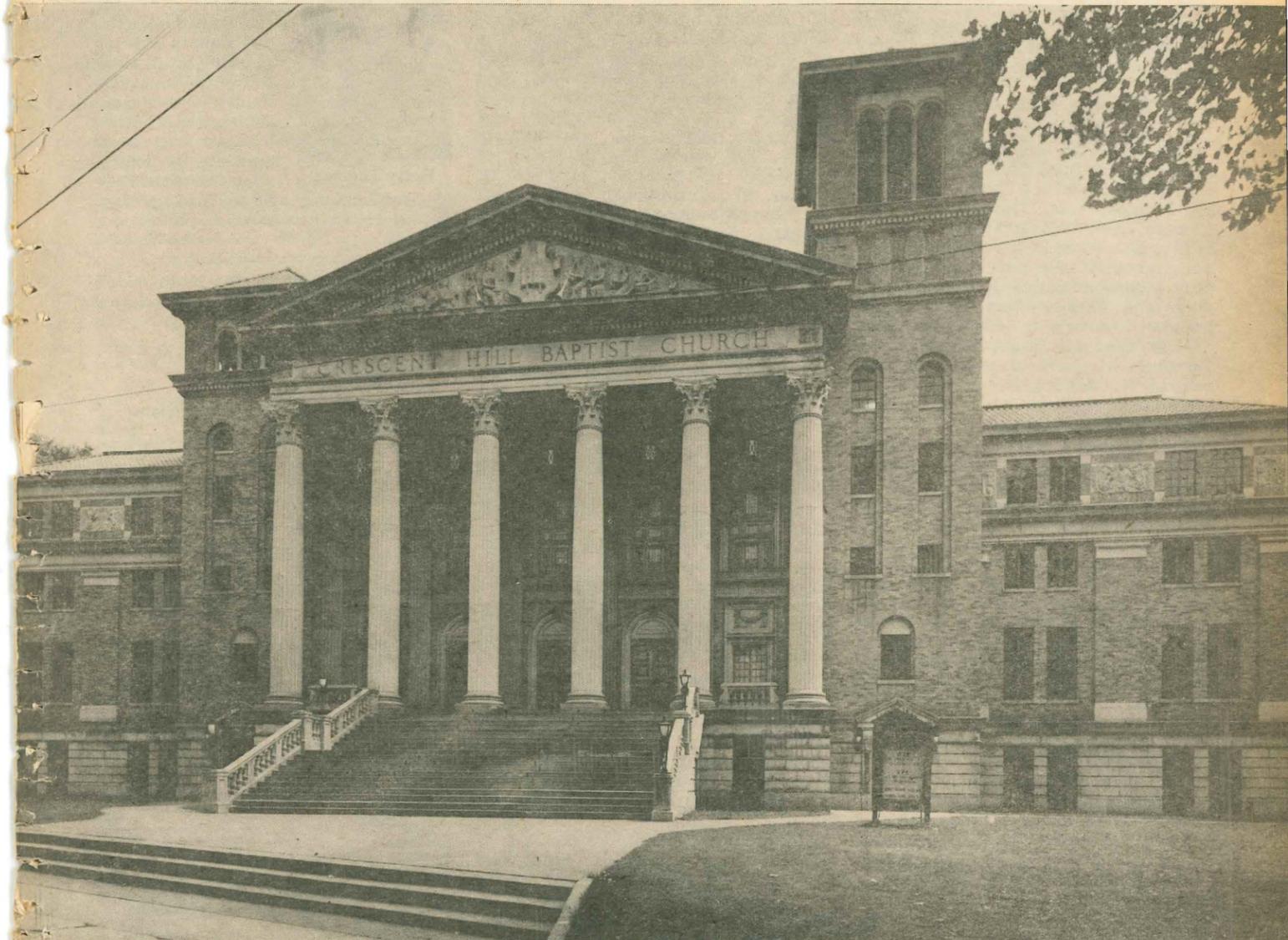




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The Woman's Missionary Union of Kentucky will hold its 1962 annual meeting at the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, Tuesday evening through Thursday noon, April 10-12. For further information see article on page ten.



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

Wedding Bells at Highland

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen Christian have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Betty Ann Christian, who expects to be graduated from the University of Louisville in June, to Mr. Ronald Fearis Howard. Mr. Howard, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell E. Howard, is a graduate of the University of Louisville and is at present a second year student in the School of Medicine in the same institution. Their wedding is scheduled to occur at the Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, on July 28.

U. A. Ransom's Book Available

A new book entitled, *Something Added*, by U. A. Ransom, is available at the Baptist Book Store. The book is a religio-philosophical novel published by Vantage Press. The author, U. A. Ransom, living for many years in Louisville, was born in Lovelaceville, Ballard Co., Kentucky. He took his B.A. and M.A. degrees at Bethel College, Russellville, and later studied at Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville. The book is called a truly inspirational novel for those in quest of the "something added." It sells for \$2.50.

Carver Alumnae Dinner

The Kentucky Chapter of Carver School Alumnae will hold a dinner meeting Wednesday, April 11, during the state W.M.U. convention in Louisville. The dinner is scheduled for 5:00 at Carver School of Missions and Social Work. Dr. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., president of the school, will be the principal speaker. State president of the chapter is Mrs. D. M. Aldridge of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville. Send \$1.50 for the dinner to Miss Pauline Utterback, Alumnae Secretary, 3615 Decoursey, Covington, Kentucky, or to Miss Norma Jean Baker at Carver School.

Paris Woman Passes On

Mrs. Margaret DeJarnette, widow of John DeJarnette of Paris, Kentucky, departed this life at the Fentress Nursing Home at Nicholasville, Ky. She was formerly of Mercer County and a sister of Mrs. Dollie Broyles of Harrodsburg. Other survivors are a son, Frank DeJarnette, Leesburg, Fla., and a number of grandchildren. A daughter, Mrs. Lillian Rogers, preceded her in death November 26, 1960. Mrs. DeJarnette was a member of the First Baptist Church of Paris and active in all departments as

long as her health permitted. Her funeral was conducted at the Davis Funeral Home and burial was in the family lot in the Paris Cemetery.

Bewley-Tucker Wedding

The engagement of Miss Mabel Frances Bewley and Mr. Ernest Martin Tucker has been announced by Mr. and Mrs. Ben William Bewley, and the wedding is to take place at the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, on Saturday, March 31, at 4:30 o'clock. The bride-to-be is a graduate of the Parsons School of Fine and Applied Arts, New York City, and the groom-to-be is a graduate of Georgetown College, and expects to complete his post-graduate degree this year at the University of Louisville. He is a son of Fred G. Tucker, Sr., institutional worker with the Long Run Association of Baptists, and Mrs. Tucker.

Charles R. Riggs Ordained

Victory Memorial Baptist Church, Louisville, ordained Charles R. Riggs to the Gospel ministry February 25. Riggs is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Riggs, and is pastor of Faith Baptist Chapel, a mission of Victory Memorial. Riggs is a graduate of Georgetown College and is in his final year for undergraduate work at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Henry W. Schafer, Victory Memorial pastor, served as the moderator of the council which examined Riggs. The members of the council were Pastors Victor E. Mantiply, Lewis C. Ray, Leon Larimore, Cecil C. Laster and Hugh O. Potter, Jr. The ordination sermon was delivered by G. Willis Bennett, associate professor of Christian ethics at Southern Seminary.

Ashland Woman Dies

Mrs. Dova Stanley Riffe, a devoted mother and loyal Christian, went to be with her heavenly Father, whom she loved and served from childhood days. She died at Asheville, N. C., Hospital January 27 after a few days' illness. She was a member of the Central Baptist Church of Ashland, Ky. Her funeral was conducted there by her pastor, Lee Gore, assisted by Pastor Ora Sloan. Burial was in the family cemetery in Boyd County. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Moxcine Kerr, Asheville, N. C., and Mrs. Irene Dodson, Minford, Ohio; one son, Homer Riffe, Elizabethtown, Penna.; two sisters, Mrs. W. B. Reeves, Ashland; Mrs. Ollie

Barber, Columbus, Ohio; three brothers, Oscar and Phil of Ashland, and Allen of Fairborn, Ohio; 4 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild.

New Sunbeam Editor



Miss Betty Thomas, of Joanna, South Carolina, is the new editor of Sunbeam Activities, published by Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham, Alabama. She is a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas.

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Personal Observations On People

By John M. Wall

In trying to prepare this paper, my mind was flooded with a multitude of varied thoughts. I am sure you could think of many definitions concerning people. As one of my deacons, who is a meat cutter, remarked, "Brother, the things I could tell you about people, I could sure write a paper on them." Or the person who said "Boy, a paper on people, if you ever find how to understand them, be sure and let me know." These observations are strictly from a ministerial viewpoint, but I trust they will be of help to all who study human behaviour.

