

At this Easter season, Christians everywhere take special note of Christ's CONCERN for man. It is therefore appropriate that Kentucky Baptists take a brief glimpse at what they are doing inside their own borders to interpret that CONCERN to man today. This issue purposes to present only some of the places proclaiming the "Good News" because Baptists demonstrated their CONCERN through giving through the Cooperative Program.





GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Paducah, has begun a kindergarten. According to church officials, the kindergarten will meet all state requirements and run on a schedule similar to that of the Paducah city schools. Employed as teacher for the new project is Mrs. Nancy J. Walker, a first grade teacher for six years.

HARMON M. BORN, an Atlanta, Georgia, layman, has been elected president of the board of directors of the SBC Home Mission Board. Born is president of an auto sales firm and chairman of the board of deacons of Rock Baptist Church in nearby Rex.

HAROLD SONGER, New Testament professor at Southern Seminary, is one of four who will compose the faculty of the 1969 Pastors' School held at Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina. The school will be held June 30 - July 4.

CUMBERLAND COLLEGE CHORAL, under the direction of Harold Wortman, has just completed a nine-day spring concert tour that took the musical group into four states.

STUDENT NURSE CHOIR, composed of nursing students at Kentucky Baptist Hospital School of Nursing, Louisville, will begin a three-day concert tour April 11. The choir is conducted by Perry Carroll, a student at Southern Seminary.

EASTERN PARKWAY Baptist Church, Louisville, ordained Jerry B. Farmer to the gospel ministry recently. Request for the ordination was made by the Stone Lick Baptist Church of Bracken Association where Farmer is pastor.

GLENN O'BRYAN celebrated his ninth anniversary as minister of music for the First Baptist Church of Somerset recently. Pastor Eldred Taylor described as "above average" a minister of music remaining with one church that long.

RANSOME SWORDS, for 12 years an official with the Home Mission Board, has resigned to join another Southern Baptist agency. He is now affiliated with the SBC Annuity Board with offices in Dallas, Texas.

L. D. KENNEDY, professor at Campbellsville College, recently published an article dealing with the role of a student newspaper on a Christian college. The article appeared in the February issue of *Educator*, the publication of the SBC Education Commission.

MISS DALE WORCESTER, daughter of Ken Worcester, I.B.M. supervisor for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, was chosen outstanding volunteer worker in the student division by the Volunteer's Bureau of the Community Chest. Miss Worcester was cited for her work at Kentucky Children's Home.

"MASTERCONTROL", in its April 13 broadcast, will present a nostalgic "Tenth Anniversary Special" commemorating the unique religious program's first decade on the air. Beginning on four stations, the program is now carried on 520 stations in all 50 states and 20 foreign countries plus 300 stations of the Armed Forces Radio Network.

ROBERT LIVELY, Jr., has assumed the pastorate of the Memorial Baptist Church in Columbia, Missouri. Lively is a native of Bowling Green. He pastored the Forest Park Baptist Church in Warren Association and the Hillview Baptist Church in Long Run Association. Lively also spent two years as associate pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church in Louisville.

LEXINGTON AVE. Baptist Church, Danville, moved into their new educational building Sunday, March 30. All Sunday School members met in the sanctuary and were then directed to their new classes. To celebrate the opening, the church set an attendance goal of 501.

NEW ORLEANS SEMINARY scheduled two spring holidays for its students to allow them to participate in the hemisphere wide Crusade of the Americas. Students were free March 8-17 and will also have April 12-21 free. Seminary officials say over two-thirds of the student body is participating in the Crusade.

W. L. CARLIN, former pastor of Bellvue Baptist Church in McCracken County for 32 years, has been called as pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Paducah. At the time of the call, Carlin was serving as interim pastor of the Calvary church.

LLOYD MAHANES, pastor of the Boone's Creek Baptist Church, Boone's Creek Association, will celebrate his 29th anniversary as pastor of that church April 6. Currently the church is in the middle of a remodeling program for their educational building.

FINDLEY B. EDGE, professor of religious education at Southern Seminary, and **MAHAN SILER,** former associate pastor of Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, were program personalities for a three-day conference entitled "The Church's Mission in the National Crisis." Held March 31-April 2, the conference was sponsored by the SBC Christian Life Commission. The conference met at the University of Chicago.

H. MAC JOHNSON, Jr., former Louisville area pastor and Southern Seminary graduate, has been elected secretary of the Brotherhood department of the Alabama Baptist State Convention. At the time of his election he was pastor of the Clayton Street Baptist Church of Montgomery, Alabama.

Concern, Personalization: Keys To Success

A large church can be first in total giving but it cannot be first in per capita giving. It simply has too much dead weight that active members have to carry to do well on a per member basis.

This statement has been made so many times that people everywhere have come to accept it as fact. However, the falseness of the statement was demonstrated last year by the Severns Valley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown.

Severns Valley led the state with total giving through the Cooperative Program reaching \$83,272. Broken down to a per capita basis, this meant the church gave \$32.73 for each of its 2,544 members, 20% of whom are non-residents.

"We weren't trying for any records," said Severns Valley Pastor Verlin Kruschwitz. "When Jesse Stricker (stewardship secretary for the Kentucky Baptist Convention) called and said we were first in total giving and per capita giving we were as surprised as anyone.

That Severns Valley Baptist Church has always been a mission-minded church is a matter of record. It had one of the first Sunday Schools in the state of Kentucky. In 1880, it organized a Woman's Missionary Union, two years before a state organization existed. In 1919 the church raised \$50,000 for the convention-wide \$75,000,000 campaign to pay off indebtedness.

Currently the church helps support two foreign missionaries, Miss Evelyn Stone in Ghana and Dr. Paul Sanderson in Brazil. The church supported Miss Bonnie Moore in Nigeria for a time.

In addition the church is sponsoring two missions in Elizabethtown plus giving aid to a church in Massachusetts and another in Ohio.

"Every year but one since I have been here we have either increased the dollars or the percentage of giving throughout the Cooperative Program," the pastor remarked. Currently the church gives 43% of its undesignated income through the Cooperative Program. Included in this amount is \$15,000 for special designated mission projects.

The pastor remembered that some suggested cutting back on Cooperative Program giving while the church paid for its building. "But we always had men who would say, 'Now what would that dollar do in Africa'.

"Having a mission-minded person as chairman of the budget committed also helped," the pastor related.

Personalization seems to be the key to the Severns Valley Baptist Church and its approach to missions.

"We want the congregation to understand that the Cooperative Program is something we give through, not something we give to," Kruschwitz emphasized.

Miss Stone and Dr. Sanderson, as well as other home and foreign missionaries are frequent guests of the church to share accounts of their work.

The Massachusetts church sent a replica of its proposed building so the congregation could see what it was helping to construct. During the Toledo, Ohio, Crusade in July, Kruschwitz will preach at Bryans Chapel, the church Severns Valley is helping to support.

"These are just some of the ways our church stays alert and informed about the needs of the world and the ministries to meet these needs," Kruschwitz added.

Recalling that many churches experience a slowdown after a successful building program, Kruschwitz pointed out that Severns Valley had taken a step forward after paying off its debt.

"At the note burning ceremony I reviewed what the church had done to that point. Then we burned the note.

