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GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

LOUISVILLE BAPTIST LAYMAN Almond Cooke will retire this month as president of the board of Kentucky Baptist Hospital after serving on the board for 22 years. Cooke will also be retiring from membership on the Hospital Commission of Kentucky Baptists, where he has served since 1951.

WOODLAND AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, Lexington, honored 105 workers recently at the annual training banquet. These persons earned 211 training awards last year. Speaker for the occasion was Roy Boatwright, secretary of the Sunday School department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. Woodland Avenue pastor is Walter K. Price.

TWENTY-TWO PERSONS made professions of faith during a recent revival at Third Avenue Baptist Church in Louisville. Evangelist Lloyd Bardowell preached at all aservices.

KERBY KNOB CHURCH in Jackson Association contributed \$210.62 and \$201.28 to Cooperative Program and designated causes, respectively, during the last fiscal year, not \$116.40 and \$192.58 as reported in the *Western Recorder* issue of October 20.

LLOYD BARDOWELL was evangelist for a recent revival at First Baptist Church, Sturgis, Kentucky, during which 22 persons joined the church fellowship. Curtis H. Warf is the pastor at Sturgis.

BRADLEY D. BROWN, former pastor of Union Baptist Church, Defoe, Kentucky, and Mrs. Brown, Southern Baptist missionaries to Liberia, are the parents of a baby girl born October 23.

JOSEPH STILES, director of field work at Southern Seminary, was evangelist for an October revival at Harrod's Creek Baptist Church, Brownsboro, Kentucky. Five persons were baptized into the church fellowship. Danny Griffin is pastor of the congregation.

WILLIAM H. JONES, JR., a native of Barren County, Kentucky, and Mrs. Jones were scheduled to arrive in the United States October 29 on medical leave. They are Southern Baptist missionaries to Zambia.

A NEGRO BAPTIST CHURCH in Portland Oregon, has been accepted into the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington, a Southern Baptist state convention group.

A PILOT PROJECT to learn the thinking and feeling of college students is being undertaken by the Southern Baptist inter-agency council. David K. Alexander, secretary of the student department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, stated that "student opinion is important to Southern Baptists. We must know their thinking and feeling toward major aspects of denominational programs. Their reaction is especially important in long-range planning."

THE HOME MISSION BOARD, Atlanta, has suggested that Baptist churches invite their Jewish friends and neighbors to join in the January study of the Book of Amos.

JANUARY 1, 1968 has been set as a target date for establishing a Southern Baptist state convention for Montana, Wyoming and North and South Dakota. This area is now included in the Colorado Baptist General Convention.

BAPTISTS IN ROMANIA now number 120,000 despite government restrictions against the building of new churches for worship. The government has ruled that Bibles cannot be produced in the country, nor can they be ordered from outside. Foreign visitors are required to leave their Bibles at the border while they visit inside the country.

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY, Waco, Texas, has joined the Southwest Alliance for Latin America, an organization to aid colleges and universities in preparation and participation in foreign development activities. Ten other Southwestern educational institutions are members of the Alliance.

RACIAL HYPOCRISY among Christians was named as the number one hindrance to the spread of Christianity today during a group discussion session at the World Congress on Evangelism meeting recently in Berlin. A delegate from Nigeria said that African students cannot understand how white missionaries can talk about the love of Christ when African students are often not accepted and loved by Christians in America.

SEVEN CAREER MISSIONARIES were appointed in October by the Home Mission Board in Atlanta. Included among the appointees were workers for language missions in California and inner-city work in Atlanta.

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY, Waco, Texas, recently held groundbreaking ceremonies for a new \$3,400,000 library during homecoming festivities. The total area of the new building will be 175,000 square feet.

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The New Pentecostalism

by Clifford Ingle

There is in our day a new spiritual movement which is being referred to as the new Pentecostalism—or a revival of glossolalia." The word glossolalia is derived from the Greek words, "glossa" (tongue) and "lalia" (speaking), thus speaking in tongues.

Russell T. Hitt, editor of *Eternity*, writes that he had talked to many Christians who testified to a great emotional experience that "sweeps through their very being. . . . You can't doubt their sincerity, and you can't question the fact that they have had an experience they will never forget."

Interdenominational Movement

As a modern day movement, it began in the late 1950's and has become worldwide. It has leaped across denominational, culultural, economic, and intellectual boundaries and has gathered momentum. With seemingly no connection to the Pentecostal groups, speaking in tongues broke forth among the decorous sophisticated, highly educated Episcopalians, then the Lutherans, Presbyterians, Greek Orthodox, and into more than forty denominations.

In 1963 it was reported that some two thousand Episcopalians were speaking in tongues in Southern California alone. Over six hundred members of Hollywood's First Presbyterian Church were reported to have experienced the gift.

This movement is not limited to denominations or churches as such. Students at Princeton, Yale, Harvard, U.C.L.A. Stanford, and Wheaton began to hold prayer meetings where the gift of speaking in tongues (glossolalia) was sought and received.

Explanation Attempted

Attempts have been made to explain the movement on both religious and psychological grounds.

First, let us note a critique by psychologists. George B. Cutten, one of the pioneers in the psychological explanation of glossolalia, explains the experience as a state of personal disintegration when one becomes obedient to subconscious impulses. Other psychologists have explained it as "a retreat into childhood," "self-hypnosis," "a search for meaning," or "starved emotionalism seeking release."

Religious explanations include that of Dr. Van Dusen, who related that it is more than just another revival. It is a revolution in our day. The Reverend

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Samuel Shoemaker writes that "whatever the old-new phenomenon of speaking in tongues" means . . . , I do know it means God is trying to get through into the church, staid, stuffy, and self-centered as it often is, with a kind of power that is radiant, exciting and self-giving."

Beare Writes Article

One of the best articles concerning what the scriptures say about glossolalia was written in the September, 1964, issue of *Journal of Biblical Literature* by Frank W. Beare of Trinity College, Toronto. A summary of his statements reveal the following points:

1. There is no reference to speaking in tongues in any of the gospels.

2. It was never attributed to Jesus.

3. It was never promised by Him to any of his followers.

4. The saying preceding the Lord's Prayer in the Sermon on the Mount deprecates any unintelligible utterance in prayer. The New English Bible renders it, "Do not go babbling on like the heathen."

5. When Jesus appeared to His disciples, after his resurrection, "He breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit,'" (John 20:22) there is no suggestion they are to speak with tongues.

