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OPERATION BROTHER'S BROTHER — Painless vaccination is received by a somewhat apprehensive Liberian girl. The jet inoculator is the invention of Robert Hingson, second from left, leader of a team of 26 men and women who vaccinated more than a quarter million people against smallpox in two months of 1962. This film is the second

half of "Operation Brother's Brother," a medical mercy mission which resulted in stamping out smallpox as a persistent killer in the little African republic of Liberia. The film is part of "The Answer" series and may be seen and heard in Kentucky over the following television stations:

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Nashville, Tenn.	WLAC-TV — 5	Sun. 3:00 P.M.

Check your local newspaper television listings for possible time changes.



Seminary Commencement

Brig. Gen. Robert P. Taylor, chief of the U. S. Air Force Chaplains, and a Southern Baptist, delivered the commencement address at the January 29 commencement of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. There were 82 graduates, of whom 5 were awarded the Th.D. degree; and 1 the D.R.E. degree; 3 Th.M.; 46 the B.D.; and 1 the Th.B.; 13 were given R.E. degrees; and 14 music degrees.

Social Ethics Group Meets

The American Society for Christian Social Ethics held its fourth annual meeting at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. **Henlee H. Barnett**, Christian ethics professor at the Seminary and a director of the society, was host to 50 members of the group. **Paul Ramsey** of Princeton University, Princeton, N. J., is the president. (BP)

Pembroke Pastor Goes to Tennessee

J. Arnold Porter has resigned his three-year pastorate of the Pembroke Baptist Church, Pembroke, Ky., and has accepted the pastorate of the Highland Park Baptist Church, Lawrenceburg, Tenn. There have been 70 additions to the Pembroke Church, 40 of them being by baptism, and a new two-story education building is now being completed there. His new address is 709 First Avenue, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

Ten Years at LaGrange

The DeHaven Memorial Baptist Church, LaGrange, Ky., observed the tenth anniversary of **Pastor A. L. Meacham** on January 11, 1963. In that decade 672 new members have been added, half of whom were by baptism; a new 44-room educational building, costing \$110,000 with equipment, was erected; much remodeling, redecorating and repairing was performed on the older buildings. New pews were added to increase the seating capacity in the auditorium to 500.

Negro Music Leader Dies

Prof. H. R. Britt, 92, in other years a teacher of music on the faculty of Simmons University in Louisville, died in Louisville at the Parkland Home for Care, 3115 Virginia, on January 23. He

was a leader in musical circles among his Negro brethren. For 20 years he was a member of Calvary Baptist Church choir, long located at Fifth and York, opposite old New York Hall dormitory of the Southern Baptist Seminary when it was in downtown Louisville, but now at 28th and Woodland; for 30 years he was church treasurer; and for 40 years a deacon. In 1904 he represented Negro Baptists in this section when he attended the first session of the Baptist World Alliance, meeting in London, England, in 1904.

Teletype Message on J. C. Ballew

"**J. C. Ballew** is back in the hospital for treatment, X-Rays, etc. Last weekend he had internal hemorrhages. Two transfusions have seemed to help him. He has not bled since Monday morning, January 21. The doctor seems to think he is much improved but not out of the woods yet." Thus reads the teletype message. We do not know the name of the hospital, but presumably it is in Columbia, S.C. J. C. was formerly Royal Ambassador secretary in Kentucky, and is now occupying a similar position with South Carolina Baptists.

Bette Ostrander Dies

Miss Bette Ray Ostrander, member of the Highland Baptist Church of Louisville, and a singer in its choir, died of a brain hemorrhage at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital following a brief illness on Sunday, January 27. She was just about to observe her eighteenth birthday when death overtook her. She was in her final year as a student at Atherton High School. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John O. Ostrander, operate a florist shop at the corner of Lexington Road and Bauer Avenue, in St. Matthews. Besides her parents, and her grandfather, Capt. James B. Ostrander, she is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Thomas L. Lee, wife of a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Father-in-Law of Dale Moody Dies

Marshel French, 74, a member of the First Baptist Church of Highland Park, Louisville, died at his residence, 316 Esplanade, on January 27. He was the father-in-law of Dr. Dale Moody, member of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, now on a sabbatic leave-of-absence at Oxford Uni-

versity in England. He was a retired foreman of duPonts. In addition to Mrs. Moody, he is also survived by two other daughters—Mrs. Henry Schultz and Mrs. Jess Hopewell; one son, Marshel, Jr.; six grandchildren; one brother, Horace French; and two sisters, Mrs. Lula Wright and Mrs. Mary DeCoursey.

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Southern Baptists and their Seminaries

By Edward A. McDowell

I shall discuss the two problems in theological education that concern us most acutely at the present time, the problem of decreasing enrollment in our seminaries, and the problem of suspicion as to the doctrinal soundness of our seminary faculties.

Southern Baptists face the problem of a decreasing enrollment of theological students in their seminaries. In 1956 our five seminaries (Midwestern not included) reported to the American Association of Theological Schools a total of 3,766 theological students (B.D. and graduate theological students) enrolled in these schools. In 1961 they reported a total of 3,237 students, a loss of 529 or 14 percent over 1956. The establishment of Midwestern Seminary with its 304 students reported for 1961 helps diminish the loss in total enrollment from 1956 to 225 students and reduces the loss in percentage to 6. But there is little comfort in this when we see that the general decrease in enrollment in institutions belonging to the American Association of Theological Schools was only 4 percent between 1956 and 1961. Also the embarrassment of our loss is made more acute when we consider the percentage of increase in the enrollment of institutions in some of our sister denominations. American Baptists increased their number of theological students by 2 percent, American Lutherans by 5 per cent, United Lutherans by 25 percent, Methodists by 4 percent, Protestant Episcopalians by 14 percent, the Reformed Church in America by 19 percent, the Congregational Christians by 33 percent, the Evangelical and Reformed Church by 23 per cent. But the Southern Baptist picture as to students in training in our seminaries is made even darker by the fact that there was a significant increase in churches and church members in the Southern Baptist Convention between 1956 and 1961. In 1956 our churches numbered 30,834; in 1961 they numbered 32,598, an increase of 5½ percent. In 1956 members in the Southern Baptist churches numbered 8,708,823; in 1961 they numbered 9,978,488, an increase of 14 percent.

What do these figures mean? For one thing they mean that on the very eve of our becoming the largest non-Catholic denomination in the United States we have no cause to glory in numbers, because the very numbers in which we are tempted to boast hold out to us a

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very grave warning, the warning that something is happening in our life that makes it difficult for young men and women to see a challenge in the Christian ministry. There will be various opinions as to what this something is. If we are confronted simply with the competition of scientific and secular vocations as challenges to young people we might ask why some of our sister denominations are not suffering the same decrease we are experiencing. Could it be that our major trouble is that we have sacrificed our denominational life quality to quantity, spiritual experience to conformity to organization, commitment to Christ to worldly status and achievement? Is it possible also that we have failed to deal honestly and forthrightly with the problems the new age of science has brought to young people, with the result that Christianity and the Christian ministry have grown less meaningful and relevant in their eyes? And can it be that we have been afraid to apply consecrated intelligence to reconciling the Bible and Christianity with science, and that we have therefore taken refuge in an obscurantism that repels rather than attracts young people? These failures—if they be our failures—are reflected in the attitude and the stance of the man in the pulpit. By him the boys and the girls in the pew largely measure the Christian ministry and its challenges. By and large they see in their preachers what Southern Baptists are and are not. The minister who rises above the spiritual and cultural level of his denomination is rare. The great majority of us therefore are implicated in our present failure to attract a large number of young people into the Christian ministry.

