



The Seminole Indians of Florida compose one racial-language group to which the SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, has a special ministry. This building of the First Seminole Indian Baptist Church of Dania, Florida, was erected with the help of the Home Mission Board.

### Baptist Work with the Seminoles



A Seminole Indian mother and her baby are pictured in front of their home, which is located near Miami. Southern Baptists have extensive work with the Seminoles in the South Florida region.



## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**, Central City, Kentucky, recently held pastor appreciation week for W. R. Cook, who has served the church for six years. Cook was honored with several surprises and awards through the week, then given a love offering on Sunday, June 11, as an expression of the congregation's appreciation for his ministry. The Central City pastor is serving currently as moderator of Muhlenberg Association.

**MRS. ALMA JORDAN**, the building hostess for the Louisiana Baptist Convention offices in Alexandria, was killed instantly in a head-on automobile collision near Ferriday, Louisiana. She was a former assistant dean of women at Louisiana College in Pineville.

A \$205,008 GRANT from the National Center for the Prevention and Control of Alcoholism has been made to Harvard University Medical School and the Boston Department of Public Health and Hospitals to study alcoholism. The national center is one of the services of the department of public health of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

**THE EXECUTIVE BOARD** of the Alabama Baptist State Convention approved a record budget goal of \$6,405,000 for 1968, to support the work of the denomination. The 1968 budget is an increase of \$370,000 over 1967. The Cooperative Program goal is \$4,870,000 with funds to support the mission, education and benevolent work of Alabama Baptists and the Southern Baptist Convention.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH** of Mount Washington, Kentucky, held a groundbreaking ceremony on Sunday, June 25, to symbolize the beginning of construction on its new building. Renovation of the present structure and construction of a new sanctuary will cost almost \$400,000. Wendell Romans is pastor of the congregation.

A \$250,000 GIFT to complete a new building at Belmont College, Nashville, has been announced by the college's president. It came from Mr. and Mrs. Jack Massey of Nashville. He is board chairman of the Kentucky Fried Chicken Corporation and board chairman of Commercial Investment Company. The gift will be used toward the completion of the auditorium and fine arts building now under construction at Belmont.

A RECORD ENROLMENT of 879 students has been recorded for summer term classes at Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Kentucky. The majority of the students are from Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio and Indiana.

**B. GRAY ALLISON** has resigned as associate director in the division of evangelism of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, in order to enter full-time evangelism work. He is a former professor of evangelism at New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

**MR. AND MRS. WALTER A. ROUTH, JR.**, Southern Baptist missionaries, plan to leave Vietnam July 30 for a furlough in the United States. They may be addressed at Box 468, Sanford, Florida. He is a native of Sanford; she, the former Pauline Hays, is a native of Louisville.

**JAMES V. LACKEY**, director of stewardship development for the SBC Stewardship Commission, Nashville, has been promoted to the newly-created position of director of church and institutional fund raising. Michael L. Speer of the Kentucky Baptist Convention staff will be the new director of stewardship development.

**MR. AND MRS. W. HAROLD MATTHEWS**, Southern Baptist missionaries on furlough from the Philippines, may now be addressed at Sadieville, Kentucky. Matthews was born and reared in Ohio County, Kentucky; she, the former Clara Lee, was born in Georgetown and grew up near Sadieville.

**ROBERT L. LYNN**, managing editor of All-Church Press of Fort Worth, Texas, has been named assistant to the president of Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee. Lynn is a graduate of OBU and Southwestern Seminary and also has a master's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri.

**TRAMMEL'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH** in Pierce, Kentucky, held a note-burning service May 28 to symbolize payment of the debt on its new building. Speakers for the occasion included R. G. Puckett, former associate editor of the *Western Recorder*, who is now editor of the *Maryland Baptist* at Baltimore. Carlis Compton is pastor of the church.

**THE VILLAVERDE MISSION** of First Baptist Church, Madrid, Spain, is moving to a storefront building to continue witness in a new housing area of 150,000 people in the Spanish capital. The new property is only a block from its present location.

**EARL S. BELL**, pastor of the Harlan, Kentucky, Baptist Church, will be the evangelist in an area-wide tent revival in Snowflake, Arizona, July 16-23. This meeting is sponsored by the missions department of the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention and will be under the direction of First Baptist Church of Pine Top, Arizona. Bell has also been invited by the Home Mission Board to participate in the crusade in New Brunswick, Canada, October 29-November 12 of 1967.

**MISS ETHEL HARMON**, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, has arrived in the United States for furlough and may be addressed at Cumberland Falls Road, Corbin, Kentucky. A native of Whitley County, Kentucky, she taught school in Kentucky for several years before missionary appointment.

**WILLIAM H. HILL**, a native of Kentucky who has been a pastor in California for more than 14 years, is returning to his home state to establish residence at 307 Cardinal Lane, Princeton. He was pastor of East Barstow, Rosamond and Hollister Baptist churches while in California.

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WESTERN RECORDER

## The Movement Toward SBC Educational Correlation

by G. TEMP SPARKMAN

Only applause can greet the announcement that the Sunday School Board, the Brotherhood Commission, and the Woman's Missionary Union have agreed upon a uniform classification system for the members of the educational organizations in the churches. When this change is finally accomplished, it will mark another significant keeping of the faith on the part of our convention agencies.

In 1954, in response to vestibule talk and more formal planning and evaluative groups, the agencies responsible for church programs were instructed to correlate their approaches to the churches. This, of course, was not the first time the Southern Baptist Convention had spoken on correlation. Serious actions were taken in 1923, 1937 and as late as 1946. But it has been since the beginning of the work of the 1954 survey committee that some near-miraculous changes have taken place.

Already in the wind in the mid-1950's was an attitude in the education division of the Sunday School Board that welcomed criticism. Christian educators were delighted that their opinions were being considered and seriously acted upon. It was not long before this atti-

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tude matured into an invitation to appraisal. The current talk-back operation, though leaving something to be desired, represents this new spirit in which reaction is asked for, not just welcomed.

Without doubt, the new attitude of openness is seen at its height in the co-operation of the educational agencies, as represented in the "hot-line" between Birmingham, Memphis, and Nashville. The broad correlative work of the Inter-Agency Council is a superb example of denominational workers taking seriously the directions of the Convention, and going the "second mile" for the good of the churches.

Church programming developments have been a necessary part of keeping faith with the movement toward correlation. Through the help of the church administration department of the Sunday School Board, the churches have been inspired to name purposes, conserve resources, employ effective techniques of administration, and to establish processes for continuous programming. Long-range planning had been a familiar term to all of us for some time, but we understood it more in terms of visionary activity than in the tedious, sometimes tasteless processes of realistic and detailed planning.

The agencies' magazines have reflected the correlation. We are still getting accustomed to seeing poverty pictures in the Training Union Magazine, and of

reading about the adult thrust in Royal Service. Also significant and of testimony to the new openness that has gone with the movement toward correlation is the frequency of articles in official publications presenting critical material and veiled references by agency heads to the fact that the days of Southern Baptist isolationism are passed.

The Life and Work Curriculum, whether it continues to be popular, will forever stand as concrete testimony to the seriousness with which the agencies kept faith with Convention instructions. And now right on its heels comes the uniform classification system, almost as if a climax to a long uphill pull. But time will judge it to have been only a plateau, for correlation has unfinished tasks ahead.

1. Operation Talk-Back will need to grow up. One could hope that we can now move from the idea of talk-back, in which it is implied that the agencies act and we react, to a relationship of creative dialogue in which we together formulate that which is right for our churches. Perhaps it was necessary and proper in order to clear the air that we begin with the idea of talking back. Let us now step into a partnership of mutual action and reaction.

