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CONVENTION STICKERS.— Miss Kay Heard, teletypist for Baptist Press at Nashville, places bumper sticker on a car. The sticker, in orange and black, advertises the 1962 Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco June 5-8. A limited quantity of them are available by writing Public Relations Office, SBC Exerutive Committee, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn.

— (BP Photo)



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

Falmouth Church Calls H. D. Knight

The Blanket Creek Baptist Church, Falmouth, has called **H. D. Knight**, West Fork Pastor at Murray, to be its pastor, and he has accepted. He is now moving with his wife and their 16-year-old daughter, Robbie, to this new field of labor.

Sam Ed Bradley Is Improving

For some weeks Superintendent **Sam Ed Bradley**, of the Board of Child Care, Middletown, Ky., has been slightly ill, being confined to his home most of the time. However, his physician has told him he can go back to work today. We hope he continues to show improvement.

Kentuckians in Ohio Revival

Stanley Howell, associate in the Training Union Department, recently conducted a revival at the Immanuel Baptist Church in Barberton, Ohio. There were 13 decisions, seven of which were professions of faith. **Wendell Smith** of Rineyville, Ky., is pastor.

Stella Long and Maudie Brooks Die

Stella Long died recently following many weeks of illness. She became a Christian in her early teens, and united with the Gamaliel Baptist Church, which church has adopted resolutions about her passing. They have also adopted another set of resolutions about the passing of **Maudie Brooks** who had been one of their members for many years.

New Orleans Graduates 3 Kentuckians

Among 161 candidates for degrees at the May 18 commencement at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary are three Kentuckians. They are **William Howard Wright**, Mayfield; **Kenneth P. Story**, Paducah; and **Martin Eugene Elder**, Shepherdsville. Wright receives a master of church music degree, Story and Elder both receive their bachelor of divinity degrees.

Camp Schafer Dates Set

The dates for the **Girls' Auxiliary Camps** and **Royal Ambassador Camps** at Schafer Camp in Daviess-McLean Baptist Association have been set. The G.A. Camps will be: Intermediate, June 25-29; Junior, July 23-27, and Junior,

August 6-10. The R.A. Camps will be: Intermediate-Junior, July 9-13; and Junior July 30-August 3. The total cost is \$12.50, which includes 50 cents for insurance and \$2.00 reservation fee, which should accompany application for preferred week. The week begins with supper on Monday evening and ends with the noon meal on Friday. Reservations should be sent to **Mrs. H. M. Watters**, Daviess-McLean Baptist Association, 501 Walnut St., Owensboro.

W. C. Boone Being Honored

William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., the Alma Mater of **Dr. William Cooke Boone**, is to confer the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity upon him at its commencement, May 28, 1962, at which time his Class of 1912 will be celebrating its fiftieth anniversary of their graduation. Dr. Boone was awarded the same degree by Georgetown College in 1928, and so he is being doubly complimented by his own college on this half-a-century anniversary of his graduation. William Jewell College also conferred a Master of Arts degree in 1913.

Tyrone Mission Breaking Records

A new record attendance of 101 was reported at the **Tyrone Baptist Mission, Lawrenceburg**, on May 6. The previous high was attained on the first anniversary of 95, when a noon meal was served, and the next one of 96 on April 15. The monthly average has increased by almost ten each month this year: January 60; February 70; April 88. A new class was organized April 1, with plans under way for a class for intermediate boys and one for married young people. **Everett Taylor** has been superintendent of the Sunday school since it was started October, 1957, by the First Church, Lawrenceburg. A new plant is to be constructed adjacent to an existing auditorium May 14, which will provide for eight departments and eleven rooms. The present mission membership is 58, and the enrollment of the Sunday school is 123. **W. M. Todd**, student of the Southern Seminary, is the pastor.

SBC Tourist Information

Fourteen **SBC Tourist Information Centers** will be open May 30 to June 3 for the convenience of those driving to the Convention in San Francisco. Refreshments, information, displays and a

warm welcome are planned for those who stop. The conveniently located centers are at a Southern Baptist church on each major highway entering Arizona, Utah or Idaho from the east and at five major metropolitan centers. **Arizona** centers are located at Holbrook, First (No. 66); Springerville, First (No. 60); Duncan, First Southern (No. 70); San Simon, First (Nos. 80-86); Tucson, First Southern; and Phoenix, Baptist Building. In **Utah**, visit Vernal, First (No. 40); Moab, First (No. 160) or Salt Lake City, Rose Park. **Idaho** has centers at Idaho Falls, Calvary (No. 20); Pocatello, First Southern (No. 30); Twin Falls, First Southern; and Boise, First Southern. **Nevada** offers an interesting center at First Southern Baptist Church in Las Vegas. Watch for the markers or check the local telephone directory to locate the center. —E. W. Hunke, Jr.

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Southern Baptists United In Christ

By G. Allen West, Jr., Nashville, Tenn.

This is the time to be unified in spirit and action. It is the crying need of the whole world. It is the tragic need of all Christendom.



G. Allen West

And it is essential if Southern Baptists are to fulfill their place in evangelizing the world. This was the burden of our Lord's great prayer as recorded in John 17:20-21. "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

At a time when the entire world needs to see a oneness of witness and oneness of spirit among our people, it would be a tragic mistake of the first order for us to let anything take us from this one thing we need most. As Paul so well wrote the Ephesians, "There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (4:4-6).

We have come to the time and place where we must say and be one in purpose, aim and action. We need now more than ever to express confidence in our fellow-Christians. We must not let differences break the fellowship of the Convention over the direction one may take in his theological trends or writings. Surely, we know that God will guide us if we will be a bit more patient, prayerful and forgiving. Gamaliel of old said it wisely: "And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought: But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God" (Acts 5:38f). And God has ways of handling mistakes and errors far better than we.

For some time now we have been reading in our various Baptist State papers a running commentary on the current problems that have stemmed from the controversy over the book, *The Message of Genesis*, by Ralph H. Elliott. It is rather surprising that a considerable number of people have become so exercised over one book. Surely it seems that it is attaching importance to it that over-estimates its significance. There have been those who are sincere and

well-meaning in their desire to keep the faith of Southern Baptists as they have known it. But the difficulty has been that there is not one among us who can state in concise form precisely what that faith is. It must be in general terms of the various Articles of Faith in the Confessions, and even then we must remember that such an instrument was drawn up by man—and All Southern Baptists do not subscribe to the same Confession!

Some men are saying it is time to halt the tendency towards "liberalism and modernism" (What do we mean by these? They are catch-all phrases, usually to slur, to condemn)—even if it means division in the Convention. Others are saying it is time to break away from the deep rooted "ultra-fundamentalism".

Have they considered that unwise action can do great injury to our witness, to the causes of missions, and to our fellowship. The work could be set back so that there would not be enough money provided by a divided group to support them? Have they considered that it would mean the disruption of Foreign Missions as we now know it and that there might be as many as half the missionaries being called home because of the lack of funds to keep them on the field?—And at a time when we are pleading for a forward thrust. Would it matter that hospitals and schools and churches and the total work of the Foreign Mission Board in the various countries would be seriously curtailed, if not altogether closed because of a divided convention that would not have the money to support them? But the question is that such is not the right approach. Let competent men declare the truth, analyze the problem, expose the error, set forth the true viewpoints. Let truth prevail.

