

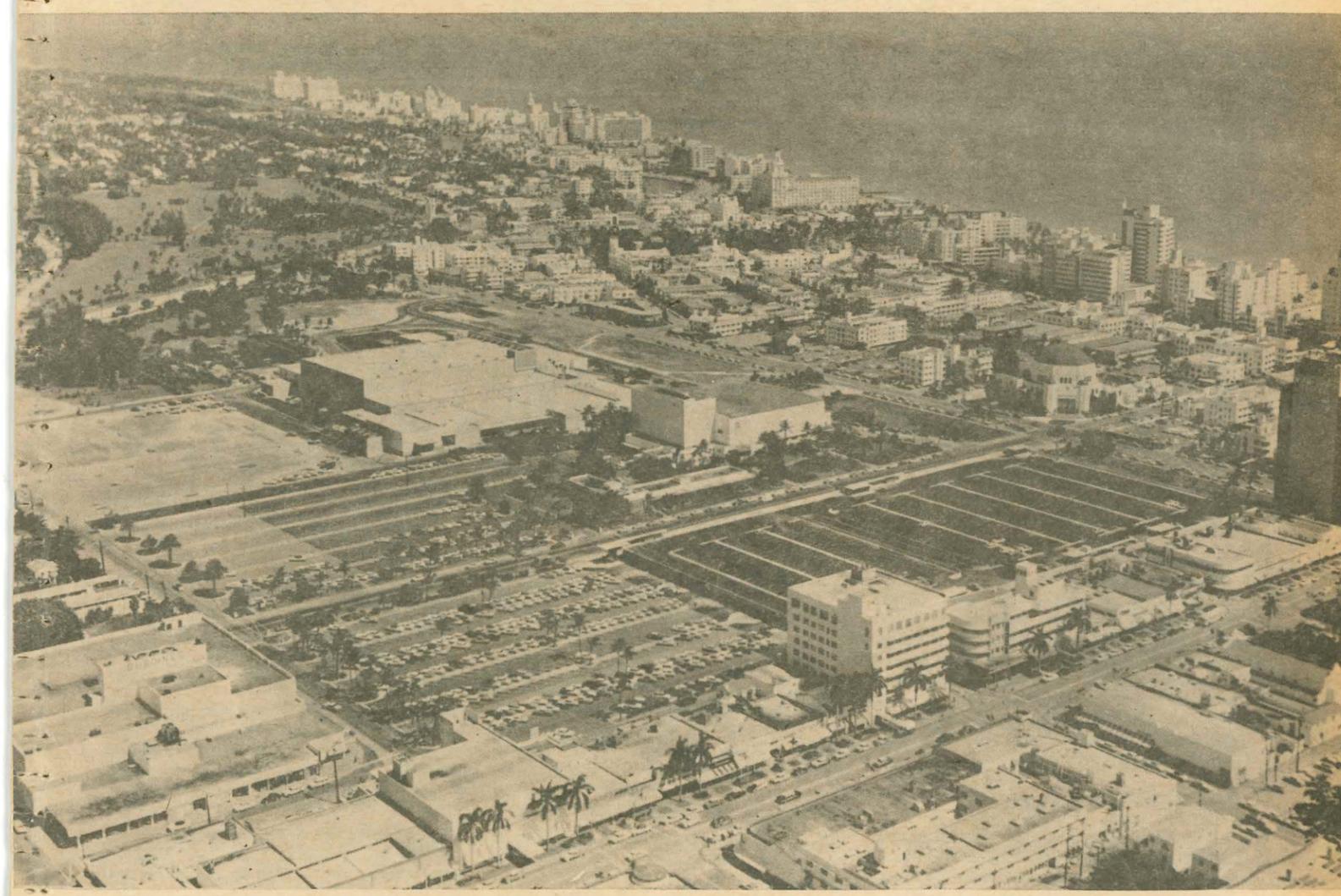
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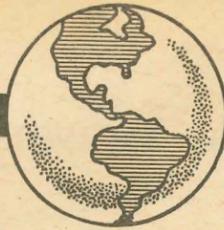
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Looking down from the height of an airplane to Miami Beach, an island off the coast of Miami in Biscayne Bay, one sees the meeting place of the 1960 session of the Southern Baptist Convention next May. On the horizon is the Atlantic Ocean, with the fringe of hotels fronting on Collins Avenue, with their backs to the ocean. In the lower right is Lincoln Boulevard, called "Miami Beach's Fifth Avenue" because many stores from New York's Fifth Avenue have branch stores there. Near the left-center is the Miami Beach Auditorium where the convention will be held.



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

CHANGE OF DATE

►Attention is called to a change in the date for the Kentucky B.S.U. Convention. It will be held November 18-20.

LABORERS TO OTHER FIELDS

►Eugene Hamilton has resigned the care of the Oneida Baptist Church, Oneida, Ky., to go to Springfield, Ohio.

►R. A. Slinker has moved from Murray to Lebanon, Ky., where he is the new district missionary for Central and East Lynn Associations.

►John P. Weaver, Pleasant View, Whitley County, Ky., is to become pastor of the Warfield Church, Martin County, Ky., effective the first of May.

►Garlon C. Sills has resigned the pastorate at Owingsville, in Bath County, to become pastor of Newton Creek Church, Route 3, Kevil, Ky., in West Union Association.

►Charles W. Holland, Jr., has resigned as pastor of the Fountain Memorial Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., and has accepted the pastorate of the Porter Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky., beginning January 6. In the 5½ years he was in Washington the church there had 687 additions, its estimated property value has been increased to \$400,000, and its annual receipts have increased from \$32,000 to \$60,000.

►South Miami Baptist Church, Miami, Florida, has installed Max Morris as its new pastor, succeeding Harvey F. Morrison, now promotion man for the new Miami Baptist Hospital. Author of the forthcoming book, "A Theology of Man's Evangelism," to be published by Harpers, he is a graduate of Howard College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and has had one preaching tour of Europe, at which time he was permitted to go behind the Iron Curtain, where he also preached.

NEWS OF MISSIONARIES

►Miss Flora Dodson, Southern Baptist emeritus missionary to China and Hong Kong, has returned to North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C. She may be addressed in care of the hospital. Miss Dodson, a native of Monticello, Ky., spent the past few months in Somerset, Ky.

►Mr. and Mrs. William E. Arnold, Southern Baptist missionaries to Ghana,

have returned to the States for furlough. Their address is 3632 Windward Way, Louisville, Ky. Both are natives of Kentucky, he of Louisville and she, the former LaVerne Hutchens, of Bowling Green.

►Mr. and Mrs. Tom W. McMillan, Southern Baptist missionary appointees, have sailed for East Africa to begin their first term of service. Their address is Box 2731, Dar es Salaam, Tanganyika, East Africa. Mrs. McMillan, the former Marilyn Jones, is a native of Jefferson-town, Ky.

►J. Robert Gray and Mrs. Gray, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, announce the birth of their first child, Laura Janette, in Ogbomosho, Nigeria. The Grays' address is Baptist Hospital, Shaki, Nigeria, West Africa. Mrs. Gray is the former Grace Denney, native of Steubenville, Ky.

►Charlotte Ann Reid, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orvil W. Reid, Southern Baptist missionaries to Mexico, died February 12 in Memorial Hospital, Houston, Tex., where she had just undergone surgery for a brain tumor. Both parents accompanied her to the States a few days ago and were with her at the time of death. Burial will be Sunday, February 21, in Guadalajara, Mexico, where the family lives. The body is being returned to Mexico by plane. The Reids' address is Apartados 1436-1437, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.

A SUGGESTION

►The following message concerning the death of Dr. J. E. Lambdin was received from Mr. Paul Gregory, Blood River Associational Training Union Director: "I am suggesting that each Training Union in our association on February 28, 1960, give some time to recalling the great contribution made to the Southern Baptist cause by the late Dr. J. E. Lambdin."

SULLIVAN AT SOUTHWESTERN

►James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer, the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., delivered the Holland Foundation Lecturers at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, February 16-19. His message topics for the week included, Tuesday through Friday, "Spokesman for God," "The Art of Reverence," "The Glorious Gospel," and "When Jesus

Comes Again." The Holland Lectureship is an annual series at Southwestern when distinguished lecturers discuss topics of current interest with the faculty and student body.

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CAN SCIENCE SAVE US?

By PROFESSOR H. Y. MULLIKIN

[H. Y. Mullikin is head of the Department of Physics and Astronomy, Georgetown College. A popular speaker, he frequently participates in revivals of laymen, student retreats, and Religious Emphasis Weeks on college campuses.—Editorial Note, Georgetown News.]

