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## EDITORIAL

### A Southern Baptist Paradox

(Guest Editorial by PORTER ROUTH)

**B**OTH THE STRENGTH AND THE WEAKNESS of the Southern Baptist Convention are to be found in the large number of small churches, most of them in the rural areas. Students outside the ranks of the Baptist denominations often do not understand this peculiar paradox. Baptists who live in large cities and attend "big" churches find it easy to forget.

In the eyes of God, there are no "big" churches and "little" churches. Each church is of infinite importance as it serves as a lighthouse of Christian truth in a community. As far as influence for right and righteousness are concerned, the rural church of 150 members might be a "bigger" church than the church of 5,000 members located in the heart of a busy city.

Nine out of every ten churches in the Southern Baptist Convention have less than 500 members. In Tennessee, ninety-two churches out of every hundred have less than 500 members. Of these, thirty-two of each hundred have less than 100 members, thirty-five have from 100 to 200, seventeen have from 200 to 300 members, six have from 300 to 400, and two out of each hundred have from 400 to 500 members. Of the 2395 Baptist churches in Tennessee, only sixty-one have more than 1,000 members, and thirty-nine of these are located in the four large cities of the state.

More than half of the churches in Tennessee are located in the open country. Only 296 Tennessee Baptist churches are located in cities of 2500 or more population.

A study of the large churches indicates that they are more efficient in their operation. For example, in the churches with 1,500 members and above, 38.3 per cent of the resident adults are enrolled in Bible study as compared with 21.9 per cent in the churches under 500 members. More than 15 per cent of the members are enrolled as tithers in the churches with more than 25,000 members, compared with 10 per cent in churches under 500 members.

But there is a danger in bigness for Baptists. A study of per capita gifts for the various sized groups of churches indicates that the large churches have made their appeal to higher income groups. This is not unexpected, for the large churches are usually located in

the cities where industry is located and the income of both labor and management is higher than in the rural sections. For example, the per capita gifts in 1946 for missions and benevolences reached \$2.64 for the 3,547,716 Southern Baptists belonging to churches of less than 500 members. The per capita gifts for missions and benevolences amounted to \$10.12 for the 389,553 Southern Baptists belonging to churches with more than 2,500 members. Although not always the case, there is a danger that the service in the large city church will become more formal and move away from the masses.

Baptists have grown in the South because they have kept close to the masses of the people. This has been possible because of the large number of small churches—churches located where the people live in the rural areas and the small villages. These churches have thus constituted, and will continue to constitute, the strength of Southern Baptists as they witness for Christ. The growth of many small sects during the past decade has been made possible, in many cases where Baptists have deserted an outpost.

Not for numbers, nor for power, but for the cause of Christ and his cause around the world, Southern Baptists must remain with the masses. With renewed zeal and interest, these thousands of small churches will grow in grace and in strength and we shall all advance together as a mighty army to rout evil and to proclaim Christ as Saviour and Lord.

### Socialism and Failure

**A**S WAS POINTED OUT in these columns a few days ago, Britain's deplorable economic crisis, born of the war, has become a tragic example of a nation's resort to political artifice as a magic short-cut to economic welfare.

Of economic welfare today, Britain has little or none. The prospect for tomorrow on today's basis, is not so good.

It becomes Uncle Sam's duty—as it so often does—to do his best toward bailing John Bull out, for reasons of friendship and interlocked interests as well as for the overpowering necessity for combatting Communism.

The Attlee government has, of course, failed. Socialism hasn't proved the magic carpet for a swift journey to prosperity in Britain anymore than it has anywhere else. The longer it continues, the further will go the decline of Great Britain as a world power.

Over in the Kremlin, Uncle Joe undoubtedly smiles and puffs his pipe happily.

Meanwhile, there still are those among us who think socialistic policies and enterprises should answer America's problems.

Socialism, it is well proved, is more adept at making problems than at solving them.—*Nashville Banner*.

### It Had To Come

**A**FTER THE FIRST WORLD WAR some Europeans began to talk about "Uncle Shylock."

The other day Hugh Dalton, chancellor of the exchequer for the British empire, said that the United States is to blame for the British economic crisis.

Try this on your gratitude-meter.—*Daily Oklahoma*.

# A Digest of Religious Thought

By RUSSELL BRADLEY JONES, Contributing Editor, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

Neither the editor nor contributing editor necessarily concurs in the opinions expressed on this page unless so stated.

## The Individual

*The Watchman-Examiner*

What, in our Baptist conviction, is the greatest asset of Christianity? It is the worth of the individual to God. What Christ could never do through popes, cardinals, archbishops, and priests; what he could not do through ecclesiastical authorities and vested religious interests, he wrought through humble, consecrated individuals. These were made competent by God to do his will. John Bunyan, the converted tinker and drunkard, was put in prison for his nonconformity, but he was, under the power of God, more effective than the ecclesiastical hierarchy that put him there. Balthasar Hubmaier was burned at the stake for his lack of conformity, but God was creating a new Pentecost through his testimony. John Milton was deprived of his civil rights for his devotion to God which led him to refuse conformity to a corrupt ecclesiastical machine, but he was the divine channel for the cause of toleration by which the spiritual forebears of this land realized their hopes. There is more world-shaking power in the humble ministries of such as John Bunyan, John Milton, Balthasar Hubmaier, Roger Williams, John Leland, William Carey, Adoniram Judson, John Mason Peck, William Booth, D. L. Moody, and a host of others—none of whom had a hierarchy behind him, but frequently had one against him—than in all the man-devised religious systems put together.

