



Committee on boards report released early as promised

by Dan Martin, News Director
Baptist Press

The 1983 report of the Southern Baptist Convention committee on boards was released May 4 by Charles Stanley of Atlanta, committee chairman.

The report includes 224 nominations to the 20 SBC boards of trustees. Included are 116 renominations, 82 nominations of replacements for persons rotating off boards, three bumps—persons eligible for second terms who were not renominated—and replacements for 12 persons who moved, three who declined further service, two who resigned and two who died.

The release during the first week of May—five weeks in advance of the 1983 annual session of the SBC in Pittsburgh—follows through on a request made by SBC president James T. Draper Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Euless, Tex., that the report be released far enough in advance for messengers to the annual meeting to be able to study the nominees.

All the persons nominated must be voted on by messengers to the annual meeting.

In releasing the report, Stanley, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, asked that this statement accompany it:

"This committee is pleased to submit these nominations after many hours of prayerful consideration. Rather than subject any nominee to personal embarrassment or public criticism, the committee, desiring to be fair and preserve order within the convention meeting, requests any person desiring to challenge the committee's nominations submit a formal written challenge, complete with specific documentation regarding any person in question.

"Such challenges will be studied and reviewed by the committee in a called meeting June 13, 1983. We recognize that the right to nominate from the floor of the convention is still in order. But in

light of this advanced notification, the committee would appreciate all challenges to take place before the committee in special session."

Stanley requested challenges be mailed to him at First Baptist Church, 754 Peachtree St. NE, Atlanta, GA 30308.

Of the report Stanley said the committee has been "fair in nominating people who really, truly represent the full spectrum of Southern Baptists. We've not undercut anybody, we've not tried to take a lot of people off, we have been, I think, considerate of the people who have been there and serving."

When asked if the report reflects moderate and conservative factions in the denomination, Stanley replied: "I think when people look at it they can make up their own minds. There are some people on there who, I'm sure, are moderate. I have no problem with that."

The committee on boards has been the focus of controversy in the SBC for several years, as one faction has publicly stated aims for controlling the appointive process, thus turning the 13.9-million-member SBC to a more fundamentalist theological stance.

The early release of the report also has stirred controversy. In 1982 committee chairman Daniel Vestal, pastor of First Baptist Church, Midland, Tex., declined to release the report, following the lead of then president Bailey E. Smith, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., who refused to make public any of his appointees prior to the 1982 annual meeting in New Orleans.

After his election, Draper pledged early release of his committee appointments, as well as to urge Stanley—who was appointed by Smith—for early release.

In commenting on the report, Stanley said, "A couple of people requested they not be nominated for a second term and several were bumped." Actually, three requested they not be renominated; three were not renominated even though they were eligible.

Those bumped are Julian Cave, pastor of St. John's Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C., on the Christian Life Commission; James E. Zimmerman, a layman from Morningside Baptist Church, Spartanburg, S. C., on the Annuity Board; and Richard A. Deaton, a layman from South View Baptist Church, Lincoln, Neb., on the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary board.

Committee sources indicate Zimmerman and Deaton were not renominated because of inadequate attendance records, and Cave was not selected for a second term because of a controversial stand he took in a local option liquor election.

The report also includes four new positions for the Kentucky Baptist Convention. The KBC receives new seats on the Executive Committee, Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board and Baptist Sunday School Board. Since Kentucky went over the 750,000-member mark in the just completed church year, it was entitled to an additional member on each of the four boards.

Nominees from Kentucky follow:
Executive Committee

New member—Alan E. Sears, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, layman

New member—James E. Jones, Campbellsville (Ky.) Baptist Church, pastor

Foreign Mission Board

New member—Marion T. Duncan, Oakland Avenue Baptist Church, Catlettsburg, pastor

New member—William M. Rowlett, First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, layman

Home Mission Board

New member—R. W. Hodge, First Baptist Church, Princeton, layman

Reappointed—M. A. Winchester, First Baptist Church, Stearns, layman

Baptist Sunday School Board

New member—Don R. Mathis, Central Baptist Church, Corbin, pastor

One member to the Sunday School Board from Kentucky will be named June 13.

Annuity Board

Reappointed—Frank R. Purdy, Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, layman

Brotherhood Commission

Reappointed—George T. Cowan Jr., Central Baptist Church, Winchester, layman

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

New member—Stephen L. Danzinger, Shively Baptist Church, Louisville, layman

Henlee Barnette first recipient of Clarence Jordan Award

by C. R. Daley, Editor

Henlee Barnette is the recipient of the first Clarence Jordan Award presented by the Long Run Baptist Christian life committee. The award was given at a banquet during a one day conference sponsored by the committee.

Barnette, former ethics professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and now a teacher at the University of Louisville Medical School, was the unanimous choice for the award.

Clarence Jordan was a Southern Baptist pioneer for better opportunities for blacks in the South and for better relations between blacks and whites. Jordan and Barnette were fellow seminary students at Southern and did mission work together among the poor in the old Haymarket area of downtown Louisville.

Speaker for the awards banquet was Jordan's widow, Florence, who recalled experiences of her life and ministry with Jordan. Paul D. Simmons, Southern Seminary ethics professor, made the presentation.

Other speakers for the conference included Naphan Porter, Southern Baptist Home Mission Board national consultant for disaster relief and domestic hunger; Glen H. Stassen, Southern Seminary associate professor of Christian ethics; and Mrs. Lela Hendrix, special projects coordinator for the

May 15 has been designated Prayer Sunday for the 1983 annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. SBC president Jimmy Draper has called on Kentucky Baptists to join other Southern Baptists in prayer on this day.

John Sullivan, SBC first vice president, who chairs the prayer effort, named J. Howard Cobble as Kentucky prayer coordinator. Cobble is pastor of Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown.

Several prayer objects are suggested for the May 15 emphasis. Kentucky Baptists are asked to pray for local church revivals and a regional evangelistic thrust in the Pittsburgh area prior to the convention. The meetings themselves and denominational leaders should be remembered. Prayer for God's direction in the election of people who will be chosen for convention offices.

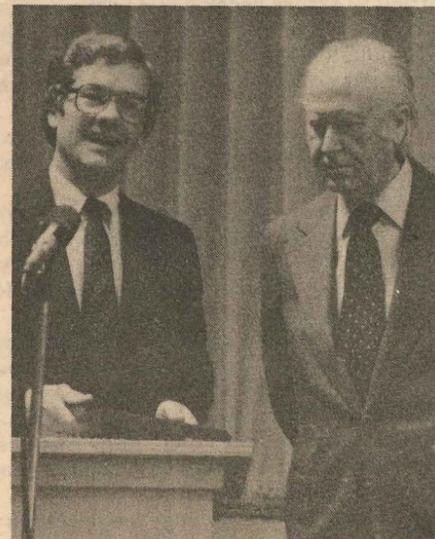
Sullivan suggests that prayer be offered that the business sessions will reflect the attitude of Christ.

An important prayer request is for the continued progress of Bold Mission Thrust.

Regional chairmen have been selected in Kentucky to work in promoting the prayer effort. They are Ike McDonald of Hodgenville, Harold Cathey of Ashland, Dick Allison of Georgetown, Robert DeFoor of Harrodsburg, Richard Bridges of Bowling Green, David Bratcher of Henderson and Bill Tichenor of Princeton.

Christian Life Commission.

Carman C. Sharp, pastor of Deer Park Baptist Church, Louisville, is chairman of the Long Run Christian life committee.



Professor of Christian ethics at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Paul D. Simmons [l] presents Henlee Barnette with the first Clarence Jordan Award given by Long Run Baptist Association's Christian life committee. Barnette, on the University of Louisville Medical School faculty, previously taught ethics at Southern Seminary.

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C. R. Daley

God's lessons through the death of loved ones

Deaths in the family of my wife have taken us to Georgia twice in three weeks to share the inevitable grief which death brings and to join loved ones in seeking the comfort and peace of our heavenly Father. The death of one of these loved ones was easier to become reconciled to than the other. This is because one was an older man whose life's work was obviously nearly over while the other at 47 would ordinarily be at the peak of his performance.

Death under some circumstances seems preferable to the other apparent alternatives but it remains for most of us a foe instead of a friend. It's easier to quote Paul's words in Romans 8 than to really believe death is one of all things in which God works for the good of those who love him.

Our family members, however, learned anew in the deaths of these two loved ones that God uses every human experience including death to minister to his children. We learned that some things are more clearly seen in the shades of night than in the blinding noonday sunlight. I take this occasion to share some lessons that blessed us with a prayer that they might bless those who are facing the death of loved ones.

Death of loved ones teaches us something about ourselves, especially when an extended and agonizing illness precedes death. In the case of these two, their immediate family underwent long periods of mental and physical strain. In the case of the older man his wife is confined to a wheel chair but she cooked, kept house and

made him as comfortable as possible to the end. In the case of the 47-year-old man who wasted away over more than five years, his wife was literally on duty around the clock for months and months though she carried on a full time teaching position and made time to be attentive to two unmarried daughters. She learned how to operate kidney dialysis equipment, had it installed at home and three times weekly administered treatment ordinarily available only in hospitals.

Only when put to the test do we really realize what unusual personal resources we possess. In these instances I saw dedicated wives endure the unendurable, bear the unbearable and do what seemed impossible. Of course they are the first to say they received help beyond themselves.

The death of a loved one also teaches us something about others. In the fast moving lifestyle of our day we sometimes wonder if anyone has time to care and help others but in times of death and sorrow we find an outpouring of love we never would have expected from friends and neighbors.

From the death of loved ones we also learn something about our heavenly Father. What we have read about him in the Bible and what we have prayed he would provide others become our possessions in such a time of need. The words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount become more meaningful. The God who takes note of the fall of every sparrow and numbers the hairs of our head surely is touched by our grief and provides our every need.

An even more meaningful truth about God is revealed to those who seek to understand his experience with death. This is the realization that God did not even spare himself from death's blow. He watched his own son die a cruel death. Knowing the experience of death himself, God then is not so much an omnipotent force sending us help from heaven but a suffering servant entering into our sufferings with us.

God made the death of his son, however, the hope of every soul destined to die. He took death, the enemy of many and the supreme weapon of Satan, and converted it from tragedy to triumph. The very heart of the good news of God and the hope of humanity is the resurrection and there could have been no resurrection apart from death. In the resurrection God robbed death of its sting and the grave of its victory. In death we do sorrow but not as those who have no hope of the resurrection. By God's power death is changed from an enemy into a friend.

There was a tomb in the garden of Jesus and there's a tomb in the garden of all our loved ones and in our own garden. But, thanks to God, the tomb is not the end but the beginning of a fuller existence, not an exit but an entrance into what Jesus has gone to prepare for us.

When love is deep, sorrow from separation by death is understandably great. But by letting God minister to us through death we can not only bear its wounds but be more than conquerors.

Such are some of the comforting lessons of God in death.

guest editorial

Continuing concerns

by T. B. Maston

Some of the trends that concern many of us stem from an overemphasis on a strength accompanied by neglect of something equally important. "Good things carried to excess become evil in their consequences."

1. The *threat of materialism* in our churches, our denomination and many of us as individual Christians. We tend to measure success in material terms.

2. The *numbers game*: the success of a church or a denominational agency is frequently measured too exclusively in terms of numbers.

3. A tendency to *equate bigness with greatness*. There has arisen recently the concept of the "super-church." Greatness from God's perspective for the individual, the church and the denomination is measured in terms of service.

4. Somewhat as a result of the preceding, there has developed a *superficial type of evangelism*. Man-made methods and techniques are too frequently substituted for the work of the Holy Spirit.

5. In many churches there appears to be *little if any emphasis on teaching and training* those who come into the church.

6. The *idea of the homogeneous church* may be

helpful in reaching some people. It should be recognized, however, that it may fall short of the New Testament ideal. That ideal is a closely-knit fellowship of people of different classes, colors and cultures: all brothers and sisters in Christ.

7. As Baptists have become more affluent or more sophisticated, there has been a distinct *movement away from the masses* or common people. We are becoming too exclusively middle and upper class. This affects every facet of our work.

8. There tends to be more or less prevalent among us a *belief in the hierarchy of callings*: missionary, pastor, other church staff members and the ordinary Christian. The highest calling for any child of God is to do the will of the Father.

9. In recent years, to a distressing degree, there has been a noticeable *loss of the service motivation*, even among those of us who are vocational religious workers.

