

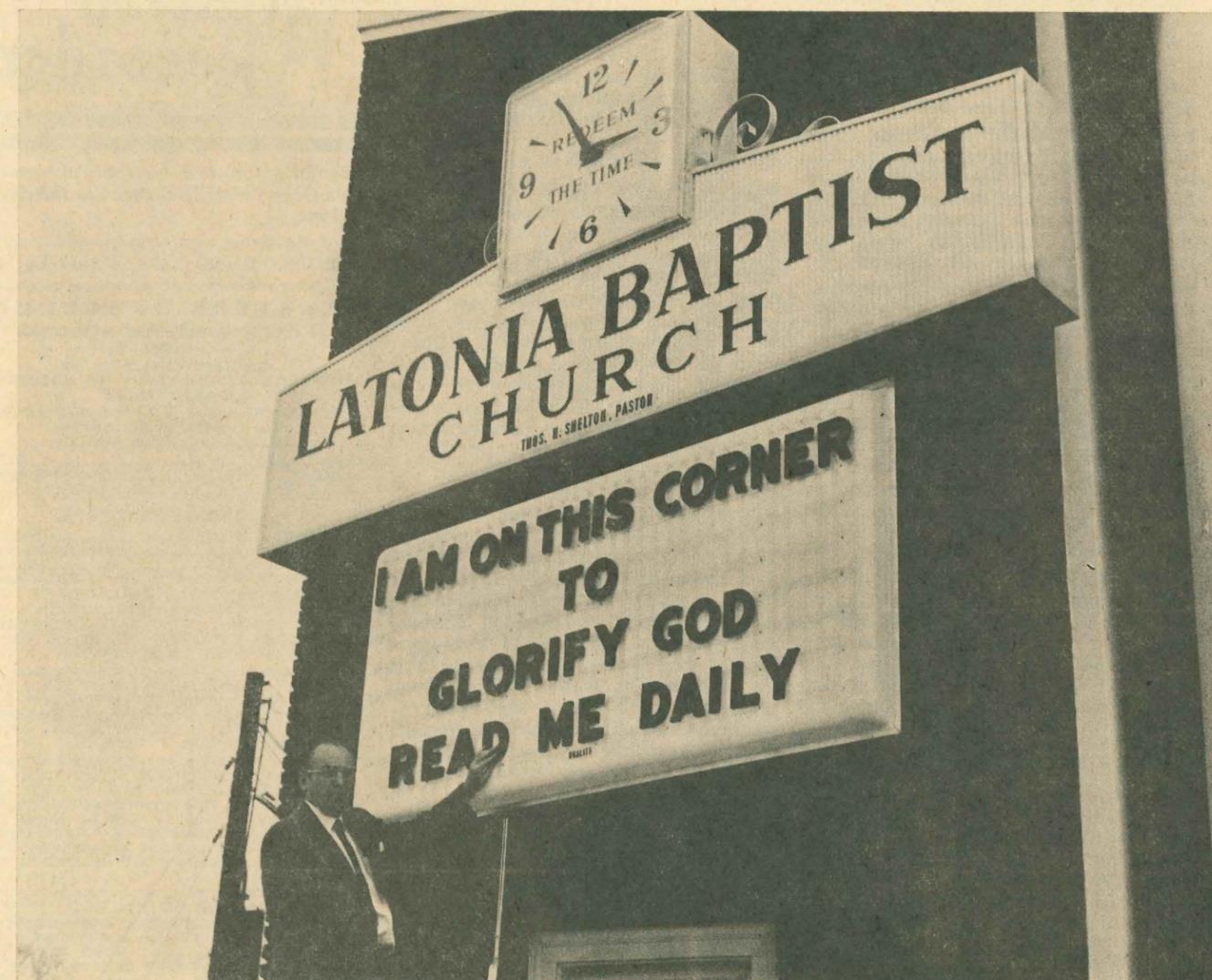
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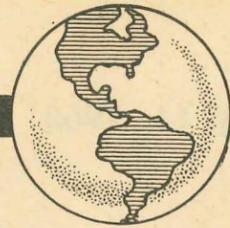
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Latonia Baptist Church erects a modern bulletin board. Rev. Thomas Hicks Shelton is seen finishing the first message placed on the board for the public to read. The board is 12 feet wide, 11 feet high, with a 3 foot square clock on top.



## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

### KENTUCKY MISSIONARY NEWS

►Rev. and Mrs. J. Leslie Smith, of Indonesia, have a new son, Roger Allen, born June 14. Their address is Djalán Sukadjadi 192, Bandung, Java, Indonesia. He is a native of Gatesville, Tex.; she is the former Broadley, of Hebbardsville, Ky. They have one other son.

►Rev. and Mrs. A. Jackson Glaze, Jr., of Argentina, have a new son, Timothy Johnson, born June 21. Now in the States on furlough, they may be addressed, Box 189, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville 6, Kentucky. He is a native of D'Lo, Miss.; she is the former Eugenia Johnson, of Greenwood, S. C. They have three other children.

►Rev. and Mrs. LeRoy Albright have moved from Byantyre-Limbe to Lilongwe, Nysaland, where their address is Lilongwe Baptist Mission, Box 249, Lilongwe, Nyasaland, Central Africa. He is a native of Pineville, Ky.; she is the former Jean Flowers, of Atlanta, Ga.

►Mrs. P. W. Hamlett, emeritus missionary to China, has moved from Morgantown to Roxboro, N. C., where her address is P.O. Box 475. She is the former Lettie Spainhour, native of Grayson, Virginia, and attended the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville.

►Mr. and Mrs. Dewey E. Mercer, of Japan, are returning to the States for furlough and may be addressed, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2825 Lexington Rd., Louisville, Ky. He is a native of Central City, Ky.; she is the former Ramona Hall, of Blanche, Tenn.

►Mrs. Robert E. Beddoe, emeritus missionary to China, has moved from Hitchcock to Galveston, Tex., where she may be addressed, c/o Mrs. M. L. Ross, Jr., 5019 Sherman St. Mrs. Beddoe, the former Louella Houston, is a native of Calloway County, Kentucky.

### DURHAM AT RIDGECREST

►The Kentucky Baptist Student Union led the Morning Meditation around Lake Dew June 10 at the Baptist Student Retreat held at Ridgecrest, N. C. J. Chester Durham, state student secretary of Kentucky, Middletown, led the program. The program had as its theme, "In the Beginning, God."

### SOUTHWESTERN TO NEAR EAST

►William Rossell, professor of Old Testament at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, will spend a year in the Middle East teaching in the new Southern Baptist Seminary at

Beirut, Lebanon, beginning October 4. He will teach Old Testament and Biblical introduction in the school, the first Baptist seminary in the Arab lands. About 25 students are expected to enroll for the first term. (BP).

### PAINTER AND PREACHER

►Pastor Roy Melvin Gabbert, Mackville Baptist Church, completed painting a baptistry scene for the Willisburg Baptist Church last week, and is now rendering the same service at the Utica Baptist Church. He was recently in a revival with Pastor J. C. Raikes at Morehead Baptist Church, during which time he painted a baptistry scene for Beech Grove Church, near Owenton.

### PIONEERS 300-PLUS

►Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, is observing Pioneer Week July 10-17, 1960, to recognize people who have been members 35 years or more, with special recognition to those who have served continuously for 35 years or more. They have four people who have served a total of 180 years continuously. Erle C. Vaughn estimates that he has taught several thousand students. Calvary has more than 300 persons who have been members 35 years or more. Franklin Owen is pastor there.