In America there is a religion which knows no economic, social, or racial barriers. Its membership must be well over 99.44 per cent of the total population. It is an old religion, but it has been brought up to date with a power which it never has known previously. Its god is the world and all that is therein. Science is its priesthood, and the number system is its language. Its baptism is the fall-out from atomic explosions, set off by a generation too weak spiritually to be playing with such power.

Beer is the wine and sex is the bread of its communion. Its incense is tobacco smoke from billions of cigarettes smoked by millions of frustrated people and the exhaust from millions of cars with too few roads to keep moving and too few parking lots to stop. Missiles and satellites rather than prayer are its methods for reaching out to the unknown. It makes confession to the psychiatrist and seeks forgiveness in tranquilizers. Neon signs and not candles light the way to its altars. The blare of mobile public address systems and not the tolling of bells gives its call to worship.

Professional entertainment is its worship, and rock'n'roll is its music. The roar of thundering jets is its invocation, and the click of the geiger counter is its benediction. A mushroom cloud and not the cross is its sign on the far horizon of tomorrow. It has some strange attitudes: "Blessed are the strong for they shall conquer the earth." "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after material things for they shall have fishtail cars and color television."

It is a liberal religion. The cost of its increase alone is more than the total expenditure of all other religions combined. It is broadminded. Its members will stand in line to get in and then sit for hours through double services. They worship without complaint with hypocrites, liars, thieves, and harlots. It is a busy religion, too busy for a baby to nurse at its mother's breast, too busy for the members of a family to eat together at the same table, and too busy for children to know their father.

It has its family devotions, and the television set is its family altar. Members of no other religion ever have spent so much time in home services. Singly or in a family group its members sit for hours and worship at the shrine of give-away programs which try to prove the gambler's argument that something can be made from nothing.

This religion does not have temples as such. Instead it invades the temples of

others—the theater, the stadium, the park. It even invades the Christian church, rolling down the aisles and engulfing the pulpit itself. A church so invaded becomes fascinated with its language, the number system. It is so much easier to count additions, attendances, and tithes than to evaluate moral and spiritual growth and maturity. A man at the apex of the Christian living should be a living proclamation of the Christian principle of "the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." Instead, the number system reduces him to an equation: 5 plus 1/10 equals 1 (attending five services per week and tithing his income equals one acceptable church member).

The doctrine that all things are good if they are big enough causes the church to leave its rolls unrevised for years, boasting of its size and its acceleration toward bigger and bigger numbers. This religion improves its doctrine of "the ends justify the means" upon the church. So great is this force that the church is found using pressures which approach blackmail and means which the secular world would call shady.

After God had completed the creation, He looked upon all that He had made and proclaimed everything good. Among the creatures of His creation was a very strange animal. He had the power to make choices with his mind rather than by his instincts and appetites. He had the ability to change his surroundings, to appreciate the beautiful, and to recognize a power greater than himself.

God soon let this creature know his place in the maze of creation. Being a living soul and made in the image of God, he had certain rights and certain obligations. He was to be in the middle of an arrangement of God, man, and matter. In this position he was to be obedient to God. As an image of God he was to subdue the things of the world in such a way that his work would glorify God and bring blessings to himself. Any time he ever tried to change this order of God, man, and matter, he could expect grave trouble.

Several ways exist in which three things may be arranged. Adam changed the order by placing himself before God. This brought serious trouble to him. Materialism, of which people today are such avid worshippers, is a complete reversal to matter, man, and God. Likely, man does not deliberately arrange things in this order. As man becomes more and more concerned with material things and less concerned with God's supremacy, things arrange themselves. In his wild

scramble for things, man surely did not intend that things would become his god, but no other possibility exists when God is made less important than material things.

Science, the priesthood of materialism, never was intended to play such a role as materialism imposes upon it. It can serve only two proper functions: to glorify God and to help man. Just as prayer and meditation serve to help find spiritual truth, science should be the means used to find physical truth. Such would be man's conquest of matter to the glory of God and to man's own blessings. Whatever this physical truth may be, it is neither good nor evil. All the evil in the world is in man himself. Possessed of evil, he can use the revelations of science for evil purposes. Likewise, possessed of love he can make these revelations into tools of mercy, love, and peace.

A very few years ago mothers by the thousands sat helpless and heartbroken as they watched their children die with diphtheria. Typhoid fever, smallpox, and other diseases swept through towns and cities like raging fires, leaving fresh mounds in the cemeteries. Now such diseases are under control. For a few pennies raging horsepower comes rushing through homes on copper wires. This power takes from men's backs the burdens of drudgery. Better health, longer life, more food, more comforts, and many other blessings are the fruits of science.

Men never must forget that science is only a tool or a servant of spiritual values. Men filled with evil just as well can make it a tool of evil. The word *converse* means "turned around." The converse of salvation is destruction. Any arrangement other than God as revealed by Christ, man obedient to God, and matter belonging to God but used by man is converse to God's will and arrangement and brings disaster.—*The Georgetown News*.

►Eddie and Jo Ann Hatfield welcomed their third offspring on Sunday, February 7. The new son, John Edgar, weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces and at last report was doing well along with his mother. Eddie and Jo Ann are native Louisvillians and graduates of Georgetown College. Eddie is pastor of the Buena Vista Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky.

►Owen County Associational Brotherhood voted to have a tract and witnessing booth at the Owen County fair again this year. This was done at their quarterly meeting at the New Columbia Baptist Church on Friday evening, February 12, 1960. The Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal for January, February and March, 1960, carried a story about the Owen County Brotherhood's tract booth at county fair last year and about the tract rack in the County court house.



The Big Lie

The "big lie" has long been a favorite device of Satan and his forces. The "big lie" of Hitler and Nazism which almost wrecked civilization twenty years ago and the "big lie" of communism which threatens our world today are more than matched by the "big lie" of the American liquor industry of our time.

An appalling and revolting example is a whole page ad run in the January 27 issue of the Louisville Courier-Journal. The ad commemorates the 125th Anniversary of Old Crow, a Kentucky product of world renown.

The "big lie" comes in the words of newspaper columnist, Robert Ruark, used in the ad. In smooth and clever language, Ruark links Old Crow with the lives of such American greats as Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, Andrew Jackson, William Henry Harrison, John C. Breckenridge, John Hunt Morgan, Mark Twain, Jack London, and O. Henry.

Granted that these men had some experience with lethal liquor, to create the impression that their contributions to the world was due to the beneficent influences of Old Crow is a classic "big lie" and is enough to make everyone of these men rise up from his grave in protest. What a treasonable act against American youth who have been pointed to these great Americans as examples!

Of course great men have had their weaknesses but generally they do not boast of them as their strengths. Great men have fallen into Satan's trap and have left great contributions even though they were drunkards. Their contributions came in spite of their weaknesses and the pity is in the thought of what additional greatness could have been expected if they had not succumbed to temptations.

Mr. Ruark didn't tell the whole story. The rest of it is told in Upton Sinclair's "Cup of Fury" which describes the blight and destruction of great lives by liquor. Great events in the lives of men like Daniel Webster and Jack London are matched by tragic chapters of debauchery traced to Old Crow or to one of his cousins.

Mr. Ruark could have told the whole truth and said that 500,000 people, including 50,000 last year, lost their lives, directly or indirectly, because of drinking drivers on the highways since the repeal of the 18th amendment.

Mr. Ruark also has access to the statistics of the Federal Bureau of Investigation which show that 57 per cent of all arrests in 1,586 American cities in 1958 were caused by alcohol. Out of 2,340,004 arrests for all crimes in these cities, 1,345,880 were for liquor law violations, driving while intoxicated, disorderly conduct, or drunkenness. The figures for these cities represent about one-third of the United States' population.

Such ought to be remembered in appreciation of Old Crow on its 125th Anniversary. At the present rate when Old Crow's 150th Anniversary is celebrated, 50,000 more will have died as a result of those who drink him and drive on our American highways. These, many of whom will be innocent victims, and their loved ones, will hardly be in the mood for celebration nor duped by the "big lie."

I Wonder Where the Money Went

An amazing thing about the writings of Paul to the New Testament churches is the attention he gave to incidental matters. Things we would tend to consider too trivial for the concern of one writing under Divine inspiration came in for detailed treatment and specific instruction by the great apostle. One of these was church collections and how they were to be conducted and handled.

What would Paul say about some of our present practices connected with church offerings? I would be interested to know what he would think about one practice somewhat common in Baptist churches. This is the practice of counting the collection during the morning service.

Following the offertory a couple of the ushers slip out of the back with the harvest to join a counting committee waiting in some remote place of the church. In some cases the ushers bring the offering back down front to be blessed and then they proceed to transport it out of the sanctuary in plain sight of everybody. The latter plan is more honorable because the congregation doesn't have to wonder where the money went as is the case when it disappears from the rear.