(This is also a good argument against church union.—R. B. J.)

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## Teachings

*The Prairie Overcomer*

The fiendish savagery of today's youth is traced by leaders to "blood-and-thunder comic books, movies, and the radio." Dr. Alan Brown, prominent Toronto chief of staff at the Hospital for Sick Children says, "These three things are nothing but a curse on children." And he traces the blame for the savagery among youth to "a direct result of the theory of 'self-expression' which has swept Canada and the United States." The obsession with which theorists and teachers swallowed and propagated this foul doctrine of self-expression is supernatural. It has neither sense nor experience nor Scripture to support it. But, behold how its crusaders contend for it! It is a doctrine, a teaching—of demons. It is inspired—from beneath. Those who promote it act as though possessed. They abhor old-fashioned discipline. And how they hate Scriptural wisdom on these subjects. Of course, the youngsters produced by these pernicious teachings also "behave as if possessed." We have too long ignored the Satanic inspiration back of this engulfing flood of ungodly doctrines and deeds.

(We believe it.—R. B. J.)

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## A Request That Demands Investigation

*Baptist Standard*

The following statement appeared in the last issue of the Christian Index, and was written by Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention. "Quite the most serious charge against the Vatican in recent days is that of former U. S. District Court Judge Albert Levitt of Santa Monica, California, in a letter addressed to Congressman J. Parnell Thomas, Chairman of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, in which he said, 'I respectfully request that your committee investigate the un-American activities of the Roman Catholic Church in the United States. I am willing to appear before your committee and present, under oath, so as to be

subject to the pains and penalties of perjury, conclusive documentary proof that the Roman Catholic Church in the United States is engaged in subversive activities which are undermining our American form of government, and are designed to destroy the political and religious freedom of our people.' It would require ten lines of type to list the educational background and public achievements of Mr. Levitt. He holds degrees from Harvard, Yale, and Columbia."

We insist that the House Committee on Un-American Activities ought to see to it that this charge against the Roman Catholic Church is investigated. The Roman Catholic hierarchy should demand proof of the charges made. If the charges are true, the people of this nation should know it, and our government should do something about it.

(If the charge of Judge Levitt is TRUE, you will probably hear much complaint from the Romanists that they are being persecuted. If it is NOT TRUE, they will join in the demand for an investigation. R. B. J.)

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## Missions and Evangelism

*The Sunday School Times*

In the Baptist Church of Highland Park, Mich., is a Board Mission which has been in existence since 1919 and which is elected in the same manner as the Board of Deacons or the Board of Trustees. It consists of thirteen members and their task is to promote a missionary spirit in the church and have supervision over missionary activities and contributions. Each year there are two festivals, the first being in October when gifts are assembled for package and Christmas mailing to missions the world over. This year they sent away 1,365 articles in addition to cash remittances. Then there is the missionary conference week in February. This year forty missionaries and leaders of mission groups co-operated. This church has also a fully organized Board of Evangelism which conducts jail preaching, rescue and gospel mission work, hospital visitation, open-air evangelism, cottage prayer groups, and so on, all of which are sponsored by the mission funds of the church. They have sent from among their own young people missionaries, equipped and supported to China, Assam, Africa, the Philippines, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Puerto Rico, and to home fields. At present it has twenty-five students in Bible institutes, seminaries, and Bible colleges, preparing for full-time service.

(This church acts as if it meant business!—R. B. J.)

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## Communism

*The Christian Index*

Mr. Alexander Clifford of the *Daily Mail* has just returned to London from a six weeks' trip to Russia and is writing some very revealing articles in which he says, "Communism is now a fully fledged religion which claims to be of universal application. It has a tremendous literature of commentary and exegesis, and all the usual saints and martyrs and heresies. It is rigidly orthodox and highly fanatical. And this religion has got a grip on the world. Bonds are irrelevant, for Communism is a thing of the mind. The only really relevant thing is another faith—a positive and constructive faith with the power to seize men's minds." Of course, the challenge here implied is to Christianity, which is exactly what I have been trying to say since my visit to Russia last year. Communism is not the answer—Christianity is the answer.

(But the flabby Christianity that some of us practice is not an effective answer. It must be the genuine article.—R. B. J.)

# My Impressions of the Baptist World Alliance

CHAS. W. POPE

COPENHAGEN is a large city in a small country. There are only about four million people in all Denmark, and one million of these live in Copenhagen. About fifty per cent of the population of Denmark are farmers. There are no tenant farmers in Denmark. Every farmer owns at least an interest in the soil he farms. Although a Democracy, Denmark has a King and the Lutheran Church is the State Church.

