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GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

BURTON MEMORIAL HOMECOMING

►Burton Memorial Church, Warren Association, held its Home Coming September 4, with Pastor Hayward Casey delivering the morning message and Missionary R. B. Hooks, Sr., speaking in the afternoon.

A NEW SOLOMON HAS COME

►Pastor and Mrs. Robert N. Solomon, Trinity Baptist Church, Paducah, are the proud parents of a new son born on October 3 at the Western Baptist Hospital. His name is Keith Calvin Solomon and he is the second son for the Solomons.

MEADOWS IN NEW FIELD

►Harry Meadows has accepted the call to the pastorate of First Church, Gilbertsville, near the Kentucky Dam and State Park. Meadows was born in central Kentucky, has done pastoral work for the past 20 years. Formerly pastor of Mt. Olivet Church, near Paducah, he has recently been doing mission work in Toledo, Ohio.

EX-KENTUCKIAN AN EVANGELIST

►Byron Fletcher, former Kentucky pastor, has resigned the pastorate of Harvard Terrace Baptist Church, Fresno, California, to enter full-time evangelism. Fletcher has spent 24 years in pastorates in Texas, Indiana, Florida, Tennessee and Kentucky. He is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The evangelist may be contacted at 3708 Ramona Drive, Riverside, Calif.

"SHARP-er" AT SIMPSONVILLE

►Ted Stuart Sharp was born at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital on August 26, weighing nine pounds and fourteen and a half ounces. The young man's father, W. D. Sharp, is pastor of the Simpsonville Baptist Church. This is the second son of Pastor and Mrs. Sharp, the older

being Timothy Wayne, now five years old.



James W. Morrison has taken up his duties as minister of music and education at the First Baptist Church, London, Kentucky, where he is associate with Pastor Winn T. Barr. The day of the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Morrison was home coming week-end for Laurel County, and, in a sense it was home coming week-end for them and their sons, for they returned from California to their native Kentucky. Mr. Morrison went to Georgetown College from Bellevue. He directed music at the Georgetown Church, and was staff worker at Princeton and at Madisonville, in which latter place he was associated with Harold D. Tallant, a former pastor of London Church. In California he was six years minister of music and education at the Baptist Church at Long Beach. Mrs. Morrison is the former Charlena Miller from Jackson, Ky. At five years of age she moved to Northern Kentucky and grew up in the First Baptist Church, Bellevue. Mr. Morrison also grew up in that church. They have two sons: Jimmy Wayne, 11, and Donald Michael, 8.

REVIVAL IN LEXINGTON

►Porter Memorial Church, Lexington, was recently blessed in revival services led by Allen Harrod, evangelist, and Wade Bolton, music director, resulting in 24 decisions. Allen is a senior at Cum-

berland College, and Wade attends Western State College. Pastor Charles W. Holland, Jr., reports that this youth team was an inspiration to the entire and he commends them for use by other churches.

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MISSION IN EUROPE

By JOHN ALLEN MOORE, Carver School, Louisville

European countries are nominally Christian by tradition and are seldom thought of as mission fields. These countries should probably receive more of our attention, however, as we consider our worldwide mission task.

This is not to say that there is no difference between work among populations nominally Christian in Europe and those of Hindu or Buddhist tradition, for example, in Asia. The European tradition should be respected. There are some earnest Christians in each of the branches of Christendom in that part of the world, but the religious needs of the vast majority of the population remain unmet. Those who have not heard and received the simple gospel of redemption in Christ are as much in need of it as anyone else who is unevangelized—in Asia, Africa, or America.

France was long regarded as a stronghold of Roman Catholicism but the Catholic Church itself recognizes vast areas of that country as mission territory today and not more than a fourth of the population practices any form of Christianity. Millions of workers, school teachers, and professional people are actively hostile to religion and an even larger number regard it as irrelevant and useless. The "worker priest" movement was an effort on the part of some members of the clergy to reach into the pagan world of the industrial laboring class. This movement was repudiated by the hierarchy because of its independent development but new ways are sought to win the millions of France who neither profess nor practice any religion. There is freedom for evangelistic effort, without any official restraint, such as is found in few countries.

Italy, although the seat of the papacy, is in large part anti-church or at least anti-clerical.

In a few countries, such as Spain, Catholics claim up to more than 99 per cent of the population. Many of these "Catholics" never enter a church nor perform any religious act. They are counted as Catholic because they do not care enough about religion even to renounce it. This would apply to Portugal, Austria and Catholic portions of Germany also.

In such countries some even of those who are practicing Catholics are surely unevangelized because they believe and practice religion in a superstitious way. "They have a zeal for God but it is not enlightened" (Rom. 1:2, RSV). At least this is the testimony of those who are later converted.

The countries traditionally Orthodox in faith are mainly Russia, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, and in part Yugoslavia and Albania. The Eastern Orthodox churches

are tradition-bound and they hardly count as a possible source of religious revival in Europe. People maintain their relationship to the church as a national loyalty, perhaps as a protest against communism, but they are amazed if one among them really takes his religion seriously, as a personal faith.

The countries predominantly Protestant vary greatly. Scandinavia and Finland are solidly Lutheran as is Germany in part. The Reformed or Presbyterian faith has a large following in Switzerland, the Netherlands, Hungary, France and Germany. Both the Lutherans and the Reformed have some able pastors who preach the gospel and a few outstanding theologians. Even less perhaps than the Catholics in their areas do they actually reach the people. I know of communities nominally 95 per cent Reformed, for example, who church buildings would not seat a tenth of the population, and even so they are never filled except for a special service of some kind. Of those who attend probably few would claim a personal experience with Christ as Savior and Lord.

England retains its own state church, the Anglican, but Baptists and other evangelicals maintain their strong witness there.

Communism is another faith in Europe. It is sincerely held, apparently, by a small hard core of revolutionaries; they control Eastern Europe and are pressing toward their goal of controlling the world.

We must think of Communists as a challenge to Christian missions. We must study their faith as we would that of any land we seek to enter for missionary work. We must train some mission volunteers for work in communist-controlled areas. And we must pray for fellow believers behind the "iron curtain," even when we cannot have personal contacts with them or direct reports from them.

