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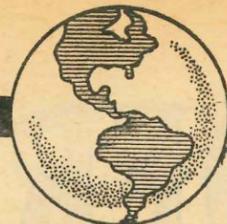
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A TEXAS WELCOME is extended SBC messengers, Pastor and Mrs. Ted Dougherty of the Oakhurst Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga. by M. B. Carroll, pastor of Dallas' East Grand Baptist Church. Carroll was elected first vice-president.



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

MRS. COVA MARTIN died in May at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville. She was 69 and is survived by her husband, W. D. Martin, her son, Edward Martin, and a daughter, Mrs. Robert Holland, wife of the pastor of Baxter Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville. There are five grandchildren surviving.

THOMAS FAULKNER BADGETT, brother of J. Chester Badgett, pastor of the Campbellsville Baptist Church and former president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, was accidentally buried alive while in construction work in Lexington, Kentucky. Funeral services were held June 4 at Stanford, Kentucky.

BETHEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH, Louisville, had a spring revival with R. Travis Otey, pastor of the Glasgow Baptist Church, as evangelist. John Hughes, assistant to the pastor at Bethlehem, led the singing. Pastor Ercel Barker reports 26 additions by baptism, 7 by letter and 1 dedication of life to a Christian vocation. There were 108 rededications.

THE KENTUCKY BAPTIST ATLAS, printed recently by the Kentucky Baptist Historical Society, is being reprinted due to the demand for copies. An additional 24,000 copies will be printed and the leader of each phase of church life will receive a copy. The first distribution was mainly to pastors.

ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS, starting July 21, will again be provided an associational book of reports and program covers for the annual meeting. The Executive Board of the KBC provides these for each association. Moderators will receive a sufficient quantity for his association.

THE MOTHER-IN-LAW of Dr. H. C. Chiles, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Murray, died and funeral services were held June 3 near Frankfort, Ky.

THE FATHER of Dr. Nathan Brooks, Jr., pastor of the Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, was buried in Greenville, North Carolina June 2.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY, which began its 150th year in May, 1965, has actively aided publication and distribution of scriptures in 1,232 languages and dialects.

PHILIP H. BRIGGS has been elected associate professor in the department of religious education at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He came to the seminary from Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas.

PLUM CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH in Spencer County observed homecoming on June 6 with all day services and dinner on the grounds. Afternoon speaker was Ralph White. Constituted in 1810, the first members came from the Elk Creek Baptist Church. Pastor A. J. Hensley is interested in any history of the church, particularly, any information regarding the first families in the church. He may be addressed at Taylorsville, Kentucky.

MIDLANE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH, Louisville, had Leslie Sanders as evangelist and Rodney Hale as song leader

for a revival. There were three additions by letter and 11 professions of faith. The church started as a mission three years ago. Doyle L. Wetherington is pastor.

WILLIAM S. GARMON, a seminary professor, will direct a 12-month study to determine needs and guidelines for a national ministry by Southern Baptists to the ex-prisoner. The Home Mission Board of the SBC asked Garmon, who is an associate professor of social ethics at the New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary, to make the \$8,500 study.

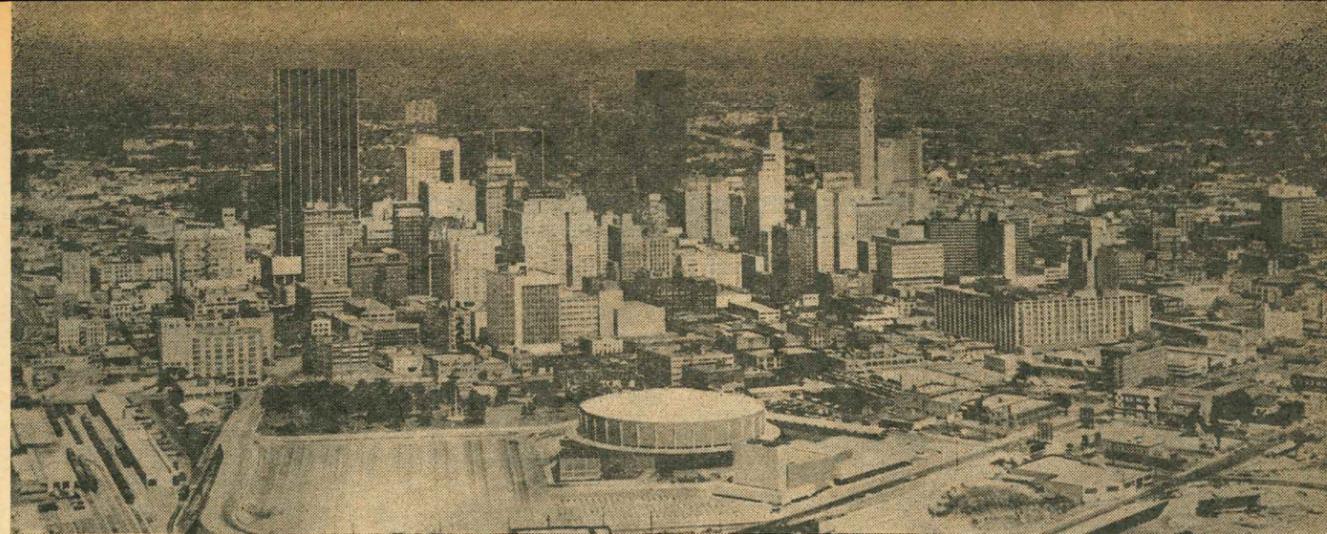
FOLLOWING the fellowship of the Baptist World Alliance meeting in Miami Beach, Florida, June 25-30, about 350 Southern Baptist leaders, missionaries and Baptist nationals from countries where Southern Baptists sponsor foreign mission work will remain in Miami Beach for three days of intensive study of world missions. The purpose of the study is to share information and seek counsel regarding mission possibilities and responsibilities.

HIS HIGHNESS, John Adetoyese Laoye I, the Timi of Ede, Nigeria, brought the baccalaureate message at the 136th commencement program of Georgetown College in late May.

MISS JENNIE LOU STAMLER of Lexington, Kentucky, passed away recently, the victim of a heart attack. James W. Jewell of Concord, North Carolina, writes, "She supported her church, attended regularly all of the services. She gave of her time and her money to make her church a more effective institution of service in the community."

MISS LITA CAROLE REDMON, Benton, Kentucky, a student at Belmont College in Nashville, will be an assistant at the Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly children's building.

SIX BAPTIST VOLUNTEERS, ranging in age from 46 to 74, are the first appointees under the Christian Service Corps of the SBC Home Mission Board. They will serve on mission fields at their own expense.



THE ROUND BUILDING in the foreground was the meeting place of the 108th session of the S.B.C. in Dallas.

THE 108th SESSION:

Dallas Convention Approves Significant Statement On Race Relations

by R. G. Puckett

Despite an inadequate auditorium and the competition of the Baptist World Congress meeting later this month in Miami Beach, Florida, an unequalled number of messengers converged on Dallas, Texas, for the 108th session of the Southern Baptist Convention. Total registration will approach 16,000 messengers and with their families, approximately 35,000 Southern Baptists made even "Big D" bulge at the seams for four days.

Opening on a note of concern for Southern Baptist missionaries in Cuba and offering prayers in their behalf, the convention went on to accept the report of the Christian Life Commission which contained no recommendation but gave one of the strongest statements on race relations yet to be approved by the convention.

Beautiful and comfortable but only two-thirds adequate, the 10,500-seat city auditorium was filled to capacity in every session in the earlier part of the convention. Only on Friday as many of the messengers headed home for Sunday preaching responsibilities was there space on the main floor for all those who desired it. The earlier sessions had large crowds in the over-flow auditorium and many others, apparently displeased at the lack of space, fellowshipped with friends in the corridors and exhibit areas.