At the same time the preacher stands up to sound forth the gospel, the counters sit down to calculate the day's take. While the pastor exhorts the congregation about treasures in heaven (or the need of the building fund), the money counters give attention to that which moth and rust doth corrupt. Sometimes their consciences are less condemning because a public address system pipes the pastor's sermon in to the tune of rustling bills and jingling silver.

By the time the service is over, all the collection is counted, sacked, deposit slips made out, and all. All that's left to do is to meet the wife and children at the car to make the head of the cafeteria line. What a good feeling to realize you have been to church and also rendered a great service to your church. It might be the only worship service of the week for the money counter, but at least he co-operated beautifully and did his part.

There are better ways to count the offering. Recently I saw a half-dozen ladies waiting in the rear of the sanctuary twenty minutes after the morning service. They were patiently waiting for their husbands who were counting the morning offering. In

these homes lunch was a little late and thirty minutes were deducted from the afternoon snooze or ride, but the counters were in the worship service.

Most churches have a number of retired men who have no special week-day commitments. Why not let a half-dozen of them come to the church on Monday morning and count the Sunday offerings with the help of a staff member? It would give these men a job in the church and permit them to make a responsible contribution to their church.

Other churches have bankers or bank employees who would give expert help. The counters could come early Sunday evening and count the morning offering and count the evening collection in a few moments after the night service.

All in all, it would appear there are too many hours in a week to count the collection at 11:30 a.m. Sunday. About the only thing worse would be to send the uncounted offering home with the treasurer.

Editorial Leftovers

Serves Them Right

In Charlotte, North Carolina, the Myers Park Presbyterian and Myers Park Methodist Churches are situated back to back.

Papa, member of the Myers Park Presbyterian

Church, wasn't one of those who went to Sunday School but saw to it that his child never missed. Every morning he dropped his little daughter off at the curbside, and later on he and Mama joined their daughter for church.

After some months they found their daughter jumping up and down one Sunday morning with excitement. She had a perfect attendance award for Sunday School.

Papa and Mama were just as proud, but were in for a jolt. Their daughter had an award for perfect Sunday School attendance all right—at the Myers Park Methodist Church.

The Editor Takes His Medicine

An editor is complimented when he's read; he's overwhelmed when any attention is given to what he writes.

Shortly after the appearance of the recent editorial on the abundance of special Sundays, the editor began "Studies in Timothy" on a Sunday night at the First Baptist Church, Winchester. Emblazoned on the bulletin for the day was "This Sunday is Dr. C. R. Daley Day."

With such clever staff members, there must be never a dull moment around the Winchester First Baptist Church.

BAPTIST FORUM



HOLLYWOODISH?

Editor:

It seems to me we could do without the Hollywoodish picture on January 14 issue of the *Western Recorder*. Less emphasis on sex and more on holiness. Without holiness no man shall see the Lord.

More and more the so-called denomination is giving itself to worldly amusements, ways of life, and dress.

Bedford, Ky. Mrs. Lillian Pearl Liter

REPLY TO THE CHALLENGE

Editor:

I would like to issue the following reply in challenge to a letter you published in the February 11 issue of the *Western Recorder* from Mr. Robert L. Garner, Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, Kentucky, in which he stated that he felt his church had attained somewhat of a state record as far as the number of Training Awards earned by two people are concerned. He stated that Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Collins had earned a total of 71 awards during a period of about 11 months. To me that is an enviable record and one to which much praise should be directed,

However, we at the Eastwood Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky (Pastor Wm. H. Rogers) are very proud of the fact that we can top that with the following report:

Mr. Byron Likins completed, through home study and class study, 103 courses from July 11, 1956, to July 8, 1957. Mrs. Likins, during the same period, received credit for a total of 37. A daughter, Lavenia, earned 23 for a like period, while another daughter, Nona Lou (a Junior during this period), now has a total of 19. The family has earned a grand total of 268 awards during a period of three years, Mr. Likins leading with a current number of 145. As a matter of fact, we are able to supply two other names of people who can top the record Mr. Garner speaks of.

Is this a state record?

Grover C. Holderfield
Bowling Green, Ky.

ON FRINGE BENEFITS

Editor:

The Roman Catholic Hierarchy will soon launch its greatest propaganda and pressure drive aimed at dumping as much as possible of the cost of operating its parochial schools on the American

taxpayers. Members of Congress will be threatened and pressured as never before to pass legislation that will force the taxpayers to support a separate school system segregated along religious lines, and whose principle purpose is to promote the Roman Catholic religion.

The Federal Constitution and those of all the states forbid direct support from taxes of such schools. The strategy is to press for so-called "fringe" benefits such as free bus transportation, free textbooks, free lunches and any other benefits that it can get . . . including, if possible a CASH PAYMENT to parents of parochial school students. Any benefits or subsidies gained are always used as a "foot in the door" leading to other and greater subsidies until their goal of complete tax support for parochial schools is reached.

Catholic schools are an integral part of the Catholic church. To support these schools from public funds would force all American citizens to support with their taxes a Roman-controlled religious system that the vast majority of them do not believe in.

Write your senators and congressmen protesting any legislation that would saddle the cost of parochial schools on the taxpayers.

Ft. Bragg, Calif. Jack Odom

SO YOU'RE GOING TO RIO

By PAGE H. KELLEY, Professor
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville

You may be one of hundreds of Baptists who will be traveling to Rio de Janeiro in June to attend the Tenth Congress of the Baptist World Alliance. If so, you will need to observe the following suggestions based upon recommendations adopted at the Second Latin American Missions Conference, which was held in Buenos Aires in 1959.

(1) Be courteous and patient. Remember that you are a guest in a host country. Don't be surprised if customs and immigration officials serve their own citizens first. This is true also in the United States.

(2) Do not refer to the people as "natives" but as citizens of the country in which they live, as for example, Chileans, Argentines, Brazilians, etc.

(3) Leave your racial and social prejudices at home. You might contaminate the people whom you will be visiting.

(4) Be circumspect in the matter of smoking. If you must smoke, smoke only in your hotel room.

(5) Remember that the churches in Brazil are not Southern Baptist churches; they are Brazilian Baptist churches. Avoid stateside statistics. Do not make comparisons. Remember the work is new in many of these areas and real progress is being made.

(6) There is no reason for fear in regard to food or personal safety. However, it should be remembered that in most Latin American cities the pedestrian does not have the right of way. It is never safe to cross the street when traffic is approaching. Brazilians say there are two kinds of pedestrians, the quick and the dead!

(7) Use discretion with photography. Poorer people sometimes resent having their pictures made. Don't try to impress others with your expensive equipment.

(8) Be circumspect with tips. Don't try to tip your hosts. Remember, too, that missionaries are adequately supported and do not need private donations.

(9) Avoid making commitments to help local projects.

(10) Most people in South America understand English. Derogatory side remarks should be avoided.

(11) Do not praise the missionaries or the work which they have done. Seek rather to call attention to the contributions made by the nationals themselves.

(12) Visitors will receive tracts printed in English, Spanish and Portuguese, which they may distribute while en route. These tracts will have the addresses of local Baptist leaders who can be contacted in case the reader is interested. It must be remembered that in some countries, such as Columbia, the distribution of such literature is prohibited by law. Do not give out tracts in these countries.

If you observe these suggestions, you will be helping and not hindering the work. Likewise, it will be easier for the missionaries to continue their work after you have returned to the United States.

What is the solution to this problem? I have firm convictions that the solution rests in the hands of church leaders and members, who possess spiritual insight and concern for the welfare of the church and pastor. This insight may be gained from God's Word when studied under the direction of the Holy Spirit. "The Lord hath ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel" (I Cor. 9:14).

Cooperative Program Receipts Reach Goal

By W. C. BOONE, Treasurer

Undesignated Cooperative Program receipts for January amounted to \$206,998.80, which was an increase over last January of \$14,982.56.

For the three months, or first quarter of the General Association year, November 1, 1959, through January 31, 1960, Cooperative Program receipts were \$606,443.10. This was a gain over the corresponding quarter last year of \$51,635.73.

Cooperative Program goal for this year is \$2,400,000.00 or \$200,000.00 a month. Thus it will be seen, that for the first quarter, we have exceeded that goal by \$6,443.10.

Designated gifts are also up. The tabulation of the Thanksgiving Offering for the Homes had not been completed when the above was written.

►Property has been purchased between Richmond and Berea for a new Tate's Creek Baptist Assembly.

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Northern Kentucky Baptist Home Expands Again

The Baptist Home of Northern Kentucky is in the process of its third expansion since its beginning in 1951. The current expansion program will add 18 additional beds to the home bringing the total capacity to 73. Also in the new addition will be a solarium, extensive refrigeration facilities, and other needed features in a home for the aged. The new addition is expected to be completed by March 1.