Free churches, mainly Baptists and Methodists, have done a little work in Europe. The pioneer Baptist was Johann G. Oncken of Germany, who was converted as a youth while in England and returned to his own country an evangelical worker in 1823. Eleven years after that he became a Baptist as a result of studying his Bible on the question of infant baptism. From that time until his death half a century later Oncken traveled over Europe preaching and establishing churches.

American Baptists started missions in France and Greece within a year or two after the beginning of Baptist work in Germany. Several devoted missionaries labored for many years in Greece but they did not succeed in establishing last-

ing churches there and the field was abandoned by American (Northern) Baptists in 1885. The work in France, although never strong, has continued.

Southern Baptists began a mission in Italy in 1870. Growth here was slow also until after World War II, and the church membership although larger than France is still only about 4,500.

Baptists representing many countries met in London in 1920, and they agreed that the stronger conventions throughout the world should help the weaker ones in Europe. Southern Baptists were asked to render aid in the Ukraine, Romania, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Spain, as well as Italy. The plan of our Foreign Mission Board was to send at least one missionary couple to each of these countries, but this proved to be impossible in areas under communist control (Russia from the beginning and the other Eastern countries after World War II).

Southern Baptists have twelve missionaries in Spain and fifteen in Italy. Nine are connected with the international seminary in Switzerland. Financial assistance is regularly given to Baptist churches in these countries for pastoral aid, theological schools, and church building. Baptists in other parts of Europe, especially refugees from the communist East, frequently receive aid in the building of houses of worship. Assistance is given also from time to time to the ten national Baptist seminaries on the continent.

There are just over a million Baptists in Europe, more than half of them in the Soviet Union.

Representatives from the various countries organized the European Baptist Federation in 1950, and three years later the European Baptist Mission Society, which conducts a small mission in the Cameroons, West Africa.

A missionary couple was recently appointed by the Foreign Mission Board for English-language work in France.

B.S.U. Meetings Scheduled Throughout Convention

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Twenty-eight state Baptist Student Union conventions will be held this fall throughout the Southern Baptist Convention territory.

Baptist students from all college and university campuses within a given state or area will gather for these conventions. Addresses by church leaders, laymen, and Convention-wide workers will be heard during the weekends of inspiration, challenge, and fellowship in each state.

The Kentucky B.S.U. Convention will be held November 18-20 at Lexington's Calvary Baptist Church. J. Chester Durham is state student secretary for Kentucky.



Who's Bigoted?

Guest Editorial

Lovers of freedom around the world are looking to the United States as their best hope for escape from tyranny in the religious realm, just as in the political.

There's just as much persecution under a religious dictator as under Khrushchev and one of his kind. The seal that closes evangelical churches in Spain under encouragement from the Vatican closes it just as tight as the Communist seal in Russia, Hungary and Poland.

The world would abandon all hope for political freedom if one identified with a dictatorship moved into the White House. We doubt that it could keep alive any hope for religious freedom if a loyal son of the Roman Catholic Church should move into the White House, regardless of his pronouncements.

That, and that alone, is enough to keep us from voting for a Roman Catholic for President. A man's religion does make a difference, regardless of what others may say, and it is to our disgrace that any will argue differently. He is either dedicated to that religion or he should be ashamed of his indifference.

NOW, AS TO WHO is bigoted with the "intolerant" devotion to opinion, we would merely ask:

What Church claims a monopoly on Truth with the authority to condemn to eternal punishment?

What Church seeks concordats with governments to deny others the right to preach the Gospel of Christ?

What Church writes into the constitution of foreign powers the requirement that government officials must be members of that Church?

What Church prohibits the burial of Protestants in the cemeteries, consigning them instead to potter's field?

Other questions could be asked. Any one of these should be enough to turn the branding iron of bigotry on those so quick to use it.

We also might add that the newspapers, politicians and all have borrowed the oldest propaganda trick known to man. It is the theory of assigning to others the sins that are blackest on your own record.

KHRUSHCHEV SCREAMS the loudest about freedom for he knows best how to deny it. The bigots scream the loudest about bigotry because they are the best disciples of the faith.

Also, we see neither rhyme nor reason for all this talk about keeping the subject of a man's religion out of political consideration. Important things are not solved by merely sweeping them under the rug of silence.

Better, we believe, to keep foreign policy out of the discussions so we can present a united front to the world. Or, keep quiet on the racial issue lest there be division in our ranks at home.

Let the Vatican declare itself for freedom of all men everywhere to worship God without restriction and then will we lower the question mark about those loyal to Roman Catholicism.—John J. Hurt, Jr., Editor *The Christian Index*.

Churches Are Stewards Too

Whatever a young man's fancies turn to in spring-time, the fancies of a Baptist church turn to finances in the fall. Budgets are prepared and presented, the forward program goes into high gear, and the pastor happily or dutifully preaches on stewardship. A favorite and effective method used to shock and stimulate the members of a Baptist church is a study of their giving habits. It's almost unbelievable to learn how many members of an ordinary Baptist church give less than fifty cents a year to their church.

Usually the conclusion reached from a serious stewardship effort in a Baptist church is that too many give too little and too few give enough. It is assumed that all the problems would be solved if every one gave a tithe.

I wonder if this is so. Maybe we ought to examine the spending habits of the churches as carefully as we look at the giving habits of its members. A church and a denomination, for that matter, might have some sins to confess as well as the members.

For example, what happens to a dollar put in the offering plates of the average Baptist church in Kentucky? To begin with the church which takes the offering grabs eighty-five cents of the dollar to have and to hold for ever. You don't believe it? Check your own budget. By the time the pastors, staff members, and caretakers are paid, the literature and other supplies for the organizations are bought, the electricity, water, etc., are taken care of, the payment on the indebtedness or building fund is met, the grocery bills and other incidentals are remembered, and the unanticipated expenditures made, you do well to have fifteen cents out of every dollar to send away to save the rest of the world.