### FLYNN-RONE WEDDING

►Miss Jayne Elizabeth Flynn and Lieut. Wendell H. Rone, Jr., were married in Tustin, California, recently. The bride is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John R. Flynn, Paducah, Ky., and the groom is a son of Pastor and Mrs. Wendell H. Rone, Sr., Owensboro, Ky. Young Mrs. Rone is a graduate of Georgetown College, and has been a case worker with Buckner Children's Home, Dallas, and more recently on the staff of the Los Angeles Times. Lieut. Rone attended both Paducah Junior College and Georgetown College, and is now a jet pilot with the U. S. Marines. Now located at Jacksonville, Fla., they expect to move to his base at Santa Ana, Calif., shortly.

### IKE AT TAIWAN BAPTIST

►The Presidents of the United States and of the Republic of China took time from their talks in Taipei, Taiwan (Formosa), capital of Free China, to worship on Sunday morning, June 19. President Eisenhower and President Chiang Kai-shek attended a special service at the Shih Lin Church on the outskirts of Taipei before the U. S. President left

Taiwan to continue his good-will tour of several Asian nations. The message to the two world leaders, entitled "Faith to Move Mountains," was brought by President Chiang's pastor, Dr. Leon Chow, who is pastor of Grace Baptist Church and teacher in the Taiwan Baptist Theological Seminary, both in Taipei.

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# "Take These Things Away (!)"

By LAWRENCE MARTIN, Pastor  
Auburn Baptist Church, Auburn, Kentucky

*"Take these things away; you shall not make my Father's house a house of trade."—John 2:16 (RSV).*

The scene was one of bedlam. Within the temple precincts were those who would profit from the worship of those who came. Money was changed for an exorbitant fee; sheep, oxen, and pigeons were sold at much more than their worth; and the noise and confusion of buying and selling proved detrimental to the spirit of worship.

Jesus was overcome with jealousy for reverence for the Father's house. Making a whip of cords and using it as a sign of judgment and authority, he drove them out. And out they all went, unable to cope with his majestic appearance and their own realization of wrong. Then came his command, "Take these things away; you shall not make my Father's house a house of trade."

This incident is recorded by John near the beginning of Jesus' ministry. Of all places where he could have started his reforms, he began in the temple. This was appropriate. In the Temple was the heart of the nation Israel. And not only so: the heart of any nation lies in its temple—its worship.

Other gospel writers record the cleansing of the temple by Jesus during the last week of his ministry. These, in a sense, were not incidents removed, though of great special significance. The "Cleansing of the Temple" is a perpetual thing—and a much needed thing—in the life of any people. It is especially so in twentieth century Christianity.

Today, as in Jesus' day, we see

### I. THE TEMPLE COMMERCIALIZED

Dollars are necessary in the Lord's work. The ministry of the Word must be provided for. Houses of worship must be maintained. Programs of worship, teaching, and training are needed, and cost. The gospel must be preached on a worldwide scale.

But churches can become more money conscious and less spirit filled. This happens when budgets become an end in themselves.

Or when the size of the budget or the amount of the offerings becomes the yardstick by which the church is measured.

Or when the church assumes, either consciously or unconsciously, that the paying of a staff frees the members of the need for every-member evangelism. In our day we also see

### II. THE TEMPLE SECULARIZED

The church is, in a very real sense, in the world. Being in the world it must utilize cultural patterns and current modes of expression in the propagation of its truth. In many ways the church interacts with the various orders of society.

There is a tendency, however, in days of great secular emphasis, to make the church another institution along with all the rest. To the church are assigned tasks that rightfully belong to civic organizations. She may get bogged down with these, and in the process forget her God-given mission.

This the church cannot, and must not, do. If the church does proclaim the message of Christ, there is no one left to do it. If the fruits of Christianity are not shown in the lives of her members, the result will be spiritual eclipse.

Perhaps as dangerous a sign in our day is

### III. THE TEMPLE SOCIALIZED

The church is a great social force and influence in the community and the nation. This is as it should be. One of the purposes of the church is the fellowship and nurture of her members. The church helps its members, as a great Christian family, to develop and mature. In doing this, the social aspect of our church life helps much. But the church cannot afford to let her sense of responsibility and her excuse for being stop here. We must never degenerate into a mutual admiration society. We have another reason for existence as a church—and that is the reaching of a lost world with the gospel of Christ. It was only when the early Christians, scattered abroad by persecution, went about preaching the Word, that the church began to come into its own. And the church is fulfilling her mission only as she goes out to "multitudes in the valley of decision."

Again, our day sees—

### IV. THE TEMPLE "SPLENDORIZED"

This is a day of great church buildings. Splendid and beautiful edifices built for worship and spiritual teaching are becoming more and more in vogue. Elaborate furnishings, with a view to both ornateness and utility, have become the expected thing.

This is encouraging. The most beautiful building in any community should be a house of worship. Beauty, orderliness, and harmony of features should re-

mind us of the One who "has made everything beautiful in his time."

Such buildings should be erected because of love for Christ and the desire to worship him most effectively. Never should a church be judged as a great one because it has a building to be admired. The mark of a great church is never that—for with God it is quality of life and not quantity or beauty of material that counts.

During the final week of the ministry of Christ on earth, his disciples were drawing his attention to the beauty of Herod's Temple, but he was not interested. His interest, and what he pointed out to them, was the offering of the widow's mites.

Over and against such desecration of the earthly temple, Christ promised to raise a new one. He spoke of the temple of his body—a spiritual sanctuary. In this spiritual sanctuary, real worship is the offering of self—self stripped off all pretense and pride, self dedicated to His will and way.

## Frank A. Tobey, Army Chief of Chaplains, Honored in Massachusetts

NEW BEDFORD, Mass, June 19.—Gen. Frank A. Tobey, chief of Chaplains, department of the Army, received the American Heritage Distinguished Service Award for outstanding patriotic service in the promotion and preservation of our American Heritage today.

General Tobey was guest of honor at an evening public meeting in Lincoln Park, six miles from here.

He was born in Everett, Massachusetts, on February 7, 1903, and was ordained March 1, 1929 in the Baptist church at Medford, Massachusetts.

General Tobey served with the Massachusetts National Guard and earned a commission as 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, in the Organized Reserve Corps in November, 1924. He became a chaplain in the 43d Infantry Division on July 20, 1940, and remained with the division until May 1942, at which time he was assigned to the Southwest Pacific Area.

In June 1945, he returned to the United States to attend the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

In 1951, he became Army Chaplain, U.S. 8th Army, Korea. His nomination as Chief of Chaplains, effective November 1, 1958, was confirmed June 18, 1958.

His decorations for outstanding service include the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster and Bronze Star Medal.

Miss Mabel Summers is leaving for a furlough from her missionary labors in Lebanon, in the Near East, and will be located at Route 3, Bardstown, Ky.



**ON THE WAY TO RIO**

**Winter Warmness in Chile**

On Sunday evening at 10 P.M. we were gathered in a Santiago hotel to hear Missionary Bill Andrews give a first-hand report on the earthquakes in South Chile. At 10:02 a slight sensation was felt and someone pointed to the chandelier gently swinging from the ceiling. Later we learned the shock was from another rather severe quake down south and a Baptist couple was among the fatal victims. For most of us it was our first earthquake experience but this was not our only new experience in Chile.

Whoever dreamed of looking drowsily out of a hotel window on a June morn only to jump hard under 3 or 4 blankets at the sight of snow covered mountains a few miles away? Or whoever thought of wearing a topcoat to church in June and leaving it on all through the service? These were strange experiences for many of us on the way to Rio, but not to the Chileans who were wonderful hosts to us over the weekend.