THE CONVENTION decided not to limit its president to one one-year term and later elected Dr. Wayne Dehoney, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, for a second term. Dehoney proved to be one of the most masterful presiding officers in recent convention history. He was always fair but firm on some occasions and gentle

on others. He proved to be well informed on Robertson's Rules of Order and more than once revealed a knowledge of the fine points of order.

In other actions, the convention:

►Voted to send representatives to the North American Baptist Committee of the Baptist World Alliance but passed a motion later that clearly stated this was not a step toward organic union with any group, Baptist or otherwise.

►Heard a motion to instruct the Baptist Book Stores to take *The Message of Genesis* by Ralph Elliott from its shelves and never sell another copy. After discussion, the matter was referred to the elected members of the Sunday School Board.

►Sent a telegram to President Lyndon Johnson expressing concern that separation of church and state be maintained in the implementation of the latest bills to aid education and fight poverty. Introduced by Robert Crady of Dayton, Ohio, a former Kentuckian, the original motion was replaced by a more mildly worded one. The convention demonstrated a continued concern in this area. Both the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs and POAU had representatives speak at the convention and were commended by a resolution on the last day.

A BUDGET OF 21.8 million dollars was approved for the coming year. The convention heard reports of more than 2,000 foreign missionaries in 57 countries and were encouraged by reports of an increase in baptisms in the homeland.

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The convention received telegrams from President Johnson and Evangelist Billy Graham. Fraternal messengers from other Baptist bodies were recognized and a plea for greater Baptist unity was made by Robert G. Torbet, president of the American Baptist Convention. Dr. Dehoney was present at the annual meeting of the American Baptist Convention in San Francisco in May.

AN OFFICIAL observer to the Vatican Council in Rome was suggested, but the convention turned it down. Glenn Hinson of Kentucky said that sending an observer would (1) enable Baptists to know what is happening, (2) imply Southern Baptist approval of the change that has come over the Roman Catholic Church, and (3) offer a witness of Baptist convictions to the world's largest religious group. The executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, C. Emanuel Carlson of Washington, opposed the motion on the basis of "procedure and propriety," but did not speak on its advisability. He pointed out that the Southern Baptists have no official invitation, nor does the Baptist World Alliance. "We are presuming something we have no right to presume," he said.

Charles Chaney of Palatine, Illinois, brought a motion to change the name of the convention to a name which would more adequately express the nationwide character of the convention. Porter Routh of Nashville pointed out the matter had been studied by the Executive Committee and Chaney agreed to have his motion referred to the Executive Committee which will make a report on the matter in 1966, when the convention meets in Detroit, Michigan.

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Southern Baptists Turned a Corner

The 1965 Southern Baptist Convention may not go down in history as one of the greatest but it will always be regarded as a pivotal one. We turned a corner where we have momentarily been stalled and there are signs we are now on our way again.

Two of the issues faced last year and held up on were considered again and acted upon positively this year. We accepted a progressive race statement and voted to participate in the North American Committee of the Baptist World Alliance. The approval of these by the messengers seems to say we are over the hump. The Convention has spoken. The majority of those present refused to be detoured by the die-hard racial segregationists and denominational isolationists.

This does not mean though we must rush to open the doors of our Southern Baptist churches to Negroes. No attempt was made to direct such internal affairs of any church. It does mean the majority of us has admitted our guilt in failing to let the gospel direct our activities in this area and that we intend to assume responsibility for a more Christian approach to the problem.

The Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission which has been the brunt of criticism in some areas of our convention because of its position and statement on the current racial problem came out of the 1965 convention stronger than ever. Its report which contained the race statements was overwhelmingly approved. Part of this was due to the popularity of and appreciation for the Commission's secretary, Foy Valentine, who served in a similar position in Texas before taking the convention-wide responsibility. More of it was due to the growing awareness even by those of the deep south that a new day is dawning in Negro-white relations in America and it is only right that Southern Baptists be a part of it.

Southern Baptist leadership was saved embarrassment when the North American Committee proposal which was rejected last year was approved this year. This matter will now be forgotten mostly since this committee's function and activity will be minimum.

In the consideration of this provision for further contact with other Baptist groups in America, considerable concern was expressed for the doctrinal position of the American Baptist Convention. Messengers wanted it fully understood that the North American Committee was in no way a step toward organic union with any group. The two-to-one vote approving the proposal was decisive but it was a little unfortunate that adhering to strict parliamentary procedure

prevented much discussion of this matter on the convention floor.

No controversial doctrine issue made the convention schedule this year. There was some behind the scene activity in the nomination of trustees of one seminary, but this was settled by committee before it reached the floor. This indicates we have and will have for the foreseeable future some tension between the more conservative and more progressive elements among Southern Baptists.

The whole convention had a forward look. Beginning with President Wayne Dehoney's address and carrying all through, there was a call to move ahead with our major business—preaching the Good News of God in Christ Jesus to the whole world.

Franklin Owen of Kentucky was one of the men of the hour at the convention. His move to avert a showdown vote between the Christian Life Commission race statement and a substitute statement proposed by an Alabama messenger, Henry L. Lyon, Jr., was a master stroke. It was the kind of denominational statesmanship so much needed in our convention and so noticeably absent in the last several years.

A newcomer to Kentucky made the best convention address in this editor's opinion. The newly elected evangelism professor at Southern Baptist Seminary, Kenneth Chafin, delivered the address and gave clear indication that his contributions to Southern Baptists in future years will be outstanding. He spoke in 20th Century language without the worn out words so often heard. He has keen insight into the needs of our times and does not see the booming church in the suburban areas as the answer to our need to share the message of Christ with the world. Kentuckians are fortunate to have Chafin among us.

Two signs of the times appeared in the Pastors' Conference, the pre-convention meeting of the Southern Baptist pastors. One was Astronaut John Glenn who appeared before the pastors and called upon them to seek advances in the spiritual world to match those now being made in the scientific world. The other was the address of C. A. Roberts, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Tallahassee, Florida. After telling of his stand to admit Negroes to the church services against the stand of the church to deny their admission, Roberts received a standing ovation from fellow preachers.

All in all it was a happy convention. Many who had returned from conventions of recent years downhearted felt altogether different about 1965.

A Sterling Performance

The relatively smooth and orderly 1965 Southern Baptist Convention was due in a large measure to the expert handling by President Wayne Dehoney. Though a young man in years, he showed maturity in judgment and a familiarity with parliamentary procedure seldom equaled in Southern Baptist Convention.

Dehoney had done his homework well and consequently was ready for all possible developments. Without the aid of a parliamentarian he made rulings without hesitation and always seemed sure of himself. He refused to yield to pressure when the going was tough.

The wise president often prevented misunderstanding and disorder by carefully directing messengers as to how to get where they wanted to go by proper parliamentary procedure. He made certain messengers understood what they were voting for before he allowed the ballot to be taken.

Usually the president was patient and lenient with messengers. Once or twice he applied the rules rather harshly to close debate. This annoyed some messengers but the president was clearly following the will of the majority of the messengers and his rulings were always sustained by the convention.

Dehoney handled his president's address masterfully. In it he set the atmosphere for a good convention and throughout the sessions he injected enough levity and humor to prevent development of tension.

Handling 15,000 Baptists with many shades of opinions about many subjects under discussion is a man-size task. Anyone who doubted President Dehoney's ability to perform this task was soon converted. Messengers in Dallas appreciated Dehoney and feel good about next year under his leadership.