The second part of the service was a challenge for the church to take the funds previously going into the building fund and channel them into mission outreach through the Cooperative Program. The church accepted the challenge and we put it into our budget."

Last year the church anticipated giving \$75,000. It actually gave \$83,272. This year the church budgeted \$77,890. What the church will actually give the pastor could not say.

Severns Valley operates on the assumption that if one wants to give to a special project, the funds should be channeled through the church in the form of a designated offering. Also all special offerings are budgeted items.

Kruschwitz summarized the missionary involvement of his church by saying that Severns Valley people give because they want to, because they want to have a part in helping people in Kentucky, the United States and the world.



Briensburg First After Six Months

The Briensburg Baptist Church, Benton, Kentucky, in Blood River Association has a record of almost \$25.00 per capita per member through the Cooperative Program in the first six months of this convention year—September 1968-February 1969.

This six-month period record in giving is not just an unusual happening. The Briensburg Baptist Church, with 418 total membership is consistently in the top through Cooperative Program giving. It was fifth in the state in per capita through the Cooperative Program last year.

Asked about this phenomenal giving

record for these six months, pastor Calvin C. Wilkins said, "I was not even aware of our church in comparison with any other, but our church has always had a world-mission view which accounts for the amount of money given through the Cooperative Program." He further explained "we presently have approximately one hundred tithers in our church. It looks as if we will have the best year in the history of our church for Cooperative Program giving. We thank God for this." Pastor Wilkins then added, "Any Christian who does not at least tithe has not really learned to trust the Lord with all of his life."

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Special Offerings Threaten Cooperative Program

A trusted and proven workhorse can be starved if too many glamorous show ponies are allowed to compete with him for the available grass. And Southern Baptists appear to be letting just this happen to the most valuable workhorse any denomination ever had.

The workhorse for Baptists is the Cooperative Program. Nothing we have ever come up with as a plan for financing our work has come close to providing such fair and solid support for all we do in carrying out the Lord's assignment.

The show ponies are the special emphases and offerings which seem to be growing in number and intensity every year. In the past we have thought of special offerings supplementing the Cooperative Program. At the present rate of growth of special offerings and the slowdown in support of the Cooperative Program, the Cooperative Program in the future might provide only a small supplement for the special offerings. Then we will be back where we were before we began using this unified approach.

Special offerings have a built-in advantage over the Cooperative Program. They can be glamorized, sentimentalized and emotionalized. In comparison the Cooperative Program seems dull and colorless. Denominational leaders have realized this for years, but haven't come up with an effective way to dramatize it. In the meantime the success of special offerings is too good to resist.

When top promotion and even high pressure techniques are added to the built-in advantages of special offerings, the Cooperative Program comes out a poor second. What it eventually amounts to is killing the goose that laid the golden egg.

Growth of Special Offerings

Now I know there will be wide disagreement with the view that special offerings are threatening the Cooperative Program. When this view was expressed in this column as long as ten years ago, there was a strong reaction from some denominational leaders, especially those benefitting from the special offerings. But all that one needs to do to see what's happening is to look at the present trends.

The Cooperative Program's increase has slowed to a snail's pace, while the special offerings are growing more and more. By now the Lottie Moon Foreign

Mission Offering and the Annie Armstrong Home Mission Offering provide more than half the incomes of the Foreign Mission Board and the Home Mission Board.

Yet these offerings were once only the egg money of the W.M.U. ladies who majored on mission study and prayer during these special weeks. Now these are almost universally church-wide observances with major emphasis on the offerings. Many members who know little and care little about the Cooperative Program get all excited about these mission offerings and start saving up months ahead for them, especially the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Many churches which miss their church budget goal for the year surpass their special mission offering goals.

An illustration on the state level is the annual Kentucky Baptist Child Care Offering. This offering is needed since it is the main support of the Child Care Program, and so it is vigorously promoted each year. The 1968 goal for this offering was \$330,000. To date it has amounted to \$345,200, or \$15,200 over the goal. Yet the 1967-68 Cooperative Program goal for Kentucky was short by \$174,000.

Pressure for Special Emphases

Pastors and other church leaders find it harder and harder to resist special offerings and pressures for a place in the budget or an opportunity to take a special offering. Look at the typical demands upon a church. The three W.M.U. sponsored special weeks for foreign, home and state missions have become church-wide. Other denominationally approved special offerings in Kentucky include the Children's Homes and the Hospital Charity Offering.

Most churches contribute to an associational mission program and some have their own missions. The Temperance League expects at least one Sunday a year and an offering as do the Gideons in many churches.

There is generally a state wide drive for special funds like Kentucky's Christian Education Advance. The colleges have their own financial campaigns going and find a place in a number of church budgets.

Then there's the Southern Seminary Billy Graham Evangelism Chair, the Toledo Crusade of Americas project, the American Bible Society and on and on.

Each of these special causes generally has its champions in every church. If a church says "yes" to all requests, every Sunday of the year could be devoted to a special emphasis and a special offering. In the meantime the Cooperative Program, the lifeline of all our work, including several causes making the big special offering push, is last in the shuffle and the budget is bled white by the time the Cooperative Program gets in.

Cooperative Program Needs Protection

This writer is not anti-special emphasis, but he is

so pro Cooperative Program he would like to see special offerings subordinated. Why can't we make these special emphases more educational in nature and reserve the Cooperative Program for our unified mission giving?

The above words are admittedly hard as well as controversial, but they are sincerely said out of love for the total work of Baptists. The most needed promotion for the Cooperative Program today is its protection from competitors that threaten to starve it. Now is the time for all grateful Baptists to come to the aid of the Cooperative Program.

The Resurrection Should Be A Perpetual Experience

It's a pity that we haven't changed the name of next Sunday from Easter Sunday to Resurrection Day. Easter is from "Eastre", the name of the ancient Teutonic goddess of spring. The name then for this Christian holy day is at least a holdover from paganism.

Ancient paganism in a name is matched by modern paganism in practice. The display of new clothes and showy bonnets to celebrate Christ's resurrection is unworthy for a Christian observance and more appropriate for paganism. Even church attendance on this one Sunday while taking the rest of the Lord's days each year for one's own use is a hollow mockery of God.

Neither is the Lord especially honored by a stem-winding sermon on proofs of the resurrection of

Christ. His resurrection is not something to be debated, but something to be accepted by faith and experienced in life.

The main message of the first resurrection was that God is stronger than Satan and that trust in Him brings victory in defeat and triumph over tragedy.

Few times since the first century have the forces of evil been so rampant as now. It would be a day to expect defeat and tragedy for the cause of right except for the resurrection of Christ.

The reality of the resurrection is most worthily proven by lives that give irrefutable evidence of the presence of the living Lord. This is not a once a year observance but a perpetual way of life.



CRISWELL'S BOOK

Dear Editor:

You presented a great service when you printed the Baptist Press report of the Bible Teachers protest against publicizing the works of people who profess to preach "that the Bible is literally true." The people who make such proclamation fool no one but themselves.

John the Baptist did not level any mountains nor did he elevate any plains.

The bread Jesus held up before His disciples was not His literal body; neither was the fruit of the vine His literal blood.

The disciples did not eat His literal flesh nor drink His literal blood.