The citizens of Copenhagen are a thrifty, prosperous, and hospitable people. While in Copenhagen the writer boarded a street car to find a drug store. Unable to read the signs on the stores I asked a citizen who was on his way to his office for assistance. The citizen could speak English. He left the street car, walked two blocks with me to a drug store, told the salesman what I wanted, then took me three blocks in a different direction to put me on a street car that would take me back to the hotel. He had spent nearly half an hour helping a stranger who could neither read, speak, nor understand their language.

The first session of the Alliance meetings was held in the K. B. Hallen Tuesday night, July 29. Every seat in the large auditorium was taken. Dr. C. J. Tinsley from Australia formally opened the session, and the Danish choir stirred the hearts of the messengers with old, sacred songs. Messengers from many nations joined, each singing the hymns in his own tongue. A message from President Truman was read, in which the President expressed good wishes for the Congress of Baptists. On the platform were Prime Minister of Denmark, Knud Kristensen; Mayor of Copenhagen, H. P. Sorensen; and, Bishop Fugalsang Damgaard. The Prime Minister gave the principal address of welcome. The mayor suggested that the city of Copenhagen had been the meeting place of many Congresses, but that none of them had been attended by so many representatives as the Baptist World Alliance. After the Vicar of the Lutheran (State) Church had refused the use of the largest auditorium in Denmark for the use of the Baptists, the city of Copenhagen had offered its city auditorium. This was too small and the evening sessions of the Alliance meetings were held in two places simultaneously, the K. B. Hallen and the Stadium.

The sessions of the Baptist World Alliance ran true to Baptist form and order. The fundamental principles of Baptist faiths were emphasized, and the Baptist message was made clear and plain in a courteous and acceptable manner. On Wednesday evening Dr. Louie D. Newton, President of the Southern Baptist Convention, spoke on "The Challenge of World Evangelism." Among the hindrances to world evangelism he listed were; false theology, materialism, crime, Fascism, and Communism. "Christianity must recognize the challenge of Communism and courageously meet it."

Dr. E. C. Rust of England brought a strong message on "The True Relation of Science and Religion." He said, "In many people faith in self has supplanted faith in God." "Without faith the scientist cannot determine the destiny of many. We have the materials and scientific knowledge to build a new and better civilization, but we do not have the character to build that civilization. Only religion can produce that character." "The values of religion cannot be tested by the methods of science."

On Thursday evening Honorable Ernest Brown of Great Britain brought a strong and forceful address on, "The Baptist Contribution to World Peace." He convincingly emphasized the importance and value of freedom—freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and the right of the individual.

This is the bed-rock of our Baptist faith—the freedom of the individual! Free to worship, to write, to speak! There can be no complete religious freedom so long as there is any kind of union of Church and State. The State must not be coerced by religion, and religion must not be coerced by the State. The tragedy of Europe is its State Churches! The only unpleasant incident of the

Baptist World Alliance grew out of a State Church situation. An eminent Bishop of England recently said, "The Church of England may be compelled to seek separation of Church and State to prevent domination by the Parliament."

As this great session of the Baptist World Alliance closed, the writer was convinced that the Baptist message had been well presented to a world that needs to know freedom.

## "Christ-Controlled Lives"

BETH PRIM

MANKIND is in the biggest hurry in history and nobody seems to know why.

Why do we drive rather than walk, fly rather than drive, run rather than stroll, rush madly without striving deliberately? Is it because we human beings now consider ourselves more highly developed than our great-great-grandfathers, who didn't object to waiting a week in an inn because they missed a stage coach? Do we think we are capable of higher speeds mentally? Are our minds so much more capable and complex than those of Jefferson and Washington and Lincoln and Paul and another who changed the whole world by His presence in it? Can we think more surely because we think more swiftly?

High speed alone cannot achieve. That thought was spoken by Dr. James L. Sullivan, pastor of the Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, as he addressed 2,400 Baptist Training Union leaders at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in North Carolina.

"We need to slow down and think," he said. "In fact, I believe we need to stop entirely a few minutes and think."

"We need to make a keen distinction between motion and progress."

"The most active motion I ever saw was a chicken with its head chopped off in the barnyard. Must we humans behave the same way?" he asked.

"Why don't we get hold of the real controls of our lives? Better still, why don't we let a Master Switchman take hold of the controls?"

"Did you ever stop to think," he asked, "that there are three types of lives in the world? Let's stop now and consider them. Then you decide where you fit in, and be governed accordingly."

"First think of the uncontrolled life. It is like a dry leaf in the autumn by the highway. A Greyhound bus comes along one way, and the leaf is picked up by the suction and drifts in that direction. A truck comes, and the dry leaf is blown back the other way. A passenger car comes, and the leaf shifts again. It is subject to the currents of the moment. There are no controls."

"The second type of life is a 'self-controlled' life. It is like the watch which gets its power from within. It gets along pretty well as long as the watch is wound and does not run down."

"The trouble with such a philosophy is that the controls are from within. Like the watch, it has to be wound again and again to keep the power going. Such a life is dependent on human hands. It will not work successfully in the long run any more than a sinful man can become godly by his own life of goodness."

