

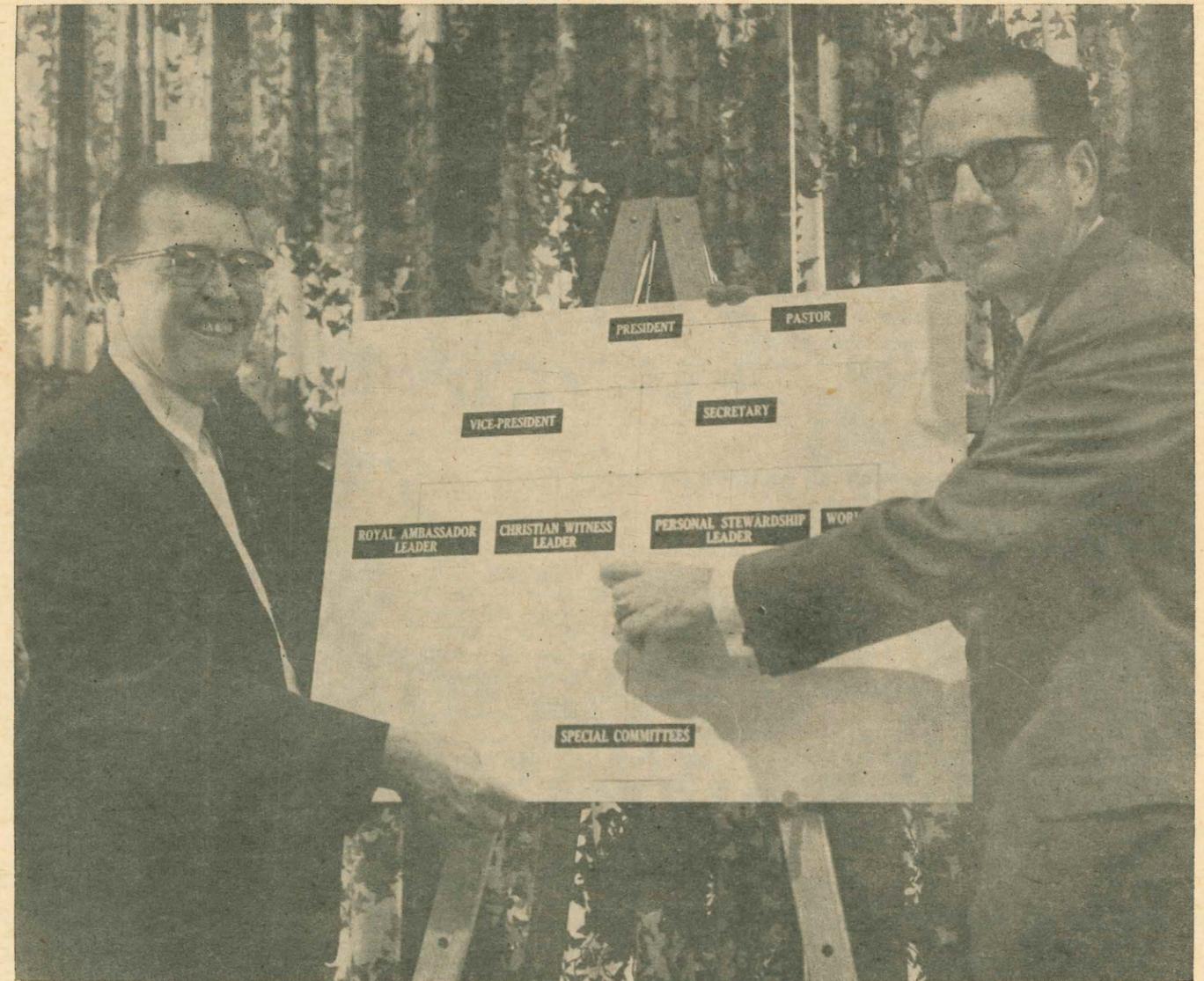
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The new, simplified Brotherhood organization structure, which goes into effect October 1, 1960, is displayed by Forrest R. Sawyer, Kentucky Brotherhood secretary (left), and George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission. State Brotherhood secretaries approved final details of the plan at a recent leadership meeting at Memphis, Tennessee.



## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

### ABERNATHY HALL, IN KOREA

►Abernathy Hall, the administration building at Korea Baptist Theological Seminary, at Taejon, is named for the John A. Abernathys' ten years of service among them on top of 30 years in China.

### IMMANUEL AT LEXINGTON

►Wendell H. Rone, pastor Bellevue Baptist Church, Owensboro, spoke on "Separation of Church and State" before the Brotherhood at Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, February 1.

►Keith Mee has announced his resignation as minister of education at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, effective March 1. He is to be associated with Wayne Todd, formerly pastor of Immanuel, as field work supervisor in the Library Division of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

### HUSTONVILLE MUSIC DIRECTOR

►Charley Bandy, Danville, a freshman in Campbellsville College, has been called, and is now serving as music director of the Hustonville Baptist Church, where William R. Bradshaw has been the pastor for about nine years.

### S.B.C. SPEAKERS

►Bruce H. Price, Newport News, as Chairman of the Order of Business Committee has announced some of the speakers for the Southern Baptist Convention to be held in Miami Beach in May. They include: Ralph A. Herring, Ramsey Polard, Billy Graham, J. Ralph Grant, Theodore F. Adams, Charles C. Bowles and Herschel H. Hobbs.

### AMONG THE MISSIONARIES

►Miss Emma Watts, Southern Baptist missionary nurse who is now on furlough from service in Nigeria, will spend the next several months observing the work of Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta. In Nigeria, Miss Watts works at the Baptist hospital in Ogbomoso.

Her present address is Box 587, Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta. Previously, she had been living in Harrodsburg, Ky., her home town.

►Mr. and Mrs. James P. Kirk, Southern Baptist missionaries, are returning to South Brazil after a furlough in the States. The address is Caixa Postal 320, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Mr. Kirk will become business manager of the Baptist Publishing House in Rio after the retirement of the present business manager later this year. Mrs. Kirk is the former Maxie Crawford, native of Louisville.

### NEW CARVER LIBRARY

►The library of Carver School has now been moved from its building at 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville 6. Ky., to the second floor of the new James P. Boyce Memorial Library on the campus of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, next door. They will have slightly less than ten percent of the available space, and will share the expenses of upkeep of the new building for its prorata portion.

### GRAHAM INVITED TO JAPAN

►The executive committee of the Japan Baptist Convention voted unanimously today to invite Billy Graham to Japan. Meeting in a January planning session at Amagi Baptist Assembly, convention leaders named a 15-man convention-wide invitation committee for a Billy Graham crusade in Japan. A special resolution stated, "We believe the time has come for Billy Graham to conduct a crusade in our nation."

### OHIO BOARD MEMBERS

►The State Convention of Baptists in Ohio, now having attained a membership of 200 churches, is hereafter entitled to have one member each on the S.B.C. Executive Committee and the four general boards. It was organized as a daughter of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky in the year 1954, and much of its leadership has come from Kentucky. Only this month they are taking one of our finest in the person of W. C. Dudley, who goes to be head of their Training Union and Music Department.

ments. We have learned to expect great things from Baptists in Ohio, but when Dudley gets there we are going to expect even greater things.

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## STEADFASTNESS IN THE FAITH

By FRANK W. RHODUS, Pastor

Great Crossings Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky.

With church membership at an all-time high it is disconcerting to learn that only about fifty per cent of church members attend services with any regularity. This ought to awaken our churches to the need of having a ministry solely for our church members. There is a need for messages that engender steadfastness in the faith "once for all delivered to the saints."

Paul writing to the church at Colossae (2:5-7) commends them in the steadfastness of their faith and in the orderly manner in which they conduct their lives. This steadfastness and orderly array of their faith did not come about by mere accident; but was a result of their surrender to Christ and their putting into practice the convictions they held concerning Him. Thus, their faithfulness in surrender to Christ, their development of convictions concerning Him, and their putting into practice what they believed, lays for us the triad of victorious Christian living.