Our problem, it should be evident, is not chiefly one of recruitment. The problem begins before the time of recruitment arrives, when boys and girls are thinking silently about life and their future part in it, at the time when their ideals are being shaped. This is the time when vital religion attracts and calls forth in young hearts the desire to find a great cause and give one's life for it. This is the time when the man in the pulpit, if he represents and speaks for spirit, quality and intelligence in religion, can challenge youth to follow in his footsteps by dedicating their lives to service in the greatest calling in the world. Is it not obvious, then, that our problem with respect to decreasing enrollment in our seminaries roots in our spiritual illness as a denomination, and that the cure is not a new campaign for more ministerial students but confession of our sins of pride, egotism and blindness, and a turning throughout our de-

nomination in new dedication to Jesus Christ and the way of life and love he set before us?

The Problem of Suspicion of Our Seminaries

While we are praying and working for a new life movement in our denomination that will give us in time more candidates for the ministry we must continue to support the seminaries in which are being trained our preachers, missionaries and teachers for tomorrow. The present widespread concern as to alleged doctrinal deviations among teachers in seminaries cannot be ignored in any honest discussion of theological education among Southern Baptists today. Such concern is of course not new. From the resignation of Crawford H. Toy from the faculty of the Louisville Seminary in 1879 down to the dismissal of Ralph H. Elliott from the faculty of Midwestern Seminary in 1962 there have been recurring periods of attacks upon seminary professors. The chief cause of suspicion of seminary professors is to be found, I believe, in the character of our denomination. Our people are by and large conservative with respect to the interpretation of the Bible. They are not to be blamed too heavily for this. Their leaders and preachers have done little to change their viewpoint, and the leaders and preachers who express anxiety concerning the teaching in the seminaries are more often than not sincere exponents of the environment which nurtured them. Let us not be too hasty in our condemnation of them. Southern Baptists are a people's movement and one of the concessions we make in remaining Southern Baptists is to recognize men of various shades and colors as our brothers. Let us also recognize the fact that the seminaries belong not to the faculties of the institutions but to Southern Baptists, and that Southern Baptists have the right through their Convention to express their opinions concerning the seminaries, and through the boards of trustees to exercise control over the institutions. This is not to say that boards of trustees are to tolerate harrassment of professors that might make it impossible ultimately for competent scholars of integrity to serve as teachers in our seminaries. Boards of trustees have an obligation to express in their government of our seminaries the will of the denomination, and at the same time they have an obligation to create for the seminary teachers an environment of freedom for research and expression essential to good teaching. This, at our present stage of development, is a difficult task, but we must not grow impatient nor lose heart. We must do our best through the democratic process to elect good and intelligent men to our boards of trustees, and then we must trust them to do what is

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Is Church Membership Too Easy?

As the invitation hymn in a revival service began, two strangers entered the door and stood in the back of the sanctuary. One of them walked down the aisle in response to the invitation and was received by the congregation though no one had ever known or seen him before. In three minutes after the benediction, this new convert was pressuring the pastor and the evangelist for money to get him and his friend to the next town—and probably to the next Baptist service. It was one of my most humiliating moments as an evangelist.

This experience points up a serious matter for Baptists. A Baptist church generally is the easiest organization to get into and the hardest to get out of in the community. In less than a minute a rank stranger can get into most Baptist churches and almost nothing he can do will ever get him out. It ought not be so.

Easy church membership and the almost complete absence of church discipline have brought many Baptist churches to be mixed multitudes where spiritual power is almost non-existent. Membership in Baptist churches often is meaningless. It costs nothing to get in and it's worth about the same.

The New Testament presents no such picture of church membership. To the early Christians, church membership was the most precious organizational relationship in life. All other commitments were subordinate to their loyalty to Christ and His church. One had to give evidence of regeneration to get into a church, and Paul advocated excluding known unrepentant sinners from the Corinthian congregation.

Why have we become so lax about this matter? We have some pious answers which will not stand when honestly considered. We say we should never act as judges of people who present themselves for church membership. We make the mistake of confusing the Kingdom of God with the church and of equating church membership with salvation. Thus we consider we are passing on one's salvation when we question his request for church membership. This is not so. One's salvation is between him and his Lord, and only the Lord can judge at this point. Church membership is something else, and church members have a responsibility to guard as carefully as possible the purity of the church.

Again we try to use the New Testament to show that church membership should come first and then training in church membership. This is altogether right, but we overlook the New Testament emphasis upon genuineness of experience before church affiliation. And then we do not follow through on training in church membership. It's entirely optional and the

majority of Baptists choose not to learn what it means to be a church member.

The truth is that Baptists have become statistical-struck and numbers-numbered. We judge everything by size and numbers! We have thus sacrificed quality for quantity. Many pastors and church members are so concerned for baptismal statistics that when numbers are lagging they forthwith send for some sensational evangelist to sweep new members in. What happens to them after a few weeks or months is not generally told. The staggering fact, however, is that we lose, for any active participation, one of every two within one year after they join a Baptist church.

Some Baptist churches are doing something about it. They are requiring those seeking membership to receive training in the meaning of church membership and to give evidence of their genuineness. These churches are also requiring inactive members to explain their inactivity, to become active or be dropped from the church roll. In a Kentucky church where I recently visited, the card to be filled out by those responding to the invitation for church membership was not headed "Membership Information" but "Application for Church Membership".

There is evidence that Baptists are becoming more concerned about this matter and more and more churches will do something about it. Hasten the day, for only then will our practice approximate our profession. We have emphasized a regenerate membership and have criticized others for encouraging unregenerate membership by infant baptism and other unscriptural methods. With easy church membership and no discipline, we have ended up at the same place as those whom we have criticized.

It will be a better day when, instead of being the easiest thing to get into and the hardest to get out of, a Baptist church is the hardest thing to get into and the easiest to get out of.

We Like To Know

The best denominational promotion is clear and detailed information. This is especially true when it comes to how contributions are handled and spent. For this reason page 8 of this issue is unusually important. Here every Kentucky Baptist can see at a glance exactly how the January Cooperative Program income in Kentucky was spent. This information is provided by Business Manager Garnett Morton who carefully follows the instructions of Kentucky Baptists concerning the distribution of funds.

We like to see what we are doing. It is not that we do not trust our leadership, but we simply have a better attitude when we see all and know all. Part of the difficulty of promoting the Cooperative Pro-

gram is its intangibility and invisibility. We simply can't visualize the Cooperative Program items like we can see foreign missions when Lottie Moon is mentioned. Any presentation, then, which shows us where our money goes is extremely effective promotion.

