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GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

C. L. NICELEY, former Kentucky Baptist pastor, has retired from the active pastorate. He has moved from Newport, Tennessee, to 410 Wilder Street, Morristown, Tenn. He is available for interim pastorates, supply work and revivals.

GEORGE W. BOND, 92-year-old Harrodsburg Baptist, died on August 19. He served many years as a deacon of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Wallace Carrier and former Pastor C. R. Daley.

KENTUCKY CONGRESSMAN Eugene Siler, in an extension of remarks in the House of Representatives, has challenged statements made in the House by promoters of the recent aid-to-higher-education legislation. The assertion that Baylor University in Texas had received large amounts of tax aid in the past were denied by Siler. He quoted from a letter from a Texas Baptist pastor, proving that Baylor had accepted government money only for research contracts in which the government receives services equivalent to the money involved.

GREENSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH, Russell Creek Association, has organized a mission. Organized on July 21, it will be known as Shreve Baptist Mission. Gilbert Larimore is pastor of the mission. Elvin L. Clark is pastor of the Greensburg church.

RONALD SHOLAR, president of the Kentucky Baptist Ministers of Music in 1962-63, was guest conductor of the Ohio Music Conference Choir at Seneca Lake Assembly, Cambridge, Ohio, August 12-16. Mr. Sholar is minister of music at the Harlan Baptist Church.

APPRECIATION for Mrs. Donno Babb has been expressed through resolutions by the Fidelis Bible Class and the W.M.S. of the Salem Baptist Church, Salem, Ky. Mrs. Babb passed away on July 31. She was a public school teacher. She taught Sunday school in her church and was active in the W.M.S.

ERNEST AND MARIAN BROWN, Southern Baptist missionary appointees, sailed for the Bahamas August 20 to begin their first term of overseas service. They may be addressed at P. O. Box 1644, Nassau, New Providence,

Bahamas. Mrs. Brown is the former Marian Smith of Shepherdsville, Ky.

ENGLISH-SPEAKING people in Singapore welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett D. Ragan as Southern Baptist missionaries. The Ragans left the States on August 26. They may be addressed at Shaw House, Room 510, Orchard Road, Singapore 9. Mrs. Ragan is the former Charlotte Bruner of Louisville, Ky.

MIDWESTERN Baptist Seminary has released the schedule of speakers for special events of the school for 1963-64. Brooks Hays, former convention president, will be the speaker at the first "Missionary Day" of the new school year, October 2. Dr. J. W. Storer, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation, Nashville, will deliver the dedicatory address for the new residence hall October 13. Kansas City Mayor Ilus Davis will also speak at this time.

A RESOLUTION praising the international test ban treaty on nuclear weapons was adopted by the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee during its meeting at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST pastors and ministers of education soon will receive the first annual "Church Audio-visual Resource Guide," a publication of the Sunday School Board's Broadman Films Department.

SENATOR JOHN SHERMAN COOPER, Republican senator from Kentucky, and a Baptist, will deliver the opening convocation address at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, September 12. A graduate of Yale University, Cooper attended the Harvard School of Law. Seven honorary degrees, including an LL.D. from Georgetown College in Kentucky, have been conferred on him.

BAPTIST MEMORIAL Hospital, Kansas City, Missouri, has been extended full three-year accreditation by the joint commission on accreditation, representing medical groups and hospital associations.

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, Logan Co. Association, dedicated its new building on September 1. Dr. C. R. Daley, editor of the *Western Recorder*, brought the dedicatory message. L. C. Gray is the pastor.

THIRTY-EIGHT students from Kentucky have been accepted for admission to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Classes will begin on September 17. There will be 273 new students from 31 states and four foreign countries at the 105-year-old seminary.

ERNEST EUGENE HALL, assistant professor and acting chairman of the department of speech at Georgetown College, received the Doctor of Philosophy degree at commencement exercises held August 16 at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge.

MISSIONARY W. HAROLD MATTHEWS, formerly of Kentucky, reports 7,771 decisions resulting from the New Life Crusade in the Philippines. Matthews says this number exceeds the present Baptist membership in the Philippines and considers the New Life Crusade resulted in the greatest impact Southern Baptists have ever made in the Philippines. Other former Kentuckians now serving in the Philippines include the James Moreheads, the Howard Olives and the Bryant Hicks.

CHURCHES:

Concern Converts "Chronic Customer"

by Jack Gullede

I became very dissatisfied with my car after constantly paying large repair bills over the past three years. I even threatened (silently) to leave it parked close to a cliff in neutral.

When the car marketing manager mailed me a card-size questionnaire asking if I was pleased with their product, and if in the future I would probably purchase another of their brand, I took some revenge in venting my hostility with a resounding NO!

After several weeks a letter arrived from the Customer Liason Section of the District Office of this major automobile organization. I was notified that one of their representatives would contact me to discuss my complaint.

I was waiting on him when he came. I dug up my car maintenance bills, and had my sleeves rolled up to present my case. The very personable and highly trained gentleman, whose calling card identified him as a Customer Relations Representative, immediately disarmed me by thanking me for answering their questionnaire. He proceeded to discuss, in a patient and understanding way, my complaint. His kindness and concern, along with some financial adjustment, helped change my chronic attitude to that of a considerate customer, who would be willing, at least, to rethink the matter and look with favor upon the possibility of purchasing another of their automobiles.

I was amazed to think that one of the top three automobile manufacturers in the world, producing more than seven million cars a year, was concerned enough over one unhappy customer, would go to the bother of sending a representative over a hundred miles in an attempt to keep a potential buyer satisfied with their product.

During the course of our conversation, the man from customer relations gave me some startling facts about his work. He was one of over 300 traveling personnel, employed by this Company, covering the entire United States, costing an estimated 70 million dollars a year in adjustments, salaries an expenses, establishing satisfactory customer relations.

Just to think, a company with many millions of customers, was concerned enough with one insignificant owner, to look him up and try to change a complainer into a satisfied customer again.

Then it occurred to me that we have the same basic problem as Southern Baptists in maintaining satisfactory

Jack Gullede is pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Tucson, Ariz.

"customer relations."

Using a system of deduction, an educated guess could be ventured that as many as 50,000 members leave Southern Baptist churches and join other denominations in a single year.

Let me try and explain in detail. The number of baptisms in 1962 was 381,510. The net new membership gain for the year, was 214,564. Therefore, the difference between 381,510 and 214,564 is a little under 167,000, that could be accounted for largely by (1) deaths, (2) loss to other denominations, and (3) removal from roll for miscellaneous reasons (e.g. those who couldn't be located). If the United States death rate were applicable to our membership, perhaps there were 100,000 to 110,000 church membership losses by death last year. This would give, then, a rough estimate of 57,000 to 67,000 for those lost by other reasons, including those joining other denominations.

Imagine! 50,000 or more "dissatisfied customers" a year changing to some other "brand" of religion, some of them drastically opposite the fundamental

INSIGHT:

A Matter of Early Dating

by Foy Valentine, Executive Secretary
Christian Life Commission of the
Southern Baptist Convention

Eminent anthropologists attest that as far as they can determine the American social dating custom is unique in human history. The rule of social life in our country is like Noah's ark in that the animals go in two by two or not at all! Nowhere else in the world does social life on a paired basis obtain to the extent that it does here. The dating custom at first started with young adults in their early twenties. But progressively the dating age has been dropping until it has now actually reached into late childhood. Here young boys and girls who are by no means ready for paired relationships are being forced into them by social pressure. Dr. David R. Mace has observed that these young girls, some not even in their teens, feel that in order to be popular and socially acceptable they have to date "and in order to date they have to submit to sexual experiences. . . . This is manifested . . . in the rising incidence of premarital pregnancy among early teen-agers, and even more significantly in the tragic picture of the zooming rates of venereal disease in the eleven to fifteen year age group in the United States."