Decision Makers

Of all God's creatures, people are the decision makers of the world. Animals make decisions based upon instinct; man makes decisions based upon reason. Sometimes they are foolish reasoning based upon hunches and implanted ideas, but nevertheless they are still decisions. Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins said, "The first thing that faced a newborn baby was a decision, a decision whether to holler or to swaller." He found that he couldn't do both at the same time.

I have found that most new-born spiritual babies usually "holler more than they swaller." However, they make decisions and those decisions are based upon what they have heard and seen. It therefore becomes necessary that they be guided into making the right decisions. Many of our great leaders have recognized the value of people as decision makers. U. S. Grant said, "The will of the people is the best law".

R. D. Owen said, "The people are the only sovereigns of any country." Martin Van Buren said, "The second, sober thought of the people is seldom wrong, and always efficient." Robert Yates said, "No party should fear to go before the people for their decision."

The world is using every conceivable method to get people to decide in favor of the world. We have only to watch some of the TV-Quiz programs to realize the delight people get out of making decisions. It is also very obvious that the announcer prompts them, trying his best to get them to make the right decisions. For he realizes that the success of his show depends upon their being happy with the decisions they make. If this be true with the physical, it surely could be used to advantage in the spiritual. The sheep go into the fold under their own strength but the shepherd guides them.

Helping people to make decisions is like growing a crop. First the seed must

[John M. Wall is pastor of Ashland Avenue Baptist Church in Covington, Ky. This article is part of a paper prepared for the North Bend Baptist Pastors' Conference.—Editor.]

be planted in the mind, given time to grow, cultivated and then brought to harvest. This calls for understanding, for some soils are different and take more cultivating than others. Sometimes we use the fertilizer of love. Other times a little soft-soap might help. We may feel that the crop is not growing and the seeds are decaying in the ground, but our minds are refreshed when we look around and see the progress. It gives me a warm feeling, when after a few years on a field, I hear my deacons using phrases in their prayers that I have used, hear the teachers, teaching parts of sermons I have preached, and watch the people point with pride to the work accomplished. Many times a minister feels he should have more praise for his share. He led in the decision, sometimes did most of the work, but it is best just to smile and enjoy it. God will in due season render to each his just reward, when both the sower and the reaper shall rejoice together.

Changing Personalities

Perhaps one of the secrets of a successful ministry is knowing when to approach a person. Surely without the aid of the Holy Spirit we would be a miserable failure, for people change overnight. A person may be very cold toward the gospel one week and be willing to listen with interest the next.

Likewise people may be opposed to something now, and perhaps understand it better and be willing to listen at a later date. The question arises, Why? Why do people change? What is it that changes their attitudes? In answer to these questions, I have found that many are the factors that contribute to change in people.

People change in their status in life. People get rich, people go broke, people get married, people get divorces, people get sick, people get well, always there is the changing process that affects people's lives. Be not misguided! Any outstanding change in a person's life usually changes their attitude. A well-informed minister will take these facts into consideration when dealing with a person. A deacon who has grown older and has only a small income to sustain him, will judge the progress of his church in the light of his own state. While perhaps a younger deacon with a bright future ahead will show more zeal for expansion. Wise is the pastor who can understand and appreciate both views.

This changing value of people comes about, not only by their status in life, but also by the growth process. As we grow older in years and experience our values change. Things that once seemed so important are now insignificant. We

must take this into consideration in dealing with church members. As Rufini puts it "All papas and mamas have exactly that sort of sight, which distinguishes objects at a distance clearly, while they need spectacles to see those under their very noses." This is doubly true in my ministry. Always the fields have looked greener in the other pasture. It has been said "If we worked as hard on our church field where we are now pastor, as we have promised ourselves we will work on the next field, we would never need the next field of labor, but would continue with fruitful years where we now reside."

I have felt this value change in my own life. I believe it is for the best. I find I can forgive others, sympathize with them and understand them better than when I was young. When I pause and think of my sins, my evil deeds, my small and petty actions, I find it is easier to forgive others and to understand their position. In this growth process I have found that each new day may not bring a new field, but it does bring new opportunities, new prospects and new understanding. Wise is the minister who understands the changing values of the lives of those to whom he ministers.

Vanity of Vanities

Perhaps the one word in the Bible that describes man best is "Vanity." I have found that people respond to vanity more than any other drive. I am a victim of its power. Who does not like the spicy savor of the voice that speaks, "Preacher you sure brought a powerful sermon this morning." Even though the remark rings with a bit of overseasoning, it still tastes good to our spiritual palate.

Vanity can be used to our benefit in the ministry, but beware of one true fact: Those who partake of highly seasoned food, soon become accustomed to its flavor and demand more spices. We may empty our spice box before we have the patient satisfied.

Salt is wonderful for flavoring. It enhances the taste. I have found it to be of great advantage in the ministry. There is an old saying "You can lead a horse to the water, but you can't make him drink." True, but you can give the horse salt and make him develop a taste for water. Christ said, "Ye are the salt of the earth." Salt 'em, brother, salt 'em!

Praise is another good seasoning. I like to use praise. It puts a delicate flavor in people's minds. But praise must only be used when praise is due to one. Somebody threw the whole bottle of praise in, when they said, "Isn't Mrs. Blank wonderful, she has been saving tin-foil for the building fund."

Before we leave the idea of vanity, let us remember that even our Master

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Bingo Lessons

Moral forces of Kentucky, take heart! All is not lost. There are people with convictions who still speak and are heard.

This was illustrated dramatically in the last three days of the Kentucky General Assembly when a bill, providing for legalized bingo in some Kentucky communities upon popular approval, was stopped cold after giving every appearance of being on greased tracks. The bill had the Governor's approval, had already passed the Senate 20-3, and had its second reading in the House of Representatives the same day a group of concerned men arrived in Frankfort to protest. The bill was stopped in the Rules Committee and thus never reached the House floor for consideration.

The group going to Frankfort to plead against passage of the bill was made up mainly of ministers. These were principally Baptists, but Methodist and Christian ministers were also counted. In the emergency the men had to be gathered in a matter of hours by long distance telephone.

Some of these ministers gave one day, others two days, and some even three days. A number of them called up the men by long distance at their own expense. Fourteen preachers underwrote the cost of sending telegrams to the local communities of most of the Representatives in order to get protests sent immediately to the legislators. Many of the men canceled other engagements and left piled up work feeling the emergency demanded such.

Pastors out in the state who received the telegrams responded promptly and forthrightly. In addition to sending telegrams of their own, they urged others to do the same and in some cases churches in Wednesday night prayer meetings sent expressions of opposition to their Representatives. Once the tide turned, the chances of the bill getting approval grew slimmer by the hour.

In addition to whatever good resulted from the failure of the bill to pass, those participating in this experience of protest learned some things and had other things confirmed in their minds.

They learned that legislators and other public officials will listen to those who voice honest convictions. Practically all the legislators were talked to by some minister, many of them were approached several times by several ministers, and with very rare exceptions, the most cordial and courteous response was given. In fact, outright appreciation for their stand was often expressed to the ministers by the legislators.

They learned also that many of the legislators possessed strong moral convictions. This was evidenced by the fact that one bingo bill had already been rejected by the House of Representatives. There would have been little to worry about as to the passage of

this bill if political considerations had not been involved and some Representatives who voted against the other bill had not been persuaded this was good legislation.

It was discovered that these convictions did not run along denominational lines. For a while many Baptist Representatives stood tall in opposition to the bingo bill, some Baptists in the Senate voted for this legislation. And while bingo is often associated with Roman Catholic churches, at least two Catholic Representatives expressed opposition to the bill.

The group also learned that the Governor's office and ear are open to those who have moral convictions to express. Amidst all the rush of the last two days of the General Assembly, the Governor cordially received the ministers and discussed at length the merits and the demerits of the bingo bill. He favored the bill but demonstrated utmost sincerity in his views and listened with respect to the other side. Those who had advantage of this conference with the Governor came away with a deep appreciation for their fellow Baptist though in strong disagreement with him on this particular matter.

Now what? With the bingo bill defeated, will we sit back and say nothing until another fire breaks out? This too often characterizes Baptists. We had better not! Some things we can do.

At least we can thank the members of the House of Representatives for their courageous stand. Most of them were on the Rules Committee and had to resist pressure to vote their convictions. Everyone to whom we sent a telegram, we should now send a word of thanks.

This would especially go for the only three Senators who voted against the bill. These are Senator Frederick E. Nichols, Madisonville; Senator Paul L. Fuqua, Hardinsburg; and Senator Marvin Edwards, Lawrenceburg. Edwards and Fuqua are Baptists; Nichols is a Presbyterian.