The disciples were not literal salt and literal light.

Jesus is not a literal door nor a literal shepherd. Practically every type of figure of speech is found in the Bible. The writers of the Bible used language as it is used today.

If it is a violation of the Federal laws to misrepresent a product in the advertisement of it, how much more serious is it to misrepresent the Bible?

Dallas, Texas C. B. Jackson

STUDENT HELP

Dear Editor:

As a student I have always appreciated the assistance that local churches

have given the Baptist students of the University of Kentucky, but I feel that there is a different sort of thing that the churches can do that they may not have considered. Baptist students are remarkably receptive to new ways to minister on campus; however, to do this they must have more materials to work with and materials to improve their physical plant to make it as attractive and useful as possible to new students.

It is in this area that I feel Baptist churches can help U. of K. students in a very direct and not so expensive way. Many items found in the attic, basement, set aside in businesses or discarded from remodeling can be creatively put to use at U. of K. All types of materials are needed to expand missions to state, national and international collegiates. Surely Kentucky Baptists will come to the aid of their state school in this important ministry.

U. of K. Larry Wakefield

Home Mission Board Ups Church Loan Interest Rate, Now 7½%

Faced with the high cost of borrowing money, the Southern Baptist church loans operation has hiked the church loans interest rate from 6½ percent to 7½ percent.

The policy of the Home Mission Board's Church Loans Division has been to charge churches the same interest rate the division paid on borrowed money.

However, the best interest rate now available to the Home Mission Board is 8¼ percent, and the board of directors, acting in spring session, authorized the Church Loans Division to borrow \$1 million from a loan institution at that rate.

"Rather than see the churches pay such a high interest rate, the Home Mission Board agreed to raise its interest rate only to 7½ percent and then subsidize the church loans for the difference," said church loans director Robert H. Kilgore.

"All of the economic forecasters we discussed this matter with felt we are in high interest market for a long time to come. It might decline to 7½ percent by the end of the year; however, no one seems to think it will go below 7½ percent for several years."

Kilgore said directors instructed the church loans officers to process only those loans absolutely necessary during this high money cost period, with the hopes that the market will correct itself.

Kilgore said the directors considered

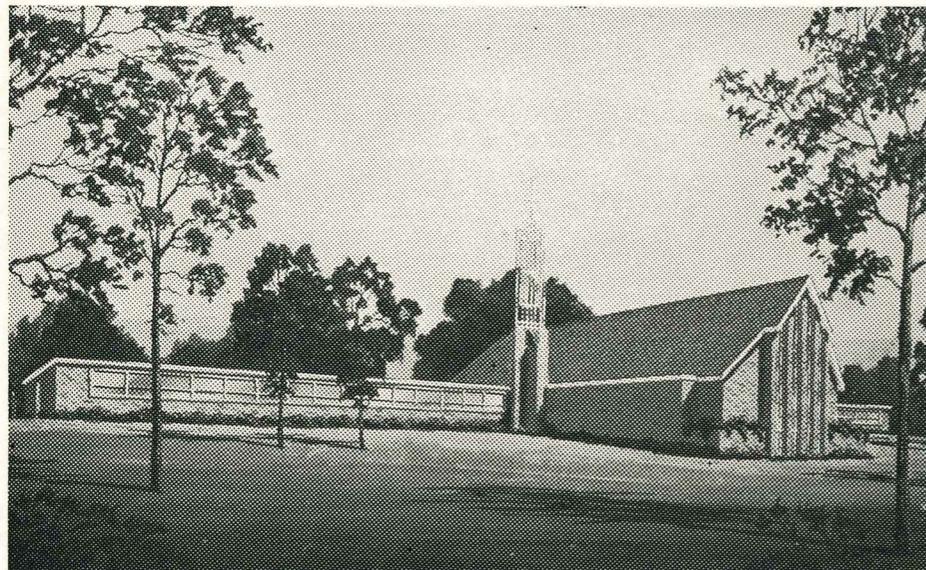
two other alternatives: (1) Raise the division's interest rates to 8¼ percent from 6½ percent to match the market rate or (2) Hold the line on the division's borrowing, which in effect would be a shutting down of operations for a time to determine economic trends. (BP)

Baptist Schools Asked To Help Government With Youth Camps

Four Baptist schools are among 129 colleges and universities being considered for a special program to bring 75,000 inner city youngsters onto college campuses this summer for sports and educational activities.

Announcement was made by Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, chairman of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. Astronaut James A. Lowell will head the program which will cost a total of \$4.5 million.

The four Baptist colleges asked to enter bids for the day camp programs are: Houston Baptist College, Samford University in Birmingham, Grand Canyon College in Phoenix; and Bishop College in Dallas. The first three are affiliated with state conventions of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the latter is an American Baptist Convention institution. (BP)



NEW CHURCH—Groundbreaking services for the new Burgin Baptist Church building were held on March 2 with State Sunday School Secretary Roy Boatwright as speaker. The \$188,000 air-conditioned wall-to-wall carpeted building will be erected on a new location, on a six-acre lot on E. Main Street, across from the Burgin High School. It will have two wings of educational space and the sanctuary will seat 400. James A. Hurd is the Burgin pastor. T. L. Brown is the building committee chairman.



This issue of *Western Recorder* gives special attention to the Cooperative Program—our Kentucky and Southern Baptist full mission program—and should be read carefully by every Baptist in the state. We have such a thrilling mission-education-benevolence work in our state, and you will be encouraged by the story which unfolds in this issue.

Baptists should be proud of their plans for working together to carry out the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ—that is the Cooperative Program.

The work in Kentucky touches every church, every pastor, every church leader—helping him to serve the Lord better in his own church; and it touches every Baptist college and state school, each of our three Children's Homes, our three Baptist Hospitals, our state Assembly-Camps at Cedarmore; it touches every associational organization, every organization in the church, and reaches out through our state with special work with children, handicapped persons, Negroes, Jews, juveniles—through missions, Fellowship Centers, missionaries, Day Care, and Christian Social ministries.

The Cooperative Program, through the Executive Committee and Foreign-Home Mission Boards, agencies and Commissions, does this work throughout the world! What could we do without it? We must give more money from the churches through it.

Sunday, April 20

A special Sunday, April 20—is suggested to every church for preaching and teaching about our world mission program—the Cooperative Program. Pray about it in your church.

Youth Night, April 4

One of the finest things you can do for the youth of your church is to help them attend the Eighth Annual Joint Kentucky Baptist Youth Night, Friday, April 4, 7:30 (EST) in Louisville—at the Fairgrounds, Freedom Hall! Great evangelistic service with Arthur Blessitt, "Minister of Sunset Strip" preaching.

Bring all your youth—and their friends in and out of the church—but if you have a youth choir, send them a little early for the 6:30 rehearsal.

Eat At Freedom Hall

The concession stands will be open from 4:30 to 7:15 P.M.—so come right on to the Fairgrounds, and pick up a snack—your expense.

Harold G. Sanders



Long Run WMU ladies serve meal to soldiers at Service Center

Long Run WMU Helps Louisville Service Center Celebrate Birthday

For something done up in the finest fashion, leave it to the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Union. This long established truth was demonstrated again Sunday, March 16, by the women of Long Run Baptist WMU. They served the meal for the Louisville Service Club which entertains service men each weekend.

