	2	209
Mission	38	--	--
Covington, Calvary	831	--	--
Mayfield, First	811	--	208
Mission	90	--	--
Louisville, Parkland	801	--	213

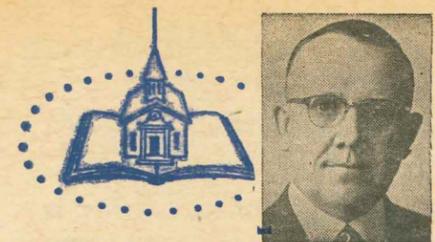
Harrodsburg	789	1	180
Mission	42	--	30
Frankfort, First	773	6	203
Louisville, Beechland	771	6	168
Mission	196	2	54
Louisville, Beechmont	745	4	233
Covington, Latonia	720	--	204
Newport, First	715	4	186
Missions (2)	49	--	22
Somerset, First	712	--	273
Mission	108	--	47
Lexington, Grace	700	--	--
Mission	20	--	--
Campbellsville	686	--	240
Missions (4)	138	--	69
Hopkinsville, First	664	--	202
Mission	140	--	66
Georgetown	655	1	212
Glasgow	654	--	141
Missions (2)	166	1	--
Paducah, Immanuel	639	--	170
Louisville, Buechel Park	617	3	161
Shelbyville, First	605	2	100
Louisville, Hazelwood	562	4	116
Erlanger	557	6	149
Louisville, Shively	554	1	147
London, First	545	--	132
Owensboro, Hall Street	531	--	212
Louisville, Eighteenth Street	531	1	175
Louisville, Southside	520	--	96
Paducah, First	516	--	254
Henderson, Immanuel	514	--	--
Missions (2)	146	--	--
Louisville, Bethlehem	511	4	190
Louisville, Rockford Lane	509	6	157
Louisville, Beth Haven	491	--	179
Ashland, First	485	--	106
Missions (2)	135	--	--
Louisville, Valley Station	482	7	101
Danville, First	480	2	146
Mission	61	--	--
Louisville, Farmdale	475	--	135
Mission	127	5	63
Bellevue	475	--	110
Winchester, Central	465	--	127
Ludlow, First	457	--	115
Louisville, Bethany	453	--	139
Hazard, First	452	--	106
Hodgenville, First	439	--	142
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	438	--	185
Central City, First	438	7	198
Lebanon, First	423	--	119
Mt. Washington, First	422	--	105
Mission	18	--	--
Louisville, Green Acres	419	2	157
Jeffersonton, First	416	2	117
Louisville, Valley View	416	--	121
Ashland, Unity	415	2	108
Louisville, Shawnee	414	--	121
Frankfort, Crestwood	405	--	117
Middlesboro, First	405	1	122
Louisville, Beechwood	405	8	143
Nicholasville	400	2	94
Danville, Gethsemane	400	3	205
Springfield	390	--	125
Franklin, First	388	--	113
Mission	57	--	27
Louisville, Immanuel	387	4	90
Rardotown	387	--	75
Ft. Thomas, First	387	--	90
Mission	108	--	--
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	383	--	139
Corbin, First	380	2	96
Lawrenceburg, First	380	1	79
Mission	54	--	--
Paducah, East	375	--	145
Walton, First	373	2	160
Hima, Horse Creek	352	--	--
Paris, Central	349	1	128
Russellville, First	349	--	129
Mission	63	--	--
Lexington, Central	346	2	117
Greenville, First	345	--	146
Versailles	344	--	110
Ashland, Pollard	342	2	116
Missions (2)	99	--	--
Benton, First	319	--	127
Barbourville, First	318	1	235
Missions (3)	227	--	--
Covington, First	312	--	144
Mission	70	--	--
Owensboro, Crabtree Avenue	311	4	94
Louisville, Audubon	309	--	63
Louisville, Gethsemane	308	--	118
Hawesville	306	4	117
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	302	--	83
Falmouth	296	1	39
Mission	27	--	--
Dawson Springs, First	296	--	81
Louisville, LaSalle Avenue	295	3	97
Earlington, First	294	2	121
Cold Spring, First	284	--	122
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	283	--	136
Lebanon Junction, First	281	--	107
Leitchfield, First	277	--	86
Owensboro, Seven Hills	274	--	75
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Miss Jane Ray Bean, connected with the Student Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., and Mr. Robert S. Denny, associate secretary and youth leader of the Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D. C., were united in marriage at the First Baptist Church, Nashville, December 19. The ceremony was performed by Pastor H. Franklin Paschall, assisted by G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary of student work. Both the principals are Kentuckians, Mrs. Denny being a native of Cox's Creek, Ky., and was formerly connected with the St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville. Mr. Denny, Bob to most people, is a native of Lexington. Denny's first wife, Mary Gunn Denny, died about a year ago.