Another thing we can now do is to re-appraise our approach to such matters. It was very obvious to those in this experience that our moral conscience needs more adequate means of expression. We should certainly broaden our approach. We need to take some positive stands as well as negative positions. We need to be for some things as well as against some things. It's a sad reflection on us that with all the important matters under consideration this year in the General Assembly, the only time we showed up to speak our convictions was on the bingo bill.

Also we need ever to be careful about whom we send to Frankfort to take care of the state government. It takes strong men to stand the pressures from many sides. These Representatives also need expres-



sions from us. They respect what their constituents think for more reasons than just politics.

Finally we need to decide on a method for scrutinizing all proposed legislation and a way to communicate accurately and quickly the findings. We should decide whether we will do this alone as Baptists or with others equally interested. We must decide whether we will do it through an existing organization or another organization. Now is the time to decide these things before two years hence when the General Assembly next meets.

Meantime

Meantime, back at the Louisville Courier-Journal a classic and deplorable example of moral blindness was displayed in an editorial on the bingo bill. The bill which couldn't even rate a paragraph in news reports out of Frankfort got an editorial treatment which apparently was a slap at the preachers who went to

Frankfort to oppose the bill. The editorial characterized the bingo bill as a reflection of Kentucky's moral schizophrenia and called bingo harmless and "a favorite church pastime of ladies and gentlemen of the highest moral ethics." The conclusion of the editorial was that "it takes a rather feverish mentality to see in it any threat to the public morality."

How morally blind can one become? What a tragic example of a deadened conscience!

Thank God for "feverish mentality" which calls gambling what it is whether it is sponsored by a church or by mobsters who, by admission of the editorial, took over legalized bingo in New York. And thank the Lord for "feverish mentality" which sees the mission of the church as not having any place for such a "favorite pastime" as bingo. And thank God for enough legislators of moral rectitude who followed their enlightened conscience rather than swallowing the morally blind thinking of an editorial writer in the Courier-Journal.

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training offered here is a must in our Southern Baptist Convention. May God place in man's grasp the power of Positive Thinking!

With this letter I extend my concern and interest. In prayer I turn to God.

Milton, Ky. Jennye Hollowell
(Carver Graduate)

Little Comfort

Editor:

Alas, and no wonder Jesus said, "Blessed are they that mourn, for He well knew there would be plenty of things in this life about which we could do little but mourn. An example of this is the wide and seemingly never-narrowing gap between our attainments and our Christian ideals. We preach the love and brotherhood of all men everywhere, and yet do not practice the unqualified acceptance of them.

The recent action of the First Baptist Church of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in rejecting for membership a fifteen-year-old Negro boy is symptomatic of the fact that within our churches the roots of racial prejudice run deep, entangling otherwise well-meaning Christians and causing them to attempt to excuse their action on the basis of "motivational insincerity," while failing to see that no one has completely pure motives for anything he does. All of which makes many of us mourn over the apparent hopelessness of the situation, believing that nothing short of the dynamiting power of God's love to blow this sin out of our hearts will ever clear the way for us to accept each other, as we have accepted Christ.

Maybe we will have to keep on mourning and continuing to "look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness" and wherein we fully realize that in Him is no East nor West and "where there is neither Greek

nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free"—and then we shall be fully comforted.
Owensboro, Ky. Ben Render

On Carver School

Editor:

The dilemma of Carver School has come to my attention through newspaper items, faculty, and graduates. Because of this situation, I submit to you my view as I have already stated in a nearby identical letter to Dr. Brooks.

I implore Southern Baptists to not destroy what has taken years to develop, but to be super-salesmen for a school which does exist and must not be destroyed. Those, who developed the program for which Carver stands, knew the heart-ache of need related to the area of Social Work and Missions. Will we abolish the institution now and later have our eyes opened to the pressing need of Carver School's purpose, ideals, strengths, etc.?

The Religious Education Schools and Theological Seminaries are separate entities. Is it impossible to comprehend the Social Work School and Mission School as definite entities?

Yes, a satisfactory solution relating to cost must be solved; but do not underestimate the worth of Carver School of Missions and Social Work. The type of

And Another on Carver School

Editor:

Being in bed with rheumatic fever may have its compensations. This is the first time in my life there has ever been time for a "Dear Ed." letter! But I do wish someone would invent a typewriter to hang from the ceiling.

The article, "Carver School Seeks Merger" (March 1, 1962), was of special interest to me as president of the Kentucky Chapter of Carver School Alumnae. I do not speak with a voice of authority nor in any official capacity, but I am sure the trustees have studied the question thoroughly and will make the decision they deem wisest and most practical, and I shall concur.

One point has always occurred to me when the question of Carver's accreditation has been raised. When I graduated in 1940, and for many years before and after, the school was not accredited; however, it met a need in our Southern Baptist life. Hundreds of missionaries, educational directors, Good Will Center directors, social workers, etc., have been trained there and have done a creditable job in their calling.

So long as Carver School meets a need for training Christian workers for posts in Southern Baptist institutions, it is fulfilling its purpose, with or without accreditation.

Pineville, Ky. Mrs. D. M. Aldridge

PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS ON PEOPLE

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will commend us one day. I enjoy reading the words "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter into the joys of Thy Lord." Give praise where praise is due. Use the vanity of others to your advantage, but watch your own vanity. Don't let it place you in the position of the TV commercial that says, "Aren't you glad you use _____ and don't you wish everybody did."

People Are Sinful

It is easy for me to believe that an old drunkard or gambler is sinful. It is rather difficult to believe that my charming daughter or son will go to hell without Christ. Still all people are sinful. Christ said it, the Bible teaches it, we see evidences of it, so we must believe it. We must never lose sight of the fact that people are sinful and will spend eternity in hell unless they are saved by the gospel of Christ.

I wondered why it was hard for me to conceive of my own son going to hell, and in study I found that the more I love people the less I can see of their sins. I overlook the sins in my loved ones because I love them. I have also found that the more I love my congregation, the less I can see of their sins. The danger could be that a minister would be so blinded by love, he would fail to see and preach against the sins of his membership. It seems like a paradox, yet the attitude of Christ explains it to us. He loves the sinner not the sin. He so loved that He died for us and in so doing, heaped upon Himself, our sins.

I must be willing to see the people, not as they are, but as they should and can be. It is rather difficult to have a pleasing conversation at close range with an onion breath. It is also difficult to explain the Scriptures to a drunkard, but a minister faces both at times. I cannot excuse myself from the presence of degenerates who are vile, filthy, and corrupt on the pretext that they smell. I must see underneath, all the beauty for which Christ died. A verse learned many years ago has helped me to understand sin more fully;

Sin is a monster of such dreadful mein
That to be hated, needs but to be seen;
But seen too oft, familiar with her face,
We first endure, then pity, then embrace

Let us remember that all people sin, including the minister. Perhaps our greatest sin as ministers, is not understanding the people to whom we break the bread of life. I have found it very easy to compartmentalize people by what they say and do. We have our own little judgment book and it doesn't take us long to file a congregation under the departments we have listed. I find I file Mr. A under "Trouble maker," Mr. B under "Unconcerned," Mrs. C under "Gossipier," etc. I also find that I am

prone to file those people who act like A, B, and C under the same file regardless of their intentions. A personal study would release many from the file. Try it!

I have found in the preparation of this paper, I have been helped considerably with my understanding of people. I found that if I am to understand people, I must understand their moral concept and ideology. The principles by which a person lives and dies is the norm by which we should analyze them. We live in a world governed by two great ideologies. The Communist idea of world conquest for the physical being, and the God-inspired idea of a Spiritual Kingdom. I like to believe that all who come to church are of the God inspired type.

This to me means that every person who walks through the doors of the church where I am the pastor, has come for one purpose. The purpose of bettering their lives spiritually. Regardless of how cantankerous and mean they may be, or how unruly, indifferent, unconcerned and unappreciative they may appear. They are still seeking a better way of life, and it is my solemn obligation to try and elevate their moral concept and ideology to conform with the Master's. In order to accomplish this, I must first understand their needs, and then prepare my messages to meet those needs.

In trying to secure some aid along these lines, I mimeographed the following at the top of a page and distributed it among my congregation:

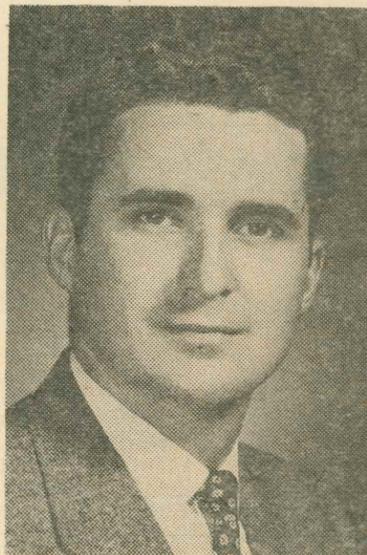
I am writing a paper on the word "People." Please jot down some thoughts of your own. What in your estimation makes them behave as they do? Please write your original thoughts. You do not need to sign your name unless you so desire.