Not all this fifteen cents goes through the Cooperative Program, the accepted plan for equitable distribution of funds to all Baptist causes. Part of it goes to the local associational mission program—as much as 20 percent from some churches—and part to other designated causes. After it's all said and done, only about ten cents of each Kentucky Baptist dollar reaches the state office for distribution.

Now 65 percent of this ten cents of each dollar stays in Kentucky for state missions, schools, ministers' retirement, children's homes, hospitals, administration and promotion, W.M.U., Western Recorder, Cedarmore, etc.

The remaining 35 percent of the ten cents goes to Nashville for distribution. This is divided among foreign missions, home missions, seminaries, relief and

annuity, radio and television. Southern Baptist hospitals, Brotherhood Commission, Christian Life Commission, Historical Commission, convention operating budget, Education Commission, Public Affairs Commission, and Southern Baptist Foundation.

What a bunch of hands in the pot! All of these causes are worthy but it's easy to see that with so many, the pie has to be sliced thinly.

Look at it another way. Last year the average total giving for each Baptist in Kentucky amounted to \$37.81. This was shameful especially when we learned it was the lowest of all the twenty-eight Southern Baptist state groups. Only \$6.58 of this was reported as spent for missions, and a good bit of the \$6.58 was for local or associational missions and never got out of sight of the local church.

BAPTIST FORUM



ENCOURAGEMENT FROM CALIFORNIA

Editor:

With what pleasure I sit down to read each *Western Recorder*! Undoubtedly, it is fast becoming my favorite "piece of mail." Having been away from my native Kentucky now for twelve years I look forward each week to that which takes me home.

May I heartily commend you for your forthright views in dealing with the Catholic-for-president problem! Daley Observations are not only evidence of courage of conviction, but they are always presented in full clearness and conciseness.

The issue in this election is not one man's religion, but it happens to involve and include every man's religion. Continue to give it to us straight!

William E. (Gene) Vaught, Pastor
First Baptist Church
La Jolla, California

A MAN WHO THINKS FOR HIMSELF

Editor:

Having read Dr. Steely's and John J. Gleason's letters, I will say as another Baptist that I didn't like the tones of said letters.

Knowing that the first allegiance of all good Catholics is to the Pope, I am not going to vote for one under intimidation and fear of being classified as a man of "ignorance, prejudice, bigotry and sectionalism" (as per Gleason's letter).

I never put my political party first and trust I never allow political party prejudice so to warp my mind as to blind me to the dangers of freedom of mind and action when I vote.

These terms "bigotry," etc., are only applied by those who are trying to make us afraid to exercise our freedom to vote as we wish. Let them scream "bigot" all they wish, but what sect contains any more "bigotry" than Roman Catholicism? If I were a Catholic or sympathizer, I would never open my mouth about religious "bigotry."

So you fellows vote however you wish and I will do the same without cringing before those who apply above epithets to me. I want to keep America free.

Somerset, Ky. Ed Bradley

SALARIES OF BAPTIST MISSIONARIES

Editor:

Will you please print the answer to the following question in the Baptist Forum of the *Western Recorder*?

What is the salary of doctors and dentists going from the U.S. to foreign countries as missionaries?

This is an important question. Some understand they are receiving salaries from \$12,000 to \$15,000 a year. And the question is arising in the minds of some as to whether they want to continue their gifts to foreign missions through the mission board.

Most people have always understood going as a missionary meant a financial sacrifice as well as leaving their homes.

A number of people are going to be watching for the answer to this question.

Blue Lick Road Mrs. Cora Wiegel
Louisville, Ky.

Answer:

This is a good question and I am glad to give the answer to you and to all

others who might wonder about this matter. All missionaries serving under the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board receive the same basic salary. A doctor or dentist receives no more than a teacher, an evangelistic worker, or any other missionary. There is some variation in expense allowances, based on the cost of living in various parts of the world, but no variation on the basis of what the missionary does.

Indeed, it might appear to some that the Board should do something extra for a doctor who spends so much getting his training and often goes heavily in debt before he finishes his training. At least the Board might consider paying his indebtedness. So far, however, the Board has not shown any discrimination whatsoever.

Kentucky has two members on the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. They are Fred T. Moffatt, Sr., pastor, First Baptist Church, Frankfort, and Carroll Hubbard, Sr., pastor, St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville. Any information about policies of the Board would be gladly provided by either of these, or by Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia.

—Editor

►Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Crabb, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Italy, have a baby daughter, Ruth Anne, their second child, born September 22. Their address is Via Colla 6, Rivoli (Turin), Italy. Both are natives of Kentucky, he of Louisville, and she, the former Patricia Maddux, of Hopkinsville.

►Dr. and Mrs. David Mein, Southern Baptist missionaries remembered in Kentucky, are returning to their work in North Brazil after furlough in the States, and may be addressed Caixa Postal 221, Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil. He is a native of Grand Rapids, Mich., and she is the former Lou Demie Segers, of Cornelia, Ga.

STORM WARNINGS

By DUKE K. McCALL, Louisville, Ky.

Spiritual pride has blinded Southern Baptists to the warning flags that are clear throughout our denomination. As a perpetual optimist I am sounding an alarm for the first time in seventeen years of denominational service. There is no reason for panic, but this is the time for realistic reappraisal and appropriate action.

The S.B.C. Executive Committee has warned the S.B.C. agencies not to expect to receive their full Cooperative Program allocation next year or the next. The 1961 Cooperative Program estimate for S.B.C. agencies has been reduced by two and a half million dollars.

Now there are easy explanations, such as bad weather during early 1960, the absence of pastors from the country during the summer, and the economic slowdown which cause the changed financial picture.

But what have these explanations to do with the headline "Baptist Goals Revised Downward by S.B.C.?" It appears that Baptist churches will baptize from one-fourth to one-third fewer people than the 429,063 who were won to Christ in 1959. Again there is an easy explanation. There were fewer simultaneous evangelistic crusades this year.

But what has that explanation to do with the fact that Sunday School Board officials report it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the pace of enlisting new people in Sunday school. Again there is an explanation: The time and attention of the church members during October is being divided between the Forward Program of Church Finance, and the methods study courses and enlargement efforts of the Sunday schools.