In Chile everything seems reversed. June 21 is the first day of winter. Oranges and lemons hang from trees and big bunches of harvested onions hang under the eaves of almost every country home. Hunting season starts in April and the fishing pole comes out in November or December.

Chile is also a land of extremes. On the east are the Andes, the highest mountains outside Asia; on the west is the Pacific, the world's largest ocean. From east to west Chile measures only 200 miles, but from north to south the distance is 2,400 miles. In the north it never rains; in the extreme south it rains 13 months a year, so they say.

Chile's eight million people live mostly in the central area with two million around the capital, Santiago, and another million centered around Valparaiso, the chief port, 90 miles from Santiago. The nitrate fields of the arid north first made Chile world famous, but synthetic nitrate since World War II has replaced Chilean natural nitrate. Today Chile is second only to the United States in copper mining which is also centered in the north. In the south agriculture is king. Crops also abound in the central area, but only with irrigation since the copious rainfall of the winter disappears entirely in the summer.

Chile enjoys religious liberty and strangely enough every president of Chile since 1926 has been a Mason. Masons in Chile symbolize freedom and quite an antipathy toward them is seen in the Chilean Roman Catholic hierarchy.

The political situation in Chile is a little shaky and the president's administration was under considerable attack until the earthquake tragedy which seems to have forestalled criticism and solidified the people.

Inflation is rampant and prices are as high as the mountains. An American Ford or Chevrolet costs \$12,000 to \$15,000 and an old station wagon which Melvin Torstrick drives is worth \$4,500 though it has 80,000 miles on the speedometer. A cheap suit of clothes costs a full week's salary.

Chile is the first South American country on our tour with substantial Baptist work. Independent Baptist groups began work in Chile in 1908. Southern Baptists came a little later and by now we have 41 missionaries, 85 churches, and 8,000 members. We have a seminary in Santiago for young Chilean men and women with 29 students this year. Missionaries generally do not serve as pastors since it is considered best for nationals to serve the churches.

Chilean Baptists have several unique characteristics which impressed us. The Sunday morning worship service is much less important than the evening service. Some of the smaller churches do not even have morning worship services, but nearly all the churches are overflowing in the evenings. Ordinarily a good number of men attend the W.M.S. meetings; in fact, the Chilean W.M.U. was organized by a man. Also in Chile a preacher is ordained only after he completes seminary training and baptism is administered only after long and rigid training.

Chilean Baptists use one distinction we could well use back home. When they talk about the church building they say, "the temple," when they refer to the members, they say, "the church."

The missionaries in Chile went all-out to do everything for us. They met us at the airport, accompanied us to the hotel, and at least one went with every tour as a guide. The high point of my visit to Chile was seeing Melvin and Shirley Torstrick along with their son and daughter. This Louisville couple is doing an outstanding work in Valparaiso. My day with them is another story which I hope you will read in this or a later issue.

Of course the earthquakes were the major topic of conversation in Santiago, and for that story I'm sending a first-hand report by an eyewitness. The nearest damage was 200 miles south of Santiago, but there was some sense of relief when we boarded the Canadian Pacific airliner to cross the narrow continent to Argentina on the way to Rio.

**ON THE WAY TO RIO**

**New York in South America**

The 611-mile jump over the hump from Santiago, Chile, to Buenos Aires, Argentina, was easy for the Canadian Pacific prop-jet and took us less than three hours. Hardly had we recovered from the 20,000 feet breathtaking, snow covered Andes until we were on the ground in South America's largest city with four million people of almost every extraction.

Buenos Aires, the New York of South America, is complete with its teeming millions, subways, skyscrapers, frantic commuters, exclusive shops, financial districts, harbor, and opera house. Our only complaint is that Buenos Aires is just too big to see. But we did our best with the help of a German guide, Elizabeth, who was a one woman Chamber of Commerce when it came to public buildings and statues, but who seemed to be as unfamiliar with Baptist sites as were we.

All of South America is severely short on electricity and people in Buenos Aires do everything in the dark. Candles at dinner are not so much for fashion as for light. Of all activities in the dark, Argentines seem to enjoy driving most. And they are really sneaky. They come barrelling down the streets with no lights or only parking lights. Seldom is there a traffic light or a policeman at an intersection. As the driver approaches the intersection, he flashes his lights and gives it the gun and woe to any careless pedestrians.

The philosophy seems to be that a motorist is superior to a pedestrian because he has a machine and he uses it as a weapon. Bus and taxi drivers actually swerve toward pedestrians who are fools enough to stand in their reach. In Miami I bought \$75,000 flight insurance, but the next time I come to South America I will major on auto injury insurance.

Argentina is another country where Baptist work is old and somewhat established. The Baptist hero in Argentina history is Pablo Besson, the son of a Swiss Reformed pastor who became a Baptist in France by studying the New Testament and, in 1881, came to Argentina to be the pastor of a colony of Swiss Baptists. Besson is well known in Argentina history for his struggle for liberty of religion and conscience, but the president of this country is still required by law to be a Roman Catholic.

Today there are 356 Baptist churches and missions in Argentina with 14,000 members. More than 60 Southern Baptist missionaries labor in this country.

By far the most impressive site on the mission fields we've seen so far is the International Baptist

Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires. This school has 110 young men and women this year who receive free tuition and rent and pay only about \$20 a month for board. The seminary trains workers for Paraguay, Uruguay, Chile, and Bolivia, as well as for Argentina.

The faculty numbers 17, including 11 missionaries and 6 Argentina nationals. The building is a thing of beauty, built at a cost of \$400,000 of Cooperative Program funds.

Of interest to Kentucky Baptists and especially the members of the First Baptist Church, Paris, is the fact that a former beloved Paris pastor, S. H. Cockburn, is president of the Argentina Baptist mission and a seminary professor. Cockburn is a Canadian who teaches Greek in Spanish. The Cockburns entertained the Boone group with a lovely reception in their home. Among the beautiful things in their home is a cherry silver chest made especially for them by Paris First Church friends and shipped in perfect condition. Dr. Cockburn guided us back to the hotel after the reception and used the subway which we will never forget.

Unrest and tension seem to be the order of the day in Argentina politics. It's easy to get conversation about the evils of Peron and we found not one sympathizer with this exiled dictator. Bullet marks on the Ministry of Finance building tell the story of the overthrow of Peron and the re-establishment of democracy. President Frondizi is having a hard time of it because he is unable to live up to his campaign promises. Inflation is serious and imported cars start around \$10,000. Hundreds of new automobiles have been on the docks two or three years held up by impossibly high duties.

One of the great experiences of the whole tour for Gainer Bryan and me was a visit to the world famous newspaper, La Prensa. A very smart lady reporter who had worked in the States showed us around and gave us many insights obtainable nowhere else.

The only thing reasonable in price in Argentina is beef. Here are the finest steaks in the world and Baptists consumed a considerable supply. But don't worry, deacons, about the pastor's expense account. They were all in the price of the tour and they cost less than chicken.

**Elects Nathan Porter For Student Emphasis**

ATLANTA, Ga.—(BP)—The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here will step up its work with college students with the election of an associate in the department of missionary personnel.

Nathan Johnson Porter, Tulsa, Okla., was elected associate to Glendon McCullough, Atlanta, secretary of the department. He will begin work July 1.

"We have wanted a closer contact with college students through the campus Baptist Student Unions, and we feel that because of Porter's interest in missions and his interest in young people he will be able to make a real contribution in this area," said McCullough.

"Porter will work with the college students, whether their interest be in summer mission service, the tentmaker

program, or permanent appointment," he added.