Words have been written and spoken in the heat of controversy that need not have been said. Now is the time for us all to close ranks and ask God to guide us into the Truth. Surely, it is not the time to use punitive measures against our fellow Christians. If we use this method of getting rid of trustees, then we can use it to get rid of them on any matter or pretext which men may have in their minds at the moment over things in which they disagree. And such a procedure would wreck our institutions. No elected executive would know from one year to the next what could be counted as stable and sustaining.

This is not a plea for men to endorse the book, nor to agree with everything any of our professors would teach in our

colleges or seminaries. This is the genius of Baptist faith, that we can hold the mainstream of truth and differ in the approaches and methods and conclusions. But let us all seek the truth as revealed in the Word of God as inspired by the Holy Spirit and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the truth in Christ that we all seek. Many men have been side-tracked by those in ecclesiastical high places, but the truth of God has marched on.

The Pharisees sought to get rid of Christ because he taught things contrary to their way of belief. The Roman Catholic hierarchy sought to stop Galileo and Copernicus in their search for truth concerning the nature of the universe, but truth prevailed. And the witch-hunters of the seventeenth century sought to put aside all who might differ with them, but truth prevailed.

And men sought to keep the Bible as is in its Latin "status quo" but it was translated into the language of the people and today we herald its truths throughout the world in the languages and tongues of more than 1,100 groups.

Our own forefathers sought to keep women from speaking in churches and conventions. They blasted the women for wearing their hair short, and they made rank charges against them for wearing paint and lipstick. Others sought to keep from organizing the Southern Baptist Convention and still others fought the idea of a Sunday School Board, but the work continues and grows.

We have not heard of anyone person who has accepted in to-to all that Elliott has written in his book. There are weaknesses which need to be pointed out: in the application of principles to critical study there are inconsistencies and in some of his exegesis and in some of his expositions there are weaknesses. Alan Preston Neeley, pastor of Broadway Baptist Church, Boulder, Colorado, has written one of the finest critical analyses we have seen. In his paper he points out carefully the strengths and weaknesses of the book.

"The book, needless to say, has incited widespread interest in the Old Testament in general and in the book of Genesis in particular. For this we ought to be grateful. It would force us to critically examine and rethink—to our own betterment—some of our cherished beliefs.

"It is the patient hope of this reviewer that from the controversy will come a stronger, more united convention, and a body of believers committed to the fundamental principle of the priesthood of every believer and the right of private interpretation. If there are erroneous notions in *The Message of Genesis*, let us hope that someone quali-

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The Tide Has Turned

The tide has turned for Kentucky Baptists, at least finance-wise. How much and how far the tide will reach remains to be seen, but it is wonderfully encouraging to the tide watchers.

For the first time in more than four years, Cooperative Program income is meeting or exceeding the goal. December, 1961, saw the largest Cooperative Program income for one month in Kentucky Baptist history. February and April also had the highest income for these months in history.

In spite of this change in the tide, we are about \$100,000 behind in Cooperative Program receipts. This seems strange but it has a simple explanation. We literally took \$155,000 income which came in this year to pay off last year's obligations.

Here's how it came about. We started closing our books on the 25th of each month instead of going over as many as 10 or 11 days into the next month. The first 11 days of last November brought in \$155,000 in Cooperative Program funds. This rightfully belonged to this year, but was counted in last year's report. We have gained back \$55,000 of this but still are short about \$100,000.

This crisis brought about by wise changes in our fiscal policy poses the first real test for the new frontier of Kentucky Baptists. Executive Secretary Sanders, the framer of this new frontier, has declared an emergency and called for all-out loyalty and sacrifice by every Kentucky Baptist to meet the crisis. He regards Cooperative Program Day on June 24 as the only hope to avert another deficit year. He especially wants to avoid this since next year is World Missions Year in the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

This editor finds himself in an unusual position in writing this editorial. As a champion of the Cooperative Program, I have been cool toward all special offerings, feeling they detracted from this great plan for training our people to give fairly to all causes sponsored by Southern Baptists. As a pastor leading a church to increase its Cooperative Program gifts annually, I refused to stress a special offering even for the Cooperative Program, feeling that it was breaking faith with the people who were urged to give liberally and regularly through the Cooperative Program.

I feel differently about this emergency and this special offering. Leaving the pastorate for denominational work, I hope I have not lost the pastor's perspective. Surely special circumstances alter cases, and this is one. This is an emergency. It is our making, not that of our Executive Secretary who is on the spot. Considering the utter abandon with which he has already given himself to the task of leading Kentucky Baptists, to say nothing of our sacred responsibility to the world mission cause, the least we can do is something special.



If I were a Kentucky Baptist pastor, I would do my utmost to lead the church members to see this challenge and meet it. If I were the pastor of one of the more than 500 churches which gave nothing through the Cooperative Program last year, I'd reduce that number by one on June 24. I'd make an offering myself and urge my fellow church members to do likewise. If a goal were mentioned, I'd ask the members to give an amount at least equal to one month of my salary from the church. Surely they would see that all Baptist mission causes around the world deserve 1/12 as much as the pastor receives a year.

If I were the leader of a church giving less than 10 per cent of the church income through the Cooperative Program, I believe I could show the members the wisdom and blessing of a supplemental offering to meet this emergency. According to which seemed better, I'd take a special offering on June 24 or ask the church to double the percentage or amount going through the Cooperative Program for at least one month. This would amount to giving an extra month's contribution through the Cooperative Program. This would bless the church more than making an extra payment on the building indebtedness.

If I were the pastor of one of those blessed churches already giving 15 per cent, 20 per cent or more through the Cooperative Program, I'd not hesitate to share the problem with the members. They would be the first to understand and respond. I would assure them this is not a gimmick to be resorted to every year, but that their faithful and generous stewardship week by week would make such emergencies non-existent. If I were a layman and my pastor did nothing about this, I'd try to do something about it myself.

No one plan should be imposed upon all churches to do their part in this matter. Wherever, after serious prayer and search for God's leadership, a special offering on June 24 appears the best way, let's put our whole heart into it. If another approach is better, let's find it and do it as a church. The important thing is that this is the business of 2,300 Kentucky Baptist churches and every one of them should do something which they will not be ashamed of when the Lord of the church calls for an accounting.

All this is to say that a hard-hearted, anti-special-offering editor who generally makes only a half-hearted contribution to special offerings will give with his whole heart to meet this emergency. If there is hope for the softening of an editor's heart, there's bright prospect for every Kentucky Baptist heart.

Furthermore, here's a prediction that, come August 31, Kentucky Baptists will have met their Cooperative Program goal for the first time in five years. All the slack may not be caught up on June 24, but I believe there is a momentum which will carry us over the goal this year and triumphantly into World Missions Year in 1963.

Executive Board Approves Record '63 Budget: Recommends Training Center At Magoffin

Members of the Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention spent a long day on May 8 at the Kentucky Baptist Building giving attention to denominational affairs. Among the considerations of the Board members were approval of an operating budget for 1962-63 to be presented to the Kentucky Baptist Convention in November, and a program for Magoffin Institute in Breathitt County.