And a meal it was on this occasion. Baked ham, fried chicken, slaw, green beans, bread, cake, sherbet and fresh fruit in unbelievable quantities were consumed by clean-cut service youngsters some of whom came through the line two or three times without the assistance of the ladies. The food was provided by the missionary groups from the Long Run Baptist churches.

Over \$300 in cash was also contributed to help in the hospitality.

Twice a year the Long Run ladies serve at the Service Club. One of these times is in March when each year the anniversary of the Louisville Service Club is celebrated. This year was a gala occasion.

By count 247 service men and young ladies acting as hostesses passed through the serving line. They were loud in praise of the hospitality both in word and in the way they ate and enjoyed themselves.

The hostesses are young ladies carefully selected. To be hostess a young lady must be between 17 and 23 years of age, single and not divorced and she also has to have a letter of recommendation from her pastor.

Most of the service men are from Fort Knox and are in basic training. They are brought in military buses with

a sergeant in charge of each bus. They are polite and well behaved.

A visitor to the Service Club is impressed by the strict supervision and the well planned activities. For the Long Run WMU ladies it offered on March 16 an unusual opportunity to give living expression to much they learned in their organization concerning Christian witnessing.



OFFICERS—Elected officers of the board of directors of Southern Baptist Hospitals, Inc. were (from left to right): Dr. Bryant A. Bloss, president of the board; Bryan Robinson, vice-president; James Paul Oubre, recording secretary; and Carl A. Howell, assistant recording secretary. The officers were elected at a meeting held in New Orleans. A resident of Evansville, Indiana, Bloss is a graduate of Georgetown College and the University of Louisville medical school. He is the first medical doctor to serve in this capacity.

College Adds Students To Faculty Committees

The Georgetown College faculty has recommended that students be named to Faculty Committees at the school next year.

The action taken also delegates additional responsibility to the Student Government's Chief Justice. This student officer will become a voting member of the Faculty Committee on Committees. Mike Reed, a junior from Cynthiana, Kentucky, is the Student Government's Chief Justice. He was elected to this office by the student body last week.

The action by Georgetown's faculty establishes a precedent at the school. Their motion furthermore does not place a limit on the number of students that may be named to a faculty committee. The motion adopted by the Georgetown faculty states that, "one or more students may be appointed" to any of the dozen standing committees.

The chairman of the Committee on Committees is Dr. Carl Fields, Academic Dean at Georgetown. The Committee on Committee's selections for the dozen or more working committees are reviewed by the president of the college who passes on the selections.

Faculty Committees that currently serve the College include: Admissions, Athletic, Curriculum, Co-curricular, International Studies, Library, Publication, Scholarship and Financial Aid, Student Personnel, Teacher Education, and the Danford Thomas Lecture.

Associational Missionary Helps Churches

In 1956, Jim Watt began believing that after his two children were married, the Lord might have something for him to do that a couple raising children could not.

In 1967 that idea became a reality when Watt became Association Missionary for Pike Association in eastern Kentucky. The association has 17 churches, 13 missions and includes work in part of West Virginia.

In the first seven months Watt was in Pike County, he preached 161 times. Last Sunday, March 30, he was scheduled to be in four different churches.

Watt is the type person that tries to know both the pastors and laymen of his association.

At Christmas he had a dinner for all the pastors and their wives. Many hours are spent visiting with the local pastors helping with special projects or sharing common problems or getting to know one another better. "I want to be a friend or pastor to the pastor's," Watt said. "They often don't have a pastor when they need one."

Of his relationship with laymen Watt said, "I believe I have a speaking knowledge with laymen from every church and mission in our association." He said that five churches had lost their pastor since he assumed his present role a year ago. "I have worked with each one and this helps me know them and their problems. It also helps them know and



Jim Watt, left, and Don Mathis, a Paducah area pastor, examine a revival poster. Mathis will lead a Pike County mission in a Crusade of the Americas revival.

understand me."

Concern for the Crusade is deep in Pike County. When the association missionary began checking with churches about participating, he found five missions who wanted to have a part but could not afford an evangelist.

Watt told the missions that if they voted to participate, he would find each an evangelist at no cost. "I got in contact with churches in western Kentucky and got five to agree to send their pastor here for the week as a missionary project."

The people of Pike County have responded to Jim Watt's concern. Recently they raised \$1,100 to send him to the

Holy Land. This was above their regular offerings.

J. V. Case, who recently left Pike County to work in the Owensboro area, told the missionary that he had never seen the mountain people accept anyone as they had Watt.

"I guess that was God's way of telling me that I am in the right place," Watt responded.

Jim Watt and his work is supported by Pike County Baptist Association and the Cooperative Program.

There are 52 other men in the state in work similar to Watt's. Most of these are supported in some way by the Cooperative Program.

Grace Baptist Last County Seat Church Founded

Back in the 1940's, the Kentucky Baptist Convention began a program of establishing a Southern Baptist church in every county seat town in the state. That program was completed in 1966 when, in a town of 800, the Grace Baptist Church was constituted.

To the surprise of most Baptists in Kentucky, the last county seat town to have a Southern Baptist church was not in the mountains of eastern Kentucky. It was Independence, the county seat of metropolitan Kenton County in northern Kentucky.

A non-Southern Baptist church in Independence had been forced to lock its doors. When this occurred, Baptist laymen from Latonia, Walton, and New Bank Lick Baptist Churches organized a mission there. Fifteen persons, mostly from the sponsoring churches, attended the first meeting in 1964.

The Northern Kentucky Baptist Association bought the property of the closed

church to give the new mission facilities for its work. In 1966 the church was officially organized and bought the mission site from the association.

Currently Grace Baptist has 187 members with a Sunday School average attendance of 120. The church has a program which includes Training Union, WMU, GA's, a Men's Fellowship, and a Community Crisis Closet.

Pastor John Paul Curry reports that over 20 people are active in the church's visitation program. "Because of the experience of the previous church, we know that if we are going to grow we have to work," Curry said. "This gives the people a little extra incentive."

Curry also pointed to the enthusiasm of some of the new members as reason for the active visitation program.

Whatever the reason, the church is running about 40 more in morning and evening worship services than at this time last year.

"The community is beginning to believe that we are here to stay," Curry said. "Slowly some of the members of the former church are beginning to come to Grace."

When the church was founded, the Cooperative Program contributed \$300 per month to its ministry. That has now been cut to \$250.

"We hope to work completely out of receiving money in the next two years," the pastor pointed out. "But we are grateful for what it has done for us. The church could not have started without assistance. Even now help would have to come from somewhere if it were not for the Cooperative Program."

In the case of the Grace Baptist Church, Independence, the Cooperative Program has been an instrument of establishing and maintaining a Southern Baptist witness in a community where others had failed.

FBC, Oak Grove, A Church For The Military

A local Baptist church composed primarily of military people. It can't be done? Ridiculous? A church has to have a good nucleus of people to give it stability you say?

In part you may be right, but First Baptist Church of Oak Grove is doing its best to prove that a local church can grow and be effective while primarily ministering to a military community.

The Oak Grove church is located one half mile from the entrance to Ft. Campbell in southwestern Kentucky. It has grown from a trailer to a barracks building to its present building located on six acres of land.