Presently Porter is pastor of Lakeview Baptist Church in Tulsa, which is comprised mainly of young families. Born of missionary parents in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Porter grew up in South America and speaks both Spanish and Portuguese.

Educated in Brazil past high school level, he received a bachelor's degree from Baylor University at Waco, Tex., and a bachelor of divinity degree at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Porter served as mission pastor of First Baptist Church, Mount Vernon, Ky., before going to his present pastorate, and worked with Royal Ambassadors for three summers in three states: Georgia, Florida, and Texas.

Porter married the former Frances Booth and they have two daughters.

►Georgetown College President Robert Lee Mills is participating in the first annual seminar, "National Aspects on Higher Education," which is being held in Washington, D. C., June 7-17. President Mills is one of the twenty college executives selected by the Executive Committee of the Association for Higher Education of the National Education Association to attend the seminar. A grant from the Danforth Foundation to the Association provides the opportunity for a small group of leaders of American higher education to learn first hand about private and governmental agencies in Washington which serve the needs of higher education. The seminar will also provide an opportunity for the college representatives to discuss means whereby these agencies may be of greater aid to higher education.



Dan Kong is pastor of the largest church in the newest state of the United States. As you may guess from the name, he is Chinese. A third generation Christian, Kong is a graduate of Georgetown (Ky.) College and of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. His parents were Episcopalians, but during the war—when gas was rationed—he attended the Baptist church because it was in walking distance. Although his family had a career in business charted for him, Kong was called to the ministry. While he was in Kentucky in other years he was pastor of the Shakertown Baptist Church, in Mercer County. He now serves Olivet Baptist Church, Honolulu. With him are the Kong family members—wife, former Mary Eleanor Braddock of Ripley, Miss.; Betty Jo, born in April; Danette, 5½, Edna, 2½, and Verdine, 4.—(BP) Photo.

## “Necessity is the Mother Of Invention,” and a Father Becomes an Inventor

DALLAS, Texas—A San Antonio Baptist leader who has invented an array of mechanical devices to brighten a paralyzed daughter's life has been named 1960 Texas Baptist Father-of-the-Year.

Cecil A. Ray, superintendent of missions for the San Antonio Baptist Association, was presented the award during a presentation at the San Antonio Pastors' Conference June 20. Dr. E. S. James, editor of the Baptist Standard, state denominational newspaper, presented the award.

Working nights, the 38-year-old minister has built an unique chair, three iron lungs, chest respirators, rocking beds, mechanical desks and other assorted chairs and bathing equipment.

His daughter, 12-year-old Susan Ray, deftly drives the Ray-designed motor chair around the house by using sensitive switches at her fingertips and toes. She has been able to move only her hands and toes slightly since a critical polio attack in 1952.

Using a specially-designed desk, Susan

can write and is now learning to paint. By tilting her head from side to side, Susan touches delicate switches that move the desk before her sling-supported hands.

A committee selected Ray for the Texas Baptist Father-of-the-Year award “because of his significant applications of Christian faith in helping his daughter overcome severe handicaps.” He was nominated for the honor by San Antonio pastors.

The Father-of-the-Year award is sponsored jointly by the Baptist Standard and the 1,500,000-member Baptist General Convention of Texas.

When polio struck Susan at the age of four, she lay at the brink of death for more than six months, gasping desperately for every breath.

“But we refused to accept the doctor's reports that there was nothing we could do. We simply began to look for a way to help Susan,” Ray said.

Donning overalls and welding goggles, Pastor Ray, then of Arnett Benson Baptist Church at Lubbock, began his part-time career as an inventor.

When Ray began to plan the unique motor-driven chair for Susan, he realized that he must not neglect his young son

because of his daughter's handicap. Lanny, his nine-year-old son, was the first kid in the neighborhood to have his own gasoline-powered “Go-car.” His dad built it soon after developing Susan's motor chair.

About eight months after Susan's attack, she was to return to Houston for a check-up. At that time, portable car-travel iron lungs had not been developed. Susan had previously flown to Houston in a special lung-equipped plane from Brooks Air Force Base.

Members of his church and friends helped Ray build a special miniature, battery-powered lung to fit into a specially-modified station wagon. They completed the lung only three days before the scheduled trip.

About 50 miles outside of Lubbock, the lung suddenly stopped.

Knowing that little Susan could not live for more than 10 minutes without the lung, the pastor frantically began tearing the mechanism apart to find the trouble.

Nothing was amiss within the lung itself. Panic-stricken, he checked the wiring. Then he found it. The lung had merely come unplugged.

Now, ever fearful of mechanical breakdown, Ray always packs at least three alternate breathing units for every trip. On one trip, he rushed to the custom-built, self-designed trailer when two of three units quit working.

Ray is a graduate of Howard Payne College at Brownwood, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. He served as pastor of Baptist churches at Ballinger, Rowena, Sulphur Springs and Lubbock before becoming San Antonio Baptist Association missions superintendent.

## Kentucky's Nell Arnold Honored For 32 Years With Student Office

RIDGECREST, N. C. — (RBA) — Miss Nell Arnold, who serves as an office secretary in the Student Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., was honored at a tea given by Dr. and Mrs. G. Kearnie Keegan at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly June 13.

After 32 years of service in the Student Department Miss Arnold will retire December 31. For 22 years she served with Dr. Frank H. Leavell, the first secretary of the Student Department, then worked with Dr. Kearnie Keegan, Dr. Leavell's successor.

A native of Kentucky, Miss Arnold has attended the Student Retreat at Ridgecrest for 30 years and has served more than 50,000 students who were at Ridgecrest during that time.

## Hartford Baptists Dedicate Mission and Pastorium



Hartford Baptists dedicated a new building for the East Hartford Baptist Mission and a new home for Pastor Wesley Hanson and his family on Sunday afternoon, June 5. The double dedication services attracted a large number of church members and visitors.

The East Hartford Mission began several years ago under the sponsorship of the Brotherhood of the Hartford Baptist Church. The mission has been characterized by faithful attendance and marked success from evangelistic efforts for the past several years and the mother church sensed a real need for an adequate building. A building committee, composed of Les Stewart, Charlie Ellis, and Hub Casey, was appointed and these men supervised the construction of the very commodious building.

The dedication service was led by Pastor John Parker. Taking part on the program, along with the pastor, were Ford Deusner, former pastor of the Hartford Baptist Church; C. R. Daley, editor, *Western Recorder*; Mearly Wadley, Ohio County associational missionary; and Wesley Hanson, pastor, Hartford Baptist Church.

The dedication of the pastorium took place following the service at the Mission. Those attending the service gathered in the front yard for a brief dedication service led by Pastor Hanson. A ribbon across the front door of the pastorium was cut by Mrs. Charlie Ellis and Mrs. Ellis Smith, wives of the building committee members. Anna Marie Johnson, music director for the Hartford Baptist Church, sang a solo at the pastorium dedication and the prayer of dedication was offered by C. R. Daley. Following the dedication services the Hansons held open house and a good number of visitors made a tour of the pastorium.

►Dr. Vella Jane Burch, librarian at the Baptist Theological Seminary in Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, has returned to the States for furlough. Her address is 2555 Briarcliff Rd., N. E., Atlanta, Ga. She is a native of Durham, N. C.

## Kentuckian Leads in Church Building in Nevada

The Nevada Area Superintendent of Missions, L. B. Sigle, reports that another church had been built in a county where no Southern Baptist church had ever been when the First Baptist Church of Yerington, Nevada, dedicated a new building on May 22.