When we look at our surrender to Christ we find that it is one thing to surrender and quite another to remain loyal to that surrender. When we first gave ourselves to Christ it was an act in which we expressed complete trust in His saving grace, and a willingness for Him to be our Master. The question now arises, "Do we still maintain that spirit of surrender that so characterized our early Christian beginning?" It is in this vein of thought that each one of us should examine himself in determining his loyalty to that surrender. We need to be constantly aware of these dangers that seek to upset the steadfastness of surrender to Christ.

Our committal to Christ demands that we persevere and let nothing interfere with our growth in Christian graces. When the pull of the present replaces our hope of the future, and the glitter of the material blinds us to the reality of the spiritual, we do well to reconsider our surrender to Christ. When we lose the purpose of surrender to Christ we become easy prey for that which is false and misleading. Jesus reminds us that when we take lightly his words the "cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches" will strangle to death our fruit-producing vitality.

The true Christian will not be critical of those Christians who have forgotten the meaning of their surrender to Christ, but will in every way seek to help them. Satan is ever active in his deceptions to deceive the "elect" if possible; therefore the church ought to be as active in seeking to reclaim and restore those who have fallen victim to his wiles. I believe that every Christian can go back to the day and hour — and the sin —

when he took his first step away from his loyalty to Christ. I believe also that when that Christian lifts his voice to God in confession of that sin God will forgive and restore him to usefulness in His service.

When one remains true to his surrender to Christ he will inculcate in his life definite convictions about Christ and grow immeasurably in His likeness. The world appreciates, and looks for, convictions in the lives of men who claim allegiance to Christ. If a man wavers in his beliefs the world will question the reality of his Christian experience. Convictions are beliefs that a man appropriates for himself which become the determining factor in his life.

In this matter of convictions, does it matter what one believes? Are beliefs measured by one's sincerity in believing them? Do beliefs matter as long as a man believes something? To me, it makes a great difference what one believes. It means the difference between being right and being wrong. It means the difference between being a faithful Christian and a faithless one. It means the difference between being a steadfast Christian and a wavering one.

Whenever Paul refutes an error he always places that which is true over against that which is untrue. The Gnostics, an heretical sect of Paul's day, believed that Jesus was only one of many emanations through which a man must go if he is to approach God. Paul says, "In Him (Christ) dwelleth the Godhead bodily." They taught that a man's religious devotion and sincerity was measured by his observance of special days, through an elaborate system of rituals; but Paul answers, "These are after the traditions of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." We conclude then that unless our convictions are based on truth we are doomed to disappointment. The joy of Christian living springs from the deep, abiding convictions which govern our life. Only those Christians who lack Christian principles will speak harshly of those Christians whose convictions will not let them compromise. It is far better to be criticized for having strong convictions than to be ridiculed for laxness!

When Paul states that as we "have received Christ, walk in Him," he knew that profession without practice has little effect on those outside the church. A witness of words, to be effectual, must be supported by actions. No person can convince another that Christ means "all the world to me" if his actions speak otherwise. Before the voice of truth can be heard above the din of errors the people of God must put into practice def-

inite convictions about God, about Christ, and about the church, and let these convictions be interpreted through actions.

Surely a people redeemed from sin by the grace of God will offer an effective witness to the world dying in sin. However, the point of this article is how much more effective can be our witness when those who have become disloyal to Christ will renew their allegiance to Him and let their lives express the beauty of faithfulness.

### Katie Bryan, Beloved Member of Owenton's First Church, Dies

Miss Katie Bryan, a member of the First Baptist Church, Owenton, Kentucky, for seventy-four years, died at her home November 9, 1959. "Miss Katie" was one of the most beloved members in the history of the Owenton congregation and leaves a lasting influence upon the life of the whole church and community.

Many responsible places of service were held by Miss Bryan in the Owenton Church. For approximately twenty years she was superintendent of the primary department of the Sunday School and was made emeritus superintendent when loss of health made necessary her absence from regular services. She also served as church librarian, story hour leader, Vacation Bible School leader, and was a member of the Woman's Missionary Society.

"Miss Katie" was a public school teacher and taught the first grade in the Owenton Elementary School for forty years. At the time of her retirement she was principal of the elementary school. She was a graduate of Georgetown College and also attended Eastern Kentucky College and Columbia University.

Miss Bryan is survived by her sister, Miss Ruth Bryan, Owenton; two nieces, Mrs. L. R. Wing, Evanston, Illinois, and Miss Ruth Bryan, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Mrs. M. G. Bryan, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is a sister-in-law.

►John Earl Seelig, minister of education at Travis Avenue Baptist Church in Fort Worth, has been elected by the Board of Trustees to serve as director of public relations and alumni activities at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, will serve as an assistant to the president for alumni promotion and public relations, for public and information services, and work in the whole area of church contacts. A graduate of Hardin-Simmons University with a bachelor of science degree in 1946, Seelig holds majors in Secondary Education and Mathematics and a minor in Journalism. He is also a graduate of Southwestern with a master of religious education in 1949.



Disease of Desire

Appearances are deceiving. This is nowhere more true than in the huge budgets of today's Baptist churches and the record incomes reported by these churches almost every year. The deception lies in the assumption that because we spend more money, we are doing more Kingdom work. In reality we might be doing less when we spent fewer dollars. The problem is in what we call inflation.

Pastor Joseph R. Estes recently presented this problem to the members of the First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, in a thought provoking article in the weekly publication of the church. He convincingly showed how rising cost of living, increasing tax loads, and high pressure salesmanship tactics directed to the consumer have resulted in robbery of the church and curtailing the ministry of the church to a lost world.

Many pastors and churches are worried over this problem. The same lights, heat, insurance, literature, janitorial service, etc., of several years ago cost much more today. The needed and fair raises given to pastors and staff members take a record number of dollars of the church budget. When it's all over we find we are spending many more dollars and doing about the same. In fact, in some instances churches are actually curtailing their local programs or their mission gifts or both. This is because of the financial strain of the church even with record contributions.

Inflation of the dollar, therefore, is a serious problem for every person and for every church as well as for our nation. But there is another kind of inflation which is even more disastrous. This is the inflation of desire, more insidious and destructive than inflation of the dollar. Inflation of desire is rampant among us. We are manipulated as puppets by "hidden persuaders" of the profit crazed, commercial world. We haggle for pay raises to eat more, wear more, go more, play more, and wind up finding it hard to contribute to God's cause as much as we did a few years ago.

Inflation of desire afflicts churches as well as individuals for they are not immune to "hidden persuaders" of today's world. Symptoms of the disease of desire are on every hand. Consider the suburbia-mania of individuals which also strikes churches and leaves great deserted and churchless areas in our cities.

New million and multi-million dollar facilities for Baptist churches and denominational agencies and institutions are justified with many arguments, but don't quite make sense to millions on other continents without a shed in which to worship, no more than it makes sense that Americans spend millions of dollars trying to lose excess fat from over-indulgence while three of every four people in the world go to bed (where they have a bed) hungry every night.

It should not be the most coveted thing to be said that the Baptist pastor is the highest paid preacher in town, especially when we claim to be nearest in doctrine to the Galilean who had nowhere to lay his head. One Southern city is said to be able to boast of three Baptist pastors in the \$20,000 salary class when all the fringe benefits are counted. This is about as noble as the opposite extreme where some Baptist churches boast that they get the most out of their preacher for the least money of any church that they know.

Ancient non-Christian philosophers claimed man's greatest problem was desire. Their prescription of suppression and destruction of desire by rigid association was not the right solution, but control and direction of desire as taught by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount is a great need today. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matt. 6:33).