After a few weeks I had received only two copies, and that is all I ever received. It reminded me of the editor of the New York Herald. He wrote in his paper an editorial asking for letters on the subject "How To Handle a Wife." He received only one reply. It was from a man in Sing Sing Prison. It read: "Dear Sir: The best way to handle a wife is to put your hands around her neck and press firmly." A Postscript stated, "P.S. This can be overdone." If the two letters I received are indicative of the thinking of all, then it is high time that we realized one central truth: The needs of people are the same in every generation. Times change, settings change, new methods come, but the basic human nature never changes.

In trying to see that basic human nature, I had to view it from the pulpit. Perhaps it would be wise for us to look at the layman's point of view. Professor Harry A. Overstreet, in his book entitled "Influencing Human Behaviour," says, "Action springs out of what we

fundamentally desire—and the best piece of advice to would-be-persuaders is: Arouse in the other person an eager want. He who can do this has the world with him. He who cannot walks a lonely way." All of us who minister would do well to paste his words on our mirrors and read them each morning while shaving.

If you want to know people, go to the one who understands them best. The Master Teacher of all time said, "He knew what was in man." Go to your Bible, study Christ's reaction to the throng. Go to the Bible, study His thoughts on how to live with and treat your fellowman. Go to the Bible, study the Sermon on the Mount. If we do not find the answer to people therein, it will not be forth-coming.



John N. Sims

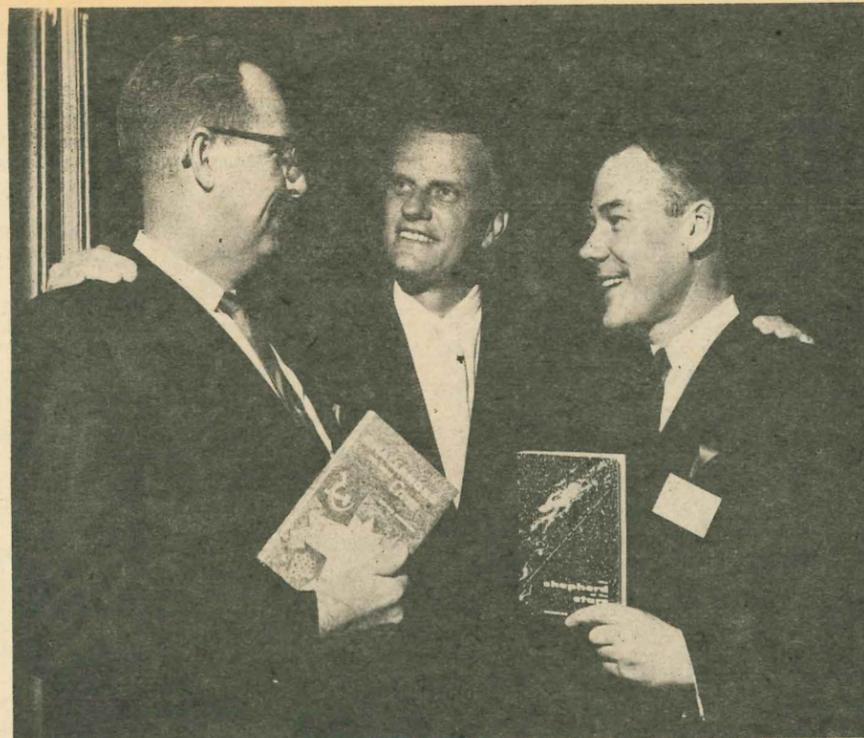
Faculty Recital

Dr. John N. Sims, a member of the faculty of the School of Church Music, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will be presented in a faculty recital in Broadus Hall, on Friday evening, March 30, at 8:30 o'clock.

Dr. Maurice Hinson, pianist, will assist Dr. Sims in a program of sacred and secular music, including works by Dowland, Wolf, Britten and Warlock. John N. Sims, Jr., son of the music teacher, will sing the role of Isaac in the duet-cantata, Abraham and Isaac. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Columbia Radio and TV

The service of the First Baptist Church, Beaumont, Texas, will be broadcast over Columbia System radio and television networks on Sunday, April 1, on their "Church of the Air." Pastor Jaroy Weber will speak on "The Conquest of Inner Space."



BILLY GRAHAM congratulates two Broadman Press authors who presented him a copy of their newest books while the evangelist was recently in Nashville. Wayne Dehoney (left), author of "Challenges to the Cross," is pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn. Also a Tennessean, Charles A. Trentham (right), author of "The Shepherd of the Stars," is pastor of Knoxville's First Church. Both books are now available in Baptist book stores.—Photo by Baptist Press.

Books Appreciated By Missionary

Some time ago members of an adult Sunday school class of the Morehead Baptist Church read a plea from a missionary in the Philippines for religious books to be used in his missionary activity. The class responded by sending a box of books and received a most gracious acknowledgment from the missionary. The letter from the missionary to the Sunday school class described his experience as a missionary in the Philippines which is 98% Roman Catholic. The missionary preaches in a thatched chapel with only the earth for a floor and crude bamboo for benches. The missionary's name is Rosendo A. Montilla, Estefania, Amulung, Cagayan, Philippines.

Anyone having books of sermons or other religious literature might consider sending them to this missionary. They should be sent directly to him, not to the Sunday school class in Morehead. Mrs. Virginia Fields, superintendent of Pinecrest Baptist Children's Home, is the teacher of the Sunday school class.

EDITORIAL NOTE—The editor would never recommend sending cash to missionaries or other religious workers

Library Conferences In Danville

DANVILLE, Ky.—First Baptist Church here will host a Church Library Clinic April 2, 7:15-9:15 p.m.

The clinic will be sponsored by the South District Baptist Association, of which C. R. Hill is associational missionary.

A discussion of the possibility of a church library emphasis on the state level in Kentucky has been scheduled at the church April 2, at 2:30 p.m. Wayne E. Todd, secretary of the Church Library Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will present information for the discussion.

Program personnel includes: Mrs. H. J. Hagler, librarian, Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.; Miss Clara McCartt, librarian, Crescent Hill Church, Louisville; Mr. Todd; Miss Mary Christian, mission books editor, Broadman Books Department, Baptist Sunday School Board; and Keith Mee, field work supervisor of the Church Library Service.

abroad who were not personally known by the sender. Used books, however, could be sent without any great danger of misuse.

Kentucky Bingo Bill Is Defeated

Senate Bill 363 which would have provided legalized bingo in some Kentucky communities upon approval in local referendums failed to be enacted by the Kentucky General Assembly. The bill was passed by the Senate 20-3, but died in the House Rules Committee where it failed to get a favorable report for a third reading. The bill had two readings in the House and could have been voted on had the Rules Committee reported favorably one more day. The General Assembly adjourned Friday, March 16, and thus the bill died.

Proponents of the bill argued that it would be the best way to continue the reform movement in northern Kentucky. The contention was that there was so much present resentment over the law prohibiting bingo that the northern Kentucky populace would vote out the reform leaders now in office and thus make way for the return of the underworld to the area.

According to those familiar with the proposed legislation, the bill was based on a bingo arrangement now used in New Jersey. It would have allowed counties with 75,000 or more to have legalized bingo for charity or educational purposes if the majority in a local referendum approved. The supervision of such bingo would have been under the Kentucky Director of Public Safety and extensive state powers would have been given to state police.

Objection to the bill was voiced by a delegation which was in Frankfort the last three days of the General Assembly. The delegation was made up mainly of ministers of several denominations and had the counsel and help of Walter House, executive director of the Kentucky Temperance League. In conferring with legislators and the Governor, these men voiced opposition to the bill on the grounds that bingo is gambling and therefore morally wrong, legal or illegal. Northern Kentucky ministers, in particular, expressed the opinion that the reform progress in their area would be hurt rather than helped by legalizing bingo.

All of the members of the House of Representatives were contacted and many expressed opposition to the legislation. A few of the Representatives indicated they saw nothing morally wrong in bingo and thought its legalizing would be in line with other practices in Kentucky like parimutuel betting at horse race tracks.

Observers in Frankfort expressed the opinion that the presence of the delegation of opponents to the bill was a strong factor in the failure of the legislation to get out of the Rules Committee. (See editorial on page 4.)

A Tribute to Baptist Student Union

By John C. Sanderson

MURRAY, Ky.—As I sit before this typewriter I am in the twilight days of my life as a college student and as a B.S.U.'er. At this point I begin to reflect upon my short life in the B.S.U. and realize that I owe much to B.S.U.