The social custom of dating, obviously

The Cover

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teachings of the New Testament.

We who are "representatives" of the greatest business in the world, our Father's business, oft times do not bother to try and make an "adjustment" and keep a "satisfied customer." We have shown little or no concern over the loss of one chronic member. After all we have ten million more across the convention territory.

If a major automobile company, that sells millions of cars around the world, cares enough about one little man at the forks of the road, that uses their product, how much more ought we to care about a living soul, that has strayed from the fold of the New Testament Church that Jesus purchased with His own blood?

good and acceptable in itself, has deteriorated until it is now quite out of hand. This abnormal, unnatural, early dating actually pushes young people into the very things we warn them against, sexual experimentation and immature marriage. How can we call a halt to this obviously bad situation?

Parents can refuse to sacrifice their children to the false god of conformity in this regard. Teachers and school officials can refrain from using the schools to prop up this abominable custom. Churches can find ways and means of teaching the young people the permanently valid values and ideals relating to early dating before they are swept out to sea. Then young people, parents, teachers, and youth leaders of all kinds can develop good group activities for boys and girls under fifteen to take the place of today's too early dating.

Let us help today's young people to prepare for successful marriage. Let us help them to keep themselves pure. Let us lead them to follow the wise man's counsel, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

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Agreement Is Not Always the Goal

In visiting annual associational meetings, a frequent remark made to the editor is, "I always read your editorials, but I do not always agree with you." This is very encouraging and is the way it ought to be. An editor writes to be read, and he can hardly make any contribution unless he has the ear of the people. He does not write, however, for universal agreement. This would be impossible if he said anything stimulating and would be undesirable if possible.

There are some misconceptions about the role of an editor of a state Baptist paper. In a sense the paper is an official organ of the convention which owns it and controls it. In the paper, the actions of the convention are reported, and the programs of the convention are promoted. This does not mean, however, that the paper is the official voice of the convention, and there is one notable exception so far as any official voice of the convention is concerned. This is the editorial pages where the editor expresses his convictions. Here he is expressing no official position—neither that of the Directors of the paper nor the Executive Board of the Convention, nor any other person or group.

It has always been understood that a Baptist spoke only for himself, whenever he spoke, unless he was instructed by some official group which he represents to do otherwise. Kentucky Baptists, who have always been strong on independence and freedom, were careful to spell out the freedom of the state paper editor. In 1960, when the survey committee recommendations for the *Western Recorder* were adopted, this statement was used: "That the principle of independence of the *Western Recorder* and the freedom of the editor be re-affirmed and rigidly upheld." (Kentucky Baptist Annual, 1960, p. 92) Subsequently, the *Western Recorder* directors adopted an editorial policy which spelled out in detail the freedom of the editor.

Now freedom is a precious but a dangerous thing and is subject to abuse. It is to be used responsibly and is limited by the purposes of those who grant it. An editor must keep this in mind every time he writes an editorial.

At the same time an editor must not avoid controversial issues. In open and free discussion new understanding of truth is found. If Baptists had already said the final word on everything, then there would be no need for discussion. Whenever we think we have the final word or understanding of the perfect revelation, then we are pharisaical and hopeless. We

must keep digging, mining and refining and with God's help to arrive at higher levels of understanding divine truth.

In the face of burning issues such as those on our contemporary scene, an editor has three choices. He can stick his head into the sand and act as if the issue is not present or will go away if ignored. He can deal with the issue and say what he believes the majority of his readers want to hear. This is to become a false prophet. He can face the issue sincerely and say what he believes God wants said and pay the price of criticism.

This editor never writes merely to provoke controversy or invite criticism. Nor does he presume to know God's perfect mind. He does write to stimulate thought and provoke discussion through which new light may come.

Apparently most Baptists agree that this is the proper function of a state paper and its editor. In a survey conducted at the Southern Baptist Convention last May by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, only 1.9% of those questioned said Baptist papers should avoid presenting controversial matters. On the other hand, 81.4% said Baptist papers owe it to their readers to present controversial matters.

The greatly beloved and respected Baptist statesman, Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, in a recent letter to Arkansas Editor Ervin McDonald expressed the viewpoint of the *Western Recorder* editor:

"Denominational ownership of our Baptist papers has almost inevitably made them tend toward being denominational bulletins. Promotion is of course needful and is a proper function of the religious press. However, overemphasis on promotion can bring about a conscious or unconscious slanting of the news and of opinion. The paper lacks reader's interest when the reader is made aware that he is being propagandized, even though innocently and for a good purpose.

Our people need the news but they also need to be exposed to new ideas. We are prone to forget that Baptists of the past majored on revolutionary ideas. These ideas were Bible based but they cut sharply across ecclesiasticism and tradition. Baptists today stand for some of the revolutionary ideas in our culture. It may be trite but it is true that this is a Baptist day around the world. Yet we may spend our strength and forfeit our opportunity by dealing too much with the obvious and too little with the significant."

Readers of the *Western Recorder* are always invited to talk back. If written in the right spirit and within the space limits and other standards of the *Western Recorder*, the viewpoint will be published no matter how different from that of the editor.

A Tribute to Sam Ed Bradley

Last week appreciation was expressed for the greatly beloved preacher and denominational worker, Fred G. Tucker. Even as the words were written life was ebbing and shortly after press time he slipped away peacefully. Now Fred Tucker is seeing face to face the One he served so humbly and faithfully.

Word now comes that Sam Ed Bradley had died in Arkansas. When he retired a few months ago because of failing health, Kentucky Baptists lost an extremely able servant. His ministry in Kentucky had included pastorates at Glasgow and Fulton as well as superintendent of Spring Meadows Children's Home and general superintendent of the Kentucky Baptist Board of Child Care. Now his family and friends have lost for awhile at least a loved one and companion.

For a number of years the name Sam Ed Bradley has been synonymous with homeless children in Kentucky. His days and nights were spent for the children of our Kentucky Baptist children's homes and this may well explain his shortened days. There were signs that he literally burned himself up in zealous labors for the welfare of his hundreds of children.

Sam Ed had boundless energy. He was always on the go and was always several years ahead in his plans. He observed no schedule which included enough rest. Often he would work a half day or whole day and ride across the state to speak to some group about the needs of the homes.

He had a compulsion for success and it paid off—for the homes, at least. When he came upon the scene our two Kentucky Baptist children's homes were near the bottom. When he left, these homes and an additional new home were as fine as exist among Baptists anywhere. He had a lot of help to be sure, but his leadership was the indispensable factor.

He wanted the best for his children and got it. He drove hard bargains for supplies and most everything he bought was at only a fraction of the selling price. He inspired the children to maximum efforts. They excelled in school and often took highest honors in scholarship and especially in the school band.

The high standards of the homes almost always brought the same reaction from visitors: "These children have better environment and better training than I give my own." With all this the *per capita* expenditure of our homes was usually the lowest among all Baptist children's homes in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Probably the greatest boon to our Kentucky Baptist Child Care program has been the annual Thanksgiving Offering for the homes. This developed under the leadership of Sam Ed Bradley and grew larger and larger each year until it now has passed a quarter of a million dollars a year. Many of the successful promotional ideals for this annual undertaking came straight from the creative mind of Sam Ed Bradley.