One great weakness of the operation is the categorized reaction that is asked for. After wading through the terminology, one feels guilty over criticizing that  
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## Baptismal Authority: Where Does it Rest?

by WAYNE E. WARD

In the strife that is splitting some of our associations and churches over the question of "alien immersion" (immersion by non-Baptist churches), one of the most important questions has been lost in a cloud of dust; where is the proper authority for baptism really located?

One of the terrible things is that associations and conventions have presumed to sit in judgment on local churches and tell them what they should or should not do about receiving members into their fellowship.

A convention or association is not a church. It does not baptize; it does not ordain; it does not have the right of discipline over the churches. It has a perfect right to deal with the individual Christians or messengers who make up the convention membership and make whatever Christian requirements it wishes of them.

It absolutely does not have the right to try to "get at" the local churches and control their actions, or force them into an agreement with prevailing practice,

by the way they treat the messengers from those churches.

Never have Baptists been completely agreed on all the matters of receiving members, observing the Lord's Supper, or many other things. But Baptists have always been willing to let the local church, under the direct lordship of Christ, determine the fitness of its members and the practice of the ordinances. Not until recent times have associations or conventions had the audacity to try to pre-empt this God-given authority of Christ in the local church and become a kind of "super-church," dictating doctrine to the local congregations. This is exactly how the "old Catholic church" of the early centuries came into existence, and it is a chilling thing to see Baptists acting like a bunch of high-church authoritarians!

Even if some Baptist congregations have violated the clearest New Testament teaching on the practice of baptism or the Lord's Supper, or something else, the best way to deal with it is in the fellowship of Christian love and understanding. To try to deal with these

matters which are the direct concern of the local congregation, at the level of association or convention, is to violate a principle that may be ever more important than deviations on the ordinances.

For an association or convention to start acting like it is a church, dispensing discipline over the local congregations like a Roman hierarchy, is to destroy the very nature of the church! What a terrible price to pay in trying to force uniformity in an area which has always been debated honestly among deeply-committed Baptists. It is like giving a dose of strychnine for a headache—it cures the headache by killing the patient!

Associations and conventions should stick to their purpose of coordinating the efforts of the churches in missions and education—and leave to the churches the responsibilities of baptizing converts, observing the Lord's Supper, and disciplining the members! The lordship of Christ is exercised directly in the church—the gathered community of believers—and it is not handed down by official promulgations from the convention office!



## Agreements, Disagreements and a Case for Public Funds

Those who expected the Baptist Education Study Task to answer all the questions and solve all the problems of Baptist higher education will be disappointed. As Jim Newton, the Baptist press reporter correctly says, the project has only begun discussions which will have to go on for years. Even so, the project has accomplished much and can be of great benefit if its findings are accepted and its suggestions heeded by Baptists in the several states where Baptist colleges are sponsored.

Here are some of the conclusions which were more or less generally agreed upon by the participants. They are not listed in order of importance, but only as they come to mind reflecting upon the discussions.

### Areas of Agreement

- A Baptist college should be distinctively different from other colleges. This is its justification for existence.
- Baptist conventions do not have a clear understanding of why they are in higher education programs. Not even many Baptist schools have a clear purpose or objective which is distinctive.
- Existing colleges should be properly financed before new schools are established. Would-be starters of colleges should remember that \$20 million is a realistic figure for establishing and bringing a 4-year college to accreditation.
- Colleges should adequately fund present programs before establishing new ones. Proliferation of courses and adding new and costly programs have been the downfall of many schools. Baptist colleges should in the main restrict the curriculum to the liberal arts.
- Baptists must provide education with quality second to none, if they stay in business. Students have a right to the very best education that can be provided.
- Sponsoring groups like state conventions must understand and honor the trustee plan for running colleges. To try to run a college with dictates and mandates from the convention floor is to hamper the school and will likely result in the loss of accreditation.
- A wide communication and understanding gap exists between college and sponsoring conventions. Constituents tend to consider college officials and teachers as unconcerned and unresponsive to needs and desires of the convention. College personnel tends to consider constituents as uninformed and unqualified to suggest

policies for a quality college.

- Many Baptists who support colleges and those who administer and teach in Baptist colleges are not agreed as to what the purpose of higher education is. Constituents want evangelism and indoctrination in addition to education; teachers are more concerned for quality education than for evangelism and indoctrination.
- Honesty and integrity require that a Baptist college be honest in claims made in its publicity and recruiting activities.
- Academic freedom is necessary for a college teacher but academic freedom always implies academic responsibility.
- Students and faculty members at the time of enrolment or employment should be clearly informed of the schools denominational connections, and of the college policies and expectations.
- Every college teacher should be at least sympathetic with the aims and objectives of the denomination which sponsors the college.
- There are basic differences between a Baptist church and a Baptist college. However, a Baptist college and the denomination should be loyal to each other's ideals and purposes.
- Accreditation by recognized accrediting associations is a must for a Baptist college. There is no contradiction between requirements for accreditation and the distinctive mission and purpose of a Baptist college. The idea of Baptists setting up their own accrediting agency is foolhardy.
- There is a sharp division over whether or not public funds should be used by Baptist schools. Each state and each school must finally decide its own course.
- Baptist schools cannot continue to exist as quality educational institutions at the present level of financial support.
- There are many different government programs of aiding education in church-related colleges. Each program should be examined on the basis of its merits and conditions.

### Areas of Disagreement

While the BEST participants were generally agreed on the above observations, there were areas of disagreement. The sharpest disagreement, naturally, came over whether or not Baptist schools should use

government loans and grants. The position of flatly rejecting all forms of federal aid, the acceptance of all federal aid without question, and all positions between these two extremes were represented at the conference. Other matters related to Baptist higher education upon which there was debate included the following:

- Whether Baptist colleges exist mainly to serve the denomination or to provide educational services for society as a whole. Some felt Baptist schools have as their primary responsibility service to the denomination. Others felt this was secondary to serving society and national welfare.
- What place religion and religious activities should have on a Baptist college campus. Some felt Bible courses and chapel attendance should be required. Others were just as certain they should not be.
- Should Baptist applicants be given preference for enrolment? Some said yes, others said no.
- How about non-Baptists on Baptist college faculties? Many said whenever possible faculty members should be Baptists. Others said no, and one or two felt that non-Christians on a Baptist college faculty would be desirable.
- How much the conventions should have to do with policies of their schools. Most were certain that trustees should not be instructed by the convention but left alone to formulate policies. Some felt the sponsoring body had the right to set policies and trustees should at least be very sensitive to expressed positions of the denomination.
- Whether the use of government funds would mean government control of Baptist schools. Some were certain no undesirable control was involved in using government funds and government control is a reality with or without government funds. Others contended not to use government funds would limit government control.

### Several Imperatives

To a BEST participant listening to all the reports, discussion and debates, it appears there are several imperatives for Southern Baptists if we are to remain a responsible part of the American higher education scene.

1. The denomination and the college must formulate and adhere to clear statements of philosophy and objectives in higher education. A state convention must know why it is in the college business, and each college should have a clear and well-defined objective known by its sponsors.
2. Denomination-college relationships must improve. The two must improve communication between each other in order to understand and appreciate what each other is trying to do. They must not consider each other as "they" but as "we." Denominational leaders and pastors must diligently interpret colleges to the constituents and the college leaders must interpret the denomination to the faculty and student body.

3. The trustee plan for operating colleges must be observed. The accrediting agency will not permit pressures upon or mandates to trustees. The denomination controls the college through election of trustees, not through making policies on convention floors.
4. Much more financial aid must be forthcoming to Baptist schools. Even government aid, if it were accepted, would not wholly meet the pressing financial needs.