"Have Water, Will Baptize"

Sometimes in our efforts to dramatize and publicize, we go a little too far. Slogans and jingles have a place in church and denominational publicity, but care should be taken to keep them on a high level. After all, the gospel is not just another product to be peddled as some brand of soap, but a message from heaven to be proclaimed. When we descend to the level of some modern newspaper, radio and television commercials, we cheapen the gospel.

An example was seen at the 1965 Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas. At conventions everybody who has any message to get across to the thousands of Baptists present tries to find a novel and effective way to say it.

The example this year was a prayer request for an evangelistic crusade in the Great Lakes area. The planners hit upon the novel idea of wrapping the message requesting prayer around a small bottle of water from the Great Lakes. The message got through all right, but the final line of the material created in at least this one ready a negative reaction.

The line read, "Have Water, Will Baptize". This takeoff on a popular television program is clever but somehow seems a little beneath the level of a serious message asking prayer for an evangelistic crusade.

Really it sounds more like another denomination because we don't put that much emphasis on water baptism. And it sounds too much like we are anxious to continue an already questionable practice in too many evangelistic efforts—baptize everybody; we can lay hands on without too much concern for genuineness of experience.

My reaction may be purely petty but such a slogan appears a little beneath the proper level. There is a befitting dignity even in publicity when it comes to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

BAPTIST FORUM



Ever Heard of a "Staycation?"

Dear Editor:

The work of Christ suffers during the summer months because some church members are away on vacation. But I have a feeling that church attendance is down more because we take a "staycation" from the Lord's work during the summer.

Friends and relatives come to visit. We are proud of our town and the surrounding countryside. We waste no time showing off our wonderful community, parks, fishing spots, and recreation areas.

"We didn't bring any Sunday clothes," is the stock reason that seems to excuse them and us from attending the services of our church. Our company

often leaves right after the big Sunday meal at noon. For some strange reason, we feel justified in staying home from church to fix the noon meal and bid farewell to our friends.

Thank the Lord for vacations when we can get away for a while and be refreshed! But may the Lord deliver us from taking a "staycation"!

Here's what can be done:

1. When you invite friends and relatives this summer, invite them to attend your church too; encourage them to bring their "Sunday clothes."
2. Don't let the Sunday feasting at home keep you from feasting on God's Word at church.
3. When you are in town this summer, be present at your church.

Please don't take a "staycation" from God's work this summer.

Tal D. Bonham, Pastor
South Side Baptist Church
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Pineville First Baptist Building Burns

Charles Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Pineville, called the *Western Recorder* to give a report of the fire which completely destroyed the church sanctuary on June 6.

A remodeling and renovation project had just been completed at a cost of \$57,000. Total loss is estimated at \$450,000 which includes a \$28,500 organ. The education building was saved by closing some fire doors but seven Sunday school departments were meeting in the part of the building destroyed. In addition to the auditorium, the library, kitchen and space for 175 in Sunday school were lost. Insurance on the building amounted to \$310,000.

PROCLAMATION AND WITNESSING:

Wayne Dehoney Calls For "Operation Penetration"

PRESIDENT WAYNE DEHONEY called on Southern Baptists to return to the main job of sharing their Christian faith with other people and to do this in America, he suggested a program called "Operation Penetration." It would center the efforts of Southern Baptists in the urban and industrial centers in the north, east and west where in 35 years at least one third of the nation's population will be concentrated in ten cities.

He also called for 5,000 missionaries in other countries. Southern Baptists now have about 2,000. Dehoney also gave support to the efforts of Billy Graham to mobilize the total forces of Christianity through a World Conference on Evangelism in West Berlin in October, 1966.



J. H. Haldeman

The President's Address was preceded by the annual sermon brought by John H. Haldeman, pastor of the Alapattah Baptist Church, Miami, Florida. He urged Southern Baptists to let the preacher be the preacher instead of a bellboy. Haldeman advised the convention to give more attention to doctrine, dynamics and discipline.

Except for approval of the order of business, the opening session of the convention does not deal with any business of the body that now numbers 33,388 churches and 10.6 million members.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS were welcomed to Texas by T. A. Patterson, ex-

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OFFICERS, re-elected at Dallas, are President, Mrs. Helen Fling of Cleburne, Tex., executive secretary, Miss Alma Hunt of Birmingham, Ala., and recording secretary, Mrs. J. R. Lobaugh of Kansas City, Kan.



ecutive secretary of the Texas Baptist Convention. He noted that 71 years had passed since the convention last met in Dallas. In 1894 there were about 3,000 messengers which were offered free train rides anywhere in Texas that out-of-state guests might see the growing state.

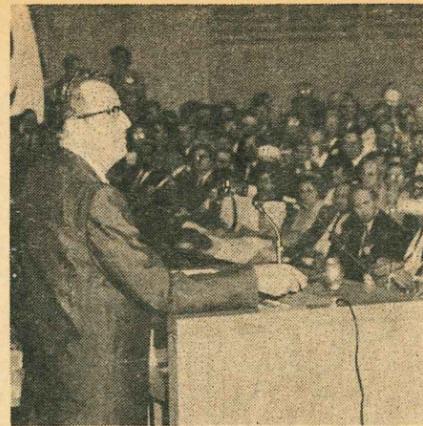
Response to the welcome was given by James C. Cammack, pastor of the Snyder Memorial Baptist Church, Fayetteville, North Carolina. He reminded the messengers of the Texas concept of "bigness" and urged them to catch the "Texas Spirit" in their work for God. "This is no day for little men," he declared.

Wednesday morning the convention settled down to business, reports and more messages. A digest of the reports of the agencies, commissions and institutions of the convention follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

At the close of 1964 there were 1,901 missionaries (2,002 in May, 1965) under appointment by the SBC Foreign Mission Board. They serve in 57 countries. A total of 159 were appointed in 1964. The 1965 budget was increased \$1,548,016 over 1964. Reports by areas were given with emphasis to the greater freedom now enjoyed in Spain. Baptists there made plans to begin an evangelical witness in every city of 100,000 inhabitants or more and to double the number of Baptists (now 4,600) during the next five years. While in Dallas, more than 200 Baptist physicians, dentists and other members of the healing

OFFICERS FOR 1965-66 ELECTED at conclusion of the Religious Education Association conference are: (left to right) Lewis W. Martin, Columbia, S. C., Vice President of church workers section; Howard B. Foshee, Nashville, Tenn., Vice President of denominational workers section; Henry E. Love, Shreveport, La., President; Joe Davis Heacock, Fort Worth, Tex., Vice President of college and seminary teachers section; and Gracie Knowlton, Fort Worth, Tex., Secretary-treasurer.



A RAP of the President's gavel, wielded by Wayne Dehoney of Jackson, Tenn., opens the SBC in Dallas, Texas, June 1.

arts, were briefed on the role of medicine in foreign missions. Executive Secretary Baker James Cauthen said, "We are going to ask more and more medical people to give their lives to this work."

HOME MISSIONS

Arthur B. Rutledge, new executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, in his first report to the convention, pointed to the failure of church membership to keep pace with the population growth. The birth rate in the U.S. outstripped church membership growth by almost a million. The Home Mission Board presently spends more than \$7 million annually and employs 2,372 missionaries in its mission work in the 50 states and three Caribbean countries.

From the opening prayer led by President Dehoney, the convention

showed a concern for Missionaries Herbert Caudill and David Fite, now sentenced to 10 and 6 years' imprisonment respectively. The convention approved a message to Fidel Castro stating "... we respectfully request the Cuban government to remit penalties and release these people from prison."