Though his years were cut short as we count a lifetime, probably he packed more in his 55 years than most of us will if we live to be 80. One thing is sure—he could never had been happy living with severe physical limitations which would have curtailed or stopped his energetic efforts.

Now he is home—a home eternally prepared for him as carefully and lovingly as the one he prepared on earth for thousands of boys and girls.

BAPTIST FORUM



Editor Should Have No Pets

Dear Editor:

I just finished reading my copy of the *Recorder* and your editorial commenting on Senator Thruston Morton's apparent upholding and encouraging the liquor industry in our state. I for one am not happy with our distinction as the bourbon capital of the world. If the 600,000 Baptists mentioned in your article would vote against and take their stand against liquor (and keep it out of their homes) we would soon be on the road to righteousness instead of confusion.

While the editor flails Senator Morton for his stand (and I agree with the editor) there is neglect in mentioning the support given and received from our

Governor Bert Combs to the liquor people. Has Governor Combs ever made a speech hailing and plauditing the liquor interests of the state of which he is governor? Of course he has, but this escapes the editor's eye, when one of our Baptist leaders takes his stand for the damning liquid. The editor's article on our Senator is entitled, "Tell the Whole Story, Senator." Then, let's hear the whole story, editor, if it can be told without implicating our Baptist Governor Bert T. Combs.
Clarkson, Ky.

William L. Cook

Editor's Reply:

You are so right in saying all public officials should be treated equally in criticism for support of the liquor industry. In such matters it makes no

difference whether one is a Democrat or Republican, a Baptist or an Episcopalian.

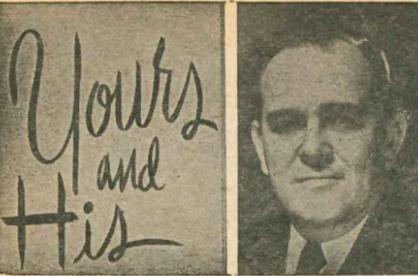
I do not admit to the charge of exempting Governor Combs from such criticism because he is a Baptist. While he might not share your and my conviction on the evils of the alcohol industry, I have not known him to be used in such a way and I do not remember his publically criticizing religious groups for exerting pressure against favorable liquor legislation. When he does so, I will be the first to deal with him editorially. If I don't, I count on you to remind me.

Against Supreme Court Decision

Dear Editor:

Miss Nona Saturday went to great lengths to point out the areas of agreement of many Baptist editors in her article in the *Recorder* of July 25 in support of Supreme Court rulings on Bible reading and use of the Lord's Prayer in public schools. I am made to wonder even by the appearance of the article in our own Baptist paper

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Victory Again!

You and I should drop on our knees and humbly thank God for the response of our churches to world mission needs this year just closing August 27. For our Kentucky Baptist pastors and other leaders led more than 1,800 churches to give \$2,863,315 for the year for the Cooperative Program in Kentucky and around the world—this was more than \$16,000 over our budget goal for last year! Give God the glory! Give thanks for the vision of our pastors and church leaders! Give the Good News of Jesus Christ to a lost world—this is what the Cooperative Program does every day, every hour!

NOT EVERY CHURCH

While more than 1,800 Kentucky Baptist missionary churches sent some offering—and more than a hundred who started this year—there were still about 392 churches which were unable, for some reason, to participate in ALL our Baptist mission work throughout the earth. In some cases, the churches are very weak and need our help and prayers. There may not be a missionary in their area. The stronger churches and brethren should offer a friendly and helping hand to many of these fine little congregations. Some of them are without pastors for the little flocks. We would like to help them if we could and they so desired. Some have disbanded, and are not having services, or having them only occasionally. Many have not reported to the annual Association for several years. You will note that our statistical departments simply repeat their last report each year so that they will not be forgotten by the brethren. Some will be lost as meeting-places for the children of God because of members moving away for work or other reasons. BUT, most of them could be encouraged in the Lord, and perhaps helped to get on their feet. If some few are strong, but have not learned the joy of working together with other Kentucky Baptists in carrying the Gospel to the ends of the earth—let us keep the unity of fellowship and share the news of the Cooperative Program with them—one by one, this Jubilee Year!

Robert O. Fitts To Teach At Clear Creek

Pastor Robert O. Fitts resigned the Wheelwright Baptist Church to join the faculty of Clear Creek Baptist School. Formerly pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, and First Baptist Church, Stearns, he is a graduate of Carson - Newman College and received the Th.M. degree from Southern Baptist Seminary. He has also done graduate work at the University of Georgia. For six years he was an associate with the Kentucky Sunday School Department.

His wife, the former Velois Sinkhorn of Harrodsburg, is a graduate of Bethel

Yours and His,
Harold G. Sanders

K. B. C.

Southern Seminary Schedule Speakers For 1963-64

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Noted New Testament scholar Dr. Joachim Jeremias, professor at Goettingen University in Germany, is one of the seven outstanding lecturers scheduled to speak on the campus of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here during the 1963-64 academic year.

Dr. Jeremias will be Gheens Lecturer during the second week of classes at the seminary September 24 - 27. The Lutheran professor has received both Th.D. and Ph.D. degrees, and is the author of several books in the field of New Testament study.

Other major leaders at the seminary throughout the year are Founder's Day speaker Dr. Reuben E. Alley, editor of Virginia Baptist state paper, *The Religious Herald*; Dr. Eugene A. Nida, executive secretary of the American Bible Society in charge of translation, who will deliver the annual Lizette Kimbrough McCall Lectures in November; and Gay Lecturer Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, president of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia, scheduled to speak in November.

The last three speakers of the year will lecture in March. They are Dr. Huston Smith, professor of philosophy at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, scheduled as a Norton Lecturer; Dr. Harold Cooke Phillips, pastor emeritus of First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio, who will deliver the Mullins Lecture on Preaching; and Dr. G. Henton Davies, principal of Regents Park College of Oxford University, a Gheens Lecturer.

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Robert O. Fitts

College and Pikeville College. Their oldest son, John, is a second year pre-medical student at the University of Kentucky with a four year scholarship from Inland Steel Corporation. Their daughter, Susan, age 16, will be a senior at Bell County High School, and the twins, Deborah and Douglas, are 8 years old and will be in the third grade.

Mr. Fitts will teach Old Testament Survey, Religious Education and Christian Ethics.

Fred G. Tucker Dies In Louisville Hospital, August 30

Critically injured August 27 on a Louisville street corner by a curb-jumping auto, Fred G. Tucker died in a Louisville hospital on August 30. He was 78 years old.

He had served several churches in Louisville. For many years he had served the Long Run Association of Baptists in a ministry of visitation and missions. At the time of his death, he was returning from visitation in a housing development.

Funeral services were Tuesday, September 3.

Church Leaders To Receive Free Book

Within a few weeks, each pastor, missionary, and minister of education in Kentucky will receive a complimentary copy of the book, *On Becoming a Woman*. This book is being provided without cost by Mr. and Mrs. Earl F. Lanham, 2522 Ransdell Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Lanham are sending the books with the hope they will "make happier parents, girls, churches, schools, and a brighter tomorrow." They are given in memory of the Lanham's 14½-year-old daughter, Pam, who died in 1961.

Mr. Lanham explains, "Returning home from work, May 1, 1961, I found that the spirit of our only child had fled this earth. My 38 revolver lay at her right ankle. My pleas could not call her back. In her quietness we were blind to the confusing emotions from adolescence to adulthood. We had forgotten our youth, thinking that food, clothing, a good roof over her head, sending her to school and laying aside the required amount for the future college education was paramount. We were



Pam Lanham

so busy preparing for tomorrow that we did not live our todays. We knew we loved her, but did we let her know how much?"