Coleman Burke, pastor in Yerington and a native of Kentucky, led in the church building project. The dedication brought to fulfillment a dream cherished for five years by Baptists who had been meeting in a rented warehouse. This year the congregation built both a parsonage and a church by the “do-it-yourself” plan. Every member shared in planning the edifice; every member was happy with the finished product. A contractor and member of the church became foreman, and men and women enthusiastically donated countless hours of unselfish thought and labor day and night. Digging brick from the foundations of mining ghost towns, hewing columns by hand; and other money-saving devices made possible the \$60,000 buildings at approximately \$30,000.

Burke received his A.B. degree from Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky, and his B.D. and Th.M. degrees from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. He was pastor of three churches in Anderson County Association in Kentucky before becoming pastor at Lake Tahoe, California, and later to Yerington.

In addition to being pastor and leading in building the First Church of Yerington, Mr. Burke is head of the English department in the Yerington High School.

Mrs. Burke is the former Peggy Ruth Range, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ross Range of Lexington, Kentucky, now pastor in Danville, Virginia.

The Burkes have two daughters: Ruthie, age two; and Beth, five months.

## South Park's Pastor Alton H. McEachern Goes to West Virginia

Alton H. McEachern, pastor of the South Park Baptist Church in Louisville, near Fairdale, has accepted a call from the Westmoreland Baptist Church of Huntington, West Virginia. The Westmoreland Church is the only Southern Baptist Church in Huntington. It was formerly affiliated with the Greenup Association and is now a member of the Pioneer Association of Baptists in West Virginia.



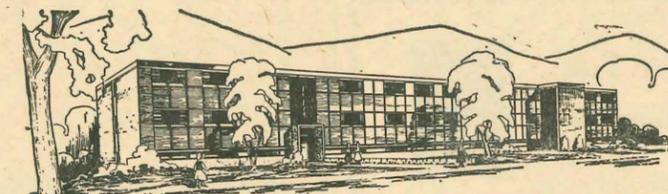
A. H. McEachern

The church is affiliated with Kentucky Baptists. It has 600 members and sponsors a mission at Point Pleasant, West Virginia.

Mr. McEachern is a native Georgian and a graduate of Mercer University in Macon. He received his Bachelor of Divinity and Master of Theology degrees from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. He formerly held pastorates in Macon, Georgia, and Dupont, Indiana.

Mr. McEachern has been pastor of the South Park Baptist Church since 1957. The church membership has grown from 122 to 258. The church budget has more than doubled to \$17,680 by the successful use of the Forward Program of Church Finance two years. In 1958 the church entered its first unit which was constructed at a cost of \$82,000. The Beechmont Baptist Church of Louisville sponsors the work at South Park.

Mrs. McEachern is the former Betty Coleman of Dillard, Georgia. She is a graduate of Tift College at Forsyth, Georgia. The McEacherns have two children, Suzanne, age 7 and Michael, age 3. The family will move to Huntington on August 1.



Contracts for the 100 capacity girls' dormitory of the Oneida Institute, Oneida, Kentucky, were awarded February 23. The completed building, costing slightly more than \$300,000, was made possible by a \$250,000 donation from an anonymous friend in New York. An organized fund raising drive for the additional \$50,000 is being planned for the near future, President D. C. Sparks has announced. In addition to housing it will provide kitchen and dining facilities for 300 persons. The school is one of two boarding high schools affiliated with the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

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**Foreign Board Sends Relief Money to Chile**

The Foreign Mission Board today sent \$7,500 in relief funds to Chile to relieve the hunger and misery of survivors of two weeks of disaster in the southern part of the country. The action came in response to the recommendation of the Chilean Baptist Mission and of Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, who met with the Mission on June 1 to review the relief situation.

Dr. Means said missionaries who have visited the afflicted area report that Baptists will need \$100,000 to relieve human suffering, repair damage, and replace buildings destroyed by the disaster.

No Southern Baptist missionaries have been injured and the Foreign Mission Board has not received any reports of loss of lives among the Chilean Baptist leaders. There has been extensive damage to Baptist church property and there is great distress among the people.

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, said, "The Foreign Mission Board is grateful to God for funds provided by Southern Baptists to relieve human suffering and give aid in critical emergencies."

J. T. McGibney of Owenton, Kentucky, departed this life May 31, 1960. This faithful layman was the father of Pastor William F. McGibney of Wilmington Baptist Church, and the grandfather of William Brown McGibney, a Junior at Georgetown College and director of music at Gethsemane Baptist Church in Danville, Kentucky. His pastor, H. L. Green of Owenton Baptist Church, had the funeral.

Pastor James Borders has resigned his pulpit ministrations at the Farmdale Baptist Church, Louisville to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church at Waynesboro, Miss. During his almost 13 years at Farmdale that church has shown phenomenal growth in every department. There have been 1,140 additions during this time, the net membership increasing from 400 in 1948 to 920 in 1960. Sunday school average attendance has jumped from 155 to 452; and the Training Union from 55 to 140. Monetary gifts have likewise increased. Gifts to missions in 1948 were \$1,691, and in 1960 thus far, \$11,729; and the total receipts have swelled from \$11,971 to \$60,208. Not only has this growth been in evidence locally, but the church in the last 13 years has started three missions—Bethlehem, Green Acres and Meadowview, and the first two of these have become churches.

**Cooperative Receipts Up Only 2.14 Per Cent**

NASHVILLE—(BP)—Cooperative Program receipts at the Southern Baptist Convention office here reached \$1,377,038 during May, bringing the total for five months to \$7,190,184.

Treasurer Porter Routh, Nashville, said designations to Convention agencies amounted to another \$1,292,430. Total receipts through both means of giving were \$2,669,968 for May.

Cooperative Program receipts are running only 2.14 per cent ahead of the same period for 1959, Routh reported. On the other hand, designations are running 9.23 per cent ahead of the January-May span a year ago.

For the year to date \$9,864,241 has come in by designations. The combined total of Cooperative Program gifts and designations has reached \$17,054,426.

The heavy May designations continued to reflect support of the Annie Arm-

strong Offering for Home Missions carried on in the Convention's 31,500 churches every spring. Disbursements to the Home Mission Board included \$1,148,046 in designations—in which category special missionary offerings fall.

So far in 1960, the Foreign Mission Board has received a total of \$11,310,360 through designations and through the Cooperative Program. The Home Mission Board has received a combined total of \$2,945,003 nearly half of it coming in May alone.

Cooperative Program gifts at churches support both state and Southern Baptist agencies. The totals reported here do not include funds retained at state Baptist offices nor funds given for local church programs.

Pastor C. Hoge Hockensmith, native Kentuckian now at the Tri-Village Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, writes: "First Baptist Church of Owensboro,

Kentucky, currently engaged in a great building program, felt concerned about missions that they prayed for an opportunity to be more missionary while building. In an old safe in the church office that was going to be junked they found some old stock certificates that were sold for \$234. They sent this amount to the Tri-Village Baptist Church to use in its missionary program. The Columbus church is sponsoring missions in Marysville, Marion and Columbus, Ohio. The gift arrived at a very grave time in answer to prayer."

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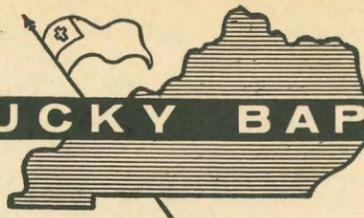
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# KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

## KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION

### Foundation Receives Gift For Pine Crest Endowment

By A. M. VOLLMER,  
Executive Sec'y.-Treas.

On June 17 the KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION received an annuity gift \$5,000.00 from a generous Baptist lady who had given previously two gifts of like amount.

This gift will form the nucleus of the endowment, administered by the FOUNDATION of PINE CREST, Kentucky's newest Baptist Children's Home. This is what Jesus meant when He said, "Lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven where moth and rust doth not corrupt and thieves do not break through and steal."