Discussion of Paul

6. The Apostle Paul mentions tongues only in one epistle (I Corinthians). This fact is of great significance, for he is the great theologian of the Holy Spirit.

7. Why does Paul deal with tongues in I Corinthians? Because this church gave Paul more problems and heartaches than any other church he served. One of the problems was the practice among some of its members of speaking in tongues—unintelligible utterances. Paul's detailed discussion of the matter clearly reveals that while he did not reject the gift of tongues he did not consider it to be an indispensable accompaniment to the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Dr. Frank Stagg, professor of New Testament at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, on an interpretation of I Corinthians 12, 13, and 14 relates that these chapters form a unit whose subject is spiritual gifts. The reason for Paul's writing is due to the pride, jealousy, and misunderstanding of spiritual gifts by members of the Corinthian Church.

Paul begins the discussion on a broad base in saying that since there is a variety of gifts which come from one God then no one has the right to boast. He makes it clear that they are concerned

over the least gift.

Dr. Ray Summers, director of graduate studies in religion at Baylor University, and former director of graduate studies at Southern Seminary, asks and answers some valid questions about "tongues" as set forth in I Corinthians, Chapter 14:

1. What were these tongues? They were some form of ecstatic utterance which could not be understood apart from a Spirit-given gift of interpretation.

(1) It was addressed to God and understood only by Him, v. 2. (2) It was experienced apart from mental powers or perception, v. 14. (3) Seemingly, it brought spiritual aid to the person but no one else, v. 4 and 5.

(4) Seemingly, it was to convince unbelievers of the reality of the power of God, but had the opposite effect (14:22-23).

Public and Private Speaking

2. How were these "tongues" to be used? (1) Not in public worship unless interpreted, v. 28. (2) If no interpreter—then in private in communion with God, v. 28. (3) No more than two or three are to exercise this gift in public even with an interpreter (14:27, 28). These are to speak one at a time.

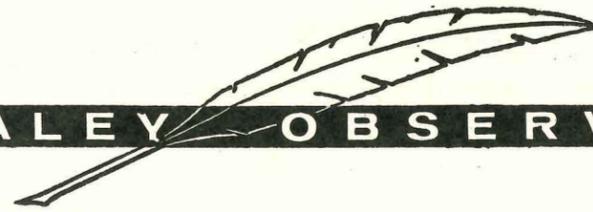
3. What was the value of this gift? (1) Paul recognized some personal value to the individual, but no value to the church. (2) He feels it is better to speak five intelligible words than 10,000 unintelligible words. The proportion of 5 to 10,000 leaves little doubt as to Paul's opinion.

4. Does the Holy Spirit give this gift today? I do not know. He has the power to do so if he sees a place where it is needed.

Movement Defies Generalization

The modern movement is so varied and wide as to defy generalizations or dogmatic statements. Ultimately, I can speak only for myself; and whatever my opinion or yours, we must be careful to speak what we believe to be the truth in love. Personally, I neither accept nor reject this newer Pentecostalism. On one hand, it is difficult for me to believe that the hosts of saintly men and women who never spoke in tongues were less Christian than those who claim the gift. On the other hand, I cannot believe all those who claim the experience are to be considered as frauds, emotional misfits, or psychotics.

Perhaps our chief concern should be with what this movement is saying to us. Could this be a revolt against the increasingly cold, intellectualized, formal, and ritualistic institutionalization of worship which denies a freedom of the Holy Spirit in having a form of godliness but denying the power of it?



Reasons for Thanksgiving

It's one thing to be vain and boastful. It is another thing to count your blessings and be grateful. Kentucky Baptists have little for which to be boastful, but we have much for which to be thankful. We should count our blessings at Thanksgiving time this year and especially as we gather in Bowling Green for the annual Kentucky Baptist Convention.

The greatest of all our blessings is the host of faithful, generous and cooperating laymen and laywomen among the 640,000 Baptists we count in Kentucky. These make possible our strong local churches, our educational, missionary and benevolent ministries in Kentucky as well as our contribution to a world mission thrust through the Southern Baptist Convention.

The next greatest asset we possess as Kentucky Baptists from the human standpoint is the unusual number of outstanding and able pastors serving our churches. It would be difficult to exaggerate the importance of having able pastors. A congregation hardly ever rises above its pastoral leadership. On the other hand, congregations often rise to high level leadership in the pulpit or degenerate to low level pastoral leadership. The progress we have made in recent years in Kentucky, especially in meeting larger and larger mission commitments, is due mostly to pastors of vision and ability.

The feeling about excellence of Kentucky Baptist pastoral leadership is not just this editor's opinion. It is also the observation of keen and mature observers outside Kentucky. Sometimes we fail to see and appreciate our own blessings in this respect because we don't know what the situation is in other states, or we have forgotten what it once was in Kentucky. This is not to discredit pastoral leadership in other states nor to reflect upon the quality of pastors of other days in Kentucky. It is to say we now have blessings not enjoyed everywhere and which we did not even have in every period of our own history.

Excellence in pastors has to do both with what our preachers are and what they are not. On the positive side, we have men of the highest training and greatest ability almost everywhere one looks. We have pastors that could grace the office of the Southern Baptist Convention presidency as a former Kentucky pastor, Franklin Paschall, is now doing. We have sterling preachers, able administrators and master churchmen in many of our pulpits. Some of these are in small churches and thus are never in the limelight.

Equally important is what we do not have for pastors in Kentucky. We are remarkably free from strutting, self-centered and power-hungry men. It would seem that such persons could not be thought of for the ministry, but just the same, too many find their way into pulpits. The desire for power is one of the most universally human characteristics, and preachers are often very human in this respect. In some states one man or several prominent men have called most of the plays for years. There was a time in Kentucky Baptist life when the number of denominational policy-makers could be counted on the fingers of two hands if not on one hand.

This is not true today in Kentucky. Not only are there no prominent pastors trying to control denominational policies, but there are those who would be quick to put anyone in place who tried any power plays in denominational life.

Another refreshing indication of the absence of undue ambition and self-seeking is the fact that denominational politics just don't exist at this time in Kentucky. One looks high and low without finding an aspirant for the convention presidency or any other office. This is the way it ought to be but seldom has been in the past.

Absent also from the Kentucky Baptist scene are any self-appointed messiahs. Sometimes there is a person who believes the Lord has sent him with a special revelation to set the rest of Baptists straight. There must always be room for one who thinks he has special light to reveal, but troublemakers and headline seekers should not be confused with helpful critics.