Sam Ed Bradley Passes In Little Rock, Ark.

Early on Labor Day, September 2, Sam Ed Bradley died in a Little Rock, Arkansas, hospital. His health had been failing for some time and he had been hospitalized for several days prior to his death.

Mr. Bradley retired as superintendent of Kentucky Baptist children's home in January, 1963. He had served in that capacity since 1959. Prior to that time, he had been superintendent of Spring Meadows, the Baptist home for children at Middletown.

A native of Van Buren, Arkansas, his funeral services were held at Benton, Arkansas, on September 4, 1963, at the Ashby Funeral Home.

Temperance League Queries Candidates

The five Democratic nominees for state office were interviewed by Kentucky Temperance League officials and directors in a recent luncheon meeting at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The candidates who attended the luncheon were Mr. Edward (Ned) Breathitt, nominee for governor; Mr. Harry Lee Waterfield, lieutenant governor nominee; Mr. Emerson "Doc" Beauchamp, nominee for treasurer; Mrs. Thelma Stovall, secretary of state nominee; and Dr. Harry M. Sparks, nominee for superintendent of public instruction.

Temperance League Director Walter C. House presided at the conference and presented each candidate for a brief statement. A question and answer period followed. Questions on the views of the candidates on alcoholic beverages were followed by questions on separation of church and state, the northern Kentucky reform efforts, law enforcement problems in general and other moral problems in Kentucky.

Mr. Breathitt gave his views on strong drink and promised that no alcoholic drinks would be served in the executive mansion if he is elected governor. He was referred to by Mr. House as a friend of the dry cause during his days in the Kentucky legislature. The other candidates also presented very satisfactory statements on the alcohol problem.

Dr. Harry Sparks discussed at some length the possible effects in Kentucky public schools of the Supreme Court decision on Bible reading and prayer. He cited other problems that might have



GEORGETOWN SPEAKER—Dr. Ray Roberts, Sr., executive secretary of Ohio Baptists, who delivered the commencement address Friday at Georgetown College's 40th annual graduation exercises, has a family of collegians. His son, Roger, left, will report for football practice at Georgetown College Monday. Rebecca, adjusting her father's mortar board, is a sophomore at the college. Son Ray, Jr., right, was graduated there in June and will enter medical school this fall. Fifty-seven students were awarded degrees.

to be faced concerning religion and public schools in the future.

On questions having to do with garbed nuns teaching in public schools and school transportation for parochial pupils, Mr. Breathitt pledged to uphold the law as interpreted by the courts.

A similar conference with Republican candidates is planned for September 12.

Jim Allen Resigns by Forrest Sawyer

Jim W. Allen, Jr., the associate secretary of the Brotherhood Department of the Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, has resigned. His letter of resignation, dated August 16, upon his return from the Third National Royal Ambassador Congress, states "I plan to enter Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, to complete my requirements for a Bachelor of Divinity degree".

Mr. Allen, a Memphis native, graduated from Union University in 1953. From '53 to January of '56 he worked for the Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee as Royal Ambassador Secretary.

His work with the Kentucky Brotherhood Department began March 1, 1958, while a student at SBTS, scheduled to graduate in May. On March 17, prior to graduation, an illness incapacitated him for several months and interrupted his studies.

Jim's efforts to train leaders in men's and boys' work, his services at Cedar-moore Royal Ambassador camps, his work with associational regional Royal Ambassador camps, his genial spirit and all-around Christian qualities have made him a valuable servant of the Lord to Kentucky Baptists.

Jim and his wife, Dottie, take with them the best wishes of friends and co-laborers.

H. Lloyd Stormont Observes Sixth Anniversary At Walnut St., Owensboro

September 1 marked the sixth anniversary of H. Lloyd Stormont at the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky. He came to Owensboro from the First Baptist Church, Frank-

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Fort Worth Church Ousts Six Members

FORT WORTH (BP)—The First Baptist Church of Fort Worth, a Fundamentalist church (not Southern Baptist), ousted six members after a stormy feud developed when the six men demanded an audit of church financial records.

The expulsion came on an overwhelming standing vote by the congregation of about 1,000 persons during a Sunday night service.

Just three days earlier, the six men had filed a law suit against the church and its pastor—Homer Ritchie. A court order was issued stipulating that the church records and minutes could not be destroyed or secreted.

The restraining order also stated that the pastor could not remove the six plaintiffs from the church's membership.

Ritchie did not preside over the meeting when the six plaintiffs were ousted. He turned the pulpit over to his twin brother, Omer, who is associate, or co-pastor.

The six men expelled were J. D. Padgett, C. H. Arnsperger, Sr., Homer C. Tucker, J. R. Carden, B. L. Kiser and R. L. Miller, all of Fort Worth.

They contended the church membership does not know anything about the church budget and expenditures including the church staff salaries, and there has not been an election of a finance committee in years.

Ritchie said, however, the church books are open to any member of the

church at any time. He said the church budget is about \$200,000.

Co-pastor Omer Ritchie said the feud over the audit was triggered by Pastor Homer's recent marriage after a divorce in 1959. The group who left the church said the divorce was for unscriptural reasons.

Mrs. Ritchie told the congregation at the time of the divorce the separation was all her fault—she had not been able to adjust to the role of a minister's wife. She and the minister had been married for 13 years and had two children.

Ritchie became pastor of the church in 1952 after the death of J. Frank Norris, who led the church in a dispute with the Southern Baptist Convention. The church is affiliated with the Baptist Bible Fellowship International.

Editor's Note:

Although this story has no direct connection with Southern Baptists, perhaps many of our readers will be interested because of the activities of the late J. Frank Norris as pastor of First Baptist Church, Fort Worth.

No Summer Slump Shown In Receipts

NASHVILLE (BP)—No late summer slump slowed Cooperative Program receipts at the Southern Baptist Convention treasurer's office here, which reported August monthly income of \$1,636,236.

This compared with July monthly receipts of \$1,575,123 and August, 1962,

receipts from state Baptist offices of \$1,515,415, according to SBC Treasurer Porter Routh of Nashville.

Receipts for the year to date through the Cooperative Program have reached \$12,708,539 compared with \$12,340,372 at this stage a year ago—a 2.98 per cent gain.

Designated receipts during August, 1963, amounted to \$222,406. This compared with \$362,243 the preceding month and \$198,727 the preceding August.

Designated gifts are running 9.73 per cent ahead of the eight-month total in 1962. They now come to \$14,365,440.

So far in 1963, the SBC Foreign Mission Board has received \$17,216,782 through the Cooperative Program and special offerings and other designations.

The Home Mission Board has gotten \$5,153,243. No other agency has passed the \$1 million mark.

Designated gifts go only to the purposes stated by the giver.

Cooperative Program funds, shared by the states and the SBC, are distributed at both places according to a pattern voted by state and national conventions. They are distributed among a wide range of educational, missionary and benevolent objectives in the states, the nation and the world.

Delamarter Moves To Seminary Post

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Walter Delamarter, executive director of the Edna Gladney Home and the Duncan Memorial Hospital, Fort Worth, has been named director of social work education for Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's school of religious education here.

Delamarter joined the staff of the Baptist General Convention of Texas as a domestic relations consultant in 1957, and later became interim secretary for the state convention's human welfare commission. In this position, he coordinated the work of eight hospitals, seven institutions for children and two homes for the aged.

He has directed the Edna Gladney Home, a licensed child-placing agency, and Duncan Memorial Hospital, a maternity home, since 1960.

He is also a past social service director of the Methodist Children's Home in Waco, Tex.