The January distribution of Cooperative Program income is the highest in the entire history of Kentucky Baptists. It also puts us ahead of our 1962-63 goal including the allotment for Kentucky Southern College. This is very good news. It doesn't mean, however, that we are out of the woods because these

months are our best in church attendance and income. Come the traditional lean months of summer and we will need all the reserve lest we have to cry crisis again.

The encouraging Kentucky record at this time is a tribute to the unselfishness of the churches and pastors. Most of our churches are in building programs, in debt or are otherwise experiencing such local needs as to be tempted to forget the rest of the world.

Kentucky Baptists, take a long and grateful look at the January record. It is hoped we can present such an accounting each month.



Defending Miss Kentucky

Dear Editor:

Since I moved to Los Angeles last September and joined a church here, I no longer receive the *Western Recorder*. However, the issue of January 3 did fall into my hands and, in spite of the distance, I can't restrain myself from replying to a letter from Mrs. Roger Oldham which appeared in the Baptist Forum of that date.

Mrs. Oldham asked if there were any other "narrow-minded" Baptists in Kentucky. I should like to reply yes to that question and add that perhaps that's the reason there aren't more Christians in Kentucky and all over our nation! It is a commendable thing to "sound off" on a subject after you have investigated it thoroughly, but concerning the matter of Miss Kentucky's appearance at the Kentucky Baptist Convention, I feel Mrs. Oldham failed to learn all the facts.

Having lived in the town where Nancy Bowling, "Miss Kentucky", grew up, and being only a year younger than she is I can state with knowledge thru personal acquaintance that she is one of the finest Christian young people I have ever had the privilege of knowing. I feel sure that anyone else who has been acquainted with her, either at school or through her church work, will agree with me.

The fact that Nancy was willing to devote her time to attend the convention is commendable, and the fact that she, as Miss Kentucky, attended the convention is even more commendable. Spare time is at a minimum for most college students (of which Nancy is one) and for one who must represent the state at many occasions, I'm sure that time is

even more valuable. Mrs. Oldham and other Baptists should be proud that Kentucky has a representative who is a fine Baptist young person, ready to serve Christ regardless of a crowded schedule.

In closing I should like to ask why shouldn't Miss Kentucky give a Christian testimony? And why should her testimony be persecuted merely because she is Miss Kentucky? Is there any law that states because a girl is beautiful, popular and talented she can't also be a good Christian? The fact that Nancy Bowling is Miss Kentucky makes her no less of a Christian; but the fact that Miss Kentucky is a devoted Christian young person could have an immeasurable influence in the lives of young girls as they see that one does not have to lower herself to the non-Christian standards of those about her in order to achieve popularity.

Indignantly,

4426 Stillwell Miss Diana Layson
Los Angeles 32, Calif.

Commending Mrs. Oldham

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines to commend Mrs. Roger Oldham, on her statement she made in the *Western Recorder*, January 3 issue. I wholeheartedly agree with her. Unless we practice what we preach, and preach what we practice, the outside world will not have much confidence in us Baptists.

We need to get back to the old time Baptist doctrine and faith, and preach the gospel in love and power that lost souls may be saved. Not be too interested in dollars and noses, then our churches will be better off. May the

Lord give us a spiritual awakening in all of our churches! I also agree with her about Miss Kentucky's testimony.

May the Lord give us those we need to further the cause of Christ, and not only the church. What do you say, you old-time missionary Baptists?

1332 High Street Bert Stamper
Ashland, Kentucky

Hobbs Asks Baptists To Pray For Revival In Japan

By Roy Jennings

Oklahoma City (BP)—H. H. Hobbs, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, called on all Southern Baptists to conduct a special prayer period the night of March 27 for the success of a nation-wide evangelistic crusade in Japan.

The plea for Southern Baptist support followed a prayer emphasis on the evangelistic project by Baptist men as part of Baptist Men's Day observances January 27 throughout the convention.

Hobbs said he hoped all 32,000 Southern Baptist churches would devote the entire Wednesday Night Prayer Service for this crusade, known as the Japanese New Life Movement.

Thee Deacons Ordained at Nolynn

Nolynn Baptist Church, near Hodgenville, recently ordained S. E. Akridge, Henry Duell, and Edwin Pickerell as deacons. Participating in the ordination service were Pastor D. L. Cutter, who delivered the ordination sermon; O. C. McCubbin, chairman of the deacons, who read the scripture; and Dr. J. M. Sawyer, a former pastor of Nolynn, who gave the charge to the candidates and led in the ordination prayer. E. T. Whitlow was made an emeritus deacon by action of the church and received appreciation from the church for faithful service through the years.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

Woman's Missionary Union



Young Woman's Auxiliary Focus Week, Feb. 10-16, 1963

By Mrs. Hugo Culpepper

"To Share Christ" is the theme for Y.W.A. Focus Week, February 10-16. This emphasis coincides with the theme for 1963 World Missions Year, "Sharing Christ with the Whole World." Young Woman's Auxiliary is a missionary organization concerned with keeping its members in touch with the world for the purpose of sharing Christ with the world.

Y.W.A. Focus Week serves to inform the church of Y.W.A. activities and to project the organization's missionary purpose. Special mission projects, publicity features, social features and enlistment efforts are among the plans for the observance.

Kentucky has 461 Y.W.A. organizations. While we are proud of these, there are still six associations in Kentucky without any Y.W.A. organization. Fourteen associations have only one such group within their boundaries. "To Share Christ" could well start in Kentucky among the young women in giving them an opportunity to belong to a Y.W.A.

Training Union

Teach Training Clinics

By Bob Wayne

Missions is the task of the church. The Gospel is the need of the world. Thus, in 1963 we hope to see this need partially met as Southern Baptists emphasize World Missions. This emphasis will be brought to the forefront in many churches as they observe World Missions Week, April 22-26. As a result of depth study of missions, surely God will call many into the fields during this week of special emphasis. Our churches will see the need of greater giving to the

Cooperative Program. Souls will be won as Christians become conscious of their individual responsibilities.

To help you and your teachers prepare for this most important week, the Training Union Department will conduct Teacher Training Clinics. These clinics will be held at the following locations:

Date	Baptist Church
February 25	Central Paris
26	Central, Corbin
27	Glendale, Bowling Green
28	Immanuel Temple, Henderson
March 2	Farmdale, Louisville

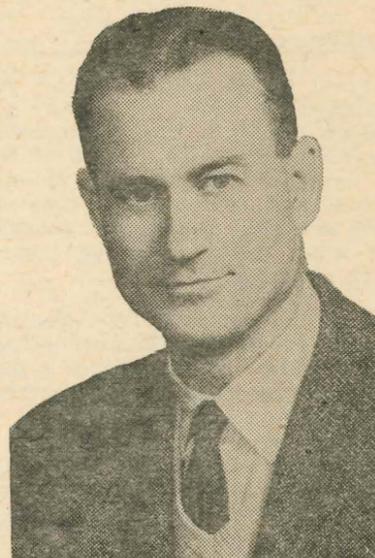
A class will be held for each age group, Nursery through Adults. Make plans now for your church to be represented at one of the clinics. Use the

following check list as a guide for your preparation:

1. Select your teachers for each age group.
2. Secure their consent to teach the book.
3. Inform them of the Teacher Training Clinic.
4. Send their names and addresses to the State Training Union Department. (We would like to send them a personal invitation to attend one of the clinics.)
5. Arrange for transportation to the clinic.
6. Order your books from the Baptist Book Store.
7. Check with your Brotherhood president, W.M.U. president, Sunday school superintendent, and Training Union director about plans to promote World Missions Week April 22-26.

