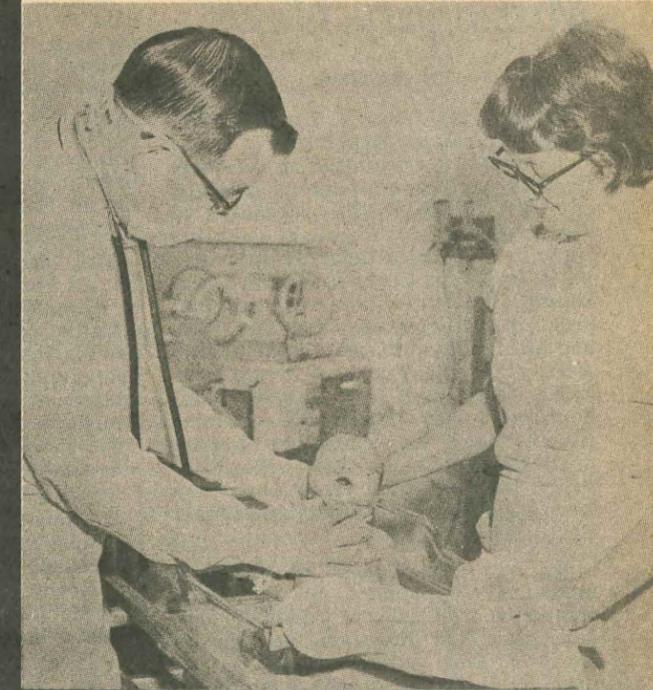




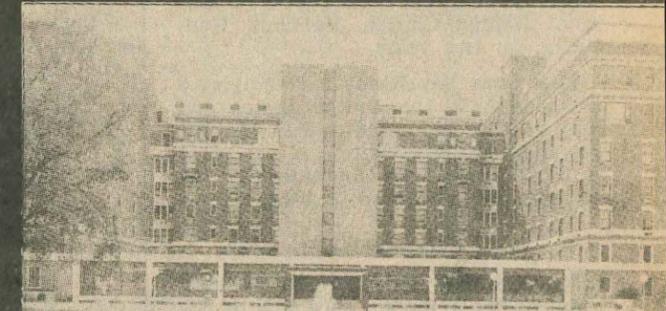
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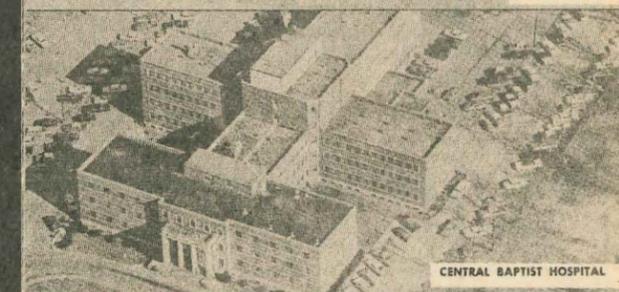
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Missionary News

To the field

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Tye, Southern Baptist missionary appointees to Ecuador, completed orientation at Callaway Gardens near Pine Mountain, Georgia, on April 16. They were scheduled to depart April 28 for a year of language study in Costa Rica (address: Apartado 10240, San Jose, Costa Rica). An Oklahoman, Tye was born in Jones and grew up in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Tye, nee Shirley Bynum, was born in Roswell, New Mexico, and lived near Cloud Chief and New Castle, Oklahoma, while growing up. Tye was minister of music and education at Harmony Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky, for over three years when they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board last December.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis P. McEntire, missionary appointees to Paraguay, completed orientation at Callaway Gardens near Pine Mountain, Georgia, on April 16. They were scheduled to depart April 28 for language study in Costa Rica (address: Apartado 10240, San Jose, Costa Rica). Both Mr. and Mrs. McEntire are Virginians. He is a native of Portsmouth and she, nee Jean Reynolds, is a native of Cumberland County. At the time of their appointment by the Foreign Mission Board last December, he had been pastor of Belmont Baptist Church, Belmont, Kentucky, for two years.

Miss Cora Ney Hardy has completed a furlough in the United States and may now be addressed at P.O. Box 86, Jos, Nigeria. Miss Hardy, a native of Bullitt County, was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1947.

Furloughing

Dr. and Mrs. W. Maxfield Garrott, missionaries to Japan, may now be addressed c/o Alice Garrott, 209 Begonia Street, Eau Gallie, Florida 32935. Mrs. Garrott is a native of Louisville and the daughter of famed missions professor W. O. Carver.

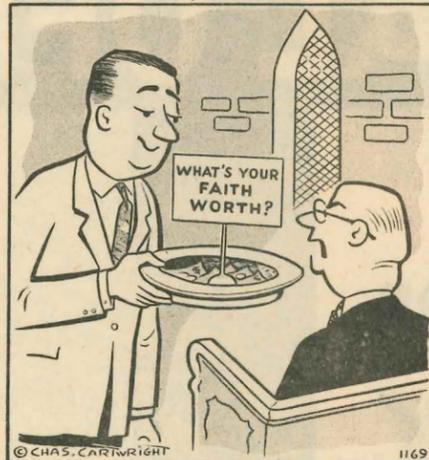
Miss Mary Neal Morgan was scheduled to leave Japan on March 9 for furlough. She first toured Europe and arrived on April 10 in the States (address: c/o Nancy Morgan, 4586 Roswell Road, NE, Apt. X-4, Atlanta, Georgia 30342). A Kentuckian, Miss Morgan was born in Mercer County and also lived in Anderson County while growing up. She was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1950.

Mrs. Emma Sanderson, mother of Paul E. Sanderson, died March 15, 1971, in Birmingham, Alabama. Sanderson is a native of Birmingham and his wife, nee Martha Masden, is a native of Lebanon Junction, Kentucky. They may be addressed at Caixa 135, Belem, Para, Brazil.

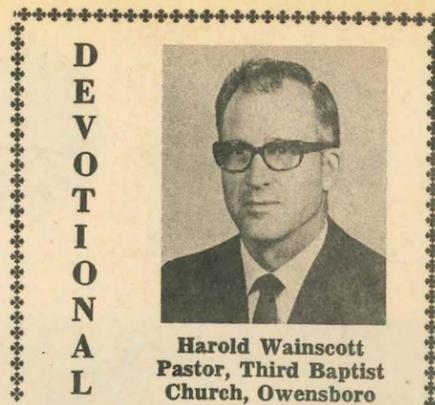
An accident in the Western Recorder print shop caused some copies of last week's edition to be of less than desirable quality. Western Recorder requests the understanding of those subscribers who received these copies.

The Editor

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"That's what I call hitting below the belt!"



Harold Wainscott
Pastor, Third Baptist
Church, Owensboro

In the natural world we are constantly reinforcing our limitations. Mars, located some 39,800 miles away can, by using a 27 inch refracting telescope, be made to appear 2,700 times larger than to the unaided eye. The intricate beauty of the sea shells is brought to view by the use of x-ray. Pictures and study of underwater life 14 thousand feet down is made possible by the bathyscape. The composition of the cellular structure of a plant or a blood corpuscle is magnified by the use of a microscope. When a man, because of his earthbound limitations, cannot walk on the moon we make it possible by taking a part of his earthly environment with him. White corpuscles rush to the point of infection; but if they cannot win the victory we send a sulphur drug to their aid. Should our arms be too short we reach for a lever or fulcrum.

If we can reinforce the natural, is it folly to think that we can fortify that which shall be living when our bodies turn to dust? Not only are there resources available for the natural, they are also available for the spiritual. For our limited knowledge there is the wisdom of God. For our weakness there is the power of the hand that stilled the storm. For our sinfulness there is the availability of the righteousness of Jesus Christ. Therefore if a man calls on God for added strength, we do not call it wasted effort any more than we would call a man a fool for utilizing mechanics to lift a load that is too heavy for him. If a man cries to God confessing his sins and asking for forgiveness, it is no more useless than using a medicine or antiseptic to get rid of a germ that otherwise might kill him.

In time of war, victory or defeat depends upon reinforcements but it is generally the tactic of the enemy to destroy the line of communication. In World War II it was the U Boat, the submarines, and the Fifth Columnists that sought to cut off our supply.