The Northern Kentucky Baptist Home is the only home for the aged operated by Baptists in Kentucky, except Parr's Rest, for elderly ladies in Louisville. It is a result of the determination of Baptists in North Bend and Campbell County Associations to do something about the tremendous need of a home for the aged. Numerous proposals and suggestions have been made by other groups of Baptists in Kentucky including the General Association, but Northern Kentucky Baptists proceeded to act while other Kentucky Baptists have continued to discuss the problem.

The Northern Kentucky Baptist Home was opened in 1951. On June 21 of that year, the present property was purchased from the Campbell County Protestant Orphans' Home for \$75,000. The property consisted of one brick building and five acres of ground in South Newport. The building was over 100 years old and was the home of one of the outstanding citizens in Northern Kentucky of the last century. It is located on a hill overlooking the City of Newport, the Ohio River, and downtown Cincinnati.

The churches in the Campbell County and the North Bend Associations raised \$1,500 in cash for a down payment on the property, and agreed to pay the balance in monthly payments. The first thing undertaken was the remodeling of the old building at an approximate cost of \$17,000.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Carnes were employed as superintendent and matron, respectively, and the home was formally opened on August 10, 1952. The home opened with five old people but was soon filled to its capacity of 17 persons.

When the home became flooded with applications, the Board of Directors decided that further expansion was necessary. This first expansion began in 1953 and was financed by a \$100,000 bond issue. Most of the bonds were purchased by the Baptists of Northern Kentucky. The new addition was opened as a convalescent annex on September 19, 1954, and was not only immediately filled but received floods of applications.

The second addition to the home was undertaken in 1956. This addition included rooms on the ground floor level for convalescents, the dining room, kitchen, office, and other facilities. The addition was completed and dedicated on July 14, 1957. This brought the capacity of the home to 21 old folks in the per-

manent residence section and 34 in the convalescent annex. The home operates at its capacity of 55 and always has an extensive waiting list.

Two hundred old folks have been administered to since the establishment of the home.

The home is controlled by a Board of Trustees composed of the pastors of the churches of the two associations and lay representatives. Frederick W. Winkler was elected chairman of the board in 1951 and has served in this capacity ever since. Much of the success of the home is due to the tireless labors and enthusiasm of the board president. Serving with Winkler on the present board is J. E. Howell, vice-president; Roy Sayers, treasurer; and Howell Hensley, secretary. The home also has a ladies' auxiliary which has been of inestimable help to the home. Mrs. Ervin Perkins is president of the auxiliary. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Drake are presently in charge of the home. Superintendent Carnes was forced to resign in 1958 due to illness, and since has died.

The assets of the Northern Kentucky Baptist Home now total \$250,000 with a bonded indebtedness of only \$96,000. The home receives \$10,000 a year from the North Bend and Campbell Co. Associations but is financed mainly from the income received from the residents of the home. The entrance fee to a Baptist member or a member of one of the supporting churches to the permanent residence section of the home is \$750 and \$75 to \$95 per month board, depending upon the type of accommodations received. Others seeking entrance into the home pay a fee of \$1,500 for entrance and are charged the same monthly board fees as Baptists. The convalescent or bed patients in the convalescent annex pay from \$7 to \$9 per day, depending upon the type of room they occupy. This of course includes 24-hour-a-day nursing service.

Those who visit the home are always impressed with the efficiency and the accommodations of the institution. It serves as a model for Baptist ministry in this field.

Washington Publicists Condemn Movie Trends

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Strong disapproval of certain trends in the motion picture industry has been expressed by the Washington chapter of the National Religious Publicity Council.

In a vigorous resolution the religious publicists condemned the trends in motion pictures which (a) overemphasize sex and violence, (b) distort the Biblical account, or (c) hold up essential aspects of the Judeo-Christian tradition to disrepute. The resolution said that such films are "detrimental to the nation's moral climate."

SHOULD YOUR MINISTER BE IN DEBT?

By HAROLD G. MEERS, Pastor
Knoxes Creek Baptist Church, Magnolia, R. 3, Ky.

Two-thirds of the more than 200,000 ministers in this country are in debt.

On a national average 1958 income of \$4,432 the minister must carry out not only the responsibilities of husband and father but also cover inadequate allowances provided by the church for fulfilling and improving his ministerial function.

In the face of inflated dollar values, the comparatively slow-rising salaries of ministers have less buying power now than they did in 1939 at half their present income. As the number of salary-dollars rose, they were swallowed by a corresponding increase in the prices of household and personal necessities. A study published by *The Church Advocate* shows that between 1924 and 1954 the cost of living rose 53.5%, while ministerial salaries rose only 41 per cent.

A 60 to 80 hour week is standard for ministers despite the fact that a set salary decreases in value-per-hour as the hours increase. This compares unfavorably with the working man's status, where after 40 hours a week his hourly rate increases to time-an-a-half or even to double time. In the same number hours, in many cases, it is possible for the workman to triple his minister's salary.

Thus far we have been thinking on a national level, now let us examine the problem as it exists among Kentucky Baptists. In 1958 Baptist Churches in

Kentucky offered in salary an average of \$1,993, which is \$2,439, below the national average. The extent of this problem varies within our state. The following averages are representative of Kentucky Baptist Churches within certain associations: Liberty Association, \$1,084, East Lynn \$1,205, Warren \$1,803, Severn's Valley Association \$2,437 and Elkhorn \$3,302.

Most people will readily admit that Kentucky teachers' salaries are deplorable. How do ministers' salaries compare with these conditions? The fact stands that the average teacher's salary is \$3,150, for nine months, while the average church pays \$1,157 less for twelve months' service.

It is impossible for a minister to meet all his financial demands on a salary with 1939-buying power. Two-thirds of the country's ministers have proved this by being forced to borrow money.

The problem is serious. It cost just as much for a minister to send his children to college or meet his financial obligations as it does for others.

What have been the results of this problem? First, two-thirds of our ministers are in debt. Secondly, many ministers' wives have been forced to leave the home and work to help meet the rising cost of living. Thirdly, these financial disadvantages have resulted in a rapid turn over of pastors in some churches.

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**Georgetown College
Faculty Members
Memorialize Colleague**

One of the best known and beloved members of the Georgetown College faculty has been memorialized recently in an expression from fellow faculty members. Mrs. Ruth B. Bradley died on December 20, 1959, after a lingering illness. The malignancy which took her life was not able to destroy the spirit by which she was known by thousands of Georgetown alumni. The faculty used the following words in describing their colleague:

"Georgetown College suffered immeasurable loss in the home-going of Mrs. Ruth B. Bradley on December 20, 1959. She served with extraordinary distinction on the College faculty for more than forty years. However, such service cannot be measured in terms of time. Her youthful spirit and appearance made it difficult for us to realize that she had been a teacher for so long. The quality of her work is much more amazing than the length of service. With personal love and gentle patience she artfully guided her pupils to become artists. She was a warm-hearted teacher to the very end, from her bed listening to the work of advanced piano students and giving sympathetic criticism. She was always the wise counselor as well as the able instructor. Her pupils feel, and rightly, that she is still their teacher.

"A truly unique instructor, Mrs. Bradley was also an artistic performer of unusual ability. Richly endowed by nature, thorough in training, disciplined in practice, she was a genuine artist and master of her art. As teacher and player, she had that added something—clearly discernible but indescribable.

"This above all, Ruth Bradley was a

gracious Christian of the highest rank. The glow of her personality enriched all who knew her and contributed warmth and charm to her campus and community. She was the living embodiment of the type of cultured Christian character which is Georgetown College's ideal. "To her devoted companion and son, to others so near and dear to her, we express our keenest sympathy and deepest appreciation. Let us all always remember that her victorious Christian faith included the conviction that 'all things work together for good to those who love God.'"

**Harry E. Crosby Accepts
Call as Minister of
Education at Beechwood**



Harry E. Crosby

Harry Ellis Crosby, a native of South Carolina and a graduate of Newberry College, Newberry, South Carolina, accepted the call as minister of education of the Beechwood Baptist Church, Louisville, effective January 8, 1960.

Mr. Crosby moved in June, 1955, from Chester, S. C., where he had been golf professional at the Springmaid Golf Club, to accept a call as minister of education and recreation of the First Baptist Church of Morganton, North Carolina. After serving in Morganton for two and a half years Mr. Crosby felt a need for more training and felt that it was the Lord's will for him to enter the School of Religious Education at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Immediately upon arrival in Louisville to acquire his Masters degree in Religious Education, Mr. Crosby was called to the Twenty-Third and Broadway Baptist Church as minister of education.

Last July, the Beechwood Church extended Mr. Crosby a call with the possibility of becoming their first full time minister of education.

Mr. Crosby has a wife, the former Miss Christine Gladys Funderburk, the daughter of the late Dr. David Funderburk, M.D., of Monroe, North Carolina, and two children, Harry William, age thirteen, and Lennie Elaine, nine years of age.