I'll be looking for the teachers from your church at the clinic near you.

Brotherhood



Dr. Charles Chatham

Area Crusader-Pioneer Congresses In Kentucky

By Jim Allen

There will be five Area Crusader-Pioneer Congresses in as many places through the Commonwealth of Kentucky during the early days of March, at which Dr. Charles Chatham, a dentist of Shelbyville, will be one of the speakers. The congresses will be at the following locations:

Date	Baptist Church
Monday, March 4	Parish Ave., Owensboro
Tuesday, March 5	West End, Paducah
Thursday, March 7	First, Ashland
Friday, March 8	First, Columbia
Saturday, March 9	First, Carrollton

The sessions will begin at 4:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m., local time in each of the Congresses.

Student Union

W. W. Adams To Speak At Student's Spring Conference At Richmond

By James R. Bergman

Dr. William W. Adams will lead a Bible study for the Baptist students of Kentucky campuses March 7-9, 1963.

The Spring Conference of the Baptist Student Union will be held on the campus of Eastern Kentucky State College, Richmond, Kentucky.

Dr. Adams, professor of New Testament at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will center his teaching in the epistle of Paul to the Philippian church. His topic will be: "The Pure in Heart," "Teamwork," "The Mind of Christ," and "The Full Life."

Other program personnel will include Mr. Don Reece, recently returned missionary from Nigeria; Mr. Jim Jones, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia; Mr. Grady Nutt, pastor Graffensburg Baptist Church; and Mr. Bill Wade, quarterback for the Chicago Bears National League football team.

Sunday School

State V.B.S. Clinic; Severns Valley Church, Elizabethtown, Feb. 21-22

By Roy E. Boatwright

Plans are shaping up for the greatest V.B.S. Clinic ever held in Kentucky. An outstanding faculty has been obtained. All New materials and methods will be thoroughly discussed.

Special teams from all 83 associations have been invited. These teams will be involved in Associational Clinics this spring. A nursery will be provided for children up to five years of age.

Dr. Verlin C. Kruschwitz and his church are making plans for pleasant and adequate accommodations for all conferences.

In reality, the state clinic will be the "kick-off" meeting to inform and stimulate Vacation Bible School workers all over Kentucky who will have the privilege of working with approximately

180,000 boys and girls.

The program will start at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 21, and close at 3:30 p.m., Friday.

Make plans today to attend this great meeting.

Kentucky Baptist Foundation

Hardin County Baptist Makes Sizeable Bequest

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

In recent weeks Mrs. Pearl Higbee Bates, who lived in Cecilia, Ky., passed away and her will, which was entered to probate in the Hardin County Court House, revealed the fact that she had made a Christian will. Her estate was valued at \$50,000.00. After \$7,000.00 in special bequests to individuals, she left \$3,000.00 to the Glen Dale Home, \$1,000.00 to Clear Creek Baptist School, \$500.00 to Cecilia Baptist Church and the balance to the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

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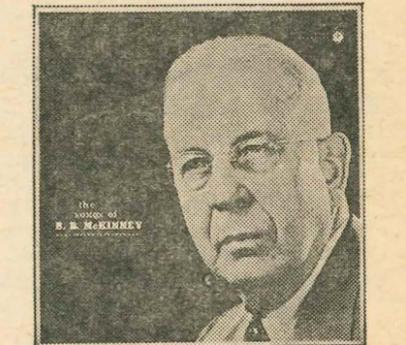
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January '63 Distribution of Cooperative Program Receipts

January gifts attained an all-time high, according to Dr. Harold G. Sanders, executive secretary-treasurer. The amount of \$291,160.67 is the record month for Cooperative Program contributions for worldwide missions. This month brings the convention year over the goal to date by \$4,941.15. The largest previous month of the convention was July 1962 when gifts for worldwide missions reached a record high to that date of \$256,470.72 for any one month. The following list shows how the formula of distribution applied these funds:

Southern Baptist Causes Outside of Kentucky 35½%—\$103,362.03

	Per Cent	Amount
Annuity .....	.45	1,310.22
Brotherhood Commission.....	.32	931.71
Christian Life Commission .....	.09	262.05
Convention Operating Budget .....	.36	1,048.18
Education Commission .....	.12	349.39
Foreign Mission Board	16.45	47,895.92
Historical Commission .....	.09	262.05
Home Mission Board	5.84	17,003.78
Public Affairs Committee .....	.12	349.39
Radio and Television Committee	1.26	3,668.63
Six Seminaries	9.90	28,824.90
American Seminary .....	.20	582.32
Carver School of Missions .....	.07	203.82
Southern Baptist Foundation .....	.08	232.93
Southern Baptist Hospital .....	.15	436.74

Southern Baptist Causes in Kentucky 64½%—\$187,798.64

Administration and Promotion	5.27	15,344.18
Payment on Hospital Loan	5.40	15,722.68
Security Plans	7.43	21,633.24
Kentucky Baptist Convention (Meetings, Annual) .....	.21	611.44
W.M.U. Operating Budget	1.91	5,561.17
Western Recorder .....	.64	1,863.43
Kentucky Baptist Schools and Colleges	20.63	60,066.43
Cedarmore	1.13	3,290.12
Church Buildings .....	.74	2,154.59
Contingent Fund .....	.18	524.09
Children's Homes (3.75%—\$10,918.52)		
Glen Dale	1.59	4,629.45
Pine Crest .....	.57	1,659.62
Spring Meadows	1.59	4,629.45
State Missions (All Departments)	15.83	46,090.73
Brotherhood	\$ 2,751.62 (Pro Rata)	
Church Music	1,567.08 " "	
Direct Missions	22,759.60 " "	
Evangelism	912.60 " "	
Foundation	1,272.10 " "	
Stewardship	2,295.32 " "	
Student Union	6,429.66 " "	
Sunday School	4,014.50 " "	
Training Union	4,088.25 " "	
Payment on Building Loans:		
Cedarmore .....	.19	553.21
Student Centers .....	.45	1,310.22
Kentucky Baptist Building .....	.74	2,154.59

January 1963 \$ 291,160.67
Total Cooperative Program to date
 (September 1962 - January 1963) **\$1,116,191.15**

Horse Cave Pastor Returns From Mission Tour

Pastor Edd Foley of the Horse Cave Baptist Church has recently returned from a mission tour in the West Indies. Foley was with a group of 31 pastors, evangelists, and laymen who visited mission fields in Jamaica, Haiti, the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. The social, spiritual and economic needs of the peoples of these Islands were evident, according to Foley, who described his experience as challenging and inspirational.

The Horse Cave Church has also recently put into effect the rotation system of deacons. New deacons ordained included James Asbury, Lloyd Rutherford and Nathan Smith. Assisting in the ordination service for these deacons were Verlin C. Kruschwitz of Elizabethtown and Clarence Rose of Hiseville.