Deflation of unholy desire would go a long way to help our personal and church budgets.

Two Signs

Is the world getting better or worse? This is an age-old debate with support and evidence on both sides. The answer may not be either . . . or . . . , but both . . . and . . . The world is getting better and better, and worse and worse, as paradoxical as it sounds. This is graphically illustrated in two recent signs on a highway.

A "For Sale" sign recently went up on a highly desirable piece of property in a rapidly developing area of Louisville. "Sold" was written across the "For Sale" sign a few days later and considerable rejoicing spread through the community when it was reported a church was to be built on the property. A few weeks later another sign appeared a few hundred feet away on the same thoroughfare. It read, "Coming Soon To This Location, Red Bull Liquor Store."

A new church, a new liquor store—this is the story of our age. In these two signs is epitomized the age-old struggle between right and wrong. More people than ever before belong to a church, but more people than ever before are involved in immorality, theft, prostitution, graft, and the like. More money is contributed to churches than ever before, but more money also is spent for gambling, liquor, and the like than ever before. For every college girl there is a barmaid; for every college boy there is a man behind prison bars.

Unbelievable almost is the fact that many in our day don't see the conflict between the two signs. They welcome the new church and the new liquor store. How could this be? One represents life, the

other represents death. "Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death" (Jer. 21:8).

As those committed to the reign of God upon earth, we who follow Jesus have no grounds for false optimism considering the battle is over and the victory is won. There are signs on every hand to remind us that Satan has not surrendered. He would, with the help of his children, set up a dozen liquor stores and brothels for every church, steal the chastity of every young man and woman, and destroy every moral fiber of America.

On the other hand we have no reason to despair. God in Christ Jesus has broken the power of Satan. Ultimate victory belongs to Jesus who turned the tide of war on Calvary's battlefield. Ours then is to put on the whole armour of God and having done all, to stand.

Brotherhood Has Its Task

Guest Editorial

Baptist Brotherhood, dedicated to promotion of the full church program, has agreed to take the lead

in enrollment of more pastors and church staff members in the Southern Baptist Protection Plan.

We applaud the agreement. It is one of the few things around the church that the pastor and his staff are reluctant to promote. They're involved and thereby embarrassed by position.

The Protection Plan, as every informed Baptist knows, is the denomination's retirement plan for ministers and others of the church staff. It also has provisions for the widow and other benefits. Only about a third of the Southern Baptist pastors are enrolled.

Many of the churches are paying both their share of the retirement program and that of the pastor and others of the staff. It is a practice rather general in the business world.

The Brotherhood can, if it will, double the enrollment percentage of pastors and churches within the year. It can be their easiest project and also one of their finest.

So, gentlemen, get the Southern Baptist Protection Plan enrollment cards and go to work. It is your responsibility.—Christian Index



CATHOLIC LEAKAGE

Editor:

In spite of almost total intimidation of the politicians and the press there is one element the Vatican is really afraid of, the existence of which has been carefully concealed from public knowledge. This is the enormous number of American Catholics who leave the church every year. This leakage from the church has become so great that by its own secret statistics more than twice as many adult Catholics leave the church in the United States as come in by way of "conversions."

The church would be hard put to hold its own if it were not for the heavy breeding program (now slipping) and the co-operation of Catholic politicians in permitting thousands of ignorant Catholics to enter the country from Southern Europe. These people, being conditioned by generations of Catholic superstition, are hard to assimilate and quick to multiply.

This annual loss to the church was one of the late Pope Pius's worst headaches, and might have brought on some of the much-publicized "visions" the "Holy Father" was reported to have seen. The Catholic "faithful" are also kept in ignorance of this loss and are led to believe that the "Holy Mother Church" is growing "by leaps and bounds."

Ft. Bragg, Calif. Jack Odom

Eugene Overstreet has been licensed to preach the Gospel, according to Pastor W. Ken Forman, of the Yuma Mission, arm of the Campbellsville Baptist Church. He has been the Sunday school superintendent for some time, and is at this time a student in Campbellsville College.

CAN YOU TOP THIS?

Editor:

The number of awards earned through home study and other study courses was increased 71 by two people at Latonia Baptist Church.

Mrs. William B. Collins earned 36 awards from November 1958 to September 1959. Mr. William B. Collins earned 35 awards during the same period.

At Latonia we feel this is a state record for number of awards earned during a single year. If there is a record from any church reporting awards earned exceeding this number, we would like to hear of it.

Covington, Kentucky Robert L. Garner

IN MEMORIAM—C. P. HARGIS

Editor:

The sudden death of Mr. C. P. Hargis Wednesday morning, January 20, was a shock to his many friends and loved ones. Mr. Hargis was serving as a deacon and Sunday school superintendent along with other offices of the Meadow Hill Baptist Chapel. Mr. Hargis felt the need for this mission in Okolona and, after working out many problems, he started the mission. On February 3, 1957, the first meeting was held with approximately 54 people present. The mission has grown now to 100 membership. He served on the committee to

purchase the 4 1/4 acres that the mission now has. A church building has been started and will be completed within the next few months according to weather conditions. Mr. Hargis was looking forward to seeing the completed building. His loyal attendance and work helped the mission to grow to its present achievements. He will be greatly missed in the future development of the church and its organizations.

Adrian C. Burns  
Meadow Hill Baptist Chapel  
Louisville, Rt. 4, Ky.

GOOD AND BAD

Editor:

Have been a reader of the Western Recorder for several years and hope it will remain Western Recorder. Hebrews 13:8, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever. Is Christ our example or do we go modern 100%?

There is some good material in your editorials but there apparently is a great deal of modernism also and would suggest the editor hide his face in shame at his handling of the suggestions for helping rural pastors. I'm sure everyone realizes the fact that pastors must have the necessities of life. However, after much Bible reading I'm still looking for one verse of scripture promising Christ's servants a bed of roses.

Addison, Ky. C. H. Stinnett

# My Experiences in the 49th State As a Summer Missionary

By **BILLY TILLET**

Representing 10,000 Baptist students and our Lord in our 49th state, Alaska, this summer, was an experience I shall never forget.

Like several other students on our campus, I felt God wanted me to use my summer for the building of His Kingdom. I applied through the Summer Mission Program of the Baptist Student Union of Kentucky and was chosen to represent my fellow students in Alaska.

Little did I realize that in the ten weeks following my departure on June 2 from Louisville, Kentucky, would come some of the greatest blessings of my life.

When I arrived in Portland, Oregon, I met with the other eight students who would serve in Alaska, and also those who would serve in the states of Washington and Oregon. There were students

from practically every state in the Southern Baptist Convention represented there. I was the only one, however, from Kentucky.

There were six college men and three college women appointed to service in Alaska. Of the six men, I was the only student not preparing for the ministry. Three were assigned to be pastors of missions, two did V.B.S. work and I was assigned to be pastor of a full-time church in Valdez, Alaska. Of course this was a new field to me. I had never preached a sermon in all my life. I firmly believe now that it would do all Christian laymen good to be pastor of a church for ten weeks, or even two weeks. At the end of the time, I assure you that we would appreciate our pastors much, much more and would be more willing

to help them. It would help us to be greater servants for our Lord.

On our arrival in Anchorage from Portland, the others went their different ways while I traveled on to the little town of Valdez, some 350 miles from Anchorage.

I felt so uncertain in what I was to do as the little plane circled around that little town trying to land. I felt so weak and afraid. I wondered what kind of people I would meet, what I would be doing, where I would be staying. . . . I thought, too, about the problems and how I would cope with them. The feeling of emptiness left when Mrs. Dick Shafer and her sons met me at the plane. I knew right away that God gives no task impossible.