**Joliet Pastor New
Southland Organizer**

NEW YORK, N. Y.—(BP)—An American Baptist Convention minister has been appointed to organize new congregations in new or underchurched housing areas of the Southland. Appointed to

the newly-created position of church extension pastor in the South, effective March 1, was William B. Hill, pastor of First Baptist Church, Joliet, Ill.

Lincoln B. Wadsworth, secretary of the division of church extension and edifice funds of the American Baptist Home Mission Societies, announced the action following a meeting of the societies' board of managers in Mexico City, Mexico.

The appointment of Hill came as the result of numerous requests from American Baptists living in southern states. In appointing Hill, the home mission societies chose a man with personal and academic background in both North and South. A permanent pastor will be called to each new church as soon as it becomes well established.

Hill spent his boyhood in the South. Two years of undergraduate study was done at Mars Hill, N. C., and one year at Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C. In 1949 he completed his bachelor of divinity degree at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. He also holds a bachelor of theology degree from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Chicago.

**Special Summer Courses
At Southern Seminary**

Special courses for Baptist Student Union Directors and church secretaries will be offered this summer by the School of Religious Education of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. Allen W. Graves, dean of the School of Religious Education, announced scheduling of the special courses.

Dr. Sabin Landry, professor in the School of Religious Education, will teach the B.S.U. directors. This course will be taught from July 4-15.

A course for church secretaries will be offered July 18-22 with Miss Clara McCartt, of Southern Seminary, Dr. Graves, and Mr. Howard Foshee teaching. Miss McCartt is a Certified Professional Secretary, a former church secretary and at the present time secretary to Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Seminary. Mr. Foshee is with the Church Administration Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Special classes will be held for secretaries responsible for church financial records and for educational secretaries. Other classes will deal with public relations and staff relations.

Housing is available on the campus for all those desiring to attend the conferences. Reservations should be made soon as possible through Mr. T. R. Allen, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Kentucky.

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KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

A Message From The President, Mrs. Carl W. Liebert



Mrs. Carl W. Liebert

Dear Ladies of Kentucky W.M.U.:

By now, I am sure you have already made plans to come to Corbin, April 5-7, for our Annual W.M.U. Meeting. We have been praying a long time, planning and working hard, so that this meeting will be profitable to each of you and pleasing unto God. Because of its importance, I would like to send a personal invitation to each, but since that is not possible, I hope you will consider this as such.

I want to urge especially the ladies who are members of night circles to make a special effort to attend at least part of the meeting. On Tuesday evening, at the opening session, we will want to recognize night circle members and also our former State Federation Presidents.

Each week, in the *Western Recorder*, you will be reading about our program and seeing pictures of those who will speak. We have secured these people through God's leadership, and we believe that each will have a message which will give us a greater zeal in serving our Lord and Master.

I'll be looking forward to meeting again many of you I have been privileged to meet this past year throughout Kentucky. Also, I am anticipating the opportunity of meeting many new friends.

Please pray for us each day, that we will stay within God's will, and that our Annual Meeting will prove to be one that will bring Glory to God's name. Love to each of you.

Mrs. Carl W. Liebert, President, Kentucky W.M.U.

TRAINING UNION

Juniors and Regional Training Union Rallies

By JAMES H. WHALEY, SR.

There will be three definite emphases on Junior Training Union work during the Regional Rallies to be held over the state the week of March 14-18. The Junior Memory Work and Bible Drill will be featured each afternoon at 4:45. Those participating in this event should be present at 4:30.



Mrs. John Hammatt

The winner of each regional rally will represent that region at the State Training Union Convention to be held at Paducah on April 21-22.

Each evening conference will be held for the Junior boys and girls and the Junior leaders. Mrs. John Hammatt, approved Junior worker with the Kentucky Training Union Department, will conduct the Junior Leadership Conference at the North Central, Northeastern, Southeastern, and South Central Regions.



Miss Mildred Thomas

Miss Mildred Thomas, registrar at Carver School of Missions, and a qualified Junior worker who has served on a number of Training Union faculties at Ridgecrest, will lead the conference in Central, Southern, Southwestern, and Western Regions.

The detailed program of the rallies along with the dates and places of meetings will be published in next week's issue of the *Western Recorder*.

CHURCH MUSIC

Eight Regional Music Festivals Meet This Friday and Saturday

By EUGENE F. QUINN

All of the eight regional music festivals throughout the state of Kentucky will meet simultaneously on February 26-27.

On Friday night the adult-youth sections will meet at 7:00 o'clock in Paducah, Madisonville, Franklin, Louisville, Campbellsville, Lexington, Pineville and Ashland.

There will be no formal concert program this year, but any one is welcome to drop in and listen to the inspiring music of the "Parade of Choirs and Hymn Players" and of the combined choir rehearsals under the direction of capable Christian music leaders.

RUDY HOWARD, NASHVILLE, TO AID SOUTHERN FESTIVAL



Rudy Howard

Southern Regional Festival, meeting at Franklin on February 26 and Glasgow on February 27, will have as its guest conductor-adjudicator Mr. Rudy Howard of the Belmont Heights Baptist Church in Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. James R. Jones of Bowling Green is the regional music director.

TWO ASSOCIATIONS AND CHURCHES NAMED AMONG CONVENTION LEADERS

Two associations and two churches in Kentucky have been listed among the 25 who have earned the most music awards in the whole Southern Baptist Convention during 1958-1959.

Long Run Baptist Association ranked second in the convention, with 659 awards, which was 45 more awards than the Arkansas association which was in third place. Atlanta association in Georgia topped the list with 2,137 awards!

Daviess-McLean was the 21st association in the convention, with 259 awards.

The two Kentucky churches who were listed in the top 25 are the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, ranking 15th with 125 awards; and the First Baptist Church of Russellville, 19th with 112 awards.

Congratulations to Associational Music Directors Ervin Keathley of Long Run and Paul Bobbitt of Daviess-McLean, and to Ministers of Music James R. Jones of Bowling Green and Russell Bennett of Russellville for their capable leadership in this achievement.

KENTUCKY EARNS 283 AWARDS IN 29 CHURCHES IN 13 ASSOCIATIONS

A report for the first quarter of the new Church Study Course, which is October to December, 1959, shows that 283 Kentucky Baptists in 29 churches in 13 associations earned music awards.

The leading association in number of awards was Long Run with 118. Others include Bell, Christian, Daviess-McLean, Elkhorn, Goshen, Monroe, Muhlenberg, North Concord, Pulaski, Taylor, Upper Cumberland and West Kentucky.

The top three churches in this quarter were Thixton Lane with 37 awards, Walnut Street with 36 (both churches are in Long Run Association), and Barbourville in North Concord Association with 33.

Kentucky ranks sixth in the Convention for the quarter, with Texas, Georgia, Oklahoma, South Carolina and North Carolina leading in the order listed.

With 23 associational music schools alone scheduled for the January to March quarter, we can expect a large number of awards reported.

Harvey F. Morrison has resigned his 10-year pastorate of the South Miami Baptist Church, Florida, to become assistant administrator of the Baptist Hospitals of Miami, Inc. The plan is for him to organize a \$1,000,000 fund-raising campaign among business men and secure more funds from the Baptist churches. Formerly he was pastor at Campbellsville and Vine Grove, Ky., and Hazel Park, Michigan.

BROTHERHOOD

Five Royal Ambassador Congresses for 1960

By FORREST R. SAWYER



W. Harlen McGinnis

Five Royal Ambassador Congresses are scheduled for 1960.

The first congress will be held February 29, with the Severn's Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

The second congress will be held March 1, at the First Baptist Church, Princeton, Kentucky.

The third congress will meet March 3, with the First Baptist Church, Paintsville, Kentucky.

Congress number four will be held March 4, and will meet with the Cynthiana Baptist Church, Cynthiana, Kentucky.

The last and fifth congress will be held with the High Street Baptist Church, Somerset, Kentucky, March 5.

Each congress will begin at 4:30 in the afternoon. The first session will conclude at 6:00, with supper being served from 6:00 to 7:00.

The evening session will begin at 7:00 p.m. and conclude at 8:30 p.m.

In each instance, the beginning and closing time will be governed by the time prevailing locally (Cynthiana and Paintsville are on E.S.T.; the other meetings are on C.S.T.).

W. Harlen McGinnis, pastor of the Vine Grove Baptist Church, World Missions Leader of the State Brotherhood Organization, will be one of the featured speakers for each congress.

Dr. Charles Chatham, of Shelbyville, a Christian layman, dentist, will cancel all schedules for the week of the congresses and will attend each congress. Other State Brotherhood officers, as well as State Royal Ambassador Congress officers, will appear on each program.

Local Brotherhoods in each instance are preparing a supper.