Fund Raising Firm Selected For Capital Needs Campaign

The firm of Ward, Dreshman and Reinhardt, Inc., has been retained to direct the \$12,000,000 Capital Needs Campaign for Kentucky Baptists. Cecil V. Cook, Jr., has been named by the firm as director of the Kentucky campaign.

Mr. Cook is a Baptist preacher who was born in Danville, Kentucky, and now lives in Louisville. He is presently attending the Kentucky Baptist area conferences and will have his offices in the Kentucky Baptist Building, in Middletown.

The Christian Education Committee has made January 20, 1963, as the official date beginning the campaign.

Miss Canzoneri on Furlough

Miss Antonina Canzoneri, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, arrived in the States February 1 for a furlough. She may be addressed at 5939 Clinton Blvd., Jackson 9, Miss. She is a native of Fort Worth, Texas, but spent most of her younger years in Kentucky at Lebanon Junction, where her father, Joe Canzoneri, was long the pastor.

Schultz-Cranford Wedding

Clarence W. Cranford, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., recently married Miss Dorothy Schultz, a public school teacher in the District of Columbia. Cranford is a former president of the American Baptist Convention and a former chairman of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. He is a popular speaker at Southern Baptist Conventions and assemblies and special occasions. (BP)



KENTUCKY TO AID WEST—Kentucky Baptists were assured of an active role in the 1964 West Coast Laymen's Crusade when Forrest R. Sawyer (right), state Brotherhood secretary, gave his pledge to Jack Stanton (left), crusade director, to enlist 100 laymen for the event. The crusade, sponsored by the Brotherhood Commission and Home Mission Board, may find as many as 1,600 laymen giving evangelistic assistance to 1,200 churches in California, Oregon and Washington.

James B. Sawyer's Tenth Anniversary At Beechwood

The Beechwood Baptist Church, 201 Biltmore Road, Louisville, Ky., honored Dr. James B. Sawyer on the tenth anniversary of his pastorate there on Sunday, February 3.



Jas. B. Sawyer

In early 1953, twenty-six people had a vision and unbounding faith in the future, which was the beginning of Beechwood Baptist Church. On the first Sunday in February, 1953, Dr. Sawyer began his ministry at Beechwood. Since that day in 1953, 1,510 people have united with Beechwood. Some of these have gone to their reward in heaven and others have de-

parted to other fields of service. However, 822 have remained to serve the Lord at Beechwood.

The total receipts that first year were \$7,675.00 with \$561.00 of that amount being contributed to missions and benevolences. Just five short years later, in 1957, total receipts were \$65,098.00 with \$14,554.00 going to spreading the gospel throughout the land through gifts to missions and benevolences. Now ten years from that day in 1953 the 822 people who serve the Lord at Beechwood contributed a total of \$104,503.00 last year with \$35,515.00 of that amount being channeled to missions and benevolences, which was 34% of the total receipts.

The church has just adopted unani-

mously a budget of \$109,200.00 for the year 1963, which is approximately \$5,000.00 more than last year's total. This increase will result in larger contributions to missions and benevolences.

During the ten short years since Beechwood was started a total of \$660,041.00 has been contributed to all causes with \$178,989.00 going to missions and benevolences.—W. K. Wilson.

Pastoral Pressures to be Institute Topic

The fifth Annual Institute for Clergy sponsored by the Eastern State Hospital, Lexington, Kentucky, will begin at 3:00 P.M., Monday, February 25 and run until noon on Wednesday, February 27, 1963. The theme is "Facing Pastoral Pressures" and is designed to help ministers come to grips with the frustrations and tensions which are inherent in our calling. Featured speaker will be Dr. Samuel Southard. Small group discussions of the problems raised will be led by faculty members of the U. of K. Medical Center. Registration for men wishing to lodge at the hospital is \$15, all others \$10. Please send registration fees to The Kentucky Council of Churches, 183 N. Upper St., Lexington, Kentucky.

Father of Seminary Teacher Dies

G. D. Leverett, 79, died at his home in Tampa, Fla., January 24 at 8:15 p.m. Leverett was the father of Miss Margaret Leverett, assistant professor of social work at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Leverett, the owner of a Tampa Hardware store, closed up business as usual and went home for dinner. The heart attack came suddenly. His funeral was held January 28 with Dr. John S. Wimbish officiating. Besides Miss Leverett, he is survived by his wife; and three other children—Mrs. Hugh Hanlon, Mrs. James Hargrove and Charles Edward Leverett, all of Tampa; by one brother, L. C. Leverett, Birmingham; and six grandchildren. (BP)

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3. _____				

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"The 60 Americans would have an average life expectancy of 70 years, the 940 would only expect 40 years. Most of the non-American people would be ignorant, poor, hungry, sick. Half would be unable to read or write. Half would never have heard of Jesus, but more than half would be hearing of Marx, Lenin, Stalin and Khrushchev.

"The average Christian family would be spending \$850 on military defense, and less than \$3.50 a year to share with other residents the knowledge of why they are Christians.

"Out of his average income of \$2,500 a year, the gift of each American for the benevolent causes would average less than \$55 a year.

"This might raise a question as to how seriously he regards the Christian faith.

"Your offering and your life mean MUCH here at home, AND abroad!"

Two simple suggestions—pray and participate. On Sunday, February 17 join your pastor in studying Christian education and join others in our state by special offerings. Observe World Missions Week April 21-26. Every person in your church, whatever ages, can study the books about what Christ is doing and needs to do through us.

Sincerely yours and His,

Harold G. Sanders

Church Music

State-Wide Youth Choir Festival Planned For 1963

By Eugene F. Quinn

The first state-wide festival for Youth Choirs has been set for August 2 of 1963. Participating choirs will be invited to this festival. It will not be open to all youth choirs. A primary basis for an extended invitation will be the participation of the Youth Choir in one of the Regional Festivals and the rating which they earn there.

Plans for the first state-wide Youth Choir Festival were set by the State and Regional Music Officers in a conference held January 4-5 at Cedarmore Assembly.

The officers also discussed plans and promotion for the Regional Festivals of 1963 and the future, programs for the Kentucky Baptist Music Directors' Association for 1963, curricula for the Kentucky Baptist Music Leadership School in Georgetown, the National Conference of Southern Baptist Musicians in Louisville in 1964, and other activities involved in the Kentucky Baptist Music Ministry.

The officers present were Ronald Sholar, President; William B. Williams, Vice President; Mrs. Willis Tassie, Secretary; Dr. Franklin Owen, Pastor-Advisor; and Regional Music Directors Sholar, Williams, Dewey Kyle, William Medlock, Bob Hickman, J. P. Jardine, and Bob Crutcher.

These officers will meet at the beginning of 1964 to plan the work further, in conjunction with the state Evangelistic Conference in Louisville.

From Cloverport Church To Louisville's West Side

Malcolm W. Rogers has resigned as pastor of the Cloverport Baptist Church and has become pastor of the West Side Baptist Church in Louisville, effective January 7, 1963.