Concern for doctrinal soundness is always in place, but heresy hounds sniffing at scents which are more imagined than real are always out of place. Faithfulness to basic New Testament teaching is imperative for Kentucky Baptists, but rigid conformity to some particular practice unsupported by the New Testament is not necessary.

In what we have and what we do not have as pastors in Kentucky, we are most fortunate. While counting our blessings in Bowling Green and in every Kentucky Baptist congregation we should remember this.

We Will Give Again This Year

One of the grandest and loveliest traditions among Kentucky Baptists is not old but becomes more meaningful every year. This is the annual Thanksgiving offering for our Kentucky Baptist Children's Homes.

Starting back in the 1940's as the One Day's Pay Thanksgiving Offering mainly under the strong sponsorship and promotion of Mr. V. V. Cooke, this plan has given financial undergirding to one of the best child care programs in the whole Southern Baptist Convention.

It would be impossible to think of doing what we are doing in the field of child care apart from the nearly \$300,000 expected from this annual offering. It is literally the difference between life and death for this work, and no one could think of its death.

Child Care Board Superintendent Ford Deusner and his associates deserve the hearty approval and maximum support from Kentucky Baptists. They give professional leadership to the work, and they also give themselves faithfully to keeping as many Baptists as possible informed about this ministry. They make

their appeal for help but never in the spirit of selfishness or competition with other denominational causes.

This offering becomes more and more important in the light of the rising cost of living and the sources of income for our children's homes. Anyone who buys groceries or other essentials these days can know the difficulty of finding enough funds to feed, clothe and otherwise care for up to 800 children for a whole year. The income of the homes from the Cooperative Program has not been increased in recent years. Income from endowment and other investments has not risen in proportion to the rising cost of living. The only place to make up for inflated costs of operation is in this annual offering from Kentucky Baptists.

We have always come through for this cause, and we will again this year. These words are merely to remind us of our obligation and privilege in this respect.

Kentucky Baptist Students Speak Out on Christian Education Issue

Dear Editor:

We, as students of Georgetown and Kentucky Southern Colleges, feel that the time has come for our voice to be heard above that of our peers and the occasional writings in our school papers. We are writing in hopes that our feelings about the Kentucky Baptist Convention's June ruling prohibiting the acceptance of federal aid by its educational institutions will be better known to the Baptists of Kentucky. Since the acceptance of federal aid will affect us more directly, we feel that our voice is the one that should and *must* be heard before any other.

The situation has come when we are forced either to accept federal aid in our building projects or to grow steadily stagnant by taking private loans at a higher interest rate, and thereby, increase our schools' indebtedness. At the present time, the institutions in which we are enrolled are on the verge of becoming top rate colleges. A quick look around at the construction projects on our campuses shows that our colleges are trying to keep up with the current increase in enrollment.

However, the only reason for this progress is that so far we have had the money to support these various improvements and additions. With new projects come higher costs and more

ideas for more and better developments. These new projects will cost a far greater amount of money than the Kentucky Baptist Convention can afford. And, this is precisely why we *must* receive federal aid. The convention is doing as much as it is financially able to do for us, but *that is not enough*. Without additional financial aid, our institutions will slowly, but not as slowly as some may think, turn into second-rate colleges. If Baptists, with this knowledge, do not alter this situation, the general consensus is that the Kentucky Baptist Convention will be hurting itself—biting off its own nose to spite its face.

Only by progress, not at any cost, but by a progress of *education*, will the convention's influence be felt to benefit itself. If it does not do so, the progress of a Baptist-affiliated school will be insignificant in comparison to a state or non-denominational school. Education, it seems, has turned into a competitive business, and if Kentucky Baptists wish to show a profit, they will have no choice in their decision.

Youth often wishes to say "out with the old, in with the new" in such a way that it sacrifices the foundation on which it was built. However, the future of our colleges cannot rest on an antiquated or weak base, but must

be built so that it allows for new additions—new life.

In the hands of the upcoming meeting of the Kentucky Baptist Convention November 16-18 rests, to a large extent, the future of our schools. We have reasons to be proud of ourselves now, but we are unsure of our institutions' future if they are forced to limit themselves.

We write out of necessity rather than mere campus emotion. If our cause is worthy, as we feel it to be, we need the support of all Baptists rather than leaving the issue in the hands of delegates untrained in the field of higher education. We wish to express our opinion that what our schools need is an accelerated building program to allow more students an education within a Christian context, with or without the Kentucky Baptist Convention. If the upcoming convention does not allow this, the Kentucky Baptist Convention will not have the power it now has and will become nothing more than a name.

Sincerely,
Walt Davis
Kentucky Southern College
Louisville

Susan Lockwood
Georgetown College
Georgetown

Co-chairmen of the Baptist
Student Concern Committee

Welsh Baptist Pastor Comforts Others, in Spite Of His Own Grief

The nine-year-old son of the pastor was one of 18 children from Zion Baptist Church in Aberfan, Wales, who died when their school was buried under an avalanche of coal slag.

Despite this loss, pastor Kenneth Hayes and his wife kept an open house for many who came seeking news and comfort. Hayes was one of the first on the scene after the avalanche struck.

He helped to dig out the first three dead children. He continued interruptedly for 36 hours, digging in a search for his own son and other children, or consoling the bereaved.

When the district superintendent of Baptist work offered to conduct services for him on the Sunday following the disaster, Hayes declined, saying he felt he should meet with his own people for a prayer service.

Bitterness by that time had begun to rise in the community, angered by circumstances which led to the catastrophe. Hayes counseled them, "We must not be bitter but must approach it (the disaster) in the spirit of love." (EBPS)

Southern Seminary Music Professor Named Associate Pastor at Broadway, Louisville

Dr. John N. Sims, associate professor of church music at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, since 1958, has been named to the new position of associate pastor at Broadway Baptist Church in the same city.

Sims has served the Broadway congregation part-time since 1958 as minister of music. He will continue on this basis and as a seminary professor throughout this academic year, joining the Broadway staff full-time in July, 1967.

The associate pastorate at Broadway is a merger of the duties of minister of music and minister of education. As an "enabler," Sims will specialize in an in-depth music ministry, group activities, church programming and recruitment of church leadership.

He received the doctor of sacred music degree from Union Theological Seminary, New York City, in 1960. He has also earned music degrees at Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York, and Stetson University, DeLand, Florida.

While in New York City, Sims was director of the men's chorus at the famous



Dr. John N. Sims

Riverside Baptist Church. He also sang in several Carnegie Hall concerts and in the choir of Union Seminary.