### An Emerging Rationale

While the BEST conferences were planned and executed in utmost objectivity and fairness, they did result in an encouragement toward taking federal aid. This was not the intention of the planners but was an inevitable result. The majority of the participants was college officials, and most of these have decided this is the only way Baptists can go unless they are willing to have a diminishing voice and influence in American life.

And so a rationale or justification for this course is gradually emerging. It goes like this. Baptist colleges must have more financial resources to remain quality educational institutions. Baptists could probably support their schools adequately but will not.

Government funds are available for Baptist schools. If we don't take these funds, part of which is our own tax money, other church colleges will take them. The result would be that Baptists are supporting every other denomination's higher education program except their own.

Experience proves that the government is not desirous of controlling Baptist schools. It only sees to it that government funds are not used to promote racial segregation, or other policies contrary to law or national policy. Besides, whatever regulations the government wants to exercise, it will exercise whether or not a college uses public funds.

The rationale continues. We live in a radically different world from that of our forefathers. We must understand that the new society will not go away, and we must try to minister to it. This will require a change in traditional Baptist approaches including those used for Baptist higher education.

Furthermore, a Baptist college is not the same as a Baptist church. As a service agency of the churches, its chief purpose is not to evangelize nor indoctrinate but to provide quality education for the nation and the world. Such a college deserves public support to do its work.

The use of government aid is not the most desirable way to undergird Baptist schools. It does involve some risks, but there is no other source in sight to provide what the government is offering.

And so we must take the risk, and let our Baptist schools continue to be a vital and meaningful part of the American higher education scene. There is no other realistic way to live in our modern world.

And so goes the emerging rationale.

# Dehoney, Means Speak on Crusade of Americas at SBC

by GEORGE W. KNIGHT  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

The 1969 Crusade of the Americas was mentioned in passing by several speakers during the recent Southern Baptist Convention session in Miami Beach, but at least two persons made the Crusade the subject of major addresses which they delivered.

They are Wayne Dehoney, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, who spoke on the Crusade before the Religious Education and Pastors' Conferences, and Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America of the Foreign Mission Board, who addressed the Thursday night session of the SBC on the 1969 Crusade.

Dehoney, who is North American coordinator for the Crusade of the Americas, gave a brief history of the movement, recounting how it grew spontaneously out of the nation-wide crusade which Brazilian Baptists conducted in their nation in the early 1960's.

Immediate results of the Brazilian Crusade were 100,000 professions of faith and the establishment of 300 new

churches and 3,500 mission points in Brazil, Dehoney said.

Dr. Rubens Lopes of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, then president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, subsequently challenged Baptists of North and South America to conduct a giant hemispheric-wide evangelistic campaign during 1969. All of the Latin American countries and Mexico are currently committed to the Crusade, Dehoney said, and many of the major Baptist groups in the United States will participate.

Although the American Baptist Convention will not formally participate, some state conventions and individual American Baptist churches will be involved, the Walnut Street pastor said. Canadian Baptists and the three major Negro Baptist groups in the United States are giving the Crusade serious consideration.

In his address before the Pastors' Conference, Dehoney said a four-fold revival must take place among pastors and church members before the Crusade could be successful—a revival of appreciation for methodology and planning, a

revival of compassion and concern for people, a revival of relevant Gospel preaching, and a revival of spiritual optimism and expectancy.

Frank K. Means, in his address on the Crusade before the Southern Baptist Convention, said "evangelism is the work of God. He has been at work in it since the foundation of the world. It remains for us to sense his will, catch his spirit, and discern what he expects of us in achieving his purpose through the Crusade of the Americas."

The three main objectives of the Crusade, Means said, is to deepen the spiritual life within churches, homes and individual Christians, to evangelize the American continents, and to establish true moral and spiritual bases for the betterment of man's social, physical and economic welfare.

The year following the Crusade—1970—will be devoted to follow-through, Means said. Crusade and revivals will be conducted on the local and associational levels in 1969. The time between now and 1969 will be devoted to preparation and promotion.

## Kentucky Events for Crusade of Americas Announced

Hicks Shelton, secretary of evangelism for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, has announced the major events and dates which will serve as guidelines for Kentucky Baptists in their participation in the 1969 Crusade of the Americas.

The most important dates, Shelton said, are those suggested as the times during 1969 when local churches should conduct revivals in their own communities. The dates of March

16-30, April 6-20 and April 27-May 11 (see below) are being suggested by the Home Mission Board for all churches in the Southern Baptist Convention in order that the impact of a massive, simultaneous, nationwide revival might be felt.

Although 1967 has been a year of planning and promotion for the Crusade, Shelton said, 1968 is the year when more intensive preparation will begin. Planned for August 29 is a state-wide Crusade of the Americas

Rally in Louisville, where Kentucky Baptists will be inspired to pray for the success of the Crusade as well as learn more about Kentucky's part in the evangelistic undertaking.

This year is also a time for the music ministry to prepare for its part in the local revivals. Associational rallies, a state prayer retreat, and a special emphasis on preparing persons to witness during the Crusade are also scheduled for 1968.

- 1968 ("Work and Witness for Christ")**
- January—Special emphasis on training Christian witnesses
  - July 1-4—State Prayer and Bible Retreat, Cedarmore
  - August—Music ministries preparation emphasis
  - August 29—State Crusade of Americas Rally, Louisville
  - September 9—Associational Crusade of the Americas rallies
  - December 31—Watch night services in the churches—A call to repentance and renewal
- 1969 ("Proclaiming the Gospel of Christ")**
- January—Association-wide witnessing and training institutes or associational Sunday School witnessing campaigns
  - January—Baptist Men's Prayer Retreat
  - January—Pastors' Retreat

March 16-30—Participation in the Crusade on the local level with two weeks of preaching in churches in Kentucky's Southern, Southwestern and Western regions

April 6-20—Crusade revivals in churches in the Central, North Central and South Central regions

April 27-May 11—Crusade revivals in churches in the Northeastern and Southeastern regions

**1970 ("Unto Spiritual Maturity in Christ"—Follow Up)**

March-April—"C" night rallies—a service of commitment, conservation and challenge to launch new member orientation

March-April—New member orientation programs in the churches

## Committeemen Available For Pulpit Supply While Visiting in Kentucky

The approximately 50 members of the Central Coordinating Committee of the Crusade of the Americas will be available to preach in Baptist pulpits of the Louisville area on the two Sundays immediately preceding and following their meeting in Louisville—July 23 and 30.

Pastors who wish these men to speak in their churches on one of these days should contact Roy Boatwright, secretary of the Sunday School department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, or Hicks Shelton, evangelism secretary, at the Baptist Building in Middletown.

Most of the pastors from South and Central America speak only Portuguese or Spanish. The pulpit supply committee will be glad to furnish one of these men if the church can provide the interpreter.

The host churches will be expected to provide expenses incurred by these men in traveling to the churches.

## Louisville Baptists Set Crusade Rally

Baptists of the Louisville-area Long Run Association are capitalizing on the visit of the Central Coordinating Committee to their city to hold a special mass rally which will kick off their participation in the Crusade of the Americas.

Long Run Baptists will meet on Friday evening, July 28, at either Iroquois Park Amphitheater or the chapel at Southern Seminary to hear reports on the 1969 Crusade, meet the members of the Central Committee and pray for the Crusade's success.

Main speaker for the event will be Rubens Lopes of Sao Paulo, Brazil, president of the Central Committee. Lopes first challenged Baptists of North and South America with the Crusade idea in 1965 at the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in Miami Beach.