But what has that explanation to do with the fact that total enrolment in theological seminaries is down? All six seminaries were shaken by their 1960 fall enrolment figures. A study reveals that this is the result of a trend for several years. In 1951 Southern Baptists ordained 1,996 new ministers. This declined until, at the end of the decade, in the year 1959 only 840 were ordained.

In 1946 Southern Baptist colleges enrolled 37,000 students of whom 3,300 were ministerial students and 1,737 were mission volunteers. In 1955 college enrolment had grown to 52,000. The number of ministerial students had increased to 6,500, but mission volunteers had declined to 1,637. Last year with nearly 60,000 students the number of ministerial students had dropped to 4,250 and the number of mission volunteers to 1,151. The number of ministerial students in seminaries has declined from a peak in 1957 of 4,004 to 3,406 in 1959, despite the addition of Midwestern Seminary.

Again there is an explanation. South-

ern Baptist pastors stopped "calling out the called." But what do we do now that The 30,000 Movement multiplies the number of congregations needing a preacher, a minister of education, a minister of music?

Underneath our glib explanations of the various disappointing reports on the various aspects of our work lies the common denominator of spiritual motivation. The Foreign Mission Board is not going to have enough prepared volunteers to make all of the appointments it planned during this year. There is no better barometer of the spiritual life of a denomination than the commitment of young life to the call of God. When that barometer starts falling, along with a diminishing of evangelistic concern at home, then it is time to fall to our knees and cry for God's forgiveness and help.

At present our problems are superficial but they point to disaster in the days ahead unless these trends are changed.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, has proposed a new emphasis on the worship service. I support this, provided it is understood that the purpose is not merely a crowded sanctuary but also a fresh spiritual encounter with the God who in Christ Jesus has sought us and saved us. Let us not look for the solution in terms of new or better promotion programs. We have a good machine. It is just that we are running out of gas. "It must be of the Spirit if we are to have the flesh," said General Douglas MacArthur, and we have all agreed. God's primary purpose is not to save the flesh but the spirit. It is a recovery of a sense of the reality of the spiritual which pastors and people need.

Let us seek God's face to find out not so much what he would have us do as what he would do with us.



Digging started for the new \$200,000 educational building of the First Baptist Church of Danville, when this group took shovel in hand and started groundbreaking. Shown in the foreground are: Dr. C. R. Daley, editor of the Western Recorder, speaker for the occasion; LaMar Baugher, chairman of the Planning Committee; Mrs. Walter K. Price, wife of a former pastor; Sharon Caldwell, in front, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Caldwell; Pastor J. Robert Martin; and John Hughes, a deacon. Photo by courtesy the Danville Advocate-Messenger.

TENTATIVE AND ABRIDGED PROGRAM GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF BAPTISTS IN KENTUCKY

St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville, November 15-17, 1960

Tuesday Morning, November 15

- 11:00 Call to Order ----- Moderator R. S. Burhans, Louisville
- 11:01 Hymn Service ----- R. W. Grobe, Madisonville
- 11:05 Welcome Address ----- Host Pastor, Carroll Hubbard, Louisville
- 11:10 Response ----- Harold Wainscott, Pikeville
- 11:15 Scripture and Prayer ----- O. B. Mylum, Berea
- 11:20 Special Music
- 11:25 Annual Sermon ----- H. F. Parker, First, Paducah

Tuesday Afternoon, November 15

- 1:30 Hymn Service; Scripture and Prayer
- 1:45 Report, Order of Business ----- O. W. Stites, Beechland, Pleasure Ridge Park
- 1:50 Announcement of Committees to Report this Year
- 1:55 Recognition of Visitors and New Pastors
- 2:05 Special Music ----- Campbellsville College
- 2:10 Report on Teaching, Training, Enlistment and Assembly ----- Kenneth Dean, First, Paducah
- Sunday School ----- Roy E. Boatwright
- Training Union ----- J. Chester Durham
- Student Union ----- Forrest R. Sawyer
- Brotherhood ----- Eugene F. Quinn
- Church Music ----- Mrs. George Ferguson
- Woman's Missionary Union ----- Marvyn Byrdwell
- Cedarvale Assembly -----
- Address ----- Joe W. Burton, Sunday School Board, Nashville
- 3:40 Report on Christian Education in Kentucky ----- Ted C. Gilbert, Frankfort
- 4:40 Miscellaneous Business

Tuesday Evening, November 15

- 6:30 Sacred Concert ----- Georgetown College
- 7:00 Hymn Service ----- Forrest Heeren, Southern Baptist Seminary
- 7:05 Scripture and Prayer
- 7:15 Report of WESTERN RECORDER ----- C. R. Daley, Editor, Middletown
- 7:35 Report on State Missions ----- Ira McMillen, Prestonsburg
- 7:50 Special Music ----- Southern Baptist Seminary Male Chorale
- 8:00 State Mission Program ----- W. C. Boone, General Secretary
- Address: "Motive, Mission and Method" ----- R. J. Hastings

Wednesday Morning, November 16

- 9:00 Hymn Service; Scripture and Prayer ----- Richard Ham, Parkland, Louisville
- 9:15 Report of Executive Board ----- W. C. Boone
- 9:35 Report of Budget Committee ----- Harold D. Tallant, First, Madisonville
- 10:00 Report of Committee to Study Survey ----- Carroll Hubbard
- 11:00 Miscellaneous Business
- 11:20 Carver School ----- Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., President
- 11:35 Report on Southwide Education ----- Homer Carter, Lexington
- 11:45 Address ----- Thomas J. DeLaughter, New Orleans Seminary

Wednesday Afternoon, November 16

- 1:45 Hymn Service ----- James R. Jones, First, Bowling Green
- 1:50 Scripture and Prayer
- 2:00 Report on Benevolences ----- Tom Grissom, Jr., Burnside
- Hospital Commission ----- George D. Caldwell, Louisville
- Board of Child Care ----- Joseph E. Stopher, Louisville
- 3:00 Report on Evangelism ----- H. C. Zachry, Central, Winchester
- Address ----- A. B. Colvin, Secretary of Evangelism, Middletown
- 3:20 Historical Society Report ----- Wendell H. Rone, Bellevue, Owensboro
- 3:35 Report on Civic Righteousness ----- Malcolm Rhoades
- 3:35 Election of Officers; Miscellaneous Business