The 1962-63 budget which will be presented for the approval of messengers from the Kentucky Baptist churches in the November convention amounts to a record \$2,620,000. An additional \$47,000 is being recommended for the operation of Kentucky Southern College if this school qualifies as a member of the Kentucky Baptist educational family by this time. At present the Louisville school is under the control of the Long Run Association of Baptists.

The Kentucky Baptist Convention will use 64 1/2 per cent of the \$2,620,000 (\$1,689,900) for operation of its program in the state. Southern Baptist causes will receive the remaining 35 1/2 per cent (\$930,100).

Training Center at Magoffin

The disposition of Magoffin Institute has been a knotty problem for Kentucky Baptists since its operation as a high school was discontinued due to a lack of students. Several proposals for the use of the property have failed to materialize. The latest proposal approved by the members of the Board for the consideration of the Magoffin trustees is that the facilities be used for increased Baptist mission activity and as a training center. The recommendation calls for the greater emphasis upon Magoffin as a center of mission activity and church growth. At present there is a small church at Magoffin which itself sponsors two missions.

William Jagers, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, and one of those most interested in developments at Magoffin, spoke to the Board members concerning the desirability of Magoffin as the site for a literacy program, especially with adults. Jagers believes that Magoffin could not only become a place where many adults could learn to read, but teachers for a literacy program could be trained. Another suggestion passed on to the board of trustees would call for the development of an arts and crafts program at Magoffin. The trustees are given a year by the Board to develop this program.

In the meantime a special committee of the Executive Board working on the Magoffin problem has succeeded in se-

curing quitclaim deeds to 1,800 acres of land. A certain proviso in the original deeds called for much clarification before the property could legally belong to the Kentucky Baptist Convention. Among the recommendations to the board of trustees by the Executive Board is the transfer of the title of the property from the trustees to the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Cedarmore Loan Deferred

The matter receiving most discussion during the deliberations of the Board members was a report of the Cedarmore Committee. Chairman Elroy Lamb, Danville, presented slides of the property and spoke of recent steps to increase the acreage. Announcement was made concerning a gift of almost 150 acres and the purchase of an additional 70 acres, bringing the total acreage of Cedarmore to around 640.

The Cedarmore committee recommended that \$350,000 be borrowed in order to construct a motel on the assembly grounds and a sewage disposal system. After lengthy discussion the loan proposal was deferred for consideration in the December meeting of the Board members.

A report of the Christian Education Committee of the Board included two specific proposals. One of these was the employment of a professional fund raising agency to assist in the forthcoming capital needs campaign. The other proposal was that negotiations be entered into for the bringing of Kentucky Southern College into the family of Kentucky Baptist schools. Both proposals were approved. W. R. Pettigrew, Louisville, assured Board members that the avowed intention of everyone connected with the Louisville school was that it be a Kentucky Baptist school.

\$10,000,000 Campaign for Capital Needs

Earlier Secretary Harold Sanders had discussed the forthcoming capital needs campaign. He reported the findings of a consultant firm concerning the present capital needs. These capital needs include improvement and construction of new facilities for Kentucky Baptist schools and colleges, Baptist Student Union centers, and the Cedarmore assembly. Schools alone will need more than \$8,000,000 within five years and Sanders indicated the total goal of the campaign would probably be \$10,000,000. Interviews have already been conducted with several fund raising agencies, but no decision will be made until the amount of capital needs drive is determined.

One new staff member was added to

the Baptist Student Union Department. Mr. James R. Bergman, presently serving as Baptist Student Union secretary at the University of Georgia, Athens, was elected associate secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Student Union Department. Bergman is a native of Kentucky and is well known among Kentucky Baptists for his very active participation in Baptist Student Union work during his student days.

Cooperative Program Day

Plans were also finalized for the observance of Cooperative Program Day on Sunday, June 24. In special conferences on Monday evening preceding the Board meeting, the present Cooperative Program picture was discussed at length. Due to a change in the fiscal year for Kentucky Baptists and the new policy of closing the books each month on the 25th rather than about 15 days later, a deficit of almost \$100,000 has resulted. Executive Secretary Sanders and Accountant Morton pointed out that contributions equal to the budget goal have been arriving each month, but will not be enough to erase the deficit. An emergency offering on June 24 or a special increase for one or more months by churches giving now heavily to the Cooperative Program has been suggested. Materials for the observance of Cooperative Program Day have been prepared and sent to every church in the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Seven new members were added to the Board to replace those who have moved out of the state since November, 1961. They were Sam W. Thomas, Princeton, for Caldwell Association; W. O. Mers, Burksville, for Freedom Association; Charles Nelson, Mayfield, for Graves County Association; Arno Gosser, Font Hill, for Russell County Association; Homer D. Long, Paint Lick, for Tates Creek Association; Paul Godsey, Loyall, for Upper Cumberland Association; and Dennis Lewis, Harlan, for Upper Cumberland Association.

Chairman Verlin Kruschwitz, Elizabethtown, presided over the meeting. The Board is scheduled to meet next on November 12 at the Third Baptist Church, Owensboro, prior to the meeting of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Deusner Visits Hopkinsville

Pastor Archie W. Allison of the Edgewood Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, reports a very successful revival with C. Ford Deusner as the visiting evangelist. An unusual result of the revival was the surrender of Bethel College student David Muth to the gospel ministry. Muth is one of the boys from the Glendale Children's Home where C. Ford Deusner is superintendent. Pastor Allison reports a new record for Sunday school attendance with 418 present on April 22.



EAGLE EYRIE, Va.—Kentucky's Sunday school secretary met with these Baptist Sunday School Board Sunday School Department leaders and other Sunday school secretaries here recently. Left to right are: Roy E. Boatwright, of Middletown; A. V. Washburn, secretary, and Keener Pharr, superintendent of administration, both in the Nashville department. The group went on record challenging every church in the Southern Baptist Convention to increase its Sunday school enrolment by a minimum of 10 per cent during 1962-63.

A POSITIVE WORD IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

Recognizing that the deepest need of mankind in today's uncertain world is the eternal gospel of Jesus Christ, the Baptist Sunday school secretaries and the staff of the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board reaffirm their conviction that the major thrust of a church through its Sunday school is teaching the message of the Bible with a view to winning people to Christ and developing them in the Christian life.

In order to help the churches achieve this goal, these Sunday school leaders recognize their responsibility to promote the reaching of as many people as possible for Bible study and the improvement of the quality of Bible teaching in the Sunday schools.

The group goes on record as challenging every church in the Southern

Baptist Convention to increase its Sunday school enrolment by a minimum of ten percent during the church year 1962-1963.

To implement this outreach, these workers commit themselves anew to the promotion of the proven pattern of Sunday school work. This involves a church's discovering its Sunday school possibilities, enlarging its Sunday school organization, enlisting and training Sunday school workers, providing needed space, and going after the unreached people.

(This statement was adopted at the meeting of the Baptist state Sunday school secretaries and representatives of the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board held at Eagle Eyrie, Virginia, April 10, 1962.)

Baylor Student Group Approves Desegregation

WACO, Tex. (BP) — A resolution calling for the removal of racial barriers at Baylor University here has been overwhelmingly approved by the school's Student Congress.