10. The *concept of promotion, prestige and power* is entirely too prevalent among us and particularly among pastors and other vocational religious workers.

11. Too many of us as Christians have *drifted far away from the simple lifestyle* that Christians seem to have chosen in New Testament days and that has characterized churches and their leaders at their best through the centuries.

12. There is a tendency in the contemporary period to *lose the capacity to differ in love* or to maintain our unity in diversity.

13. Some phases of our denominational structure are *patterned too much after the business community*. Some of this is good but if not careful the denominational agencies may become more efficient from the business perspective but less effective as Christian agencies.

14. It appears that many Southern Baptists are *more concerned with orthodoxy of belief than with orthodoxy of life*. Here there is needed, as in many other areas, the both/and perspective.

15. Some Baptists are *tempted to use the power of the state* to enforce uniformity by people in general to certain Christian beliefs and practices. This violates the nature of man as God created him and is contrary to our historic position regarding separation of church and state.

16. There has been entirely *too much politics* in the Southern Baptist Convention for some years. However, it has become far more prevalent in recent years. There appears to have been attempts to manipulate or use people in order to gain an office or secure a particular position.

We should be deeply grateful for some evidence of improvements in some of the preceding areas!

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Earnestly contend for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. —Jude 3

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The "Little Preacher" made big steps in pioneer mountain missions

by Susan Shaw, Staff Writer

He's preached from Florida to Michigan but the bulk of the "Little Preacher's" work has been done in the mountains of eastern Kentucky.

The 5'2" 130-pound Catlettsburg native Bert Caldwell, fresh out of seminary, took his new wife Elsie back into the Kentucky mountains and began his work at the Baptist church in Sandy Hook, still the only Southern Baptist church in the county, in 1938, the same year in which his daughter Phoebe was born. Two months after his arrival, a Methodist preacher who weighed 350 pounds came to town. The people of the community then dubbed Caldwell "Little Preacher."

The church at Sandy Hook had 12 members on roll and six were present at Caldwell's first Sunday in the pulpit.

Sandy Hook became the home base for Caldwell's outreach into the secluded mountain areas. The WMU of First Baptist Church, Springfield, bought him a horse and the men of that church purchased the feed and now Caldwell had transportation into areas which could not be reached otherwise.

He bought himself a cowboy saddle so he could hold onto the horn and, armed with a booksatchel filled with songbooks and his Bible, he rode over a mountain to Middlefork.

But a horse and booksatchel didn't solve the problem of reaching the mountain people. The religion of the folks in the mountains was mainly Pentecostal or Old Regular Baptist. According to Caldwell, "We were a heretic group that came in there."

Acceptance by the people was a real difficulty. After the first year no one had made a profession of faith and, having become discouraged, Caldwell prayed one day, "Lord, I've been out here one year and nobody has been saved. If you want me to stay, let somebody be saved before the end of the month."

That same day Loretta came to see him as he was sitting outside studying. "Hello, Little Preacher," she said. "What brings you here, Loretta?"

She sat down near him. "I want you to tell me how to be saved."

Caldwell baptized her in Little Sandy River the next Sunday.

Caldwell left Sandy Hook in 1940 to become associational missionary in Greenup Association.

Caldwell started five or six churches while associational missionary, including Burnaugh Baptist Church, which began with a tent revival in 1949. Pollard Baptist Church in Ashland loaned him a tent and he began a one week revival meeting. He continued to preach there Sundays and Wednesdays throughout the winter. The church, which started with 16 members, continued to meet in the tent until March, when winds ripped the tent. The church then moved into the shell of the build-

ing they had started.

Caldwell also went to some of the churches "to help to get them revived again," he explained. Some of these were South Shore, Wilson Creek, Siloam, Danleyton and Chadwick Baptist churches.

Then in 1952 he accepted the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Allen.

About 20 minutes back into the mountains from Allen was the mining community of Wheelwright. A Baptist church had once existed in this area which was home for about 8000 people before it had died out.

While at Allen Caldwell had a radio program which a deacon and wife at Wheelwright heard. They came to Allen to hear Caldwell preach and then brought others to hear him. The small group told him they wanted to start the church again.

Caldwell had them disband, join the church at Allen and then go back into Wheelwright as an arm of the Allen church.

In the early days of the work, Caldwell would travel to Wheelwright to preach at 9:30 a.m. Sundays, returning to Allen in time to preach the 11 a.m. worship service.

Eventually the mission at Wheelwright organized into a church and called Caldwell as its pastor in 1954.

So once again Caldwell moved his family, which had now grown to include Tim and Ruth, farther back into the mountains.

The steel company owned all the property in the Wheelwright area, so Caldwell went to the manager and asked for a piece of property on which to build the church. The manager gave the church a 99-year lease but the assistant manager pessimistically added that Caldwell would never get the building filled.

Nonetheless he set to work. The WMU bought the block and the men voluntarily built an auditorium.

Caldwell began to visit and to preach and soon he was baptizing someone almost every Sunday. Attendance reached 200 in Sunday school at one time.

*"In my life's ministry
the Lord's been awful good
to me. He's blessed me
everywhere I've gone."*

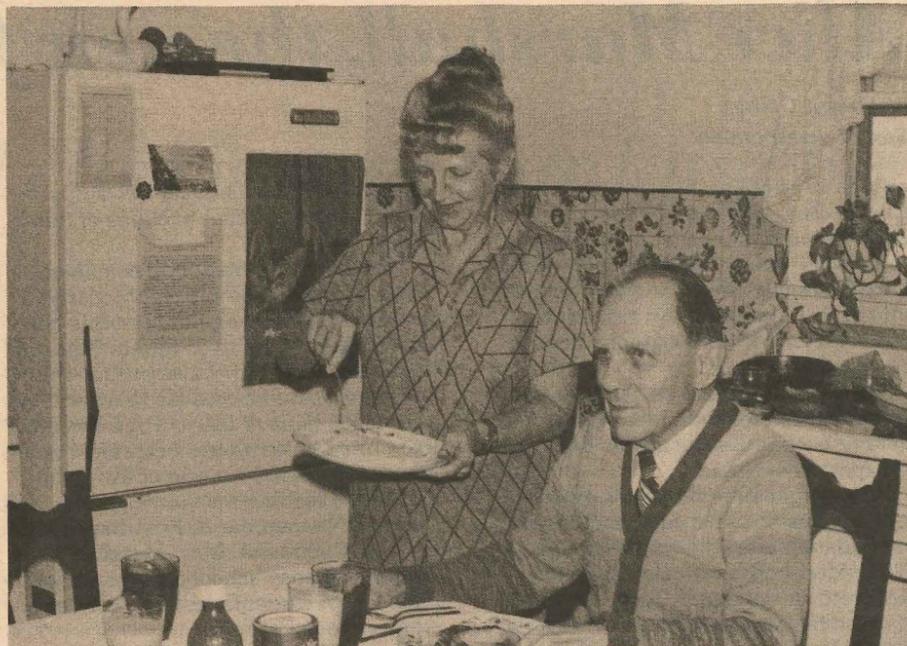
Bert Caldwell

The young people began to respond. According to Caldwell, "Young people would get other young people and bring them to the house. There were kids there all the time."

Phoebe, who was now in high school, began a noon prayer meeting for the high school kids and Mrs. Caldwell taught a Sunday school class.

"I had some friends out there among the people," Caldwell reminisced. "Once another preacher was talking 'bout me. Three young men went to that church to check it out. One went in and heard and then came out and got the others. They went in, grabbed him by the collar, sat him down and told him they weren't going to let him talk about their Little Preacher that way," he laughed.

Certainly ministry to the mountain people was an adventure for the "Little Preacher." He related another incident reflecting the sometimes humorous and always exciting work of a mountain



Bert and Elsie Caldwell worked in mountain missions from the late 30's to the mid 50's. Now residing in Ashland they remain active in Pollard Baptist Church. Caldwell began preaching in 1934 and though a heart attack slowed him down for a while in 1981, he still proclaims the same Word he took to the mountaineers years ago.

preacher.

Once while Caldwell was preaching at a schoolhouse, a mountaineer came into the service drunk. He tried to sit down beside a lady schoolteacher but she wouldn't let him. So he went and sat in the front of the class.

He proceeded to try to cross his legs and promptly fell out in the floor. Then as the congregation would sing a hymn, he would respond, "That's right. You never miss your mother till she's gone." He had placed his hat on the desk in front of him and, according to Caldwell, he'd "sing and spit" (into the hat).

Even when Caldwell began preaching this fellow continued his response. Exasperated, Caldwell finally told him to hush. Indignant, and unthinking, the man got up and put on his hat (the same one mentioned above). "It broke up the service," Caldwell recalled. "I had to dismiss church."

One of Caldwell's favorite stories about church work with the mountain people is an incident which occurred when he was a boy. He and his father had gone to a church service where it so happened the congregation was observing the Lord's supper.

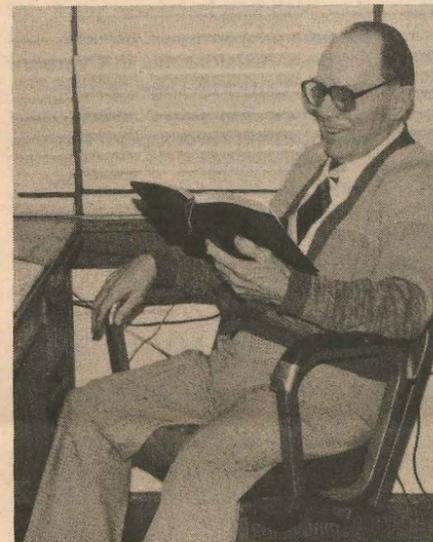
"A lady who was a moonshiner was a member of the church," Caldwell recounted. "Well, back then they used real wine. They had one big cup. The preacher told us to take one sip and pass it along. The moonshiner got it. She turned it up and drank it all. Then she said, 'Preacher, give me some more. I sure do love my Jesus.'"

On the more serious side, Caldwell noted the commitment of the mountain folk. Most of the people of that area are very closed to Southern Baptist work and those who make a profession of faith are sometimes rejected because of it.

Caldwell remembered one girl who was saved while he was preaching. She returned home and told her father. He replied that he would kill her if she followed through and was baptized.

Nevertheless she told Caldwell she wanted to be baptized. "Even if he kills me, I've done what the Lord wants me to," she explained.

She did go through with it. Her father then came to church one night to



talk to Caldwell. "Little Preacher," he began, "I'm afraid I've committed the unpardonable sin. I told my daughter she couldn't be baptized. Do you think the Lord will forgive me?"

That's the type of work to which Caldwell's life has been devoted. Even after leaving the mountains, he continued preaching in Florida and then Michigan until a heart attack in 1981 forced him to slow down.

Now 70 years old, he and his wife of 46 years live in Ashland, where they are members of Pollard Baptist Church.

"I was dating a preacher's daughter the first time I saw Elsie," he said with a mischievous twinkle in his eyes. "I asked my girlfriend who she was and then I told her, 'That girl's going to make some fellow a good wife.'"

"The first night I dated her the Lord told me, 'She's the one.' It only took me three years to convince her."

Caldwell still preaches from time to time and he's always ready and willing to tell stories of his days in the mountains. Some will make you laugh and some will make you cry but all bespeak the lifetime dedication of the "Little Preacher" to his God and to the mountain people.

Part 6 of 8.



Alice Marshall, the new first lady

by Denise George,
State Correspondent

"Bill is an exciting, interesting, creative person with lots of energy so I never thought marriage to him would be boring—and it hasn't been!" claims Alice Marshall, the attractive brunette wife of Bill Marshall, the new executive secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

"I guess our marriage has been full of more surprises than I expected. And coming back to Kentucky has been an unexpected surprise."

Mrs. Marshall's role as a supportive fellow minister to her husband began immediately after their marriage in 1957. After both graduated from Georgetown College in June, they married in August and left the next day for the foreign mission field in Israel where they both taught for one year.

During their 25 years of marriage, they have been missionaries in Cyprus, Lebanon, Germany and then in Richmond, Va. when Marshall became vice president of human resources of the Foreign Mission Board.

In addition to their work and travels they have reared three children: Stephen, 21, and Sharon, 20, both students at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala., and Shawn, 14, an upcoming ninth grader.