Wednesday Evening, November 16

- 6:30 Sacred Concert ----- Cumberland College Choir
- 7:00 Hymn Service ----- Fred Lane, St. Matthews
- 7:05 Scripture and Prayer
- 7:15 Report on Public Affairs ----- Edwin F. Perry, Broadway, Louisville
- 7:35 Report on Home Missions ----- Henry Huff, Highland, Louisville
- Address ----- Gerald Palmer, Home Mission Board, Atlanta
- 8:05 Report on Radio and TV ----- Sam Shepard, Erlanger
- 8:25 Special Music ----- St. Matthews Church Choir
- 8:30 Report, Foreign Missions ----- Fred T. Moffatt, Jr., First, Paris
- Address ----- Frank K. Means, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond

Thursday Morning, November 17

- 9:00 Hymn Service ----- Richard Ham, Parkland, Louisville
- 9:05 Scripture and Prayer
- 9:15 Report on Retirement ----- Raymond Lawrence, First, Shelbyville
- 9:30 Report of American Bible Society
- 9:40 Report on Obituaries ----- J. T. Burdine, Jr., Bardstown
- 9:55 Report on Baptist Foundation ----- W. T. Chapin, Louisville
- 10:00 Committee on Arrangements ----- Elroy Lamb, Lexington Ave., Danville
- 10:20 Report of Nominating Committee ----- E. K. Judy, Harlan Church, Harlan
- 10:40 Report of Committee on Resolutions ----- Norris G. Hite, First, Scottsville
- 10:55 Miscellaneous Business
- 11:00 Report on Cooperative Program ----- T. H. Shelton, Latonia, Covington
- 11:25 Address ----- Ramsey Pollard, President, Southern Baptist Convention

All music for the General Association will be under the direction of Eugene F. Quinn, Secretary of Church Music Department, Middletown, Kentucky.

ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE—O. W. Stites, Chairman; Grady Randolph, Sidney M. Maddox, Franklin Owen, and W. C. Boone.

Three Kentuckians Enroll at Golden Gate Seminary, in California

MILL VALLEY, Calif.—Three Kentuckians are among 308 students enrolled for the fall semester at Golden Gate Seminary, here. These are Frankie W. Dorris, Nebo, Ky.; Mrs. Jerry Horning Casey, Glasgow, Ky.; and James R. Johnson, Paducah, Ky. Thirty-four states and eight foreign countries are represented.

Young Lady With Big Attendance Record

Mrs. Carol Mitchell of the Trinity Baptist Church, Lexington, recently completed her 17th consecutive year of Sunday school attendance without an absence. Mrs. Mitchell is 25 years old and began her remarkable attendance record when she was promoted into the Junior Department.

Pastor Bob W. Brown says: "Having attended Sunday school for more than 900 Sundays without missing is a testimony not only to her faithfulness and loyalty to her church, but is also evidence of God's blessings upon her. Mrs. Mitchell made her record at Calvary and Trinity Churches. For the past several years she has been a teacher of Junior girls."

She is the wife of Lynn Mitchell, minister of music at the Trinity Church.

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**Quarter-Million Given
Stetson University**

DELAND, Fla.—(BP)—Nearly a quarter of a million dollars has been left to Stetson University here by a De Leon Springs, Fla., widow.

By terms of the will of Mrs. G. G. H. Van Der Heyden, funds totaling \$100,000 were provided for scholarships. The residue of the estate, estimated at between \$125,000 and \$150,000, was designated for construction of educational buildings at the Baptist school.

The scholarships are "for worthy students of all faiths."

Mrs. Van Der Heyden had no direct connection with Stetson University, but through the years she developed an interest in the school and frequently attended campus music concerts. DeLeon Springs is a nearby tourist attraction.

**Warren M. Angell
To Lead Lexington
Church Music Clinic**

A nationally known musician, Warren M. Angell, dean of the College of Fine Arts, Oklahoma Baptist University, will conduct a Church Music Clinic in Lexington's Calvary Baptist Church, October 24-28, under the sponsorship of the Calvary Church, Elkhorn Baptist Association, and the Kentucky Baptist State Music Department.

The Church Music Clinic program will include classes in advanced voice, choral work, beginning voice, music in the Bible, and a lecture study. The clinic will conclude October 28 with a concert directed by Dr. Angell. All classes are opened to interested members of any church with special emphasis for music directors and church musicians.

Clinic Director Angell will be assisted by Daniel Tilford, Georgetown College faculty member; Dr. Franklin Owen, Calvary Baptist pastor; and Harold Reynieron, Calvary music minister.

Dr. Angell will personally conduct classes in voice and choral work, in addition to directing the clinic. Daniel Tilford will accompany Dr. Angell in his choral and advanced voice classes. Mr. Reynieron will conduct voice classes for the clinic and Dr. Owen will lead a class in *Music in the Bible*.



Six Baptists from Tennessee and Kentucky took part in the first annual Annuity Board seminar held recently at Ridgecrest, North Carolina. **Floyd B. Chaffin** of Dallas, Texas, associate secretary of the Annuity Board, directed the seminar which was attended by more than sixty men from fourteen state conventions. Attending from Tennessee and Kentucky were left to right: **Andy Alfred**, Tennessee; **Baynard F. Fox**, Kentucky; **Dr. Floyd B. Chaffin**, of Dallas; **R. M. Stovall**, Kentucky; **Robert F. Hardin**, Kentucky; back row: **Leslie G. Hicks**, Tennessee and **William Bredden**, Tennessee. All phases of the Board's work were presented in complete detail. A similar seminar was held at Glorieta, New Mexico.

**Gallman To Accept
Howard College Post**

JACKSON, Miss.—(BP)—Lee Gallman, Jackson, director of the Seminary Extension Department of Southern Baptist Seminaries, has resigned to become director of the extension division of Howard College, Birmingham, Ala., effective November 15.

Gallman, who has been director of the department in Jackson since its beginning nine years ago, came to the work here from the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church in Montgomery, Ala.