I would like for you to go with me on a nostalgic journey down memory lane. This journey starts in the fall of 1958 when a young man fresh out of high school starts his college career, with many dreams and great anticipation. As he walked to the college campus for the first time, he noticed a brown brick building with a sign which read—Baptist Student Center. He decided that maybe if he left this organization alone it would leave him alone. He was right—it did.

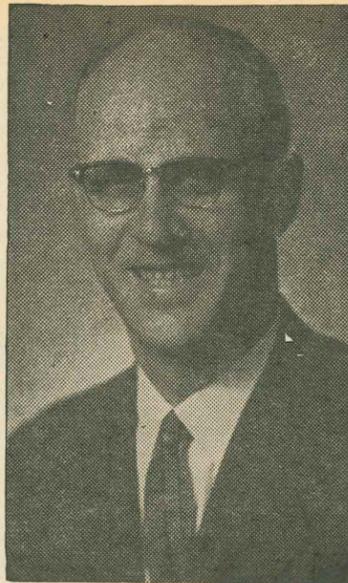
Being encouraged by his family to attend the B.S.U., this young man went to a Freshman Welcome Party, but became quite discouraged when he realized that he was not the only student there and could not be the leader, as he had been in his home church where there were few young people. He, feeling unwanted, left the Center that night not to step foot in that building for two years.

Finally, in his Junior year when he was more mature, he was invited to attend the State B.S.U. Convention. Having decided this might be fun and that he had neglected his duty as a Christian, he went to this Convention. It was at the Saturday night session of that Convention that this young man came face to face with his relationship to Christ. Right there among students from all over the state, without making anything public, he re-dedicated his life to Christ and promised to be more faithful to B.S.U.

Events moved fast for that young man after that Convention. He did become a regular attendee at all the functions of B.S.U. and found that God had definite plans for his life. It was while attending the Mid-Year Retreat that he gave his life to Christ for fulltime service. He went as a summer missionary to New Mexico in the summer of 1961, and while engaged in this service he found that God was calling him into the gospel ministry.

This young man served, not very effectively, as a B.S.U. council member. He tried to do in a year and a half what he should have been doing during his entire four years in college.

As I look back upon these events which have changed my life, I want other young people to realize the big mistake I made my first two years in



A. H. Phillips

Columbia Baptists Observe Pastor's Tenth Year

The Columbia Baptist Church, Columbia, has honored Pastor A. H. Phillips and his family on the tenth anniversary of Phillips' pastorate. The pastor along with his family was honored at a reception at the church.

Pastor Phillips was presented with a scroll of signatures and a "Praying Hands" plaque. Mrs. Phillips received an orchid and the family was the recipient of a gift of money from the church.

Significant achievements during the ten years of leadership of Phillips include construction of educational space which has been paid for, the organization of a Brotherhood, the purchase of adjacent property, the purchase of a new church bus, and the construction of \$180,000 air-conditioned educational building. Russell Heights Chapel, a mission of the church, is in the process of being organized into a church.

The pastor was recently sent on a tour of the Holy Land by the church.

college. I hope they will not make the same mistake.

In my opinion, the Baptist Student Union is a channel through which Southern Baptists can influence the lives of young people for Christ. As I leave college for institutions of higher learning, the fondest impressions of my college life will be B.S.U. "May God always use B.S.U. to change lives!" will always be my prayer.

This, in short, is my tribute to the Baptist Student Union.



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Religious News in Review

In Kentucky

The recently adjourned General Assembly passed a joint resolution expressing appreciation to the Temperance League of Kentucky, its executive director, **Walter C. House**, and to the Kentucky Council of Churches for the Legislative Prayer Fellowship Breakfasts during the last two legislative sessions. The resolution urged that the prayer fellowship breakfasts be continued.

Jimmie Capel has been called as interim minister of music by the First Baptist Church, Ashland. Mr. Capel is a graduate of Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, and currently is enrolled in the School of Music of Southern Baptist Seminary.

Russell Heights Mission, sponsored by the Columbia Baptist Church, Russell Creek Association, will be organized into the Russell Heights Baptist Church, on April 1. **Edgar Tandy**, Campbellsville, is pastor of the new church.

The First Baptist Church, Morganfield, is now sponsoring the **Waverly Mission**, organized on February 11.

The Midlane Park Baptist Chapel, Long Run Association, will be officially organized on April 1 by the Buechel Park Baptist Church. **Doyle L. Wetherington** is the pastor.

The Park Hill Mission, Mt. Zion Association, sponsored by the Central Baptist Church, Corbin, will become Park Hill Baptist Church on April 1 with **C. L. Disney** as pastor.

E. R. Noel, Baptist minister, has retired from active ministerial services following a major operation. He has returned to his home in Cadiz following a period of recuperation with his daughter, **Mrs. Garland F. Perry**, Evansville, Indiana.

Southern Baptists Elsewhere

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs will produce a leaflet on the issues involved in religion in the public schools. The leaflet, to be prepared by **C. Emanuel Carlson**, is scheduled for general distribution next October.

George W. Cummins, director of the division of chaplaincy of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, has announced plans for a tour of Europe and the Near East, starting April 6. **Mrs. Cummins** will accompany him on the eight-week tour with an itinerary including England, France, Germany, Italy, Turkey, Libya, and Spain.

Kyle M. Yates, Baylor University professor of religion, will conduct a study of the book of Isaiah as visiting professor at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary during the first month of the summer term, June 11-July 6.

According to reports from Nashville, 60,000 boys and girls made professions

of faith in 20,586 Vacation Bible Schools in 1961. During the same year the Church Architecture Department of the Sunday School Board received 8,977 requests from churches for services.

The State Mission Board of the **Baptist Convention of Maryland** has voted to buy one and one-half acres of land in a Baltimore suburb for its new Baptist office building. No date has been set for the move to the new property bought from **Goucher College** at an unannounced figure.

The **Extension Department of Southern Baptist Seminaries** reports centers operating in 22 states and in Labrador. The 136 centers enrolled 3,085 persons, under guidance of 268 teachers.

President Evan Allard Reiff of Hardin-Simmons University died in Abilene, Texas, on March 12 after four major operations for stomach ulcers.

The **Southern Baptist Annity Board** has announced plans for a monthly newsletter and a bi-monthly information booklet to help retired Baptist ministers or employees. Almost 5,000 persons now retired under the denomination's protection plan will receive the monthly newsletter detailing retirement problems, and the information booklet will be mailed starting May 1 to all active participants in the protection plan who are 60 years of age or older.

John E. Huss, pastor of Main Street Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida, has accepted the pastorate of Charleston Heights Baptist Church, Charleston, S.C.

A new district association of Southern Baptist churches and missions in New England will be organized May 19, according to an announcement by **Elmer Sizemore**, area missionary for the Northeastern Baptist Association. The association is expected to begin with six churches and 13 missions.

The **Southern Baptist Foundation** has announced the settling of an estate of a Daytona Beach, Florida, woman amounting to \$400,000. A recommendation from the Foundation subject to approval by the Southern Baptist Convention, would give the funds to the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission to develop a scholarship program. About \$20,000 a year income would be expected from the \$400,000.

Foreign Mission News

The 1961 **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** has topped the grand total for 1960. The offering reached \$8,382,728.70 on March 12, which is \$144,257.63 more than the 1960 grand total. The final total for 1961 will not be known until books on the offering close May 1.

Missionaries Mr. and Mrs. E. William Mueller, on medical leave from Liberia, have moved to Houston, Missouri, from Memphis, Tennessee. The Muellers are



J. K. Powell

Powell Returns To Campbellsville

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky.—President John M. Carter and the Board of Trustees of Campbellsville College announce the appointment of **J. K. Powell**, Oakland City, Indiana, as executive vice-president of the College. Mr. Powell assumed his duties on March 1.

Mr. Powell was associated with Campbellsville College from 1953 to 1957. He was granted a leave of absence to accept a position in Oakland City College, Oakland City, Indiana. While there he became executive vice-president. During this time the college conducted a successful expansion campaign; completed a library building; a science hall; and has a dormitory building under construction. The curriculum was revised and there was a large increase in the enrollment.

A native of Mercer County, Kentucky, Mr. Powell is a graduate of the University of Kentucky with the A.B. and M. Ed. degrees. He has done further graduate work in Education. He served as principal of the Burgin School and at various times as principal of the Elementary, Junior, and Senior High Schools of Harrodsburg. Before coming to Campbellsville College in 1953, Mr. Powell served as superintendent of Harrodsburg City Schools. He was visiting professor of education at the University of Kentucky in 1952.

Married to the former Lucille Cherry of Jackson, Tennessee, the Powells have one son, **J. C. Powell**, administrative assistant of Eastern State College, Richmond. They will make their home at 626 Shawnee Drive, Campbellsville.

not native Kentuckians, but are well known for their missionary services in eastern Kentucky before appointment by the Foreign Mission Board.



KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

Training Union

PROGRAM FOR KY. TRAINING UNION CONVENTION AND CHURCH DRAMA FESTIVAL

Meeting at First Baptist Church, Madisonville, Kentucky

Wednesday Evening, April 4, at 6:50 o'clock

Instrumental Meditation
Call to Worship
Song Service and Welcome
Key-note Address by Dr. Harold G. Sanders, Executive Secretary, Kentucky Baptist Convention
Introduction of Play—Mr. Cecil McGee, Church Drama Service
Presentation of Play

Thursday Morning, April 5, at 9:00 o'clock

Meeting by Departments for Conferences on Training Union Methods
"Drama in the Church" by Mr. Cecil McGee
Presentation of Play

Thursday Afternoon, April 5, at 2:00 o'clock

Conferences:
Junior boys and girls, Intermediate boys and girls, Young People and all Adults to choose one of the following conferences:
1. Directing the Play
2. Costuming and Make-up
3. Choral Speaking
The two divisions of the Speakers' Tournament—to be held at same time:
A. 17-and-18-year-olds in auditorium
B. 19-and-above in Adult Department

Thursday Evening, April 5, at 6:50 o'clock

Musical Meditation and Song Service
Junior Memory Work and Bible Drill
The Church Recreation Service—Mrs. Agnes Pylant, Secretary, Church Recreation Department, Baptist Sunday School Board
Message by Dr. H. Franklin Paschall, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee

Friday Morning, April 6, at 9:00 o'clock

Meetings by Departments for Conferences on Training Union Methods
Business Session
Final Speakers' Tournament (Two winners from each of the Thursday Tournaments will participate.)

Friday Afternoon, April 6, at 1:45 o'clock

Conferences on Church Drama
Presentation of Play
Critique

Friday Evening, April 6, at 7:00 o'clock

Musical Meditation and Song Service
Intermediate Sword Drill
Message by Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and President of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Stewardship

Doing Just as Much As Possible Is All That Is Asked

By Robert J. Hastings

I have always liked these lines from the song entitled "Balm in Gilead." It goes like this:

"If you cannot sing like angels,
If you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus,
And say 'He died for all!'"

These words have an application to our new Stewardship Cultivation Program for Baptist associations. It has six basic phases. Some associations have so much else planned this year they can

not do all six. But that is no reason why each association can not take one, two, three, or more of the basic steps.

If one cannot eat a full meal, he can at least eat a sandwich. If he can't read the Bible every day, he can at least read it every other day. If an association thinks it cannot use the full Cultivation Program this year, it can at least do something. For example, every association in Kentucky should have a stewardship clinic before fall. Our department will help in your clinic or anything else we can do for your associational stewardship program. Let us hear from you. Write me, Robert J. Hastings, Baptist Building, Middletown.

If you want to learn more about a stewardship emphasis for the association, write for the manual entitled *A Stewardship Cultivation Program for Baptist Associations*.

Woman's Missionary Union

Crescent Hill Church of Louisville Welcomes W.M.U.

By Mrs. Geo. R. Ferguson

"It is my pleasure, in behalf of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church," writes Dr. John R. Claypool, the pastor, "to welcome the ladies of the Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union as they assemble for this annual convention. Throughout her history," he continues, "our church has felt an ultimate concern for the missionary task. Your interest has been and is our interest, and for this reason we hope you will feel at home in every way. All of our facilities are at your disposal, and every member of our staff will count it a privilege to be of service to you. It is my prayer that this will prove to be one of our finest conventions."



John R. Claypool

Likewise, a cordial welcome is extended to the Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union by Mrs. Fielden Woodward, W.M.U. president of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church. "I speak for all the members of the W. M. U. of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church when I say how happy we are that you are going to hold the State Convention at our church," he writes. "You are most welcome, and our church, our homes and our hearts are open to you." She concludes by saying, "Our committees are busy with arrangements to assure you a smooth-running meeting. If we can be of service, please let us know."



Mrs. Fielden Woodward

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Crescent Hill Church has asked us to announce that a new Holiday Inn Motel, just twelve minutes from the church (Watterson Expressway at Highway 42) has opened since the list was published in the *Western Recorder*.

Have you requested credential cards

for voting messengers from your W.M.U.? If not, please do so at once in order that our office may have them prepared for you before you arrive at the registration desk at Crescent Hill.

When making reservations for accommodations in homes be sure to state time of arrival and whether or not you will be coming by car.

Brotherhood

Men Will Study the Expanded and Enlarged R.A. Program at Campbellsville

By Forrest R. Sawyer

Saturday morning, April 14, at 9:00 a.m., E.S.T., men from over the state will assemble at the Campbellsville Baptist Church for the purpose of exploring the Expanded and Enlarged R.A. Program. The workshop will close at 4:00 p.m.

Each associational corps of Brotherhood officers is currently engaged in lining up four men from the association who will avail themselves of this train-



Roy Gilleland

ing. One will familiarize himself with the Crusader Program and its tools; another the Pioneer; another the Ambassador; and the fourth man with the work of the Royal Ambassador Leader and the Committee functions.

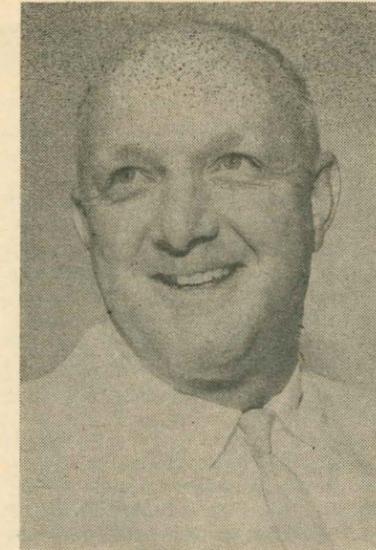
Leading the Crusader endeavor will be Jim W. Allen, the associate Brotherhood secretary for the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Roy Gilleland, associate Brotherhood secretary for the Tennessee Baptist Convention, will lead the Pioneer conference.

The writer, Forrest R. Sawyer, Brotherhood secretary for the Kentucky

Baptist Convention, will lead the Ambassador group.

Frank Black, associate secretary of the



Frank Black

Brotherhood Commission, S.B.C., Memphis, will lead the R.A. Leaders and Committeemen.

Dr. Harold G. Sanders, will open the meeting with a brief devotional.

The four men from the association will return "home" and transmit their knowledge to local church leadership in an association-wide R.A. workshop.

Sunday School

Successful State Vacation Bible School Clinic

By Roy E. Boatwright

The 1962 State V.B.S. Clinic registration showed an increase of sixty-seven over last year. The First Baptist Church,



R. E. Boatwright

Danville, did an excellent work as the Host Church.

An outstanding faculty provided helpful conferences for every age group. Over five and one-half hours of time was spent in these specialized conferences, designed to help associational age-group workers in leading a conference in their own associational V.B.S. Clinic.

The conferences for Pastors and Principals was led by Dr. Charles Treadway, editor of V.B.S. materials, Nashville. In this conference general leadership such as missionaries, pastors and V.B.S. principals discussed every phase of Vaca-

tion Bible School work. There were twenty-three missionaries, sixty-two pastors and twenty-seven Associational V.B.S. superintendents present.

A high spirit was evident in the general sessions. Keynote speakers were: Dr. Harold Sanders, giving the evangelistic challenge of our Vacation Bible Schools, and A. B. Colvin, speaking on "Mission Vacation Bible Schools." On the final day a very original and entertaining skit on "Records" was presented by Francis Tallant and Gordon Sather, associates in the Sunday School Department.

A total registration of 528 with 54 associations represented gave evidence of the interest in and the importance of Vacation Bible School work in Kentucky.

Three Tours Announced For San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO (BP)—Plans have been announced for three tours of non-Baptist churches and missions in the San Francisco area during the 1962 Southern Baptist Convention.

These tours will include the Buddhist Temple, Jewish synagogue, Russian Orthodox Church and Christian Yoga Church. They will be climaxed with a trip to Chinatown where the touring parties will dine at a Chinese cafe.

The tours are directed by E. J. Combs, Fresno, director of language missions of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California and by L. A. Brown, Mill Valley, Calif., professor of comparative religions at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary.

The three tours will be the afternoons of June 4, 5 and 6. The first two tours will leave the Convention auditorium at 4:15 and will return at 7 p.m. The Wednesday tour will leave at 2 p.m. and will return at 7, covering more area.

Those wishing to take these tours may contact Combs at Box 1231, Fresno. Cost of the shorter tours including the dinner will be \$5. The longer tour will be \$6.

Hymn Writing Event Set

NASHVILLE—A Southern Baptist Hymn Writing Competition will be in effect April 1-September 30, 1962, W. Hines Sims, spokesman for the sponsoring organization, has announced.

The competition is open to all members of Southern Baptist churches and purposes to stimulate creative hymn writing among the denomination's constituency.