The new faculty member will teach social courses at the seminary, beginning in the second semester in January. He will also supervise the field instruction program and conduct workshops for social workers.

The new social work education program is an outgrowth of the merger of Carver School of Missions and Social Work with the seminary, completed this year. A master of religious education degree with a major in social work is

now offered, or students may elect to study for a master of social work degree available through a joint program with Kent School of Social Work at the University of Louisville.

Delamarter received his master's degree in social work from the University of Illinois. While a student there, he worked in Urbana, the college community, at the Cunningham Children's Home for dependent and neglected children.

Texas Dominates Large Church List

By the Baptist Press

Texas churches continue to dominate the list of largest churches in membership in the Southern Baptist Convention.

First Baptist Church, Dallas, maintained an unchallenged grip on first place with 12,879 members, according to the latest statistics sent in by more than 1,100 regional associations of churches.

A distant second, still holding to the leadership east of the Mississippi River that it has had for several years, is Bellevue Baptist Church of Memphis. It has 8,539 members.

Only one of the eight largest churches is outside Texas. Of the 19 with memberships above 5,000, only nine are outside the Lone Star State.

Seventeen of the top 19 churches last year are still on the list, though some have swapped positions in the rating. The two newcomers are First Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Ark., in 17th place and First Baptist Church, Midland, Tex., in 18th.

Departed are Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, which held 12th place a year ago, and Second Baptist Church, Houston, which held 18th spot.

The third, fourth and fifth largest churches continued in those spots—San Antonio First Baptist Church, with 7,798 members; Lubbock, Tex., First Baptist Church, with 7,763 members, and Amarillo, Tex., First Baptist Church, with 7,210.

First Baptist Church, Beaumont, Tex., and Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas, traded sixth and seventh places between 1962 and 1963. The Beaumont church now has 6,853 members while 6,723 belong to Cliff Temple.

First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Tex., with 6,708 and Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile, Ala., with 6,275 members continued in eighth and ninth places.

New to the top 10 in membership is First Baptist Church, Atlanta, with 6,221 members. It was 17th a year ago.

The remaining nine churches of 5,000 or more members include:

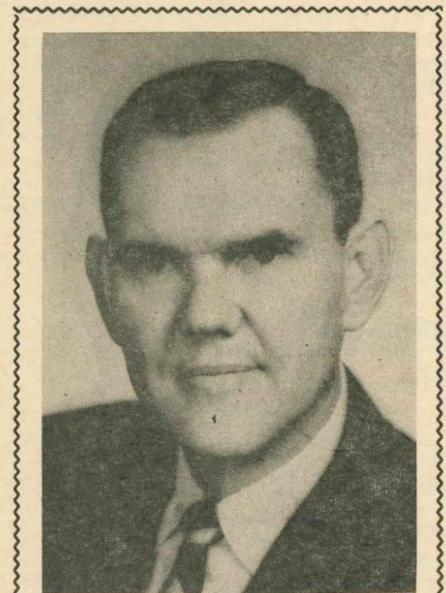
First Baptist Church, Tulsa, 6,025 members; Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, 5,925; First Baptist Church,

Oklahoma City, 5,800.

South Main Baptist Church, Houston, 5,693 members; Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., 5,509; Baton Rouge, La., First Baptist Church, 5,470.

First Baptist Church, Fort Smith, 5,089 members; Midland First Baptist Church, 5,053, and Jackson, Miss., First Baptist Church, 5,026.

Figures on church membership appear in a "Selected List of Churches" published each year in the fall number of "Quarterly Review." The department



WILLIAM P. MULLOY, Louisville attorney, has been appointed state-wide men's chairman of the Christian Education Advance Campaign. The CEA is the current effort of the Kentucky Baptist Convention to receive \$9 million for Christian education.

of research and statistics, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, compiles the information.

Campaign Would Aid Two Florida Schools

JACKSONVILLE (BP)—The Florida state board of missions has suggested a special campaign for funds to benefit Stetson University and Baptist Bible Institute.

It would raise \$160,000 a year over a three-year period for the Baptist-related university in DeLand. Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, would get \$55,333 a year over the same period.

The campaign will be voted on by the annual Florida Baptist State Convention when it meets in November.

Stetson's part of the fund would help it meet the matching requirement of a

\$1.5 million grant from Ford Foundation. The university must raise \$3 million to receive the Ford gift.

The three-year period during which the special campaign would take place dates back to June 1, 1963, and expires June 21, 1966.

Florida Baptists thus would, in conjunction with other funds already available to Stetson, provide \$1.5 million of the \$3 million Stetson must raise.

Other sources of Stetson income from the Florida Convention include \$300,000 a year through the Cooperative Program and \$40,000 a year in endowment funds.

The state board of missions also approved a Cooperative Program 1964 goal of \$2.8 million, an increase of \$100,000 over the current budget. The percentage sent to the Southern Baptist Convention would rise from 41 per cent this year to 42 per cent next, as Florida moves yearly toward a 50-50 distribution.

This, too, is subject to convention adoption.

The board also recommended the convention buy another 55 acres at Lake Yale near Leesburg in central Florida. The convention already has 155 acres for which the board, at this same meeting, approved plans to start the first building in January.

Construction would be ready in time for a Girls' Auxiliary camp next summer.

Professors Elect Page H. Kelley

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky. (BP)—Page H. Kelley of Louisville is the new president of the Association of Baptist Professors of Religion.

Kelley is associate professor of Old Testament interpretation at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He was elected during the association's annual meeting here, succeeding W. W. Stevens of Clinton, Miss.

The association asked the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention to be custodian of survey tests of Old Testament and New Testament knowledge given students entering SBC seminaries.

The commission will distribute the tests to the seminaries and will help compile the scores after they are graded at the seminaries, according to Rabun L. Brantley, Nashville, commission executive secretary.

The tests are given at five of the six SBC seminaries. The lone exception, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, may start using them in the near future, the association reported.

Tests permit, in some instances, students to be exempted from certain seminary courses because of the level of their Bible knowledge.

IT TAKES TWO TO TITHE

Robert Witty, Central Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida

Tithing takes two. Either one alone is not enough.

First, tithing takes the right amount. A tithe is a full tenth. Any less is not a tithe. In fact, the word "tithe" means tenth. (Lev. 27:32).

This amount was fixed by God's Word. The tenth was the amount chosen by Abraham. (Heb. 7:2). The tenth was the amount commanded by God (Nu. 18:21). The tenth was the amount advocated by Christ (Matt. 23:23). At no place does the Bible use "tithe" except to refer to the "tenth". When the amount is reduced, it is no longer a full tithe. God set the amount. Man cannot change it.

Second, tithing takes the right place. The tithe must be placed in the Lord's storehouse. To use any other place is not tithing. In fact, tithing is store-house giving.

This place was fixed by God's Word. (Mal. 3:10). Abraham gave the tithe to God's priest, Melchisedec (Gen. 14:20). Moses commanded the tithe brought to the temple-keepers, the Levites (Nu. 18:24). Jesus stood over and watched the gifts placed in the treasury in the temple. As the temple was the storehouse in the Old Testament so is the church in the New Testament (I Cor. 9:13-14). The tithe is for God's work and must be placed in God's house. When the place is changed, it is no longer tithing. God set the place. Man cannot change it.

Tithing does take both: the right amount and the right place, the tenth and the store-house. Either one alone is not enough. Both are necessary for obedience.

It takes the two to tithe.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

Kentucky Baptist Foundation

How Pleasant Can A Surprise Be?

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

One day during the current week, the writer opened a letter in which was enclosed a check for \$5,000.00. In the envelope with the check was a gracious note, voicing appreciation for the manner in which past dealings with the Foundation were conducted.