A graduate of Howard College (Southern Baptist), he has the master of theology degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and his doctor of theology degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He has also done special studies in University of Indiana and in Boston University.

He is a contributing member of the Adult Education Association and is currently the chairman of the Mississippi Co-ordinating Committee on Adult Education, an executive committee member of the Southeastern Adult Education Association, and was recently president of the Southern Baptist Extension Education Association.

The Seminary Extension Department has grown until it has reached approximately 20,000 in extension centers and by correspondence. Last year's enrollment included 3,392 people in 41 states.

**Cuban Missionaries
Being Withdrawn**

ATLANTA—(BP)—Southern Baptist missionaries in Cuba are returning at the suggestion of the United States Government. Some families have already reached Miami, Fla., and others are expected to follow.

The announcement was made by Loyd Corder of Atlanta, Ga., secretary of the language group ministries department of the denomination's Home Mission Board with offices in Atlanta.

The board supports 10 United States missionaries in the western portion of the island. Not all of the missionaries have indicated they will leave Cuba, but Corder expects most of them to depart.

The U. S. Government had advised that all dependents should be removed, but the Home Mission Board had previously voted not to withdraw the families without the missionaries. The financial support of the work will not be withdrawn.

Corder felt withdrawal of the missionaries would not severely curtail the work, since the Cuban leadership is sufficiently strong to continue the program among the 85 churches and more than 200 missions. There are more than 150 Cubans employed by the churches and the Home Mission Board.

According to Corder, "We have nationals in Cuba who are well-trained and who have ability to carry on the work without American leadership."

In fact, Corder felt that even if financial support had to be withdrawn the work would be continued by the national leadership.

The work of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Cuba is directed by Herbert Caudill of Havana. Other missionaries are Mrs. Caudill, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Law of Havana, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hurt of Havana, Mrs. David Fite of Havana, David Fite in language school at Costa Rica, and Miss Ruby Miller and Miss Lucille Kerrigan of Cabanas.

Religious News Service reported recently that one of the problems facing the churches arises from Castro-stimulated prejudice against Americans. Many missionaries have complained they cannot talk to some Cubans either because they dislike Americans or are afraid to be seen talking to an American.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

What's New?

- What's New?** The 1960-61 Year Book. The people who receive a free copy (see page 1). See this year book, also for the following new plans and materials.
- What's New?** Promotion certificates are now priced materials (p. 15), and price lists in G.A. and Sunbeam Band sections.
- What's New?** The definition of an Honor W.M.U. (p. 21). This applies to 1960-61 and not to the year just being completed!
- What's New?** The article about the W.M.U. Budget (pp. 25-26).
- What's New?** The required reading for the W.M.S. Refresher Course (p. 35).
- What's New?** The Leadership Courses have been revised. Secured new teacher's helps and Assignment and Answer Booklets.
- What's New?** Changes have been made in Aims for Advancement for all organizations. This applies to 1960-61 and not to the year just being completed!
- What's New?** The number of basic objectives and electives required for Approved, Advanced and Honor societies (p. 41).
- What's New?** Some priced materials. See organizational sections.
- What's New?** Some changes have been made in Forward Steps requirements for Intermediates (pages 91-92).
- What's New?** The article on Associational Girls' Auxiliary (p. 94).
- What's New?** The article on Sunbeam Band's 75th Anniversary (p. 110).
- What's New?** The article on Day Camping for Eight-year-olds (p. 111).
- What's New?** Mission Picture Packet (p. 113).
- What's New?** The Sunbeam Nursery Manual (p. 114).
- What's New?** W.M.U. with more than one W.M.S. (see pages 116-122).

FLASH FROM BIRMINGHAM

We have just received information that Cross-stitch map patterns (for Intermediate G.A.'s who are eligible to work on Queen Regent requirements) will be available from Birmingham for 50¢; Queen Regent cape patterns, 75¢.

ATTENTION PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

Applications for Approved, Advanced and Honor recognition for all organizations (W.M.S.-Y.W.A.-G.A. and Sunbeam Band) are to be sent to the State Office immediately after **October 1**. These must be accompanied by the Aims for Advancement Record Sheets. Those received after November 1 cannot be included in our report to Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. Certificates of recognition are to be distributed in the January Associational meetings. These certificates cannot be distributed to those reporting after November 1. **Get your application and your record sheet in early.**

KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION

Church Is Included In a Woman's Will

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

In July, 1959, Miss Amelia P. Blanton, Louisville, Kentucky, passed away, leaving a Will in which she left her estate, valued at \$45,000.00, to the KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION. Eleven thousand dollars of this amount was delivered to the Foundation shortly after her death.

The balance will be held in trust for her two brothers during their life-time and at their death, will pass to the Foundation. The income from that portion now in the Foundation's hands goes to the New Haven Baptist Church. Since January, 1960, the Foundation has delivered to the New Haven Baptist Church \$336.40 in income from the investment of this bequest.

This church will benefit from this bequest until the Lord comes again. Is there any way a church member could make his or her love for their church

more evident or his influence more perpetual than to do as this good lady did?

SUGGESTED FORM FOR WILLS

On October 7 the Secretary of the Foundation assisted in the preparation of a will, the last paragraph of which reads as follows:

"All of the rest of my estate, I give, devise and bequeath to the KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION, a Kentucky Corporation, located at Middletown, Kentucky, the principal to be known as the

MEMORIAL, and the income from the investment of the principal shall be paid to the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Georgia, for use in the advancement of the cause of Home Missions."

This paragraph may serve as a form for others who wish to put our Baptist causes in their wills. It is most important that wills be properly worded.

Wills, such as this, are becoming more numerous through the promotional efforts of the KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

State Mission Day In the Sunday School

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT

Sunday, October 23, 1960, has been designated as State Mission Day in the Sunday School. A great program of Christian work is conducted under the title of State Missions.