The church began in 1954 as a Sunday School mission of the nearby Olivet Baptist Church. Five people led the Sunday School work. A year later a full fledged mission with a church-type ministry was organized. However, it was not until 1964 that the mission became a constituted church. Pastor at the time was Harold Skaggs who still serves that congregation.

Skaggs estimated that less than 15% of his congregation numbering about 200 was non-military. "We have something to offer the military person that the chaplaincy cannot," Skaggs said. In our church they have a feeling of belonging and become involved in evangelizing their own community.

Skaggs said the church's experience indicated that a military person wanted 'roots.' "Their lives are so mobile that the church is about the only place they can find them," he added.

Because the church congregation is largely military, the church relies on incoming military personnel for leadership. The church's music director is a military person as is the church secretary, several Sunday School teachers and WMU workers.

"We get people from all over the world," the pastor pointed out. "This helps us keep aware of the needs of our places. I think we are building a real mission minded church here."

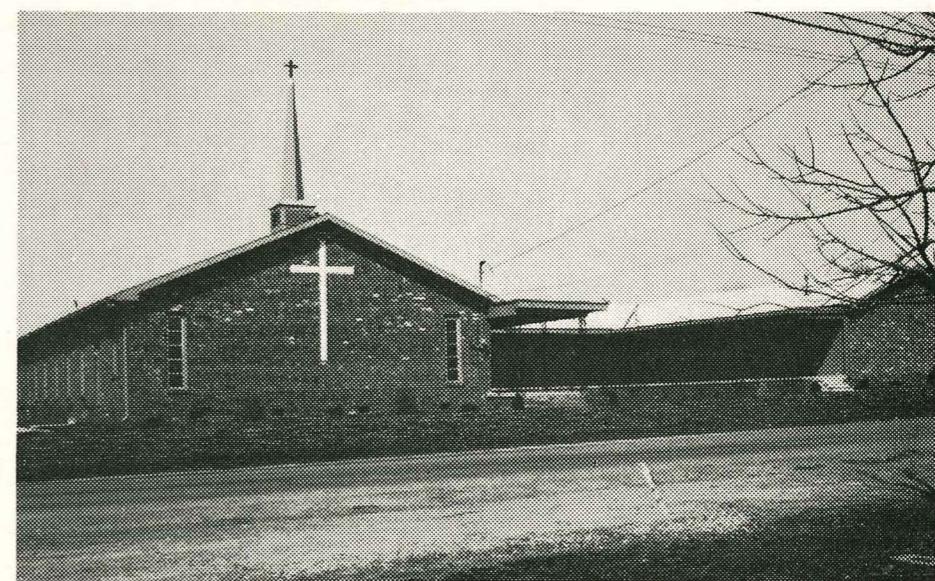
As if to substantiate his claim, Skaggs said that his secretary recently returned from Germany and the music director, LeRoy Lambie, came from Spain where he worked with the Foreign Mission Board in forming an English speaking church.

Oak Grove members also go to all parts of the world. When a church member is transferred to another country, a commissioning service is held to commission the soldier as the church's representative to the area where he will be stationed. He is challenged to seek out a missionary and help in whatever way he can.

Skaggs stated that he also tries to talk with each soldier going overseas. In one such conference a soldier said, "My real concern is not whether or not I will be killed but whether I can be a missionary to the men in my unit."

An estimated 18 church members are overseas now. To let the soldiers know the church remembers them, a bi-monthly newsletter and the *Western Recorder* is mailed to each one. Personal letters are also written.

Because Ft. Campbell receives a lot of wounded Vietnam veterans, the church established what it calls "Cup of Cold Water" ministry. Church members visit the hospital taking cokes and cookies.



After 14 years, the Oak Grove Church meets in quarters fit for a general

Skaggs said that mostly the members are trying to show their appreciation for the men's service. Occasionally Bibles and gospel tracts are passed out.

But some of the soldiers don't get back alive. Seven or eight Oak Grove members have died in Vietnam.

"What do you do when a husband and father is killed? The church and I just try to walk with the family in the crisis. Some of the families have remained in the community and are still with us," Skaggs said.

Ministering to families left behind is an important role for the First Baptist Church of Oak Grove.

"While the husband is away is a lonely and anxious time for the entire family. We try to step into this vacuum and help carry the load," Skaggs said.

Visits among families and churchwide fellowships are an important role in filling the vacuum. Skaggs added that sometimes the families find taking a

larger part in the life of the church helps make the time go faster.

Reflecting on his work, Skaggs said, "Some people seem to think that military persons aren't interested in religion. That isn't true. They are just as interested as anybody else." The pastor added that his church was largely a family church, that is, that the husband and wife are both active. He said that he averages baptizing about 35 persons each year, mostly adults and that as many men as women come for baptism.

Since September the church has had 60 total additions. In that same time it has lost 80 members. The transfer of two major units accounts for this. The

101st Airborne unit was sent to Vietnam. The 6th Infantry began moving into Ft. Campbell to replace them but the Army changed its mind and the unit moved out.

"These continuing readjustments are just part of the way of life in this church," Skaggs said.

"I often tell my friends that the reason I can stay here is that if my congregation doesn't like me, I just wait six months and I have a new congregation."

Even with turnovers, the church is looking to the future. "We are trying to reach the single service man. We haven't been able to get to them yet. The church is also considering a Service Man's Center, a Wives' Club and a Child Care program.

"We hope to get to the point that we can stop receiving support from the Cooperative Program," Skaggs stated, "The church has received aid since it was organized in 1955 and without it this work probably couldn't be done."



Earl Warford, Blood River Missionary

A camp site inside Land-Between-the-Lakes which will have 10 million visitors

Land-Between-the-Lakes

"... The Harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest."—LUKE 10:2 ASV

To some, Land-Between-the-Lakes, a resort area developed by Tennessee Valley Authority, has been a nightmare. Churches have been torn down and entire communities resettled. Bitterness exists that will not disappear in the near future.

But to others the project has been a dream come true. The resort area will soon provide a few days of escape from the hubbub of suburban life for more than 10 million people annually. Already 2.5 million people spend part of their summer at Land-Between-the-Lakes according to official reports.

No matter how one feels about the project itself, Land-Between-the-Lakes is a reality. The question facing Baptists now is whether or not to attempt a ministry among the millions who journey there for a few days vacation.

Does the church have something to offer the vacationers and, if so, what is it.

These are questions with which Baptists in Blood River, Little River, Ohio River and Caldwell Associations are wrestling.

Together with eight other denominations, Baptists have formed a General Coordinating Council that oversees the religious work inside the TVA project. Representing Baptists on the council is Earl Warford, superintendent of missions for Blood River Association.

Part of the council's responsibility is determining what denomination will lead worship services at the various camp sites. Normally, the denominations rotate this responsibility.

When these decisions are made, all Baptist assignments are channeled through a special committee composed

of associational missionaries and one elected layman.

This committee then finds a Baptist pastor in the area who will lead the Sunday morning worship service at the camp site.

A typical service begins at 8:30 a.m. It may be held in a type of amphitheater or in a clearing with no seats except the ground. Services last approximately 45 minutes and can be structured anyway the visiting pastor desires. The only rule made by TVA authorities is that no denomination can be attacked by the preacher.