The first few weeks went by so fast I hardly knew they were gone. My weekly run of activities kept me pretty busy in such things as camping with the boys, hiking, fishing, visiting the lost and unconcerned, preparing two Sunday sermons, teaching a Sunday School class, holding weekly Prayer Meetings and choir practice, conducting eight days of Vacation Bible School. In the School, I served as V.B.S. principal, junior principal, song leader, janitor, server of refreshments and whatever else there was to do.

We had a total of 39 in our School. We had 21 Juniors in all, only five of them being girls. Without the help of Mrs. Dave Kennedy, our school would have had only Juniors. Mrs. Kennedy took the Primaries and had 14 enrolled. We had three Intermediate helpers who kept records and helped with handicraft for the girls.

Our School was successful in that we had seven who rededicated their lives.

Our Royal Ambassadors met for several weeks, but because there would be no one to lead them after the summer, they again had no Chapter. We enjoyed camping, knocking about in the snow, hiking and fishing together.

I taught a class of Intermediates composed of girls and boys with an average attendance for the summer of four.

The First Baptist Church of Valdez, Alaska, has 57 members. Our Sunday school ran from 20 to 35 in attendance while the preaching service had from 30 to 70 in attendance.

When the last week rolled around and again I was to pack all my belongings and head back to Kentucky, I found myself amazed at all the things I had been privileged to do. In Valdez was a church without a pastor for almost three years, and I was chosen to serve them for ten weeks.

When I arrived home, I had a message to give to our people. **People are in need of Christ everywhere.** Not only across the seas, but here in our own United States there is a great need. Yes, God needs teachers, preachers, missionaries and all types of Christian laymen

not only in Alaska, our 49th state, but everywhere.

The ten weeks that I served in Valdez, Alaska, are outstanding weeks in my life. During that time, my Christian life was strengthened, by Bible knowledge increased as did my love and desire to see the lost accept Christ.

God may be calling you to His service. Can you say—Will you say—"Here am I Lord, Send Me—Send Me?"

►The Lambda Lambda Lambda, religious journalism fraternity, of the Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee, Okla., has given its 1960 religious journalism award to Paul M. Stevens, Fort Worth, Texas, for his work in televangelism, especially the 13-film set, "This is the Answer."

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## Twelfth Street Church, Paducah, Ministers to Deaf By **DENZIL DUKES**, Pastor, Paducah, Ky.



Class members in the Deaf group at Twelfth Street Baptist Church at Paducah: Front Row: Mrs. Kathy Roberts, teacher-interpreter; Mrs. Louis Sims, Mrs. Dorothy Waldrige, and Elmo Whalen. Second Row: Louis Sims, Louis Waldrige, Mrs. Virginia McGarrigal. Third Row: Mrs. Helen Williams and James Williams. Back Row: Lee Holder, Jack Hopkins, and Charle Payne.

Everyone in the congregation seemed to share in the joy of the extraordinary occasion last Sunday night as one after the other deaf mutes were buried in the baptismal waters. This service was evidence of the effectiveness of the church's ministry to the deaf through Sunday school, Training Union, and the worship services. There is probably no happier, more enthusiastic group in the church than the "silent" group.

Prior to the beginning the "Silent" Sunday school class, October 11, there was one deaf mute enrolled in the Sunday school—Mrs. Louis Waldrige. On the first Sunday the class met seven deaf friends were present. The first few Sundays were a difficult struggle. But there was understanding, patience, and help by the deaf and a daughter of Mrs. Waldrige. Now the class has a very efficient interpreter-teacher and the enrollment has grown to fourteen. These fourteen come from as far as twenty-five miles in Kentucky and Metropolis, Ill. Last Sunday night there were visitors from Princeton, Ky.

The work of Mrs. Kathy Roberts with this group has been amazing-miraculous! When the "Silent" class began she knew none of the sign language. In a period of five or six weeks she learned the alphabet and about 600 words. On November 20 she interpreted the first worship service. Now she most efficiently teaches the class, helps in Training Union, interprets both the morning and evening worship services and inter-

prets for Pastor Denzil Dukes in his counseling and ministering to them.

This is the only such class in the entire tri-state—the closest other class probably being in Nashville.

►The new librarian of Carver School of Missions and Social Work is Miss Hilda Arnold, who has been promoted from her work as library assistant to succeed Miss Georgie Fancher. Miss Arnold is a product of Drakesboro, Kentucky, and obtained a B.S. in library science at Western Kentucky State College and a M.S. in library science at the University of Kentucky. Before coming to Carver she held library positions in Ludlow, Versailles and Shepherdsville. In addition to being librarian, she will also teach library organization and administration in the July term summer session.

### Would Reach Half-Way Around World

Tape-use report just released by the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention indicate that this production center is now undoubtedly the biggest user of broadcast tape in the entire Southwest.

More than 41,000,00 feet of blank tape (41,839,200 feet) were used the past year to keep radio stations supplied weekly with "MasterControl" and "The Baptist Hour" programs and to provide recorded tapes for church and Sunday School use.

"MasterControl" is now broadcast by 128 stations and "The Baptist Hour" by 463. This means heavy production must be maintained at Commission headquarters to meet the weekly broadcast schedules of the many stations across the nation. These radio program tapes and other tapes produced for specific needs of Boards and Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention, require roughly 1,500 packets for each two-week shipping period. More than 6,000 thirty-minute "MasterControl" tapes are supplied stations during a year, and almost 13,000 thirty-minute tapes go to stations broadcasting "The Baptist Hour" during the year.

The total tape footage used in one year at the Commission is enough to reach from Chicago to Baghdad. The tapes in their shipping containers would make a stack more than twice the height of the Empire State Building.

Statesmen, athletes, ex-convict, circus manager, and former head of Scotland Yard are among the prominent people interviewed by "MasterControl" reporters for the weeks ahead. Music by the nation's top orchestras also help make up the radio-half-hour. Personalities included are:

February 21—**MARTIN CAIDEN**, author "War for the Moon", talks about our space race with Russia; **JANE WYATT**, star of "Father Knows Best" series, talks about family life.

February 28—**JACK KRAMER**, former tennis great, talks about team's recent world tour; **STANLEY MOCKFORD**, ex-convict who began life of crime at 5, talks about life story; **H. D. GENDERS**, manager of Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey, talks about circus acts.

March 6—**SIR JOHN NOTT-BOWER**, former head of Scotland Yard, compares Scotland Yard to FBI; **ROBERT YOUNG**, motion picture-TV star, talks of flying and highway safety.

March 13—**New York's former Governor AVERILL HARRIMAN**, talks of his book "Peace With Russia?"; **OLLIE MATSON**, fullback with Los Angeles Rams, talks about professional football and his career.

Stations broadcasting "MasterControl" in Kentucky at present are:

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| SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, JANUARY 31, 1960 |      |      |      |
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|   | S.S. | Add. | T.U. |
| Louisville, Walnut Street                                     | 1365 | 26   | 495  |
| Mission (4)   | 453  | 7    | 141  |
| Louisville, Ninth and O                                       | 1175 | 8    | 450  |
| Louisville, Corlisle Avenue                                   | 1065 | --   | 440  |
| Madisonville, First   | 1053 | 16   | 284  |
| Hopkinsville, Second  | 918  | --   | 210  |
| Mayfield, First   | 889  | --   | 230  |
| Mission   | 112  | --   | --   |
| Louisville, Crescent Hill                                     | 870  | 1    | 259  |
| Missions (2)  | 126  | --   | 48   |
| Lexington, Calvary  | 840  | 7    | 228  |
| Mission   | 36   | --   | --   |
| Elizabethtown, Severns Valley                                 | 825  | --   | --   |
| Missions (2)  | 95   | --   | --   |
| Louisville, St. Matthews                                      | 805  | 2    | 220  |
| Covington, Calvary  | 803  | --   | --   |
| Owensboro, Third  | 800  | --   | 268  |
| Bowling Green, First  | 782  | --   | 230  |
| Mission   | 179  | --   | --   |
| Louisville, Beechland   | 723  | --   | 166  |
| Mission   | 188  | 2    | 60   |