Alice Marshall sees her career as pri-

marily that of homemaker but always remains open to other avenues of ministry.

"I see my role first of all as one of being supportive to Bill, particularly in the newness and beginning of this job, and supportive to my children. That will be my first concern. I also see my role as one of learning because there will be a lot that I need to learn. Then I would like to find areas where I can feel I am having a ministry—a role of my own, and I'll be looking for that."

An active member of First Baptist Church, Richmond, Mrs. Marshall taught a Sunday school class of senior high school students and also conducted an Acteen group.

"I enjoy that particular age," she admits. "They're in the stage where you can still influence them. And, I have a daughter in that age group." For the last year and a half, she has also taught math at John Rolfe Middle School in Richmond.

Even though she and her husband will be leaving the Foreign Mission Board, Mrs. Marshall plans to keep her interests in foreign and home missions. While as a team they have worked with foreign missions, Alice worked with the Home Mission Board in state missions one summer in college.

"I think missions is the whole basis on which our church is built," she states. "Everything we do is really on helping people both physically and spiritually."

The Marshalls will settle in Shelbyville. They have recently bought an older Victorian home on Main Street, where Mrs. Marshall plans to employ one of her favorite hobbies: decorating. Their church home will be First Baptist Church in Shelbyville.

How does Alice Marshall feel about moving to Kentucky? As a native Kentuckian, born in Owensboro and reared in Louisville, she looks forward to more frequent visits with her brother, David Gardner, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville.

But, she admits, she will also miss her home and friends in Richmond. "I look forward to making new friends and renewing acquaintances with some we've known in the past. There's an excitement and challenge about it, but a tinge of sadness, too, in leaving a place that we have liked very much."

No doubt, Alice Marshall will continue to find life exciting, interesting and full of unexpected surprises as she ventures into her new role as Kentucky Baptists' First Lady.



Attractive, poised Alice Marshall sees her new role as a supportive fellow minister, a learner and one who looks for an identity of her own.



Patricia Terry plays the violin and Pamela Terry the piano here, but that's only the beginning of the beautiful music this versatile duo can produce. Highland Hills Baptists in Ft. Thomas consider themselves fortunate to have them in their music ministry.

Twice blessed

They hear double at Highland Hills

by Glenn Mollette,
State Correspondent

You may remember the early 70's jingle, "Double your pleasure, double your fun with double good Doublemint chewing gum."

You don't remember? Well, a few of the folks at Highland Hills Baptist Church in Ft. Thomas don't remember it either. But, the same experience of a double good time that Wrigley's wanted its television audience a few years back to enjoy is being experienced by this northern state congregation. This doubly good blessing is in the form of two young ladies, Pamela and Patricia Terry.

"The Terry Twins" is how some folks refer to them. They are twins indeed. And as they are equally alike in appearance and height (5'11½" without shoes), they are alike in musical ability and Christian service.

Charles Gray, minister of music at Highland Hills reports, "When they first came to the church it only took us a

moment to realize God had blessed us with two superior musicians. They make a beautiful difference in the life of our worship services when they play instruments."

Some of the ways they help is by playing piano-flute duets; organ-violin duets; organ-piano arrangements and sometimes solos on various instruments.

"They are excellent accompanists to our choir and general worship life with their different instrumental talents," declared Gray.

The Terry sisters have been using their musical abilities for the Lord for some time. Before moving to Ft. Thomas to assume teaching positions, they extensively used their talents for the Lord in eastern Kentucky. Growing up in Prestonsburg they regularly accompanied the choirs and ensembles at First Baptist Church.

While thinking of their past opportunities, Patricia Terry shared, "One of the real joys we have experienced has been the mission work opportunities we've had. Each Sunday we would go

to Lancer mission in the morning and then to Benedict chapel in the afternoon."

After putting in a full day of working in the missions and giving instrumental assistance to the congregations Pamela Terry remembers always being back at First Baptist Church Sunday evenings to help in the worship services there.

Both ladies recall their joy in being able to use their talents for vacation Bible schools, mission Bible schools and revival meetings.

Some churches and missions do exist where musicians are hard to come by. Some give thanks every Sunday for the one or two accompanists who faithfully play the piano and organ. But Highland Hills not only has two superb Christian musicians who play several instruments, they have two who are twin sisters and who are equally gifted in their Christian service for the Lord and this church.

And, even though some of the folks don't remember the double good chewing gum jingle, they are very much aware that they are doubly blessed.

No small order

Cedarmore's head chef is sure thinking big

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

When Doug Henry orders groceries for a week, you'd think he was buying for a small army.

He really is.

They average in age from about eight to 18, primarily. But there are some older folk who sit at his table, too.

Doug Henry, 61, has been director of food service at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, near Bagdad, Ky., for the last decade. And when he sets a table in the summertime, he's usually setting it for at least 600 persons per meal, maybe more.

He is responsible for ordering, preparing and serving—as well as cleaning up—after campers at the main assembly as well as at the two youth camps on the assembly property: Rabro, for boys, and Cedar Crest, for girls. It's no small feat, and you may be sure, his weekly orders are welcomed by the suppliers fortunate enough to receive them.

In a typical week he will request such staples as:

- 30 cases hot chocolate
- 40 cases 9" plates
- 10 cases 5" dessert plates
- 4 cases plastic forks
- 4 cases plastic spoons
- 10 cases cold drink cups
- 35 cases frosted flakes
- 35 cases Fruit Loops
- 35 cases Honey & Nut cereal
- 2 cases disposable salt shakers
- 2 cases disposable pepper shakers
- 12 cases potato chips
- 40 cases jelly
- 10 cases chocolate chip cookies
- 10 cases pancake mix
- 25 cases biscuit mix
- 15 cases hot roll mix
- 10 cases yellow cake mix
- 20 cases brownie mix
- 50 cases green beans
- 20 cases powdered drink mix
- 25 cases individual syrup
- 25 cases individual ketchup

The above is just a portion of Henry's normal order of supplies needed every week of the summer.

In addition, depending upon menus being used, for an average week he will request such extras as:

- 100 lbs ground beef
- 72 lbs wieners
- 160 lbs chopped sirloin
- 10 boxes fryers
- 85 lbs pork chops
- 50 lbs diced beef
- 4 cases [15 doz. ea.] eggs

Not your standard family fare for four, to be sure.

*You haven't gained
a thing if you work
out a good balanced
meal and they throw
it in the garbage.*

—Doug Henry

But the hours in the Cedarmore kitchen wouldn't exactly warm the hearts of most American housewives, either.

Henry and his full time staff of 15 arrive at 6 a.m. each summer morning there's a conference or camp in session (and that's frequently seven days a week). With the exception of their own meal and break times, the staff remains on duty until 6:30 or 7 p.m. and sometimes later if an evening snack is planned by conference leaders.

It's a long day, but Henry isn't complaining.

"You meet the best people in the world here," he says. "The atmosphere is terrific."

The greatest challenge

The hardest part of the job, Henry confirms, is selecting food "that will please the campers." He says he never has any problem with adults liking the food.

His belief is that "you haven't gained a thing" if you work out a good balanced meal and "they throw it in the garbage."

Henry says he gets a lot of information about what kids like from people who have kids that age. He also inquires in the school cafeterias what seems to be popular.

Not surprisingly, he admits that hamburgers used to be "the big thing" with kids. But surprisingly, "now it's fish." They eat a whole lot more fish now than ever before, he assures.

He says he appreciates the fact that "you know where a young person stands—he'll tell you."

One meal he never gets complaints on, says Henry, is spaghetti.

But look out for hominy, spinach and squash—which many people refuse. He also knows better than to serve green peas, broccoli and brussel sprouts to youth groups, although most adults like these vegetables.

The "biggest problem" in selecting

food, according to Henry, is the fact "we give them a package deal but no choice." Most people will eat roast beef, chicken, pork, ham and fish, he declares, but the "hardest thing" he deals with is "finding things pleasing to everyone." Occasionally he is able to offer two entrees, and that helps.

He also reuses leftovers when he can, but makes them into something appetizing and attractive where possible.

While there is only one shift at work during the summer, and everybody works it (13 hours daily), the rest of the year the cooks work two shifts, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. or 9 a.m. to 6:30 or 7 p.m.

Some meals on wheels

While all of the food for the assembly proper and the two camps is ordered and prepared in the main kitchen in Boone Lodge, food for the two camps is placed in containers to keep it warm. It is then moved by truck to satellite kitchens in dining halls at the two camps. There it is served cafeteria style just as for those coming through Boone Lodge's dining hall.

Henry doesn't plan for many more than 600 persons per meal because "we can't accommodate many more than that" in assembly housing.

He looks forward to the day when a new kitchen/dining facility is provided on the Cedarmore campus.

Having observed the problems and difficulties of the job, Henry also confirmed that the most inspiring thing he finds in his work is "our youth," both to him and to his wife.

"Anybody that thinks our youth is going to the dogs, let them come out here to Cedarmore and stay for awhile," he admonishes. "That's one I don't even have to think about."

When Arlis Hinson, a former Cedarmore manager, "discovered" Henry 10 years ago, he had been food service



Food's paradise

Doug Henry surveys the beloved dining room in Boone Lodge at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly. Henry, who has been director of food services 10 years, says the hardest part of his job is "finding things pleasing to everyone." The accessibility to young people is the "most inspiring" part of Henry's work.

director as a private contractor for Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Oh., 16 years.

Hinson was introduced to Henry through the Henrys' minister of education at a Southern Baptist church in Ohio. Hinson had attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary with the educational man.

"I had never heard of the place," Henry recalls, when Hinson approached him about the possibility of coming to Cedarmore. He "went down to look it over," and "fell in love with it immediately," but was almost afraid to tell his wife, Anna. He had met her while in the Army stationed in New York state, and was afraid she would never leave the North.

But when he heard her say something about "if we take the job," he knew she liked what she had seen at Cedarmore, too. He accepted, and went ahead to begin work, leaving Anna in Dayton for a brief time to sell their house.

A few days after arriving at Cedarmore, he telephoned her and said, "Honey, I think I've found heaven on earth!"

The question of religion

A staunch Southern Baptist all of his life, the Tennessee native-turned-Ohioan nearly had to forgo his marriage plans to Anna over religion.

She had been born in the Ukraine, and migrated to America, living in New York. She was a "nominal Catholic," says Henry, while "my religion was very important to me." Their engagement was called off once over the religious question, and when the engagement resumed, Henry was frank to say he would give her up before he would forget his religion. A week after their marriage, Mrs. Henry renounced Catholicism, and—according to Henry—"she's been a much better Protestant than I have!"

They are now active members of Shelbyville's First Baptist Church.

The couple has three daughters, Judith Ann, 35, who lives near San Francisco; and Kathleen Sue, 33, and Deborah Kay, 31, both of whom live near Washington, D. C.

Henry's father's occupation as a baker influenced the youngster in his choice of occupation. While the two worked together during school vacation periods, Henry remembers he decided never to be a baker for he "got the dirty jobs" like cleaning up.

Young Henry became a short order cook "when work was so hard to get" in the depression era. Then, when he entered the service in 1942, he was placed in food service there, probably because of his previous experience.

For three-and-a-half years he owned a cafeteria in Dayton, before becoming an independent contractor for Wright-Patterson. The government sent him to culinary arts school in Connecticut after he sold the cafeteria and went to work for them, "one of the greatest things to happen to me," he says.

Serving more than 100,000 meals in a summer would be the undoing of lesser chefs. But to Doug Henry, it's all in a summer's work—and he makes it seem like a picnic.

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Mrs. Couey



Bell

Georgetown confers four honorary degrees

Georgetown College conferred four doctoral degrees at its 154th anniversary commencement Saturday, May 7 at 10 a.m. on the Giddings Hall commons, according to president Ben M. Elrod. All of the candidates have distinguished themselves in faculty and/or administrative roles in higher education.

Those honored were: Mrs. Ralph (Ann Poindexter) Couey, Winchester, a 1926 Georgetown alumna; Donald Wayne Zacharias, president of Western Kentucky University, a 1957 graduate of Georgetown; Hansford T. Shacklette, outstanding environmentalist with the U. S. Department of the Interior; and Robert L. Cargill, Ft. Worth, Tex. fund raising consultant.

The lone Doctor of Letters degree was awarded to Mrs. Ann Couey, who for more than 60 years has served Georgetown College in five major roles, her most recent being trustee for a decade.