Hicks Shelton, evangelism secretary for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, is in charge of arrangements and program for the special rally.

Other committees elected to prepare for the Long Run rally are hospitality and reception, Chester Igleheart, chairman; publicity, Robert Young, chairman; and finance, James B. Sawyer, chairman.

Finance Chairman James B. Sawyer said the \$1,500 to \$2,000 needed to finance and promote the rally would be raised through voluntary contributions.

## Crusade's Coordinating Committee Meets in Louisville July 24-28

The second meeting of the full Central Coordinating Committee of the 1969 Crusade of the Americas will be held in Louisville July 24-29 on the campus of Southern Baptist Seminary.

The Central Committee is made up of representatives of each Baptist body which will participate in the 1969 Crusade. More than 100 persons, including interpreters, are expected for the meeting. The majority of the committee members are Portuguese- and Spanish-speaking Baptists from nations in Central and South America.

President of the Central Coordinating Committee is Rubens Lopes of Sao Paulo, Brazil. In 1965 Lopes first challenged Baptists of South and North America to conduct the Crusade. His challenge has been accepted by most of the major Baptist groups in each hemisphere.

The Central Coordinating Committee of the 1969 Crusade is charged with planning and policy-making for the giant evangelistic campaign. At its first meeting in Cali, Colombia, last year, the group approved the Crusade's purpose, an organizational structure, a budget, a program of financing, a calendar of activities, a slogan ("Christ, the Only Hope") and a campaign song.

At the Louisville meeting, the Committee will continue the planning started at the session in Cali.

Baptists in 25 nations of North, South and Central America are presently com-

mitted to the Crusade. They are:

►**SOUTH AMERICA**—Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, British Guiana, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela.

►**CENTRAL AMERICA**—Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Panama.

►**WEST INDIES**—Dominican Republic, Guadeloupe, Jamaica, Puerto Rico and Trinidad.

Baptists of the Bahamas and the Bermudas are also participating in the Crusade; and there is a chance that Canadian Baptists will join with Baptists in the United States to make the representation for North America complete.

One Kentucky Baptist—Dr. Wayne Dehoney of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville—is a member of the Central Coordinating Committee. All Southern Baptists who are members of the Central Committee make up a Southern Baptist Advisory Committee, and Dehoney is chairman of this group.

Serving with Dehoney on the advisory committee are Herschel H. Hobbs of Oklahoma City; Ray Roberts of Columbus, Ohio; Connelly Evans of Ocala, Florida; and Owen Cooper of Yazoo, Mississippi.

Ex officio members are Joseph B. Underwood, Richmond; C. E. Autrey, Atlanta; Albert McClellan, Nashville; W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, Mississippi, and H. Franklin Paschall, Nashville.



**CRUSADE WORK SESSION**—The promotion committee for the 1969 Crusade of the Americas holds a work session during the meeting of the Crusade directory council in Mexico City last year. Crusade President Rubens Lopes of Sao Paulo, Brazil, is seated with his back to the camera.

## Nominee Recommendation Sheet

The committee on nominations of the Kentucky Baptist Convention is asking members of Kentucky Baptist churches throughout the state to help it select nominees for the boards of Baptist agencies and institutions. Please make your nominations by filling out this form and answering all questions below.

*Ability of the nominees to perform the duties of their office and their faithfulness in attending church functions are important criteria in making your nominations, the committee says. Remember, also, that key Baptist laymen, as well as ordained church staff members, should be recommended for service on these boards.*

### Recommendation to 1967 Committee on Nominations Kentucky Baptist Convention

- Believing in this person's moral integrity and spiritual commitment, I recommend \_\_\_\_\_
- Address \_\_\_\_\_
- Approximate age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_
- Information desired:
  - Name and address of church of which person is a member \_\_\_\_\_
  - Name of association of which this church is a member \_\_\_\_\_
  - Is this person presently active in the work and spirit of his or her church? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Please give a brief statement concerning this person's work in the local church \_\_\_\_\_
  - Service on boards of the convention \_\_\_\_\_
  - Latest service on board expired? \_\_\_\_\_ What board? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would this person take seriously the responsibility of a denominational appointment? \_\_\_\_\_
- Check the one board or institution you believe this person can best serve on:
 

Board of Child Care _____	Campbellsville College _____
Spring Meadows _____	Cumberland College _____
Glen Dale _____	Clear Creek School _____
Pine Crest _____	Georgetown College _____
Hospital _____	Oneida Institute _____
Commission _____	Ky. Baptist Foundation _____
Kentucky Baptist _____	Temperance League, Ky. _____
Western Baptist _____	Western Recorder _____
Central Baptist _____	

**This recommendation is no assurance that the person you are recommending will be nominated by the committee on nominations and/or elected by the Kentucky Baptist Convention.**

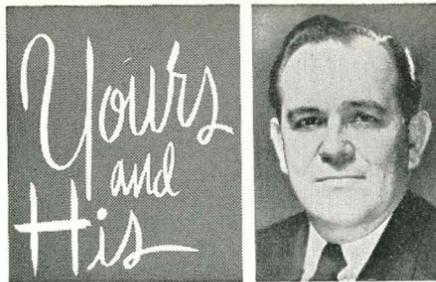
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(name of person making recommendation)

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail the form to executive secretary's office,  
Kentucky Baptist Convention, Middletown, Kentucky 40043



## Cedarmore To Expand

The architects are at work drawing plans and specifications for a new Conference Buildings-cluster at the state assembly at Cedarmore!

Following the recommendation of the Finance Committee of Kentucky WMU, and contingent with the approval of the WMU Executive Board, the Executive Board of the Convention May 9th approved building a conference center at Cedarmore this summer and early fall. On June 16, the Kentucky WMU Board unanimously approved giving \$60,000 toward the new project, and all is moving ahead with joy!

With \$27,000 cash on hand, plus \$60,000 from the W.M.U., \$87,000 will be available. The Executive Board voted a leeway of 10% above the \$87,000 to complete the construction.

### Named for WMU Leaders

The new building will be named in honor of two WMU leaders who have served Kentucky WMU for nearly 20 years each—Mrs. George R. Ferguson, the beloved Executive Secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. W. H. Jaegle, treasurer of Kentucky WMU for 20 years. It will be known as the **Ferguson-Jaegle Conference Cluster** or Center.

Kentucky W.M.U., long interested in Cedarmore, has already given \$209,000 since 1950 for the building of a state assembly and camps program.

### To Serve 300

The Conference Cluster will serve 300 persons in six rooms of 50 each, four of the rooms being constructed with a folding wall to expand into 2 rooms of 100 persons. Bathroom and storage facilities will enable it to double for dormitories when needed.

A cluster of four buildings with a mall in the center, open to the sky, will serve as an outdoor meeting place with 150 fixed seats and space for 150 chairs to be added.

### Cedar-Stone Like Boone Lodge

Architect A. B. Ryan's design fits into the motif of Boone Lodge, with natural stone from the hills and channel cedar like Boone Lodge. It will be a beautiful and functional addition to our growing Assembly-Camps complex.

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## BEST Conference Takes No Stand on Federal Aid

NASHVILLE (BP)—The Baptist Education Study Task second national conference ended here without taking a definite stand for or against federal aid to Baptist colleges and universities.

Dozens of conference participants, however, stood to express their personal views during a two-hour session on financing Christian higher education, but there seemed to be no consensus among the entire 300 participants or the six small groups on financing in answer to the federal aid question.

Said Erwin L. McDonald, recorder for the two sections and six small groups on financing in his report to the full conference: "There seemed to be a growing feeling that we ought not to decide what we're going to accept or reject."