The student governing body urged the Baptist school's administration to take action to integrate the institution by a 30-5 vote.

Both sides of the question were hotly debated by members of the Student Congress during an hour-long session.

Opponents of the resolution said that if Texas Baptists wanted integration at

sity's receipt of gifts from donors who oppose integration.

Supporters of the resolution replied that if the administration was embarrassed over the straw vote, steps would have been taken to prevent the Student Congress from dealing with the question.

A month earlier, Baylor President Abner McCall told the students at a special panel discussion on Baylor policies that "an emotional change must be made among Texas Baptists before a movement toward integration will be put into action."

President McCall said that Baylor would continue its present admission policies until the school's board of trustees, elected by the Baptist General Convention of Texas, approves a change.

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Executive Committee Has 12 Proposals

NASHVILLE (BP)—The budget for 1963, a new procedure for amending the Constitution of the Convention, and removing exceptions for rotating "local board" members are among the dozen or more recommendations from the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee here.

They will go before the 1962 session of the Convention at San Francisco next month for adoption.

Other recommendations make changes in technical wording to bring the Constitution and bylaws into closer harmony with each other, provide for representation of Indiana Baptists on several S.B.C. agencies and call for printed ballots to be used by messengers in voting.

Executive Secretary Porter Routh of Nashville said the total proposed 1963 budget for S.B.C. agencies is \$19,792,500. This is the basic amount needed to meet operating and capital needs. Any funds received beyond this sum would go to foreign and home missionary advance only.

The proposed 1963 budget compares with the grand total 1962 budget of \$19,013,500.

The Executive Committee recommends the Convention adopt a procedure for amending its Constitution so that subsequent amendments must be approved at two successive Conventions.

Presently, amendments may be presented at one session, without a vote, and voted on at the following year's session.

Another recommendation calls for eliminating the exception which has been granted to "local board members" of the S.B.C. agencies. Presently, agencies may retain "any local member whose technical service . . . in such matters as medical, legal, and financial operations seems to make it advisable that he be continued as a board member."

"Local members" live in the city, or within a short distance, of the agency on whose board they serve. Those covered by present exemption have not had to rotate off the boards periodically as have other members of the agencies.

To make the adjustment easier, the recommendation is that it be implemented gradually over two years and take full effect by time of the 1964 Convention.

Indiana Baptists reported more than 25,000 members of affiliated churches, which has made them eligible to have representatives on all agencies whose charters permit.

Printed ballots for the messengers (elected by churches to vote on Convention affairs) would be provided when

they register their attendance at the Convention. A count of important votes, such as the election of officers, would be announced only if a majority of messengers requested it, if the recommendation passes. Vote counts are not presently reported, only the outcome.

The Executive Committee recommended that a proposed week on the Convention calendar to promote the Cooperative Program be "postponed for the time being." The Cooperative Program is the financial plan to support state and nationwide Baptist work.

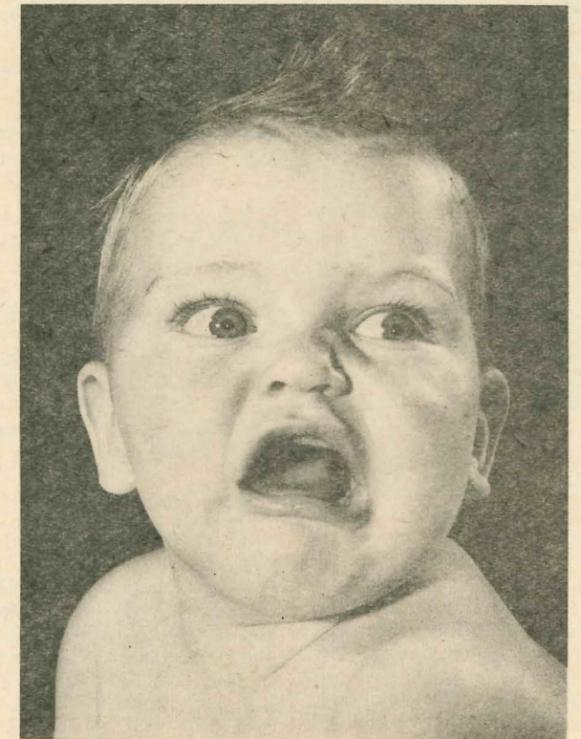
Other ways in which the Cooperative Program may be promoted are listed.

In continuing to prepare an Organization Manual of S.B.C. Agencies, the

Executive Committee will present for adoption the program descriptions of two more agencies—the Southern Baptist Foundation and Southern Baptist Hospitals.

Ben Landrum in Meetings

First Baptist Church, Flatwoods, experienced a heart-warming revival April 22-29. Ben Landrum, pastor of the Wildwood Baptist Church, Ashland, was the evangelist. Joe Rice, music director of Wildwood, was the song leader. There was a large number of decisions and additions to the church. Clel B. Rodgers is pastor of the Flatwoods Church.



"Don't tell me your people know all about the Cooperative Program! In our church, we're going all out on Cooperative Program Sunday, June 24."

For more information on Cooperative Program Day, write:

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Join the Board

Would you like to become a member of the Executive Board of your Kentucky Baptist Convention? Welcome a-Board! We need the counsel, fellowship, and prayerful effort of every Kentucky Baptist in doing truly spiritual and truly big things for the Lord and a lost world.

On May 7, the Board was joined by other fine leaders in a special conference on the Cooperative (Missions) Program — missionaries, moderators, presidents and superintendents of all our colleges and hospitals and children's homes, and my own department secretaries here in Middletown. We had supper at the Seminary with Dr. Duke K. McCall, and divided into seven groups in Seminary classrooms to pray, to share ideas on how to do the Lord's work in Kentucky and around the world. It was great! Some of our laymen brought out good ideas to share with those of our preachers. We understand more clearly our problems, see the big work of God before us, and found some better ways of doing it. I wish you could have been there.

You are **there** when it comes to the Lord's work. The Convention is just as strong as the total churches are strong. Your church is as strong as you and the other members are strong. So, **you** do belong to the Board. We need your mind, heart, and hand. Study our program, our plans—we believe the Holy Spirit is leading us as we seek to lead Kentucky Baptists. We need your love, your heart, your trust. We seek to be true to the Lord, to you, to a lost world. We need your prayers, your tears, your "encouraging word". We need your help—your church taking a part in all our work through your prayer, your people in our organizational life, and your budgets.

On June 24, Cooperative (Missions) Program Sunday, we need for each Kentucky Baptist to learn what we are trying together to do. Your pastor will have a 20-page booklet called "Kentucky Baptists Reaching Out" for each family. Other materials will reach him for you, including an offering envelope for *emergency* offering on that date. If you are reading this note, you read the *Western Recorder*—will you please read every word from this issue through June 24? And, especially, the June 7

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

TESTS OF OUR FAITH

For May 27, 1962

First John was not written to sinners to tell them how to be saved, but to believers to show them how to obtain



Him and likeness to Him.

the full measure of enjoyment of their standing. It was desirable that its readers have and enjoy the blessed assurance that they were the children of God. Such assurance was intended to lead them to fellowship with Christ, joy in

the root meaning of "fellowship" is to share with one another. It involves reciprocal knowledge, love and endeavor. Real fellowship means knowing each other intimately, loving each other devotedly, and doing things together and for each other.