She was picked for faculty and administrative assignments at her graduation and continued in these appointments 14 years. In recent years she is well known for her counseling with college bound young people. Her husband, Ralph Couey, was granted a DD degree by Georgetown College in 1950. This tandem of honorary degrees is the first for Georgetown College.

The three other honorees were awarded Doctor of Laws degrees.

Following graduate work at Indiana University, Donald Zacharias was elected to the faculty there where in 1963 he was named recipient of the teaching award granted by Indiana University's foundation.

During his 10 years at the University of Texas, Zacharias worked three years as assistant to the president and one year as executive assistant to the chancellor of the University of Texas system.

Hansford T. Shacklette, a native of western Kentucky's Union County, is a 1935 graduate of the University of Kentucky, where in 1937 he was also granted the MS degree. Shacklette began teaching general botany and ecology at Georgetown in 1957. He has been the recipient of three awards for his work with the U. S. Geological Survey. In 1966 Shacklette was given a special service award. He was granted

the meritorious service award in 1973. Most recently he was chosen to receive the distinguished service award.

Robert L. Cargill formed his successful fund raising company in 1978 following 20 years in Baptist pastorates and a decade in denominational agencies' fund development.

Cargill's firm was invited to assist Georgetown College in its present Decade of Progress campaign soon after the company was formed. The college has oversubscribed its basic goal and is only \$1.7 million short of its advanced goal with more than two years remaining in the campaign schedule.

Cargill is the author of two books, *Understanding the Book of Hebrews* and *All the Parables of Jesus*.

Cumberland men's hall named for E. O. Robinson

The Edward O. Robinson residence hall for men was formally named Monday, Apr. 4 in a dedication ceremony on the Cumberland College campus, according to college president Jim Taylor.

The residence hall, formerly known as North Hall, was named in honor of Edward O. Robinson, an industrial pioneer, a philanthropist, owner of the Mowbray and Robinson Lumber Company and founder of the E. O. Robinson Mountain Fund.

Following Taylor's introductory remarks, Lyman Ginger, chairman of the Edward O. Robinson Mountain Fund, delivered the keynote address. Ginger was generous in his praise of Robinson, the Mountain Fund and of Cumberland College and its unique contribution to the mountain students.

Special music for the dedication was provided by the Cumberland College Concert Band and the college Chorale. The invocation was by John P. Duke, the litany of dedication by George Ramey and the benediction was by president emeritus James Boswell.

Commencement exercises held at Campbellsville

Degrees were conferred on 105 seniors at Campbellsville College's commencement Sunday, May 8 at Campbellsville Baptist Church.

Speaker for graduation was Harry M. Snyder, executive director of the Council on Higher Education, Frankfort. Snyder presented the college's distinguished service award.

Baccalaureate was held Saturday, May 7 with Curtis H. Warf, president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention and

pastor of First Baptist Church, Pikeville, speaking.

Warf was given the college's distinguished alumnus award.

Preceding the baccalaureate was the annual senior banquet, sponsored by the alumni association and the college. Graduating seniors were honored with a dinner and special awards were given.

Georgetown College confers 236 degrees

Georgetown College observed its 154th anniversary spring commencement Friday and Saturday, May 6-7, conferring degrees upon 236 seniors. These are the earliest graduation exercises in the school's history.

Russell H. Dilday, president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., delivered the baccalaureate sermon Friday evening in the college's John L. Hill Chapel.

The graduate selected to address his classmates, faculty and guests was Louisville's John Timothy Landgrave. He was recently named to Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

Merle Clemons, professor of business and economics at Georgetown, now completing her fourth year as a faculty member, also spoke to the group.

The college recognized members of the 50th anniversary class with medallions during the Saturday exercises. This is the 28th year Georgetown has cited its golden anniversary class at commencement. Pete DeLott of Lexington, Georgetown's alumni president, presented the medallions.

Griffin B. Bell joins Mercer teaching staff

Former United States attorney general Griffin B. Bell has been appointed distinguished university professor at Mercer University, according to president R. Kirby Godsey.

Bell is the first person in the history of the university to hold this newly created position, Godsey said. The former attorney general will lecture periodically in all of the university's schools in both Macon and Atlanta: College of Liberal Arts, the Walter F. George School of Law and the School of Medicine in Macon and the School of Pharmacy and the College of Arts and Sciences in Atlanta.

Bell, a cum laude graduate of Mercer's Walter F. George School of Law, was appointed United States attorney general in 1977 by then President

Jimmy Carter and served until August 1979 when he returned to his private law firm in Atlanta.

He has served several terms on Mercer's board of trustees and now on the president's council. In 1967 Mercer conferred upon him the honorary LLD degree and he received the distinguished alumnus award in 1978. He was one of the leaders in the founding of Atlanta Baptist College which was merged into Mercer to become the present College of Arts and Sciences in Atlanta.

Dehoney to address grads of Boyce Bible School

Wayne Dehoney, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, will deliver Boyce Bible School's commencement address May 20.

A total of 23 Boyce graduates will receive diplomas in Christian or educational ministry. Boyce Bible School, a division of Southern Seminary, was founded in 1974 to provide ministerial training for persons without a college degree.

Paul Corts succeeds as Wingate president

Paul R. Corts of Shawnee, Okla., was named new president of Wingate College Apr. 22. He succeeds Thomas E. Corts, his brother, as the college's chief executive officer. Thomas Corts will become president of Samford University, Birmingham, Ala., in the fall.

Corts held a variety of teaching and administrative positions at Western Kentucky University (1968-78), including three years as director of international education.

Corts has a BA from Georgetown College (1965) and an MA (1967) and PhD (1971) from Indiana University. He and his wife, Diane, have three children — Kenneth, Daniel and Susan.

Lynn Holmes to become Brewton-Parker pres

Lynn Holmes, an alumnus of Brewton-Parker College, Mt. Vernon, Ga., has been named 12th president of the two-year Georgia Baptist college effective July 1, 1983.

He succeeds Starr Miller, who resigned for personal reasons and will assume responsibility for coordinating the college's new bachelor of ministries degree, the school's first four-year program.

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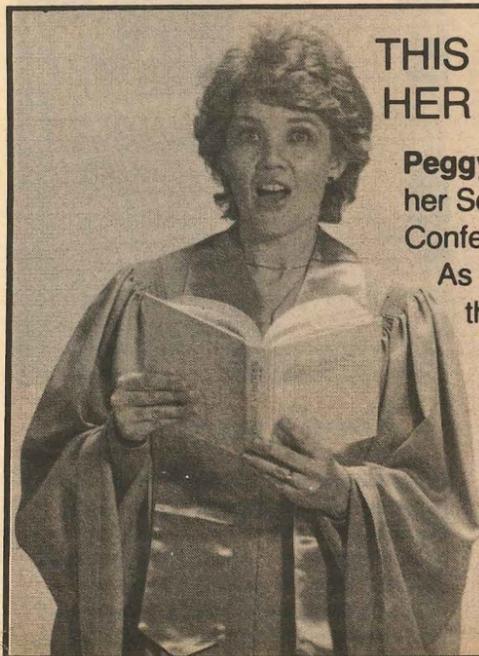
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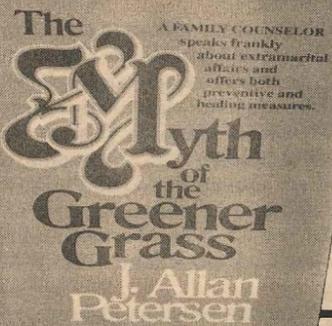
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Testimonies, parties, business signify WMU meet

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

Dixie Mylum of Berea introduced them as "real live missionaries."

They were three couples under appointment by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and all were currently on furlough.

They had come to Murray Apr. 22 to address 1626 registrants attending the 80th annual meeting of Kentucky Baptist Woman's Missionary Union.

And the stories they told of their work had their audience hanging on every word.

Medical missionary William Gaventa will return to Ogbomosho, Nigeria later this month for a final four-year tour of duty, rounding out three decades of service on the foreign field.

He acknowledged that several hundred persons make professions of faith annually in the hospital he administers. Somewhere between 1000 and 1500 decisions are made "on average" by people in their Christian pilgrimage at the hospital each year, he reported.

Gary McCoy, who with his wife Mary Nell serves in music missions in Korea, testified that Korea is probably "one of the most responsive" nations today to evangelism.

Southern Baptists have been in the country for three decades and have now established 800 churches. He observed that the city of Seoul has more than eight million residents and Pusan, where the McCoys live, 3.5 million.

As they receive Christ, the Korean people are "diligent and fervent" in their beliefs, he summarized. He suggested that Korea offers a most open and receptive opportunity to witness in all the work being done by Southern Baptists.

Larry and Peggy Wakefield, who will return to Mexico later this month, spoke of their work with students south of the border. Wakefield said he would begin a new student ministry when he returns to the field.

Housekeeping chores

Both Mrs. Gaventa and Mrs. Wakefield shared some of their experiences in housekeeping in a foreign land.

"Homemaking in Nigeria consists of keeping the lizards out of the bath tub and getting along on a bucket of water a day," Alice Gaventa laughed.

In Mexico, Peggy Wakefield said there are "no frozen foods" and "very few prepackaged foods." And, when you have two-inch holes under your doors, "you have a lot more dirt."

But, she exclaimed, husband Larry "is my best friend" on the field.

"We have a lot of stress, strain and tension in Mexico because we are tourists living there. Unlike other missionaries, we must renew our papers every six months. We are looked upon as outsiders."

She concluded that her most important role, "next to being a wife and mother," is to be a teacher, working with students. She allowed that it afforded her great satisfaction and she could sense when progress was made.

Mrs. Gaventa also reported that her real love is teaching wives of seminary students, who range in age from 18 to 56. Last year she taught 25 of them.

"I teach them to be better pastors' wives," she said. "The Nigerian women are shy and unsure of themselves. They've never been told that God has a plan for their lives, just as he does for their husbands."

Finally, Mary Nell McCoy told how she organized a backyard music club one summer. She led the children in playing games, then served refreshments, then taught them how to read music. Their pastor's wife concluded by telling a Bible story.

Meeting weekly, they began with 17, and ended the summer with more than 70 children in her backyard. It was missions accomplished.

A versatile grab-bag

The testimonies of the six missionaries was a highlight of the three-day WMU conclave, but it was only one of many superlatives of that action packed program. For instance, participants competed for prizes at a WMU fair, they went to an autograph party, a reception for new KBC executive secretary-treasurer and Mrs. William W. Marshall, they heard several major addresses, elected officers, sang, saw a Cooperative Program play and toured the Baptist Student Center at Murray State University.

And in lighter moments, they gave a standing ovation to WMU executive director Kathryn Jasper Akridge's husband of nine months, William.

Introducing him to the crowd, Mrs. Akridge declared, "A lot of you think I've been playing I'm married, but I'm going to prove I'm serious tonight." To howls and chuckles, Akridge was called from the audience to the platform.

Commenting on this the next day, Mrs. Akridge thanked participants for the reception they had given her husband.

Observing that she was age 60 when she married, she declared, "I think you gave that standing ovation because you were proud of an old maid that finally made it!"

He cares for you

On another occasion during the annual meeting, Kendale Moore, associate director of the KBC's Direct Missions Department, Middletown, talked of the race track ministry Kentucky Baptists underwrite.

Moore said that about 4000 people work on the backside of three thoroughbred tracks in the state at Keeneland

(Lexington), Churchill Downs (Louisville) and Latonia (Covington). He called them people "who get lost in the glare" and people "who are lost."

Said Moore, "Many of the workers at these tracks are teenage young ladies. They, and others, are suspicious of anyone in a suit and tie whom they do not know. They wonder aloud, 'Who are these people and what do they want?'"

Moore reported that a large segment of these people is Spanish-speaking. A \$2400 item in this September's Eliza Broadus State Missions Offering will provide a Spanish-speaking seminary intern for the race track ministry, to assist Jesse Hood. Hood, race track chaplain at all three thoroughbred tracks, was ill and unable to be in Murray to share his testimony.

Moore cited "a wall of poverty" there. As he visited the tracks and saw what took place on the backside for himself, the oft-held image many hold of Kentucky's tree lined drives and mansions "seemed very far away to me."

"I saw horses who appeared better cared for than the people who cared for them," Moore declared.

"But Jesse Hood is there, telling them 'I know someone who was born in a stable who cares for you.' Jesse Hood is there as a living link with the living Word of God."