## CHURCH MUSIC

### New Faculty Member

By EUGENE F. QUINN



William Lowe

A veteran in Kentucky, but new to the faculty of the State Music Leadership School, will be Mr. William Lowe of Lexington. Mr. Lowe has been minister of music at the Immanuel Baptist Church of Lexington for several years. He will teach Vocal Training.

## TOPS IN MUSIC TRAINING

The following associations and churches are the leaders in music training or the year preceding May 1, 1960:

### 1. Highest Number of Awards Earned

Associations	Awards
First: Long Run	650
Second: Warren	147
Third: Daviess-McLean	127
Fourth: Upper Cumberland	109
Fifth: Severn's Valley	105

### 2. Highest Average Number of Awards Earned per Church in Association

Associations	Per Church
First: Long Run	6
Second: Warren	4
Third: Green Valley	4
Fourth: White's Run	4
Fifth: Franklin	4

### 3. Associations with Highest Number of Churches Earning Awards

Associations	Earning Awards
First: Long Run	69
Second: Green Valley	22
Third: Severn's Valley	17

### 4. High Three Churches with the Most Total Number of Awards

Baptist Church	Awards
First: Thorn Hill, Frankfort	83
Second: Harlan, Harlan	63
Third: Third, Owensboro	59

## NEW CHORAL DIRECTOR



Neil Darnell

Mr. Neil Darnell of the First Baptist Church of Nashville will serve as guest director of the Teen Choir and Combined Choir at the State Music Leadership School at Georgetown, July 25-29.

A third choir will be under the direction of Professor Hugh McElrath of the faculty of the

School of Church Music of Southern Baptist Seminary.

The three choirs will present a concert to which the public is cordially invited on Friday night, July 29 at 7:30 p.m. in John L. Hill Chapel on the campus of Georgetown College.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Announcing a Great Opportunity for Sunday School Workers

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT

"Outreach for the Unreached" will be the theme for the Sunday School program at Cedarmore, August 4, 5, and 6.

The purpose of the program: (1) Better Bible Teaching; (2) Step-up in Evangelism; (3) Reach the Unreached; and (4) To Develop a Greater Spiritual Strength.

Those who are invited to attend: (1) All pastors, (2) ministers of education, (3) Sunday school superintendents, (4) age-group workers, (5) general officers, and (6) associational officers.

Dr. Harold C. Marsh, state Sunday school secretary for Alabama, and Dr. Allen W. Graves, dean of the School of

Religious Education of the Southern Seminary, will be among the speakers.

A sheet has been sent to all Sunday school superintendents with a space on which names of people who would be interested in attending may be placed.



Harold C. Marsh

We urge you to send your reservations directly to the Sunday School Department, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

### Sunbeam Band Focus Week To Be August 14-20

By MRS. HUGO CULPEPPER

The purpose of this special Sunbeam Band Focus Week which comes at this time each year is four-fold:

- (1) Enables the parents to feel a deeper responsibility for their children.
- (2) Helps the W.M.S. see fostering at work.
- (3) Helps all to see the importance of early training in missionary education.
- (4) Informs the church of ways by which they can help the Sunbeam Band.

Perhaps you will like to use some of the following ideas to help celebrate this week.

- (1) Have Sunbeams participate on the W.M.S. program.
- (2) Give special mention in the church papers.
- (3) Plan special day-camp for the

World-Friends Group. This can be for one church, or several churches, or on the associational level.

(4) Teach a special mission book such as BONNY BAPTIST AND THE SUNBEAMS (price 35 cents, Teacher's Helps, 15 cents). Order these from your Baptist Book Store.

(5) For Beginners: Have a Sunbeam-Parent meeting. Let the children make the invitations for their parents. This can be a regular meeting with special refreshments at the close. You may want to display some of their previous art work.

(6) For Primaries and World Friends: Have a special supper. Let the children make the invitations for their parents. For a program have filmstrips on Sunbeam Band work, mission films, and maybe a discussion period.

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## Ohio Appoints Delmar Akron Area Missionary

COLUMBUS, Ohio—(BP)—O. R. Delmar has accepted the call extended to him by the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio to be area missionary in the Akron-Mansfield area.

For the past seven years Delmar has been area missionary for Wyoming, Montana, and North Dakota. Delmar was ordained in 1941 by the First Baptist Church of Seminole, Okla. He has been pastor of churches in Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona, and Wyoming. He has served as area missionary for the past seven years for Wyoming, Montana, and North Dakota. As additional missionaries were added, his area decreased to the point that he served only the state of Montana. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and attended Southwestern Seminary.

## Record Summer Student Group Takes to Field

ATLANTA, Ga.—(BP)—Kentucky supplied 20 of the 525 student summer missionaries who have recently gone to mission stations. This is the largest group ever used by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

The students are at work in areas from Florida to Alaska and from California to New York. They are supported by the Home Mission Board and state Baptist Student Unions. However, all are directed by the mission board. Be-

sides students from most of the United States there are others from the Philippines, the British West Indies, the Bahamas, Hong Kong, Japan, Cuba, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, South America, and Jordan.

"This program provides the student an opportunity for inservice mission training and at the same time greatly augments the ministries of our regular missionaries during the summer months. It is of great importance to all of our mission causes," Courts Redford of Atlanta, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, said.

The students must have two years of college or one year of seminary and be 18 years of age. They are paid \$25 a week for their services and transportation and most expenses are provided.

The work includes 10 weeks of religious surveys, personal visitation, starting churches and missions, all phases of church organizational work, good will centers, Vacation Bible Schools, and other similar projects.

Appointed by the Home Mission Board from Kentucky as summer missionaries are the following:

- William S. Adams, Jr., Hopkinsville—  
Illinois
- Mrs. Wm. S. Adams, Jr., Hopkinsville—  
Illinois
- Wanda Lee Arnold, Irvine—  
Kansas
- Sue Ann Ball, Shepherdsville—  
Oklahoma
- Elaine Brown, Madisonville—  
Ohio
- Barbara Ellen Bush, Louisville—  
New Mexico

- Catherine Couty, Lewisport—  
Colorado
- Janet Dishon, Waynesburg—  
Florida
- Monna Fay Divine, Bremen—  
Arkansas
- Sarah Jo Dyer, Louisville—  
Texas
- Laqueta Joy Hall, Louisville—  
Kansas
- Barbara Sue Hays, Louisville—  
New Mexico

- Norma Jean McMullin, Waynesburg—  
Savannah, Ga.

- Annie K. Smith, Lynnville—  
Oklahoma
- Carmerita Yvonne Talent, Murray—  
Arkansas

- Wanda Faye Williams, Owensboro—  
Arizona

Appointed by the Baptist Student Union from Kentucky are the following:

- Joe Ann Adams, Paducah—  
Illinois
- Donald Keith Dixon, Ashland—  
New York
- Patricia Ann Greene, Corbin—  
Michigan
- Wayne Scott Welch, Georgetown—  
Oregon-Washington

## Poetry Line Omitted

The fifth line of the last verse of the Father's Day Hymn to the tune, "Onward, Christian Soldiers," written by Mrs. Emma Minor and printed on page eleven of the *Western Recorder* of June 9, was omitted. The last four lines should read:

*"We are proud, dear fathers,  
Of the deeds you've done;  
We've a Christian Freedom  
Thru your vic'tries won."*

Readers may go back to the previous issue and insert the italicized line above in its proper place.