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

A brisk question-and-answer session blossomed out of the Sunday School Board's annual report on topics ranging from fees to the National Council of Churches to salacious materials. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of Baptists' largest agency, and his associates answered the questions. The fee in question pertains to the uniform lesson series of which Baptists have been a member since 1891. What Southern Baptists pay amounts to one postage stamp per church per year. Sullivan apologized for a book, which he called "salacious in nature" that was listed in a Training Union quarterly in 1964. "We don't mention the name of the writer because that's the best way to sell books," he said.

Among the highlights of the 25 programs of the Board, the church literature publishing section processed 225,000 orders representing 1,418,706 packages weighing 8,100 tons. Among other services, the Board operates the Baptist Book Stores and Glorieta and Ridgecrest Baptist Assemblies.

ANNUITY BOARD

Three major features of the new Health Benefit Plan now being offered by the Annuity Board are designed to provide adequate coverage for any person who receives a salary from a denominational source, R. Alton Reed, Dallas, executive secretary of the board, told messengers attending the 1965 convention. The three features are (1) major medical coverage, which is in addition to the regular hospitalization and surgical benefits, (2) continued coverage after a person retires, and (3) the same cost for the health program regardless of where a member serves. The health plan will be administered by the Annuity Board and underwritten by Group Hospital Services, Inc., of Dallas (Blue Cross-Blue Shield), Reed said. He said a promotional campaign is currently in progress to enrol 5,000 persons, the number needed to put the program into effect, now scheduled for October 1.

Funds held in trust for more than 35,000 ministers, church and denominational employees rose to a record \$135,354,421, an increase of \$15,807,642.

SEMINARIES REPORT

Duke K. McCall, president of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, brought the address on theological education after the seminary presidents had made brief reports for



THE TRADITIONAL FRONT ROW of Kentuckians included (left to right) Herman Bowers, Frankfort; Isaac B. McDonald, Paducah; Hugh Brooks, formerly of Lawrenceburg, now in Atlanta, Ga.; Bill Ray and Eldred Taylor, Somerset. On the second row is Charles Devine, Paducah; Wendell Romans, Mt. Washington; and Mrs. Charles Devine. On the upper left with hand under chin is Robert Zbinden, pastor of First Baptist Church, Lebanon Junction, Kentucky.

their schools. Highlights of the report are:

New Orleans plans high rise apartments for students. First phases of the seminary's development and rehabilitation program were started. A \$1.6 million Cooperative Program allocation will provide major campus renovations during next three years. Academic costs for 705 students last year were \$793,455 and a \$600,000 library expansion project has been approved.

Midwestern is now fully accredited by the American Association of Theological Schools. The seminary has just entered a program of diploma in theology and a master of religious education to "meet the needs of the area." Apartments for students are under construction and enrolment stands at 184.

Golden Gate has begun a special study of urban life and problems in Cali-

fornia. The urban witness project will be directed by Gaines Dobbins. Enrolment continues to increase with 315 students from 38 states and 9 foreign countries enrolled in, 1964-65. Stanton Nash was named to direct a 10-year development program and the fifth annual Student Missions Conference drew 600 young people.

Southwestern celebrated the 50th anniversary of the schools of music and religious education. They also dedicated the new Student Center. The cumulative enrolment of 1,964 for the year made it the largest student body among the seminaries. Future plans call for renovation of the two residence halls—Fort Worth and Barnard Hall—and the remodeling of space in Memorial Building vacated when the Student Center was occupied.

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CHURCH MUSICIANS ELECT officers at close of Dallas conference. They are: (left to right) James D. Woodward, Tulsa, Okla., President; D. Neil Darnell, Wichita Falls, Texas, vice president of ministers of music (West) division; Donald Winters, Hattiesburg, Miss., vice president of educators division; V. F. Forderhase, Dallas, Texas, vice president of denominational division; Dewey Kyle, Owensboro, Ky., vice president of ministers of music (East) division; and Kenneth L. Osbrink, Miami, Fla., secretary-treasurer.



MRS. FRANKLIN OWEN (left), Lexington, Kentucky, was elected president of the Ministers' Wives Association.

SERMONS AND ADDRESSES:

"Price of Evangelism is High": Kenneth Chafin

Kenneth L. Chafin, the new professor of evangelism filling the Billy Graham Chair at Southern Seminary, told the convention, "Everyone who has ever dreamed a dream for God has discovered that there was a price tag to pay. Winning America to Christ will not be done with slogans. Nothing we've ever considered doing will be more costly. As Jesus advised those who were considering following Him to 'first sit down and count the cost,' I think it is only fitting that we should ask ourselves if we are willing to pay the price of such a dream.

"I think we need to ask ourselves the question, Are we really ready to become a denomination made up of Baptist messengers from every state in the Union? The obvious answer is 'Yes', but the more realistic answer is 'No.' Are we ready for a national strategy in evangelism?"

THE PASTORS' CONFERENCE heard John Glenn, former astronaut, say they need an exploration of religious faith that will match and exceed the exploration of space. Calling religion and faith complementary subjects, Colonel Glenn called for a continual re-examination of religious faith in the light of the knowledge explosion of science. "The highest form of progress is in the realm of the spirit, not science," he said. "Ultimate progress deals with ultimate issues," he told the 8,500 people who attended this pre-convention meeting.

Howard Butt, prominent layman of Texas, spoke on the topic, "What Love Does." He declared, "Evangelism with-

out love decays into proselytism, which tries to change a man to my point of view of God rather than put him into vital contact with God.

"Morality without love is a belligerent dogmatism.

"Theology without love is a sterile intellectuality. Christianity becomes a riddle for the brain to master instead of a Master for the brain to trust."

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION meeting was praised for sending missionaries to more than 50 countries and compared to the believers mentioned in the Book of Acts by Mrs. Yoshie Kaneko, acting executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Japan Baptist Convention. "If it had not been for your prayers and deeds of love, the progress of us Japanese women would have been much, much slower. Now as I quietly reflect upon the past, there rises within me an unspeakable emotion. How wonderful has been the work of God in my native land. I can but lift heartfelt praise to Him for his great plan and marvelous acts."

Mrs. L. H. Chow of Taiwan brought greetings from Taiwan Baptist Woman's Missionary Union. She reported 61 missionary societies are meeting weekly in her country.

THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONFERENCE heard former Kentuckian Wendell Belew speak on "Our Task . . . Missions." Speaking of the changes that have taken place in America and those anticipated, he said, "Some churches, which become cognizant of the crisis of

survival, elect to die. 'They would die rather than switch.' The necessity to change old methods and to forsake old cultures is too much for them—better to open the gates and to capitulate. Others rationalize their diminishing numbers by simply saying, 'we are no longer concerned about numbers—we are building a quality church—we don't expect our Sunday school and Training Union to grow—but we are creating some of the finest (dead) Christians the world has ever seen. They seem to forget that quality Christians are gauged by their successes in reaching lost souls for Christ."