We need help. It is available. The Psalmist said, "my help comes from the Lord." (Psalms 121:2) But we must keep the lines of communication open. (II Corinthians 12:9, 10; Isaiah 59:1)



Suggestions For Harmony

By Chester E. Swor

I have not been present in recent annual sessions of our Southern Baptist Convention and have not, therefore, experienced the sessions in which tensions reportedly ran high. In my continuing travels, however, I sense from both those who attended the sessions and those who heard of the tension-taut times that there is a genuine hunger that the St. Louis convention in early June may be a time of tension-free planning, discussion, worship and fellowship, permitting messengers to go home with a glow of happy unity in their hearts.

While not for a moment suggesting that any messenger fail to express the conviction of his heart or the sentiment of his mind in any issues which may arise — for such a suggestion would be foreign to both my own convictions and to the "freedom to be heard" which makes our annual meetings truly meaningful — I am suggesting that we do our best this year to be completely Christian in spirit, regardless of the "side" of an issue we support.

With genuine respect for the right of others to hold differing opinions, with recognition of their sincerity in their differing views, with voices warm with fellowship and respect and calm in tempo and temperature, we can discuss even controversial matters in a quiet spirit of Christian amity.

Suggestions

As a long-time devotee to Baptist life and polity, in the spirit of wanting the best for our Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, prompted by nobody, motivated only by a great desire that our June meeting be a source of great power to all of us, I am offering these suggestions:

1. That all of us pray daily between now and the St. Louis convention that this meeting may be one of great spiritual power and heartening fellowship. Even those who do not plan to attend may well include this petition in their daily prayer times.

2. That those of us who plan to attend shall pray personally and fervently that the mind of Christ may be in us and that the spirit of Christ may permeate and motivate us. We recall that, though Christ spoke firmly and forthrightly concerning the principles of life, he was always fair, compassionate and redemptive. Therefore, I am not making a plea for silence on any messenger's part; rather, I am making a plea for a truly Christ-like spirit in times of discussion.

3. That any who contemplate offering controversial resolutions shall search their souls for answers to these questions: "Is this resolution necessary . . . Is this the time to offer it or would a later year find us in better position for discussing it. . . Am I making this resolution only out of a deep and abiding love for Christ and for our denomination. . . Will this resolution reopen wounds which are beginning to heal?"

4. If discussions arise in which differences of opinion are inevitable, how fine it would be if every participant in the discussions would weigh what he is about to say on Rotary's excellent four-way scale or test:

Is (what I am about to say) *it the truth?*

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and friendship?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

If those of us who plan to attend the convention will, therefore, try earnestly in advance to permit the mind of Christ to guide us in our thoughts and plans, let the spirit of Christ saturate our hearts and permit the love and compassion of Christ to motivate our words and actions at convention time, the St. Louis convention will be a high water mark in spiritual fellowship, planning and achievement. May it so be!

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A Billy Graham Crusade Experience

Attending a Billy Graham Crusade service is something to experience but defies satisfactory description with words. This was this writer's experience who was fortunate enough to be among those who attended one of the Lexington Crusade services last week.

The personal benefits of the experience were accentuated by having my wife and two of our sons, one in high school and one in college, along and by fortunately having seats relatively close to the platform. We picked the most difficult night weatherwise with sharp thunderstorms arriving shortly before the service began while throngs of people were still in waiting lines to get in. These storms, causing death and wholesale destruction in other sections of the state, became so intense in Lexington they actually disrupted the service in the overflowing coliseum. The rain was still pouring when the service ended and many were drenched getting to their cars. What this downpour did to the overflow crowd which for other services had gone to the open stadium was pathetic.

In spite of all this it will be an unforgettable experience for our family and for thousands of others present. It was the first time for our family members to be so near to this most famous evangelist of the 20th Century and doubtlessly one of the most widely known and beloved men in the world today.

Indeed, the rush and clamor of the preservice scenes around the coliseum gave more of an impression that a celebrity like the United States President was speaking instead of a preacher. This is understandable in light of Billy Graham's image in today's world. No doubt the hunger and search for meaningful life in this generation is another explanation.

The Vastness And Complexity Of Foreign Missions Today

The following comments grow out of sitting through a whole day of a full board meeting of the Foreign Mission Board and experiencing what I wish every Southern Baptist could experience at least once in a life time. Of course this is impossible but certainly it would be a most enlightening experience. It would silence some irresponsible criticism and

A few likely came only to observe or even scoff but hopefully remained to pray.

As for the service it was the same professionally planned type which millions by now have attended and millions more have viewed on television. In fact, the Lexington Crusade had as one of the chief objectives along with a spiritual impact on Kentucky the production of television tapes to be used on prime time television programs in coming weeks all over the United States and Canada.

In spite of a half dozen or more television cameras and the other distractions of such a production, the spiritual impact of the service was powerful and hundreds responded to a clear invitation following a simple but solidly based Biblical message by Mr. Graham.

As for the local committee, led by Trinity Baptist Pastor Bob Brown, which had so much to do in such a short time to be ready for the campaign, enough cannot be said. As for Billy Graham who is still recovering from recent surgery and who shows the wear of his rigorous schedule of many years, it can only be said God is continuing to use him as few men of God have ever been used.

Many human explanations are offered to explain what Mr. Graham has in human characteristics which explain his magnetism. It is easy to recognize these magnetic human characteristics but as for this observer, there is another explanation. Here is a man whom God has chosen to use for mass evangelism and whose humility and fidelity to the simple Biblical message has enabled God to do through him what few men have allowed Him to do since Christ commanded His disciples to preach the good news to all creatures.

assuredly increase confidence in and support for the leaders of our Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board as they direct this invaluable work during these troubled days.

The statistics alone would be overpowering even for those impressed with statistics but this is not my main concern as I try to share this experience, my

first time to hear and actually be informed about the complexity and vastness of our foreign mission enterprise.

The difficult work and endless details required to keep 2,500 missionaries all over this daily changing and revolutionary world are almost beyond comprehending. It requires patience, longsuffering, agony and expertise that demand souls fortified with unquenchable faith in God and the Lord's promise to see His servants through to ultimate victory.

The most vivid impressions, next to the vastness and difficulty of this enterprise, was the clear realization that we have not found the most effective way to get our God-given task done, getting the good news to all living creatures. Our successes have been partly offset by our failures and so there is a spirit of constant searching for better methods in sharing the Gospel.

The Foreign Mission Board is undergoing many changes in this search. One of the great concerns among all of us has been the high rate of attrition among our foreign missionaries. Almost everywhere we look today we see former foreign missionaries back in America serving in various capacities. Once we believed that a commitment to foreign missions was a commitment to the foreign fields for the rest

of one's life. Now this and many other once-believed views concerning foreign mission service are being re-examined. Are missionaries called to spend all their lives abroad or is it that the Lord uses His servants abroad for a while, only to bring them back to their homeland for the rest of their ministry. Or perhaps some return home for a special period of their lives only to return to the foreign fields at a later date. Questions like this to grapple with are many.

One thing is sure. The Foreign Mission Board officials are exercising much more care in recruiting, counseling, training and orienting prospective missionaries before making final appointments. Furthermore, steps are being taken to help missionary couples with the problems that often lead to their resignations. One such step took place in this last meeting when an able staff member was assigned to a new and special task of counseling with missionaries concerning family problems like their children's education and care of aged loved ones back home.

My impressions of the Foreign Mission Board meeting led me to conclude that only about two things can be nailed down, never to let come loose. One is our realization of an unfinished assignment to make disciples of every nation. The other is to remain open for the Holy Spirit to teach us how He can most effectively get this task done through us.

BAPTIST FORUM



Of course, it was all to one end, that God might receive the glory, and that His people might be inspired with a greater vision for the World Mission task, a task that begins at home and extends around the world.

We are thankful for every response which was made, the response of the youth, the young people who are under appointment in giving their testimony, the charge that was made by Dr. Caughen, and then for what we saw and felt and heard.

God bless you and your fine team.

Louisville, Ky. G. Allen West, Jr.

Kentucky Baptists planning to attend the annual sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention will want to keep this issue of *Western Recorder* handy. This edition is designed to inform the convention goers about the opportunities afforded by the Convention and the other related meetings.

The Editors

'CALLEY' EDITORIAL

Dear Editor:

Thank you for your perceptive editorial, "Can Brutality Make a Hero?" in the April 18 issue of *Western Recorder*. The emotional reaction to the Calley court marshal decision offers one more frightening indication of the moral confusion which is now reaching epidemic proportions. You have exercised courage in laying bare a vital issue which is lodged like a fishhook in the Christian's conscience. This editorial will not increase the number of subscriptions to the magazine you edit but it does indicate your inner freedom to be Christ's man.

Nashville, Tenn. Elmer S. West, Jr.