All submissions must express meaningful Christian praise and adoration. A printed folder, outlining requirements of the competition, and other information, is available by writing: Hymn Writing Competition, c/o Dr. Loren R. Williams, editor of Church Music Materials, Hymn Writing Competition, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

Foreign Mission Board Reports To The People

By Miss Ione Gray, Director of Press Relations

12 New Missionaries Bring Total to 1,551

RICHMOND, Va.—The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed 12 missionaries, the first for 1962, in its March meeting to bring the total overseas missionary staff to 1,551.

Of the six couples appointed, two will work among English-speaking people: Vernon L. Dietrich, of Texas, and Dorothy Rolan Dietrich, of Alabama, will go to Thailand; and Harry D. Griffin and Barbara Terry Griffin, both of Oklahoma, will go to Japan.

Other new missionaries, their native states, and fields of service are Samuel M. James and Rachel Kerr James, both of North Carolina, appointed for Vietnam; W. James Moorhead, South Carolina, and Rae Northern Moorhead, Tennessee, for the Philippines; Will J. Roberts and Marie Morgan Roberts, both of Oklahoma, for East Africa; and Lowell C. Schochler and Melba Gatlin Schochler, both of Texas, for North Brazil.

All of the men are pastors, and Dr. Moorhead holds the doctor of theology degree. Mrs. James and Mrs. Roberts are registered nurses.

Three of the men served overseas with the U. S. armed forces during wartime, two in World War II and one in the Korean War. Each says his experience showed him the need for Christian witness among people of other lands and influenced his mission decision.

While stationed at an air base near Rome, Italy, Mr. Dietrich worked with the George B. Taylor Orphanage, preached, and became acquainted with a number of Italian Baptists. "They were a real challenge to my Christian life," he says.

Mr. Griffin's service with the Marine Corps took him to Okinawa, Guam, and China. "I feel my more than a year in China was what finally led me to desire to invest my life in the Orient," he says. "The millions of Chinese seemed as sheep without a shepherd, milling about but going nowhere."

In the Pacific with the Navy, Mr. James was stationed for a time on the "lonely, desolate" island of Adak, in the Aleutians. He and some friends held Bible studies and did personal witnessing among the servicemen. "Revival swept the island," Mr. James says. "This was another step in my pilgrimage with the Lord. I saw that the gospel is effective wherever in the world it is preached."

Cauthen Reviews Mission Giving

In his report, Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, reviewed financial prospects in light of Southern Baptist Convention figures recently made available.

"Funds given for missions climbed to a new height in 1961," he said, "but the percentage of total Baptist gifts of \$501,000,000, an increase of \$20,000,000 over 1960, but the percentage of those gifts shared with the rest of the world was smaller than the year before.

"We are grateful that in January and February of 1962 there was an increase of 15.18 per cent in the amount of money given through the Cooperative Program for Southern Baptist Convention causes. It is our hope that this increase may continue throughout the year so that the Convention budget for 1962 may be reached and there may be additional funds for advance.

"We are encouraged by the funds from the recent Lottie Moon Christmas Offering which are now being received by the Board. Receipts through March 9 totaled \$7,534,472.44, with an increase of \$1,166,740.58 over those by the same date last year. We will not know the final total until May 1.

"Hope for sustained advance in foreign missions involves growth in both the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. These two sources of financial support plus dedicated lives of mission volunteers and vital support in intercessory prayer throughout Baptist ranks are the essential elements of advance."

Dr. Cauthen called attention to the Board's preparation for World Missions Year, to be observed in 1963 as an emphasis of the Baptist Jubilee Advance, a six-year program sponsored by seven Baptist groups in the United States and Canada which will culminate in 1964 with the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the first nation-wide organization of Baptists in North America. World missions will get special emphasis in every unit of work within the Southern Baptist Convention, with three agencies carrying major responsibility for promotion, the Foreign Mission Board, the Home Mission Board, and the Stewardship Commission.

World Missions Year will be launched during the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at San Francisco in June with a major address by Dr. C. C. Warren, who has been the Convention's leader for the Baptist Jubilee Advance since its inception.

Baptist Service on NBC-TV

The worship service of the Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, will be broadcast over NBC-TV Special on a nation-wide hook-up Sunday, April 15, from 11:00 to 12:00 E.S.T., according to Paul M. Stevens. Dr. Guy Moore is pastor of the Broadway Church and will be the speaker.

Cooperative Program Study Idea Delayed

NASHVILLE (BP)—Plans for a special week of prayer and study for the Cooperative Program have been "postponed for the time being," according to an action of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee here.

The Cooperative Program is the financial lifeline of the Convention. When a special week of prayer and study for it was presented to the 1961 Convention session at St. Louis, messengers however voted to refer the matter back for further study.

The Executive Committee, acting on the referral, voted to "give wide promotion to World Mission Week, April 22-26, 1963, relating the Cooperative Program to this special Baptist Jubilee Advance date."

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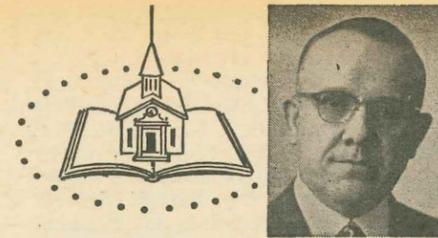
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

TOWARD A MATURE FAITH

For April 8, 1962

From behind prison bars, with the sentence of death hanging over him, Paul wrote his second epistle to Timothy as a testimony of his own mature faith and to encourage him to remain faithful in the work of their Lord in spite of all difficulties that he might encounter. Timothy merits the distinction of being a faithful servant of Christ and Paul's closest friend. Our hearts are touched by the tender regard of the great Apostle for this young minister and the affectionate and appreciative manner in which he addressed his son in the faith. Realizing full well that his protegee had great possibilities of service for God, Paul challenged Timothy to mature in his personal faith, to accept his responsibility for the indoctrination of those to whom the Lord would have him minister, and to encourage Christians to be faithful witnesses for Christ.

II Timothy 1:3-7

In thinking of the past, which was a very natural thing for one in his circumstances to do, Paul was filled with joy and thanksgiving to God because he had remembered Timothy in his daily prayers. He was grateful that God had prompted him to pray night and day for this young servant of the Lord. He prayed earnestly that Timothy's courage might be strengthened and that his steadfastness might be maintained. Any Christian who has such a praying friend is unspeakably rich. There is a singular exhilaration that comes to him who realizes that a truly great Christian is praying for him.

Paul thanked God that from his early childhood Timothy had been taught the Word of God by his godly grandmother and mother under the guidance and blessing of the Holy Spirit. Moreover, in order to supplement their teaching, Lois and Eunice made it possible for Timothy to receive instruction from Paul. After receiving faithful instruction from these sources, Timothy had exercised a saving faith in Christ. Thereafter Timothy continued to study the scriptures and to obey their teachings.

Paul exhorted Timothy to "stir up the gift of God" which was in him. This expression means "to fan into a flame," or to make a wise use of the gift by refusing to permit it to smoulder. Some of us country-bred mortals can appreciate the meaning of this verse. On many

cold winter mornings we shivered before old-fashioned fireplaces while we uncovered the leftover coals of fire from the night before, applied kindling and then blew hard or fanned with cardboard until the flame appeared. Even so, when the fires of God burn low we must fan the heavenly flame within our hearts.

Both Paul and Timothy knew that the gift was there, and the former was very anxious that it should be fanned into a glowing flame or developed to such an extent that the latter might have a gloriously useful ministry. It was the will of God that he should use the gift which he had received from Him in serving Him with all his might. We, too, have received gifts from the Lord, so we need to cultivate and use them for the glory of Him Who has imparted them to us. He wants us to be flaming evangelists for Him wherever we go. Regardless of the dangers or difficulties that we may encounter in this pathway of duty, we need not be overcome with fear because God will grant unto us the love and power which we shall need to meet every problem with cheerful confidence and courage.

II Timothy 3:10-17

In this third chapter Paul describes the perilous and grievous times of moral decadence in the latter days. He also declares that in this era the opinions of many professing Christians will be wrong. As lovers of themselves, brazen braggarts will attempt to force their way into places of prominence and power. Inflated with self-importance and arrogance, these proud individuals will pose as being far superior to all others, and as having no need of the wisdom and power of God. Paul also informs us that their affections will be wrong, because they will be in love with themselves, with money and with pleasure. Nobody should be a self-lover, a money-lover or a pleasure-lover, but all should love God supremely. With their opinions and their affections being wrong, it is inevitable that their conduct will be wrong. Multitudes will display a disgraceful disobedience to parents and always that eventually results in rebellion against the laws of the land and the authority of God. Among their outstanding characteristics

will be ingratitude, impurity, cruelty, treachery and a determination to have their own way regardless.