Significantly, the six small groups deleted from a paper outlining the possible solutions to financial problems an item which offered three possible solutions to the federal aid question.

They chopped from the report all three of these alternatives. "(a) Flatly and positively reject all federal aid, OR (b) Outline some conditions under which federal aid may be taken such as for science and other secular oriented subjects, OR (c) Permit colleges to accept federal aid provided no effort was made to control the college."

Instead of these statements, one of the six groups said that "the decision as to what kinds of federal funds, if any, are to be accepted by a college should be left to its boards of trustees."

Generally, all six groups on financing higher education seemed to agree, for all approved as a statement of principle: "The trustees of a college should exercise responsibility in matters of policy and control in keeping with the terms of the charter" and the purposes of the institutions.

One group even strengthened the statement by saying that the trustees should respect the views of the convention, but should be "protected from undue directives and pressures."

During the hour-long discussion following the report, two conference participants urged the BEST Findings Committee to recommend that a special offering be established to aid Christian higher education, and that the offering be promoted just as well as special offerings for home and foreign missions.

"Special offerings don't hurt the Cooperative Program," said Tom Neely of North Greenville Junior College, Tiger-ville, S. C. "We have special offerings for everything except education, and this says that education just isn't important."

Lloyd Simmons, president of California Baptist College, Riverside, agreed. Simmons also criticized the report of the financing sections for not including this.

Simmons strongly opposed federal aid to Baptist schools and any violation of the traditional Baptist view of separation of church and state. "We no longer have separation of church and state," he charged. "We have the rape of the First Amendment, and an undeclared establishment of religion."

He was critical of those who claim there is no attempt by the government to exert controls over schools that accept

federal aid, saying that tax support could eventually bring such a control as to change the very nature of Baptist schools.

Gordon Blackwell, president of Furman University in Greenville, S. C., however, disagreed. "We've been accepting various types of federal aid at Furman and we've never found any undesirable federal controls," he said.

The meeting closed with an address by Charles Trentham, pastor of First Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee, who said Baptists are entering into a new kind of society that is changing rapidly.

## BEST Conference Offers 75 Solutions To 55 Problems

by Jim Newton

NASHVILLE (BP)—The Baptist Education Study Task (BEST) concluded its second national conference here, but it sounded more like the beginning of even more involved studies of Baptist higher education problems than the end.

The conference didn't solve all the problems facing Baptist schools, including the question of federal aid to education, but it did provide a nation-wide Baptist dialogue on the thorny problems. And thus, it accomplished the limited purpose for which it was organized.

Rabun Brantley, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Education Commission which sponsored BEST, was elated over the meeting. He felt the long-overdue study had accomplished its task, and now the burden rests on the BEST findings committee.

Throughout the four-day conference, a total of about 75 solutions were offered by 22 study groups to about 55 problems already listed by more than 7,000 persons participating in the first national conference, 24 regional seminars, and other adult study sessions.

The task of digesting all the ideas presented in the study now falls to the 18-member findings committee, which will publish its analysis of the study in late summer.

Over and over again, five basic themes were repeated among the 75 solutions offered by the study groups.

1. A crisis in the need for additional financial support is the root of many problems facing the schools, and more money is the obvious solution to many problems.

2. Both the colleges and the Baptist state conventions which sponsor them need to formulate statements of philosophy and purpose for the role of each in Christian higher education.

3. Improved communication between the educational institutions and the churches is vital if problems facing the schools are to be solved.

4. Conventions must recognize that college boards of trustees are responsible for the administration of college affairs, and must try to set policies for the schools from the floor of the annual conventions.

5. The Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention should sponsor a series of national colloquiums aimed at developing even more pointed solutions to problems in specific areas.

There seemed to be no indication in the reports whether the majority of the conference participants favored or opposed federal aid, although one conference speaker estimated that perhaps 75 per cent of those present favored the acceptance of federal aid.

"There still are many different schools of thought among us, ranging from those who regard 'separation of church and state' in its strict construction as a Baptist tenet of faith, to those who see no threat to religious liberty in the acceptance of federal aid," said the report to the two sections on Financing Christian Higher Education.

Several conference participants urged the denomination to conduct a special offering for Christian education similar to annual offerings the denomination sponsors for home and foreign missions.

Accreditation was deemed by a section on that subject as an absolute necessity, with great stress being laid on the need for Christian higher education to be of high quality.

Final results of the findings committee report is scheduled for release September 15, although the committee is hoping for a release sooner if possible.

## B. D. - M. Div. Exchange Program Offered by Southern Seminary

A graduate of Southern Seminary at Louisville who now holds a bachelor of divinity degree may "trade it in" for a new master of divinity degree in a special program which will begin in the summer of 1968.

The seminary will offer four "refresher" courses in biblical, historical, practical and theological studies to update material covered in the bachelor's degree.

This fall the master's will replace the bachelor's as the first professional degree offered by the seminary.

Two of the new courses will be taught during the month of July, with the other two to be offered the following summer. A graduate must complete all four courses to fulfill the classroom requirements of the exchange program.

In addition, each applicant for degree transfer will submit a short research paper relating some area of theological study to his particular ministry.

"This will offer a well-organized,

thorough program of continuing theological education and give each graduate the chance to update his degree at the same time," said Dean Penrose St. Amant of the School of Theology. The refresher courses will not be part of the regular summer school curriculum, he said, but will be offered only to those involved in the degree transfer.

A graduate who finished his bachelor's degree work after 1964 may surrender his diploma and replace it with a master's by taking his eight hours of refresher courses from the regular seminary summer school curriculum. He must also complete a short research project under the direction of a faculty member.

Admission requirements for the bachelor-master exchange will be based upon a student's previous study and will not cover all the new requirements demanded of entering students in the master of divinity program, St. Amant said. (BP)

## Asher Joins Development Staff at Campbellsville

A. Joe Asher, attorney in Benton, Kentucky, has been named general counsel and director of financial development at Campbellsville College, effective June 1. He will work with D. L. Druen, director of development at the Baptist school.



Asher

A native of London, Kentucky, Asher earned his law degree from the University of Kentucky in 1930. In addition to private law practice in Harlan and Benton, he has served as city attorney, city judge and special county and circuit judge in several Kentucky counties.

Active in civic affairs, Asher served as governor of the Kentucky-Tennessee district of the Kiwanis Club in 1966.

In various Baptist churches of the state he has served as deacon, Sunday School superintendent, Training Union director and Brotherhood president.

## H M B Appoints First Consultant in Delinquency Ministry

The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board has appointed its first field consultant in juvenile rehabilitation work.

Travis B. Lipscomb of Fresno, California, will assist Baptist state conventions and associations in the Western United States on establishing, developing and implementing juvenile rehabilitation ministries.

Wilbert H. Goatley of Eminence, Kentucky, also was appointed at the Home Mission Board's June board of directors' meeting.

Goatley has been pastor of First Baptist Church in Eminence and temporary director at the Baptist Fellowship Center in Louisville. With this appointment by the Home Mission Board's department of work with National Baptists, he will serve full time at the center.

Lipscomb has been director of juvenile rehabilitation work in Fresno for the past six years and a student missionary under the Home Mission Board.

"Lipscomb's enlarged assignment will greatly strengthen the Home Mission Board's ministry in the area of juvenile rehabilitation," said Paul R. Adkins, secretary of the department of Christian Social Ministries.

The Franklin, Texas, native is a graduate of Baylor University (Baptist) in Waco, Texas, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. He also has his master of social work de-

gree from Fresno State College.