'DON'T CHANGE'

Dear Editor:

I want to express my appreciation for the *Western Recorder*. I thank my church for carrying the *Recorder* in their budget. I thank you for your editorials and the Sunday School lessons by H. C. Chiles.

May 8, 1971

I have always heard people say (about older people), "Well, they are getting old, they do not want to change." So, I must be getting old. I have grown so used to the way you write your editorials, the way H. C. Chiles writes the Sunday School lesson and the way my pastor preaches a sermon, that I hope all three will preach, teach and edit as they always have. There's no doubt in my mind but you all will always be the same but I just wanted to say, "Thanks."

Frankfort, Ky. Mrs. H. B. Marshall

APPOINTMENT SERVICE

Dear Editor:

I have just read your editorial concerning the Appointment Service of the Foreign Mission Board on April 20 at Freedom Hall. I want to add my word of appreciation to the scores of persons who worked faithfully and diligently to make possible this meeting, the State Convention office, the publicity committee, the Foreign Mission Board, and those in this office who helped.

Bates Suggests Sending SBC Resolutions To Committee

Southern Baptist Convention President Carl E. Bates has requested that persons planning to present resolutions to the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, June 1-3, submit their resolutions in advance to the resolutions committee to give the committee more time for serious consideration.

Warren Hultgren, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, has been appointed chairman of the resolutions committee.

Bates, pastor of First Baptist Church of Charlotte, North Carolina, pointed out that the purpose of his request was only to help the committee do a better job of presenting significant resolutions

to the convention. He observed that in the past, the committee did not have enough time to do its work during the convention itself.

Bates said he did not want to stifle or discourage anyone from presenting spontaneous resolutions of concern and that messengers could still present resolutions from the floor without having submitted them in advance.

Although the resolution should be mailed in advance to the resolutions committee, it should be presented to the convention with a brief statement of about 50 words stating the central concern without reading the full resolution, Bates said. (BP)

SBC Preacher Nominations Open

The chairman for the Southern Baptist Convention's committee on order of business has invited interested persons to submit nominations for the preacher of the annual sermon to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Philadelphia in 1972.

Robert S. Scales, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church of Oklahoma City, said that the committee would welcome suggestions from Southern Baptists who want to nominate someone for consideration by the committee.

Scales said that during the past 125 years the annual sermon at the con-

vention has been preached by persons from 19 different states.

Kentucky has led all other states with 14 native sons preaching the annual sermon. Seven of these were before 1900 and seven afterwards. Georgia is second with 11, seven before 1900 and four since then.

Since the year 1900, Texas has led all other states, with eight since the turn of the century and two before 1900.

Nominations should be sent to the committee chairman at P.O. Box 60368, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106, Scales said. (BP)



Mother's Day Offering

The time is here again — to offer on Mother's Day in your church a gift for the "Sunday School Charity Fund" of our Kentucky Baptist hospitals at Lexington, Louisville and Paducah. Gifts may be sent to the Kentucky Baptist Convention, Treasurer, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown 40243, designated for "Hospital Charity Fund." Usually, the church takes the offering and sends the total gifts from the church to our office. We send it to the Baptist Hospitals, Inc., who distribute it according to formula.

Is it scriptural?

Yes. Jesus came preaching, teaching and healing. We do likewise. After the story of the Good Samaritan, Christ commanded "Go and do thou likewise" (Luke 10:37).

Who is eligible for charity?

Anyone in an acute condition who is unable to pay for hospital care if recommended by a local church.

How apply for charity healing?

The pastor usually has an application blank provided by the hospital. He then secures proper information from the patient's doctor, fills in the necessary information, calls the hospital in advance and then submits the application blank. In emergency cases, application blanks may be completed after admission of patient providing arrangements have been made in advance by telephone or telegram.

Who pays the doctor's bill?

The doctors on the hospital staff provide their services without cost to either patient or Sunday School Charity Fund. Highly qualified private practicing doctors serving on the staff in our hospitals provide all needed care. If specialized treatment be needed, the patient will be sent to the hospital equipped and staffed to provide whatever is necessary.

For information

For information write direct to H. L. Dobbs, President, Baptist Hospitals, Inc., 810 Barrett Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky 40204.

Be generous Mother's Day

Give through your church on Mother's Day or any Sunday near that time. Designate it for "Hospital Charity Fund". Let's heal humanity's hurt in the Name of the Great Physician.

Harold G. Sanders

WESTERN RECORDER

People And Places

John W. Carter, father-in-law of KBC annuity secretary A. W. Walker, died Friday, April 16. He was 91 years of age. Carter, a retired business man from Owensboro and Louisville, was a member of the Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church in Louisville. He joined that church while Walker was pastor there. Funeral services were conducted by Carlisle Avenue pastor Kenton Webb and Walker.

Cumberland College was one of three mountain schools featured in a recent television program entitled "An Apple for Alfie." The brainchild of Cumberland president James M. Boswell, the program dealt with the inadequate pre-school education of the area's children.

James E. Hill has been installed as president of the Baptist Student Union at the University of Louisville. He will



Hill

serve for the 1971-72 academic year. A junior, Hill is a graduate of Western High School in Jefferson County and a member of Rockford Lane Baptist Church. Other newly elected members of the Executive Council are Janis S. Harris, vice president; Deborah C. Elam, secretary; Daniel E. Myers, men's intramurals; Julia A. Edwards, women's intramurals; Stephen B. Royalty, missions; William A. Gambrell, community ministries; Steven Stewart, communications; and Marianne Rome, social. Dwight Lyons serves as Baptist campus minister for the University of Louisville students.

J. D. Grey, pastor of First Baptist Church in New Orleans, returns to his "home" church, Immanuel Baptist in Paducah, to preach Sunday morning, May 30. It will mark the 46th anniversary of Grey's first sermon, preached in Immanuel's pulpit when he was a high school senior. Billy Grey Hurt is pastor of the Immanuel church.

St. Matthews Baptist Church in Louisville has contracted with WHAS radio to rebroadcast its morning worship service. The anthem and sermon will be taped and rebroadcast over the 50,000 watt clear channel station at 9:00 p.m. Sunday evenings. WHAS evening broadcast reaches into more than 40 states. For the past three years the church has broadcast its second morning worship service live on WSTM-FM.

Wendell Rone, Sr., pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church in Owensboro, recently received an "Honorable Mention" in the SBC Historical Commission sponsored church history writing contest. Rone authored the history of the Green

Brier Baptist Church in Daviess County and titled the work *Green Brier at Milestone 150*.



Smith



Clements

Two students from Kentucky received master of religious education degrees at the May 7 graduation exercises of Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth, Texas. They were William A. Smith, son of Mrs. Narine Smith in Danville, and John LeRoy Clements, son of Mrs. Anne P. Clements in Lexington. Smith is a graduate of Georgetown College while Clements was graduated from Morehead State University. Clements currently serves as a recreation supervisor for the First Baptist Church, Dallas.

First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, tops the list of music study credits earned during the current year. The church has received a total of 122 credits. Sinking Springs church in Blood River association is a distant second with 57 credits earned.

Mrs. Ira C. (Alice) Prosser, died April 21, following a long illness. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 24, by William E. Miller, pastor of the Gardenside Baptist Church, Lexington. Prosser currently serves the Gardenside church as minister of music.

Two Georgetown College students were chosen winners at the National Invitational Events Tournament held at Ohio Northern University April 24-25. Cathy Craig, a freshman speech major, won first place honors in After Dinner Speaking. Robbie Sanford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. Sanford, formerly of Florence, took third place in Poetry. In team competition, Georgetown finished seventh in the national forensic competition.

Clear Creek Baptist School in Pineville will hold its forty-fifth graduation exercise Thursday, May 27. The ceremonies will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of that city.

Georgetown College will conduct its second annual In-Service Institute in Mathematics for Secondary School Teachers during the 1971-72 academic year. The institute, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, is the only one of its kind in Kentucky this year. Roy A. Dobyms, mathematics department chairman at Georgetown, is director.

First Baptist Church, Fredonia, held a note burning ceremony Sunday morn-

ing, March 28, signifying the church is now debt free. Burning the note were laymen Orval Tabor and Harold Rogers. Russell Yates read the church history. Pastor of the Fredonia church is Kinnith R. Morris.

William H. Smith, Jr., recently called as pastor of the Antioch Baptist Church in Bedford, Kentucky, was ordained to the gospel ministry Sunday, April 25. The service took place in Smith's "home" church, West Asheville Baptist Church, Asheville, North Carolina. The newly ordained pastor is a graduate of Carson-Newman (Baptist) College in Tennessee, and is completing his first year of study at Southern Seminary.