I John 1:5-10.

The possibility of fellowship was revealed by Christ, the Son of God, Who came into the world as a babe, dwelt among men, died for our sins, rose from the grave and ascended to the right hand of the Father, where He now intercedes for us. Fellowship with Christ, and with those who truly love and follow Him, constitutes one of the greatest and most glorious privileges which God gives to His children.

Some, who are not instructed properly in God's Word, frequently confuse sonship and fellowship. Apparently they do not understand that one may be a child of God without always enjoying good fellowship with Him, just as children may be out of fellowship with

issue—when the Cooperative Program will be featured?

You are members of the Convention—and the Board is the Convention between annual sessions. You belong! I'm glad!

Harold G. Sanders

their earthly parents through disobedience, and yet they are still members of the family.

Receiving Christ as a personal Saviour is the fundamental prerequisite to fellowship with the Lord. "As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." When one has personally received Christ, God's Son, Who is the manifestation of God's person, the redeemer of God's people and the ruler of God's dominions, he readily understands that He is the One Who supplies peace to the mind and satisfaction to the soul.

After we have been saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ we enjoy fellowship with the Lord and with His followers. "If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin." The effectual agent in the cleansing from all unrighteousness is ever the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Since the test of fellowship with God is to walk in the light, one who lives in the light knows his own frailty and is continually availing himself of the purifying power of Christ's sacrificial death. Fellowship with Him, which comes through cleansing from sin by the blood of Christ, makes it possible for us to have a sweet fellowship one with another. It is doubtful if anything is more satisfying than true Christian fellowship. David expressed a similar thought in the words, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Another good example of it is how the Christians stayed together, prayed together, ate together, and had beautiful and delightful fellowship with each other after Pentecost.

Sin is such a universal fact in the lives of Christians that God's Word plainly states that anyone who declares that he is without sin both deceives himself and proves by his actions before God and his fellows that he is a liar. Rather than attempting to make God a liar by claiming sinlessness, every Christian should confess his sins to God and ask Him for His loving forgiveness and cleansing.

I John 2:1-6.

When he wrote this epistle John was an old man. In this second chapter he referred to his readers, for whom he had a most tender and warm affection, as "my little children." After using

this affectionate designation, John informed them of the purpose for which he was writing these words—that they might not sin against God. His message was written to Christians. He certainly would not have charged the unsaved to refrain from sinning, because that would have been an utter impossibility for them. He was writing to assist Christians in living victorious lives.

In the expression, "if any man sin," John admits the possibility of sinning. There is in every Christian a tendency to evil, and sometimes we yield to the temptations which assail us both from within and without. What then? Are we to despair? Not at all. No allowance is made for sin, but, in case we do sin, there is a divine provision for us. "We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." But, this does not excuse sin, any more than you should set fire to a building which has a fire escape in order that you might have a chance to use the escape. It is good to know that in case we do sin there is an Advocate to help us through.

An advocate is one who pleads the cause of another. Some advocates are successful, whereas others are not. Our Advocate, Jesus Christ the righteous, is always successful. To know Him in His finished work and in complete reliance upon His continued advocacy is the first secret of victory. Not only is sin dealt with at the beginning of the Christian life, but day by day we may enjoy the cleansing power of the blood of our Divine Advocate. He ever lives to stand in the presence of God and hold out those nail-pierced hands as a reminder that sin has been atoned for once-for-all. Being the propitiation for our sins, He made it possible for God to be just and at the same time the justifier of the ungodly. He is our Advocate, pleading His righteousness in our behalf when we fall into sin. If we are the children of God, our great and abiding ambition will be to avoid sinning. Moreover, God rightfully expects those who have been saved by His grace to live victoriously.

John also spoke of the tests whereby one may know that he is a child of God. One of these is obedience to His commandments. The thing of supreme importance is not how you talk about Christ, but how you walk in obedience to Him. The reality of one's profession is determined by the consistency of his walk. Talking about our love for Him, our devotion to Him, our service for Him and our faithfulness to Him mean nothing unless we obey Him. Walking as Christ walked means to pattern our lives after His, which was one of submission to God's will and obedience to His Word. It is always right and best for Christians to use Christ as the pattern for their lives.

Dr. Albert McClellan to Address Clear Creek Graduates on May 17

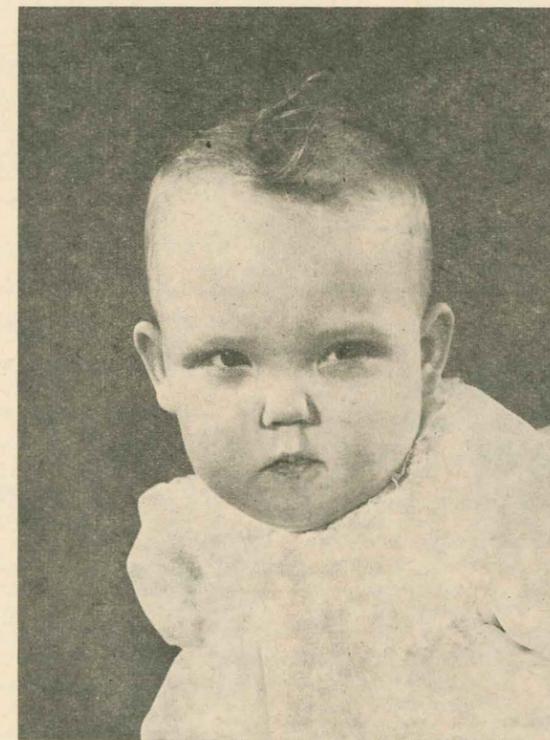
The graduation exercises of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, are set for Thursday, May 17, at 1:30 o'clock. The speaker will be Dr. Albert McClellan, Nashville, who is program planning secretary for the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The president's medal will be awarded to the person chosen by the faculty as the outstanding student.

Eight states are represented by members of the graduating class. One of them is George Gurley, Indiana, a blind

veteran of the Korean War. He is the first blind student to complete the three-year Bible course here. His wife, Mrs. Gurley, a mother of three young children, will also graduate, having taken classes as well as helping her husband with his reading. Mr. Gurley hopes to work as chaplain in a veterans hospital and will enroll in a Baptist college next fall.

Lexington Pastor in Kansas

Dr. Franklin Owen, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, has been preaching in a week's meeting with his nephew, **Pastor Owen C. Dahlor**, at Mission, Kansas, a suburb of Greater Kansas City.



"You won't catch me unprepared for Cooperative Program Sunday, June 24. I'm ordering my material early from the Baptist Building at Middletown."

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KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM CARD-O-GRAM

May, 1962

How would your family budget fare if you suddenly lost 1/2 month's income? It would be hard, wouldn't it? Yet that is exactly the case with the Cooperative Program budget of Kentucky Baptists. Why? Well, until last November, with no certain date for closing the books, funds received by the 11th were counted in the previous month. Then we voted a set closing date (the 25th), regardless of funds received. This meant only 1/2 month's income the first month. This deficit has continued since. We must make up that 1/2 month's loss by August 25th. How? Who? When?