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|-------------------------------|-----|----|-----|
| Louisville, Beechmont         | 719 | 1  | 199 |
| Mission (2)                   | 346 | 1  | 115 |
| Harrodsburg                   | 708 | -- | 172 |
| Mission                       | 33  | -- | 21  |
| Somerset, First               | 701 | 5  | 272 |
| Mission                       | 101 | -- | 44  |
| Georgetown                    | 700 | 5  | 276 |
| Mission                       | 24  | -- | --  |
| Paducah, Immanuel             | 695 | -- | 175 |
| Newport, First                | 680 | 3  | 191 |
| Missions (2)                  | 100 | -- | 26  |
| Hopkinsville, First           | 670 | -- | 194 |
| Mission                       | 153 | -- | 94  |
| Lexington, Grace              | 661 | 1  | 220 |
| Mission                       | 12  | -- | --  |
| Covington, Latonia            | 658 | -- | 193 |
| Glasgow                       | 637 | -- | 122 |
| Missions (2)                  | 151 | 3  | --  |
| Campbellsville                | 610 | -- | 218 |
| Missions (4)                  | 142 | -- | 55  |
| Shelbyville, First            | 605 | -- | 102 |
| Louisville, Buechel Park      | 578 | 1  | 153 |
| Henderson, Immanuel           | 578 | -- | --  |
| Missions (2)                  | 159 | -- | --  |
| Ashland, First                | 564 | -- | 132 |
| Missions (2)                  | 143 | -- | --  |
| Owensboro, Hall Street        | 537 | -- | 202 |
| Louisville, Hozelwood         | 521 | -- | 110 |
| Louisville, Shively           | 507 | -- | 142 |
| Louisville, Rockford Lane     | 488 | -- | 147 |
| Louisville, Beth Haven        | 485 | -- | 170 |
| Louisville, Highland          | 482 | -- | 145 |
| Louisville, Valley Station    | 479 | -- | 110 |
| Lexington, Porter Memorial    | 479 | -- | 120 |
| London, First                 | 476 | 1  | 135 |
| Erlanger                      | 471 | 1  | 123 |
| Bellevue                      | 470 | -- | 112 |
| Louisville, Farmdale          | 466 | 2  | 139 |
| Mission                       | 114 | 2  | 54  |
| Louisville, Southside         | 464 | 4  | 66  |
| Winchester, Central           | 460 | 2  | 96  |
| Louisville, Bethany           | 459 | 8  | 120 |
| Central City, First           | 456 | 1  | 189 |
| Danville, First               | 443 | 1  | 122 |
| Mission                       | 47  | -- | --  |
| Louisville, Valley View       | 438 | -- | 87  |
| Louisville, Bethlehem         | 432 | -- | 165 |
| Hazard, First                 | 425 | -- | 100 |
| Mt. Washington, First         | 422 | -- | 105 |
| Mission                       | 20  | -- | --  |
| Jeffersonton, First           | 409 | 1  | 80  |
| Louisville, Eighteenth Street | 409 | -- | 104 |
| Mission                       | 77  | -- | 84  |
| Hodgenville, First            | 407 | -- | 128 |
| Louisville, Immanuel          | 404 | -- | 98  |
| Paducah, East                 | 404 | -- | 163 |
| Owensboro, Eaton Memorial     | 399 | -- | 181 |
| Bardstown                     | 397 | -- | 67  |
| Middlesboro, First            | 396 | 2  | 111 |
| Louisville, Beechwood         | 380 | 4  | 150 |
| Lexington, Trinity            | 379 | 5  | 146 |
| Danville, Gethsemane          | 370 | 3  | 196 |
| Louisville, Shawnee           | 369 | -- | 103 |
| Franklin, First               | 369 | -- | 112 |
| Mission                       | 59  | -- | 29  |
| Springfield                   | 359 | -- | 101 |
| Walton, First                 | 355 | 3  | 175 |
| Ft. Thomas, First             | 352 | 1  | 91  |
| Mission                       | 113 | -- | --  |
| Louisville, High View         | 335 | -- | 134 |
| Louisville, LaSalle Avenue    | 328 | 2  | 86  |
| Hima, Horse Creek             | 327 | -- | --  |
| Covington, First              | 320 | 3  | 176 |
| Mission                       | 60  | -- | --  |
| Earlington, First             | 319 | -- | 129 |
| Ashland, Pollard              | 314 | -- | 107 |
| Missions (2)                  | 79  | -- | --  |
| Barbourville, First           | 313 | 2  | 180 |
| Missions (3)                  | 186 | -- | --  |
| Frankfort, Thorn Hill         | 306 | -- | 156 |
| Benton, First                 | 301 | 1  | 136 |
| Dawson Springs, First         | 297 | -- | 62  |
| Hawesville                    | 296 | 3  | 116 |
| Middletown, First             | 295 | 5  | 100 |
| Louisville, Gethsemane        | 289 | -- | 137 |
| Owensboro, Crabtree Avenue    | 276 | 9  | 105 |
| Owensboro, Lewis Lane         | 276 | -- | 134 |
| Shepherdsville, First         | 257 | -- | 60  |
| Mission                       | 9   | -- | --  |
| Sonora                        | 257 | -- | 93  |
| Williamson                    | --  | -- | --  |
| East Williamson               | 254 | 2  | 89  |
| Falmouth                      | 249 | -- | 58  |
| Mission                       | 28  | -- | --  |
| Carrollton, First             | 238 | -- | 52  |
| Marion                        | 230 | -- | 72  |
| Owensboro, Temple             | 228 | 1  | 81  |
| Folsomdale, Liberty           | 218 | -- | 67  |
| Hazel                         | --  | -- | --  |
| Middlesboro                   | --  | -- | --  |
| East Cumberland Ave.          | 216 | -- | 85  |
| Owensboro, Seven Hills        | 216 | -- | 61  |
| Cold Spring, First            | 214 | -- | 101 |
| Mt. Vernon, First             | 203 | -- | 60  |
| Missions (4)                  | 75  | -- | --  |
| Valley Station, Kosmosdale    | 199 | 1  | 57  |
| Madisonville, Liberty         | 179 | -- | 122 |
| Owensboro, Wing Avenue        | 165 | -- | 69  |
| McQuady, Corinth              | 103 | -- | 65  |

**Charles P. Hargis Dies Unexpectedly**

Charles P. Hargis, 77, of 3705 Outer Loop, Louisville, native of Pulaski County, Kentucky, and for 25 years field worker for the Sunday School Department of the Executive Board, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, until his retirement ten years ago, died unexpectedly of a heart attack January 20 at his home, while getting dressed for breakfast. His wife had gone into the kitchen for something, and when she returned he had slipped away.

Mr. Hargis had spent most of his life in Somerset and Lexington, much of it in traveling over the state, and the last 20 years in Louisville. After the death of his first wife, he married Miss Flossie Dalton, for a long time the office secretary in the same Sunday School Department. Since their retirement from their work, Mr. and Mrs. Hargis moved into the Okolona community, south of Louisville, near Preston Highway, and entered into the establishment of the Meadow Hill Baptist Chapel, 5513 Minor's Lane, where Charles L. Godwin is pastor.

The body was taken to the Johns Funeral Home, 8519 Preston Highway, where the funeral was conducted at 2:00 o'clock, Friday, January 22. Burial was in Louisville Memorial Gardens.

Besides his wife, Mr. Hargis is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Badgett (Pauline Hargis) Dillard, long field worker with the Sunday School Board and more recently teacher of elementary subjects in the School of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; two brothers, George Hargis, Normal, Ill.; Walter Hargis, Somerset; 4 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

►The 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dutton, 3030 Iris Way, Louisville 5, Ky., was celebrated on January 28.