"A German Requiem" by Johannes Brahms will be sung Sunday, May 9, by the Georgetown College Oratorio Chorus under the direction of Prof. Hal Dieffenwierth of the college's music faculty. The performance, open to the public, will be given in the John L. Hill Chapel at 3:00 p.m.

On Sunday, May 2, E. E. Spickard will celebrate his 50th year in the gospel ministry. In honor of the occasion, he will bring the morning message at the Walnut Grove Baptist Church in Caldwell County. It was in the Walnut Grove church that Spickard delivered his first sermon.

A Certificate in Pastoral Training from the Southern Baptist Seminary Extension Department was presented to inmate Jerry

Wayne Foy in the regular worship service at the Kentucky State Prison, Eddyville, on April 18, 1971. Presentation was made by Frederick P. Loman, senior chaplain at the Eddyville Penitentiary.

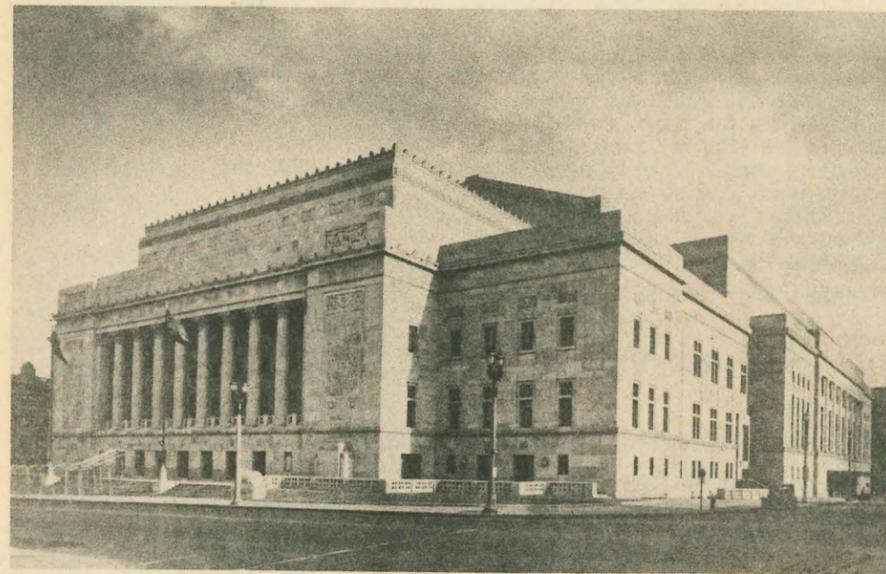
Foy was sponsored in this study by the East Hartford Baptist Mission of Hartford, Kentucky, and is scheduled for release from prison in June of this year. He hopes to go into the field of evangelism or wherever else the Lord might lead him in Christian service.

Miss Sandra Rosdeutscher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rosdeutscher of Franklin, Kentucky, has been elected pianist for the ministerial alliance of Belmont College, in Nashville, Tennessee. A junior elementary education major, Miss Rosdeutscher is a graduate of Franklin-Simpson High School and a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Franklin.

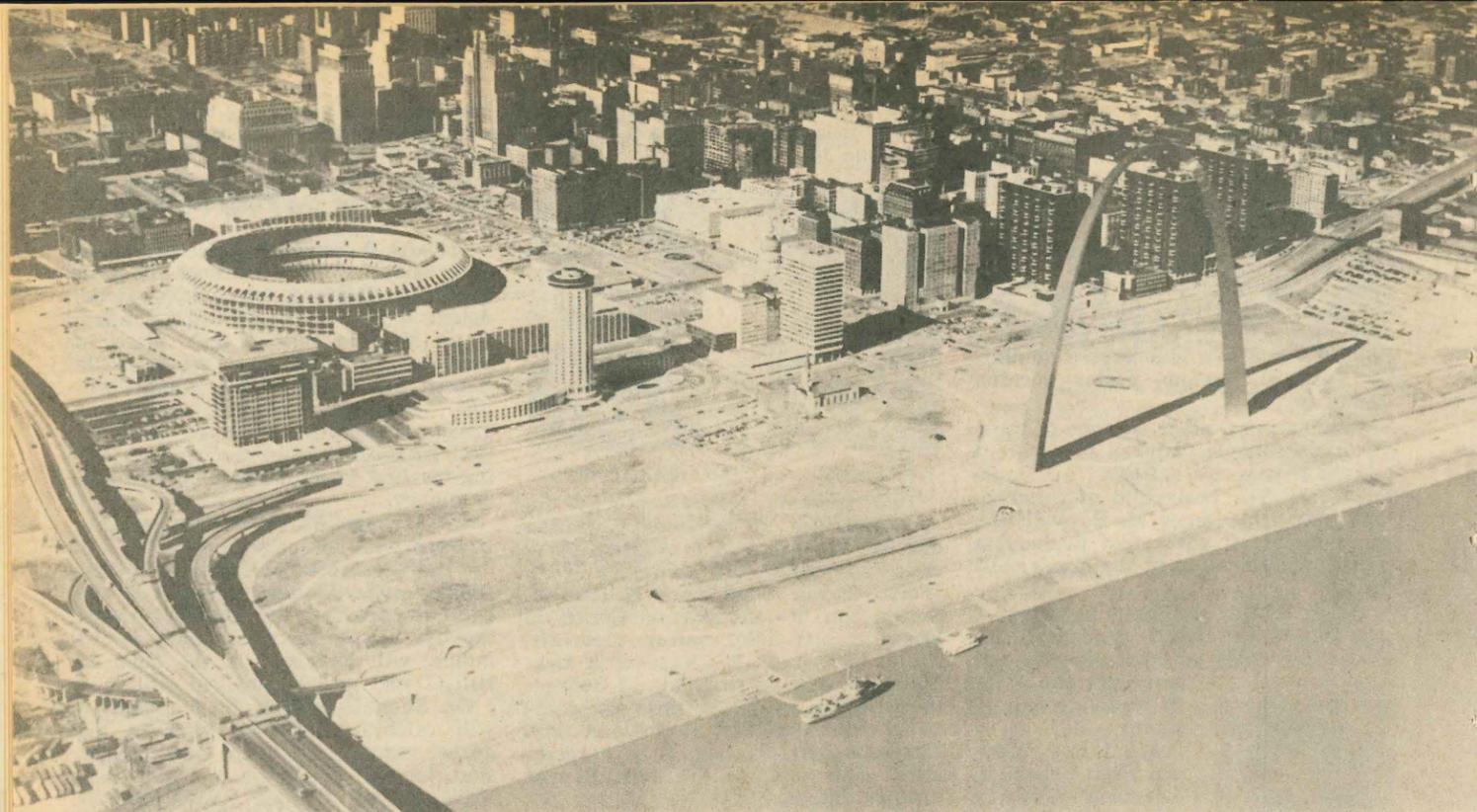
Miss Billie Green, Baptist Student Union director at Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, was among participants in the "Hospital Student Workers' Conference" April 19-20 at the Church Program Training Center of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.



Foy



KIEL AUDITORIUM — the site of the 1971 sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, June 1-3. The SBC will meet in the 11,000-seat Convention Hall Monday morning through noon Thursday, and the SBC Pastors' Conference will meet in the same auditorium on Monday, May 31. The Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the SBC, will meet at Kiel Auditorium's adjacent Opera House.



The 1971 Southern Baptist Convention will be hosted by St. Louis, Missouri, the former gateway to the Golden West.

St. Louis Convention Focuses On Needs Of City

The proposed program for the Southern Baptist Convention, scheduled June 1-3 at Kiel Auditorium in St. Louis, Missouri, will close with an emphasis on the challenge of the cities to the nation's largest Protestant-Evangelical denomination.

The proposed program outline for the convention was released by the convention's committee on order of business, headed by Robert S. Scales, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City.

Scales, who was chairman of the committee for the 1970 convention in Denver, was elected chairman of the 1971 committee after Robert E. Mills, former chairman and president of Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky, resigned.

The convention will begin at 9:15 a.m., Tuesday, June 1, and conclude at noon on Thursday, June 3. Scales pointed out that the 1970 convention voted for the 1971 sessions to start on Tuesday morning and close on Thursday, leaving the number of sessions to the discretion of the committee.

Scales said that one of the main features of the program will be the closing hour when all agencies of the convention will make a cooperative presentation on "Meeting the Challenge of the Cities of the World."