During the 15-week season of 1968, Memorial Day through Labor Day, Baptists held a total of 21 worship services.

Not all of these were assigned by the Coordinating Council.

"There were times when other denominations could not fulfill assignments," Warford said. "When this happens we are quick to pick them up." On two Sundays last year Baptists conducted three worship services in addition to the one assigned. On three other occasions Baptists picked up an additional two services.

All told, 72 worship services were conducted by religious groups. Average attendance at these services was 79. Added up, 5,639 persons attended religious services inside Land-Between-the-Lakes. Of that number 1,659 attended services led by Baptists.



J. Frank Young, a Baptist pastor from Benton, preaches at Kenlake Campgrounds

However, ministry inside the resort area is not limited to a Sunday morning worship service.

Last year, with funds provided through the Cooperative Program and other sources, a chaplain spent the summer moving from site to site offering services to the people.

To avoid haphazard roving, the trailer in which the chaplain and his wife lived, owned by the Kentucky Baptist Convention, was moved on Thursday to the site where Baptists would hold services that Sunday. The chaplain would pass out leaflets advertising the coming service and get acquainted with the campers. On Sunday he would assist the visiting pastor in various ways. Monday and Tuesday the chaplain spent in follow-up of Sunday's service. Often emergencies would arise. Twice the chaplain was at the scene of a drowning. During this crisis experience he attempted to minister to the family and friends of the drowned person.

When asked why the chaplain did not preach on Sunday morning, Warford replied that the involvement of the pastors helps relate the program to the local churches.

"The first year we tried to minister in Land - Between - the - Lakes, Blood River Association paid the whole bill," the associational worker remembered. "Later the other three associations came in and then the Kentucky Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Board became a part. When this happened we were able to expand our ministry.

"But when we were carrying the whole thing the churches had to have a vision of this as a mission field. The pastors preaching helped to do this," he said.

Warford added that he hopes churches will see the private resort areas developing around Land-Between-the-Lakes as a mission field for them.

"Last year we took the trailer to private resorts two different times. We had an average attendance of 51 for our services which was a pretty good percentage of those there," he recalled, "but it was not as effective as reaching 79 inside the park."

Warford pointed out that private resorts are, for the most part, near Baptist churches which could be attended without much difficulty. In Land-Between-the-Lakes one would have to drive several miles to get to a local Baptist church.

Baptists have been involved in the TVA project for four years. During that time no complaints have been registered with TVA officials about the type ministry being offered.

"I guess this can be interpreted two ways," Warford said. "It may mean that we are not having the right type ministry to cause people to care one way or the other. The other possibility is that we are doing the right thing and it is being well received by the campers." Hopefully the second is true.



ABOVE A. B. Colvin, superintendent of Direct Missions for Kentucky Baptists presents the keys for a new Chevrolet suburban carryall to Mrs. Freeda Harris, director of Marrowbone Baptist Center, Miss Diana Greene, a US-2 worker, and Kale Conner, pastor of the Marrowbone church. BELOW is a picture of the 40 Sunbeam children and two adults picked up on the bus' first run.



DOLLAR COOPERATIVE PROGRAM AND PER CAPITA RECORD
SEPTEMBER 1, 1969 - FEBRUARY 25, 1969
(First six months of the convention year)

Association	Church	Mbrs.	Pastor	Total Coop. Program	Per Capita
Severns Valley.....	Severns Valley	2544	V. Kruschwitz	\$35,728.86	\$14.04
Long Run	Crescent Hill.....	2979	J. Claypool	31,123.00	10.45
Daviess-McLean.....	Owensboro, 1st	2424	D. Nelson	27,776.46	11.46
Long Run.....	Walnut Street	5083	W. Dehoney	27,308.12	5.37
Little Bethel.....	Madisonville, 1st	2830	H. Purdy	24,742.42	8.74
Pulaski.....	Somerset, 1st	1961	E. Taylor	22,750.00	11.60
Franklin.....	Frankfort, 1st	2541	H. Bowers	21,879.67	8.61
Elkhorn.....	Immanuel	2328	H. Kuhnle	14,736.19	6.33
Elkhorn.....	Calvary	2607	F. Owen	14,377.04	5.51
Daviess-McLean.....	Third	2270	H. Wainscott	14,177.98	6.25
Mercer.....	Harrodsburg	2030	W. Carrier	14,118.10	6.95
Warren.....	Bowling Green, 1st.....	2929	O. Smith	13,406.37	4.58
Blood River.....	Murray, 1st	1845	H. Chiles	12,833.35	6.96
Christian.....	Hopkinsville, 1st	1889	S. Maddux	11,613.71	6.15
Greenup.....	Ashland, 1st	1746	J. Sykes	11,505.60	6.59
Long Run.....	Beechwood	929	J. Sawyer	10,920.14	11.75
Long Run.....	St. Matthews	2093	A. McEachern	10,679.95	5.10
Long Run.....	Deer Park	923	C. Sharp	10,500.00	11.38
N. Kentucky.....	Latonia	1536	Wm. Turner	10,463.17	6.81
Blood River.....	Briensburg	418	C. Wilkins	10,382.20	24.84
Greenup.....	Unity	1674	I. McMillen, Jr.....	10,198.73	6.09
Long Run.....	Broadway	1021	E. Perry	10,083.38	9.88
Simpson.....	Franklin, 1st	1275	T. Wortham (Int.)	9,898.08	7.76
Taylor.....	Campbellsville	1781	J. Badget	9,802.80	5.50
Elkhorn.....	Georgetown	1574	D. Moore	9,693.18	6.16

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The cattle upon a thousand hills belong to God - Psa. 50:10

March 10, 1969

My Dear Brethren:

May I have a word with you - a very personal word - about the Cooperative Program?

My pastorates date back to 1925, the time of the formal beginning of CP. I even remember hearing my old pastor talking to my mother about the "Unified Budget" in 1915. I have always pushed the Cooperative Program in my churches, most of which have been small rural churches. Many of them I have led to make their first commitment through the Program and the others, without exception, to increase their gifts.

While it is true, there have been a few times when I did not agree with all that went on in this cause or that, I have felt that there were those who were in better position to make the correction than I was and I have been willing to leave it to them. Happily, time and wisdom have worked so far. The deepest satisfaction is in the knowledge that I have been going "into all the world" with the Gospel as my Lord commanded. This far out-weighs any worry I might have about giving a few pennies to something I may not at the moment like.

There are many churches in Kentucky giving more than all the churches I have pastored but I am thrilled to think that pennies and dollars go together to do the work of him who sent us.

Sincerely,

J. J. Miller

J. T. Miller
Your President this Year



Baptist Community Center, Lexington

Miss Suthell Walker, director, and Miss Ruth Smith, associate director, lead the work of the Baptist Community Center in Lexington. The Center's ministry touches more than 1,000 persons annually. Last year 312 families received special assistance. Some of this was in the form of medical and legal aid as well as food and clothing.

The year end report shows that 305 people were involved in 22 different Bible centered groups. Other activities include literacy classes, tutoring service, job training and placement services, sewing and cooking classes as well as recreational activities.