Kentucky Baptist men and boys are urged to attend the congress nearest them.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Nation-Wide Sunday School Convention

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT

Many outstanding leaders among Southern Baptists will be featured on the Nation-Wide Southern Baptist Sunday School Convention program, Fort Worth, Texas, March 29-31. Some of these are listed below:



Dr. A. V. Washburn, Dr. James L. Sullivan, Dr. James Barnett, Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, Dr. Ramsey Pollard, Dr. W. A. Criswell, Dr. W. L. Howse, Dr. Howard P. Colson, Mr. Keener Pharr, all the superintendents of the age-group departments of the Sunday School Department of the Sunday School Board, the state Sunday school secretaries.

Contact your State Sunday School Department if you need information which we can furnish.

STANDARD SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Listed below are the Standard Sunday Schools since October 1959 through January 31, 1960:

Association	Church
Booneville	Oneida
Laurel River	Calvary
Laurel River	Corinth
Laurel River	London, First
Laurel River	West London
Laurel River	Pilgrims Rest
Laurel River	Providence
Liberty	Salem
Lincoln	Moreland, First
Little Bethel	Madisonville, Second
Long Run	Louisville, Clifton Heights
Long Run	Louisville, Farmdale
Long Run	Louisville, Green Acres
Long Run	Louisville, Shively Heights
Long Run	Louisville, South Park Chapel
Long Run	Louisville, 23rd & Broadway
Long Run	Louisville, Valley View
Long Run	Louisville, Walnut St.
Long Run	Waterford, Plum Creek
Nelson	Bardstown
Nelson	Bullitt Lick
Nelson	Lebanon Junction, First
Nelson	Little Union
Nelson	New Salem
Nelson	River View
Nelson	Victory
North Bend	Covington, Madison Ave.
Ohio Valley	New Hopewell
Pike	East Williamson
Pulaski County	Elkhorn City
Russell County	Camp Ground
Shelby County	Poplar Grove
Shelby County	Shelbyville, First
Ten Mile	Macedonia
Ten Mile	Oakland
Ten Mile	Paint Lick
Ten Mile	Pleasant Home
Ten Mile	Vine Run
West Kentucky	Liberty

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Swope-Bergman Wedding

Saturday, January 16, was the wedding day for Betty Swope and Jim Bergman. Betty has been active in B.S.U. work at U. of K. Jim is our B.S.U. director at Berea and is a graduate of U. of K.

LOTTIE MOON

The Georgetown students came through in great style for the Lottie Moon offering. The check from the Baptist Student Union was \$852.04.

STATE SECRETARIES

The State Secretaries of Student Work met in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, February 3-5. They considered extremely important subjects.

Dr. W. F. Howard, Texas, read a paper and led a discussion on "The Position of the State B.S.U. Secretary in the Total Program of Baptist Work."

Mr. Charles Roselle, Tennessee, led the discussion on "What is the Work of the Local B.S.U. Director?" This prepared the way for a three-hour discussion on "How to Measure and Evaluate the Effectiveness of the Work of a Local B.S.U. Director." The group was assisted in this discussion by Dr. Bernard Bass, professor of psychology, Louisiana State University.

Other discussions of interest were:

"Budgets and Finances of Entire B.S.U. Program, Including Student Centers"—Mr. Harold Cole, North Carolina.

"Ecumenical Movement on the College Campus"—Mr. Bill Jenkins, Virginia.

"Bible Chairs and Bible Teaching"—Dr. Tom Logue, Arkansas.

Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, president of Belmont College, Nashville, Tennessee, brought four timely Bible studies. He also served as a resource person throughout the meeting.

J. Chester Durham, president of the organization of State B.S.U. Secretaries, was responsible for the program.

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION
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	S.S.	Add.	T.U.
Mayfield, First	887	--	233
Mission	96	--	--
Madisonville, First	804	--	262
Louisville, Ninth and O	777	--	401
Murray, First	770	--	142
Mission	44	--	--
Owensboro, Third	765	8	266
Paducah, Immanuel	727	--	181
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	674	--	207
Missions (2)	87	--	59
Hopkinsville, Second	623	1	175
Louisville, St. Matthews	577	5	224
Hopkinsville, First	566	--	259
Louisville, Crescent Hill	549	5	247
Mission	38	--	53
Henderson, Immanuel	505	--	--
Missions (2)	199	--	--
Louisville, Parkland	469	--	176
Owensboro, Hall Street	454	--	183
Louisville, Beechland	431	2	137
Mission	105	1	55
Newport, First	403	1	156
Missions (2)	85	--	19
Louisville, Beechmont	399	--	112
Missions (2)	199	--	88
Morganfield, First	398	2	115
Covington, Calvary	396	--	--
Paducah, East	380	--	164
Bowling Green, First	358	--	195
Louisville, Rockford Lane	358	2	135
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	356	--	177
Louisville, Buechel Park	347	2	144
Shelbyville, First	331	--	62
Lexington, Trinity	329	2	133
Louisville, Beth Haven	327	--	152
Louisville, Hazelwood	324	1	89
Louisville, Southside	318	--	82
Louisville, Farmdale	307	2	135
Mission	77	--	49
Louisville, Valley Station	300	--	94
Campbellsville	283	--	135
Missions (4)	139	--	56
Benton, First	282	--	116
Central City, First	282	1	171
Mt. Washington, First	275	--	78
Mission	9	--	--
Owensboro, Crabtree Avenue	271	--	87
Dawson Springs, First	270	--	62
Louisville, Beechwood	268	2	145
Louisville, Bethlehem	267	--	131
Earlington, First	267	--	113
Louisville, Shawnee	265	--	90
Russellville, First	262	--	113
Mission	51	--	--
Covington, South Side	253	--	77
Hawesville	247	--	99
Somerses, First	237	--	136
Mission	15	--	15
Ludlow, First	230	1	64
Greenville, First	230	--	133
Louisville, Bethany	230	--	89
Louisville, LaSalle Avenue	229	2	97
Marion	228	--	58
Bardstown	227	2	36
Middletown, First	222	2	104
Louisville, High View	219	2	84
Owensboro, Seven Hills	207	--	62
Jeffersonton, First	200	1	58
Harrodsburg	196	--	55
Louisville, Immanuel	190	--	86
Walton, First	189	--	132
Lexington, Calvary	188	--	125
Owensboro, Temple	186	1	93
Hodgenville, First	182	--	91
Louisville, Valley View	178	2	76
Louisville, Gethsemane	173	--	94
Lebanon Junction, First	156	--	71
Nicholasville	147	--	60
Springfield	145	--	49
Franklin, First	133	--	69
Mission	22	--	--
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	124	--	86
Lexington, Rosemont	122	7	86
Cold Spring, First	122	--	76
London, First	111	--	--
Middlesboro, First	110	--	--
Corbin, Central	95	--	--
McQuady, Corinth	83	--	55
Ashland, First	80	--	36
Missions (2)	15	--	--

►F. Ross Figart, Jr., missionary in Lewis County, and the First Baptist Church, Vanceburg, have started a mission work at Tollesboro, and have an option on a piece of property there.

**Seventh Anniversary of
Pastor James B. Sawyer
At Beechwood Church**

The seventh anniversary of Dr. James B. Sawyer as pastor of the Beechwood Church was observed Sunday, February 7.

Dr. and Mrs. Sawyer came to the Beechwood Church from the Grace Baptist Church, Louisville, on February 1, 1953, and since that time 1,076 members have come into the church. Total gifts to the church over the period of seven years have amounted to approximately \$400,000, with a total of \$85,000 going to missions.

The church was started in Stiver's School as a mission of Crescent Hill Church, Beechwood now has a membership of 648, with 619 enrolled in Sunday school and 230 in Training Union. The Brotherhood has 100 enrolled, and the W.M.S. 87. The four choirs have a membership of 124. At the head of each of these organizations are: Bill Crofts, Sunday school superintendent; Roy Ricketts, Training Union director; Mrs. Charles Skinner, W.M.S. president; L. P. Howser, Brotherhood president; and Prof. and Mrs. Hugh McElrath, ministers of music.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

A PRISONER FOR CHRIST For February 28, 1960

Upon Paul's arrival in Jerusalem the leaders among the Christians gave him a cordial reception. In order that he might also enjoy a gracious reception from the brethren in the church, it was suggested to him that, because of the many Jews who still held to some parts of the ceremonial law even though they had believed in Christ as their Saviour, it would be wise if Paul would take a Jewish vow as proof of the fact that he still honored the law and was not opposed to it. Since this was simply an effort to eliminate prejudice and not to compromise a principle, Paul took upon himself a vow which made necessary his appearance in the temple for seven days. If such a vow had been imposed as a condition of salvation, he would have refused to comply with their suggestion because he never would have been a party to false doctrine.