James L. Sullivan, executive secre-

tary-treasurer of the SBC Sunday School Board, has agreed to serve as chairman for the coordination of this emphasis on the needs of the cities, Scales said.

For the first time this year, Baptist students will have a spot on the program, with a multi-media presentation on what youth are trying to do through the church. The students, led by a group of state Baptist Student Union Presidents, requested, and were granted, 20 minutes on the Wednesday morning program.

The two major addresses scheduled each year during the convention — the president's address and the convention sermon — will be featured during the two evening programs, which will also emphasize home and foreign missions.

John Claypool, pastor of Crescent Hill Baptist Church in Louisville and president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, will deliver the convention sermon on Tuesday night following an hour-long presentation on home missions.

Carl E. Bates, president of the 11.6 million-member convention and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina, will speak Wednesday evening, just before an hour-long presentation on foreign missions.

Climax of the Wednesday night session will be a joint commissioning serv-

ice for home and foreign missionaries of the SBC, Scales said.

A total of nearly five hours will be devoted to conducting the business of the denomination, compared to 1970's six hours and 1969's 3½ hours.

Most of the Tuesday morning and afternoon sessions will be devoted to business, including actions on recommendations from the SBC Executive Committee, election of officers, introduction of miscellaneous business and resolutions, and receiving and acting upon reports and recommendations from SBC agencies and related organizations.

An hour on Tuesday afternoon, compared to only 10 minutes last year, will be devoted to agency reports and recommendations.

Following the pattern of the 1970 convention, the committee on resolutions will make two reports on recommended resolutions to the convention — one Wednesday morning and another Thursday morning.

The Thursday afternoon session will feature an address on theological education by Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; and an address by the president of the Baptist World Alliance, V. Carney Hargroves, pastor of Second Baptist Church, Germantown, Pa. (BP)

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 1

Theme: "In the Spirit of Christ — Consider Our Work"

- 9:15 Music for inspiration
- 9:30 Call to order
Congregational Singing
Scripture and prayer — Harold Zwald, pastor, Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.
- 9:40 Report of registration and constituting of the convention — W. Fred Kendall, registration secretary; executive secretary, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.
- 9:45 Committee on order of business — Robert S. Scales, chairman; pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.
- 9:50 Welcome
- 10:05 Introduction
- 10:25 Announcement of committee on committees, committee on resolutions, and tellers
- 10:30 Congregational singing
Special Music
- 10:40 Executive Committee report — Porter W. Routh, executive secretary-treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.
- 12:00 Election of officers
Introduction of miscellaneous business and resolutions
- 12:45 Benediction — Jack Harwell, editor, Christian Index, Atlanta, Ga.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 1

Theme: "In the Spirit of Christ — Consider Our Common Task"

- 2:15 Music for inspiration
- 2:30 Call to order
Music
Scripture and prayer — James A. Langley, executive secretary, District of Columbia Baptist Convention, Washington, D.C.
- 2:45 Recognition of fraternal messengers.
- 2:50 Election of officers
Receiving of agency reports as printed in the Book of Reports and Consideration of agency recommendations
- General Boards:
Foreign Mission Board
Home Mission Board
Sunday School Board
Annuity Board
- Institutions:
Golden Gate Seminary
Midwestern Seminary
New Orleans Seminary
Southeastern Seminary
Southern Seminary
Southwestern Seminary
Seminary Extension Department
Southern Baptist Foundation
Hospital Agency of the SBC
- Commissions:
American Baptist Seminary Commission
Brotherhood Commission
Christian Life Commission
Education Commission
Historical Commission
Radio and Television Commission
Stewardship Commission
- Standing Committees:
Denominational Calendar
Public Affairs Committee
- Associated Organizations:
Woman's Missionary Union
- Miscellaneous:
American Bible Society

Joint Committee on Public Affairs
American Baptist Theological Seminary
Baptist World Alliance

- 4:00 Election of officers
Introduction of miscellaneous business and resolutions
- 4:30 Benediction — James A. Walker, pastor, First Baptist Church, Warren, Ark.

TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 1

Theme: "In the Spirit of Christ — Consider the Gospel"

- 7:00 Home Mission Board
- 8:00 Worship service
Music
Scripture reading and prayer — Milo B. Arbuckle, pastor, Denver Temple Baptist Church, Denver, Colo.
Special music
Convention sermon — John Claypool, pastor, Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 2

Theme: "In the Spirit of Christ — Consider Our Co-laborers"

- 9:15 Music for inspiration
- 9:30 Call to order
Congregational singing
Scripture and prayer — Willis Bennett, professor of church and community, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.
- 9:40 Committee on resolutions — first report
- 10:00 Committee on committees
- 10:05 Committee on boards
- 10:10 Youth Speaks Up
- 10:30 Congregational singing
- 10:35 "The Thrust of Theological Education" — Duke McCall, president, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.
- 10:55 Address — V. Carney Hargroves, president, Baptist World Alliance; pastor, Second Baptist Church of Germantown, Pa.
- 11:20 Miscellaneous business
- 12:45 Benediction — Terry Young, editor, California Southern Baptist, Fresno, Calif.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 2

(no convention session scheduled)

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 2

Theme: "In the Spirit of Christ — Consider Our Missions"

- 7:00 Music
President's Address — Carl E. Bates, pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.
- 8:00 Foreign Mission Board
- 9:00 Joint commissioning service for missionaries of Home and Foreign Mission Boards
- 9:30 Adjourn

THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 3

Theme: "In the Spirit of Christ — Consider Our Challenge"

- 9:15 Music for inspiration
- 9:30 Call to order
Congregation singing
Scripture and prayer, William G. Tanner, president, Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Tex.
- 9:40 Committee on resolutions — final report
- 10:00 Miscellaneous business
- 10:30 "Meeting the Challenge of the Cities of the World" — A presentation by all agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention, coordinated by the leadership of the Sunday School Board
- 12:00 Adjourn

**Woman's Missionary
Union Program**
Opera House, Klei Auditorium,
Theme: "Committed"

**Convention Nursery
Facilities Limited**

Nursery facilities at the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in St. Louis June 1-3 will be limited and the chairman of the nursery committee for the convention has recommended that messengers do not bring infants and pre-school children to the convention.

Earl Pounds, chairman of the committee, said that because of the limited space, the committee had decided to try to care only for children through age three for out of town convention messengers. No local area children will be accepted in the nursery, he said.

Parents unable to make other arrangements will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis, Pounds said.

The nursery will be located in the Exhibition Area of Keil Auditorium, on the level below the convention floor.

Pounds added that all children must have identification attached, that marked bags and bottles must be provided by the parents and that all children must be picked up immediately after each session for feeding and other care.

Cost will be \$1.50 per session, per child, Pounds said. (BP)

**Annuity Board
Plans Luncheon**

More than 100 persons are expected to attend the 11th annual Annuity Luncheon hosted by the Annuity Board during the June meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, Missouri.

According to R. Alton Reed, Annuity Board president, the Luncheon will be held at 1:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 2 in the Crystal Room of the Sheraton Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis. "All retired or disabled pastors and denominational employees, or their widows, who receive benefit checks from the Annuity Board are invited to attend," Reed said.

Special recognition will be given at the Luncheon to the oldest annuitants, both man and woman, attending. Persons desiring to attend may secure tickets at the Annuity Board's booth in the convention exhibit area.

MONDAY MORNING
"Committed to Mission Study"

Session begins 9:30 a.m.

Concert — Volunteer State Chorale, Ministers of Music of Tennessee, Louis O. Ball Jr., conductor; chairman, music department, Carson-Newman College

"Evangelism: All People" — Kenneth L. Chafin, director, Evangelism Division, Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

"Dimensions of Success" — Mrs. Bruce Andrews, WMU director, Metropolitan Chicago Baptist Association, Wheaton, Ill.

—Mrs. Huber Drumwright, past WMU director, Broadway Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Tex.

—Don B. Harbuck, pastor, First Baptist Church, Eldorado, Ark.

—Mrs. T. Shad Medlin, Baptist Women president, First Baptist Church, Eldorado, Ark.

—Claudia Jones, Girls in Action-Mission Friends director, Texas WMU

—Ruth Provence, executive secretary, South Carolina WMU, Columbia, S.C.

—Harper Shannon, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dothan, Ala.

"WMU Committed to Study" — Alma Hunt, executive secretary, WMU, Birmingham, Ala.