Goatley is a Louisville native and a graduate of the University of Louisville and Southern Baptist Theological Sem-

nary, Louisville.

Previous to his pastorate in Eminence, he was an instructor at Simmons University in Louisville. (BP)

## Thailand Baptists Witness with TV Program

In Buddhist Thailand a Baptist television program is building bridges to Christian congregations.

"Since many people in Thailand feel strange about going to a Christian church without a personal introduction," explains Ronald C. Hill, Southern Bap-



## New Woodlawn Parsonage

Members of the congregation and the pastor of Woodlawn Baptist Church, Lebanon, Ky., pitched in recently to build this new parsonage. Valued at \$17,000 the actual cost of construction was only about \$8,700 because of the use of volunteer labor. W. A. Clutts is pastor of Woodlawn Baptist Church.

tist missionary, "it was felt that some middle step was needed to get those who watch the weekly Baptist TV series, 'The Answer,' in contact with Christians."

The solution was found in a televangelism rally in the new four-story Baptist Student Center in Bangkok. More than 400 persons assembled in the spacious chapel one Saturday night in April to receive a formal introduction to Baptist life and work in the metropolitan area.

At the rally a Thai naval officer testified that he had found Christ through radio evangelism; a choir, accompanied by traditional Thai instruments, sang Christian songs composed by a member of Bangkok Baptist Church; and Joan Eubanks, a Disciples of Christ missionary and former Broadway actress, sang Thai hymns. The program climaxed with a short message by Pastor Direk Arayakosol.

Thai pastors and missionaries served at counseling tables, and 249 persons signed cards indicating interest in the Christian faith.

## National Program of Family Planning Services Is Proposed

Eleven members of the U. S. House of Representatives are pushing for a national program of family planning services. They hope to tie it in with the War on Poverty and to make it a part of the work of the Office of Economic Opportunity.

The government program, although not endorsed by the Southern Baptist Convention, would be in harmony with a resolution approved by the Miami Beach meeting of the convention.

For the first time, the SBC formally endorsed planned parenthood and the distribution of information about birth control.

Rep. James H. Scheurer (D., N.Y.) is taking the lead in the House for the development of a service aimed at better family planning. Similar efforts are being made in the U. S. Senate during the debate on the renewal of the Economic Opportunity Act.

The new bill would authorize grants for family planning services at the state and local levels to private and non-profit agencies such as hospitals and health departments. It would also expand such grants to the present community action programs.

The proposed program would include family planning information as well as medical supervision and supplies to per-

sons wanting the service.

The Scheurer bill protects the religious beliefs of people by providing that "no individual will be provided with any medical supervision or supplies which such individual states to be inconsistent with his or her moral, philosophical, or religious beliefs."

Likewise, no compulsion will be used in the program. No information or supplies will be provided unless the persons involved voluntarily ask for help.

The last four presidents—Harry S. Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, and Lyndon Johnson—have favored government support of family planning services, according to Scheurer.

In addition, he points out, many religious groups are now asking for such programs. Even the Roman Catholic church, which has traditional positions against certain types of birth control, is now encouraging governments to make available "appropriate information" and to take "suitable measures" in the area of family planning.

Scheurer emphasizes that family planning, or the lack of it, is directly related to poverty conditions. He quotes Mollie Orshansky, a prominent social scientist, as saying, "the larger the family, the greater the poverty hazard for children." (BP)

## Beyond Protection and Security

by E. Hermond Westmoreland  
President, Annuity Board, SBC

"One is always impressed with the efficient and business-like manner in which the Annuity Board carries on its work of serving the protection needs of those who serve Southern Baptists. As a financial institution it is as sound as any bank or insurance company in America. The business acumen of the executive officers, the technical staff and the investment committee of the Board is unquestioned. Like all present and prospective annuitants, I feel very secure in the benefits offered by this strategic agency of our Convention.

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God for the privilege of serving the deserving servants of Christ in disability, in retirement, and beyond death in the care of loved ones who survive.

"Our confidence in the dedicated officers and staff of the Board is unbounded, and our appreciation and gratitude for their unselfish service is unlimited.

"May God reward them for their faithfulness!"

## Baptist Unity Movement Conference Is Cancelled

DOVER, DEL. — (ABNS) — A Baptist Unity Conference scheduled for July 15-22 in Green Lake, Wisc., has been cancelled because of lack of interest.

The Baptist Unity Movement, which was sponsoring the conference, said in a brief announcement "that the number of registrations coming in did not warrant continued plans for it."



## Buxton Assumes Post With Annuity Board

D. Warren Buxton, 42, of Dallas has assumed the newly created position of assistant to the comptroller with the Southern Baptist Annuity Board.

B. J. Chenault, comptroller and treasurer of the Board, said Buxton will be responsible for coordinating the supervision of the finance and accounting division.

Buxton comes to the Board from Maytex Manufacturing Company of Terrell, Texas, where he served as office manager.

He is a 1950 graduate of Baylor University with a degree in religion and a 1953 graduate of Southwestern Seminary with an M.R.E. degree. He will complete work in August on a B.B.A. degree at Southern Methodist University.

## Lebanese Baptists Help War Refugees

Lebanese Baptists are raising 2,000 Lebanese pounds (about \$700 U.S.) to help the suffering people of Jordan and Egypt.

John D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, got this information June 12 by trans-world telephone communication with Finlay M. Graham, one of the three Southern Baptist missionaries still in Lebanon.

The missionaries and other Baptists in Lebanon were all right, and there was no damage to Baptist property during recent anti-American demonstrations.

Graham said they had received the \$10,000 which the Foreign Mission Board sent on June 10 for the relief of refugees in Jordan and Egypt. The money is being processed through a committee of Jordanian Baptists. The only Southern Baptist missionary remaining in Jordan is L. August Lovgren, medical doctor with the Baptist hospital in Ajloun.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

(These Lessons for July 9, 1967)

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD

## MEN WITH GOOD NEWS

Acts 14:8-18

When the opposition grew unbearable, and fruitful service was no longer possible, and it became known that the enemies of the gospel were plotting to stone to death the missionaries, Paul and Barnabas left Iconium and journeyed to Lystra. These men were the first to preach the gospel there. A pious Jewess, Eunice, had her residence in Lystra. Her husband, who was a Greek, had died, and she and their son, Timothy, lived with her mother, Lois. Both women were Christians, and there is a probability that the missionaries lodged in the home of this family.

One day Paul was preaching in a public place, but not in a synagogue for Lystra did not have one, when he observed one eager listener among the throng. He was a cripple, who had never walked. Unable to use his feet, he had never had much of a chance in life. All of his life he had been a pitiful object of charity. This cripple was there by divine appointment. He may have asked to be carried there, and his friends may have been the agents in taking him, but the primary force behind it all was the will of God. It was not an accident that he was carried there. God needed him there that day in order that He might use him. The man did not know that he was responding to a divine impulse when he was being carried to this place.

Evidently there was something about the way in which this cripple listened to Paul's preaching, which made a profound impression on him, which attracted Paul's attention and convinced him that the man was believing his message, and that he had sufficient faith to be healed. Compassionate Paul felt led of the Holy Spirit to perform a miracle, so, perceiving the faith of the man who was listening so intently, he commanded him to stand upon his feet. In response to Paul's authoritative command, the man leaped to his feet and walked without going through any learning process. The statement of Paul and the faith of the lame man grew out of the recognized presence of the Lord and His power to heal.