►J. G. Cothran, remembered in Kentucky—where he was long the pastor of First Church, Princeton, and secretary of Christian education at the Kentucky Baptist Building, Louisville, has resigned his 8½-year pastorate of the Beaverdam Baptist Church, Williamston, S. C., and has moved to 2241 Augusta Road, Greenville, S. C. He will continue teaching at Anderson College, and will conduct meetings, do supply work, and some writing. He has a book, *The Christian Family*, in the hands of the printers, and the expectation is that it will be on sale within about two months. Other books are in the planning stage. He and his wife expect to attend the Baptist World Congress in Rio de Janeiro, and will spend a month touring South American mission fields.

**The Passing of Pastor Frank B. Fitzgerald**

The funeral of Frank Burdette Fitzgerald, 63, was conducted in the auditorium of the Crestwood Baptist Church, Crestwood, Ky., on January 22, from the same pulpit where he had preached in previous years. The sermon was delivered by Pastor A. Jackson Prince, assisted by Pastor Roy L. Puckett of the Eastern Parkway Church, Louisville, a friend of many years of the deceased, and Pastor Earl Caldwell, of the Crestwood Presbyterian Church. Burial was in nearby Floydsburg Cemetery.

Death came at the Pewee Valley Hospital at 1:30 a.m., on January 20. Though he was the picture of health, he had a long acquaintance with suffering, especially with heart trouble, and in his last years other complications set in.

He had suffered an injury while in Virginia, but recuperated enough to get to Louisville. He had wanted so much to attend the Southern Baptist Convention, but, on returning to Louisville, found that he could not make it to the convention. He was bedfast ever afterwards, until his death.

Fitzgerald was the quiet, scholarly type, with a vast reservoir of useful information stored and primed for every occasion. He was gifted both in the pulpit and in his pastoral relationships. He could preach a sermon in a few words or sentences, quite as effectively as he could preach in public. His conversation was filled with epigrams, with Scripture quotations, with brilliant sayings and stories of the great preachers, and he had the gift of applying the exact words for each incident.

Native of Virginia, where he was born May 23, 1896, in Pittsylvania County, a son of the late Henrietta and Samuel Fitzgerald, he attended school in Lynchburg, Va., Moody Bible Institute at Chicago, and Southern Seminary at Louisville.

He was pastor of Sonora Baptist Church, Sonora, Ky., for two years; of Baptist Temple, Louisville, 12 years; of Crestwood Baptist Church, 9 years and of Moore's Swamp Church, Surry County, Va., and interim pastor at First Church, Henderson, N. C., and Covington Church, Covington, Va., for shorter periods. Until his recent illness he had been preaching at Elberton, Va.

Mrs. Fitzgerald is the former Miss Eunice Harris, South Hill, Va., who survives him, as do two children: Mrs. Jeanne F. Wilson, R.N., Pewee Valley, who nursed him throughout his last illness; and F. B. Fitzgerald, Jr., 3421 Meridian Ave., Charlotte 8, N. C., minister of music at the Matthews Baptist Church, Matthews, N. C., and four grandchildren. He also is survived by

three brothers: James Fitzgerald, Welch, W. Va.; Howard B. Fitzgerald, Roanoke, Va.; and Alfred Fitzgerald, Chatham, Va.; and by one sister, Mrs. Emily F. Teare, Petersburg, Va.

**Focus Week At Campbellsville**

Students and faculty members of Campbellsville College are presently engaged in Religious Focus Week. Focus Week on a college campus is an effort to show the importance of applying Christianity to every day life. This important campus ministry is under the general direction of the Baptist Student Union Department of the Southern Baptist Convention. Mr. Howard Bramlette, Associate to the Southwide Student Department, is serving as captain of a team of ten persons who are spending the week of February 8-12 on the Campbellsville campus. The team members, invited to the campus by President John M. Carter, include professors, businessmen, ministers, and missionaries.

Theme for the emphasis is "The Way, The World, And You." Members of the team will be featured speakers at the regular chapel programs and will also conduct special evening services and discussion groups each night.

**A Letter of Spiritual Counsel**

By WAYNE E. OATES



Wayne E. Oates

**Question:** We cannot have children. We cannot understand why God blesses people who do not want children and withholds His blessings from us who want them so badly. Why is this?

**Answer:** God's grace is made known in the blessing of children in a way

that demonstrates His grace in other ways. He does not bless us in terms of our merit. Otherwise we would feel we had to "work" our way into His good favor. He gives children to us according to the creative laws by which He governs the universe. You may be "straining" so hard to have children that you are working at cross purposes with yourself. This often happens, you know.

Let me suggest that if you have not done so already, you should go to the nearest large medical center conducted in connection with a Medical School for a complete study of your prospects for having a child. Both the husband and the wife should go together and get complete infertility assistance. Or, you

may get this kind of assistance at the Planned Parenthood Clinic, 624 S. Floyd St., Louisville 2, Ky.

►Mrs. Ann Dutton, subscription book-keeper for the Western Recorder, received word January 21, 1960, of the death of her uncle, Jim W. Marsee, at Flatwoods, Kentucky. Mr. Marsee came from a pioneer family of Baptists in Kentucky, one brother being Pastor A. S. Marsee, Artemus Baptist Church, the moderator of North Concord Baptist Association, Rt. 4, Barbourville.

►The Kentucky Farmer, The Tennessee Farmer and Homemaker, and The Indiana Farmer, esteemed contemporaries of the Western Recorder and our Middletown neighbors, have just been sold to a Cleveland firm, Capper-Harman-Slocum. Jack O. Matlick, Mrs. Samuel R. Guard, and other members of the Farmer publications have been among our valued friends ever since we have been located in this area, and since it seems they are no longer to be with the firm, we will miss them. The Cleveland firm has assigned Ray T. Kelsey to manage the three publications at Middletown. We welcome him to his new assignment, and wish for him the same success his predecessors have attained for their publications.

►East Texas Baptist College trustees, Marshall, Texas, have elected Howard C. Bennett as president of their institution to succeed Dr. Harvey Daniel Bruce. Bennett has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Kilgore, Texas, for the last 17 years. He is a graduate of both Union University and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and was given an honorary doctorate by the institution he will soon head. Previous pastorates include churches at Carthage, Tenn., and Vivian, La. Bruce, a native of Cave City, Kentucky, is a graduate of Bethel College, Russellville, Ky., Furman University and Southwestern Seminary, has been head of the school for the last 18 years. He expects to remain president until September 1, at which time the new president will take over.

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# KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

## CHURCH MUSIC

### Illinoisans to Lead Southwestern Festival At Paducah, Feb. 26-27

By EUGENE F. QUINN



Ray Moore

A minister of music and the state music secretary of Illinois Baptists will be at the Southwestern Regional Music Festival on February 26-27. The host church will be the Lone Oak Baptist Church of Paducah.

Mr. Ray Moore, who is now the minister of music of the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Carbondale, Illinois, will be returning to Paducah for the festival. He was formerly the minister of music at Trinity Baptist Church there.



E. W. Morris

Mr. Earl W. Morris, Illinois Baptist State Music Secretary, will return for the second straight year to the same festival. Mr. Morris is located at the Illinois Baptist Building in Carbondale.

Both of these men have been invited to serve as adjudicators and combined choir directors for the adult-youth section of the festival on February 26, and for the Junior choir and hymn playing section on February

27. Mr. Harry Hampsher of Murray is the general director of the festival.

## SEMINARY LEADERS TO DIRECT GEORGETOWN AND LEXINGTON FESTIVALS



Mabel Warkentin



A. Ray Baker

North Central Regional Music Director Eugene Spencer, of Covington, has secured the services of two members of the Southern Baptist Seminary's School of Church Music to be guest directors and adjudicators at the choir-hymn-playing festivals on February 26 at Georgetown and February 27 at Lexington.