"In Partnership in East Africa" — Webster Carroll, missionary, Uganda

"Personally Committed" — Mrs. Robert Fling, president, New York WMU, Pleasantville, N.Y.

—Megumi Matsumura, Japan, student at Samford University, Birmingham, Ala., organist

MONDAY AFTERNOON
"Committed to Mission Action"

Session begins 2:00 p.m.

Concert — Volunteer State Music Chorale, Ministers of Music of Tennessee

"Evangelism: Total Ministry" — Kenneth L. Chafin, director, Evangelism Division, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

"Dimensions of Success" — Mrs. Robert Buice, WMU leader, Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark.

—Dale Cowling, pastor, Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark.

—Jasper McPhail, medical doctor, member, Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark.

—Russell Dilday, pastor, Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

—Mrs. David Hicks, WMU leader, First Baptist Church, Oxford, Miss.

—Kathryn Bullard, Baptist Women director, North Carolina WMU, Raleigh, N.C.

—James Pleitz, pastor, First Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla.

"WMU Committed to Action" — Alma Hunt, executive secretary, WMU.

"In Partnership in America" — Wendell Belew, director, Division of Missions, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

"Personally Committed" — Mrs. Robert Fling, president, New York WMU.

—Megumi Matsumura, Japan, student at Samford University

MONDAY EVENING
"Committed to Mission Support"

Session begins 7:30 p.m.

Concert — Volunteer State Chorale, Ministers of Music of Tennessee

"Evangelism: America" — Kenneth L. Chafin, director, Evangelism Division, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

"Dimensions of Success" — Kathryn Carpenter, executive secretary, Louisiana WMU, Alexandria, La.

—Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, SBC Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

—Mrs. Oliver E. Gilliland Jr., missionary to Indonesia

—Landrum Leavell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Tex.

—Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer, SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.

—Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary-treasurer, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

—R. F. Smith, Jr., pastor, First Baptist Church, Durham, N.C.

"WMU Committed to Support" — Alma Hunt, executive secretary, WMU.

"In Partnership in Vietnam" — Robert C. Davis Jr., missionary to Vietnam

Music — Claude H. Rhea Jr., dean, School of Music, Samford University, Birmingham, Ala.

—Gene Bartlett, state music secretary, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, Okla.

"Committed to the Churches" — W. L. Howse, director, Education Division, SBC Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

"Personally Committed" — Mrs. Robert Flink, president, New York WMU.

"A Higher Commitment" — Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president, WMU, Waco, Tex.

—Megumi Matsumura, Japan, student at Samford University.

Gospel Music Highlights Evangelists' Meeting

Messages by four Baptist evangelists and an hour-long gospel music concert will be featured during the 16th annual Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists in St. Louis, Wednesday, June 2, during the Southern Baptist Convention.

Sessions will be held at the 2,400-seat Third Baptist Church and conference president Charles Masegee, an evangelist from Dallas, said he expects the auditorium to be filled.

Major speakers will be Bob Harrington, the "chaplain of Bourbon Street" in New Orleans; Bill Glass of Dallas, a former Cleveland Browns all-pro football star; Clyde Chiles of St. Louis, director of the "Turning Point Evangelistic Service"; and Sam Cathey of Tulsa, Oklahoma, who specializes in

pioneer mission evangelism.

Masegee said an hour-long concert of gospel music would begin at 1:00 p.m., with as many as 25 of "America's finest evangelistic singers" presenting special music before the preaching gets underway at 2:00 p.m.

Masegee said the program "will be highly inspirational and designed to

motivate God's people to compassionate soul-winning action."

In addition, the conference will sponsor an "Open House Showcase" after hours at the convention each evening beginning at 10:00 o'clock in the Ballroom of the St. Louis Gateway Hotel, Monday, May 31 through Wednesday, June 2. (BP)

Pastors' Conference Program

Theme: "God's Preacher, a Flame of Fire"
MONDAY MORNING, MAY 31

Theme: "God's Preacher as a Prophet"

- 9:00 Music, directed by D. Neil Darnell, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Tex.
- 9:10 Bible Study — Eddie Lieberman, evangelist, Greenville, S.C.
- 9:35 Special music — Sidney L. Buckley, associate professor of music, Furman University, Greenville, S.C.
- 9:40 "God's Prophet and His Motive" — Howard H. Aultman, pastor, First Baptist Church, Columbus, Miss.
- 10:10 Announcements and music — Sidney L. Buckley, Furman University, Greenville, S.C.
- 10:20 "God's Prophet and His Methods" — James Coggin, pastor, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.
- 10:50 Offering
- 11:00 Personal testimony — Leandro Castro, evangelist, Wichita Falls, Tex.
- 11:20 Music — D. Neil Darnell and Sidney L. Buckley
- 11:30 "God's Prophet and His Message" — J. D. Grey, pastor, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.
- 12:00 Benediction

MONDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 31
Theme: "God's Preacher as a Person"

- 2:00 Music, directed by D. Neil Darnell
- 2:10 Bible Study — Eddie Lieberman, evangelist, Greenville, S.C.
- 2:30 Music — Billy S. Hilbun, president, Crescendo Music Co., Dallas, Tex.
- 2:40 "God's Preacher and His Manners" — W. Fred Swank, pastor, Sagamore Hill Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.
- 3:10 Music — D. Neil Darnell and Billy S. Hilbun
- 3:20 "God's Preacher and His Morality" — Grady C. Cothen, president, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La.
- 3:50 Election of Officers
- 4:00 "God's Preacher and His Money" — John F. Gibson, pastor, Wesleyan Drive Baptist Church, Macon, Ga.
- 4:25 Offering
- 4:30 Music — Billy S. Hilbun
- 4:35 "God's Preacher and His Mate" — H. Franklin Paschall, First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.
- 5:05 Benediction

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 31
Theme: "God's Preacher as a Preacher"

- 7:00 Music, directed by D. Neil Darnell
- 7:10 Bible study — Eddie Lieberman, evangelist, Greenville, S.C.
- 7:30 Music — Miss Joe Ann Shelton, concert soloist, Fort Worth, Tex.
- 7:40 "God's Preacher and the Metropolis" — Jon F. Meek Jr., director, Missions Division, Baptist Convention of New York, Syracuse, N.Y.
- 8:10 Music, directed by D. Neil Darnell and Joe Ann Shelton
- 8:20 "God's Preacher and Missions" — James Hester, associate director, Division of Evangelism, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas, Tex.
- 8:50 Offering
- 9:00 Personal testimony — Walter Ayers, evangelist, Arlington, Tex.
- 9:20 Music — Joe Ann Shelton, Fort Worth, Tex.
- 9:30 "God's Preacher and His Mandate" — W. A. Criswell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex.
- 10:00 Presentation of new officers
Benediction
Adjourn

**Associational Workers
Plan SBC Meeting,
Kentuckian Featured**

Meeting for a one-day annual session, the Southern Baptist Conference of Associational Superintendents of Missions will feature addresses on the role and importance of Baptist associations and their superintendents of missions.

Major speakers for the meeting, to be held Monday, May 31, at Third Baptist Church prior to the Southern Baptist Convention slated June 1-3, were announced by William M. Osborne, president of the organization and superintendent of missions for the Metropolitan Peoria Baptist Association, Peoria, Illinois.

Major addresses will be brought by J. Woodrow Fuller, director of missions for the Florida Baptist Convention; by G. Allen West, Jr., superintendent of missions for the Long Run Baptist Association, Louisville, Kentucky; and by Osborne.

Fuller will speak on "The Importance and Role of the Associational Superintendent of Missions and Some Logical Implications." West will address the group on "The Importance and Place of the Association in Baptist Life and Some Logical Implications."

Osborne, delivering the annual president's address, will have a similar topic: "The Importance and Purpose of our Organization and Some Logical Implications."

The one-day meeting will begin with a Bible Study led by Herman E. Wooten, metropolitan missionary for the Sacramento Baptist Association, Sacramento, Calif. The opening session starts at 10:00 a.m. The conference is scheduled to adjourn at 3:15 p.m., Monday, May 31. (BP)

Church Music Conference Program

First Baptist Church of St. Johns
First Baptist Church of St. Johns, St. Louis, Mo.