At my old Kentucky home

The reception honoring Bill and Alice Marshall on the opening night of the state WMU meeting was preceded by an address by Marshall in which he related his experiences in the call to accept his new responsibilities.

He shared how, after a career spanning two decades in foreign missions service, he was contacted by the KBC search committee last September. His initial reaction was to say 'no' but three days later he admitted, "How could I continue to call others overseas if I were not open myself?"

He related how the decision progressed, becoming a matter of personal and family prayer, and the considerations which the Marshalls had to face.

Marshall spoke of his deep desire that the goals of Bold Mission Thrust would be realized. He surmised that at the Foreign Mission Board "we could beat our breasts, preach our hearts out, and use the missionaries on furlough at the fullest." But if anything "really significant" is to happen it must happen "at the grass roots."

"Down home," he continued. "Down in the cotton fields of Mississippi, the tidewater of Virginia, the mountains of North Carolina, the oil fields of Texas and at my old Kentucky home."

As the freedom to decide 'yes' grew and became a reality, God provided a strong word to Marshall: "Bill, that is where I want you to go and be my servant."

Citing Paul Tournier's definition of an act of faith, Marshall related, "I, too, felt like a trapeze artist swinging in the air. Finally seeing the other empty bar

swinging, I had to decide to let go in order to take hold. In that one breathless moment, by faith one lets go in order to grab hold."

Theme of the WMU meeting in Murray was "A Called People."

At the start of each session, Mrs. Jean Bond of Starkville, Miss., gave a brief interpretation of that theme.

At one session, she summarized, "A called people should live in expectancy. Some of God's best gifts come in surprise packages."

"If we live in expectancy, and if we recognize our opportunities, we will not misread our call. As the psalmist said, 'You will know the power of God if you will listen to his voice'."

Doris Mullendore reelected

Mrs. Doris Mullendore of Bowling Green was reelected president of the state Woman's Missionary Union in Murray. The newly elected vice president is Mrs. Ginny Sisk of Lexington.

Also reelected officers were recording secretary Mrs. Weltha Carter of Trenton and Mrs. Vera Durham of Middletown, treasurer.

The body honored Mrs. Dixie Mylum of Berea who rotated off the board after serving a maximum number of four years as vice president.

Dr. Dorothy Sample, of Flint, Mich., national WMU president, led in a dedication period for the officers and WMU board members.

"Our minds leap over pages of history of those who have gone before us," she said. "We hear God's words to imitate these. We ask that they may have wisdom to plan, to teach, to prepare and to promote. We trust they will see the greatest growth in the number of missions organizations in Kentucky, and that people will respond in even greater numbers than ever before to God's Word."

Other principal speakers on the program included Mrs. Helen Fling, promotion associate in new areas, WMU, SBC, Birmingham, Ala.; Bob Jones, director, Direct Missions Department, KBC, Middletown; Bill Whittaker, new missionary appointee to the Philip-pines, and immediate past pastor of First Baptist Church, Murray; and Mrs. Akiko Wolford, president, Ohio WMU, Dublin.

Music for the sessions in Murray was provided by the sanctuary choir of the host First Baptist Church, the Kentucky Baptist Chorale, a Murray State BSU ensemble and the bell choir of Hartford (Ky.) Baptist Church.

The 1984 meeting of the state WMU will be Mar. 29-31 at Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington. Announcement was made that the 1985 meeting has been set at First Baptist Church, Bowling Green.

And a fair to remember

The WMU meeting in Murray was a fair to remember. Beginning at right, moving clockwise, the crowds marched across U. S. 641 from First Baptist Church's sanctuary and educational complex to the recreation building for the afternoon mission fair. Earlier that day, staff members holding balloons advertising the fair appeared before the WMU audience. A happy participant gets into missions bingo. George Gray, manager of Jonathan Creek Assembly, tells a participant about the far western campus. In the auditorium, the crowds hear an interview of Akiko Wolford, Ohio WMU president, conducted by Bob Jones [1], KBC staffer. Not prepared for a holdup, this lady tries to pin the country's name at its correct location on the map. And those balloons just seemed to dominate everything. [Photos by James H. Cox]



Illinois pen pal shares letters

Executed inmate had change of heart

by Robert J. Hastings
Editor, Illinois Baptist

When John Evans died in an Atmore, Ala., electric chair Apr. 23, his change in attitude toward life and his remorse for the crime may have been due to the efforts of an Illinois woman he never met.

After Joy Flahan, a member of Winstanley Baptist Church in Fairview Heights, Ill., for 31 years, read a newspaper article in March 1979 telling how Evans wanted to die for his crime, she wrote him a letter and enclosed a gospel tract.

Evans answered her and for four years they corresponded. His last letter, dated Apr. 6, reaffirmed his faith in Christ and his belief that whatever happened, he would be at peace with the Lord. At that time his appeal for clemency was pending. It was not granted.

In a message videotaped before he was executed, Evans said he "wouldn't even hesitate a second" to give up his life for that of his victim.

Evans, convicted for the murder of Edward Nassar, a Mobile, Ala., pawnbroker, made the tape "because he had a real desire to try to help young people so they wouldn't have to suffer the way he did," Martin Webber, Alabama state prison chaplain, said.

"My name is John Evans and I am on death row in Alabama and I am scheduled to be executed in about four days," he said in an excerpt of the tape which was broadcast on the CBS Morning News. "I felt there are some important things I should say and, if you're smart you're going to listen and you're going to learn a little something."

Evans, who appeared calm on the tape, said he was "overcome with a sense of remorse" for his crime. "I am

here for committing murder, for killing a man. I cannot give back the wife her husband. I cannot give back the kids their father. Taking the life of another human being is just almost too horrible to think about.

"I guess I've relived it over in my mind a hundred times and lots of times I've been overcome with a sense of remorse for him and his family. And God knows right now I've reached a point where if it were possible to give up my life to give his back, I wouldn't even hesitate a second to do so."

Webber said Evans had hoped the tape would be viewed by young people 12-15 because "as he looked back in his life, that's where it all began."

Mrs. Flahan does not claim her letters were a major factor in his conversion because she wants "the Lord to have all the credit." However, the tenor of his letters indicate such.

Evans' attitude changed after his conversion and he set out to rehabilitate himself while still in prison. At the time of execution he was working on a law degree by correspondence.

Mrs. Flahan said the Sunday school of which she is a member often sent him small sums of money to buy postage and paper and to help with his tuition for the correspondence course. "I guess I identified with John more since he was so near the age of my daughter, who is 35," she said. Evans was 33 at the time of his execution.

Mrs. Flahan said her pastor, Wendell Garrison, also wrote to Evans and as far as she knows, no similar correspondence was carried on with other persons outside his immediate family. Mrs. Flahan has preserved most of the letters, which she is sharing with the Illinois Baptist newspaper for possible publication or quotes.

Campbellsville woman is new BPRA officer

Baptist Public Relations Association, a professional organization of more than 300 communications practitioners in denominational ranks, has elected a Kentucky woman to a leadership post.

Mrs. Virginia Flanagan, director of public relations at Campbellsville (Ky.) College, was named at the group's annual meeting in Memphis, Tenn. to the executive committee post of secretary.

Other officers for 1983-84 are:

Oscar Hoffmeyer Jr., associate editor, Baptist Message, Alexandria, La., president; Mrs. Bonnie Sparrow, director of promotion, Radio & TV Commission, Ft. Worth, Tex., program vice president; Mike Creswell, associate editor, The Commission, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., membership vice president; Daniel B. Eules, associate director of communications, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Raleigh, newsletter editor; Tim Nicholas, associate editor, Baptist Record, Jackson, Miss., treasurer; and Bob Desbien, Division of Communications, Foreign Mission Board, awards chairman.

Draper says SBC in need of prayer

Southern Baptists must become a praying people if they expect to accomplish the goals of Bold Mission Thrust, according to Southern Baptist Convention president James T. Draper Jr.

Southern Baptists have depended on programs more than God to spread the good news, he told more than 700 people at the third national conference on prayer for spiritual awakening at Ridgecrest, N. C.

"We're a proud people," said Draper. "But I don't think God is impressed at all we have 14 million people because he knows we can't find half of them, that only 25 percent of them ever show up for church services and most of those don't ever get around to serving."

Draper said the key to making Bold Mission Thrust a reality is prayer. "The

condition for a mighty (spiritual) movement is prayer," he explained. "Prayer is our acknowledging dependence upon God, acknowledging our willingness to do what God wants."

"But we don't pray because we don't think we need to pray," he added. "We think we can do it without God. But theology, religion and denominations can't change the world. Only Jesus Christ can do that."

Draper warned Southern Baptists would fail miserably in their efforts to reach the world by the year 2000 unless they chose to "come to God in a fresh way." He said Southern Baptists netted less than 250 new churches in 1982 and added it appears bold missions is only a "great slogan that looks good and reads easy."

"All the power of an omnipotent God is before us and we live as if we were spiritual paraplegics," said Draper. "In a land where the church has had the greatest freedom, we're the most impotent. We're going to have to get back to being God's people, seeking God's face."

BSSB trustees approve Baptist TelNet funds

Funds for a Baptist TelNet uplink and preparation of a site near downtown Nashville were approved Apr. 28 by the executive committee of the Baptist Sunday School Board's trustees.

When the board satellite network to churches becomes operational in mid-1984, the uplink will transmit the Baptist TelNet signal to the Spacenet I satellite which will retransmit the signal to receiving earth stations.

The uplink will be purchased from Scientific Atlanta which submitted the lower of two bids received. The uplink will cost approximately \$435,000.

Planning and site preparation, which include an access road, equipment building, foundation, microwave tower and fencing, are expected to cost \$145,000.

The uplink will be located on property owned by the board on Thompson Lane, three miles south of downtown Nashville. Site preparation will begin immediately with installation of the uplink due to be completed in 1984.

Pollard defends schools; calls for end to 'slander'

Frank Pollard, president of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Cal., says one of the biggest problems for Southern Baptists today is not inerrancy, but integrity.

Speaking to a chapel audience at New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary, Pollard said Southern Baptists are in danger of being permanently divided. "Sadly it cannot be said of us what the Word declares about the church in Acts: 'And the congregation of those who believed were of one heart and soul . . .'"

Calling himself a fundamentalist, "if you don't capitalize the word and put the accent on the second syllable," Pollard said he had no problem declaring the Bible inerrant, infallible and inspired. "When any Baptist institution causes young minds to doubt the Word of God, I believe it to be a tragedy which must be corrected," Pollard said.

He added: "Like many of you I cannot side with the few who do not share those convictions about the Bible. Another great agony is that we cannot side with many who are calling themselves 'inerrantists.' In fact I do not believe inerrancy is all of the issue in our current division. A large part of the issue is integrity."

Implying the integrity problem involves the spread of innuendo and false information, Pollard told of a Southern Baptist church providing extensive support for a non-Southern Baptist Convention seminary. The reason given was, "The Bible is not being taught in any of our seminaries."

On the basis of accusations made by one of the members of that church Pollard scheduled conferences with two of his former professors who were named as teaching specific heresies. The member leveling the charges would not accompany Pollard to confer with the professors in question.

Pollard learned "the charges were untrue. What's more, no one had talked to them about these things." He continued, "When I told that New Testament professor someone had said he (the professor) didn't believe in the virgin birth, he shook his head and cried."

Pollard added, "I fear there has been too much of this kind of slander. Broad, general statements may sometimes contain a half truth, but if they are half true they are also half false." He said there are several steps a Christian must take before he is biblically free to go public with a complaint. "If you really believe the Bible to be God's Word, you need to know it forbids you to slander anyone," Pollard said.

Panel studying racism says progress needed

Despite gains in racial reconciliation, racism is a continuing problem in the 13.9 million member Southern Baptist Convention, according to a panel of experts called together by the SBC Christian Life Commission.

"Racism continues to exist at various levels in the SBC," said Foy Valentine, executive director of the CLC. "If Bold Mission Thrust (the denomination's plan to present the claims of Christ to every person in the world by 2000 AD) is to succeed, we must address this matter of racial attitudes."

Valentine added the "very word 'Southern' in our name is a red flag which identifies us in the minds of many people with racism" and noted "many people outside the SBC do not know who we are or what we are doing."

The 12-member panel discussed the "religious dimension of racism and what the SBC needs to be doing in the area."