The check was a gift from a lovely Christian lady, upon whom the Lord has smiled spiritually as well as materially. This gift, in keeping with the donor's request, will be added to the endowment of Bethel College at Hopkinsville.

The recent gift from this friend makes a total of \$30,000.00 she has given to the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, with Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Pine Crest Children's Home and Bethel College becoming the recipients of the income.

On numerous occasions the writer has called on this Christian friend in her home. At the conclusion of each visit he was requested to read a passage from the Word of God and lead in prayer. The passage found in the Gospel of Mark, Chapter 14, verse 9, might well apply to her, "Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached through the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her."

What type of memorial can live longer, bless more lives and bring greater satisfaction to the heart of the donor than memorials such as this one created by this generous child of God?

Church Music

Record Attendance - 1963 Music Leadership School

by Eugene Quinn

A record attendance of 305, including the 15 faculty members were enrolled in the 1963 State Music Leadership School at Georgetown July 29-August 2. They came from 37 churches in 18 Kentucky Baptist Associations. Among the personnel were 8 Associational Music Directors, 6 Regional Music Directors and 24 church music directors. Other officers present were 10 church pianists and 5 church organists plus 105 choir members. Seven of the music leaders were

children's choir directors. The association having the largest number represented was Long Run, and the church with the largest number was Ninth and O in Louisville, with the Immanuel Baptist Church of Lexington in second place.

Six decisions were registered for church related vocations in the evening consecration services. Other events during the week included the Kentucky Baptist Music Directors Associational annual dinner at Lexington on Tuesday night, the Briefing Meeting on Tuesday afternoon for all representatives who will conduct planning meetings in the various associations in September, and the first state-wide youth choir festival on Friday.

Brotherhood

Here and There . . .

by Forrest Sawyer

Little Bethel Baptist Association, where George D. Park is superintendent of missions, has, during the year, had the services of C. B. Coots, pastor of Second Baptist Church, Madisonville, as associational Brotherhood president. Other officers include George W. Stephan, vice president; David Webster, secretary; Gene Hibbs, Royal Ambassador Leader; Ira Johnston, Christian Witness Leader; Mason Beville, Personal Stewardship Leader; and Owen Russell as their World Missions Leader.

These men have been assisted in their various capacities by Thomas Cartwright, Eugene Burden, Willie Gammon, James Clayton, Billy Fentress, Vernon Jones, Moir Noel, Otho Tippett, Charles Dixon, and pastors Leslie Baker, Owen Johnston, and Paul Sullivan.

Lynn Association, Cecil Adams, superintendent of missions, spent about three years laying the groundwork for that which has become a reality in Brotherhood work during '62-'63.

Hubert Line of Munfordville has been elected the association's Brotherhood president. Other officers include G. S. Doyle, Charles Wilcoxon, Abe Watson, Arlene Bennett, Wilbert Bennett, Duncan Rose, and George Smith.

Mr. Line reports that 22 of the men from churches in the association went to other churches during the association's Stewardship Cultivation Program.

Robert O. Williams, pastor of the Clifton Baptist Church, and the follow-

ing men engaged in a study of the Church Brotherhood Guidebook prior to the election and election by the church of Brotherhood officers.

Gene Alwes was the general chairman for the initiatory steps prior to the study and Gene, along with Don Butts, Rudy Kays, Pastor Robert Williams, Harry Hughes, Nick Winders, Joe Lake, Elmer Reynolds, Bill Marlowe, Elmer Hayes, Everett Knauer, Virgil Marlowe and Harry Marlowe completed the study.

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Training Union

Goal For 1963-64: Enrol 100,000 Adults In Training Union

by James H. Whaley

A campaign to enlist an additional 100,000 adults in Training Union is slated to begin in October, 1963.

Special materials have been prepared by the Sunday School Board to assist in attracting new adult members. There is a new lesson course, offering flexibility of choice and extended depth studies; a new Training Union Quarterly Simplified; a new alternate organization plan, with a revised Sunday night schedule, Standard of Excellence, and Eight Point Record System.

High point in enlistment efforts will come in January-February-March with the "Fundamentals of Our Faith" unit in all three Training Union Adult Quar-terlies.

During the week of November 18-22, there will be 20 Training Union Meetings over the state to interpret the Alternate Adult Organization and other materials that will be available for adults. The exact date and meeting places of these 20 clinics will be presented in this column in the next few weeks.

Woman's Missionary Union

Regional Meetings

by Mrs. Geo. R. Ferguson

"We know we are where God wants us to be; now our challenge is to be what he wants us to be," wrote Mrs. J. Franklin Baugh, Jr., during her first term as a Southern Baptist missionary to East Pakistan, where most of the conveniences of the average American housewife are unknown and where grinding poverty, devastating disease, and crippling illiteracy are evident on every hand.

She, her husband, and their three children live in the town of Faridpur,



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where Mr. Baugh is superintendent of the Mission Industrial School. They and another missionary family are the only "Europeans" in Faridpur, a town of

about 30,000 ("It looks much smaller, and the roads to it are passable only during the dry season," says Mrs. Baugh.) When four teachers from the government girls' school came to call, there were no outward differences," Mrs. Baugh says. "Then we began to discuss religion. I found I was sharing my pot of tea with a Buddhist, a Hindu, a Muslim, and a Christian."

Come to the Regional Meeting in your area to hear Mrs. Baugh tell more about work or our missionaries in this important new field of Southern Baptist work. Mrs. Baugh will be the missionary speaker for both weeks of WMU Regional Meetings.

Come to these meetings also to meet our new state YWA director, Miss Sydney Portis, who began her work with us on June 1.

Other program personnel will include our state president, Mrs. J. S. Woodward, and your executive secretary.

New plans for the coming year and the Annual meeting business affairs of the regions will provide an important day's program in each region. See this column in last week's *Western Recorder* for dates, meeting places and other information.

We'll be looking for you in your regional meeting!

Baptist Student Union

Lost: 12,927 Baptist College Students

by J. Chester Durham

This figure, 12,927 is the difference between the number of Baptist students reported last semester in Kentucky schools of higher education and the number reported by Kentucky Baptist churches in reply to the recent request of the Christian Education Committee. The number of Baptist students in Kentucky schools, spring semester 1963, was 13,894. To date 127 churches have sent in the names and requested information on 967 students.

The information requested is most important to the BSU directors on the various campuses if they are going to serve effectively the students and our churches. On the majority of the state's non-Baptist campuses, it is impossible for the BSU director to obtain the names of the Baptist students. The Christian Education Committee turned to the pastors for help in identifying our students.

Our State BSU office is passing the student's names on to the directors as soon as they are sent in. The opening of school is only a few days away. This is a plea to the pastors and churches who have not yet done so, to send in the names of their students as soon as possible.

Stewardship

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by Robert J. Hastings

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R. J. Hastings

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A new Cooperative Program tract describing the 1963-64 budget is now ready. It shows in chart form how the Kentucky dollar is divided, both in the state and Conventionwide. The title is "Kentucky and the World." The very popular "apple" tract on tithing has been reprinted, and ample stocks are available. Also a new leaflet entitled "Facts About Cedarmore" is now ready.

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BAPTIST FORUM

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if this by itself is not an attempt to guide our minds, or unduly to influence them.

There is much opposition to what the court has done, and I also am aligned against their action mainly because I believe that this court has done flagrantly what our Congress has never dared to do. They have in essence made a religious law, a negative one, in which they rule, that no Bible can be read in public school. In their defense they often quote "that congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion." I will ask them or anyone else, "What congressman has done this?" Would any congressman dare to make such a law and come back home for re-election? The answer is no. Would any Supreme Court member have dared to make such a law and try to be re-elected if he were to appear before a plebiscite?