A native of Miami, Florida, he served as minister of music at the Harlem, Georgia, Baptist Church in 1952 and 1953. He has led music conferences in several state conventions and at Ridgecrest and Glorieta.

The new Broadway staff member is married to the former Ina Frances Rollins of Wilmington, North Carolina. They have three sons, ages 16, 13 and 7.

Russian Baptist Patriarch Dies

Jakov Ivanovich Zhidkov, age 81, whose white-bearded, elder statesman appearance befitted his role as patriarch of Russian Baptists, died October 27. His funeral was held four days later in Moscow.

Leader of Russia's 600,000 Baptists for 22 years, Zhidkov died about two weeks after the Congress of the All Union Council of Evangelical Christians-Baptists, at which he was succeeded as the active leader of the denomination.

The chairmanship went to Ilya Ivanov, a senior pastor of the Moscow Baptist Church. Zhidkov in turn was named honorary chairman.

World Baptists will remember Zhidkov for his distinguished appearance and bearing at Baptist World Congresses and his visits among Baptists in other countries. At the jubilee congress of the Baptist World Alliance in 1955 he was elected a vice president, and in 1960 he was re-elected to this position. (EBPS)

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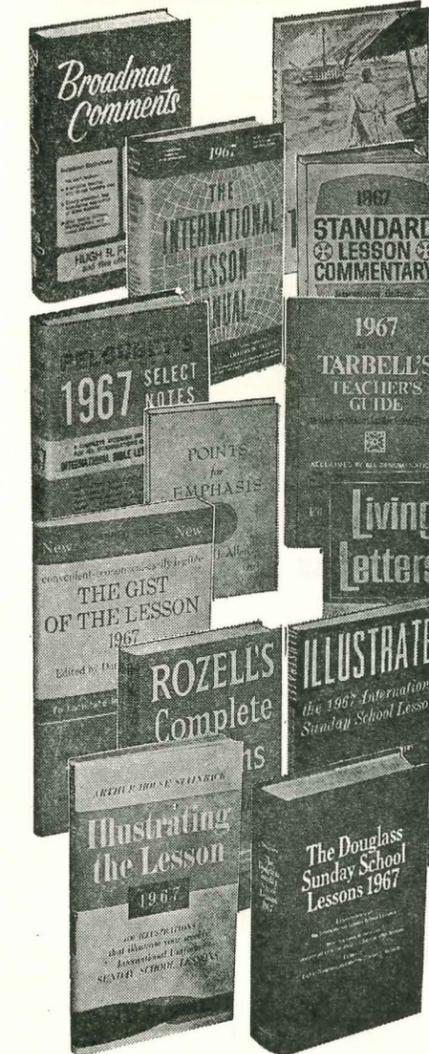
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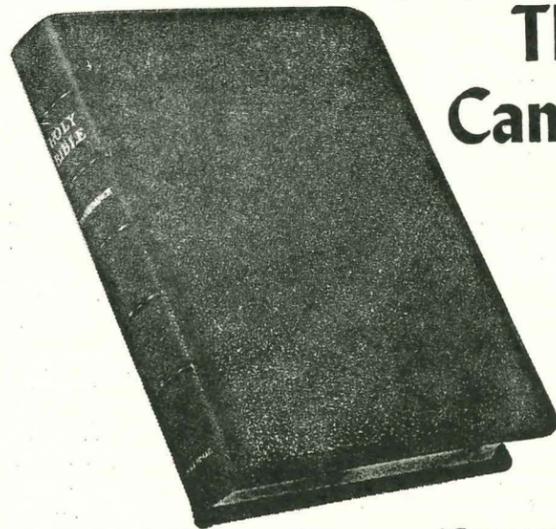
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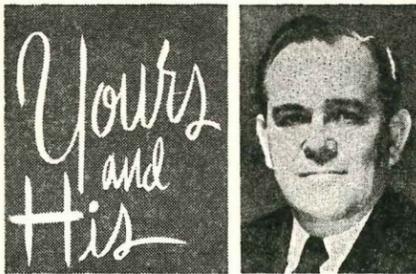
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Pastor Othar O. Smith, genial leader of the host church, together with his staff and members, stand ready to serve all those who come.

The minister of education is Temp Sparkman. The minister of music is Jack C. Duvall. The chairman of the deacons is William H. McLellan. The local committee will be on every hand to make the stranger welcome and to make the meeting meaningful.

Be praying that God will speak to Kentucky Baptists in this meeting—and that we will hear His message to be God's people, giving God's message to our nation and world.

Youth Night in Arena

Western Kentucky University is host to Kentucky Baptists on Friday, November 18, for the fifth annual Youth Night at 7:15 C.S.T., in their beautiful, new 13,500 seat E. S. Diddle Arena, located on US 68 and KY 80 highways going west.

President Kelly Thompson, Dean Raymond Cravens, and the committee representing the college have been most helpful in planning for the hosts of youth and their leadership for Youth Night. The committee is Dero G. Downing, vice-president for administrative affairs, chairman; Robert Cochran, public relations officer; Ed Givens, assistant public relations officer; H. B. Clark, buildings and grounds; Bill Solley, head of the department of physical education and his assistant Ray Elmore.

3000 to Sing

Eugene F. Quinn, state music secretary, states that choirs from all over Kentucky may reach a combined total of 3,000 who will sing as a combined Youth Choir led by W. Hines Sims of Nashville.

Walcott-Paschall Speak

Two outstanding speakers for youth night are Gregory Walcott of Hollywood and Franklin Paschall of Nashville—the president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Doors open to public at 6:30 C.S.T.

TO ALLOW FEDERAL AID—

Arkansas Baptists Release Hospital From Control by State Convention

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention voted at Little Rock to sever ties with the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center in order to allow the Little Rock hospital to accept federal grants.

By a vote of 488 to 327, the messengers to the 113th convention approved a recommendation from the convention's executive board which called for setting up a separate Baptist association or corporation to own the hospital.

The Medical Center will continue to be operated as the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center and will be governed by a 50-member association composed of members of the present and past board of trustees.

For more than two hours the convention debated and discussed the proposal.

Several substitute motions were offered from the floor, but all were defeated.

One motion called for allowing the hospital to accept federal funds without the convention severing ties with it. Another asked that the name "Baptist" be deleted from the hospital's name. A third called for selling the hospital. Still another would have tabled the vote for another year.