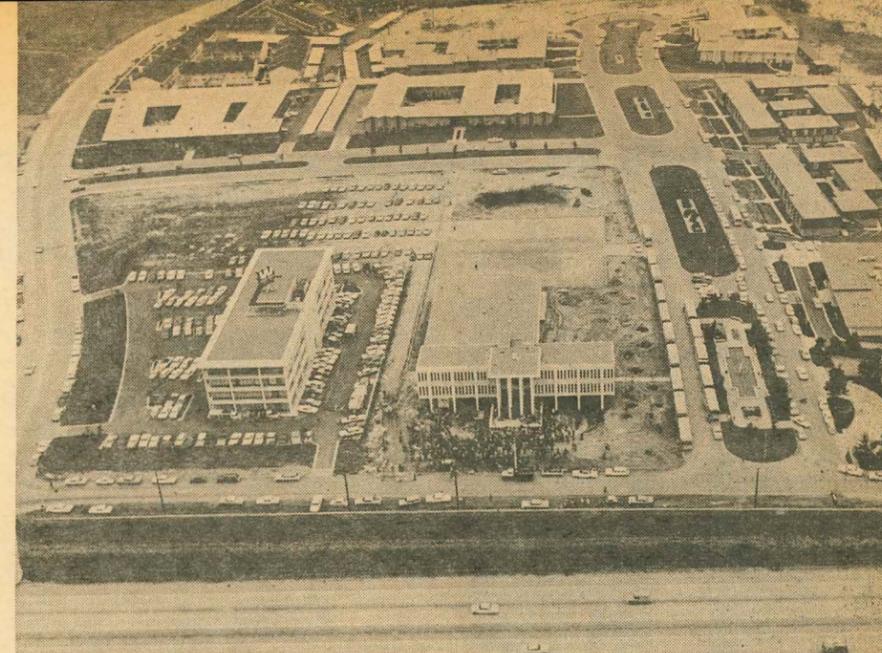
E. J. DANIELS of Florida spoke to the Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists on the subject "Why Are We Failing to Win More Souls to Christ." In answering the question, he gave four reasons: (1) Failure to be cleansed, (2) Failure to claim, (3) Failure to be concerned and (4) Failure to cooperate. "Our lack of concern explains our tearlessness, our carelessness, our prayerlessness, our powerlessness—yea, our failure to win more souls to Christ," the evangelist declared.

Bill Moyers, an ordained Baptist minister who now serves as top aide to President Lyndon B. Johnson, spoke to the convention in the Friday morning session. "There is so much out there in the world to be done that the government alone is unable to meet the challenge. Religious strength must be brought to bear," Moyers said.

Moyers spoke to the report of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, a Baptist agency in Washington, D.C., which deals with religious liberty.



SBC PASTORS' CONFERENCE OFFICERS elected in Dallas are President James Coggin of Travis Avenue Baptist Church in Fort Worth (right) and Secretary Milton DuPriest of Beech Street Baptist Church of Texarkana, Ark. (left). Not shown is Vice President Vander Warner, Jr. of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Bel Air, Md.



THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST RADIO AND TELEVISION COMMISSION dedicated a new \$772,000 building during the convention. The new building is in west Fort Worth, Texas.

SIDELIGHTS:

Time Out For Romance

Despite all the activities of the convention, one couple found time for their wedding. A. J. Johnson, 80, a pastor and evangelist for 55 years, and Mrs. T. B. Rollins, 67, of Waynesville, Mo., were married while in Dallas for the convention. "The convention made it so convenient for us," said the groom 30 minutes before wedding time. "My son, who lives in Corpus Christi (Texas) can perform the ceremony."

►How does the Southern Baptist Convention look from 40 inches above the floor? "Big" is the answer of hundreds of youngsters who have accompanied parents to the convention. "This building is too little for so many people," eight-year-old Bryant Helton of Christiansburg, Virginia, observed on Wednesday.

►Seventy-one years ago a student at Baylor University in Waco, Texas, attended sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas. At the age of 94, J. L. H. Hawkins of Los Gates, California, a retired Baptist minister, was back in Dallas for the 108th session. "It's sure changed a lot since then," Hawkins said.

►Twelve years of perfect attendance at church functions won the applause of SBC messengers for Mrs. John C. Zachary, Laurel, Mississippi. Dr. Dehoney, convention president, introduced Mrs. Zachary for her unbroken attendance at Sunday school, Training Union, WMU, and worship services—a total of 3,744 meetings.



BOY FINDS HIS HERO — The face of an unnamed youth mirrors his awe in the presence of Astronaut John Glenn, who is meeting Preston Callison, a lawyer from Columbia, S. C. At the left is Richard Brannon, pastor from Columbia, S. C.

KENTUCKIANS INVOLVED:

"Abolish Christian Life Commission": Nevins

A resolution urging abolishment of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission for spreading interracial propaganda was presented to the convention in the Thursday morning session by William M. Nevins, 92-year-old retired minister from Lexington, Kentucky. Because of his difficulty in seeing, it was read by Carey Daniel, pastor of the First Baptist Church, West Dallas, Texas.

Referred to the Resolutions Committee, the committee did not see fit to bring the matter back to the convention. Nevins called the procedure unparliamentary and demanded his resolution be read and he be given five minutes to speak on it. He lost his bid when the convention voted overwhelmingly to sustain the action of the Resolutions Committee.

KENTUCKIANS ELECTED

Kentucky Baptists elected to place of service on SBC agencies and boards at the Dallas convention are:

Committee on Committees: L. S. Jagers and J. Chester Badgett

Committee on Boards: Thomas Hicks Shelton and R. V. May

Foreign Mission Board: J. Chester Badgett

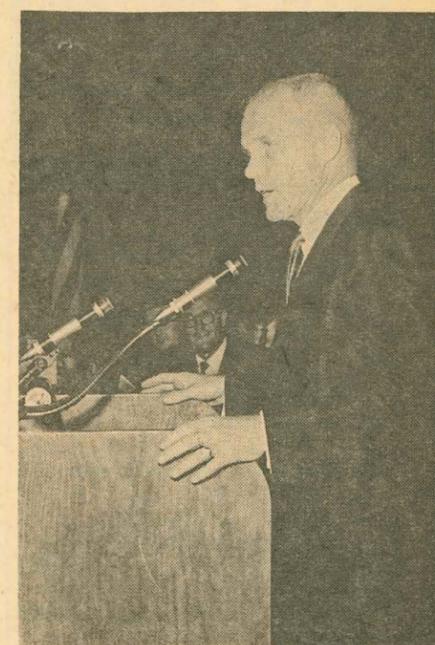
Home Mission Board: John A. Wood and Edwin F. Perry

Sunday School Board: J. V. Case

Annuity Board: Sidney Maddox

Southern Seminary: Fielden Woodward and C. S. Sanderson. At-large members are Gorman Roberts, James S. Tate, Damon Surgener, William P. Mulloy, Carl Ellis and Lloyd Clark

- Brotherhood Commission: Sam Ferrell
- Stewardship Commission: George E. Hays
- Committee on North American Baptist Fellowship: Duke K. McCall
- Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee: Duke K. McCall
- State Baptist Papers: C. R. Daley



ASTRONAUT JOHN GLENN speaks to the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, in market place, Dallas.

SBC Agencies Report to Convention

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Southeastern now has 1,640 with the 175 graduates of May, 1964. During the year, "solid progress has been made" in harmony with the comprehensive and flexible plan for the qualitative improvement of the campus and buildings, approved by the seminary's trustees, President Olin T. Binkley told messengers.

Southern announced a continuing increase in enrolment and asked for major changes in its century old charter during the 1964-65 academic year. The convention approved the request for change in the manner and area from which the trustees are selected. No longer will the convention select two or more persons for each vacancy on the school's board of trustees. The new plan of selecting trustees will let five-at-large trustees be selected from states that have less than 100,000 Southern Baptists.

American Seminary in Nashville is jointly operated by the SBC and the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc. (Negro). Enrolment is 72 in the college level category and 889 through extension

education. A home for the seminary president and a new 400-seat chapel are hoped for capital projects in the near future.

RADIO-TV COMMISSION

Twin anniversaries are being observed by Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission this year. The first is 25 years of "The Baptist Hour" and the other is the agency's 10th year in Fort Worth, Texas. The anniversary climaxed with the dedication of the new \$720,000 building, first to be owned by the convention. The agency operates under a four-part program structure approved by the SBC. This includes (1) radio-TV production, (2) audience building for these broadcasts, (3) a program of inquiry and counseling to those who respond to broadcasts and (4) a program of technical assistance to pastors and agencies of the convention.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION

The report of the Christian Life Commission was given by Texas layman Orba Lee Malone, El Paso attorney, who retires from the commission this year. Dr. John R. Claypool, pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, was presented as the new chairman of the commission. Foy Valentine is executive secretary.