I. The Riot. Acts 21:27-31.

It was Paul's presence in the temple in fulfillment of his vow which aroused the Jews and led to the riot which occurred. Just before the seven days were completed some of the Asiatic Jews recognized Paul, and they immediately resolved to persecute him, even unto death. These Jews accused him of teaching against the people of Israel, defaming the law and defiling the temple. Their reason for the charge of defiling the temple was that they "supposed" Paul had taken Trophimus into the inner court of the temple where a Gentile was not permitted to enter except under the penalty of death. Blinded by prejudice and boiling with hatred against the Apostle, they aroused the crowd against him and seized him with the intention of seeing to it that he was put to death. The crowd was stirred to such a pitch of fanatical frenzy that they came dangerously near to the murder of Paul. Religious fanaticism is exceedingly dangerous both to the guilty and the innocent. As soon as the enraged and unbelieving Jews had seized Paul and dragged him from the inner court of the temple, the doors were closed and they beat him mercilessly, fully intending to kill him.

II. The Rescue. Acts 21:32-36.

The mob did not dare stone Paul within the city, lest it be polluted, but its constituents fully intended to put Paul to death by beating him mercilessly. Since

Jerusalem was always in danger of a riot, something like this one, the Roman government maintained a military force of a thousand soldiers under a chief captain there. In connection with the temple buildings was "the fortress of Antonio," which was occupied by this chief captain and part of his men. Although the mob had Paul in their hands and thought they could do with him what they pleased, they were mistaken. His life was not in their hands, but in the care of God, Who saw to it that the news of the riot reached the ears of the chief captain, whereupon he and a number of his troops rushed down the stairs in order to quell the mob.

As soon as the captain and his soldiers appeared on the scene, the enraged mob ceased beating Paul. When the chief captain inquired as to what was the cause of the uproar, the participants were so confused that they could not give a sensible reason for their fury. Nevertheless, they were eager to take Paul's life. At the same time, these cowardly men were ready to flee as soon as they realized they might be in danger. Not being able to get the desired information from the howling rabble, the captain ordered his men to carry Paul up the stairs and into the fortress or castle, in order that he might examine the prisoner and ascertain the truth.

III. The Request. Acts 21:37a.

As the soldiers were taking Paul up the stairs to the castle, he asked if he might speak to the people. Because his heart was yearning for their salvation and welfare, Paul wanted to speak to the members of that fanatical mob about his wonderful Saviour.

IV. The Reply. Acts 21:37b-38.

In reply to Paul's request to speak to those who were yelling for his execution, the captain asked him if he could speak the Greek language. He had guessed that Paul was the Egyptian bandit who had led four thousand desperadoes into the wilderness, which was far from the truth. He was surprised and deeply impressed with Paul's ability to speak Greek and with his unruffled composure under tense circumstances.

V. The Revelation. Acts 21:39.

Standing on the stairs and surrounded by the soldiers, Paul revealed the fact

that he was an educated Jew, born in Tarsus, reared in Jerusalem and trained under Gamaliel. He had been a bitter opponent of Christianity and a zealous persecutor of Christians. Then at Damascus Christ had saved him and transformed him into a faithful Christian. Thereafter he had a deep longing for the salvation of all others, including his worst enemies, even those to whom he spoke from those stairs. Even though his listeners had hardened their hearts against Christ, and were extremely bitter toward him as was evidenced by their attempt to lynch him, Paul did not want to miss a single opportunity to witness to them for his Lord.

**Professor Relieved
Of His Duties at the
New Orleans Seminary**

Dr. Theodore R. Clark, associate professor of theology at the New Orleans Baptist Seminary since 1949, was relieved of his status as a faculty member as of March 12, 1960, by action of the seminary Board of Trustees on February 17. A full year's severance pay from March 12, 1960, was voted for the professor by the trustees.

The dismissal action was by a unanimous vote of the trustees upon the recommendation of a special committee dealing with the problem. The special committee indicated that the board had been confronted for several years with questions as to limitations of the professor in the area of communication with students and other hearers as well as content of lecture material. The most recent problem has been in connection with the theological positions expressed by Professor Clark in his recently published book entitled, "Saved By His Life." In a statement released by the board, the possibility of renewal of the professor's relationships with the school may be renewed on or before the expiration of a five-year period.

Clark, an alumnus of Mississippi College, received his doctorate from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He has held pastorates in Louisiana and Mississippi and has done graduate work at Bard College, Princeton University, the University of Southern California, and the Harvard Divinity School.

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American Baptist Asks "Fair Interpretation"

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (BP) — An American Baptist Convention leader said here that the American Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention should "strive for a fair interpretation" of each other.

In response, a Southern Baptist executive said work of the conventions is not competitive and welcomed action of the American Baptist Convention to accept any churches in the traditional South desiring American Convention affiliation.

The two leaders, appearing at a Baptist Public Relations Association panel here, were R. Dean Goodwin of New York City and Arthur Rutledge of Atlanta.

Goodwin is director of communications for the American Convention and Rutledge is director, division of missions, Southern Convention Home Mission Board.

Goodwin declared that a "basic Christian faith" must underlie the work of both conventions. He asked for joint activities by the two conventions, and called the Baptist Jubilee Advance, in which both conventions are active, "by no means an adequate beginning."

"Baptists," Goodwin continued, "can waste time in things which represent our sectionalism, pride, and century-old differences, or we can represent God as he is."

Rutledge pointed out there are unchurched masses of people throughout the United States—"whether Birmingham or

Boston." The necessity is to take seriously "our obligation to witness," he added.

The Southern Baptist missions leader said that the Home Mission Board has discouraged changes in affiliation from one convention to the other and has considered the nearness of Baptist churches of other conventions before aiding new Southern Baptist work.

"Our Home Mission Board is trying seriously to hold up the idea that unless we are meeting a need that is not being met by another group, we should not be there," according to Rutledge.

Goodwin said that the words "your area, our area" have little meaning any more. He singled out for mention the numbers of people from southern states, both white and Negro, moving north. He also said that a "difference in taste" caused some to prefer to worship with an American Baptist church and others to join a Southern Baptist church.

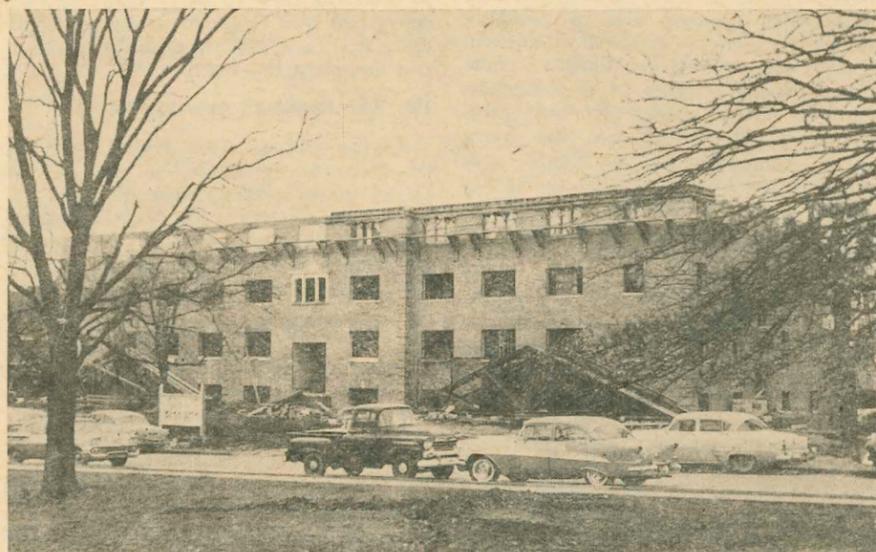
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Mary Frances Knight Hall for Women is nearing completion on the campus of Georgetown College. Here it is viewed from in front of historic Giddings Hall. When finished, Knight Hall will represent the largest single capital investment in Georgetown's history. It will house 272 students. The hall is named in honor of the mother of Mr. Lucien B. Knight, Greenville businessman and faithful member of the First Baptist Church of that city.

Editor E. S. James Cited for Support of Religious Freedom

Dr. E. S. James, editor of the 350,000 circulation *Baptist Standard* of Texas was given an award for his effective advocacy of religious freedom in the columns of the Baptist publication. The award was from Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State. The citation read: "Eloquent Minister, Courageous Editor, Militant Advocate of Church-State Separation." It was signed by Louie D. Newton, national president of the organization, and Glenn L. Archer, its executive director.

The citation was presented by Dr. Newton who spoke of the "wise and steady leadership" which Dr. James had provided in "the baffling and delicate problems involved in maintaining our sacred freedoms."

Dr. James had addressed an earlier session, a Clergymen's Conference on Church and State, an annual feature of the National Conference of POAU. In his address he warned that "false concepts of tolerance must not be used as a shield to conceal violations of the principle of church-state separation."