This sudden and complete cure of a



and Barnabas were horrified and did not lose any time in restraining them and explaining the true facts to them. Abhorring the thought of worship being ascribed to human beings, they persuaded the people to withhold their worship of them. They informed them that they were only men of like passions with them, and that they had come to tell them about the true and living God, to Whom all credit for the miracle was due. They tried to persuade the people that there was only one true God, that He was none other than Jehovah, the Creator of heaven and earth, and that He was the only One Who was entitled to be worshipped. One is impressed deeply by the promptness with which the servants of the Lord stopped the demonstration, and by the skill with which they bore their Christian testimony, assuring their hearers that their mission was to rescue them from the vanity of idolatry and to influence them to consider the claims of, trust in, and serve the living God.

congenital disease, which took place in public, caused the people to be filled with astonishment. The impact of this miracle upon their superstitious minds was so great that they concluded that Paul and Barnabas were more than mere men. This miracle of healing amazed the multitude and they exclaimed that the gods had again visited them in the likeness of men. They thought that Barnabas was Jupiter, and that Paul was Mercury. They identified Paul with Mercury because his persuasive eloquence corresponded with that outstanding attribute of the Roman god.

Believing that Paul and Barnabas were gods, the people wanted to worship them with appropriate sacrifices. When the priest of Jupiter brought oxen and garlands, and the people were about to worship these servants of God, Paul

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## GOD'S WISDOM VERSUS WORLDLY WISDOM

In the church at Corinth there were divisions over preachers. The members were exalting the messengers above the message. They were divided over men instead of united around a message. The messengers were human, but the message was divine.

I Corinthians 1:18-31

Paul knew that the best antidote to these divisions was the glorious gospel of Christ. He recognized that there is a perpetual difference between the message of Christ's gospel and the wisdom of the world. The source of the gospel is the wisdom of God. Unwilling that beautiful words or human eloquence should obscure the gospel of Christ, Paul was always careful to preach the "word of the cross" instead of words of wisdom from men. He preached the death, burial and resurrection of Christ in obedience to the Great Commission, as an expression of his personal appreciation, and as man's only hope of regeneration. He knew that it was the only message that would bring pardon and peace to troubled souls, transform human lives, and produce the desired

results. The "word of the cross" is God's way of salvation, whereas the wisdom of man is man's way of salvation. The agency of the former is preaching, and of the latter is philosophy. The only place in which they ever unite is at the cross, and there human wisdom must capitulate to God. The gospel of Christ is a revelation and philosophy is an invention.

"It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." Notice that this verse does not say the preaching of foolishness. To be sure, much foolishness is passed out under the label of preaching, but what is meant here is that the message of the cross is an absurdity to those who are worldly-wise. They do not object strenuously to preaching Christ as the world's greatest man and as a wonderful example. They respect His life and admire His example, but they reject His crucifixion as an atonement for the sins of men. The reason is that the cross precludes any possibility of salvation through self-effort.

In this passage we are brought face to face with three great types of religious life. "The Jews require a sign," that is, an outward display of the spectacular and miraculous. "The Greeks seek after wisdom," that is, considering themselves the embodiment of culture in art, literature, science philosophy, they unhesitatingly claimed intellectual supremacy. Paul spoke for the Christians saying in substance, as for us, we will stand by the Christ of the cross, Who may indeed be a stumbling block to the Jew and foolishness to the Greek, but to those who are called, whether Jews or Greeks, He is the power and wisdom of God.

The spirit of self-sufficiency which prevailed among the Corinthians caused them to take great pride in their philosophies. They sought human wisdom, but they needed an experimental knowledge of divine wisdom. From Christ, our wisdom, proceeds righteousness, sanctification and redemption. Whereas unsaved men boast of their prowess, privileges and possessions, Christians should glory in the Lord, to Whom they have committed themselves to the doing of His will.

II Corinthians 2:6-16.

Here we have a comparison between the wisdom of the world and the wisdom of God. The former is the highest reach of man's searchings and findings apart from any divine revelation. The latter is something that is hidden from the Christless, but revealed to believers by the Holy Spirit. The foundation of saving faith is not human reason, but the power of God bringing the truth to bear upon the heart.

God has His deep truths which are not for the world outside, but for His children. The message for the unsaved is the gospel, but the Lord imparts hidden wisdom to the saved. The Bible is a divine revelation which came by divine inspiration. The Holy Spirit is the revealer and teacher of the things of God. He makes known to us the truths of God. The secret of getting the mind of God is to live in the strength of the Holy Spirit and study the Word of God in dependence on Him. He reveals to those who are qualified to receive them the things which they need to know.

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### 25 YEARS AGO July 2, 1942

Lewis C. Ray, business manager of the *Western Recorder*, paid tribute to M. P. Hunt of Louisville, who announced his intention to retire July 1 after 61 years in the ministry. "He has been a champion of noble things," Ray said. "Probably his greatest monument in brick and stones is the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, which was conceived in his mind, and brought to fulfillment by his dauntless faith that Baptists needed such an institution for the good of suffering humanity and for the glory of God."

The *Western Recorder* reported that Miss Mary Jane Cubbage of Leitchfield and William Peyton Thurman of Louisville were married June 19 at Walnut Street Baptist Church. Hugh Peterson and Kyle M. Yates of the faculty of Southern Seminary officiated at the ceremony. A recent graduate of Southern Seminary, Thurman was then pastor of Evergreen Baptist Church in Franklin Association.

### Emerson Wortham Retires And Returns To Kentucky

Dr. T. Emerson Wortham has retired from the faculty of the East Texas Baptist College in Marshall, Texas, and returned to live in Franklin, Kentucky. He is a native Kentuckian, and spent most of his ministry as a pastor in Kentucky. He served as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lake Worth, Florida, for ten years, and for the last seven years has been on the faculty of East Texas Baptist College.

Dr. Wortham will be available for pulpit supply, interim pastorates, and revival meetings. He has visited seven countries in Europe, and also has toured

### 50 YEARS AGO June 28, 1917

The Louisville City B.Y.P.U. met June 19 with Highland Baptist Church. An address on the work of Louisville's Hope Rescue Mission was delivered by Director W. M. Bruce. The Baptist Young People's Union of Baptist Tabernacle won the attendance banner for having the largest number of young people present.

### 125 YEARS AGO June 30, 1842

The editors of the *Baptist Banner and Western Pioneer* (now the *Western Recorder*) explained to its subscribers in Alabama and Tennessee that "Alabama and Tennessee money has become so depreciated in value that we can no longer take it at par from our subscribers. Alabama is at a discount of 30 to 40 per cent, and Tennessee at 15 to 20 per cent."

the Holy Land. He has a collection of pictures and slides of the areas he has visited.

Mrs. Wortham is a native of Tennessee, and the couple has one son, named Charles.

The home address of Dr. Wortham is 407 Parkway Drive, Franklin, Kentucky 42134, telephone 586-3412.

### ADAMS RECEIVES AWARD

THEODORE ADAMS, former president of the Baptist World Alliance who serves as pastor of First Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia, received the 1967 E. Y. Mullins Denominational Service Award presented by Southern Seminary of Louisville.

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## Sunday School

### Sunday School Superintendent Package Is Available Now

by Roy Boatwright

The Sunday School Superintendent's package is available and may be secured from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$2.25. The package is designed to assist the Sunday School superintendent and other Sunday School officers in planning and conducting the Sunday School program for 1967-68. The package contains



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the following helps:

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- Item 7: "1967-68 Sunday School Growth Progress Chart"
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Those who used the package last year know the value of it. We would encourage all churches to purchase this package for the Sunday School leadership. It is often stated that the Sunday School superintendent's package is to the Sunday School superintendent what the Vacation Bible School principal's package is to the V.B.S. principal.

The arrival of the mail gives your state Sunday School department occasion for rejoicing. This is due to the good number of V.B.S. reports received daily.