Also I am firmly convinced that even as Abraham Lincoln spoke a great religious truth, when he said a house divided cannot stand, and a divided nation cannot stand. That as our pledge of allegiance to our flag states, that we are a nation under God, I believe this means also our public school system, and that it is an all inclusive pledge and that we cannot stand with any part of His protection or of His divine favor and guidance.

Our public school system by its great freedom until now, has produced the world's outstanding leaders in every field of human endeavor. How can we maintain such great leadership if our teachers are told by high political authority, what they can teach and what they cannot teach? We must not also forget that we are in a cold war, and our adversary has a very dynamic, revolutionary and appealing philosophy. I would like for someone favoring neutralism, secularism or negativism to explain to me how such a philosophy as these could stand against Communism? Actually the whole position for the Supreme Court ruling is weak, and untenable.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

GOD IN HISTORY

Genesis 50:15-24

This is the last of three lessons on the manner in which God worked in and through the remarkable life and phenomenal career of Joseph. In a previous lesson we learned that Jacob displayed his favoritism by giving Joseph a coat of many colors when the latter was seventeen years of age. This act of partiality placed the young man at a great disadvantage. Jealousy and envy caused the brothers to hate Joseph and to subject him to extremely cruel treatment. For twenty pieces of silver they sold him to some traveling merchants, who took Joseph into Egypt and in turn sold him to Potiphar. During the years that followed Joseph was subjected to severe trials, but with God's help he came through them victoriously.

Because of his personal wisdom, ability, trustworthiness and also of the divine favor, Joseph was elevated to the second highest office in the country. Even though his brothers had committed a sin by selling him into slavery, Joseph did not hold it against them, but cheerfully forgave them. In his forgiveness and reconciliation with those who had erred so grievously may be seen Joseph's acknowledgment of God's purpose, his acceptance of God's place for him and his complete trust in God's providence. Truly he was an instrument of God's will.

Joseph had been led over a very strange road, when he was sold by his brethren, imprisoned for undeviating adherence to a principle and neglected by those whom he had helped. As he looked back at his trials and tribulations, he realized that what he had considered tragic evils had actually turned out to be blessings and stepping stones to a richer life. For him calamity had been the gateway to success. From Joseph's experience we learn that God frequently makes injuries contribute to His purposes.

When the aged Jacob was approaching the end of his life, he called his sons to his bedside, bestowed his blessing upon them, made certain predictions concerning their future and instructed them to take his corpse back to Canaan and bury it in the cave of Machpelah, where his ancestors had been interred. After the death and embalming of Jacob there were seventy days of official mourning in Egypt before they took his body back to Canaan. His sons, accompanied by

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the servants of Pharaoh, the elders and many others, went to Canaan for an additional period of seven days mourning prior to the interment of Jacob.

Immediately after their return to Egypt fear gripped the hearts of the ten brothers who had sold Joseph into slavery. They were not only conscious of their great guilt, but they were frightened at the thought of the possibility, and perhaps the likelihood, of Joseph turning upon them in revenge. They were of the opinion that he had spared their lives primarily to safeguard the feelings of their aged father, but now that he was gone they expected Joseph to punish them. In thinking that he would vent his anger upon them, they made the mistake of judging him by themselves, but Joseph was not like them. We, too, frequently make the mistake of judging others by ourselves. Joseph understood clearly that for one to take revenge is to usurp God's prerogative, which some of us need to understand, and that he very definitely refused to do, and wisely so. What a pity that all do not exercise the same wisdom today!

The apprehensiveness and anxiety of the brothers prompted them to send a messenger to Joseph for the purpose of quoting Jacob as having said: "So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; for they did unto thee evil."

Joseph was wounded deeply by the entirely unwarranted feeling of his brothers. He had forgiven them long before, and had provided for them for years, and now they were attempting to reopen an old grievance. The fact that they did not believe and trust him fully grieved him so much that he wept profusely.

Instead of centering his thoughts on the malice of his brothers and the wrong which they had done to him, and harboring within a spirit of bitter resentment toward them, Joseph emphasized the fact that while they had meant what they did against him for his personal injury, God had meant it for good. In other words, he saw in their deed not the meanness of men but the purpose and providence of God. He had learned from experience that God rules and overrules in order to accomplish His purpose and to execute His plan.

The purpose of God is that by which He orders or permits whatever comes to pass. The plan of God is the method by which He brings to pass that which He has purposed. We should never cease to believe in the goodness of God because at any given time we cannot see how what is happening to us is going to be for our ultimate good. It is doubtful if Joseph was able to see, when he was incarcerated in prison, what was happening to him was going to turn out for his ultimate good, as well as for the benefit of others. In fact, Joseph had to wait for years before God's meaning was ultimately made clear. At length the meaning became clear to him and he exclaimed: "God meant it unto good." This great soul saw God in every part of life and truly believed that He was the master of every situation. Too many of us make the mistake of wanting to measure God by our circumstances instead of measuring our circumstances by God.

When we are unable to grasp God's meaning, it is our duty and privilege to trust Him. We can trust, even though we may not be able to understand. Regardless of what situations may arise, we can trust God and rely implicitly upon Him. Whatever happens, we can always be assured of the fact that God is good and that He intends it for our benefit. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

As an expression of the tenderness and solicitousness of his heart, Joseph talked personally with his brethren and renewed his promise to provide for and protect them and their posterity. Some of their little ones had been placed upon his knees during their infancy in order that they might receive his blessing. As they had grown, Joseph doubtless used his influence to get them to exercise faith in God and then to live in accordance with His will.

When Joseph reached the age of one hundred and ten years, ninety-three of which had been lived in Egypt—eighty of which were spent in a position of authority, he called his brethren together and assured them that the time would come when the Israelites would leave Egypt and enter Canaan, in accordance with the previous promise of God. Soon thereafter Joseph passed into the presence of God, to Whom he had been so faithful during all of the trying experience through which he had passed.

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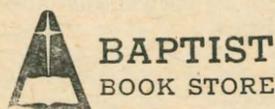
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Routh Says Shallow Objectives Hurt SBC

FORT WORTH (BP)—"The Southern Baptist Convention, its churches, and our own Christian lives are suffering from unclear, mixed, unworthy and unchallenging objectives," said Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee.

Routh was one of the major speakers here at the Southwestern Baptist Religious Education Association meeting for its annual sessions at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Other major speakers were Charles L. McKay, executive secretary of the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention; Howard Foshee, secretary of the Church Administration Department for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board; and Ralph Langley, pastor of a Houston Baptist church.

Religious educators from 15 states elected Norman Fromm, professor at East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas, as the association's new president.

Three vice-presidents elected by the 401 persons registered at the conference were James M. Griggs, minister of education at First Baptist Church, Abilene, Texas; A. Donald Bell, professor at Southwestern Seminary; and Harold A. Southern, associational director of Religious Education in Kansas City, Mo.

Re-elected were Gracie Knowlton, Southwestern Seminary professor, as

secretary-treasurer; and Evelyn Robinson, administrative secretary for Tarrant Baptist Association, Fort Worth, as assistant secretary for the association.

Midwestern Launches New Training Course

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)—Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here will launch a new School of Christian Training this year for students' wives, for laymen and for pastors in the Kansas City area.