Only 40 minutes had been set aside in the convention's business session for discussion and action on the proposal, but a total of two hours and ten minutes was spent in the debate.

An overflow crowd of more than 1,500 attended the convention's key business session at the Second Baptist Church in Little Rock. Every seat was taken by the standing-room only crowd. (BP)

Former Kentucky Pastor Inaugurated 11th President of Hardin-Simmons University

Former Kentucky Baptist pastor Elwin L. Skiles, a Th.M. and Ph.D. graduate of Southern Seminary in Louisville, formally accepted the presidency of Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, Texas, with "hope, humility, prayer and faith in God."

Some 700 Baptist leaders and ranking educators from Texas and the nation joined in inaugurating Skiles as the 11th chief executive of the growing Baptist-related school during its diamond jubilee year.

Among the group was Robert L. Mills, president of Georgetown College in Ken-

tucky, who said the presidents of all Baptist institutions can welcome Skiles with pleasure to their ranks.

"He has the scholarship and the background to acknowledge and respect the past, the vision and the faith to plan for the future, and the courage and the integrity to meet the problems and challenges of the present," Mills declared.

Skiles responded with optimism throughout the day's program of congratulatory speeches.

In an interview he expressed concern and disappointment with Texas Baptists' recent decision to forbid their institutions from borrowing federal money with long term notes for building.

Skiles, 54, took the university post after serving 12½ years as pastor of Abilene's 4,500-member First Baptist Church. (BP)

Central Kentucky Crusade Set for Next May 14-28

The Central Kentucky Crusade for Christ is definitely set for Memorial Coliseum in Lexington May 14-28, 1967.

Grady Wilson will be the evangelist, and the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association will work with the crusade executive committee in making arrangements for the campaign.

Bob W. Brown, pastor of Lexington's Trinity Baptist Church, is chairman of the crusade executive committee.



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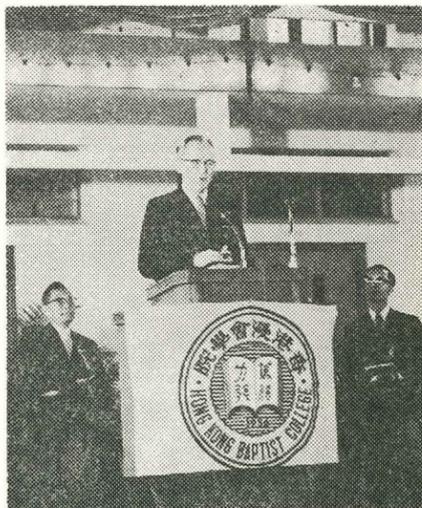
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College Dedication

DR. BAKER JAMES CAUTHEN (center), executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, delivered an address during the recent dedication of a new seven-story building for Hong Kong Baptist College. The student body of 1,600 for the ten-year-old school includes persons from Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Borneo, Thailand, Indonesia, South Vietnam, Taiwan and the Philippines.

West Virginia Southern Baptists Reorganize

Southern Baptists in West Virginia, acting in a "fellowship" meeting at Huntington, adopted a constitution which created an organization closely resembling a state convention.

The constitution called the new organization "The Baptist General Association of West Virginia." The document provides for regular messengers to be elected by the more than 40 churches, as well as offices to be filled, an executive board, regular meetings, and a program.

An anticipated budget of some \$28,000 will finance a central office in Charleston by January 1. Undesignated receipts will be divided 80-20 with Southern Baptists' Cooperative Program.

Churches cooperating with the new association are affiliated with other Baptist conventions in Kentucky, Ohio and Virginia. (BP)

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Billy Graham Says Southern Baptists Waking Up On Race Relations Issue

by Jim Newton
Baptist Press Staff

Evangelist Billy Graham said in a press conference in Berlin that Southern Baptists are waking up on the issue of race relations.

Graham, himself a Southern Baptist, was asked by a reporter to explain how he reconciled the evangelistic zeal of churches in the South with their "sordid record" on race relations.

"I can't explain it," Graham said. "I cannot conceive of a Christian holding this type of attitude. I cannot defend segregation, especially in the church. There has been a lot of hypocrisy on this subject."

Graham Faced Problem

The famed evangelist, who is honorary chairman of the World Congress on Evangelism meeting in Berlin, said that the race issue was one of the first problems he had to face as a Southerner when he became a Christian.

He mentioned Southern Baptists specifically, saying that they "have in some areas been slow to wake up, but they are waking up fast."

"During the racial incidents in Clinton, Tennessee, several years ago it was a Southern Baptist clergyman who led the Negro children to school while the people were jeering," Graham said.

During the same press conference, Graham disclosed his plans to visit Viet Nam "on a mission of peace to preach the gospel," but did not say when the trip would be made.

His plans were revealed in reply to



BERLIN CRUSADE—Evangelist Billy Graham preaches to a large crowd during the opening night of his Berlin Crusade, while Peter Schneider, chairman of the crusade, interprets for the group.

a reporter's question if there was anything to the rumors that Graham was planning a trip to Viet Nam in December or at Christmas. Graham said it was true, but he would not give the dates for the trip.

Referring to the World Congress on Evangelism which met recently in Berlin, Graham said the Congress was not designed to bring about any mergers of evangelical religious groups or to start an evangelical organization of churches as a counterpart to the World Council of Churches.

About 1,250 representatives from more than 100 nations gathered in Berlin for the 10-day world evangelism workshop, which featured discussion groups, films, major addresses and reports from a parts of the world. (BP)

Louisville's Kenwood Pastor Called to Michigan Church

Robert A. Hill, pastor of Kenwood Baptist Church in Louisville, for the past eight years, has resigned to accept the pastorate of First Baptist Church, East Lansing, Michigan.

He earned B.A. and B.D. degrees from Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina, and the B.D. degree from Southern Baptist Seminary.

He is married to the former Marguerite Hovis; they are the parents of three children.