"The third type of life is the 'Christ-controlled' life. Do you remember the rich young ruler who came to Christ? He had kept all the commandments from his youth. But though his life was regulated, something still was lacking. Christ knew that the young ruler's life needed to be governed by divine power—not from inner power."

"The born-again Christian should be governed by divine power. The life that is Christ-controlled will be Christ-crowned—not by human publicity, but by God Himself."

"The Christian is then like the small boy playing on a storm-tossed ship, who was asked by a sailor: 'Aren't you afraid in the midst of all this danger?' The little boy looked up calmly to say: 'I'm not scared. My daddy, he's captain of this ship.'

"So it is with the Christ-controlled life."

## Some Present Enemies of the Home

*Enemies of the home and of the individual work singly and in combination to carry on their destruction. What of these: night clubs and dance halls; juke joints and honky tonks; salacious literature and low moral standards; bad motion pictures and thriller radio programs; drinking and gambling; divorces; worldliness in every area of living; indifference toward God, to the Bible and its teachings.*

JOHN R. SAMPEY, JR., Furman University, Greenville, S. C.

**T**HE ENTHRONEMENT of materialism in the lives of parents and children is a subtle enemy of the home. Science has placed so many luxuries and laborsaving gadgets within our reach that much of our conversation and planning centers on these.

We hear on every hand such questions and comments as: When are we going to buy that new car, that console radio, and, Our house seems so out-of-date after that visit to the Jones' new home.

The pursuit of worldly pleasures demands yet a larger part of the time and thought of the average home. What movie shall Mom and Dad take in this evening? Big Sis is having an awful time decided what to wear to the formal Junior Cotillion.

And Jack has been arguing with Dad for weeks over the ab-

solute necessity of serving Martinis when the gang meets in the home next week. Junior night after night searches the air waves for his favorite crime thrillers and comedy skits, with their coarse and often obscene jokes.

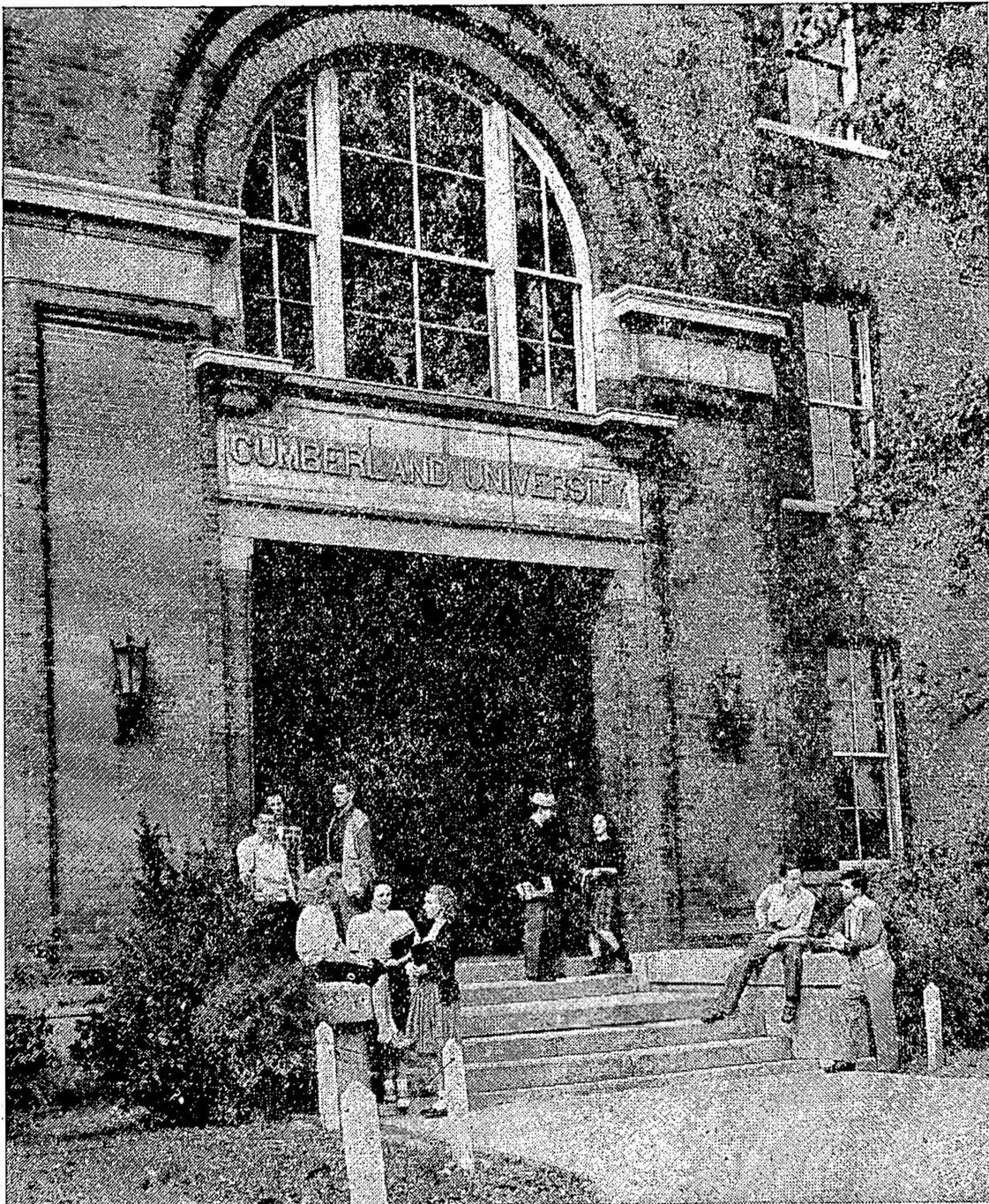
The abdication of parental authority preceded the entrance of materialism such as is pictured. It was a sad day when discipline vanished from the American home, the school, and the church. We moderns ridicule the discipline of our Puritan ancestors, but when our own sons were thrust suddenly into the discipline of the armed services, many of them just couldn't take it. Today they languish in mental hospitals or are moral and emotional wrecks, shielded in the very homes which failed to prepare them to meet the stern realities of life.