Emmanuel McCall, director of the department of black church relations at the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta, commented that racial tensions are "solidifying" today because of economic pressures and Southern Baptists "are perceived as joining the mentality around the (Reagan) administration."

"There is a lot of negative attitudes . . . a great deal of hostility (over race), and Southern Baptists don't seem to be speaking about racial reconciliation. If the National Council of Churches and the United Methodist Church are speaking, we as the largest non-Catholic denomination ought to be saying something," he added.

baptist forum

A tribute to Dale Moody

I entered Southern Seminary in the fall of 1945, about the time Dale Moody began his long career as a professor in this institution. I still remember the excitement he generated among his students. Often the bell to end the class period simply signaled the adjournment of both students and professor to the corridors of Norton Hall where the discussion continued long and loud. I had been accustomed to college professors who were somewhat reserved and I had some difficulty adapting to a professor who sounded like a Texas evangelist.

G. Henton Davies wrote of his appreciation for T. H. Robinson in these words: "I have been told that if you get one first class teacher in your life you are lucky; if you get two you have been very lucky—I was extraordinarily lucky. Theodore H. Robinson was the best teacher I ever had in OT studies." I would add that like Davies I have been extraordinarily lucky. I have had at least two first class teachers in my life, and one of these was Dale Moody. Almost 40 years after my first encounter with him I am still learning from him.

Dale Moody has always been a lover of books. His office is crammed full of volumes dealing mainly with scripture and theology. Sometimes when he says "Come in!" it takes a few moments to locate him among the stacks of books. His first love, however, is the Bible itself. He reads it in the original languages and encourages his students to do so. I'll never forget the day he saw a Hebrew Bible on my desk during his class in biblical theology and asked me to look up the Hebrew word for "man" in Hosea 11:9. All of the words suddenly looked alike, but I finally found the word and gave it to him. From that day on I studied Hebrew twice as hard as before!

Dale Moody has oriented his life to the Word of God in a day when many others only give lip service to it. This has not always been the easiest course but this has not been a factor in his decision. He fears no man because he fears God supremely. I thank God for this teacher with the courage of his conviction. My life is richer because I have known him.

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Theological Seminary, Louisville

viewpoint

The proposed resolution supporting Israel

by David W. King,
Southern Baptist missionary to
Lebanon since 1960

It has been proposed that Southern Baptists approve a resolution at their next convention in Pittsburgh explicitly supporting the policies of the Israeli government. It would seem wise to think carefully about the apparent implications of such a resolution before we vote. It has already been pointed out that any resolution of this nature would jeopardize our mission work in many parts of the world. May I also respectfully submit the following observations:

1. It would seem that blanket endorsement of the policies of any government is out of place in a Southern Baptist Convention. All governments make some decisions we can easily approve and some which we disapprove.

Soul saving outmoded?

The whole apostasy issue really points out what Jesus meant about "straining at gnats." I'm bored with it. Nobody cares about apostasy except those who have unfortunately received all this negative attention. Just like manipulating adolescents, they thrive on negative attention.

We would do well to talk about lack of freedom, lack of community, or lack of social responsibility in our seminaries, such as not paying taxes on property that is neither religious nor educational. This is a swallowed camel.

We live in a world that is bent on destroying itself, and I find it appalling that we devote so much time and energy to this dead issue. If this continues to be the trend, I suggest we stop talking about Bold Mission Thrust and start talking about "Evangelism at the Exits."

Kirk Hall, Louisville

Deacons opposed to denomination?

Having read your article concerning alleged assaults on the Southern Baptist Convention by the Fundamentalist Journal, I am disposed to communicate my views with you.

Although, this point is extraneous to the point of this writing, I wish to establish the fact that I am a conservative who has an unshakable belief in the infallibility of the Bible. Furthermore, I am trenchant in my opposition to any modernistic movements within the convention.

However to the point, I am alarmed at reports that persons are assuming membership, and more especially leadership roles, i.e. deaconships, who are hostile to the Southern Baptist affiliation of their churches. I do not know if this has the tacit approval of the established leadership or if they are unwitting participants in this that has been alleged to me.

If this is occurring, I believe it is morally objectionable. To paraphrase the philosopher, all that it takes for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing.

Darl David Bradley Jr., Ashland

news in brief

Tuition tax credits illegal, Dunn tells congressmen

Tuition tax credit aid for parochial schools is unconstitutional and is bad public policy, according to testimony presented to a congressional panel by Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

Citing "clear judicial precedent," James Dunn, secretary of the Americans United board of trustees, said, "tax aid, given directly or indirectly to parochial or church related schools, is aid to a church, and therefore, unconstitutional."

Dunn testified Apr. 28 before the Senate Judiciary Committee. The committee is studying S.528, the Reagan Administration's plan to funnel as much as \$2.5 billion in tax expenditures to parochial and other private schools.

Dunn told the committee panel that the bill would increase the federal budget deficit, threaten private school independence, and encourage a decline in support for public schools.

Children's TV should be regulated, Allen says

Television programs for children should be governed by federal guidelines and not by the law of supply and demand, Jimmy R. Allen told the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Apr. 28.

Allen, president of the Radio and Television Commission, spoke at a public hearing of the FCC, which is once again considering regulating children's television programming and advertising practices.

The FCC first took up the matter in 1971, issuing a strongly worded policy statement three years later that said broadcasters have a special obligation to serve children. But recent decisions have favored less government regulation of television and radio content and more dependence on the marketplace.

Tuition tax credit foes pledge battle in Senate

Senate opponents of President Reagan's tuition tax credit proposal served notice the measure will face more than token opposition in committee and on the senate floor, should it get that far.

During a Senate Finance Committee hearing on the bill (S. 528), panel members David L. Boren, D-Okla., and John H. Chafee, R-R. I., repeatedly voiced their opposition and signaled their intention to offer numerous amendments and mount a filibuster against the measure if it reaches the Senate floor.

"Frankly, I had hoped with the demise of this legislation in the 97th Congress we had seen the last of it," said Boren, calling Reagan's decision to pursue it again "unfortunate."

Administration witnesses at the hearing defended Reagan's plan to allow parents a deduction of up to \$300 for each elementary and secondary student in private schools when fully operative. Under the proposal, parents with incomes up to \$40,000 would receive the full credit. It would be phased out for parents with incomes above \$60,000.

Prayer writing business concern of Dunn, others

Warning President Reagan's proposed constitutional amendment would lead to prescribed rather than voluntary public school prayer, Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs executive director James M. Dunn asked a Senate Judiciary panel to reject the measure.

Dunn cited a paper released by the White House when the amendment was originally proposed stating state governments and local school boards would be free under the amendment to compose their own prayers. "If groups of people are permitted to pray," the White House document explains, "someone must have the power to determine the content of such prayers."

Two law school professors also expressed concern the amendment would involve state agencies in the prayer writing business.

"The amendment would lead to control of the content of prayer," charged Walter Dellinger, law professor at Duke University School of Law.

Yale University Law School professor Burke Marshall said the primary objection to the Reagan amendment "is that it inescapably leaves the matter of choice of the prayer or prayers to be offered as part of a school program up to the agents of the state."

al without reference to Christ.

(2) It seems to imply that Southern Baptists value support for Israel more than they value their witness to 110,000,000 Arabs who need a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

(3) It could be interpreted to mean we believe God has a double standard of morality and that what is wrong for other nations is approved by God for Israel in order to "fulfill prophecy," thus justifying immoral acts in the name of Holy God and implying that we believe the end (fulfillment of prophecy) justifies the means (war and the acquisition of territory by force, including destruction of lives and property, in order to extend Israel's borders to those promised to Abraham and defined to Joshua).

(4) It therefore seems to imply Southern Baptists do not mind the

killing of thousands of civilians in Lebanon, nor the endangering of the lives of their missionaries and Baptist brothers and sisters in West Beirut, nor the damaging of the Beirut Baptist School, nor the deaths of two of the precious children enrolled in the school by American-made bombs dropped from American-made planes.

(5) It seems to imply Southern Baptists agree on a single view of eschatology which appears to be more closely related to Old Testament Messianism (and present Zionism) than it is to the teachings of the New Testament.

Let us condemn violence and terrorism, deceit and destruction wherever they occur. Let us agree that all people are lost without repentance and faith in Jesus Christ and let us do nothing to hinder our proclamation of that message to all the world.

mountains to the mississippi

personnel

J. Paul Frick was called as full time pastor of Rosedale Baptist Church, Tates Creek Association, beginning May 1.

A native of Nashville, Tenn., Frick is a graduate of Vanderbilt University with the MDiv from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, scheduled to receive the PhD from Southern Seminary May 20.

He has worked in a nursing home ministry and pastoral internship at St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville, and was pastor of Clear Run Baptist Church, Ohio County Association, from 1978-82.

He is married to Jo Ellen Frick, a former teacher in the Jefferson County School System. She holds the BA and MEd in education from University of Louisville. They have one son, Nathan Raymond.

During the past eight months Rosedale has been under the interim pastorate of Ernest N. Perry. Perry, 83, is retired pastor of First Baptist Church, Richmond.

Bob Broome, a member of Deer Park Baptist Church, Louisville, is among a group of 50 American and Southern Baptists invited by Russian Baptist pastors for a 14-day tour of 12 cities in the Soviet Union.

The group was scheduled to leave New York May 5.

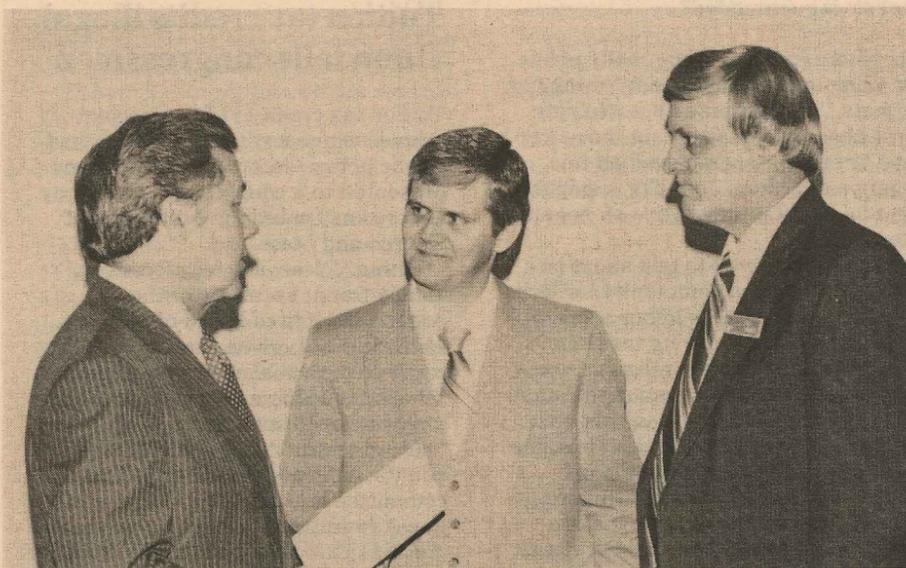
Norma Jean Johns, wife of Henry Johns, pastor of Versailles Baptist Church, underwent surgery Apr. 18 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lexington. She was released from the hospital Apr. 23 but faces post operative treatment.

ordinations

Larry Chamblin was ordained a deacon by Calvary Baptist Church, Bracken Association.

Thomas Dail, a first year student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, was ordained to the ministry by Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Owenton, Apr. 24. Dail is a native of North Carolina and a graduate of Trinity College. He is married to the former Faye Kirkland. The couple has two daughters, Laraine and Melissa.

Southern Seminary professor Page Kelley delivered the ordination sermon.



Chapter presidents of Midwestern Baptist Seminary state alumni associations recently visited the Kansas City, Mo. campus for their first annual meeting. Kentucky president Howard Wilson [c] is pictured with Milton Ferguson, seminary president [l] and Ray Kesner, director of alumni affairs. Wilson is pastor of First Baptist Church, Vanceburg.

revivals

Gethsemane Baptist Church, Long Run Association, reported more than 100 decisions during a recent revival.

Charles W. Holland, Louisville, was evangelist. One decision was for church membership by letter and 16 were professions of faith.

Chester Irvin is Gethsemane's pastor.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, South District Association, reported 24 decisions following a revival. Six made professions of faith and one joined the congregation by letter.