The Texas editor commended POAU for forthright and courageous leadership in defense of constitutional separation "POAU fights our battles for us all across the continent," he said. "We know that when an emergency arises—and they often arise—that this organization will always be there to detect the danger and develop a defense against it."

H. C. Cralle, Funeral Director, Baptist Layman, Dies in Louisville

Deacon Herbert C. Cralle, Sr., 83, for 67 years an undertaker in Louisville, died of a heart attack at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Rutherford Hoppe, 123 Fairmeade Road, on February 7, 1960.

In early and middle life he was associated for 38 years with his brother, the late Lee E. Cralle, Sr., but 29 years ago he organized his own company under his own name, and moved to the Crescent Hill section of Louisville.

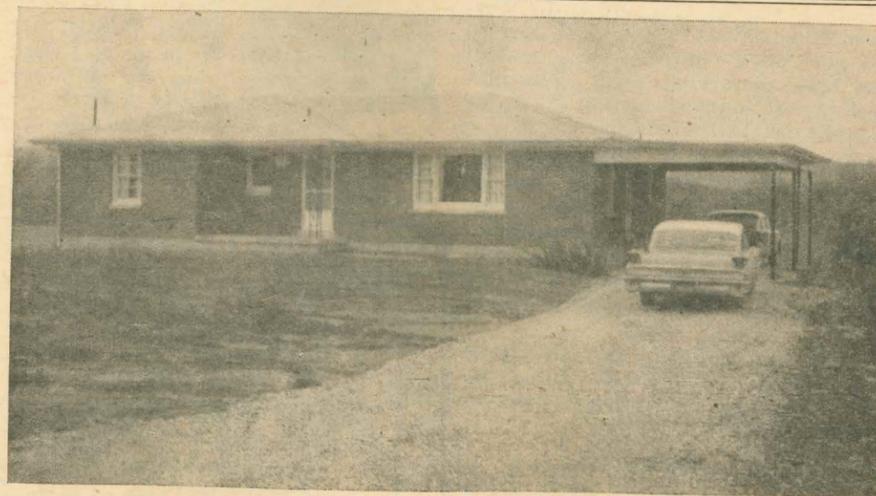
For some years he has been a constant aid in caring for his invalid wife, Mrs. Clara Coder Cralle, who has been confined to hospitals and nursing homes.

He was a member and deacon of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, and some years was teacher of the Agoga Bible Class there. He was actively associated for years with the Executive Board of the Long Run Association, and for a time was its chairman.

He is survived by his wife and daughter, already mentioned, one son, Herbert Clay Cralle, Jr., associated with him in the Funeral Home, at 2428 Frankfort Avenue, and two grandsons and two great grandchildren.

Burial took place in Resthaven Memorial Park.

►Baptist Hour sermon topics of Dr. H. H. Hobbs, Oklahoma City, to be heard over many stations in Kentucky, for March will be: March 7—"The Christian and Sanctification," 14—"The Christian and Citizenship," 21—"The Christian and Christianity," and 28—"A Parting Benediction."



The new parsonage of the Stanton Baptist Church, Stanton, Kentucky, was dedicated December 30, with A. B. Colvin, superintendent of missions, delivering the dedicatory message. The parsonage is erected on land given by two members, John D. Harrison and J. L. Bruen. It is a three bedroom, brick veneer residence. Pastor Clyde B. Smith says, "We are certainly thrilled with it and feel that it strengthens the work at Stanton a great deal."

Pollard Opposition To Kennedy Voiced

NATCHEZ, Miss. — (BP) — Ramsey Pollard of Knoxville, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has openly expressed opposition to the candidacy of Senator John Kennedy (D., Mass.) for the Democratic nomination for President.

Speaking here to the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Pollard said he could not "stand by and keep my mouth closed when a man under control of the Roman Catholic Church runs for the Presidency of the United States."

"I will never believe what the Pope of Rome says about good will and brotherhood until I see some evidences of it in countries where the Roman Catholic Church is dominant," Pollard said.

Pollard, who will become pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis on Easter Sunday, told about 1,000 Baptist leaders of his recent extended preaching tour in Europe and the Orient.

"We Baptists believe in complete and absolute religious liberty for all men," Pollard said, "and we cannot walk with those who deny this fundamental freedom on which every other liberty is founded."

"I have seen Protestant and Baptist churches with their doors closed because of the influence of Roman Catholicism," he continued.

Norton-Mullins Lectures; Library Dedication; Crismon St. Amant Inaugurations

President Duke K. McCall and the Trustees of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary have announced the dedication of the James Petigru Boyce Centennial Library on its campus Thursday, March 10, and the inauguration of Clyde Penrose St. Amant as dean of the School of Theology on Friday, March 11. These events will be part of a week's Seminary Spring Conference Program, March 8-11.

The Norton Lectures on Science and Religion will be delivered each morning at 10:00 a.m. by Dr. Ralph Overman. The Mullins Lectures on Preaching will be delivered by Dr. G. Earl Guinn Tuesday and Wednesday at 11:00.

Dr. Leo T. Crismon, Librarian, will deliver his inaugural address at 11:00 Thursday, followed by the Act of Dedication of the Boyce Centennial Library at noon; and the inaugural address of Dr. St. Amant as dean will occur at 11:00 on Friday.

A Religious Education conference will be held in Gheens Hall at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, and at 2:00 p.m. both Wednesday and Thursday.

►Mrs. J. Chester Durham, wife of the Kentucky student secretary, has undergone surgery at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital.

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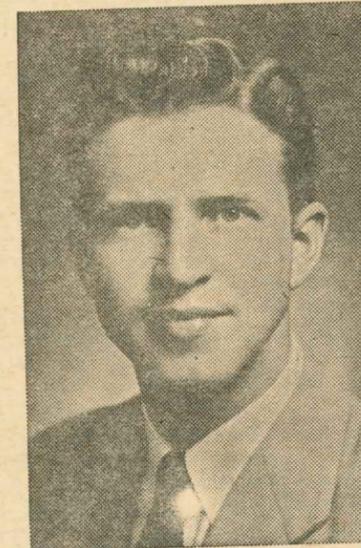
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Public Relations Group Elects Badgett Dillard



Badgett Dillard

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—(BP)—Badgett Dillard, manager of administrative services at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., has been elected president of the Baptist Public Relations Association.

The association includes Southern Baptist church and denominational workers engaged in various aspects of public relations—press relations, audio-visual aids, radio and television, personnel management, and publications.

Dillard succeeds **J. Marse Grant** of Raleigh, N. C., editor of the *Biblical Recorder*.

James M. Sapp, director of promotion, Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, was elected the association's program vice-president and **Mrs. Agnes Ford**, press representative, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, its membership vice-president.

Harry R. Koontz, director of publicity and student services, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif., was re-elected secretary-treasurer. **W. C. Fields**, Nashville, secretary of public relations, Executive Committee of the S.B.C., is editor of the association's *Newsletter*.

These were elected during the association's 1960 meeting here. The group voted to hold its 1961 session in Memphis January 30-February 1.

►Mrs. **Malcolm Lambert** has recently been called by **Beechwood** of Louisville as church secretary. She and her husband, a student in the School of Theology at Southern Seminary, are from **Hattiesburg**, Mississippi. Mrs. Lambert attended **William Carey College** in Hattiesburg.

Convention January Receipts \$3,811,307

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Cooperative Program and designated gifts to work of the Southern Baptist Convention at large reached \$3,811,307 during January, according to a report here from Treasurer **Porter Routh**.

The January, 1959, total was \$3,293,636. The total reported does not include Cooperative Program and other receipts retained by states nor funds used for local church activities.

Cooperative Program receipts for the S.B.C. showed a very slight increase over the previous January—\$1,555,469 compared with \$1,555,365.

Designated offering receipts showed over a half-million dollar gain over January a year ago. They climbed from \$1,738,270 to \$2,255,838. The large amount of designated receipts includes early contributions to the **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** for foreign missions.

January disbursements included \$673,051 through the percentage scale of the Cooperative Program to foreign missions and designated funds of \$2,230,219 to the Convention's Foreign Mission Board.

The Home Mission Board, with \$282,939 as its share of Cooperative Program funds and \$19,514 received as designations, was second high in disbursements.

During January, Kentucky contributed \$73,155.56 through the Cooperative Program and \$51,805.28 in designations for a total of \$124,960.84.



J. V. Mullen, Jr., is the new pastor of **Dunmor Baptist Church**, Muhlenberg Association, **Dunmor, Kentucky**. He comes from the **Pike's Ridge Baptist Church**, in **Taylor County**. He began his new work with the **Dunmor Baptist Church** on **January 10, 1960**, and has now moved his

family on the field. There have been seven additions to the church since he has arrived. He is a graduate of **Campbellsville College**.

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