## Stewardship

### A Simple Formula For Complex Needs

by Michael L. Speer

The following letter came to my office from J. B. Sparrow of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. He is superintendent at Brown-Dix Generating Stations, Kentucky Utilities Company, in Eurgin. Let me share the letter with you.

"Dear Mr. Speer:

I spend most of my time as a business man looking for simple and efficient means to perform complex functions of production in such a way that it gives purpose of performance to those engaged in the work and maximum benefit to those that receive the end product.

"I firmly believe that in the all important business of producing Christians in a world dominated by evil forces, the Cooperative Program gives purpose to our giving and accomplishes a maximum in God's plan of redemption on a local, national and international scale."

In the picture below, Mr. Sparrow, on the right, is receiving two safety awards from James R. Thompson, safety director for Kentucky Utilities, Lexington. The picture was sent by Mr. Sparrow's pastor, Wallace H. Carrier, pastor of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church. Carrier wrote, "Let me say, too, that Mr. Sparrow is always a friend of Cooperative Program, wanting to increase it each year, at budget making time."

Will Kentucky Baptists reach that challenging Cooperative Program goal this year? A goal of \$3,500,000! With men and women like Mr. Sparrow, all over Kentucky, wanting to increase Cooperative Program giving, the answer is YES! How about your church? Have you done everything you can?



## Church Music

### Festivals In 1967 Exceed 6,000 Persons

by Eugene F. Quinn

A total of 6,423 persons were involved in the festival program in the Kentucky Baptist Convention in 1967. The eight regional festivals had 5,186 in 145 choirs, including 95 hymn players, 26 soloists, 7 song leaders, and 11 ensembles. These participants represented 72 churches in 32 associations.

Festivals sponsored by Associations enrolled 165 in Nelson, 200 in North Bend, 225 in Salem, and 402 in West Union, for a total of 992 persons from 29 churches in the four associations.

#### State Youth Choir Festival is the Climax

The State Youth Choir Festival brought to a climax the festival year. Youth choirs which received a superior rating in the regional festivals were eligible for this festival. The participating choirs were from Central Baptist Church, Corbin; First Baptist Church, Mayfield; First Baptist Church, Henderson; Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown; plus the Beechmont, Baptist Tabernacle, and St. Matthews Baptist Churches of Louisville.

Meeting at Elizabethtown, the choirs sang their best to each other and then recorded music for a 15-minute radio program to be offered to Kentucky radio stations for broadcast in the near future.

#### DO YOU WANT A PLAN FOR ESTABLISHING A MUSIC MINISTRY

Most churches can have a music ministry, and most of them do. However, the following statement is not uncommon: "We have no music program in our church; what should we do? Where do we start? What helps are available?" **Start Positively**

Let these basic assumptions serve as "guidelines."

1. Most churches use music.
2. Most churches can have a music ministry.
3. Interested church members will cooperate with the pastor in establishing a music ministry.
4. Usually a person in the church with sufficient training is available to serve as leader.
5. Churches without such persons can usually enlist outside temporary leadership.
6. Church-elected leaders can improve their skills through associational,

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## Woman's Missionary Union



Mrs. Marvin L. Garrett

The Second Annual World Missions Conference will be held at the Cedar-moore Baptist Assembly July 31-August 4.

The first evening session will begin with supper at 6:00 p.m., EST, Monday, July 31. The closing session will be Friday, August 4 at 12:15.

The theme for the Second Annual Conference is **That the World May Know Him**.

Each day will have a particular theme built around the work of the local church.

Monday's theme will be **That the World May Know Him . . . and Worship**.

Tuesday, **That the World May Know Him . . . and Proclaim**.

Wednesday, **That the World May Know Him . . . and Minister**.

Thursday, **That the World May Know Him . . . and Educate**.

Friday, will be **Together . . . That the World May Know Him**.

Supervision for children will be provided Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 12:05. In the evening from 7:15 until 9:05 p.m.

Boys nine years of age and older will be expected to attend the Royal Ambassador camp and girls ten years and older will be expected to attend the G.A. camps.

The committee for this year's conference is composed of Mrs. George Ferguson, Mr. A. B. Colvin, Mr. Edward Cunningham and Forrest R. Sawyer, as chairman.

Presiding during the conference will be Mr. Sawyer, Dr. J. Chester Badgett, A. B. Colvin, J. Edward Cunningham and Mrs. George R. Ferguson.

Of particular interest to Kentuckians will be the return of Mrs. Marvin L. Garrett (nee Mary-Ellen Wooten) whose overseas service as a missionary began in Burma in 1937.

Those who know "Mary-Ellen" characterize her as one with a "Christian-oriented world perspective."

Mrs. Garrett was born in Cincinnati,

## Toward SBC Educational Correlation

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about which he is ignorant. Let the people speak in their own categories, and a more creative fruit will be yielded.

2. Church programming has yet to convince the majority that it is an essential aspect of our continuing work rather than something additional to the already too long list of functions. The relationship of the members of church staffs to the church council has not been defined adequately. For too many church administrators, the "administrative work" of the church is not seen as the means toward which the essentials are effected.

3. There is an immediate need for uniformity in the names of offices in the educational organizations. A director in Training Union is the head of the organization or of a department, while in broader function than organization head and a narrower function than organization head. In Brotherhood he is equivalent to the W.M.U. president, who in Sunday School is known as a superintendent. President in W.M.U. is the head of the organization and of a society. In Brotherhood he is head of a unit; in Sunday School, of a class. Superintendent in Sunday School is the head of the organization or of a department.

4. Fewer organizations are foreseeable and desirable. Much of the vestibule talk in the 50's was not about correlation as it has developed, but about less organization. It is doubtful that most wanted to see all of the existent organizations strengthened, as they have been under Life and Work and correlation at other points. The extinction of some organization was desired. Few questioned the emphases that were be-

grew up in Eellevue, Ky., earned her B.A. from Dennison University and has an M.A. from Columbia University Teachers' College and studied at Women's Missionary Union Training School in Louisville. She and Mr. Garrett have been married since 1950.

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ing projected, but many had serious doubts about the necessity of so many organizations to carry out those emphases. The question persists, and must be answered.

5. Perhaps the crowning move in correlation will come when the planning of educational structures will be under one denominational agency's roof. Correlation up to now has been because of an unprecedented Christian spirit of cooperation between the faithful employees of the agencies and the elected boards. We cannot be assured that this will always be true with independent agencies.

Not even the present processes of the Inter-Agency Council will bring about the absolute centralization of educational architecture. Nothing in the Convention directives about correlation have required such. Perhaps it will be in the Convention programming responsibilities within the Executive Committee that the inevitable sword thrust of the recognition of one educational planning agency will be born.

When this birth takes place, we hope that it will be in such a fullness of time that it will still be possible to say of our servant-agencies, "Correlation—The Faith Kept."

## Planning Music Ministry

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state, and Southern Baptist Convention training events.

7. A progressive music ministry merits financial support from the church.

8. Once the music ministry is established, plans should be made for its improvement and expansion.

9. The church should receive reports from its leader (s) on progress and effectiveness of its music ministry.

10. The church should report its music through the uniform church letter to the Association.

#### Consider This Definition

A church has established a music ministry when it—

1. Elects a Music Director.
2. Charges him with the responsibility for developing a music program in the church.

#### Help Is Available

If you would like to receive materials to assist you in establishing a music ministry, write your state music secretary at your state convention office.

#### CONVENTION

► DOUGLAS HUDGINS, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, was named by the SBC to preach the annual convention sermon next year in New Orleans. Named alternate was John P. Newport, professor at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

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