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 4

- 8:15 Call to order — Presentation of program
8:20 Welcome to St. Louis — Dale Brubaker, Missouri Baptist Convention — Jerry Webb, First Baptist Church of St. Johns, Mo.
8:25 Concert — William Jewell College Choir, William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., Wesley Forbis, conductor
8:45 Premier of 1971 commissioned anthem — Composer: William J. Reynolds, Nashville, Tenn. — Performer: William Jewell College Choir
8:55 "The Nashville Sound" — Loren Williams, Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn.
9:10 Composer's Symposium — Guest composer, Samuel Adler, professor of composition, Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N.Y. — Selected choir: Carl Moman, director, Maplewood Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.
10:10 Honorary membership presentations
10:15 Conference break
10:25 Instant Drama — Mrs. Sarah Walton Miller, Houston, Tex.
11:15 Concert — The Missouri Singing Churchmen, Bob Woolley, conductor
11:45 Dismiss for lunch

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 4

- 12:45 Choral prelude — Church Choir, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla., Jim Davis, minister of music
1:00 Congregational worship experience — Church Choir, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.
1:20 "Music and Outreach" — Cecil Sherman, pastor, First Baptist Church, Asheville, N.C.
1:40 Concert — The Bionettes, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla., Mary Kay Parrish, conductor
2:00 "Music and Missions" — Donald Orr, music missionary to Colombia
2:20 Concert — The Sixteens, First Baptist Church, Abilene, Tex., Bob Burroughs, conductor
2:40 President's address — Bob Burroughs, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Abilene, Tex.
3:10 Break
3:30 Election of president of 1971-72
3:40 Concert, a commissioned cantata — The Combined Junior Choirs, First Baptist Church, Ferguson, Mo., Bob Woods, conductor; and First Baptist Church of St. Johns, St. Louis, Jerry Webb, conductor
4:00 Departmental conferences
—Local church division, John Sims, presiding
—Educational division, James C. McKinney, presiding
—Denominational division, Duane Barrett, presiding
—Wives' conference, Mrs. Bob Burroughs, presiding
4:45 Dismiss

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 4

- 6:15 Annual banquet at Holiday Inn, North, St. Louis, Mo.
Entertainment — The Naturals, Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., Jack Lyall, director
8:15 Evening session at First Baptist Church of St. Johns
8:30 Worship experience — Chapel Choir, Orchestra, Eastwood Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla., Bill Littleton, conductor
9:00 World Premier: "Immanuel" — A musical drama by Phillip Landgrave Performed by the Combined Choirs of Walnut Street Baptist Church and Hurstbourne Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Orchestra, Louisville, Ky.

SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 5

- 9:00 A congregational worship experience written by Milburn Price, Furman University, Greenville, S.C., and performed by The Church Choir, First Baptist Church, Raytown, Mo., Bob Woolley, conductor
9:25 Conference business
10:00 "Bells, Bells and Bells" — Donald Allured, First United Methodist Church, Lake Charles, La.
10:40 Lecture demonstration: "The Musical Liturgy for Today in Pop Music" — Sidney Fox, program specialist, Follett Educational Corp., Thousand Oaks, Calif.
11:40 Benediction: New president

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SBC Religious Education Association Program

Chase-Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 30

- 2:00 Worship Through Singing — William Robert Souther, minister of music and youth, Baptist Church, Brookhaven, Miss.
2:10 "The Upward Look" — J. Earl Mead, Dallas, Texas
2:25 Call to order, appointment of committees, program preview
2:40 "Happening Now . . . Ministry Through Day Care" — Elizabeth Hutchens, associate professor of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.
3:00 "The Contribution of Religious Education to Baptist Life" — Gaines S. Dobbins, emeritus professor of religious education and church administration, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
3:40 Dialogue with Dr. Dobbins
4:00 Benediction

SUNDAY EVENING, MAY 30

- 7:00 Worship Through Singing
7:10 "The Upward Look" — J. Earl Mead
7:30 "Happening Now . . . Involving Youth in a Dynamic Church Program" — James L. Pleitz, pastor, First Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla.
8:00 Dialogue with Dr. Pleitz
8:15 Special Music
8:25 Address — Peter McLeod, pastor, First Baptist Church, Waco, Tex.
9:15 Benediction

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 31

- 9:00 Worship Through Singing
9:10 "The Upward Look" — J. Earl Mead
9:25 Address (to be announced later)
10:10 "Happening Now . . . Ministry to Exceptional Persons" — Doris Monroe, consultant, ministry to exceptional persons, church training department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

- 10:30 Special music
10:35 Greetings from special groups
11:05 Special music
11:10 Address — W. L. Howse, director, Education Division, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
12:00 Benediction
12:30 Luncheon tribute to W. L. Howse

MONDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 31

- 2:30 Worship in Song
2:35 "The Upward Look" — J. Earl Mead
2:55 "Happening Now . . . Ministry to the Aging" — M. Russell Noel, minister of education, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.
3:15 "The Place of Religious Education in My Ministry" — Carl Bates, president, Southern Baptist Convention; pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.
4:00 Dialogue with Dr. Bates
4:15 Benediction

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 31

- 7:00 Worship in Song
7:10 "The Upward Look" — J. Earl Mead
7:30 "Happening Now . . . A Dynamic Bus Ministry" — Jaroy Weber, pastor, Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile, Ala.
7:50 Business session
8:10 A word from the new president — Joe Burnette, president-elect, minister of education, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.
8:20 Special Music
8:30 "The Place of Evangelism in Religious Education" — Kenneth Chafin, director, Evangelism Division, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.
9:10 Dialogue with Dr. Chafin
9:30 Benediction

Men's Conference Slated On Missions During SBC

"Laymen in Missions" will be the theme of the Baptist Men's Conference scheduled at Southwest Baptist Church in St. Louis on Monday, May 31, prior to the Southern Baptist Convention June 1-3.

Primary purpose of the meeting, according to W. J. Isbell, director of the men's department for the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission, will be to present ideas on how Baptist laymen can become involved in mission outreach.

The conference will also provide an opportunity for laymen attending the SBC as well as local laymen from the St. Louis area to attend a national Southern Baptist men's conference, Isbell said.

Four major addresses will highlight the program, which is scheduled from

7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on May 31. Speakers are Jack Stanton, associate director, Evangelism Division, Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta; James Johnson, a computer expert from Arlington, Texas; Dr. Timothy Pennell, professor at Bowman

Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, North Carolina; and Fred Rhodes, deputy administrator of the Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C. Rhodes is current first vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention. (BP)

SBTS Plans Luncheon Meet

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will hold its annual Alumni Luncheon June 2 during the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, Missouri.

The program is scheduled to get underway at 1 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of Stouffer's Riverfront Inn in St. Louis.

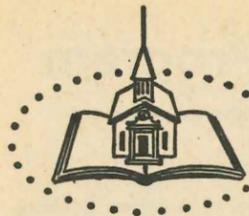
Besides serving as a general fellowship for alumni, the luncheon will also honor the silver anniversary of the Class of 1946 and the tenth anniversary of the Class of 1960. Both graduating groups will be invited to fill special reunion tables at the luncheon.

Tickets for the event are \$5.50 each and can be reserved now by sending a check for the number needed to Alumni Reunion; Southern Baptist Seminary; 2825 Lexington Road; Louisville, Kentucky 40206.

The Riverfront Inn is in the heart of St. Louis' top tourist attractions. Alumni will be able to visit the Arch, the Sports Hall of Fame at Busch Stadium, the Dred Scott Courthouse, and the World's Fair Spanish Pavilion — all just a minute's walk from the banquet hall — after the program.

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A Nation In The Hand Of God

Jeremiah 18:1-12

Jeremiah did his best to awaken the consciences of the people and to show them God's way. Their delinquencies, sins and failures cut him deeply. He was displeased, depressed and somewhat despondent over the conditions which prevailed. To him it seemed that for Israel there was nothing left but ruin. He wondered if the nation could not be of any further use to God, against Whose will her people had rebelled. Thinking that God had done everything for the nation and believing that destruction was inevitable, Jeremiah was ready to give up and quit. It was difficult for him to understand how the wise and gracious purpose of God could be accomplished through a people who persisted in ignoring His purpose and rebelling against His will.

While Jeremiah was brooding over the failures of his people, God told him to go down to the potter's house. Upon his arrival Jeremiah found the potter engaged in his daily work. Gazing intently upon this industrious workman, Jeremiah must have noted four things:

A person

Jeremiah observed an intelligent and capable workman at a potter's wheel, taking a lump of clay, moistening it, kneading it with his hands and placing it on the wheel which revolved at the pressure of his foot on the treadle. He observed his nimble fingers manipulating the clay on the revolving wheel, making it into a useful vessel, in keeping with his purpose and design.