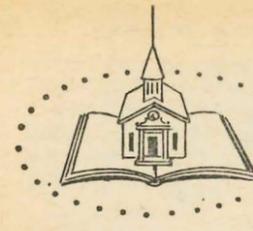
While at Cloverport he was moderator of the Breckenridge Association from 1960 to 1962. He also served two terms on the Kentucky State Executive Board, the last of which would have ended in 1965. He and his wife, Ernestine, have one son, Malcolm Wayne, Jr. Both are Kentuckians, he from Caldwell County and she from Fulton County. Mr. Rogers is a graduate of Belmont College, Nashville, and of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.



Malcolm W. Rogers

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, JANUARY 27, 1963

	S.S.	Add.	T.U.
Louisville, Walnut Street	842	1	269
Missions (3)	233		132
Owensboro, Third Mission	776		318
	71		67
Louisville, 9th and O	740		370
Owensboro, First	734		147
Madisonville, First Mission	733		207
	191		
Mayfield First Mission	732		209
	90		
Louisville, Crescent Hill Missions (2)	655		170
	96		54
Hopkinsville	642		155
Paducah, Immanuel	557		209
Bowling Green, First Mission	524		115
	36		
Lexington, Calvary Mission	502	2	172
	36		
Harrodsburg	482	2	150
Mission	19		24
Somerset, First Missions (2)	480		191
	49		20
Lexington, Grace Mission	456		
	15		
Louisville, Beechmont Missions (2)	446		183
	182	2	94
Louisville, Beth Haven	422		232
Glasgow Mission	416		
	12		
Louisville, Buechel Park Mission	404	1	
	65		
Louisville, Buechel Park Mission	404	1	
	65		
Louisville, Bethlehem	402		203
Owensboro, Hall Street	390		162
Erlanger	384		112
Campbellsville	372		118
Missions (3)	85		57
Louisville, Valley Station	369	3	100
Louisville, Rockford Lane	369		127
Louisville, Green Acres	363		219
Middlesboro, First	339	4	65
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	335	1	144
Shelbyville, First	322		74
Winchester, First Missions (2)	313		69
	66		
Newport, First	309	3	90
Louisville, Victory Memorial	306		95
Hodgenville, First	300		130
Ashland, Unity	293		108
Ludlow, First	288		68
Louisville, Ralph Avenue Mission	284		144
	50		
Franklin, First Missions (2)	276		111
	58		
Louisville, Chapel Park	275	2	128
Owensboro, Crabtree Ave.	272	2	128
Bardstown	270		51
Frankfort, First Missions (2)	259	1	53
	38		
Lexington, Porter Memorial	258		75
Nicholasville	252		71
Lebanon, First	247		94
Harlan, First Missions (2)	242		125
	48		
Corbin, First	242		85
Louisville, Fairdale	240		88
Louisville, Ridgewood	233		102
Hima, Horse Creek	230		
Walton, First	229		119
Mt. Washington, First Mission	228		91
	50		21
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	222		74
Covington, South Side	220		32
Henderson, Audubon Mission	218	1	67
	54		
Lawrenceburg, First	217		
Louisville, Shawnee	214		89
Louisville, Clifton Mission	212		80
	50		26
Ashland, Pollard Ave. Missions (2)	206		79
	45		
Marion	204		65
Madisonville, Second	181		85
Louisville, Fern Creek	195		85
Louisville, Immanuel	175	1	
Lexington, South Elkhorn	172	2	77
Shepherdsville, Little Flock	151		52
Louisville, Valley View	150		66
Owensboro, Seven Hills	144		43
Lexington, North View	136		93
Taylorsville, First	125		
Cold Spring, First	121		81
Middletown, First	113		91
Florence, Greenview	74		40
Frankfort, East	63	4	42



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

JESUS CALLS FOR VITAL RELIGION Feb. 17, 1963

Mark 7:1-13

As soon as Christ and His disciples landed on the shore of Gennesaret the news of His arrival spread throughout the region and He was surrounded immediately by crowds of people, most of whom had come to get something from Him. He promptly gave unstintingly of His healing power to the sick and afflicted ones, manifesting His love and power in blessing and deliverance to all who responded in faith to His ability.

Then, as throughout His earthly ministry, there were corrupt religious leaders who despised Christ and, at every opportunity, assailed Him with bitter hatred and malicious design.

A delegation of Pharisees and scribes from Jerusalem came to see what they might do with Christ, hoping to discredit Him in the eyes of the people. They thought that they could ensnare Him with their questions and quibblings.

As is true of most formalists, these Pharisees and scribes dealt with small matters. They were concerned primarily with the "tradition of the elders." It was their custom to show the greatest reverence for and to ascribe the greatest weight to the oldest tradition.

These critics spied upon Christ to see if all that He and His disciples said and did complied with their traditions. With them the matter of chief importance was that of ceremonial observance, as enjoined in their traditions. Seeking for an opportunity to embarrass Christ, the Pharisees charged that the disciples had neglected to wash their hands before they ate bread. It is quite possible that the disciples were aware that they were being watched and therefore ate without washing their hands for the specific purpose of defying the traditions of their superstitious critics. Anyway, they sought to blame Christ for the failure of His disciples to observe ceremonial washing. They were determined to hold Him responsible for the conduct of His followers.

"Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashed hands" (verse 5). In reply to their query Christ told them that Isaiah's prophecy had referred to them when he had quoted God as saying, "This people honoureth

me with their lips, but their heart is far from me." They regarded their traditions as more important and more sacred than the written law. History reminds us that wherever tradition has been placed on a level with the Word of God sooner or later it has been exalted above the scriptures.

All too often people hold to tradition for the purpose of evading their God-given responsibilities. Christ gave a striking illustration of the way in which some used tradition to avoid doing their natural duty in obedience to the commandment of God. There were those who were so avaricious, stingy and selfish that they refused their responsibility to support their aged and needy parents, who had reared them to manhood and womanhood. And far too many of their kind live in our nation now.

Under a pretext of zeal for God those unworthy creatures simply made a vow to give to Him that which their parents might claim from them. Under the guise of extra devotion to God, they evaded their duty to their parents by declaring that their property had been dedicated to God and, therefore, could not be used for the support of their nearest relatives. Those who took that position and course simply uttered the formula, "Corban," meaning "it is a gift dedicated by vow to God," and were at liberty to use the possessions in question for themselves, or in any other manner that seemed desirable to them. Thus they put the traditions of men above the written Word of God and made His commandment of no effect. Such dishonesty and deceit merited the condemnation of Christ. Surely none are more despicable in God's sight than those who attempt to appear pious when they have nothing genuine within.

Despising the inconsistency and hypocrisy of the Pharisees and scribes, Christ rebuked them for adding their traditions to the Word of God, for placing those traditions on a level with the Word of God in the realm of authority, and for exalting them above the Word itself. Charging them directly with rejecting God's commandments in order that they might observe their own traditions, Christ enunciated the principle that God's Word must be the first, last and only authority on any matter pertaining to the Christian. Nobody has

any right whatsoever to substitute his own ideas for the Word of God. Let us believe in His Word and obey it!