The Rosedale Baptist Church, Covington, observed its first anniversary on March 6. Rosedale, the newest Southern Baptist church in Northern Kentucky, began as a mission of the Latonia Baptist Church on April 16, 1947. The mission was constituted into a church on March 1, 1959, with John Huss, former Latonia pastor, delivering the message. The Rosedale Church began with 172 charter members and now has a membership of 192. A parking lot has been constructed and a pastorium is being purchased. Former Rosedale pastor, Tom Ramage, brought the message at the first anniversary observance. Bill Potts has been pastor since November 1, 1959.

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## Mrs. Kenneth Burke, Wife Of Virginia's Treasurer, Dies in Richmond

Mrs. Pearle Nunnally Burke, 61, member of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board since 1953, died in a Richmond, Va., hospital Saturday, June 25, after an illness of several months. She was the wife of Dr. Kenneth E. Burke, treasurer of the Baptist General Association of Virginia.

Funeral service and burial were to be in Richmond Monday afternoon, June 27. Mrs. Burke was on the Board's Orient and missionary education and promotion committees. She was also active in the Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia, serving for 10 years as state literature chairman and for the past five as inter-racial representative. She formerly held associational W.M.U. positions.

She was a native of Cumberland County, Virginia.

In addition to her husband she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Edward Earle Dunklee, and a son, Kenneth E. Burke, Jr., both of Richmond. Dr. Burke's address is 4401 Huguenot Rd., Richmond.

►Rev. and Mrs. Clayton Bond, of Ghana, have a new daughter, Brenda Lee, born June 10. Their address is American Baptist Mission, Box 400, Accra, Ghana, West Africa. He is a native of Vernon Parish, Louisiana; she is the former Helen Terry, of Stearns, Ky. They have two other daughters.

►Floyd Allen Craig has been named superintendent of photographic and printing services for the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary's public

relations department for the past two years as photographer, taking more than 7,500 pictures during that time. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and is a May graduate of the seminary's School of Theology. (BP).

►Rev. and Mrs. Emit O. Ray, Southern Baptist missionaries to the Bahama Islands who are now in the States on furlough, have moved from Fort Worth, Tex., to Tulsa, Okla., where their address is 2224 E. 19th S. They plan to return to the Bahamas in August. He is a native of Moheim, Tex.; she is the former Kathryn McCluney, of Phoenix, Ariz.

►Orville R. Hopper, 68, veteran of World War I and a resident of Bagdad, Ky., died at King's Daughters' Hospital in Frankfort, June 30, 1960, at 5:30 a.m., following a long illness. He was a native of Shelby County, and was born June 31, 1892, a son of the late Elizabeth and Elijah Hopper. A farmer, he was a member of Lebanon Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon for 40 years. He is survived by his wife, Lillian Beatrice Hopper; a brother, Pierce Stivers, Frankfort; two nieces, one nephew. His pastor, Ray Graves, conducted the funeral, and he was buried in Bagdad Cemetery.

## Summertime Favorites for little folks

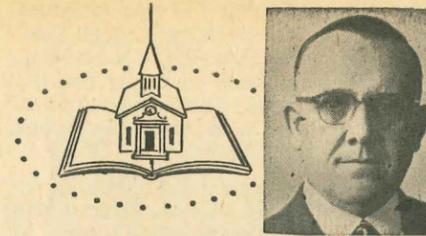
### LISTEN TO THE NIGHT

by **Furn Kelling**. Here the young child learns that God made the funny nighttime noises (the z-z-z-z-ooomm, thump of a beetle on the screen, and others) just as he takes care of children at nighttime. Pictures by **Mariel Wilhoite Turner**. Ages 2-8. (26b) Board, 60¢ Cloth, \$1.00

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By **H. C. Chiles**

### AMOS WARNS AGAINST FALSE SECURITY

For July 17, 1960

Amos 6:1-8

"In the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel," God called Amos from his work in the field and commissioned him to warn the people of the punishment which He was about to send upon them because of their terrible wickedness. Amos had seen enough to know that the rich oppressed the poor, that wanton luxury and grinding poverty existed side by side, and that unspeakable vice prevailed in the precincts of the temple. He thought much about the sad religious conditions among his people. As a forthteller, his task was to proclaim God's message to the people of his day, and as a foreteller, it was his business to make predictions concerning events to come. Although Amos was born and reared in Judah, his prophetic ministry was concerned primarily with the Northern Kingdom.

It was advantageous for Judah to have Jerusalem and Israel to have Samaria, but these proved to be disastrous to them because they were overrated and trusted in instead of God. Those who dwelt in Jerusalem thought they were safe because of its historic grandeur, temple and fortifications. Those who dwelt in Samaria also overrated their strength and security. Amos did his best to warn the people that the righteous judgment of God was certain to come upon them because of their wickedness. He informed them that the only way to avoid it was for them to repent of their sins.

#### I. The Conditions. Amos 6:1-6.

1. There was widespread unconcern. 6:1.

Day after day many suffered ill treatment, but no one seemed to care much about it. They were "at ease in Zion" while injustice and oppression stalked through the land. But it is never right for any people to be at ease when great needs exist. They were unconcerned about the threatened judgment. Their indolence was a certain harbinger of divine judgment, because God hates laziness in any realm.

Satan tries to persuade men that all is well. Man is prone to cherish optimistic thoughts and to magnify the things which encourage him to take his ease. But God through His prophet faithfully warned all men about the danger of drifting from God and the tragedy of

being indifferent to the things of the Lord.

2. There was a shirking of responsibility. 6:1.

Although they were highly favored of God, they shirked their responsibility. What a pity for anyone to fail to recognize the fact that to whom much is entrusted from that one much will be required. Our beloved nation is in great danger of having the rich favor of God withdrawn because she is shirking the responsibility which divine favor has imposed upon her.

3. There was a great blindness to the lessons of history. 6:2.

They refused to be warned by the fate of other nations as prosperous and as great as theirs. They knew what had befallen other nations, but they failed to profit by it. Because God's favor had been upon Israel the people fell into the error of thinking that God would show partiality. How tragic that so many are blind to the lessons of history! No matter how great a nation may be, if it persists in disobeying God it will be brought low in due time.

4. There was great insensibility to danger. 6:3.

Their trust was in their natural resources instead of the living God. They felt safe because of their position and fortifications. They did not believe the message of Amos that judgment was near, but by their manner of life they were hastening the coming judgment. There is no danger greater than that of glorying in our prosperity and power, and persuading ourselves that judgment could never come in our day.

5. There was inexcusable idleness. 6:4. Many were idle and living in luxury, forgetting that their blessings were given them for the welfare and service of others rather than the mere gratification of the flesh. For that matter, prosperity never licenses extravagant living.

6. There was an impious use of music. 6:5.

They used some of the instruments which David had devised for the praise of God for the mere gratification of the flesh.

7. There was much disgraceful drunkenness. 6:6.

In their debauchery they reached the place where they refused to fill their cups out of the large bowls from which the wine was served, but they seized the

bowls and drank out of them in order that they might get drunk quicker. Such excessive intemperance degraded the people mentally and physically.

8. There was a blindness to the afflictions of others. 6:6.

As usual those who are "at ease in Zion" have a heartless indifference to the afflictions and sorrows of others. When men turn away from God and forget their spiritual interests, they inevitably become self-centered and ignore the needs of others.

#### II. The Consequences. Amos 6:7-8.

God had previously indicated that He would bless His people when they were faithful to Him and chastise them when they were unfaithful. So, in the light of the prevailing conditions as described here by Amos, God had no recourse except the execution of judgment, since it was necessary that He remain true to His righteous nature. The cherished indulgences of the people could end in one way only. Luxurious and dissolute living is always debasing and degrading. Nobody can live below the level which God has appointed for people without incurring inevitable deterioration and paying the inescapable penalty. It was impossible for the people to avert the consequences of their own selfishness, greed, ambition, sensuality and self-indulgence.