Dan Flannery, pastor of Southern Avenue Baptist Church, Danville, was evangelist. Mark Harrison, a third year student at Campbellsville College, is pastor.

Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, reports its spring revival was a success. J. Robert White and Donn Wisdom led the services, according to pastor Ted Sisk.

Oaklawn Baptist Church, Paducah, held revival services recently. Jay Brown, director, Evangelism Department, Kentucky Baptist Convention, was evangelist.

missions

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wendell Smith, missionaries to Indonesia, have arrived in the states for furlough (address: Rte. 1, Box 204, Rineyville, KY 40162). They are natives of Hardin County. She is the former Betty Woodring. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1967.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Emanuel, missionaries to Japan, have arrived in the states for furlough (address: 4131 Terrace Rd., Central Park, Birmingham, AL 35208). The former Mary Lou Massengill, she is a native of Middlesboro. He is from Oklahoma. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1958.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Covington, missionary associates to Germany, may be addressed at Sparrenlaan 53, Baarn, Holland. They are natives of Kentucky. He was born in Wingo and lived in Graves County, Paducah and Mayfield. She is the former Laurie Burnette of

Fulton County. They were employed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1976.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger L. Gaunt, missionaries to the Dominican Republic, have arrived at language school (address: Instituto de Lengua Espanola, Apartado 100, San Francisco 2 Rios, San Jose, Costa Rica). The former Diana Clardy, she was born in Louisville. He is from Oklahoma. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1982.

Mr. and Mrs. David R. Norris, missionaries to Ecuador, may be addressed at Casilla 4725-A, Quito, Ecuador. He was born in Macon, Ga., but lived also in Louisville, Ky. She grew up in Colorado, Oklahoma and Texas. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1980.

Mr. and Mrs. David A. Smith, Baptist representatives to Israel, have arrived on the field to begin their first term of service (address: Baptist Village, Mobile Post, Central Sharon, Israel). He is a native of Birmingham, Ala. and a former staff intern at Western Recorder. She was born in Louisville and grew up in Spain, the daughter of Southern Baptist missionaries. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1982.

associations

Severns Valley Association elected Rick Shannon, pastor of Mill Creek Baptist Church, its moderator and Wayne Hayes, pastor of Berean Chapel, vice moderator at the association's annual spring meeting recently.

They will take office in the fall with organizational directors and committee personnel also elected.

deaths

Paul Gladstone Horner, special assistant of the president of Campbellsville College, died Fri., Apr. 29 at Taylor County Hospital, Campbellsville. He was 77.

Horner was a professor of Christian studies during his 32-year tenure at Campbellsville College. He was honored by the college's alumni association in 1977 by establishment of the Paul G. Horner Scholarship Fund. Horner's family requests expressions of sympathy

take the form of donations to the fund.

Funeral services were May 1 at Campbellsville Baptist Church, where Horner was a member and interim pastor from July 1980 to March 1981. Burial was in Brookside Cemetery, Campbellsville.

Horner's association with Campbellsville College began in 1918 when he attended Russell Creek Academy, a forerunner of the school. A native of Shelby County, he returned to the college in 1951 as director of promotion and student recruitment. He was chairman of the Bible and religious education department from 1966 to 1976 when he was named special assistant to president W. R. Davenport.

He held pastorates at First Baptist Church, Lawrenceburg and several other churches in Kentucky.

He was a graduate of Georgetown College, receiving the ThM and ThD degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1936 and 1945. He did postgraduate work at Princeton Theological Seminary in New Jersey.

Horner is survived by his wife, the former Lillian A. Porter, Campbellsville; one son, Stephen, Louisville; one grandson; a brother and a sister.

Isadore Childers, long time pastor of Kentucky churches, died Apr. 27. His Kentucky pastorates included Magnolia Baptist Church, Severns Valley Association; First Baptist Church, Booneville, Booneville Association; First Baptist Church, Stearns, McCreary Association; and Wilmington Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association. He was also county missionary at Owsley County.

He is survived by a wife, of Burlington, and two daughters.

Funeral services were Apr. 30 and burial followed in Burlington.

congregations



Cecil Hayes, senior deacon at First Baptist Church, Corbin, turns over a spade of dirt at the construction site of a proposed Christian family life center. Hayes has been involved in every building program at First Baptist since the church moved to its present site in 1922. Pastor John Dunaway, chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, looks on.



Martha Sirles, Louisville, state representative for the National Council of Advisors for Women in Evangelism, recently attended a planning meeting for Dayspring, a meeting for women focusing on personal spiritual growth and lifestyle witnessing.



sunday school lessons

H. C. Chiles
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LESSONS FOR MAY 15, 1983

International Series
RIOT IN EPHESUS

Through Paul's bold, persistent preaching in Ephesus, some were led to faith in Christ while others rejected the Savior. Paul's ministry in Ephesus extended over a two-year period. He did this for two reasons: first, because of opportunities afforded him and, second, because of opposition he encountered. Acts 10:23-28 Paul's preaching of the way of salvation and the great doctrines of the Christian faith created a great disturbance. One of the seven wonders of the ancient world, the magnificent temple of Artemis (Diana), the voluptuous goddess of fertility, was located in Ephesus. Shrewd men had developed and promoted a thriving business there by manufacturing and selling silver images of Diana and replicas of the temple to the local idolaters and to the sightseers who visited this famous place. So greatly did the sincerity, manner of life, preaching, teaching and witnessing of Paul and his associates affect the people that the sale of these items decreased tremendously. It soon became evident to Demetrius and his fellow silversmiths that idolatry was tottering before the power of the gospel.

Demetrius, the leader of the union or guild which had been formed for the protection and advancement of their business interests, promptly called a meeting of the craftsmen and reminded them that the market for their products was weakening because of the preaching of Paul. The violent reaction to the gospel was not because it endangered the honor of Diana but primarily because it interfered with their financial profits. As a result of the speech of Demetrius, mass confusion and total

disorder prevailed. Paul's associates, Gaius and Aristarchus, were seized and dragged as hostages into the theater. The mob soon followed them there. Paul wanted to rush into the theater and defend his colleagues but his friends recognized the folly of such a course and refused to allow him to do so.

Acts 19:35-40 The appearance of the townclerk, the chief officer of the assembly which transacted the municipal business, had considerable influence on stopping the riot and calming the crowds. He tactfully reminded his listeners that Ephesus was the guardian and custodian of the temple of Diana, the worship of whom was so well established and widely practiced it was unthinkable Paul and his associates could possibly influence the people to transfer their worship to another. The clerk suggested that, in the event Demetrius and the members of his trade union thought they had been wronged, they should take their cases to the court which had jurisdiction over such matters, and there receive proper consideration and fair adjudication. He denied there was any justifiable cause for their inciting the riot.

Life and Work Series
WHAT COST SALVATION?

Isaiah 53:3 The spiritual stupidity of the Jews was their rejection of Christ when he came to them. When Christ walked in their midst, performed numerous miracles of mercy, taught them the love of God, and revealed to them the amazing grace and glory of God, their response was rejection and repudiation both of which culminated in his death on the cross. They rejected Christ because his humility was offensive to their pride, his holiness was a rebuke to their sinfulness and his life of

benevolence was a public rebuke to their obvious selfishness.

Isaiah 53:4-9 It is not surprising Christ was called "the Man of Sorrow," and "the Man of Suffering," because "He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed." Never were wounds so eloquent as those suffered by our Lord for our transgressions. By suffering in the place of others the sinless Christ made ample provision for the putting away of sin, for the forgiveness of sinners and for the satisfaction of the demands of justice. He suffered on the cross in order to redeem lost sinners and to reconcile them to God. The doctrine of substitution is presented very clearly in this passage.

Unlike the average person who, when treated wrongfully, makes a great ado

about it, Christ went to the cross "as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb." So, Christ was "the Man of Silence," as well as "the Man of Sorrows" and "the Man of Suffering."

Isaiah 53:10-12 By his death on the cross Christ met and discharged the exacting demands of the law. There our Lord removed the curse which was pronounced by the broken law. God was completely satisfied with the death of the Son because thereby his law was vindicated and the redemption of sinners was accomplished.

Christ's cross is the charter of our pardon. It has secured our acceptance with God and our inheritance of his glories. Because of the grace of God, as reflected in the finished work of Christ on the cross, the sinner's past can be blotted out and he can be saved forever from condemnation.



on mission together

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SELECTING A TITLE

The selection of a title for a column is probably more important to the author than to anyone else. And since this is the first occasion for labeling this column, one could presume that the title for the column should as nearly as possible reflect the content to be presented. Of course, the options are many. For example, we might call it "Marshall's Meanderings" which would give me freedom to meander all over the place. Or it might be labeled "William's Words of Wisdom" but that would limit me only to great pearls of wisdom. Or, how about "The Bishop's Babblings?" One time with that heading and the search committee would be back in action. A Baptist "bishop"?

All kidding aside, with the help of James Cox, we have concluded that perhaps a title that most nearly depicts the nature of my ministry and my hopes would be—"On Mission Together." Indeed, from my perspective it most nearly reflects what I believe about the

Christian mission—that you and I are not alone in what Christ has called us to do.

Roughly one in every four persons in the world is a so-called Christian. To what extent all Christians are on mission together must be left to our heavenly Father to evaluate. It really is not my task to determine whether this person or that group is "on mission." My primary responsibility is to be assured that, as one Christian under God's leadership, I am on that mission. It is my hope that in these days of serving with Kentucky Baptists I will be enabled to stay preoccupied with that mission. When on occasion I am sidetracked to some lesser motivation, I hope some friend will nudge me back to that basic priority. What is that priority (mission)? It is to work together with God and his people to declare and live out the reconciling gospel.

Finally, I'm excited about doing that together with Kentucky Baptists.

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EXPELLED BUT GRATEFUL

"My wife and I both feel that we owe Oneida for the education we received. I especially feel a great burden to help Oneida because the most important thing in my life happened because of Oneida. I feel quite sure I would not have found Jesus Christ without the ministry of Oneida. I appreciate the opportunities that were afforded me there."

The young husband and father quoted above sends a \$50 donation monthly. He and his wife met here as students of Oneida. Both of them were here all of their high school years. They later returned to be married on our campus. They struggle financially. They are active in their local church and tithe but also they remember Oneida each month. Their letters lift us up.

Another young man writes telling of the birth of a daughter. They have a

two year old son. He works to support his young family and will have a college degree in another year. "I've enclosed \$20 to help out. Someday it will be \$20,000. My heart is there!"

A 1930 graduate writes from Cincinnati: "A little extra has come my way and my first thought was Oneida. I'm sure it will be put to good use. I know first hand that you try to train students spiritually, mentally and physically. What could be more important?"

A young man I had to expel four years ago and have not seen since recently wrote from North Carolina: "I am taking college now. One class is computer programming. I was glad to hear you have a computer section at Oneida! I am having trouble with math. I only wish I had learned more while at Oneida. I have grown up and am trying to find my purpose in life. I have found my natural parents. I thank God for answering my prayers. I had so many

difficulties with my adoptive parents. Tell the people going to Oneida, 'While you are at Oneida, you have one of the best opportunities of your life. God, education and people who care. Get all you can while you are there!' I don't have much money but I sacrifice the enclosed \$25, perhaps for someone who doesn't have money as I did not. God bless."

How such a letter blesses. Many of those we had to expel from the school are among our most loyal supporters.

Letters from grateful parents mean much. A mother writes of her daughter who has been with us two years: "I do thank my God every day as I remember you and what you have meant to my child. I know she has presented a challenge to you and your staff. But I believe with all my heart that you have been and will be the making of her. She has matured so much and become so much more settled in her ways since she started to Oneida."

A mother in a distant state writes: "Thank you for being such a blessing to my son this year. We see some really good results and we thank God for the change. He is being exposed to the Christian lifestyle and he is removed

from the influence of his companions here who caused him to get involved with drugs. You are doing such a good work there. I am sure that many parents are praying for you as we do."

A northern Kentucky stepmother writes: "We appreciate all of you at Oneida for giving our daughter the opportunity to better herself and learn more about the Lord. We thank your faculty for all you have done for her."

From the mother of a former Oneida girl: "She is now in Turkey for an 18 month tour with NATO headquarters. She is a lovely Christian girl now, for which we do praise the Lord. We'll never forget Oneida for giving her the one year there. We know that you are touching so many others just like her, even preacher's children. May God continue to bless you 'abundantly above'."