Miss Mabel Warkentin will specialize in the hymn playing events and in the children's choir sections. She has served previously in regional festivals in a very capable manner.

Mr. A. Ray Baker, who was formerly a Georgetown College music department faculty member, will specialize in directing and adjudicating the adult-youth choral sections of the festival.

The festival will be divided into two sections. The Adult-youth section will meet on Friday night, February 26, at the Georgetown College Chapel. The Junior section, for ages 9-12, will meet at the Calvary Baptist Church in Lexington on Saturday afternoon, February 27.

►A Billy Graham crusade is to be held in Washington, D. C., June 19-26 of this year, 1960. Headquarters offices are already open and the meetings will be held in Griffith Stadium, home of the Washington Senators Baseball team, providing a seating capacity of 25,000.

►Word comes that 57 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention have been accorded special recognition for having an honor W.M.U. during 1958-59. The Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church at Owenton and the First Baptist Church of Danville are two in Kentucky receiving this special recognition.

## TRAINING UNION

### General Officers' and Associational Officers' Conferences at Training Union Regional Rallies

At 7:15 p.m. during the 1960 Training Union Regional Rallies special conferences will be held for General Officers and for Associational Officers.

Mr. Bill Mitchell, minister of education, Grace Baptist Church, Lexington, will lead the General Officers' Conferences in the Regional Rallies for the Eastern Section of the state. Mr. Ben Steele, minister of education, Victory Memorial Baptist Church, Louisville, will conduct conferences in the Western Section of the state. Both of the men have had much practical experience in working with the Training Unions in their own church. Various subjects of planning and conducting assembly programs will be discussed along with ways of getting the most use from the **Training Union Magazine**.

The Associational Officers' Conference will be led in each region by an associational officer in that region. Each of the men have had practical experience and are doing the work in their associations. The date, region, and conference leader for each of the rallies is:

#### Eastern Section—

March 14—North Central Region, Georgetown Baptist Church, Reginald W. Johnson.

March 15—Northeastern Region, Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, Bayly Sadler.

March 17—Southeastern Region, First Baptist Church, Pineville, Eldon Jones.

March 18—South Central Region, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Campbellsville, Jim Henry.

#### Western Section—

March 14—Central Region, Shepherdsville Baptist Church, Chester A. Igleheart.

March 15—Southern Region, Glasgow Baptist Church, Lewis W. Shephard.

March 17—Southwestern Region, First Baptist Church, Benton, Ralph Tomek.



J. H. Whaley

March 18—Western Region, First Baptist Church, Providence, Thomas Francis. The complete program for the rallies will be mailed to every Training Union director in a few days.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

### State WMU Meeting at Central Church, Corbin, April 5-7, 1960

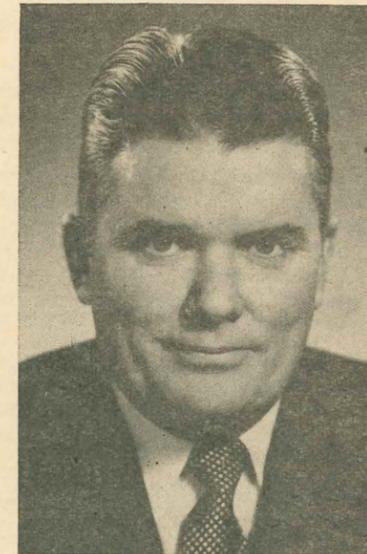
By MRS. GEO. R. FERGUSON



Miss Alma Hunt

Miss Alma Hunt, Executive Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, whose office is in Birmingham, Alabama, will bring the main message at the opening session of the State W.M.U. Meeting, Central Church, Corbin, April 5-7. Miss Hunt returned recently from a trip around the world made at the request of the Foreign Mission Board, to view our Southern Baptist mission fields.

Miss Hunt is a dynamic speaker and will have a wealth of current information concerning our work. She will speak on Tuesday night and again on Wednesday morning. The meeting will open on Tuesday night at 7:45.



Dr. Porter Routh

The closing message of the State Meeting, which will bring us to the desired high spiritual hour, will be brought by Dr. Porter Routh, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Routh's office is in Nashville. He will speak on the challenge of the Third Jubilee Advance. Plan now so you can stay through the meeting for this stirring message. Dr. Routh spoke to the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky last fall in a much appreciated message.

Watch this column each week for latest news of the State Meeting plans.

#### CREDENTIAL CARDS

Request your credential cards for the State Meeting NC'Y. See this column for January 14 for the new requirements. Cards will be prepared on request only except for members of the State Executive Board.

►The name of The ALUMNAE BULLETIN, of the old Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Louisville, became THE ALUMNI BULLETIN several year ago when the school became THE CARVER SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AND SOCIAL WORK, and thereby assumed a co-educational status, open to men as well as to women. But, like the oft-married widow, the name of the publication has been changed again, now becoming TIDINGS. We wish the periodical bon voyage as it sails under its new masthead, and hope it will carry TIDINGS of good news to its alumni and friends far and wide. It continues to be ably edited by Miss Norma Jean Baker, which means that it is in good hands.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Last Call to Attend The State Vacation Bible School Clinic

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT



R. E. Boatwright

The State Vacation Bible School Clinic will be held with the First Baptist Church of Shelbyville, February 25-26, is designed to provide leadership information to all who are interested in Vacation Bible School work. Last year approximately 187,000 boys and girls were enrolled in Vacation Bible Schools in Kentucky. Such a large enrollment requires many well-trained faculties. Approximately one-tenth of all our conversions result from Vacation Bible School work. Such a vital program demands our very best.

All Vacation Bible School workers are invited to attend, however, we call especially for those in the associations that will be responsible for conferences on Vacation Bible School work during the associational clinics.

Make plans now to attend. The program starts at 9:30 a.m. on February 25 and closes at 4:00 p.m. February 26.

#### INFORMATION ON FT. WORTH NATION-WIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

On January 6 the Sunday School Department mailed to all the Sunday school superintendents and Ministers of Education in Kentucky the "Sunday School News" which contained pertinent information on the convention which will be held at Ft. Worth, March 29-31, 1960. It was the hope of the Sunday School Department that each Sunday school superintendent would read a portion of that information to the Sunday school. If that information has not been read perhaps your Sunday school superintendent would be happy to read it. Please ask him to, as this information is vital to all Sunday school workers in Kentucky.

►The cover page of TIDINGS for January, 1960, carried a speaking likeness of Miss Georgie Fancher who was retired as Librarian of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work at the end of 1959 after 21 years in that relationship. The faculty and students gave a dinner in her honor prior to her retirement, at which time several presents were given her. She is making her home at Greenwood, Miss.

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## Focus Week at Bethel College, Hopkinsville

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky.—The Baptist Student Union of Bethel College, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, is making plans for Religious Focus Week, February 22-24. Everyone is co-operating in every way to make this a spiritual blessing for each Bethel student and others.

The program agenda will include seminars, chapel program, noon-day services and personal counseling. Two of the guest speakers will be Edward Hurt, associational executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, and Dr. Jess C. Moody, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services.

David Beaty, organist, will present an organ concert in the Alumni Memorial Chapel at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary on February 16, 1960, at 8:00 P.M. Mr. Beaty went to Shorter College in Rome, Georgia, as head of the Music Department in 1949. He received his A.B. degree from the University of North Carolina and the B.M. and the M.M. degrees from Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. The public is cordially invited to the organ concert.

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## Kentuckians to Attend Annuity Meeting

DALLAS, Texas—Kentucky Baptists will be represented by two trustees at the 42nd annual meeting of the Relief and Annuity Board, March 1 and 2 in Dallas, Texas.

R. Alton Reed, executive secretary of the Southwide agency, said Rollin S. Burhans, pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, and C. Carlton Weatherton, assistant superintendent, Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, will meet with 30 other trustees from 20 state conventions, plus 18 local members from Dallas to hear reports on the Board's ministry.