With no recommendations, the report focused special attention of three areas of "critical moral concern": the moral revolution, peace and race relations. The final paragraph provoked discussion and a motion to delete it with a substitute paragraph was made. Dr. Franklin Owen, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, and president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, offered an amendment to the amendment which called for no deletion of the last paragraph of the report and the addition of the proposed substitution paragraph.

The last paragraph of the report is as follows:

We believe Southern Baptists have unusually heavy responsibilities and unique opportunities in the area of race relations and we recognize with the apostle Paul that "if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain" (Gal. 2:21). (1) We therefore confess before God and the world that we have been guilty of the sin of conformity to the world, that we have often followed the vain traditions of men instead of the mind of Christ, and that our silence and fear have all too frequently made us stumbling blocks instead of stepping stones in the area of race relations. (2) In a spirit of true repentance, we prayerfully rededicate ourselves to the Christian ministry of reconciliation between Negroes and whites and between segregationists and integrationists. (3) We recognize anew that the churches of which we are members are not our churches but Christ's churches and we acknowledge his complete lordship over them as well as over us, so that we shall undertake to bear witness to the truth that the doors of salvation, fellowship, and ministry are open to all men and closed to none. (4) We earnestly hope that we will begin to see more and more Southern Baptists involved actively and redemptively in seeking

specific cures for such specific racial ailments as personal prejudice, unfair housing practices, discriminatory employment, unequal justice under the law, and denial of voting rights. (5) We hereby affirm our purpose to do what we can, with God's help, beginning now, to undergird our Christian witness in missions and evangelism at home and abroad with an uncompromised and uncompromising testimony at the point of race.

The proposed additional paragraph is as follows:

This convention of Baptists recognizes the authority and competency of every local church affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention in dealing with any question social or otherwise. We further recognize that our main task is to support and promote our programs of world missions and evangelism. We believe that in so expending our efforts we will effect definite solutions for all of our present problems.

Dr. Owen's motion was approved and the Christian Life Commission report was accepted.

OTHER AGENCIES REPORT

►The Foundation reported a return on general fund investments of 5.09 per cent and annuity contracts in force returned 6.09 per cent in 1964. Trust Fund now totals \$7,054,313.

►The Historical Commission reported that the 150th anniversary celebration of Baptists in North America meant that the SBC Historical Commission "experienced its finest year in 1964." Sometime later this year, the commission will enter new quarters on the first floor of the Tower Building, one of several buildings housing the Baptist Sunday School Board offices in Nashville.

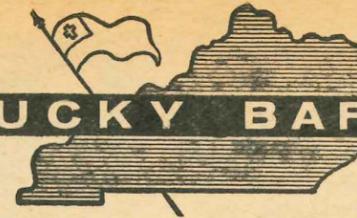
►The Brotherhood Commission reported the key activity for men last year was the West Coast Laymen's Crusade which attracted 892 Baptist laymen to California, Oregon, and Washington for five days of extensive Christian witnessing. Results from the 29,411 visits included 623 professions of faith in homes, 582 professions of faith in church services, 428 decisions to move church letters, 129 decisions for Christian service and 4,347 decisions of rededications.

►The Education Commission reported six new Baptist colleges are being developed by Baptist groups. Southern Baptists operate 37 senior colleges, 16 junior colleges, seven academies, five Bible schools and 6 seminaries. Only the seminaries are operated directly by the SBC. State conventions operate the other schools. Enrolments for the year set a record with 90,510 students.

►The first "definite work" in book form telling about the Cooperative Program has been written by a staff member of the SBC Stewardship Commission. W. E. Grindstaff has written **Our Cooperative Program** which will be out in August. Sixty million dollars was given to denominational causes through the Cooperative Program in 1964.

►The Chaplains Commission reports 748 ministers serving the military, the Veterans Administration, hospitals and other institutions and industry. Only 51 serve on a part-time basis.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK



Church Music

New: Miniature Addition Of Baptist Hymnal

by Eugene F. Quinn

A personalized, miniature edition of the *Baptist Hymnal* is now available at our Baptist Book Stores. Bound in black leather, it is about half the size of a regular hymnal, but contains every page of the full size hymnal.

This pocket edition may become very popular among music leaders and others who refer to the hymnal often in their office and home.

New Junior Music Text Is Released

A new theory textbook, especially for juniors, has been printed by the Baptist Sunday School Board. It is entitled *Let's Make Music, Book I*. The author is ex-teacher at Southern Seminary, Mable Warkentin, now Mrs. Sample.

The book is available both in a student edition and a teachers' edition. It should be a very popular textbook for music theory for junior choirs and junior music classes. It will be used extensively at the Junior Music Camp at Cedarmore, August 9-13.

New Church Music Publications Released

Broadman Press has released six new publications which will enrich the church music ministries.

Youth Sings is a collection of four-part anthems especially designed for the Intermediate and high school choir. It contains approximately 50% new anthems and 50% anthems which have previously appeared in *The Church Musician*. Special attention has been given to the limited singing of the age group for which the collection is designed.

The Evangelist Choir is a new collection of choir music especially for the evangelistic and revival services. Many of the selections are two-page compositions which were carried in the *Modern Hymnal* and *American Hymnal*, but which are not included in the *Baptist Hymnal* and the new *Christian Praise Hymnal*. Among the contents are "All Hail Immanuel," "Awakening Chorus," "Halleluia for the Cross," "Peace Be Still," "Praise Ye the Father," "Wonderful Grace of Jesus," and "God So Loved the World."

Singing Churchmen, No. II is the second collection of songs for men's choruses, a sequel to *Singing Churchmen, No. I*.

June 17, 1965

The Blessed Morn, by T. W. Dean, is a new Christmas cantata for treble voices. Unison with optional descant plus solos for adult medium voice is combined with texts from *The Oxford Book of Carols* and from the Scriptures.

Festival Choral Series is a new series of eight octavos for SATB choirs.

Choral Worship, Series III, is another new series of octavo choral music.

Baptist Student Union

Introducing Three Summer Missionaries

by Judith Williams

The Baptist Student Union wants to introduce three more of our summer missionaries who are being sent out by the Baptist students of Kentucky.

Mr. Bob Durham from Rose Hill, Kentucky, will be serving in a Tennessee Work Camp. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Durham. Bob is a senior ministerial student at Georgetown, majoring in Bible. He has served on the B.S.U. Executive Council as Ministerial Association president and is the newly elected B.S.U. president for the coming year.

Miss Janet Gay Borders is one of two girls Kentucky is sending to Hawaii. She is a senior elementary education major at Western Kentucky State College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Borders of Elkton, Kentucky.

Janet is active in B.S.U. having served as social chairman on the Executive Council. Her church membership is at the First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, where she participates in Sunday school, training union and choir.



Going to Trinidad as a representative of Kentucky Baptist Student Union is Mr. Charles Wells, a senior at Eastern State College. Mr. Wells was chosen for his specific qualifications, including his proficiency in music.

Last summer Mr. Wells served in a work camp in Tennessee under the B.S.U. summer missions program. He has been music director at the Redhouse Baptist Church near Richmond for the past year.

On the B.S.U. Executive Council

Charles has served as vice-president, social chairman, and missions chairman and has also directed the B.S.U. choir.



Bob Durham



Charles Wells

His tentative vocational choice is foreign missions.

Charles' parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wells of Nicholasville, Ky.