The desertion of the family altar paved the way for the entrance of these present enemies of the home—materialism, parental irresponsibility, and paganism. God ordained the father as the spiritual head of the family. When the man in the home exercises this high privilege, there is established a bulwark against which all the enemies of the home beat in vain.

God give America wisdom and faith to open its homes to the unseen Guest, who stands without and even now is knocking at the door!—*The Sunday School Builder.*

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## Resolutions

**T**HE CONCORD Baptist Association in regular session adopted the following Resolutions—to wit.

Whereas, during the recent session of Tennessee Legislature an act known as the unemployment tax bill was passed by that body and

Whereas, said act levies a tax on churches and religious institutions which is in direct opposition to Religious Liberty and violates that sacred principle of separation of church and state for which Baptists have always stood. Said act puts the church and religious organizations down on a level with industry. Puts a discount on religion and the high ideals of christianity and a premium on the material things of life which is in direct opposition to the teaching of God's word.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Concord Baptist Association now in regular session that we condemn said act and demand its repeal and that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes and a copy be sent to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR for publication and our local papers.—S. A. MAPLES, *Chairman*.

## The Survey Bulletin

### FACTS OF INTEREST

Americans smoked 327,000,000,000 cigarettes for the year ending July 1 according to the Agriculture Department, a 7 per cent increase over 1946. Another 33,000,000,000 cigarettes were exported. Cigar smokers burned 5,750,000,000 stogies in the last six months.

Magazine sales hit a record high. The average American family spent nearly \$11 on magazines for the year, reading an average of seven a month. Total sales for 549 general and farm magazines reached 325,000,000,000 for the year.

The Department of Commerce reported that sales by chain stores and mail order houses were 22 per cent above last year for the first six months of 1947.

Major factor was increase in costs and credit expansion. Taking the 1935-39 average as 100, the price index scored to 157.1. Consumer credit reached a new record of \$10,884,000,000, a gain of \$2,979,000,000 over last year.

U. S. production value reached a record high for an annual rate of \$226,000,000,000.

U. S. Hospitals (6,125) spent \$2,000,000,000 on the care of 15,675,602 patients in 1946.

But statisticians predicted that the 1947 death rate would be the lowest in history.

And in case you are interested, the National Beauty Culturists League heard that American women buy more than 100,000 wigs a year.

### IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

Emory University, Methodist-owned school in Atlanta, Ga., received \$5,000,000 from C. Howard Candler, Coca-Cola heir.

Of the 42,000 parishes in the U. S. Methodist Church, two-thirds are located in small towns and villages, and some 18,000 are still housed in one-room buildings.

Southern Presbyterians, meeting at Montreat last week, voiced opposition to union with the Presbyterians U. S. A.

After radio station WMRP, Flint, Michigan, refused to sell time to a brewery, it had more than \$40,000 in other contracts cancelled.

The fourth annual "National Convocation on the Church in Town and Country" will be held in Rochester, N. Y., November 4-6.

### BAPTIST HIGHLIGHTS

Every state in the Southern Baptist Convention has planned a state-wide evangelistic conference for 1948, according to C. E. Matthews, superintendent of evangelism for the Home Mission Board. Early reports indicate that 1947 baptisms will approximate the 1946 results.

James W. Ray has been elected state student secretary for North Carolina.

The Southwestern Religious Education Association will meet in Fort Worth, Texas, at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary August 26.

Sam Ed Bradley has been elected field superintendent of the Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home.

The first assembly of the Baptist Federation of Canada will meet at Wolfville, New Brunswick, August 23-26. George Card of the Baptist Sunday School Board will represent Southern Baptists.

Sixty per cent of the students at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary come from cities of 1,500 and more. Only 20 per cent are the sons of farmers and 15 per cent are the sons of ministers. Few of the fathers are professional men other than ministers. Seventy per cent of the students are married.

More than 100 families dedicated their homes to God in a service recently conducted by Dr. Joe W. Burton, editor of *Home Life*, at a service in his home town, Munday, Texas.

Negro newspapers are playing up the race angles of the Baptist World Alliance.