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By H. C. Chiles

RESPONSES TO THE GOSPEL For January 31, 1960

After Paul and Silas had been subjected to cruel treatment at Philippi, they journeyed to Thessalonica, the metropolis of Macedonia, and there they visited the synagogue. When Paul was invited to speak, he declared that the Christ Whom he preached was the Messiah Whom the Jews had been expecting. He tried to prove that Jesus of Nazareth had fulfilled the prophetic Scriptures and deserved to be worshipped as the long-expected Messiah and the Saviour of men. Many were convinced and believed on Christ. But, multitudes rejected his teachings. Ere long they gathered a mob of the vilest elements of the citizenry and created an uproar in the city.

I. Berea. Acts 17:10-12.

It became necessary for Paul and Silas to flee from Thessalonica because of the fierce and violent persecution to which they were subjected on account of their preaching. After departing at night, because of the imminent danger, they went to Berea, a city of many natural advantages some fifty miles to the southwest. There they found the Jews numerous enough to have a synagogue. As was their custom, they went into the synagogue and began their work. There they encountered unprejudiced Jews who were willing to listen to the message of Christ's ambassadors. After they had listened attentively, these Jews looked carefully into the Scriptures to see if what the Apostles had said was true. Their Bible reading was not spasmodic, but it was a daily habit. Their example in this regard deserves the emulation of every Christian who hears the Word of God preached or taught. When they discovered that the preaching to which they had listened was in conformity with the Scriptures, many of the Jews believed on Christ and were saved.

II. In Athens. Acts 17:22-23, 29-34.

Some noble Christian brethren in Berea escorted Paul to Athens, the capital of Greece, and the city which had long been a great center for literature, art, sculpture, culture, philosophy and religion. Philosophers of various schools of thought, teachers of all kinds of knowledge, people of wealth and students from numerous nations resorted thither.

While waiting for the arrival of his companions, Paul made a tour of observation through the city. He was shocked by the multiplicity of gods which

were in evidence. It is said that the city was stocked with more than thirty thousand gods. This fact caused Petronius to start the witticism that it was easier to find a god than a man in Athens. Paul immediately cried out against the open wickedness of the city. He exposed the emptiness of their worship and the worthlessness of their numerous altars. The obvious needs of the people constituted a challenge to him. They certainly needed the Christ Whom he knew, loved and served.

In the midst of the multitudinous array of gods the Athenians had erected an altar and placed on it the inscription, "To the Unknown God." Their intention was to include any god who might have been overlooked, lest they should offend such a god.

Instantly Paul recognized that the people of that city needed Christ more than anybody or anything. Paul began his memorable sermon on Mar's Hill by commending the people for their religiousness, a distinction of which they were naturally proud. He considered it a privilege to preach to them about this "Unknown God" for Whom they were longing and Whom he knew quite well. He declared unto them that Christ Jesus was the Saviour, and that He could satisfy every need of their lives. Robertson described Paul's sermon as "a masterpiece of real eloquence on the greatest of themes."

There was a time when God was more indulgent with the people because of their ignorance. Sins committed in the light of knowledge are worse than those which are committed in ignorance. The sins of maturity are worse than those of immaturity. Regardless of the nature of these sins, God commands all men to repent of their sins because of the judgment day which is sure to come.

Things seemed to go well with Paul until he preached the resurrection of Christ. The wise men of Athens refused to accept his teaching on this subject. Some of them became infuriated and a great confusion resulted. Even to this day Satan is not greatly disturbed at the preaching of a dead Christ, but he is always strongly opposed to the gospel of the resurrection. What a pity that so many Christians please him by their failure to proclaim the resurrected and living Christ!

The resurrection of Christ is the very heart of His gospel and the pivotal point

in Christianity. All of His claims rest upon the glorious doctrine of the resurrection. The Jews feared the resurrection of Christ and saw to it that a heavy Roman guard was placed about His tomb. The early Christians found their greatest inspiration in the resurrection of their Lord. Christ's resurrection was the center of Paul's preaching. Furthermore, His resurrection was the proof of His deity, the basis of the Christian faith and the guarantee of our resurrection.

Those who listened to Paul's sermon on the resurrection were characterized by one of three attitudes. The first was derision—"some mocked." The second was delay—some said, "We will hear thee again of this matter." The third was decision—"certain men clave unto him, and believed." No sermon can be called a failure if it results in the salvation of a single soul.

While those who believed on Christ as a result of Paul's sermon were few in number, one of them was a man of prominence and considerable influence—Dionysius, one of the judges, and another was an aristocratic woman by the name of Damaris. After all, Paul's preaching of the resurrection was quite effective and successful.

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► Julian Alcorn died December 11, 1959, after having served long and faithfully as a deacon and teacher in the Lord's service. He gave his heart to Christ at an early age and was serving diligently in the Fern Creek Baptist Mission (a mission of Third Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville) at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Aline Wigington Alcorn, Fern Creek, and by his children, Mrs. Virginia Ludwick and Mr. J. T. Alcorn, Jeffersonstown.