Training Union

by James Whaley, Sr.

Recreation Clinic For Frankfort Association

Representatives from throughout the association met at First Baptist Church in Frankfort on Monday, May 17, to make plans for an Association Recreation Clinic to be held October 17-22, 1965, at Thorn Hill Baptist Church in Frankfort. The pre-clinic planning meeting was under the direction of Frank Hart Smith, leadership consultant, Church Recreation Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Jack M. Jones, minister of music and youth, First, Frankfort, was chosen to serve as general chairman of the clinic. Van McQueen, minister of music and education, Thorn Hill Church, will be chairman of arrangements. Named as promotion chairman was Herman Bowers, pastor, First, Frankfort. Exhibits chairman will be Yancey Sanders, pastor, Evergreen Church. Mrs. Roy Lyons, wife of the pastor at Thorn Hill, will serve as registration chairman.

Meetings will be held each evening 7-9 p.m. with sessions covering such things as drama, fellowships, parties, banquets, retreats, music in recreation, senior adults, sports, and crafts. The clinic will be under the direction of Frank Hart Smith and two others to be named by the Church Recreation Department. All church leaders close to Frankfort are invited to attend.

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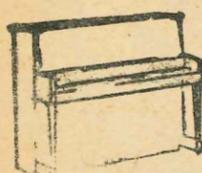
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Woman's Missionary Union

WMU Staff Personnel Changes

by Mrs. George R. Ferguson

Mrs. Hugo Culpepper has resigned as WMS Director of Ky. WMU effective June 20. Her husband has accepted the position of Director of the Missions Division of the Home Mission Board and the family will be moving to Atlanta soon.



Mrs. Culpepper

Mrs. Culpepper began work with Ky. WMU in November, 1959 as state GA-SB Director. About a year later the work of WMS-YWA Director was divided and she

accepted the position of WMS Director. She has served with faithfulness and real ability.

We pray our Father's richest blessings

upon the Culpepper family and upon Mrs. Culpepper as she begins work with Georgia WMU as GA Director Sept. 1.



Mrs. Gunther

Mrs. Charles P. Gunther, of Louisville, who is well-known to members of Ky. WMU, has accepted the position of WMS Director and began work June 15. Mrs. Gunther has been a member of our Executive Board, having returned to the Board for several tenures in office. She has also served as assistant state recording secretary, state fundamentals chairman, state mission study chairman, state Jubilee chairman and in other offices. She has traveled in many areas of the state teaching leadership courses, mission study classes, etc. She is a consecrated leader with many talents and much creative ability. We are delighted that she has consented to accept this full-time position.

In addition to her talents and valuable WMU experience she is a graduate of Georgetown College and was a school teacher prior to her marriage. She and

her dedicated Christian husband are members of Bethany Baptist Church, Louisville.



Miss Forehand

We are happy to make another announcement which we have eagerly awaited for several years. Recently our Board voted to divide the work of GA-Sunbeam Director and secure a full-time state Sunbeam Band Director. We are delighted that Miss Mary Ann Forehand has accepted this position and began her work, June 15.

Miss Forehand has just been graduated from Southern Seminary, Louisville, specializing in missions and children's work. She comes to us very highly recommended. She is from Texas and is a graduate of Wayland Baptist College. She has had experience as a member and a leader of all our WMU youth organizations and during her seminary days has served as children's worker in East Baptist Church and Tabernacle Baptist Church in Louisville.

We appreciate the fine work Miss Fiechter has been doing with Sunbeam Band leadership but with a heavy schedule of state GA activities additional help is urgently needed.

We know you will give these fine leaders your prayers and full cooperation.

Sunday School

New Training Requirements, Record Changes Announced

by Roy E. Boatwright

Beginning June 1, the awards section of the Sunday School Board will issue diplomas and seals in the Church Study Course according to new requirements.

"Several months will be needed to complete the transition to the new system."

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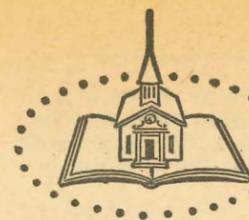
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles



SEEDS OF DESTRUCTION

(This Lesson for Sunday, June 27, 1965)

In recent weeks we have been studying the lives of Saul, David, and Solomon, the first three kings of Israel. Saul started out beautifully, but through self-will and disobedience betrayed his trust and eventually committed suicide. David made a splendid start, united and strengthened the nation, became famous as a king, committed the sins of adultery and murder, which sins resulted in terrific heartaches and intense suffering during the latter part of his reign. Solomon inherited a united, strong, and prosperous kingdom, acknowledged his personal inadequacy for the position of king, and sought wisdom from God as to how he should perform his tasks. God revealed to Solomon that the permanence of a nation is contingent on the obedience of the officials and people to Him. No king ever began his reign with greater promise than did Solomon, but from what happened during it we can see that a splendid beginning does not necessarily guarantee a good ending. Solomon was a great builder. He established himself with unrivaled splendor, made alliances with other nations, fostered commerce, became proud and vain as a result of his fame, wealth, and luxurious living, and acted so unwisely in having a multiplicity of wives and concubines, who persuaded him to permit the erection of numerous altars to many pagan gods. Naturally these sinful ways led to the downfall of his kingdom. Solomon's fall is a warning to all concerning the results of sin. "From glory to decay" is the history of any nation that starts with God and then gives place to idols.

I. Solomon's Exorbitant Levy.

I Kings 9:15, 20-21.

Solomon's ambitious, elaborate and extensive building program required a tremendous outlay of money. The raising of such huge amounts of money naturally caused numerous hardships and considerable displeasure. Such an extensive building program called for thousands and thousands of laborers. Consequently, when Hiram, the king of Tyre, agreed to assist Solomon with the construction of the Temple in Jerusalem, in which the people were to worship God, Solomon offered him the services of the required number of laborers. In-

asmuch as "the house of the Lord" was to be erected for the benefit of all the Israelites, Solomon did not hesitate to conscript the men of Israel to work on this worthy project without any promise of financial remuneration. Moreover, he provided thirty thousand men to go to Lebanon in relays, seventy thousand to bear burdens, and eight thousand to be hewers of wood. He expanded his building program to include an elaborate and expensive palace, Millo (which was probably a fortress in Jerusalem to serve as a means of protecting the palace in which Solomon resided), the wall around Jerusalem, and fortresses in other places throughout the nation. Thinking that he did not have enough manpower within the ranks of the Israelites for the completion of all these projects, Solomon enslaved the Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites, and forced them to labor on them. His use of these minority groups caused resentment, revolution, and disaster, as was to be expected. His mistake in making slaves prepared the way for the division and dissolution of the kingdom.

II. Solomon's Excessive Lavishness.

I Kings 10:21-22.

In contrast to the extreme poverty and dire needs of his subjects, Solomon surrounded himself with every convenience and luxury which his heart could desire and wealth could provide. To Solomon gold was the symbol of strength and glory. While his nation did not have resources of gold, Solomon imported it in abundance. When the reports about Solomon's riches reached the Queen of Sheba, she decided to visit him and see for herself if they were true. Her investigation proved to her satisfaction that all the rumors which she had heard were true, and that his riches far exceeded her expectations in the light of the reports which she had received; in fact, she concluded that the half had not been told.

Solomon's throne was solid ivory covered with pure gold. All of his drinking vessels were of pure gold—unalloyed

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with silver. "All of the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold." Silver was abundant, but was not considered of any value. "So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches" (I Kings 10:23). This excessive lavishness on the part of the king meant the unjustified and sinful impoverishment of multiplied thousands of his subjects. It is no wonder that there was a rapidly growing feeling of resentment and rebellion.