To Jeremiah the potter represented God and this incident taught the sovereignty of God. As the clay was shaped by the potter's hand, so the nations are shaped on the wheel of time by the hand of the infinite God. The principle of God's sovereignty calls for man's cheerful submission. Those which have yielded to the skill of His hand have been made into vessels of honor for His use.

A plan

Jeremiah observed that the potter was working with a certain plan or design in his mind. If a potter works according to a plan, surely we can expect as much of God, Who plans every human life. Things cannot go well in any life that is outside the circle of

God's will. It is the mark of wisdom for every person to discover God's plan for his life and strive to conform to it with unwavering fidelity.

A probability

The potter concentrated on fashioning the clay into a useful vessel but something within the clay would not yield to the deftness of the potter's hand, so his plan was thwarted and his purpose was frustrated. Thus it is that sin has marred and ruined many a life. Sin always mars and defiles an individual, a family, a church or a nation. Nation after nation has defied the will of God and come to disaster, defeat and doom. Any nation that persists in trying to get along without God will eventually sleep in the cemetery of defeated nations.

A possibility

From observing the potter at work Jeremiah learned the glorious truth that individuals, families and nations which have been marred by mistakes,

failures and sins can be remade by the mighty power of God Who refuses to permit His skill to be baffled. Just as the potter could not make what he wished with the clay but did the best he could with what he had, God is trying to do His best for and with us. God has taken the pieces of broken lives and made them over in many cases. However, we need to know that a marred life, whether that of an individual or a nation, will never be what it would have been had it not been marred.

If you will place your living in God's hands and let Him mold it, make it, bless it and use it, He will make of it something far beyond anything that you could possibly do with it.

"Have Thine own way, Lord!
Have Thine own way!
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay.
Mould me and make me
After Thy will,
While I am waiting, Yielded and still.

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God's Love For People

Hosea was called upon to proclaim God's love to a people who had very little concern for spiritual matters. The young prophet faced social conditions that made him heartsick. Regard for the sanctity for the home and the marriage vow had been lost. Family life was rotten.

Hosea felt very keenly his need of the sympathy and companionship of a young woman. When he met attractive Gomer he admired her greatly. Before long he was deeply in love with her and soon thereafter they were married. Hosea thought that there was every promise of a happy married life. In due time Gomer presented the young prophet with their first baby, a boy.

Gomer did not share the purposes of her patriotic and religious husband. She began to tell herself, and perhaps allowed others to tell her, that she was being made a martyr. More and more she gave herself to the gay social life of her time. As the years went by two other children were born into that troubled home but Hosea was not their father.

Ensnared by the wild orgies of Baal, Gomer deserted Hosea and her children and became a prostitute in the temple of Baal. Although Gomer proved unfaithful to her marriage vows, abandoned her children and went away with other so-called lovers and went to the depths of sin, Hosea never lost his affection for her. Hosea hated her glaring sins but he loved her still.

In the course of time Gomer was offered for sale in the open market like a common slave. Hosea bought her back, forgave her waywardness and restored her — penitent and humble — to the honored place in his heart and in the home that they had established.

Call of love

As Hosea was wounded deeply by the conduct of his unfaithful wife, so God was wounded and grieved by the sins of Israel. Out of pure grace God had chosen Israel, entered into a covenant with her and made her the object of His special love and blessing. Like Gomer, Israel had left her first Lover for profligate lovers — the heathen

deities. As it had been difficult much of the time to tell whose wife Gomer was, so Israel had mixed the worship of Jehovah and Baal to such an extent that it was difficult to see which received the most of her devotion.

God reminded the Israelites that He had chosen them to be witnesses for Him, out of a compassionate heart had delivered them from slavery in Egypt, had protected them from harm, had supplied their needs and had brought them to the Promised Land. Because of His great love for them, God had dealt with them as a loving father deals with his child who is learning to walk. But their ungrateful hearts did not properly recognize His manifold mercies.

Chastisement of love

It is quite obvious that the Israelites were not worthy of the long-suffering and forgiving love of God. It became necessary for God to chasten them in love. God did not enjoy chastising His covenant people but when they deliberately and willfully turned away from Him, continued their idolatrous practices and refused to repent of their wickedness, it became necessary for Him to chastise them.

Divine chastisement is administered to Christians who have been disobedient according to their individual needs. Many heartaches would be avoided if God's children would only remember that when a willful sin is committed chastisement is inevitable. Such chastisement is intended to correct the faults of Christians, to prevent further sins, to prove God's love to them, to develop their character and to enable them to be more useful. To His child God says, "My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord" (Hebrews 12:5).

Concern of love

These verses reveal the greatness of God's love for His unworthy and disobedient people and the intense longing of His heart for a requital of His love. Their sinfulness tended to cause Him to give them up but His heart yearned for them and He refused to do so. Because of His great concern and love for them, God would not carry His anger to completion in executing the punishment they deserved. When God stated in verse nine that He would not execute the fierceness of His anger, we are to interpret the expression as indicating that, although judgment must take its course, it will be tempered with mercy. God must chastise them but He will not exterminate them because His great loving purpose must be accomplished.

This reveals God's attitude toward His children today, when they drift away from Him. Even though they are in a backslidden state, His love still goes out to them. He has a special concern about them and is yearning for their return. Complete forgiveness and marvelous blessings await their return.

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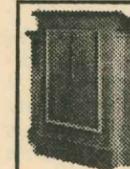
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RECRUITING — In Kentucky recruiting is not limited to basketball players. Above, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary professor Robert Meade, right, talks with Cumberland College students about the advantages of preparing for the gospel ministry at Midwestern in Kansas City. Meade is one of several seminary representatives who visit college campuses to talk with prospective seminary students. With Meade are, left to right, Don McGuire, Jim Holloway and Kenny Cooper.

SSB Assemblies Employ Kentuckians

Two Kentuckians have been selected as directors of guest recreation for the summer seasons at Glorieta and Ridgecrest Baptist Assemblies. They are William A. Kruschwitz and James Larry Cox.

Kruschwitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Kruschwitz of Elizabethtown, will direct the Ridgecrest program. He is a graduate of Georgetown College and has just completed two years as a missionary journeyman where he served as a physical education teacher. He has also worked as youth director of First Baptist Church, Fort Thomas, and worked several summers for the Brotherhood department of the KBC.

Cox, who will work at Glorieta, is youth director for the First Baptist Church of Carrollton. He has also served the Woodland Hill Baptist Church, Jackson, the Central Baptist Church, Benton, and the Parkview Baptist Church, Greenville, all in Mississippi.

Cox holds the bachelor of science degree in recreation from Mississippi College.

Ministerial Drop Outs May Be Drafted

Divinity students who do not go into the ministry following seminary study will be eligible for the military draft until they are 35, if a proposal from the Senate Armed Services Committee is enacted into law.

No opportunity was given to religious leaders and seminary representatives to appear before the committee before the decisions on the new bill were made by the committee.

Recently, the House of Representatives voted that students preparing for the ministry would continue to be exempt from the military draft.

The House action over-rode a recommendation from the House Committee on Armed Services which would have made divinity students subject to the Selective Service exemption by repealing their former exemption.

The Senate probably will begin debate soon on the committee's bill to extend the draft for two years, give the President the authority to end all college student deferments at the time the law is enacted and change the possible status of divinity students, Washington sources indicated.

A spokesman for the Senate committee said that under the committee's

proposals, divinity students will be deferred as long as they are in school, and if they pursue the ministry they will continue to be exempt. If someone goes into the ministry but quits, he will be eligible for the draft until age 35.

Further, the Senate Armed Services Committee would keep the law concerning conscientious objectors as it is, requiring two years of alternate service to the country for conscientious objectors. The House voted to require three years. (BP)



25-MILLIONTH TEV COPY PRESENTED — Porter W. Routh (center), executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, accepts the symbolic 25-millionth copy of "Good News for Modern Man" (Today's English Version) from James Nettinga (right), head of the American Bible Society's national distribution program. The copy was presented by the Bible Society to the SBC "in recognition of Southern Baptist use of Today's English Version and generous support of the Bible cause." Also participating was Ed Cunningham (left) of Lexington, the Bible Society's special secretary for program and promotion.

Ministers' Wives To Meet

The Southern Baptist Conference of Ministers' Wives will hold a luncheon meeting Tuesday, June 1, at Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, carrying out the theme, "Meet Me in St. Louis."

Featured speaker for the luncheon will be David Edens of Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri, a noted marriage counselor, psychotherapist, professor and writer.

Tickets will be available in St. Louis on Monday, May 31.