Another writes: "I know the school has helped our son. He is really a changed person. He was smoking pot and drinking before he came up there. He has now stopped hanging with the kids he used to and he doesn't smoke pot anymore."

To God be the glory! He changes lives.

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MAY

12-13 Director of Missions Workshop. Cedarmore
 12, 13 Area Interfaith Witness Conferences (2). 7 to 9 p.m. 12—Lexington, BSU Center, University of Kentucky; 13—Ft. Mitchell (Ky.) Baptist Church
 13-14 WMU Associational Clinic. Cedarmore. Evening meal 13th through lunch on 14th. Reservations through Cedarmore
 14 State Youth Choir Festival West. Princeton, First Baptist Church. Regis-

ter with Church Music Department, KBC

14-15 State Conference for Deaf. Cedarmore. Lunch on 14th through lunch on 15th. Reservations through Cedarmore

15 Baptist Radio & Television Sunday. Materials from Radio/TV Commission, Box 12157, Ft. Worth, TX 76116

16-17 ASSIST Teach, Win, Develop Clinic. Lexington, Porter Memorial Baptist Church. 7 to 9:30 p.m.

16-17 ASSIST Teach, Win, Develop Clinic. Lexington, Porter Memorial

Baptist Church. 7 to 9:30 p.m.

16-17 Pastoral Evangelism Seminar. Radcliff, Stithton Baptist Church. 10 a.m. on 16th through 4:30 p.m. on 17th. Register with Evangelism Department, KBC

16-18 Senior Adult Retreat. Cedarmore. Evening meal Monday through lunch Wednesday. For all Senior Adults and their leaders. Register with Cedarmore

16-22 Associational Emphasis Week
 19 State Church Secretaries' Workshop. Cedarmore

21 WMU Associational Officers' Clinic. Jonathan Creek
 23-24 ASSIST Teach, Win, Develop Clinic. Florence (Ky.) Baptist Church
 23-25 Senior Adult Retreat. Cedarmore
 30 Memorial Day

JUNE

3-5 Youth Witness Training. Lexington, Rosemont Baptist Church
 5 Religious Liberty Sunday



clear creek comments

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DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE

It is the prerogative of each new leader of one of God's schools to dream (Joel 2:2). On the occasion of my first commencement at Clear Creek last week, I shared some very personal visions I have for our dear school with our trustees, faculty, staff and graduates. I believe in developing visions for the unique ministry God has given to each of us. In fact the writer of Proverbs indicates that "where there is no vision, the people perish" (29:18).

The philosopher Zeno stated one could form a conclusion about a man by his dreams. So, let me share with you some dreams I have for Clear Creek and you form your own conclusions:

First of all, I dream of the day Clear Creek Baptist School will touch and help and influence the life and ministry of every man called of God to preach the gospel in the state of Kentucky. The school was founded for the purpose of serving God-called men in preparing for ministry. Support from Kentucky Baptists enables us to fulfill that mandate.

We are in the right place doing the right work. We just need to reach more of God's men who would be blessed by Clear Creek.

Secondly, I envision the day when Clear Creek will be more recognized for its contributions to the life of Kentucky Baptists. Bold Mission Thrust is a serious matter for Clear Creek. We are training God's men for God's churches. More than 350 Clear Creek alumni serve as pastors in Kentucky. Our work is important and our school merits support. I hope the day will come during my tenure as president when no one will ever again think of Clear Creek as 'the step-child' of Kentucky Baptists. This school is (and someday will be recognized as) the premier ministry-training school in the Southern Baptist Convention!

Finally, I dream of the day we shall be able to meet the needs of every student at our school.

Pray for us at Clear Creek that our dreams for the future will be fulfilled.



homes for children

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LEARNING ABOUT LOVE

Have you ever thought about how one learns of love and what love really is? I believe we learn of love more from seeing what it does than from hearing what it is. In fact, that is God's way of helping us understand love. John the apostle writes, "This is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son." It was Paul who wrote, "God shows his love for us in that while we are yet sinners Christ died for us."

God did not wait for us to love him. He loved us before we cared or thought of loving him. It is easy to love those who love us. But God who loves us has sent us on a mission to love those who do not love that they may know about love and respond to it. Those who stand in need and may be unlovely will not love us until we first love them.

Bruce Larson says in one of his books, "Life breaks down not so much because of the terrible things that happen to us. Life breaks down because so few good things happen to us." The children we are ministering to have had a lot of unfortunate things happen to them. But they could have handled life if more good things had happened

along the way.

Children come into our care who are unwanted, unloved, neglected and abused. When little or no love has been shown them, they feel nobody cares; therefore, they don't care. Not having seen love, they do not love themselves nor others. So our business is that of making good things happen to children. They come to us bankrupt of good things. They are overdrawn. They think, "Others are important, but no one cares for me. I am not important."

Then when we show them love through a Christian life and keep on loving them even though they don't care, something begins to happen. Whatever good we do to a child and whatever love we show is stored in their bank. It may not reveal a lot of change at once but it is like insurance. Later that youth will look back and draw on that deposit of love.

When helping others, we help them on the basis of what we are and not because of what they are. This lets us love without being loved, and that makes good things happen to children.



Journey home

FMB produces film about Lottie Moon

[Left] A SPARKLING LOTTIE—Armed with a Bible and umbrella and clothed in period dress, the new Lottie Moon bears a surprising resemblance to the missionary legend Southern Baptists know from old photographs. The new Lottie, portrayed by Sheila Bailey, is from the Foreign Mission Board film, "Journey Home: Lottie Moon of China." Miss Bailey will present four monologs from different stages of Miss Moon's missionary career at sessions of the Woman's Missionary Union annual meeting June 12-13 in Pittsburgh. The film premieres at 7:30 p.m. June 13 in Pittsburgh's Stanley Theatre. Because capacity is limited, all seats are reserved. Tickets are available at no charge from state and national WMU offices.

[Below] TIME TO SING—Chinese children sing in a scene from the film "Journey Home: Lottie Moon of China." Ken Lawson, the board's director of product development, believes viewers will be impressed that much of the film was shot on location in Taiwan. The production company, Scene Three, of Nashville, used as many as 40 Chinese extras at a time during filming. Videotape copies of the 30-minute production will be available for sale at the Video Tape Service exhibit in Pittsburgh. [BP photos by Ken Lawson]



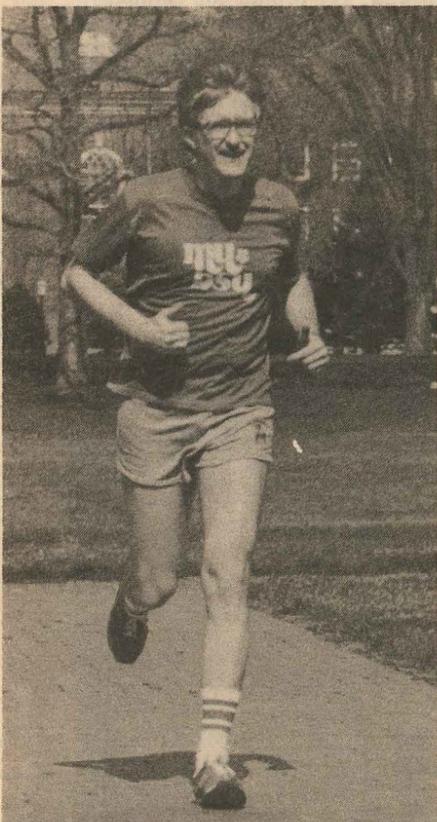


Jill Morris, an MDiv student from Marshall, Ill., collects money from Marathon Day participants. Southern Seminary's student summer missions committee sponsors the annual event to raise funds for the totally student supported summer

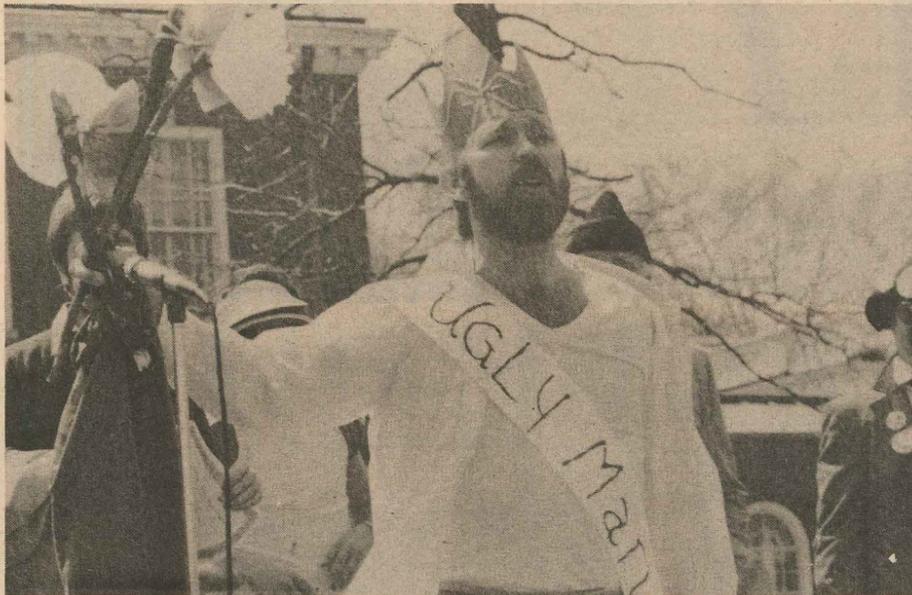
missions program. This year Southern will send out 11 summer missionaries to Atlanta, Oklahoma City, Los Angeles, Alaska, Indiana, and Frankfort, Germany.

Seminary students raise \$1400 for summer missions

by Susan Shaw, Staff Writer



Gerald Keown, assistant professor of Old Testament interpretation, was top pledge gatherer for all Marathon Day events. Keown garnered \$240 for summer missions by running seven miles. Tisa Lewis, an MRE student from Batesburg, S. C., took second place by collecting \$109 for swimming two miles. MDiv/RE student Ron Hughes of Fairmont, N. C., ran a close third, gathering \$108 for 72 holes of golf. Top two winners will receive a plane ride over Louisville, piloted by Lewis Drummond, Billy Graham professor of evangelism.



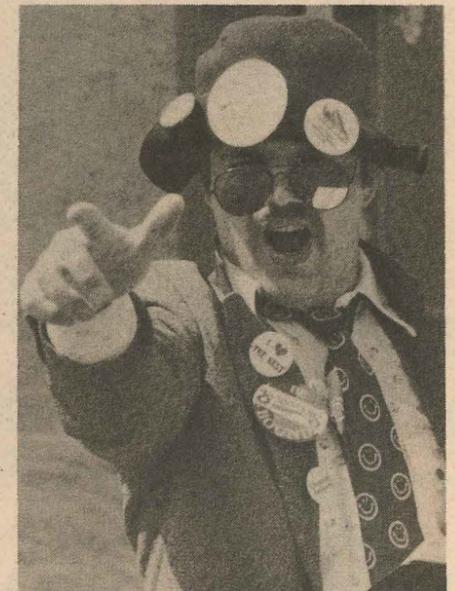
Associate professor of psychology of religion Wade Rowatt proudly accepts the title of Southern Seminary's 1983 Ugly Man on Campus. Rowatt soundly defeated such stiff competition as first runnerup Nahana Holoho, the incognito MDiv student, Nancy Hollomon of Perry, Ga., and second runnerup, church history instructor Lloyd Allen.



John McPherson, PhD student from Knoxville, Tenn., oversees concessions. Marathon Day participants were given free soft drinks, donated by the seminary's student government association.



Huntsville, Ala. native John Karr, a first year MCM student, sets up for the kill in the first hour of a nine-hour volleyball marathon. Teams changed each hour, and each volleyball player donated \$1 to summer missions. The student services team won the top honor for the team collecting the most pledge money—the group gathered \$388. Housekeeping's team took first place in scoring, with 117 points in one hour. Both teams were treated to ice cream donated by Farrell's.



Tennessee Club's candidate for Ugly Man on Campus, the Reverend Ernest B. Right, alias Lonnie Castle of Nashville, a second year MDiv student, complains the contest was "rigged" after his loss to Wade Rowatt. Students had one week to cast their votes, one cent each, for their choice of Ugly Man on Campus. This event which earned \$65 for summer missions climaxed Marathon Day with ceremonies crowning the winner.