III. Solomon's Extreme Laxity.

I Kings 11:3-4.

Very few people, if any, can stand unlimited prosperity and luxury without losing their judgment and doing foolish things. That was the case with Solomon. Discontented with one wife, he took unto himself many wives. Among the restrictions which God had placed upon the king, Deuteronomy 17:17 contained the following: "Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold." God knew what would happen in such cases, and therefore forbade it. In disobedience to God, Solomon finally filled his harem with seven hundred wives and three hundred concubines. That was a foolish and sinful thing for him to do, but what made it even far worse was the fact that many of his wives were from the surrounding idolatrous nations, and God had repeatedly warned His people against taking to themselves wives from such places.

Although God had expressly forbidden His people to marry heathen women who worshiped idols or false gods, Solomon, in spite of his God-given wisdom and of all God's goodness to him, did so, and thereby sinned against God, against others, and against himself. Because Solomon was living in open disobedience to God, it is not surprising that he permitted his wives to worship idols as did their fathers. He not only failed to win them to the worship of the true God, but he allowed them to fill the land with idolatrous abominations. As Solomon grew older these heathen women influenced him to turn away his heart from God and worship pagan deities, which was something that Jehovah refused to tolerate. The judgment of God fell upon Solomon and his people because of their sinful disobedience.

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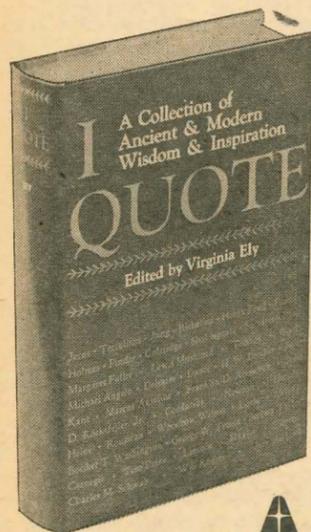
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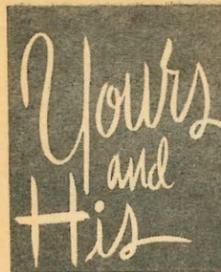
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But the word is far from the lost multitudes, to whom Christ sends us. We, like Christians of Paul's day, believe that (1) all are lost apart from Christ, and (2) that "whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (10:13)—but, both they and we are slow to see that God plans for them to learn of His saving grace through us! Paul, in a series of related and logical questions, places the awful task squarely upon the shoulders of the saved sinners! We are to take the gospel to them. Listen: "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, **except they be sent?** . . . so faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:14,15,17).

How Do Baptists Send?

How do we obey the Lord? How can lost multitudes hear the Word of God and be saved? How can we be called the obedient children of God? "How beautiful," says God, "are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things?" (vs. 15).

We must "send" missionaries—preachers, teachers, doctors, nurses—who are all evangelists, bearing the Good News.

How? With money, with organization, with others. We cannot hope to "send" enough missionaries by ourselves—our local church—we must pool our mission gifts and have our mission boards to help us do God's work efficiently in the whole world! We call this plan the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM. It is Baptists' best known way to obey

Kentucky Baptists

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Sunday, June 20

On this Sunday, or one near to it, may your church observe "Cooperative Program Sunday"—think, pray, give, and send to save!

Yours and His,

Harold G. Sanders

New Training Requirements (Continued from Page 12)

tem," stated Dr. W. L. Howse, director of the Board's education division.

Only the ten Category 1 books and any ten additional books are now required for the completion of the Christian Training Diploma, the first of five diplomas awarded in sequence.

Under the old Church Study Course requirements, participants were required to read the ten Category 1 books, five additional general books, and five designated principles and methods books.

There are four other diplomas in the adult, young people series: Approved Workman Diplomas, Master Workman Diploma, Distinguished Workman Diploma and Special Citation Diploma. Each of these diplomas requires the completion of any 20 books listed in the course.

The Sunday School Board will continue to issue book certificates for each book credit earned in the Church Study Course. A church or an individual will be expected to send in book certificates earned in exchange for diplomas and seals.

Changes in the Church Study Course requirements were proposed by a committee of representatives from the Board's Training Union, Sunday school, church music and church administration departments and Woman's Missionary Union.

The committee recommends that each church consider assigning the responsibility for keeping records of Church Study Course awards to its Training Union.

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by James C. Austin

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Annuity Board

Second Annual Kentucky Baptist Youth Conference

AUGUST 2 - 6, 1965

Cedarmore Baptist Assembly

by A. W. Walker

An excellent week has been planned for the young people (ages 15-24) of Kentucky the first week in August at Cedarmore. Dr. J. Chester Durham, secretary of the Student Union Department, is chairman of the Program Committee, and they have gone "all out" to provide a helpful program for our Baptist young people. Bible Character Dramatizations, by Dr. John McGinnis, Knoxville, Tennessee, will be featured daily. Dr. John Huffman, Mayfield, Kentucky, will focus on "Youth and the Question of Morality."

There will be periods when age groups get together to discuss their problems under the direction of experienced counselors.

Our young people are facing many perplexing problems in the years ahead. Parents and local church leaders need help as they seek to mold the future of our future Baptist leaders. Much of this help can be received at the Youth Conference at Cedarmore the first week in August. Local churches would be wise to provide the means for many of their young people to attend.

As annuity secretary and one interested in all phases of our Baptist program, I am glad to designate our space for the promotion of this fine conference.

Brotherhood

State Track Meet Held At Cedarmore

By Forrest Sawyer

The 1965 State RA Track Meet was held at Cedarmore May 1.

The following associations were represented: Bell County; Boones Creek, Booneville; Central; Crittenden; Daviess-McLean; Elkhorn; Liberty; Long Run; North Bend; Ohio County; Pulaski County; Red River; Salem; Severns Valley; Shelby County; South District; Sulphur Fork; Tates Creek; Warren County, and West Union.

Out of a possible winning of 80 points, Long Run Association was first in the Ambassador and Pioneer events.

Severns Valley took second place trophy in Pioneer events, and Daviess-McLean took second place in the Ambassador Events.

A total of 296 boys participated in the events this year.

Dyer D. Edwards, associate secretary of the Brotherhood Department, directed the Meet and was assisted by Dr. John Jones of Campbellsville College; Dr. O. J. Helvey, head of the P. E. Department of Cumberland College, and Track Coach Henry Morgan of Cumberland College. He was also assisted by Bill Vaught of Danville and Ollie Howard, Paul Finnesath, and Glenn Collie of Oldham County High School.

The Meet this year was run with less lost time, more leisurely and efficiently.

One major reason for the smooth operation and form of direction was the fact that no one boy could participate in more than one event, except in the case of relays.

Spectators were not quite as numerous this year as in the past, but more boys participated than in the past.

Thirteen out of twenty-four associations were winners in one or more events.

Dr. A. M. Vollmer Preaches In Meetings

During recent weeks Dr. A. M. Vollmer, retired secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, has preached in three series of revival services. These have included the Vine Grove Baptist Church, where there were 17 professions of faith and 5 additions by letter, April 11-18. W. Harlen McGinnis is the pastor.

Next he was at Liberty Baptist Church, Madisonville, Ky., where there were 10 professions of faith, May 6-16. Paul Sullivan is the pastor.

And lastly, he was at Lancaster Baptist Church, May 23-30, resulting in 25 on profession of faith, and six by letter. William G. Humphrey is pastor at Lancaster. In the last named meeting Jim Humphrey, Jr., brother of the pastor, led the singing.

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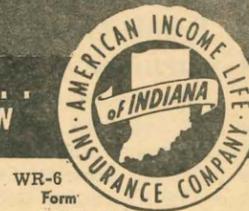
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