## Department of Student Work

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### U. T. Medical Banquet

A B. S. U. banquet was planned for the University of Tennessee Medical students on Tuesday night, August 19. This banquet was planned by Mr. Norris Gilliam, Jr., city-wide student secretary of Memphis, for the purpose of acquainting these students with the B. S. U. and its main purposes. It was held in the dining room of the First Baptist Church and a fine group of students were in attendance. They were from the School of Medicine, School of Dentistry, School of Pharmacy and School of Nursing. Some of these students had been active in B. S. U. during their college days and others had their first contact with the B. S. U. on this occasion. The theme of the banquet was "The Great Physician." The writer had the privilege of being there for this occasion and speaking on the theme of the meeting.

We are hoping to set-up a B. S. U. organization on this campus in the near future. Because of the busy schedule of these students, it will not be possible to have a full program of activity but we are hoping to do a great deal to enlist students in the activities of some local Baptist church and to make their lives count for Christ during their training period. We covet these people for Christ because they are going out to fill great places of influence and service and their lives can mean so much to the cause of Christ.

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### B. S. U. Organized At Knoxville Business College

Recently a B. S. U. was organized at the Knoxville Business College and Miss Juanita LaRue of Knoxville was elected president. The other officers' names will be run in a later issue of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. This organization began immediately the sponsoring of noonday devotional services and has since its organization, about ten days ago, averaged around thirty in attendance each day. These young people are enthusiastic about the B. S. U. and we feel that our organization will grow in influence and power on this campus. There is a fine group of young people enrolled in this school and in a very short while they will be holding down responsible positions where their lives can wield great influence for Christ. The president of the school and the faculty members are interested in the organization and are sponsoring it in every way possible. The writer had the privilege of leading noonday devotions there on Friday, August 22, and there was a fine group of students and two faculty members in attendance at the meeting. We pray God's richest blessings upon this organization and trust that it will continue to grow in influence and service.

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# The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

Topic: "THE WISDOM OF HARMONIOUS LIVING"  
Prov. 3:30-31; 15:1, 18; 22:24-25; 25:18, 21-22; 26:20-21;  
Matt. 5:9; James 3:17.

If there was ever any doubt as to the wisdom of harmonious living that doubt stands dispelled in today's world. Europe has become a charnel house because of the inability of her diverse peoples to live together in harmony. The recent war was the result of an utter breakdown in human relations.

## MEN OF VIOLENCE

"Strive not with a man without cause, If he hath done thee no harm. Envy thou not the man of violence. And choose none of his ways" (Prov. 3:30-31.)

There are times when it is difficult for a person not to strive with a man even "without cause"—that is, sufficient cause. Most of us are so "tempered" that we are, likely, upon the last provocation, to utter words or take courses of action that lead to difficulties with others.

Those who have become, by adoption, sons of God are to "choose none of his ways." The children of God are not to be men of violence. They are not to be men of strife.

The greatest antidote for men of violence is to be found in the "soft answer": "A soft answer turneth away wrath; But a grievous word stirreth up anger." This is literally true. It is no metaphorical statement. The last thing in the world that a wrathful man would want to hear is "a soft answer" coming from the person whom he would seek to endanger or do ill unto.

## A SNARE TO THE SOUL

In Proverbs 22 (verses 24 to 25) we are warned to make "no friendship" with men who are given to anger lest we learn his ways, and get "a snare" to the soul.

It is difficult for one to form friendships with men who are unregenerate and un-Christian in their attitude toward others without, sooner or later, "learning" their ways.

This does not mean that one is to hold himself at all times apart from those whose way of life is different and even inimical to the kingdom of our Lord. Jesus mingled freely with people of all classes and all races. But Jesus likewise had his own inner group, and those whom he gathered about him in friendship's golden circle. The writer of the Proverbs has reference to the forming of specific friendships in life—those which would come into the inner circle of fellowship and privilege.

In his letter to the Romans, Paul enjoined his fellow Christians to "Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good" (12:9.) The Christian is to shun the very presence of evil and not to have fellowship with the works of darkness.

It is of exceeding great importance that parents have oversight over the friendship of their children. It is easily possible for a child to have as a bosom friend one with perverse ways of life, one with a wicked heart, and to experience through that friendship, sooner or later, a debasement of his own ideals and life. Birds of a feather flock together.

## A GOOD INVESTMENT

"If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; And if he be thirsty, give him water to drink: For thou wilt heap coals of fire upon his head, And Jehovah will reward thee" (Prov. 25:21-22.)

Here we are enjoined to do that which the natural man is least disposed to do with reference to his enemy—feed him. First, there is a favorable reaction on the part of the enemy when he receives bread and drink from the hands of an enemy. In the second place there will be reward for such charity from the hands of our heavenly Father.

Christians in today's world have perhaps the greatest opportunity of all time to implement this doctrine—the doctrine of feeding one's hungry enemies. The distressed people of the war areas must have food and clothing if they are to survive the coming winter. Already there have been unnumbered deaths because of hunger and cold. A pastor in Frankfurt, Germany, told me that in his congregation alone there had been seventeen deaths by starvation. The pastor of a prominent Baptist church in Berlin is said to have starved to death following World War II.