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(These Lessons for April 13, 1969)

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Acts 9:23-25

Paul returned to Damascus to comfort and encourage the Christians. His ministry there revealed that the change which had taken place in him was genuine, thorough, and extraordinary. His proofs that Jesus Christ was the Messiah silenced the Jews of Damascus. So they plotted his destruction, and watched with diligence for an opportunity to kill him, but he hid from his would-be assassins. With soldiers surrounding the city and watching the gates day and night, Paul's death seemed inevitable. An inventive genius suggested they let Paul out of a window in the house on top of the wall, in which he was hiding, and lower him to the ground on the outside of the wall in a basket. Those who endangered their lives in order to permit Paul to escape fearlessly ministered in Christ's name.

Acts 9:36-39

In Joppa there lived a woman whose name was "Tabitha" or "Dorcas." Her name meant "gazelle." Of her some things merit our consideration:

Her Discipleship

Touched by divine love and transformed by God's grace, Dorcas knew that she had been saved in order that she might do good works for Christ. By living to the glory of God, she proved to all who knew her that she was a Christian. She was ready and anxious to minister to others in their needs. Dorcas did not seek publicity because of her good deeds. She ministered to the poor, especially in making garments for the widows whose husbands had been lost at sea. Dorcas received great joy in ministering to others in their great needs. She gave herself to the doing of good deeds where she lived.

Her Death

Notwithstanding her lovely character and useful life, death removed Dorcas from her sphere of service. The recipients of her benefactions mourned her passing. Many of those, whom Dorcas had helped, gathered around her lifeless form and wept.

Peter came to Joppa, entered the house, heard the wailing of the mourners, witnessed their tears as they showed

him the garments which she had made for them, and then asked them to leave the room. When they had done so, Peter knelt and prayed. Turning to the corpse, Peter said, "Tabitha, arise." Instantly she opened her eyes and sat up. Those who had been weeping rejoiced greatly that Dorcas had been restored to life.

Acts 28:7-15

On Melita, Publius, "the chief man of the island," courteously received Paul and his companions into his home, and entertained them for three days. The father of Publius lay in bed, seriously ill. Paul lovingly laid his hands upon the sick man, and prayed the prayer of faith. The man was healed instantly by the power of God. When the news of this miracle spread among the natives, great numbers of the diseased came and were healed. For a brief period, Paul basked in the limelight of popularity and praise. He came upon the island as a stranger and left it as a friend. Before his departure the people expressed their gratitude to Paul for his services by their gifts of material provisions for his use on the voyage.

Paul had frequently longed to go to Rome, from which strategic center he

could reach all parts of the empire with the gospel message. When the Lord finally opened the way for him to go, the trip was quite different from what he had anticipated, for he went as a prisoner rather than as a free man and an esteemed minister of Christ.

As they approached the city, groups of believers in Christ, who were eager to see the author of that wonderful Epistle to the Romans, when out to meet him and to welcome him. One group was so anxious to see him that they met him forty miles from Rome, and the other group about ten miles nearer. This friendly gesture was highly commendatory in them and immensely appreciated by Paul. Such courtesy, love and loyalty encouraged him very much. Because he was received so warmly, "he thanked God, and took courage."

Hebrews 6:10

Frequently God's children have reverses and need assistance from others. In such cases, God gives their brethren in Christ the high and holy privilege of ministering to them. God will never forget their ministry to the saints as an expression of their love for Christ and for His followers.

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Hebrews 1:1-4

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In the Gospel dispensation God revealed His will to the Jews through His

Son, Jesus Christ, who upholds all the creatures He has made and makes disposition of all things according to His perfect will. Through His Son—through what He was, what He did, and what He said—God revealed Himself. In the days of the prophets, as well as when Christ came to reveal God to men, people were so engrossed in their personal affairs and so occupied with their sins that they did not pay much attention to the will of God, as is true today.

Certain contrasts between the revelations in the Old Testament era and the new one "by His Son" are set forth clearly in the introduction to this chapter. It is the same God who speaks in



and through both. The former revelations were fragmentary, but the new one was complete. The former came at intervals, but the latter was one for all. The old one was incomplete, pointing to and waiting for Someone to come; the new one was complete, for the One whose coming had been predicted and anticipated had actually arrived.

When one sees Christ through faith, he beholds the very attributes of God, because the Son is the express image of the Father. He is the exact representative of His being. Christ is the upholder of all God's universe and the preserver of all things. Moreover, as the Redeemer of all God's people, He has the power to take away sin. He supplies peace for the mind, satisfaction for the soul and confidence for the spirit.

I John 1:1-4

In these verses, John writes of Jesus Christ as the eternal Logos, Who existed with the Father before all time, Who became incarnate in time, and with Whom people have vital personal experiences. Before the incarnation Christ was the unuttered God. In the incarnation He became the revealed Word, and those who see Him see the Father. John wrote these words that Christians may share his knowledge, his experience, and his joy.

It is possible for the Christian to have and to enjoy a blessed fellowship with God. "Fellowship" signifies partnership. It involves reciprocal knowledge, love, and endeavor. It also involves the converse of persons: the sharing with others of thought, words, and needs, and the entrance into the experiences of one another. Real fellowship means knowing each other intimately, loving each other devotedly, and doing things together and for each other. Fellowship with Christ, and with those who truly love and follow Him, constitutes one of the greatest and most glorious privileges which God gives to His children.

We must not only experience Christ, but we must also declare Him to the world. By light, life, lips, and labors we are to declare that we have heard, seen, and felt Him, and been changed by Him; and what He has done for us He can and will do for others. This is the only way our joy in Christ can ever be full.

John 20:30-31

Guided by the Holy Spirit as to what he should write, John made a very careful selection from the multitude of wonderful things which Christ did during His earthly ministry. He incorporated an account of various miracles which Christ performed in order to prove that Christ is the Son of God. He sought to prove the deity of Christ and the reality of His saving power, in order that all who read his record might come to put their trust in Him for time and eternity, and thereby become the possessors of eternal life, of which Christ alone is the source.

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GOLDEN CHAIN TREE; 1 to 2 ft.	.89	2.59
CHINESE ELM; 2 to 3 ft. tall	.99	1.09
*MOUNTAIN ASH; 2 to 3 ft.	.98	2.79
*WILLOW OAK; 1 to 2 ft.	.59	1.69
PURPLE LEAF PLUM; 1 to 2 ft.	.98	2.79
NORWAY SPRUCE; 1 to 2 ft.	.89	2.59
*CUMBER TREE; 2 to 3 ft.	.89	2.59
LINDEN TREE; 1 to 2 ft.	.98	2.79

(All above trees are 1 or 2 yrs. old)

BULBS & PERENNIALS

	EACH	5 for
PAMPAS GRASS; white plumes	.29	\$1.39
CANNAS; colors, red, pink, yellow	.25	1.19
PEONIES; red, pink, white	.69	3.29
IRIS; blue, white, purple, yellow	.19	.89
HOLLYHOCKS; mixed colors, roots	.25	1.19
SHASTA DAISY; root divisions	.25	1.19
RED CARNATION; red	.25	1.19
ORIENTAL POPPY; scarlet	.25	1.19
CREeping PHLOX; pink, blue, white	.25	1.19
GLADIOLUS; red, pink, yellow	.08	.39
HIBISCUS; giant blooms	.25	1.19
*VIOLETS; hardy, blue	.19	.90
*CHRISTMAS FERNS; for outdoors	.08	.39
TRITOMA; red hot poker	.25	1.19
HARDY ASTERS; red, pink or blue	.25	1.19
CUSHION MUMS; red, yellow, pink	.25	1.19

(All Perennials and Bulbs are 1 yr. or older)

FRUIT TREES

PEACHES: Varieties: Eberle, Hale Haven, Indian Cling, Early Eberle, J. H. Hale, Mayflower, Prices 2 ft. to 3 ft. 69¢; 3 ft. to 4 ft. \$1.09.