Such selfish and heartless conduct as that of the Pharisees was made all the more despicable by the fact that it was done in the name of religion. They were very strict in their religious devotions, but for the purpose of an outward show. Naturally, such religious activities were not at all acceptable to God. He demands far more than a mere profession from the lips. Christ made it clear to the Pharisees that the cleansing of the heart is far more important than the washing of the hands. In His righteous indignation He boldly and bluntly denounced their hypocrisy. He was displeased because they were merely acting the part of religious men, but they were striving primarily for the praise of men. They did not love God and were not interested in His glory. They pretended to honor Him with their lips, but their hearts were far from Him. Our Lord denounced their heartless and vain worship. Merely formal and unreal worship is always in vain.

With a genuine longing to help them, Christ called the multitude around Him and told them that the things which defile a person are not from without, but within. Defilement is not a matter of the food which has been consumed, but of the words which have been spoken as an expression of the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

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Bill B. Cody Returns To Kentucky For Georgetown College Lectures

Georgetown, Ky., Jan. 31—Bill B. Cody, an associate secretary for missionary personnel for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, will be one of the speakers at Georgetown College during Baptist Student Union Focus Week, February 11-16.



Bill B. Cody

Mr. Cody's major responsibility is corresponding and counseling with young people in the "volunteer" category—those who be-

cause of educational status will not be eligible for appointment as missionaries for some time. He also works with Baptist Student Union leaders to promote the overseas mission emphasis of B.S.U.

A native of Farmersville, Texas, he received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and the Master of Religious Education degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. He also studied at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, and the University of Winston-Salem.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Ann Compere, a native of Houston, Texas. They have two children, Kathryn Elizabeth and David Compere.

Baptist College Day On February 17

Sunday, February 17, will be Baptist College Day in Kentucky, with special emphasis on Christian education in every church.

Pastors are urged to bring a message on Christian education on that Sunday, and to recognize their young people who are attending Baptist colleges.

Helpful literature is being mailed to each pastor for use on that Sunday, including special offering envelopes. Special offerings will be received on that Sunday to count toward the \$12,000,000 Capital Gifts Campaign. This will be the first opportunity for Kentucky Baptists to have a part in this tremendous undertaking.

In seven counties, the offerings taken on that day will be credited to Bethel College in Hopkinsville. Bethel is attempting to raise \$250,000 by March 1 so as to qualify for inclusion in the \$12,000,000 campaign. The counties

whose offerings will go to Bethel include Christian, Trigg, Hopkins, Caldwell, Muhlenberg, Todd, and Logan. Churches in those counties needing more envelopes should contact Lewis Lynch, Bethel College, Hopkinsville. Other churches needing more envelopes or program materials should write Dr. Doak S. Campbell, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky.

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Joe Haynes, associate secretary in the Mississippi Baptist Convention's Sunday School Department, on February 1 became an associate in the Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, succeeding James V. Lackey.

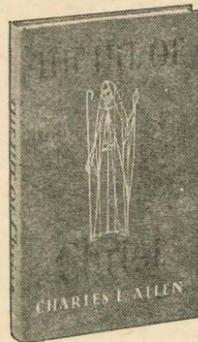
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The gift of a new automobile was made by the Stony Point Baptist Church, Albany, Kentucky, to its pastor, Wilbert Taylor, as a Christmas gift. The first trip he made in the new car after the keys were given him by Harold Reeves, was for a pastoral call on the congregation's oldest member, retired Pastor T. A. "Uncle Tom" Catron. The event coincided with his 98th birthday.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS AND THEIR SEMINARIES

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right, remembering that we have the Baptist privilege of expressing to them our opinions and of telling them when we think they are wrong.

Seminary professors in Southern Baptist seminaries today also have a difficult task. They are obligated in three directions: (1) to their students, (2) to the denomination, (3) to their colleagues, it being understood, of course, that the overruling obligation of a seminary professor is to Jesus Christ.

In the discharge of his obligation to his students the seminary teacher must be free to confront his students with the latest developments in scholarship. Let it be said without equivocation, however, that a teacher in a theological seminary is not free to teach anything he chooses nor to undermine the faith of his students in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. I will go further and say that a seminary professor fails in his mission if he elevates the critical methodology and conclusions above the message of the Bible and the meaning of the gospel. There is a very important difference, it should be emphasized, between employment by a teacher of critical and scientific exegesis in the interpretation of the Bible and the use of certain categories or modes of interpretation and steer clear of them.

In fulfilling thus his obligation to his students the seminary teacher is doing that which is most important in fulfilling his responsibility to his denomination. But he must also remember always that he is a servant of the denomination, and while it is his responsibility to lead, it is never his privilege to assume an attitude of superiority over his less educated brethren, nor is he free to direct

at will shafts of criticism at the denomination and all its works.

The seminary professor has an obligation to his colleagues. He is no lone eagle who can soar around in the theological atmosphere independently of the other teachers with whom he serves. What he says and does involves his seminary and every member of its faculty.

Because of these obligations each teacher has to his students, to his denomination, to his colleagues, we must recognize that fact that academic freedom in a theological seminary is not freedom for one to teach what he chooses, but freedom limited and made beautiful by responsibility and love.

Is This a Cross-Roads?

In this critical time in the life of our denomination we must keep before us the purpose of our seminaries and the place of strategic importance they occupy in determining the future character and influence of the denomination.

What is the purpose of our seminaries? It is to produce intelligent, competent, courageous preachers, teachers, missionaries and religious education workers. It is these young people who are being trained in our seminaries who will determine what Southern Baptists will be and do in this new age to which we have come. Are Southern Baptists prepared for such a time as this? What we do to and with our seminaries may well determine whether or not we shall become an anachronistic sect, inadequate to the demands of this grand and awful time, or a vital spiritual force in the life of the world. If we are to be a vital spiritual force in the life of the world and not an anachronism, the young people who go from our seminaries to take places of leadership and responsibility in the denomination must be first of all people who are unreservedly committed to Jesus Christ and his way of life and love. Our seminaries

must help them in arriving at this commitment. These young people must also be intelligent students of the Bible, well-versed in modern theories of criticism, their feet firmly planted upon the truth of the scriptures, open-minded to the proven facts of modern science and unafraid of reconciling Biblical truth with scientific truth, knowing that the God who created and sustains the universe is the Author of all truth, whether that truth be in the Bible or in nature and science.

In our seminaries the Bible, theology and other disciplines must be presented in a way that will give to our preachers and leaders-to-be this attitude toward truth. Otherwise, if the young people go from our seminaries unequipped to make the Bible and the gospel relevant to the needs of men in this new age of space and atomic energy, boys and girls who learn the facts of science in high school and even in grade school today, will become skeptical of the claims of Christianity as presented by Southern Baptist preachers and turn away from the church and from the ministry as a life's calling. Furthermore, intelligent laymen, many of whom are puzzled by some of the trends in our denomination, will leave us and seek a more satisfying spiritual environment in other denominations.

It appears that Southern Baptists have been brought to the most important crossroads in their history at the point of decision as to the character of their seminaries. If decision should be made imposing upon our faculties a curtailment of freedom incompatible with honest quest for truth by dedicated Christian scholars, the future is dark indeed. In this event our seminaries could become unaccredited Bible schools in which competent scholars would not teach. Hundreds of our young people seeking theological training would not attend such schools.