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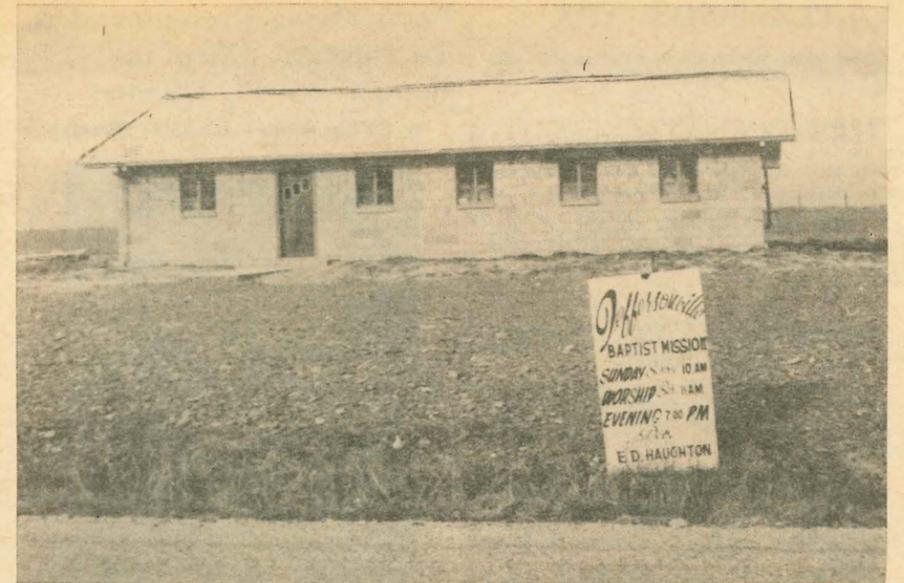
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► Miss Ollie Pherigo, a charter member of Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, died recently.

WESTERN RECORDER



Macedonia Baptist Church organized their mission, the Jeffersonville (Ky.) Baptist Mission, into a church on November 22, 1959. E. D. Haughton who has been serving as the pastor of the mission presided at the services and expressed a welcome to the visitors. Clyde Bowen, pastor of the sponsoring church, recognized the missions committee and presided on the adoption of the church and the signing of the charter members. The message was brought by J. Edward Cunningham. The first efforts to start the Jeffersonville Mission began with a tent meeting in August of 1957 with F. C. Tuttle, formerly a missionary in the area, as evangelist. After the revival a house was rented for the new work. The Macedonia Church paid the first rent, but soon thereafter the mission was entirely self-supporting. The mission began on October 6, 1957, with 26 present. On January 1, 1958, the Macedonia Church called E. D. Haughton as the pastor of their mission. A budget was set up, including gifts to the Cooperative Program and Associational Missions. Four select lots were secured in the spring of 1958 with the State W.M.U. helping on this project. By this time the mission was averaging 60 in attendance. Soon thereafter it was decided to build and the State Mission Board assisted the mother church in the securing of a \$5,000 loan. The Sunday School attendance is now 75 and the average Training Union attendance is 55. The total worth of the property is approximately \$10,000.

► Trammell's Creek Church, Russell Creek Association, in Green County, has voted to accept a bid of \$42,000 for the construction of their new building. Pastor Ferrill Gardner and the members expect the work to start in March.

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By **CYRIL ERIC BRYANT**, Director



Josef Nordenhaug

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BWA)—Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, president of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, is expected to be the next general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance.

Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn, who will retire next summer from the top post, announced that the B.W.A. Executive Com-

mittee has voted unanimously to recommend Dr. Nordenhaug's name to the nominating committee when it meets during the tenth Baptist World Congress at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, next June 26-July 3.

The new Secretary-designate was born in Norway in 1903, grew up in a Baptist home and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Oslo. After taking a degree in science at the University of Oslo, he arrived at a conviction he was called to the ministry and moved to the United States at the age of 25 to study theology.

Dr. Nordenhaug earned both the master's and doctor's degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He held pastorates in Kentucky and Virginia, and later became editor of *The Commission*, the monthly magazine published by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

He moved back to Europe in 1950, to become president of the international Baptist Theological Seminary in Switzerland. He has traveled widely in Europe and has command of several languages.

►Total public decisions in a simultaneous evangelistic campaign in Rio de Janeiro may go beyond 2,000, reports Dr. Lester C. Bell, general secretary of the Executive Board of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, according to Baptist World Alliance headquarters in Washington. A launching rally for the campaign, held in the stadium where the meetings of the Baptist World Congress will meet next year, was attended by a crowd of 17,000. Dr. Rubens Lopes, pastor of Vila Mariana Baptist Church, Sao Paulo, preached and a 1,500-voice choir sang.

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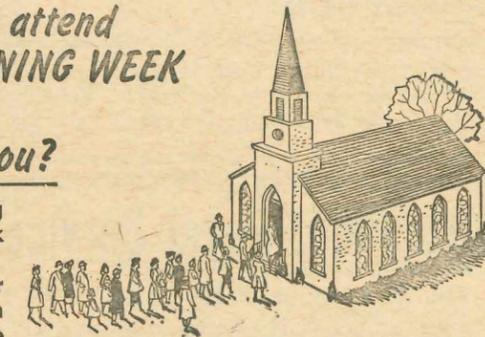
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