A good answer is Cooperative Program Sunday, June 24. Let every church take a special Cooperative Program offering on June 24. Let those who have given nothing this year do it! Let those who give 10 per cent or less do it! Let the most generous do it, too! All together--on this one day--we can make up this 1/2 month's loss! Will you promote it in your church, so mission work on all levels can be carried out as planned this year, and we can begin World Missions Year (1963) with income equal to budget?

April Cooperative Program receipts	\$216,172	
To date this Convention year	1,151,198	(November thru April)
Goal to date for this year	1,250,000	(Under goal: \$98,802)

Training Union

Miss Margaret Baird Places First in State Intermediate Sword Drill

By James H. Whaley, Sr.

Miss Margaret Baird, from Adairville Baptist Church in Adairville, Kentucky, received first place recognition in the



Margaret Baird

Intermediate Sword Drill at the State Training Union Convention. Miss Baird will represent Kentucky during the Youth Week at Ridgecrest, July 5-11. She is a sophomore at Adairville High School and at present plans to continue her studies after high school in preparation for the nursing profession. Margaret participated in the Junior Memory Work and Bible Drill as a Junior and has taken part in the Intermediate Sword Drill in previous years. It is interesting to note that while Margaret received first place recognition for the Intermediate Sword Drill, her sister, Mae Ann, received first place recognition in the state Junior Memory Work and Bible Drill.

Woman's Missionary Union

Three Summer Workers

By Miss Rachel Milligan

Three workers have been chosen by Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union to work in Girls' Auxiliary Camps in Kentucky this summer.



Miss Harper

Miss Lois Harper, of Lexington, was a summer worker in G.A. Camps in 1960 and 1961. Lois is graduating this year from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. She will serve in Oneida, Jonathan Creek, Henry County, and Shelby County camps. Miss Margie Black of Rome, Georgia, was a summer worker in 1961 camps. She will be graduating from Carver School of Missions and Social Work this year. Those in Owen County, Boone's Creek, Schafer, Cedarmore, Jonathan Creek and Kavanaugh Camps will have the privilege of working with Margie.

Miss Norma Jean Neumeister of Walton, Kentucky, and a student at Georgetown College will be working in G.A. Camps, also. Norma Jean has worked on the staff at Cedarmore two summers.



Miss Black



Miss Neumeister

She completed the Queen Regent in Service Step in Girls' Auxiliary. She will be working in the Levi Jackson, Schafer, Joy, Bethel and Kavanaugh camps.

OUR SYMPATHY

Kentucky W.M.U. extends sincere sympathy to Mrs. Logan B. English, of Paris, Kentucky, and Mrs. Cecil Brown, of Harrodsburg, in the recent deaths of their husbands. Mrs. English is a former vice-president of Kentucky W.M.U. and Mrs. Cecil Brown will be remembered as the author of "Golden Remembrances," the history of Kentucky W.M.U. published in observance of our Fiftieth Anniversary.

Sunday School

A Wise Investment of Time, Money, and Effort

By Roy E. Boatwright

"All that goes up must come down" is an old theory that has been consistently disproved by the Vacation Bible School. Since 1925 Vacation Bible School attendance in Kentucky has increased in number each year with the exception of two years.



R. E. Boatwright

In 1925 there were 913 boys and girls enrolled in Vacation Bible School. Last year, in our state there were 1,714 schools with 168,184 enrolled.

Let us look at the values derived from last year's schools. For an average cost of 15c per pupil per day; there were 2,942 professions of faith and 1,740 dedi-

cations made. We discovered a "live prospect list" of 10,114 boys and girls not enrolled in Sunday school. Last, but by no means least, \$32,578 was given for mission causes through Kentucky Vacation Bible Schools. Of this amount \$27,533 was given through the Cooperative Program.

This is a significant contribution to Southern Baptist work. This year's report can be equally thrilling. May each church and mission in Kentucky realize the vast potential for Bible teaching, evangelism, enlistment, and training through the Vacation Bible School.

Church Music

Upper Cumberland Association Has Finest Music School

By Eugene F. Quinn

Associational Music Director, Ronald Sholar, reports the most successful Associational Music Training Course ever conducted since he has been at Harlan. A total of 91 were enrolled in the classes. They represented the following eight churches: Elcomb, River Side, Calvary in Loyall, Ages, Bethel, Liggett, and Harlan. Sixty-two awards were earned by those attending.



E. F. Quinn

The next Associational Music School is scheduled for this summer at the First Baptist Church of Loyall.

Kentucky Baptist Foundation

Foundation Income Climbing

By A. M. Vollmer, Exec. Sec'y.-Treas.

April 30 marked the close of the second quarter of the current associational year. During these two quarters the Foundation earned on its investments and distributed to the various institutions and agencies, \$40,639.84.

For a like period of the first year of the Foundation's operation, in 1946, its earnings were \$3,448.81.

During these sixteen years it has earned and distributed over \$600,000. These figures are significant when we realize that the Foundation income is perpetual. In twenty years a given amount will produce, in income, an amount equal to the principal. A total

endowment of \$2,000,000 in twenty years will earn \$2,000,000.

This is the advantage of making gifts and bequests to the Foundation for the benefit of our Baptist causes and institutions. No portion of the principal is ever spent. Your witness never ceases.

J. Ray Dobbins' Father Dies on Arkansas Farm

Albert Dobbins, Allison, near Mountaintown, Ark., went out on horseback some days ago to look after his stock. At a later time a son arrived on the scene at the farm to find his father lying on the ground, and dead. His hand was clasping the reign of the horse, still standing near, and his dog stood by, looking on.

Mr. Dobbins apparently had a heart attack while in his line of duty. He was the father of J. Ray Dobbins, superintendent of city missions of the Miami Baptist Association, 1790 N.E. Second Court, Miami 32, Fla., and formerly pastor of the Hall Street Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky., and of the Beechmont Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

Two of the children of the deceased are now living in Kentucky. They are Jack Dobbins, 1412 Bryce Dr., Louisville, and Robert Dobbins, South Fort Mitchell, Ky.