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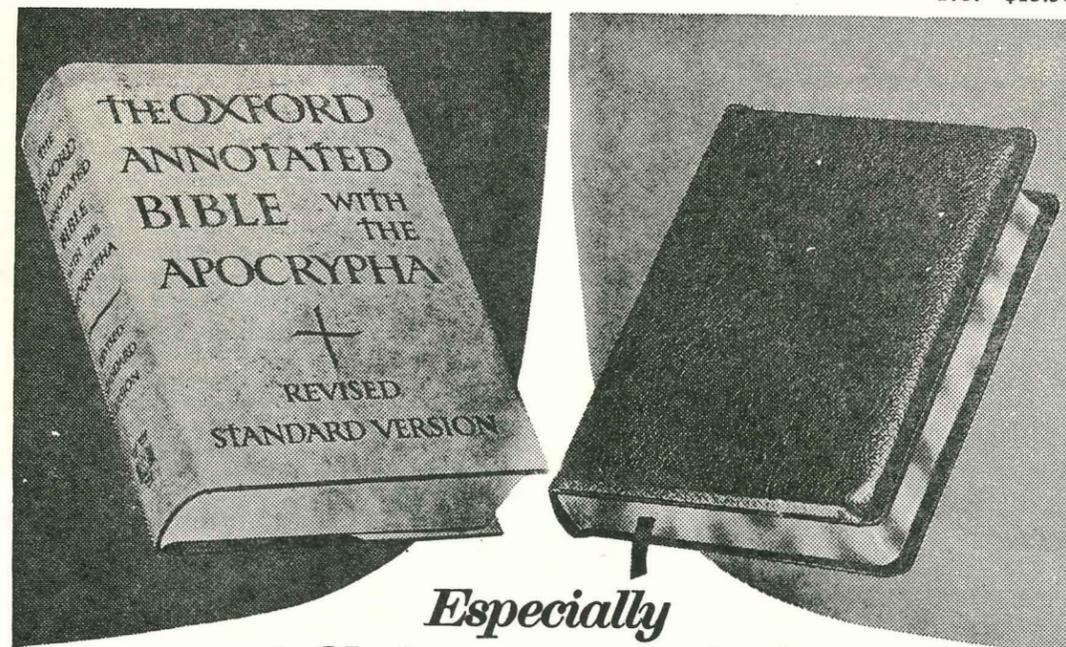
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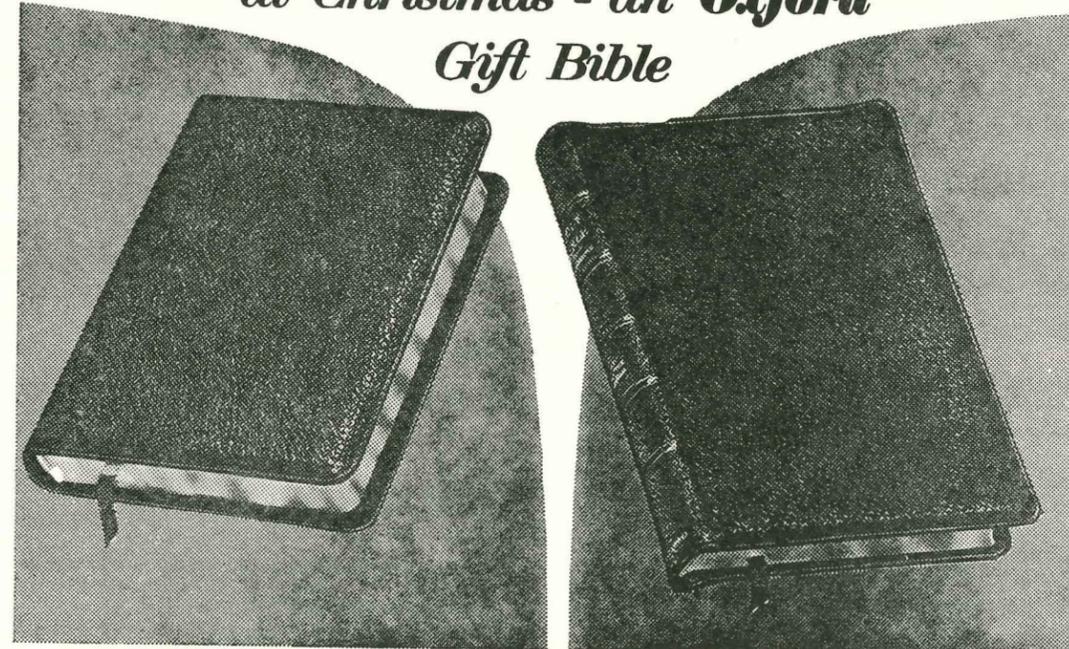
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Accent on Youth Nov. 18

The accent on the closing day of the Kentucky Baptist Convention will be on youth—the right accent for any group with a future!

College and school choirs will be coming for the last day of the Kentucky Baptist Convention in Bowling Green's First Baptist Church and in Western Kentucky University's Diddle Arena Friday, November 18. They will be heard on the regular convention program, on the Christian education luncheon program, and at the Youth Night at 7:30 PM (C.S.T.).

High school, junior high school and career young people will be coming from hundreds of Baptist churches for Youth Night in Diddle Arena. They will have had their supper before reporting to the Diddle Arena at 6:00 P.M. (C.S.T.) for rehearsal with W. Hines Sims, secretary of the church music department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. They will sing seven numbers, two of which will include the congregation.

College Groups

College choirs and choral groups to appear on the program include: Kentucky Southern College Choir, Louis-

Gilbertsville Dedicates Educational Building

New educational facilities for the Gilbertsville Baptist Church were dedicated during a special service Sunday, November 6. The burning of the last \$15,000 note by pastor Harry Meadors and members of the building committee marked the full payment of indebtedness for the new facilities.

The day was also used for a homecoming observance and the beginning of

ville, Farrold Stephens, director, will sing at 10:15 A.M., Friday, and at the Christian Education Luncheon at Western Hills Restaurant at 11:45. Campbellsville College Chorale (75 voices), Campbellsville, Dee Wayne White, director, will sing at the Christian education luncheon. The B.S.U. Choir of Bowling Green, Jack C. Duvall, director, will sing at 3:35 P.M.—all at First Baptist Church. All these and all other college and B.S.U. choirs will participate in the Youth Night program at Diddle Arena.

The Wordmasters, choral speaking group from Georgetown College, Mrs. Edwina Snyder, director, will give the spoken word from the Epistle of First John at the Youth Night program.

Christian Education Luncheon

The annual combined-schools Christian education luncheon will be held Friday at 11:45 A.M., Western Hills Motel Restaurant.

revival services. Ohio River and Ohio Valley Associations missionary Bailey H. Sadler was the visiting evangelist for the revival services, which began that evening.

The Gilbertsville congregation has shown unusual progress since 1960, when total church income was \$6,573, with only \$350.00 given to missions through the Cooperative Program. Last year the total income was more than \$18,000, with more than \$2,000 given to the Cooperative Program. During this period the church also paid the entire cost of the new building and gave \$3,000 to the Christian Education Advance.