One of the consequences of their carnal indulgences was the loss of their freedom. "Therefore shall they now go captive with the first that go captive." Those who had been the most active participants in wicked revelry would be the first to be taken captive. In that position their embarrassment and disgrace would be more conspicuous. It was only fair and just that the ringleaders in the transgression should be the first to be punished.

Another consequence of their wickedness was that of being deprived of the provisions which they would need. "And the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be removed." Certainly nobody could live as they did and expect at the same time to retain self-respect, the esteem of right-thinking people and the blessing of God. Loving the true, the beautiful and the good, God loathed the false, the ugly and the bad. Because of their depravity God declared the certainty and the completeness of the destruction of their city. God's holiness and justice made it necessary that they be punished for their sins.

## Catholic Schools Seek Aid From Public Funds

WASHINGTON — (BP) — A Roman Catholic organization to secure public funds for parochial schools has been launched on a national scale. It is called Citizens for Educational Freedom.

The purpose of Citizens for Educational Freedom is to combat what the Roman Catholics consider "inequitable distribution" of public funds for educational purposes and to secure such funds for their schools.

The objectives of Citizens for Educational Freedom reportedly are to combat strong pressure groups that insist on public funds for public schools alone, to create a public opinion that will make it possible for parochial schools to secure

public financial aid, to engage in legal action in the courts, and to secure legislative relief.

This growing organization is in part the Roman Catholic answer to numerous denominational and other non-denominational efforts to maintain religious liberty and separation of church and state in America.

Founded in St. Louis, Citizens for Educational Freedom already operates in 47 states and is currently in a campaign to increase its membership and to establish local chapters in cities throughout the nation.

In making its appeal to the nation Citizens for Educational Freedom has adopted the slogan, "A Fair Share For Every Child," and is appealing for non-Catholics to join in their cause. The effort will be made to have it appear as a citizens organization rather than a Catholic organization.

In order to eliminate the appearance of ecclesiastical control and in order for it to be a grass roots movement all the officers are lay people.

In a recent issue of *Our Sunday Visitor*, a national Catholic weekly, an article by Dale Francis, prominent Roman Catholic

writer, charged that the current education bill in Congress "will steal \$100,000,000 from the Catholics of the nation." This charge is based on the section that provides \$20 per school pupil for the States to help with their educational expenses.

The formula in the bill for determining the number of school children in a state includes a provision for counting all school children, including those in parochial schools, but the distribution is to be made only to the public schools. While it is true that this seems to be an improper manner in which to calculate the number of school children for which a state is to receive aid, it is not true, as the Roman Catholic article claims, that this money belongs to the Catholic school children and is being stolen from them and being given to the public schools.

Thus by a strange twist of reasoning the article says, "Catholics don't want the money of other people to support their schools, Catholics are not demanding that money be taken from the pockets of Protestants and others who are not Catholics to support Catholic schools. We don't want their money. We want our money."

Paying lip service to the contribution of public schools to the nation, the article then explains the parochial school system. "Because we believe that education that teaches of creation while ignoring the Creator is incomplete, we have constructed a parochial school system that is equal in scholastic attainment and service to the nation to that of the public school system."

Three main arguments are being used by the Roman Catholics in their campaign for public support for their religious parochial schools:

- (1) The service rendered to the nation by these schools should be paid for by the nation, the Catholics contend. They raise the question as to what the public schools would do if they closed all their parochial schools and turned their children into the public schools. They are seeking to establish the thesis that Catholic education is in fact public education.
- (2) The responsibility, they continue, for the education of the children is upon the parents, and is not a primary responsibility of the State. Therefore, public aid is not aid to a church or to a religious school, but is aid to the child and to his parents for their educational expenses.
- (3) It is not fair, the Catholics assert, to suffer double taxation, to be forced to pay taxes for the public schools and then to have to pay for their own parochial schools. They seem to forget that their schools are of their own choosing and that the public schools are open to all.

These are the lines of reasoning, no doubt, that Citizens for Educational Freedom will follow and will seek to sell to the American people.

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## Sam C. Gash Goes From Owensboro to Arkansas



Sam C. Gash

Sam C. Gash, who has served as associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Forrest City, Arkansas. Gash has already moved to his new field of duty.

The Forrest City Church has auditorium and educational facilities worth one-half million dollars and currently is planning further expansion. An elementary educational building is scheduled to be constructed on recently purchased property adjacent to the church. The church has also secured the nearby National Guard Armory which will be used for additional educational space, as well as for recreational facilities. A new pastorium is planned immediately since the old pastorium was sold with the resignation of the last pastor.

Gash is a native of Harrodsburg, Ken-

tucky, and a graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary. Before going to Owensboro as associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, he served as pastor of missions of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church and for several years served the Union Baptist Church, Cynthiana, Kentucky, as pastor.

## G. R. Emerson Honored by Resolution

G. R. Emerson, a long time deacon of the East Baptist Church, Paducah, Kentucky, died on February 14 of this year and has been honored by a resolution unanimously adopted by the deacons of the East Baptist Church.

The resolution referred to Mr. Emerson as one of the most faithful and active deacons in the church until a health failure which prevented his active service.

Emerson had served as Sunday school superintendent for a number of years and was also active in other organizations of the church. He was known as a faithful steward of his possessions and as being willing always to serve the church to the best of his ability.

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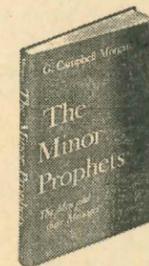
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"I Will Sing" appears in the June issue of *The Church Musician*, the monthly publication of the Church Music Department, of which Dr. Sims is editor-in-chief.

Wells, a graduate of Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill., is minister of music at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., and has one of the outstanding church music programs of Kentucky, Dr. Sims said. He holds a graduate degree from the School of Church Music, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

▶Jesse L. Bruen, a charter member of the Stanton Baptist Church, died of a heart attack on June 20. Mr. Bruen, who was 63 years of age, was teacher of the Adult Sunday School class, president of the Brotherhood, president of the adult Training Union and a trustee of the church. The funeral was held at the Stanton Baptist Church on Wednesday, June 22, at 2:00 p.m. by the pastor, Clyde B. Smith, assisted by F. C. Tuttle of Hamilton, Ohio. Burial took place in the Winchester Cemetery.



Dr. Marvin E. Tate, Jr., professor of Bible and Religion at Wayland College, Plainview, Texas, is a new assistant professor of Old Testament Interpretation at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Tate is a native of Washington, Arkansas, and a graduate of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas. He received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Southern Seminary in 1950 and his Doctor of Theology degree from Southern in 1958. His former pastorates include the Washington Baptist Church, Washington, Arkansas; Goshen Baptist Church, Glen Dean, Kentucky; and Hillcrest Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Dr. and Mrs. Tate have two children, Sarah Nell, two, and Martha Jean, eight months. Dr. Tate will assume his new duties August 1, 1960.

▶Rev. and Mrs. Samuel A. DeBord, now on furlough from East Africa, have moved from Fort Worth, Tex., to Knoxville, Tenn., where their address is 313 Carta Rd. He is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio; she is the former Marthena Lindsay, of Bonnyman, Perry County, Ky.

▶Rev. and Mrs. Herbert H. Holley are returning to the States for furlough from Malaya. Their address is 127 N. California St., Montgomery, Ala. She is the former Frances Sayers, of Montgomery; he is a native of Daviston, Ala.



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