A great opportunity is afforded all churches relative to the presentation of the spiritual and educational value of this State Mission program. A letter and some promotional materials have been mailed from the Sunday school office. The letter is signed by the General Secretary-Treasurer and the State Sunday School Secretary. A good program can be arranged for Sunday morning, October 23, or some other Sunday near this date by using the material which has been sent to present the work that is carried on through State Missions. On pages 18 and 19 of the October issue of the SUNDAY SCHOOL



R. E. Boatwright

BUILDER is a suggested program which can be used in department and general assemblies of the Sunday School. We express a deep concern that all organizations of every church will co-operate in promoting State Missions.

The following suggestions may be helpful:

1. Plan with your church leaders to observe October 23, or some other date in October which may be more suitable, as State Mission Day.
2. Make the best use of the material sent.
3. Order free envelopes from Dr. W. C. Boone's office, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky, immediately.
4. Set a worthy offering goal and urge your people to attain.
5. Send your offering designated "for State Missions" to Dr. W. C. Boone.
6. Encourage all your people to participate and pray for the blessings of the Lord. This will be a great Missionary Day.

BROTHERHOOD

Royal Ambassador Focus Week

FOCUS Your Eye On Royal Ambassadors November 6-12, 1960



A Royal Ambassador recognition service is a good way to focus the eyes of the church membership on what is being done in the Royal Ambassador chapters in your church. This service could be held on Sunday night or Wednesday night or you might want to conduct it as a special service on some other night during the week. Whenever you have the service,

be sure to plan and rehearse it carefully. Make sure that each boy knows his part well. Recognize the parents in some way. You might ask each father to pin on his son's pin.

Focus Week is a good time to plan an initiation service for all boys who have passed the rank of Page and have not been initiated. Fathers of the boys to be initiated could be invited to attend. Committeemen and counselors can conduct the service under the direction of the Advancement assistant on the Royal Ambassador Committee. Leaflets on this initiation service are available on request from your state Brotherhood Department.

Why not give special emphasis during this week to Knightly Deeds? Special activities can be arranged to give the boys opportunity to be of help to others. It is not necessary for Knightly Deeds to always be a matter of taking appropriate magazines to barber shops or doctors' offices. For some good idea see the October, November, December 1960 issue of **Ambassador Leader**.

The 1960 Brotherhood Handbook makes other worthwhile suggestions concerning Focus Week. Refer to it for additional ideas that can be used to make this a successful week.

The Royal Ambassador Leader should discuss Focus Week plans with the Planning Committee of the church Brotherhood. This will enable all officers to be "in the know."

CHURCH MUSIC

Very Helpful Program Scheduled For Music Directors' Conference

By EUGENE F. QUINN

The fourth annual pre-convention conference of the Kentucky Baptist Music Directors' Association will feature a very helpful program when it convenes on November 14 and 15 at Southern Baptist Seminary.

"Through Others' Eyes" will be the theme of the program. The Monday afternoon session beginning at four o'clock will consist of an actual Junior choir demonstration by Miss Mabel Warkentin of the faculty of the seminary School of Church Music.

A T-Bone steak supper for only \$1.50 at the seminary cafeteria and a breakfast on Tuesday morning with the Religious Education Association are palatable sections of the program.

Other edifying features include Sam Shanke, Hankins Parker, Mrs. James Tate, and Ernest Loessner.

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tucky churches since our last meeting will be recognized. This will be the best opportunity for each to get acquainted with the other.

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Julian Compton

Junior at Georgetown College and is majoring in Bible.

The ordination prayer was led by Pastor George Phillips, of the Southern

Heights Baptist Church, Lexington, and the charge to the church was given by Associational Missionary John W. Wells. Pastor O. W. Yates delivered the charge to the candidate, and a loose-leaf Bible was presented by Associate Pastor Bill Curl.

Dr. George W. Redding, head of the Bible Department in Georgetown College, served as a member of the examining council, along with the other preachers present.

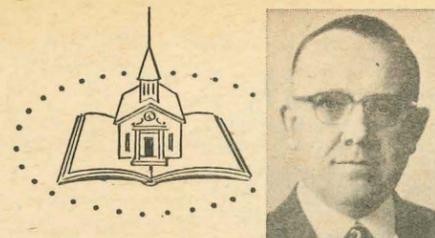
Compton has been serving as pastor of the Conway Church since July 3.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

OUR NEED OF GOD

For October 23, 1960

Psalm 42

In our successes and failures, our hopes and fears, and our joys and sorrows, we frequently turn to the Psalms which express so beautifully our thoughts, feelings and desires, however varied they may be.

Psalm forty-two relates the story of a struggling soul in need of God. The writer's foes had chased him out of Jerusalem and driven him into exile. As a fugitive he was in hiding somewhere beyond Jordan and not far from Mount Hermon. Many believe that David wrote this Psalm after he had been driven from his throne by the rebellion of Absalom, and when he was pursued by enemies who were thirsting for his blood.

While in exile, the Psalmist was unable to have fellowship with his family or to sit upon his throne. What grieved him even more was being deprived of the privilege of worshipping God publicly in the appointed place in Jerusalem. As king he had not been too proud to join the multitude in the accustomed place of worship. That was not an unpleasant task for him, but he had gone there repeatedly with joy in his heart and praises upon his lips. In his distress he longed for the opportunity of having communion with God in that sacred place and wondered when he would have that blessed privilege again. Alas, so many take their blessings for granted and do not appreciate many of the best things of life until they have been deprived of them.

In his loneliness the Psalmist felt that he simply could not go on without help from God. His desperate yearning for the living God was expressed beautifully and effectively in verses one and two. He had frequently seen a deer with open mouth and heaving flanks eagerly seeking water in dried-up brooks. For the deer the brook was a great luxury, but it was far more. It was an absolute necessity. Just as the deer was dependent upon the water brooks, and as man's physical nature is dependent upon food and drink, so the soul of man is dependent upon the living God. There is simply no getting along as one should without God. Nobody can have complete satisfaction apart from God. As Augustine said, "Thou hast made us for Thyself, and the heart of man is restless until it finds rest in Thee."

David was heartsick because he was kept away from the place of worship. He did not covet ease or honor, but he longed for the privilege of communion with God. In these respects we would do well to emulate him. While David was in the midst of his distress and desperation others scoffed at him and disdainfully taunted and reproached him with the question, "Where is thy God?", implying that He had forsaken His servant. This is another illustration of the fact that in times of religious perplexity the unsympathetic world either misunderstands or taunts the children of God.