APPLES: Varieties: Red Delicious, Red Jonathan, Red Stayman, Winesap, Yellow Delicious, Grimes Gold, Lodi, Yellow Transparent. Prices 3 ft. to 4 ft. tall 89¢; 4 ft. to 5 ft. \$1.29.

APRICOTS: Varieties: Moorpark, Early Golden. Prices 2 ft. to 3 ft. tall 89¢; 3 ft. to 4 ft. \$1.29.

CHERRIES: Varieties: Early Richmond, Montmorency. Prices 2 ft. to 3 ft. \$1.09; 3 ft. to 4 ft. \$1.69.

PEARS: Varieties: Bartlett, Garber, Keiffer, Douglas. Prices 2 to 3 ft. \$1.09; 3 ft. to 4 ft. \$1.29.

PLUMS: Varieties: Bruce, Blue Damsen, Burbank, Red June. Prices: 2 ft. to 3 ft. 89¢; 3 ft. to 4 ft. \$1.29.

GRAPE VINES: Concord, Niagra. Prices: 1 year old 69¢ 2 year old 89¢.

CHINESE CHESTNUT; 2 to 3 ft. \$1.49.

*BLACK WALNUT; 1 to 2 ft. 79¢ ea.

HARDY PECAN; 1/2 to 1 ft. 98¢ ea; 1 to 2 ft. \$1.29 ea.

(All above trees 1 or 2 yrs. old)

BLACKBERRY; 1 yr. plants 1/2 to 1 ft. 25¢ ea.

RASPBERRY; 1 yr. plants, 1/2 to 1 ft. 25¢ ea.

FIG BUSHES: Varieties: Magnolia, Texas Everbearing, Celestial, Brown Turkey. Prices: 12 to 18 inches 98¢; 1 1/2 to 2 ft. \$1.29; 2 to 3 ft. \$1.59.

BOYSENBERRY; 1/2 to 1 ft., 1 yr. old 29¢ ea.

RASPBERRY; 1 yr., 1/2 to 1 ft., red or black 39¢ ea.

YOUNGBERRY; 1 yr., 1/2 to 1 ft. 25¢ ea.

DWARF FRUIT TREES

Heavy demand for Dwarf Fruit Trees where planting space is limited.

DWARF APPLE: Varieties: Dwarf Double Red Delicious, Dwarf Yellow Delicious, Dwarf Double Red, Jonathan, Dwarf Lodi. Prices: 2 to 3 ft. \$2.29; 3 to 4 ft. \$2.59; 4 to 5 ft. \$3.29. Our Dwarf Apples are grown on Mulling-Merton 106 understock.

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DWARF PEACH: Varieties: Dwarf Heap Big Indian Cling, Dwarf Belle of Georgia, Dwarf Early Eberle, Dwarf Eberle, Dwarf Hale Haven, Dwarf J. H. Hale. Prices: 2 to 3 ft. \$2.29; 3 to 4 ft. \$2.59; 4 to 5 ft. \$3.29. Grown on Prunus Bessevi understock.

DWARF PEAR: Varieties: Dwarf Sure Crop, Dwarf Bartlett, Dwarf LeConte, Dwarf Seckel. Prices: 2 to 3 ft. \$2.29; 3 to 4 ft. \$2.59; 4 to 5 ft. \$3.29. Grown on Coloneaster and Angers Quince understock.

DWARF PLUM: Varieties: Dwarf American, Dwarf Bruce, Dwarf Sapo, Dwarf Gold, Dwarf Santa Rosa. Prices: 2 to 3 ft. \$2.29; 3 to 4 ft. \$2.59; 4 to 5 ft. \$3.29. Grown on Prunus Bessevi understock.

HEDGE PLANTS

100 SOUTH PRIVET EVERGREEN HEDGE	for \$1.89
50 SOUTH PRIVET EVERGREEN HEDGE	for 1.39
25 MULTIFLORA FENCE ROSES	for 2.69
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(All Hedge 1 to 2 ft. tall, 1 or 2 yrs. old)

THIS MONTH'S DISCOUNT SPECIALS!

15 VIOLETS—\$1.00
Get this beauty bargain... 15 Violets for only \$1.00. Easy to grow, prolific bloomers, cover themselves with gay flowers.

CAMELLIAS—89¢
Camellia Sasanquas are some of the most gorgeous flowers grown, astonishing, spring after spring with their sheer beauty. Fine Southern plants.

15 IRIS—\$1.00
These 15 IRIS come in assorted colors. These planting stock IRIS are root divisions, fresh and healthy. GET 15 OF THESE BEAUTIES FOR ONLY \$1.00.

10 CUSHION MUMS \$1
These gorgeous CUSHION MUMS are good growers, develop into large, sturdy plants, and normally develop to big basket size when matured... covered with dazzling flowers, each flower 1 to 2 inches diameter. All plants are hardy, field grown, root divisions. Assorted colors of reds, pinks, yellow, etc. as available. GET 10 GIANT CUSHION MUMS for just \$1.00.

EVERGREENS

	EACH	3 for
ABELIA; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.25	\$.71
AMERICAN HOLLY; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.25	.71
MAGNOLIA; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.69	\$1.98
JAP YEW; 1 to 2 ft.	.69	1.98
*MOUNTAIN LAUREL; 1 ft.	.49	1.39
BOXWOOD; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.49	1.39
PRITZER JUNIPER; spreading 1/2 to 1 ft.	.89	2.59
WAX LEAF LIGUSTRUM; 1 to 1 1/2 ft.	.69	1.98
*RHODODENDRON; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.79	2.29
COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.59	1.69
NANDINA; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.59	1.69
RED BERRY PYRACANTHA; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.69	1.98
GARDENIA; 1 to 1 1/2 ft.	.69	1.98
CAMELLIA SASANQUA; 1 ft.	.89	2.59
BUFORDI HOLLY; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.79	2.29
*CANADA HEMLOCK; 1 to 1 1/2 ft.	.19	.55
HETZI JUNIPER; spreading 1/2 to 1 ft.	.89	2.59
IRISH JUNIPER; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.89	2.59
DWARF YAUPON HOLLY; 1/2 to 1 ft.	.69	1.98

(Above Evergreens are 1 or 2 yrs. old)

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These are semi-dwarf roses, bloom profusely in large heads. RED RIBBLES... bright red, cherry red. FLORADORA... orange vermilion. LAFAYETTE... bright red. BETTY PRIOR... bright pink. Price 2 yr. old Baby Doll roses: 79¢ ea; 6 for \$4.69. Your choice of varieties.

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