In contrast with this unworthy manner of life, Paul unhesitatingly set forth the kind of behavior that is right. The pattern which he mentioned in this lesson involves consistency in living, continuance in laboring and constancy in loving. Paul reminded Timothy of the hardships, sufferings and sacrifices which he had endured for his wonderful Lord.

No Christian should expect immunity from suffering, for he will certainly be subjected to many unpleasant and painful experiences if he follows Christ. Paul was thoroughly convinced that any man who truly followed Christ would be called upon to face and endure persecution. All the children of God can find encouragement in the words of our Lord: "The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you" (John 15:20), and "In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). If we have never suffered because of our allegiance and devotion to Christ, we should examine ourselves and see if we are truly following Him.

If Christian growth is to be continuous and we are to move toward spiritual maturity, there must be an abiding conviction that all the Scriptures are God-breathed and inerrant, that they are profitable for teaching and learning, for revealing errors, for correction and for instruction in righteousness, so that the life and work of the Christian will conform to the will of God. All these ministries of the Word of God are to the end that the Christian may be thoroughly equipped for a life of service to God. The Bible tells us what God requires and how we can do what He wants done. The Bible is wonderful in the truth it proclaims, the treasures it contains, the triumphs it reveals and the trust it invites. It is not only useful for our deepest needs, but it is also sufficient as a rule of faith and practice for any and all of us. It is only through a study of the "God-breathed" Scriptures and an application of their teachings to our lives that we can mature in the Christian faith and be thoroughly prepared for every good work.

Statewide Survey of Assembly And Camp Needs Under Way

The need for an adequate statewide Assembly for Kentucky Baptists, together with a first-rate Camp for Royal Ambassadors and G.A.-Y.W.A. girls is receiving top attention these days by the Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

According to the executive secretary, Harold G. Sanders, the Cedarmore Committee itself made a series of recommendations which have set in motion not only a master plan for Cedarmore, but also a state-wide survey of long-range needs for assemblies and camps for all our Baptist family.

Dr. Elroy Lamb, Danville, chairman of the Cedarmore Committee, brought recommendations to the Executive Board December 5, 1961, and they were received enthusiastically. There were four points:

Recommendations

1. That a long-range study of camp, assembly and conference needs for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, including Cedarmore, be made by the Cedarmore Committee in consultation with the Program Committee and that a report with any recommendations be brought to the Executive Board. (The S.B.C. Sunday School Board, Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood Commission will be consulted.)

2. That the Cedarmore Committee prepare a master plan for Cedarmore and report to the Executive Board.

3. That, in view of the fact that capital funds are needed for a camp, assembly and conference program and that such a program is not self-supporting and that vastly more facilities are needed, it is recommended that expansion needs be given primary consideration in a long-range plan for capital funds.

4. That a committee be appointed by Cedarmore Committee chairman for proceeding with plans for a Cedarmore Motel and that those names be reported to the Executive Board. It is understood that this committee will work in cooperation with the two previously mentioned committees. All plans will be brought to the Executive Board for their consideration.

Cedarmore Master Plan

The chairman appointed the Committee to Develop a Master Plan for Cedarmore, with specific instructions to move toward winterized housing for adults and young people—motel, hotel, or otherwise. This seemed to be the first need of the Assembly. Dr. John W. Kruschwitz, of Versailles, was appointed chairman, and serving with him are A. W. Walker, Louisville; Wallace Carrier,

Harrodsburg; T. L. McSwain, Owensboro; and Tom Nicholson, Danville.

This committee has been corresponding with Mr. Hardie Bass, Department of Church Architecture, Baptist Sunday School Board, with a view to (1) developing a Master Plan for Cedarmore to include not only a first-class state Assembly, but also a first-class Boys and Girls Camps isolated from but adjacent to the Assembly site at Cedarmore. Dr. Sanders also interviewed Mr. Bass in Nashville. Associate Sunday School Board architect Paul Johnson, visited the Cedarmore site the week of March 14 with Dr. Elroy Lamb, Dr. John W. Kruschwitz and Mr. Marvin Byrdwell, resident manager.

The state-wide survey will be made for a long-term plan for the expanding program of Kentucky Baptists. Help will be sought on planning for both the Cedarmore and other possible sites with special reference to specifications for R.A. and G.A.-Y.W.A. Camps as distinguished from Assemblies proper.

Immediate Improvement

Cedarmore, always working on a shoe-string and therefore the object of much criticism, will apparently have its opportunity to serve Kentucky Baptists better this summer than before. The long-awaited paving of the county road has been let to the T. C. Young Construction Company, Williamsburg, but it will not be finished by summer. However, **INSIDE CEDARMORE**, you will probably notice the absence of white dust and rocks on the newly-paved main roadways; the dolled-up interiors, at least, of some of the buildings; the good food; the new beds for adults—the old sway backs are gone, but not forgotten. This time next year, if the Executive Board agrees, there should be a new motel for adult leadership and many other improvements.

The proposed multi-million dollar Capital Funds campaign—a phase of the Cooperative Program—may contain a sizeable sum for constructing (for the first time) a first-rate Assembly and two camps (boys and girls) at Cedarmore. This would provide Kentucky Baptists with all-round fellowship and training and recreation center—not only for the three months of the summer, but, winterized for year-round meeting of conferences, churches, clinics, conventions, retreats. This would meet a great Baptist need.

Kentucky Baptists desperately need such a great training and fellowship center. Other states are developing such centers at great cost, but are finding that they pay for themselves after the capital outlay. First-class quarters and

facilities, good food, well-planned programs for all ages, will insure the future of any good Assembly or Camp.

An attractive poster for display in all churches is being prepared in the Promotion Department for distribution soon. It will carry pictures of happy youth under inspired leadership enjoying Cedarmore. The Baptist Student Retreats, the Assemblies of Training Union Union, Sunday School and Music departments, and the Missionaries and laymen's conferences will be featured this summer. The schedule will appear in next week's *Western Recorder*.

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Pastor C. B. Coots Is Called to Second Baptist Church of Madisonville

Pastor Clinton B. Coots, for the past eleven years, pastor of the Unity Baptist Church, of Ashland, Ky., has accepted the call to become pastor of the Second Baptist Church, Madisonville, Kentucky.



C. B. Coots

In the eleven years he has been pastor at Unity Baptist Church, Pastor Coots has seen the membership increase nearly 900 members. Contributions increased from a total of \$30,793 in 1951 to nearly \$67,000 in 1961. In 1957, a beautiful new church building was erected at a cost of about \$280,000. The present membership is 1,200 members.

The second Baptist Church at Madisonville is a comparatively new work. The people, under the leadership of Pastor W. T. Anderson, erected a new educational building on a large lot spacious enough for a new auditorium and ample parking space for several hundred cars.

A new ranch style home is under construction and will be ready for the Coots family to move in by April 1.

The membership has requested Pastor Coots to conduct a revival meeting there April 22-29.

Carver Plans Summer Workshop in Missions

Carver School of Missions and Social Work has announced plans for a summer workshop in missions to be conducted June 11-29. Students will be able to earn four hours of credit toward the degree program at Carver. The minimum academic entrance requirements for credit is satisfactory completion of sixty hours of college work of "C" quality or better. Those wishing to be classified as graduate students must have a bachelor's degree from an approved institution.

Applicants who do not wish to earn credit may enroll as auditors. Matriculation fees for auditors will be \$10.00. Those matriculating for one credit course will be charged \$10.00 and those for two credit courses, \$15.00. Room and board for the term will be \$60.00 in a double room and \$70.00 in a single room.

Visiting lecturers for the workshop will include M. Wendell Belew of the Home Mission Board in Atlanta; Foy Rogers, missions secretary for the Mis-

issippi Baptist Convention; and Henry E. Walden, Jr., associational missionary, Lumberton, North Carolina.

Regular Carver faculty members offering courses include Hugh A. Brimm, George A. Carver, Robert O. Laessig, Virginia Burke, S. Kathryn Bigham, and J. Herbert Gilmore.

Further information can be obtained by writing Registrar, Carver School of Missions and Social Work, 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Kentucky.

Leonard Holloway Comes To Louisville Seminary

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Leonard Holloway, partner in an Oklahoma City public relations and advertising firm, has been named executive assistant to the president and director of the foundation for Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

The newly created position will include all phases of public relations, student recruitment, alumni coordination and development. Holloway also will serve as executive director for the recently formed Southern Seminary Foundation, said Duke K. McCall, Louisville, seminary president.

Holloway began work with the seminary March 15.

The 38-year-old public relations director previously supervised public relations for the Baptist General Convention of Texas in Dallas for six years.

Death of an Ex-Pastor

I. W. (Ike) Wise, 81, member of the Liberty Baptist Church, and a Baptist pastor for about forty years, died at Campbellsville on March 12. He had been retired for some time.

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