Western Recorder Editor C. R. Daley was the visiting speaker for the afternoon dedication service.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles



A DARING FAITH

(This Lesson for November 27, 1966)

Jeremiah 32:2, 6-7, 9-17

Jeremiah, a noble character and one of God's great prophets, could see that the judgment of God upon Jerusalem was impending and inevitable. His attempts to alert the people were in vain, and the Babylonians began the siege of Jerusalem in early 588 B.C. Knowing that his people would suffer defeat at the hands of the forces of Nebuchadnezzar, because of their disobedience to God, Jeremiah frankly declared what the outcome would be. Due to his gloomy prediction, which was very unpopular with those who were convinced that the city would not fall, Jeremiah was branded as a traitor. Even though it is entirely true, and they know it, people do not like to be told that they have forsaken God's ways and disobeyed Him, for which they will have to pay the penalty.

Jeremiah was accused of treason, was arrested, and was imprisoned in the palace of Zedekiah, the king of Judah, since it did not appear likely that he would make any attempt to escape. There is even a strong possibility that the king was fearful that there was an element of truth in Jeremiah's predictions and, if they should come to pass, he was anxious to have God's man close to him. In spite of his confinement in unpleasant surroundings, Jeremiah remained hopeful, for he knew that in His own good time God was going to restore a remnant of the people to Jerusalem.

While Jeremiah was in prison and the siege of Jerusalem was in progress, God informed the prophet that one of his cousins, Hanameel, would come to him to enlist his assistance in retaining possession of a field which was a part of his inheritance. Evidently, his cousin was convinced that he would lose his property in the current siege; therefore, he should dispose of it while he could. According to the Jewish law (Leviticus 25:25-28), real estate could not be sold to anyone outside the family of the original owners, so Jeremiah could qualify as a buyer. Jeremiah was the first man in line for the property which was being offered for sale, but it was a strange time for anybody to buy it.

It was certainly an act of daring faith

in the future of Judah for Jeremiah, or anybody else, to buy a plot of land in Anathoth at the time when the Babylonians were besieging it, but the prophet did just that. He made the purchase, paid for the property, acquired the deed; and it was sealed and recorded in the presence of witnesses. One copy of the deed was placed in an earthen jar and sealed, and a second copy was retained by the buyer so that, if any questionable procedure were attempted in the future, the two copies could be compared and the crookedness would be exposed. Both copies were entrusted to Baruch, Jeremiah's faithful secretary, for safekeeping.

By this purchase Jeremiah proved his faith in the future of the nation. Moreover, it was symbolic of God's redemption of His people and their restoration to their homeland. The land which Jeremiah purchased was a token of the pledge that at some time in the future Judah would again come into possession of the land which she was losing to the Babylonians. Jeremiah's daring faith in God and in the future of the nation after the Babylonian exile was unquestioned after he personally invested his money in land to preserve a family heritage. Naturally, his action in making a financial investment in the future of the nation was even more convincing and impressive than anything he might have said. Others did not cherish the hope which the prophet did, namely, that the people would return to their native soil some day and be stronger than before their captivity.

Through His prophet, Jeremiah, God sought to make known to His people the fact that the approaching defeat of their country was not the end of the whole affair, so He said: "Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land." In other words, the time would come when their descendants would return to the land from which their ancestors has been taken into captivity, and they would cultivate the soil and raise the crops. Jeremiah's

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deed would be preserved until that time, therefore, there was not any reason for him to think that he had made a poor investment. So, when he had completed the transaction, Jeremiah prayed unto God. All of God's children should pray about matters of business, as well as all of the other activities of life.

Believing in God's creatorship and in His providential dealings with His people, Jeremiah did not have any difficulty in believing that God would do that which was right and best for those whom He had created and over whom He had the mastery. His faith in God enabled him to understand that He was keeping watch over His people, accomplishing His purposes in and through them, and that in due time He would bring back a remnant which would be the means by which He would accomplish His redemptive work. It is encouraging to know that nothing is too difficult for God. His purpose is always beneficent. As we conform to His will and devote our time and energies to the fulfillment of His purpose, we shall be blessed and at the same time be a great blessing to others.

Change in SBC Name Encouraged By Indiana Baptists

The State Convention of Baptists in Indiana voted at Indianapolis to encourage the Southern Baptist Convention to change its name.

The brief motion stated succinctly: "We graciously encourage the Southern Baptist Convention to pursue the possibility of a name change."

Adopted following wide discussion, the motion received only six negative votes.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention is currently studying the possibility of changing the name of the SBC, but no final action has been taken.

In other action, the convention adopted a record budget and approved resolutions requesting prayer for Cuban Baptist pastors and missionaries Herbert Caudill and David Fite, who are imprisoned in Cuba; and endorsing the work of the SBC Christian Life Commission and Americans United for Separation of Church and State. (BP)

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KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

Brotherhood

New Church Libraries Offered 10 Free Books

by Roy Jennings

Two Baptist churches in Kentucky have taken advantage of a free Brotherhood book offer during September by organizing new church libraries.

As an encouragement to churches to start new libraries, the Brotherhood Commission offers 10 free books on Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador work.

They are *The Crusader Counselors' Guide*, *The Pioneer Counselor's Guide*, *The Ambassador Counselor's Guide*, *The Page Manual*, *The Squire Manual*, *The Knight Manual*, *The Pioneer Manual*, *The Ambassador and His Church*, *Ambassadors and World Missions*, and *Ambassadors and Christian Citizenship*.

Many church librarians feature the books at Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador chapter meetings in calling attention to the new library facilities.

The books may be used by church leaders to introduce men and boys to Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador work.

For more detailed assistance, church leaders should consult their state Brotherhood departments.

About 31 church libraries were started in the Southern Baptist Convention in September.

Kentucky churches include Bethel of Frankfort, and First of Murray.

Training Union

Church Related Vocations Conference

by James Whaley

On Friday afternoon until Saturday noon, November 25-27, there will be a special conference at Cedarmore for high school students who are interested in church related vocations.

Representatives from our Baptist colleges, state institutions, and from the vocational guidance section of the Baptist Sunday School Board will be there for group and individual consultation.

Detailed information is being mailed to pastors, Training Union directors and educational directors.

Begin making plans now to attend.

Church Music

A Musician's View of the Japan Crusade

A revival at Miyuha Baptist Mission during October reaped as many decisions for Christ as the mission has resident members. With 17 resident members, including the pastor and his wife, this budding church witnessed the commitment of 17 other persons to Christ during one week.