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	S.S.	Add.	T.U.
Louisville, Walnut Street	1338		312
Missions (3)	297		137
Hopkinsville, Second	1151	1	201
Covington, Calvary	1022		
Madisonville, First	983		244
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	964		291
Missions (2)	964		291
Missions (2)	84		42
Mayfield, First	933		217
Mission	120		
Owensboro, Third	929	3	317
Missions (2)	86		53
Murray, First	925	1	140
Mission	53		
Owensboro, First	914	4	159
Lexington, Calvary	913		181
Mission	65		
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	905		211
Harrodsburg	882	3	222
Mission	47		43
Bowling Green, First	874	1	184
Mission	103		
Louisville, Crescent Hill	852	7	194
Missions (2)	156		51
Lexington, Grace	798	1	142
Mission	20		
Somerset, First	747		218
Mission	222		45
Louisville, Beechmont	706	2	159
Missions (2)	187		99
Glasgow	701	1	163
Mission	33		
Paducah, Immanuel	683	2	142
Newport, First	682		156
Lexington, Immanuel	680		162
Louisville, Bethlehem	660	6	191
Louisville, Beechland	652	2	132
Campbellsville	631		232
Missions (3)	83		65
Erlanger	628		185
Lexington, Rosemont	616	5	166
Louisville, Buechel Park	613	1	165
Mission	91		
Georgetown	598		152
Lexington, Trinity	594	10	177
Louisville, Victory Memorial	578	1	171
Shelbyville, First	564	1	92
Louisville, Beth Haven	564	3	245
London, First	549	56	128
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	548	1	186
Frankfort, First	546	3	98
Mission	80		50
Henlerson, Immanuel	520	3	85
Missions (2)	198		
Louisville, Green Acres	518		217
Owensboro, Hall Street	517		201
Central City, First	511		263
Lexington, Porter Memorial	507	10	88
Louisville, Hazelwood	496	3	83
Winchester, Central	495	1	130
Lexington, Central	494	18	103
Louisville, Farmdale	488	1	124
Jeffersonton, First	488		109
Ludlow, First	486		79
Ashland, Unity	486		125
Franklin, First	473		151
Mission	77		39
Nicholasville	467		105
Louisville, Bethany	462		111
Middlesboro, First	455	4	94
Hodgenville, First	447		117
Louisville, High View	446		104
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	445		104
Mt. Washington, First	439	22	155
Mission	95		31
Walton, First	437	3	191
Richmond, First	437		78
Hazard, First	430		98
Lawrenceburg, First	427		48
Mission	101	1	49
Lebanon, First	426		101
Corbin, First	414		112
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	408		160
Louisville, Eighteenth St.	406		106
Mission	48		44
Henderson, First	405		102
Versailles	404		96
Bardstown	403	1	77
Louisville, Ralph Avenue	396	3	147

Hima, Horse Creek	391		
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	381		
Louisville, Immanuel	362		88
Barbourville, First	359	5	171
Missions (3)	237		
Morganfield, First	351	1	89
Radcliff, Stithon	342		103
Louisville, Shawnee	340		107
Louisville, Ridgewood	329	2	107
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	324		109
Frankfort, Crestwood	318	2	96
Glendale, Gilead	308		213
Louisville, Fern Creek	305	3	82
Shepherdsville, Little Flock	302		127
Dawson Springs, First	300		47
Middletown, First	299		132
Earlington, First	299		92
Taylorsville, First	290		103
Cold Spring, First	272		97
Stanford	269		89
Mission	31		
Marion	268	4	73
Louisville, East Audubon	267		58
Owensboro, Seven Hills	263		60
Shelbyville, Highland	256	3	87
Frankfort, Memorial	255	3	92
Owensboro, Yellow Creek	252		64
Hazel	248		
Independence, Hickory	243		35
Mission	24		
Lexington, North View	226		95
Louisville, Oak Dale	214		68
Calhoun	210	2	61
Cecilia	206		98
Morgantown First	190		231
Mission	23		
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Harry L. Garrett Returns to Illinois

Harry L. Garrett has resigned as the Ferguson Church, Ferguson, Kentucky, to return to his native state of Illinois. Garrett has been called by the McKinley Avenue Baptist Church—his home church—in Harrisburg, Illinois. This church has more than 1,100 members and is located near a large high school and a new junior college. It was in the McKinley Avenue Church that Garrett



H. L. Garrett

was converted in 1937, and there he was ordained to the Gospel ministry in 1941.

Garrett is well known to Kentucky Baptists, having served for three years as an associate in the Sunday School

Department, before accepting the Ferguson pastorate. With him will go the prayers of Kentucky Baptists.

Campbellsville Alumni Association to Meet For Annual Banquet

The Alumni Association of Campbellsville College will have its Spring Banquet in the college's cafeteria May 26, 7:00 P.M. (E.S.T.). Featured as speaker is Dr. Fred R. Yoder, chairman of the Department of Social Sciences at the college. Officers will be elected during the business meeting. The association is reorganizing and encourages all alumni to attend the banquet.

Reservations for the banquet should be made on or before May 19, by writing Dr. Paul G. Horner, Campbellsville College, Campbellsville. Cost of tickets will be \$1.50 to be paid at the cafeteria entrance.

"Physician of the Year"

Dr. Denzil O. Barker, physician, and a deacon of the First Baptist Church, Hindman, Ky., has been named "Kentucky's general practitioner of the Year." The citation was given by the Kentucky Academy of General Practice, at its recent meeting in the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville. J. S. Bell is his pastor.

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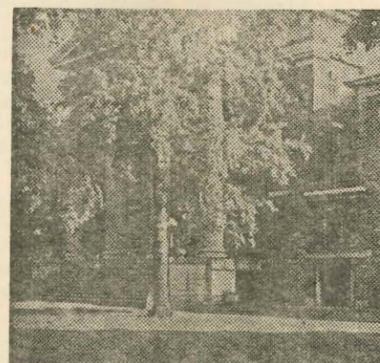
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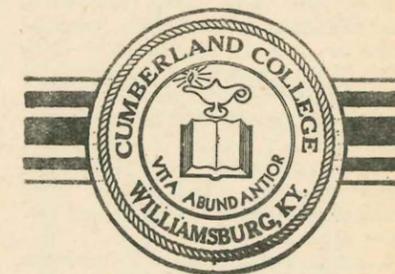
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Colombian Aid Program Faces Freedom Problem

WASHINGTON (BP)—United States aid to Colombian education is filled with church-state problems. But in an opinion based on a careful study of the agreement itself and the pertinent correspondence, C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, says the situation has some encouraging aspects.

Carlson was directed by the committee to find out the facts about the new education aid program and to give publicity to them. His findings and interpretations were released in a 12-page "staff report" to the Baptist denominations that maintain the "joint" committee.

Fear has been expressed, both in Colombia and in the United States, that American tax dollars were to be used to build up the power of the Roman Catholic schools. The educational system in Colombia is under the control of the Roman Catholic Church, according to a Vatican Concordat. This has resulted in serious discrimination against Protestant pupils.

Carlson's findings as revealed by the government documents, by talks with high government officials, and by information from Colombia sustain a number of previously published accounts. But several inaccurate reports were also uncovered.

The agreement between the United States and Colombia was not a "treaty" as reported from other sources. It is a "Project Agreement between the Agency for International Development (AID), an agency of the Government of the United States of America, and the Ministry of Education, an agency of the Government of Colombia."

According to the agreement an initial four-year program will provide about \$40,000,000 from the United States to match approximately the same amount from Colombia to develop the public school system there. This will build 22,000 classrooms and four normal schools. A training program for 9,500 teachers, 2,500 school administrators and 400 superintendents is included.

This is not an entirely new program, Carlson said, but it is an extension of a project begun in 1958. The "Education Servicio" has been a part of the U. S. Operations Mission in Colombia for aiding elementary education.

The agreement for the new program was signed December 12, 1961, and negotiations for its implementation have been in progress since.

Following contacts by Protestants in Colombia, U. S. Ambassador Fulton Freeman made inquiries on January 17, 1962, about school plans in "mission territories" (where the schools are exclusively Roman Catholic) and about Protestant rights in the normal schools.

The reply came in a letter on March 30, 1962, from Jaime Posada, Colombian minister of education.