Undernourishment that prevails on every hand is giving way to tuberculosis which is rampant throughout the war zone. One cannot move amidst the wreckage of war-torn Europe and look into the gaunt faces of our erstwhile enemies and see the ghastly lines of hunger written in their faces without realizing that we have not only an opportunity but an obligation to feed them—to give them bread to eat.

In feeding our enemies we lay the foundation for better understanding and open the way for the gospel witness which constitutes the hope of the world.

## SONS OF GOD

Jesus in his characterization of the citizen of his kingdom had this to say: "Blessed are the peace makers: for they shall be called the sons of God" (Matt. 5:9.)

In other words, there is happiness in store for the peacemakers for the simple reason that their mission in life lies so close to the heart of our Lord. It was peace that Christ came to bring into the world, and it was peace that he promised unto his disciples, "My peace I give unto you." It is not the war makers—not the generals of military conquest—who are glorified in the kingdom of our Lord; it is rather the peacemakers who are called "blessed" in his sight. Yea, verily, they shall be called "sons of God."

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1947

# The Young South

SEND ALL LETTERS TO AUNT POLLY

149 Sixth Avenue, N.

Nashville 3 Tennessee

You are back in school, aren't you? Did you enjoy seeing the boys and girls who were in your class last year? Perhaps there was time at recess to play some of your favorite games. Do you have a new book which looks interesting? School isn't so bad after all, is it?

It is a lot different from long-ago schools. When Jesus was a boy, school was held in the synagogue building. The pupils sat on the floor. Their teacher sat on the floor too, a little higher than the pupils, so that he could be seen and heard easily. The main textbook was the Old Testament. From their Scripture-textbooks the children studied language and literature and history. They read their lessons aloud to help remember them. There were no blackboards, so the teacher used a stick and wrote in the sand. The children's tablets were probably made of wax on wood and for pencils they used sharp instruments called stylus.

Think of your own school. What kind of building is it? Do you have school and church in the same building, as Jesus did? The Bible is probably used every day in your classroom, too. You also have the New Testament, with its good stories of Jesus and his friends. These stories had not been written when Jesus went to school.

Does your school have comfortable seats and desks? Compare your school with its furnishings and books and teachers and other privileges, with the school Jesus attended. I am sure you are glad for your good school where you may study and learn and play, and have happy times with other boys and girls.

Some of our Young South friends will be going to school for the first time. Others will be starting to new schools and will feel strange for a while.

All of you will be making new friends. Everyone working together can help to make school a happy place for all who go.

I've been thinking of some Bible verses which might help you really to enjoy school this year. There are many, of course, but I like the special verses which we have been putting on our calendar pages and learning each month. See how many of the eight verses you can complete;

Jesus . . . increased in wisdom, . . . . . (Luke 2:52).

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all . . . . .

(Mark 12:30).

Thou shalt love thy neighbour . . . . . (Mark 12:31).

O give thanks unto the Lord; . . . . . (Psalm 136:1).

A soft answer turneth away wrath; but . . . . . (Prov. 15:1).

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, . . . . . (Eccl. 9:10).

Thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for . . . . . (Deut. 8:10).

The Lord gave the word; . . . . . (Psalm 68:11).

Now go back and read the verses aloud. Do you agree with me that these verses will help you to be a good student and classmate?

Here are some times when remembering these verses might be especially helpful. Which verse do you think would be most helpful in each case?

- Play time
- Study time
- When the room needs straightening
- When someone is fussy
- When the Bible is read
- When there is opportunity to share Bible verses
- Lunch time, choosing healthful foods
- When there is home work to prepare
- When there are new friends in the class
- When pleasant things happen
- When inviting a classmate does to Sunday school
- When we learn wonderful things about the good land God gave us
- There will be many other experiences when your verses will help. Perhaps you will write me about some of them.

For September I have chosen a short verse, found in Proverbs 18:24: "A man that hath friends must show himself friendly."

I think this verse will help me to be more friendly. I hope you will make it your verse too.

I'd like to know about some of your new friends. Please tell me about them in your next letter. Of course, you will want to bring your word picture up to date with information about your new studies and school experiences. Perhaps you will have a new teacher and will tell about her. I'll be waiting for your letter!

Love, Aunt Polly



DR. T. L. HOLCOMB

Baptist Sunday School Board



MISS FLORIA WAITE

Southwide Church Library Worker

# FO CHURCH CONFEE

## JACKSON

September 9th

### First Baptist Church

DR. W. FRED KENDALL, Pastor

2:00 P. M. CST — Opening Session

HYMN....."Blessed Assurance"

MEDITATION: "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart"-----  
.....Rev. W. Paul Hall, Camden, Tenn.

WELCOME.....Dr. W. Fred Kendall

PREVIEW OF PROGRAM.....Miss Laura Brumit

"I'M GLAD OUR CHURCH HAS A LIBRARY"-----  
.....Rev. Milas M. Ayers, Brownsville, Tenn.