Missionary Ralph Calcote states that this revival really put this mission on solid ground for the future. Among the commitments were seven women who came from an apartment area housing 5,000. The pastor and his wife had been conducting Bible class and services with some 20 women in these apartments, meeting once per week in successive apartment homes on Friday mornings. These women were the most tearfully joyful converts we have seen here. Such an emotional expression is unusual for the Japanese.

Other commitments included the organist's husband, who is an executive in a large chinaware factory here. A young woman came on Thursday night to accept Christ, and on Friday night her fiancé was converted. They began a Christian home on October 31, the date of their wedding.

The small mission building is new and lovely, but limited in space. No choir assisted the services regularly, but guest choirs came on two nights. On Saturday night a "Gospel Choir" of youths from several churches sang four gospel songs. Accompanied again by a pump organ, the services included hearty congregational singing and two solos each night by the team's music director.

God has blessed our prayers and efforts with a total of 50 conversions in the three weeks of the crusade. "To God be the glory, Great things He hath done!"

Eugene F. Quinn

Sunday School

Correct Unwise Sunday School Practices

by Roy E. Boatwright

Through the years many Sunday Schools have developed practices which at the beginning seemed feasible but have become detrimental to the growth

Goodan Elected Moderator Of McCreary Association

William Goodan, pastor of First Baptist Church, Whitley City, Kentucky, was elected moderator of McCreary County Association during its recent annual meeting.

Other officers elected were Lee Mason, pastor of Stearns church, vice-moderator, and J. W. Voiles of Greenwood, Kentucky, re-elected clerk.

Last year's moderator was Dr. Fred Roth of Cumberland College.

of Sunday Schools.

The writer is referring to the practice of requiring a pupil to attend three consecutive Sundays before he can be enrolled as a member. When this practice started, it was for the purpose of keeping some from joining the Sunday school who had little or no intention of attending regularly. A close look at this practice will reveal many weaknesses.

(1) The practice keeps some people from becoming members of the Sunday School. There are some who work two or three Sundays each month and cannot attend three Sundays consecutively.

(2) On the part of the Sunday School leadership an element of doubt is expressed. A man's work should be as good on the first Sunday as the third. (No one should be placed on a Sunday School roll without his consent, or the consent of his parents in case of children). (3) The problem of absenteeism is as great in the Sunday Schools observing this practice as in others. Ordinarily the Sunday Schools are not making as much growth.

Another unwise practice is removing a person from a Sunday School roll when he has been absent a given number of Sundays. It would be so much better to follow the suggestions of Sunday School leaders at this point. We should be more interested in people than grades.

Neither of these practices have been advocated by any workers of the Sunday School Board or state Sunday School departments. Neither do we find it being advocated in any of the study course books or literature. To the contrary, there are many statements suggesting better practices.

If your Sunday School has been using either or both of these, why not correct them now for the sake of the individual and the church?

Woman's Missionary Union

Nursery Workshops to be Held in Kentucky

by Mary Anne Forehand

Sunbeam nursery leaders in Kentucky will have an excellent training opportunity in March, 1967, when Mrs. Joseph Avery of Huntsville, Alabama, comes to Kentucky to lead Sunbeam nursery conferences.



Mrs. Avery

is one of the outstanding nursery workers in our Convention. For the past two years Mrs. Avery has written the Nursery Section of *Sunbeam Activities*.

The conferences will be held in the following locations:

March

- 28—Second Baptist Church, Greenville
- 29—First Baptist Church, Glasgow
- 30—First Baptist Church, London
- 31—Versailles Baptist Church, Versailles

The hours of the conferences will be 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Evangelism

by Thomas H. Shelton

Harper Shannon speaks to three or four state evangelistic conferences each year. He now serves as chairman of



Shannon

the evangelism committee for the Executive Board of the state of Alabama. He is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dothan, Alabama, and that church has led the state in baptisms for the last two years. Mr. Shannon will speak to our 1967 State

Evangelistic Conference three times and lead two conferences. His subjects are:

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- Wednesday Morning—
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Please join me in praying daily for a spiritual revival in Kentucky.

DURING ANNUAL CONVENTION—

Texas Baptists Refuse to Approve School Loans from Federal Funds

by Don McGregor
for Baptist Press

Texas Baptists again told their institutions not to accept government loans for new buildings as they defeated a section of a church-state report that would have made such loans possible.

This was the second time in five years that the convention has declared itself in opposition to loans from public funds.

The defeated church-state committee's recommendation suggested the Baptist General Convention of Texas approve loans from public funds for construction of buildings by Texas institutions "provided the institution voluntarily reimburse the government annually" for low interest rates that constitute subsidy.

Previous Study Authoritative

Defeat of the recommendation, which was only one of 10, left the convention operating under a previous church-state study that rules out loans from public funds.

Two separate suggestions by the committee, dealing with research grants to individual students or to institutions, were approved on the basis that research grants represent money paid for services rendered.

Another acknowledged the subsidy involved in postal privileges used by Texas Baptist institutions and one favored tax exemptions on religious property and gifts.

A separate committee recommendation suggested that the convention "continue to oppose all direct aid from tax money for any program of Texas Baptist institutions."

At the end of the report, authorization was approved to appoint a committee to seek some means of financing the construction of buildings other than ac-

cepting loans from public funds. J. Carroll Chadwick, who was re-elected president of the convention, called on Texas Baptists to raise \$10,000,000 in the coming year and \$100,000,000 in the next decade for Baptist institutions.

Record Budget Adopted

In other action, the Texas Baptist messengers adopted a record budget of \$12,225,000, more than \$4,000,000 of which is earmarked for worldwide causes.

The convention's annual public relations award was presented to E. S. James, who had retired two days earlier as editor of the *Baptist Standard*.

Bruce McIver, pastor of the Wiltshire Baptist Church in Dallas, and Gordon C'Inard, pastor of the First Baptist Church of San Angelo, were elected vice-presidents of the 1,800,000-member convention.

Baptist School Matches Grant of \$500,000

East Texas Baptist University of Marshall has raised more than \$500,000 in cash and commitments to match a challenge gift of \$500,000 by a prominent Baptist layman.

J. I. Cartledge, president of the University's board of trustees and pastor of First Baptist Church, Gilmer, Texas, made the announcement at a victory dinner.

He said the school had received sufficient funds to match the gift made by Carr P. Collins, Sr., Dallas insurance executive. (BP)

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