It has been reported by other sources that these are only "verbal assurances," but Carlson's information is that "the later commitments in the correspondence . . . bind the same parties as those making the original agreement."

Posada cited the Colombian Constitution, which has the wide approval of Colombian Protestants, and which guarantees extensive religious liberty to all persons and cults. He accepted responsibility for the government to see to it that the Constitution is observed in the new educational development involving U. S. funds.

No schools will be built by U. S. aid in "mission territories." Likewise, non-Catholics may attend the new schools, and they are assured freedom from molestation and from religious coercion.

Even though these findings are encouraging, Carlson pointed out that serious religious liberty problems remain. It may be difficult to enforce on the local level the freedom ordered by the central government.

"At this distance," he said, "it would appear that the Colombian government now finds itself with conflicting international agreements (i.e., concordat with the Vatican and agreement with the United States). Which direction will the government go?"

Carlson agreed that Protestant apprehension in Colombia is well-founded because of their sufferings the past 15 years. But he speculated, "It is possible that the situation has now developed in which the government of Colombia might decide to revise the Church's dominance of public education."

He pointed out the vicious circle in which Colombia finds herself: ignorance that causes church domination, and church domination that generates ignorance. "How can it be broken?" he asked.

Since "the whole idea of the Alliance for Progress is based on the need for reform," Carlson expressed the hope that educational reform and not only expansion might be one of the major objectives of the program.

College Aid Bill Takes Step Nearer Enactment

WASHINGTON (BP)—Aid to church-related institutions will be a problem for Senate and House conferees as they seek agreement on the college aid bill.

The House rules committee, after a three-month delay, agreed to allow conferees to try to work out a compromise on the Senate and House versions of the higher education bill.

One of the differences to be settled involves aid to church-related institutions. The House bill would allow loans

and grants to both public and private colleges for construction purposes. It is known that some of the Senate leaders are opposed to grants to church schools in the House bill.

The House bill calls for \$1,500,000,000 in both loans and grants for the construction of classrooms, libraries, science laboratories and dormitories in public, private and church-controlled colleges.

The Senate version provides \$1,500,000,000 in loans only to four-year colleges, plus \$250,000,000 in matching grants for junior colleges.

Private and church-related colleges would be included in the loan provision features in both bills. There is, however, a limited safeguard which is supposed to "take care" of the religious issue in aid to higher education.

Both measures contain provisions that would prohibit loans for academic facilities that are used for sectarian instruction, or as a place of worship, and any facilities that is used primarily in connection with a school or department of divinity.

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fied will give us another study of Genesis that will correct the mistakes and preserve the truth of the first attempt."

("A Critical analysis of Ralph A. Elliott's, *The Message of Genesis*")

One thing further should be said. We all recognize the right of anyone, especially a seminary professor, to write and produce a book. With the right goes the responsibility of accepting the criticism which may come. And there is the right of the editor, the preacher, the pastor or layman to offer criticism—and also the responsibility that goes with their right.

As Baptists who love such freedom and appreciate such responsibility, we pray that the great commandment of our Lord, "to love one another" be the guiding principle of our thought and action.

Let us fear the judgment of God which likely may be directed against us for far greater matters than the error in any certain book—our vainglory and boasting, our indifference to the matter of missions, our cowardly unwillingness to stand up and be counted on moral issues, our compromises about the practice of Christian love.

Above all, we are pleading for a deepened sense of mission on the part of us all, for a searching for oneness in Christ. At a time when the world is so terribly disturbed over man-made schemes and machines, let us hold forth the Gospel of God in all of its relevancy and power as the one sure unshakable power in the world to meet man's needs.



Photo by Tom L. McGuire

Records in attendance and enthusiasm will be made by 308,682 members of 33,145 Girls' Auxiliaries during Girls' Auxiliary Focus Week this year. Designed primarily to focus the attention of the church on this missionary organization for girls, the week also brings

opportunity for girls to re-examine the purposes of Girls' Auxiliary and to participate in a well-planned program of mission study and service. The young ladies above are Linda Williamson (left) and Kathy Wilson, enthusiastic G.A.'s at First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.

Gifts Still Run More Than in 1961

NASHVILLE (BP)—Cooperative Program receipts at the Southern Baptist Convention treasurer's office here are running nearly half a million dollars ahead of 1961 receipts for a four-month span.

Treasurer Porter Routh of Nashville announced January through April, 1962 receipts of \$6,203,249, up \$437,378 over the same four calendar months last year.

April receipts themselves amounted to \$1,562,654 compared with \$1,415,293 in March, 1962, and \$1,499,746 in April, 1961.

Despite this continued increase in dollars, the percentage of increase declined. At the end of March, 1962, Cooperative Program receipts for the S.B.C. agencies were 9.7 per cent ahead of 1961's first quarter. At the close of April, they were running only 8.26 per cent ahead.

Designations showed increase both in dollar amounts and in percentages of increase. April's income of \$1,307,982 for S.B.C. agencies ran the total for 1962 to date to \$10,391,847, up 12.79 per cent over the January-April period for 1961.

Seminary Launches Education Experiment

LOUISVILLE (BP)—An experimental theological education program will take teams of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary professors to different cities for teaching assignments next fall.

Four pilot areas—one of which will be Atlanta—with a concentration of Southern Baptist churches are being selected for a week of special seminary courses for church staffs and laymen, said Ernest J. Loessner, Louisville, chairman of a faculty committee on continuing education.

Three professors will be the teaching staff for each city. Classes will be held in the mornings for pastors and other members of church staffs. Laymen will be invited to attend evening courses with their ministers.

Committees in each city will select seminary courses to meet specific needs, the seminary reported. These courses will be part of a general curriculum of theology, Bible, Christian ethics, pastoral counseling, religious education and church music subjects.

Major purposes of the seminary education project are to provide refresher and new studies for church staffs and

to conduct discussion seminars for pastors and laymen, said Loessner. These are non-credit courses.

Teaching seminary courses in communities will be considered a part of each participating professor's regular seminary assignment.

Classes will be held in a centrally located Baptist church. Local sponsors' only financial responsibility will be for publicizing the courses and paying travel expenses for visiting professors.

New Frankfort Church Experiences Good Revival And Constant Growth

Immanuel Baptist Church, Frankfort, was started as a mission September 3, 1961, with 48 enrolled in Sunday school. Due to the enthusiasm and hard work of the people, it has now expanded into an organized church, with the first unit of an educational building, a Sunday school enrolment of 150, and a church membership of 125.

The church recently experienced its first revival led by its first full-time pastor, Albert Gisler. There were 20 additions during the one-week effort. Paul Walker, native of Morganfield, Kentucky, and music major at Georgetown College, was in charge of the music. There have been 37 additions to the church since it moved into its educational unit December 24, 1961.

The pastor heretofore has been pastor of Friendship, McKinney and Buffalo Churches in Kentucky, and was serving under the Home Mission Board as a pioneer missionary in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at the time he accepted the call to Immanuel. He is a graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary.

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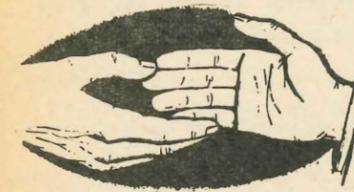
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