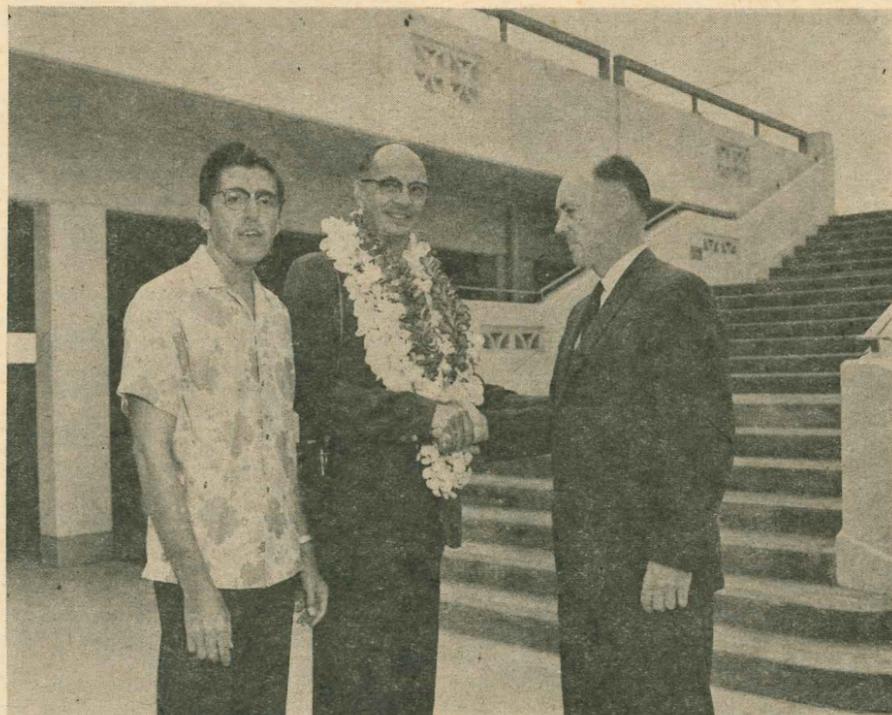
Classes will be held on Tuesday evenings for 15 weeks with study course awards being given those completing the course. Seminary officials said the courses are in answer to a popular demand for them.

Seminary professors will teach the courses.

At the same time, seminary officials announced the visiting professor of missions for the 1963-64 academic year. He is Raymond L. Kolb of Mississippi, missionary in north Brazil.

Kolb taught in the North Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary and directed the Baptist Industrial Institute. A licensed pilot, he was appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board in 1944.

Midwestern has also appointed a new director of food services—Horst Ludwig who previously worked for two Kansas City restaurants. He is a native of Germany.



Charles Mullins (right), president of the Hawaii Baptist Convention, and Chester L. Young (left), pastor of the Kalihi Baptist Church, are shown welcoming Dr. Verlin C. Kruschwitz (center) to the Islands. Dr. Kruschwitz is pastor of Severns Valley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. He assisted Pastor Young with the Baptist Jubilee Revivals held in Hawaii August 18-September 1.

The seminary cafeteria is located in its new residence hall. It is the first time the seminary could provide complete food service on the campus, officials said.

Three Take Sabbatical Leave At New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—Three professors at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary here are taking one-year sabbatical leaves for study and research.

William A. Mueller, professor of Church History, is in Europe. He spoke at the European Baptist Men's Conference at the Baptist Seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland.

This fall, under sponsorship of the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board, Mueller will be guest professor at the Seminary in Ruschlikon, teaching "The Church and the Ministry."

He will spend the spring as guest professor at Italian Baptist Seminary, Rivoli. Mrs. Mueller accompanied him; their son, Herbert (Nick), will do research in medieval history at Zurich.

Miss Frances Brown, assistant professor of Music Education and Voice, was to begin work this fall at George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville. Her major will be in Music Education, working on a Doctor of Education degree.

Stanley J. Watson, professor of Youth Religious Education, was to study further in Youth Education and Psychology this fall at the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg.

STORMENT'S SIXTH . . . (Continued from Page 7)

fort, Kentucky, where he served as associate pastor.

During his ministry at Walnut Street, there have been 530 additions. The sanctuary has been completely renovated and a new educational building has been completed.

Mr. Storment is active in community affairs. He is a member of the Rotary Club, Hi 12 Club, serves on the board of the Mental Health Association

and serves as president of the ministerial association. He is active in Kentucky Baptist life, having served on the Executive Board. He is presently serving on the Christian Education Committee and he serves as pastor-advisor of the BSU at Kentucky Wesleyan College in Owensboro. In 1962, he was invited to preach in the Hawaiian Baptist Crusade.



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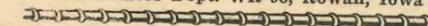
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Covington, Calvary	893	--	--	Corbin, First	492	3	180	Louisville, Ralph Avenue	366	3	109
Louisville, 9th and O	891	--	332	Ashland, Unity	492	11	157	Bardstown	366	--	45
Hopkinsville, Second	877	--	175	Louisville, Beechland	486	1	90	Lebanon, First	353	--	110
Elizabethtown	854	--	204	Frankfort, First	481	1	45	Hima, Horse Creek	343	--	--
Madisonville, First	847	--	184	Mission	82	--	40	Mt. Washington, First	340	--	83
Harrodsburg	833	--	142	Franklin, First	465	--	131	Mission	74	--	44
Owensboro, First	810	4	120	Missions (2)	110	--	24	Bowling Green, Glendale	322	3	128
Murray, First	783	--	150	Henderson, Immanuel Temple	464	--	146	Mission	54	--	36
Mission	48	--	--	Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	444	--	125	Louisville, Fairdale	315	--	71
Owensboro, Third	734	4	196	Jeffersontown, First	444	1	79	Mission	17	--	19
Mission	82	--	45	London, First	430	--	83	Ashland, Pollard	314	--	--
Bowling Green, First	719	3	149	Hazard, First	427	--	79	Campbellsville, South	316	--	76
Mission	77	--	--	Mission	98	--	--	Shepherdsville, Little Flock	300	2	80
Lexington, Grace	695	--	102	Hodgenville, First	422	--	161	Barbourville, First	290	--	68
Mission	15	--	--	Louisville, Rockford Lane	421	--	85	Missions (2)	67	--	--
Somerset, First	691	3	195	Hazel	418	--	109	Louisville, Highland Park 1st	290	4	75
Mission	110	--	--	Winchester, Central	415	--	93	Henderson, Audubon	279	--	54
Lexington, Calvary	687	1	165	Lexington, Trinity	415	--	173	Louisville, Immanuel	288	2	68
Mission	54	--	--	Central City, First	414	--	173	Lexington, South Elkhorn	279	--	107
Louisville, Beechmont	626	2	132	Georgetown	411	3	59	Owensboro, Crabtree Avenue	261	--	64
Mission	116	--	40	Mission	44	--	--	Hazel	259	--	--
Louisville, Valley Station	575	6	119	Covington, South Side	406	--	61	Bowling Green, Forest Park	257	--	105
Glasgow	570	--	92	Missions (2)	79	--	--	Louisville, Clifton	250	3	93
Mission	40	--	--	Winchester, First	402	--	48	Cold Spring, First	245	--	77
Campbellsville	560	--	161	Nicholasville	398	2	91	Owensboro, Yellow Creek	241	8	59
Missions (3)	106	--	69	Louisville, Hazelwood	390	--	59	Marion	240	--	72
Erlanger	558	--	113	Middlesboro, First	389	--	64	Middletown, First	237	3	111
Newport, First	548	2	104	Ludlow, First	386	1	86	Stanford	234	--	98
Lexington, Rosemont	530	2	113	Greenville, First	383	--	123	Mission	29	--	--
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