These reports will include plans of the Board in its program to enlist a minimum of 75 per cent of all churches and pastors into the Southern Baptist Protection Plan by January 1, 1961.

In addition, the officers will present their reports on the progress of work in their departments during the past year.

The two day affair will be held in the 511 North Akard building, headquarters of the Annuity Board.

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### MEETING ORGANIZED OPPOSITION February 14

This lesson brings us to a study of Paul's third missionary journey during which he spent considerable time in Ephesus. Paul's arrival in Ephesus fulfilled his promise to the inquiring Jews of the city, made on his former brief visit there (Acts 18:19-21). Located on the main route from Rome to the East, the populous and magnificent city of Ephesus was an important commercial center in which many wealthy and influential Jews resided. Two architectural features adorned the city—the Theatre and the Temple of Diana, the latter being one of the seven wonders of the ancient world.

Acts 19:8-10.

Coming into Ephesus, the capital of Asia Minor and consequently the hub of commerce, Paul met twelve disciples of John the Baptist. Instantly he recognized the lack of something very important in their lives, so he asked them a vital question, "Did ye receive the Holy Spirit when ye believed?" Their answer to his question revealed a fundamental deficiency. By their baptism they had testified repentance for sin and a readiness to trust the Saviour when He should be revealed. But, strange to say, they had never been informed that Christ had come, and wrought, and died, and arisen. Neither had they been told about the epochal happenings at Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended in such mighty power. Paul gave them this valuable information and told them that they should believe on Christ as their Saviour. They believed on Him and were saved, whereupon they confessed their faith in Him, they were baptized and they received the Holy Spirit. Prior to their trust in Him, they had never been Christ's disciples.

Notwithstanding his unfortunate experience elsewhere, as was his custom, Paul entered the synagogue to witness to the Jews, his brethren in the flesh. He was neither ashamed of the gospel of Christ nor afraid to preach it. Coming from a brilliant mind and a Spirit-filled heart, his preaching was characterized by boldness, reasoning, faithfulness and persuasion (v. 8). When Paul assailed their spiritual blindness, idolatrous worship and resultant sin through public, persistent, courageous, uncompromising preaching, some were led to faith in Christ, while others rejected Christ and hardened in unbelief. It is solemnizing to note that when the Word of God is

heard its effect is either to harden or to enrich the life, the result depending upon the attitude of the individual toward the Word. In this case, those rejecting the Word wilfully and deliberately began to slander the preacher, to insult the Son of God, to ridicule His claims and to blaspheme Him before the crowd.

Paul found a rare opportunity to preach in the synagogue and he did not fail to make the most of it. At the end of three months, the opposition of the unbelieving Jews to the gospel of Christ was so strong that it became advisable for Paul to find another place in which to conduct the services and to preach the gospel. Paul and the other believers withdrew, from the synagogue and secured the building in which Tyrannus conducted his school. It was a solemn day when they withdrew, because with them went the truth and the blessing of God. However, this withdrawal meant the furtherance of the gospel, because "All they which dwelt in Asia heard the Word of the Lord."

After Paul began his work in the schoolhouse, he remained in Ephesus for two years, which was longer than he stayed in any other city which he evangelized. He did this for two reasons: first, because of the opportunities afforded him, and, second, because of the opposition which he encountered. Paul knew that repeated and persistent efforts really count.

Acts 19:23-28.

So greatly did Paul's sincerity, manner of life and preaching, teaching and witnessing affect the people in Ephesus that the sale of silver shrines of the goddess Diana decreased tremendously. It was very obvious to Demetrius and his fellow silversmiths that idolatry was tottering before the power of the gospel. Because of the interference of the gospel with their nefarious business, Demetrius called a meeting of the craftsmen and reminded them that the market for their products was weakened materially. What a tribute to the effectiveness of Paul's preaching and to the power of the gospel which he proclaimed! However, it should be noted that their opposition to and violent reaction against the gospel was not because it endangered their religion, but primarily because it interfered with their business.

Evidently they had found their business to be quite profitable, for Deme-

trius said, "Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth." In his inflammatory address he remarked, "this our craft is in danger of being set at naught." Vested interests always seek to block the progress of the gospel of Christ when it interferes with the income derived from their business. Even though the angry silversmiths could not reach Paul, they seized two of his companions, Gaius and Aristarchus, and rushed them into the theater. Paul would have entered also, but his friends would not permit him to do so. Nevertheless, his desire spoke volumes for his courage.

Acts 20:1-3.

After the uproar had subsided Paul again called together the disciples and comforted them with much exhortation. Then he departed on his intended journey to Macedonia, where he spent three months at work in Corinth. Part of this time was given to "setting things in order." Paul did not spare those who had caused the church so much trouble, those who had defamed his own good name, or those who were known as despisers of his apostolic authority. His Jewish enemies laid wait for him with the intention of seizing him on his way to Syria, so Paul changed his plans and returned to Macedonia. Everywhere Paul went he encountered opposition, but he remained faithful to his duty and enjoyed the consciousness of the Lord's presence with him in all of his trials.

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## State Training Union Secretaries Begin Survey

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The group explored 14 areas of Training Union work as objectives and reaffirmed their strong conviction that Training Union is a guide for the Christian growth of church members.

Areas are: organization and committees, standards, planning meetings, conservation of new Christians, associational work, specialized training in area of church administration, study course work, the Training Union youth program, basic principles of growth, lesson course programing, field promotion, grading, and Convention-wide meetings.

In addition, the state leaders favorably considered a plan that would provide added specialized training of church committees and such officers as deacons, treasurers, and clerks.

James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the Sunday School Board, climaxed the study session on the concluding evening with a challenging message for a more effective program of conservation of new Christians.

"For a church to try to teach and train without using organizations is like a man trying to push a wheelbarrow without handles," Dr. Sullivan declared. "The Training Union is the organization of the church which has a major responsibility for conserving new Christians and the conservation of new Christians is a major responsibility of the Training Union."

State Training Union secretaries at this meeting agreed to continue the program of research and study begun in Memphis.

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Wolseley is chairman of the magazine department in the school of journalism at Syracuse (N. Y.) University. He is the author of Interpreting the Church through Press and Radio and several other journalism books.

The Southern Baptist Press Association, before which Wolseley will speak, is made up of editors of nearly 30 Baptist state papers plus editors of several other denominational periodicals.

The Syracuse University professor has appeared twice in past years at association meetings.

Other program personalities are Davis C. Woolley, Nashville, executive secretary, Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention; Myron C. Madden, chaplain and director of clinical training, Southern Baptist Hospital here, and Wallace Green, Nashville, from the staff of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

James F. Cole, editor of the Baptist Message, Alexandria, La., is host editor.

►Miss Mary Sue Meuth, Southern Baptist missionary, is returning to her work in Indonesia after furlough in the States. Miss Meuth, who works in the headquarters office of the Indonesian Baptist Mission in Djakarta, may be addressed, Djalan Gunung Sahari VI/36, Djakarta V/2, Indonesia. She is a native of Henderson County, Ky.

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As we make plans to attend the Southern Baptist Convention, let us also plan to go to Cuba for it is only an hour's flight from Miami. Such a visit on the part of thousands of us will do much to lift the morale of Cuban Baptists and help to dispell any misunderstandings between our countries. Let's all go to Cuba!



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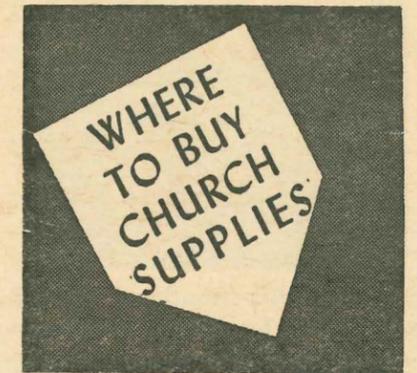
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