But let us refuse to entertain for long such a dismal prospect! Let us pray that God will give us the understanding of the issues that we need, and the patience and the love to work out our problems in the spirit of Christ, to the end that our seminaries will be strengthened and made the sources of spiritual power in the forward movement of Baptists in the world.

Note: On the basis of figures recently released the decrease in the number of theological students enrolled in Southern Baptist seminaries in 1962 over 1961 was 297 or six per cent. Thus the rate of decrease between 1956 and 1961 was maintained at the same figure, 6 per cent.

The statistics and percentages relating to enrollment in seminaries given above are based upon "Seminary Enrollment Statistics (from October 1961 Reports)" issued by Jesse H. Ziegler from the office of The American Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, 934 Third National Building, Dayton, Ohio.

The statistics pertaining to number of churches and members of churches in the Southern Baptist Convention are taken from The Southern Baptist Convention Annual of 1958 and of 1962.

Religious News In Review

In Kentucky

► **J. Arnold Porter**, pastor of the Pembroke Baptist Church for three years, has resigned to accept a pastorate at Lawrenceburg, Tenn. Porter is now assistant moderator of the Christian County Baptist Association and formerly served as pastor of Baptist churches in Centertown and Livermore, Kentucky.

► **Don E. Dillingham**, a native of Folsomdale, Kentucky, is a January graduate at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth. Dillingham received his master of religious education degree.

► The **Cecilia Baptist Church**, Severns Valley Association, has burned a \$10,000 note covering indebtedness on Sunday School rooms and parking area. The debt was paid in less than 10 months. In the same service the Cecilia Church unanimously adopted the largest budget in the history of the church.

► **Dr. Eric C. Rust**, Southern Baptist Seminary professor, is the author of a new book published in January by John Knox Press, *Salvation History: A Biblical Interpretation*. The book is written especially for ministers, seminary students, professors, libraries, and theologians.

► The Trenton Baptist Church, Trenton, has ordained four new deacons, according to **Pastor Earl A. Northern. Sidney Maddox**, pastor, First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, delivered the ordination sermon. The newly ordained deacons included **Willis P. Camp, Arnold Campbell, Richard Dickinson, Jr., and Malcolm Sadler**.

► Thirty-five religious leaders from various areas of the Southern Baptist Convention will lead the annual **Spring Student Conference** at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary March 1-3. Approximately 400 students from Baptist colleges and state universities are expected to attend the conference.

► The **E. Y. Mullins Service Award** has been set up by the Southern Baptist Seminary trustees and will be presented to some Southern Baptist Convention leader in a special chapel service in the late spring. The award is in memory of the fourth president of the seminary, Dr. E. Y. Mullins, who also served as president of the Baptist World Alliance from 1923 to 1928.

Baptists Elsewhere

► Additional accreditation in the field of religious education has been received by Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, California, according to **President Harold K. Graves**. This accreditation is in addition to that received by the division of Religious Education when the entire program of the school was accredited in 1961.

► More than \$3,091,000 was paid to 5,792

Baptist ministers, church and denominational employees or their widows in 1962 by the Southern Baptist Annuity Board through its retirement program, according to **R. Alton Reed**, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Annuity Board. Reed called 1962 "the most successful year in the board's history in every respect".

► **Ray Conner** of Fayetteville, Arkansas, a native Kansan, has accepted the post of Sunday School Secretary for the Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists. Conner, who has been minister of education for the past two and a half years for the First Baptist Church of Fayetteville, will assume his duties in Kansas on March 1.

► **C. Emanuel Carlson**, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, claims that some progress is being made toward democratic educational objectives in Colombia as a result of United States foreign aid. The U.S. State Department says that it has been given written assurances by the ministry of education in Colombia against religious discrimination in schools built by joint U.S. and Colombian funds.

► **Gomer R. Lesch**, director, Office of Denominational Relations, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, is the new president of the Baptist Public Relations Association. Other officers include **John Earl Seelig**, Fort Worth, Texas, program vice-president; **Grady Sparkman**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, membership vice-president; and **Harry Koontz** of California, secretary-treasurer.

► **Dr. Ronald V. Wells** will be inaugurated as the sixth president of Crozer Theological Seminary on March 26, 1963. Crozer, located on a 40-acre campus at Chester, Pennsylvania, was established in 1867.

► The **Baptist State Convention of New Mexico** has bought 160 acres of land in Southern New Mexico for a camp for Baptist men and boys. The cost of the camp site was \$29,000.

► **T. H. King**, pastor, First Baptist Church, West Frankfort, Illinois, has been elected superintendent of the Illinois Baptist Children's Home. He succeeds the late **S. Otho Williams**.

► Construction has begun on a \$10,000,000 brewery in Fort Worth, Texas, located "just about within smelling distance of **Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary**". The three-story brewery will have a 300,000 barrel yearly capacity. Baptists have led the opposition to the brewery, and at present an appeal to the Supreme Court is pending.

► The **United States Supreme Court** will hear arguments in the **Maryland and Pennsylvania Bible Reading and Lord's Prayer** cases on February 26 and 27.

After hearing the arguments, the Court will probably take two or three months to hand down its decision. Washington observers expect the decision sometime in May or June.

► **J. P. Edmunds**, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Research and Statistics Department, has been named Sunday School Board representative, a new position in the office of **Denominational Relations**.

► Five students have been awarded the first loan scholarships from the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. The five students, all of whom attended a Baptist college, are **John Burton**, Nashville; **Walter B. Thompson**, Atlanta; **Kenneth Lee Fox**, Pineville, Louisiana; **Logan Wright**, Tulsa, Oklahoma; and **Miss Gladys Bryant**, Greenville, South Carolina.

Music Clinic Set For Covington

The Music Department of Kentucky Baptist Convention will co-operate with the Baptist Sunday School Board and Music Departments of Ohio, Michigan and Indiana Baptist Conventions, March 28-29, in conducting a music clinic at Covington.

The Regional Church Music Methods and Materials Clinic will be held at Latonia Baptist Church, where Thomas H. Shelton is pastor. Voris Howard, minister of music at the host church, is chairman of the local Steering Committee composed of about twelve leaders in the area.

The clinic will major on methods and materials to aid the music program of the entire church. There will be conferences by age groups and by music officers.

Ellis M. Bush, co-ordinator of field services in the Sunday School Board's Family Life Department, will speak on "The Home and the Music Ministry" at the afternoon general session, March 28.

Dr. Allen W. Graves, dean of the School of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, will speak on "The Universal Language" at the closing session, March 29.

Clifford A. Holcomb, associational music consultant in the board's Church Music Department and general director of the clinic, will direct a workshop choir composed of choir members in the Covington area.

Clinic personalities from Kentucky are: Hal Dieffenwierth, Georgetown College, Georgetown; Richard Ham, minister of music, Immanuel Church, Lexington; Maurice Hinson, School of Church Music, Southern Seminary; Glen O'Bryan, minister of music, First Church, Somerset; Eugene F. Quinn, secretary of church music for Kentucky, Middletown; Harold Reynierson, minister of music, First Church, Corbin.