The Psalmist was discouraged because he thought that his lot in life was very hard. His circumstances were very unfavorable and his environment was very uncongenial. These conditions caused him to question the goodness of God and to conclude that he had been mistreated. It is so easy to think that our trouble is worse than anybody else ever endured. Thinking of the good old days and missing their blessings, the Psalmist developed a case of blues. His real trouble was not in his circumstances, but in himself. He had stopped praising God, and naturally his heart became heavy. Concerning the troubles, trials and tribulations which came into his experience by either the directive or the permissive will of God he turned his dejected spirit toward Him and remarked, "All thy waves and thy billows are gone over me."

In his low and disconsolate moments David unwisely and wrongfully attempted to blame the unhappy circumstances in which he found himself on God. He said, "I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me?" The fact is that God had not forgotten him, just as He does not forget us. As long as we are here, we shall encounter temptations, disappointments, problems and trials that will tend to discourage us, but we must not become despondent for we have the blessed assurance that God is for us and will see us through. The ultimate secret of triumph over discouragement is faith in God. "Hope thou in God." If your soul is tried, beaten and fettered, put your trust in God. Place your feet on the rock of the purpose of God and refrain from seeking the primrose path of your own selfish pleasure. God will be your satisfying

portion. He will never fail you nor forsake you.

"Trials many will beset my pathway
And temptations I shall surely meet;
But my Saviour promised grace to help
me,
Till I lay my trophies at His feet."

There will never be a time when you may not hope in God. In His own time and manner He will make available to you the very help which you will need. Therefore, discard the black flag of discouragement and raise the white banner of hope.

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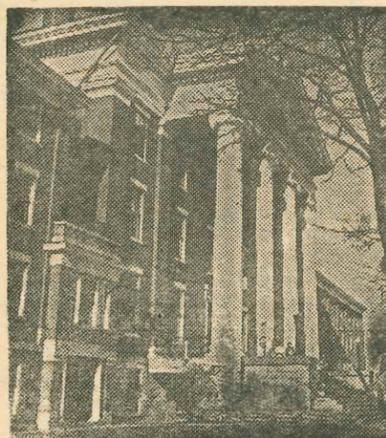
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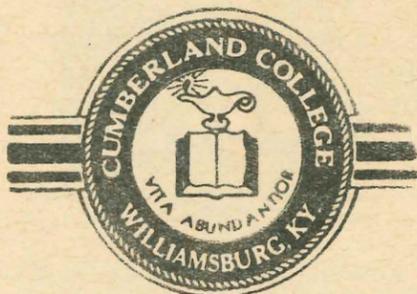
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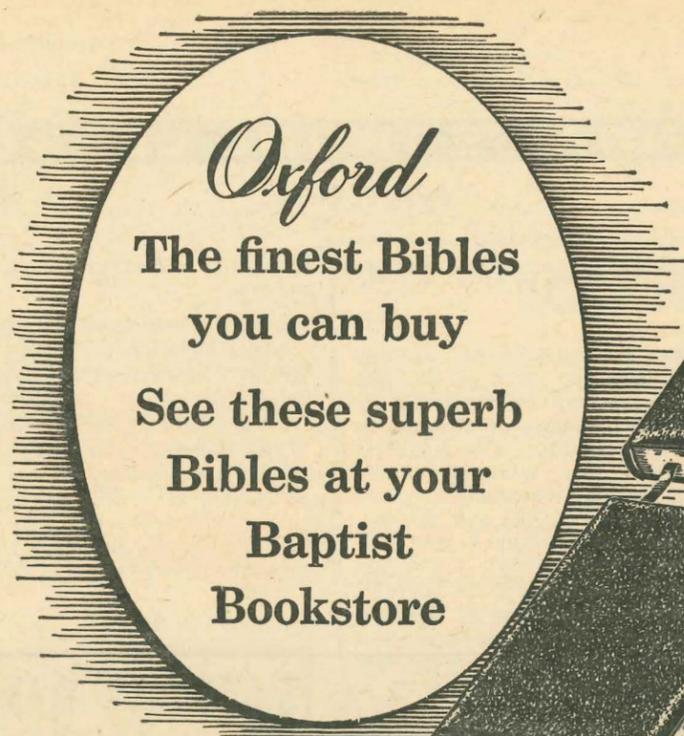
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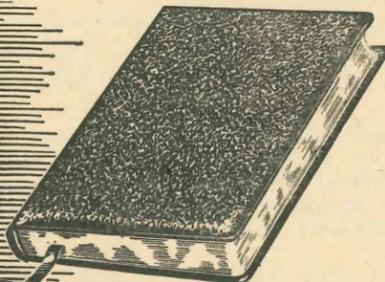
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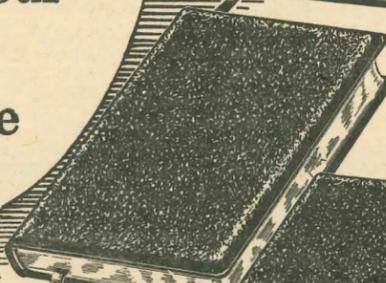


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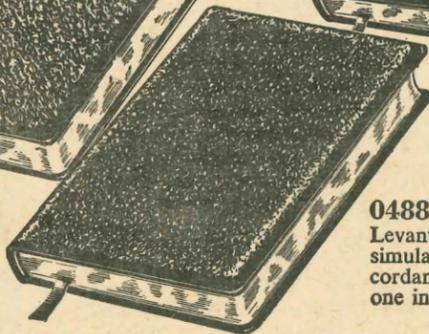
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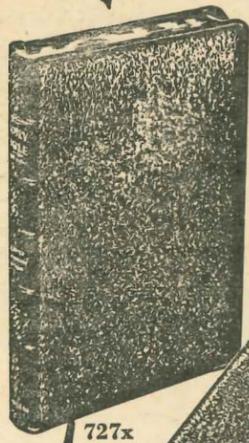
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