#### CONFERENCES:

STARTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Laura Brumit

PROMOTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Florida Waite

"BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO BUILDING THE FUTURE"  
.....Mr. Charles Norton, Nashville, Tenn.

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

ADDRESS: "BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO MORE ABUND-  
ANT LIVING"---Rev. V. Floyd Starke, Old Hickory, Tenn.

7:00 P. M. CST — Closing Session

HYMN....."Day is Dying in the West"

MEDITATION: "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a  
light unto my path"-----Dr. C. L. Bowden, Ripley, Tenn.

"BOOKS FOR THE WORLD OF TOMORROW"-----  
.....Miss Florida Waite, Nashville, Tenn.

HYMN....."Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

"THE CHURCH LIBRARY—A SOURCE FOR THE  
REINFORCEMENT OF TEACHING"-----  
.....Mrs. A. A. Taylor, Memphis, Tenn.

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

ADDRESS: "BOOKS AND OUR WORLD-WIDE TASK"--  
.....Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Nashville, Tenn.

## COLUMBIA

September 11th

### First Baptist Church

REV. JAMES F. BREWER, Pastor

2:00 P. M. CST — Opening Session

HYMN....."Jesus is All the World to Me"

MEDITATION: "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart"-----  
.....Rev. Homer A. Cate, Shelbyville, Tenn.

WELCOME.....Rev. James F. Brewer

PREVIEW OF PROGRAM.....Miss Laura Brumit

"I'M GLAD OUR CHURCH HAS A LIBRARY"-----  
.....Dr. W. F. Powell, Nashville, Tenn.

#### CONFERENCES:

STARTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Laura Brumit

PROMOTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Florida Waite

"BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO BUILDING THE FUTURE"  
.....Miss Elizabeth Jacobs, Nashville, Tenn.

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

ADDRESS: "BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO MORE ABUND-  
ANT LIVING"---Rev. V. Floyd Starke, Old Hickory, Tenn.

7:00 P. M. CST — Closing Session

HYMN....."All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

MEDITATION: "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a  
light unto my path"---Rev. U. W. Malcolm, Fayetteville, Tenn.

"BOOKS FOR THE WORLD OF TOMORROW"-----  
.....Miss Florida Waite, Nashville, Tenn.

HYMN....."Where He Leads Me"

"THE CHURCH LIBRARY—A SOURCE FOR THE  
REINFORCEMENT OF TEACHING"-----  
.....Mr. R. L. Middleton, Nashville, Tenn.

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

ADDRESS: "BOOKS AND OUR WORLD-WIDE TASK"--  
.....Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Nashville, Tenn.

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Baptist Sunday School Board

## SPARTA

*September 16th*

### First Baptist Church

REV. JAMES E. BOYD, Pastor

2:00 P. M. CST — Opening Session

HYMN....."Higher Ground"  
 MEDITATION: "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart".....  
 .....Rev. Bob Ramsey, Cookeville, Tenn.  
 WELCOME.....Rev. James E. Boyd  
 PREVIEW OF PROGRAM.....Miss Laura Brumit  
 "I'M GLAD OUR CHURCH HAS A LIBRARY".....  
 .....Rev. R. W. Prevost, Ooltewah, Tenn.  
 CONFERENCES:  
 STARTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Laura Brumit  
 PROMOTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Florida Waite  
 "BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO BUILDING THE FUTURE"  
 .....Mrs. Lawrence Freeman, Murfreesboro, Tenn.  
 SPECIAL MUSIC  
 ADDRESS: "BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO MORE ABUNDANT LIVING".....Rev. V. Floyd Starke, Old Hickory, Tenn.  
 7:00 P. M. CST — Closing Session  
 HYMN....."When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"  
 MEDITATION: "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path".....  
 .....Rev. H. R. Anderson, Auburntown, Tenn.  
 "BOOKS FOR THE WORLD OF TOMORROW".....  
 .....Miss Florida Waite, Nashville, Tenn.  
 HYMN....."More Love to Thee"  
 "THE CHURCH LIBRARY—A SOURCE FOR THE REINFORCEMENT OF TEACHING".....  
 .....Mr. Warner Rutledge, Nashville, Tenn.  
 SPECIAL MUSIC  
 ADDRESS: "BOOKS AND OUR WORLD-WIDE TASK".....  
 .....Dr. J. O. Williams, Nashville, Tenn.

## MORRISTOWN

*September 18th*

### First Baptist Church

REV. CLYDE R. WIDICK, Pastor

2:00 P. M. EST — Opening Session

HYMN....."He Leadeth Me"  
 MEDITATION: "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart".....  
 .....Rev. James Gregg, Bristol, Tenn.  
 WELCOME.....Rev. Clyde R. Widdick  
 PREVIEW OF PROGRAM.....Miss Laura Brumit  
 "I'M GLAD OUR CHURCH HAS A LIBRARY".....  
 .....Rev. W. C. Taggart, Jr., Elizabethton, Tenn.  
 CONFERENCES:  
 STARTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Laura Brumit  
 PROMOTING LIBRARIES.....Miss Florida Waite  
 "BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO BUILDING THE FUTURE"  
 .....Mr. Charles Norton, Nashville, Tenn.  
 SPECIAL MUSIC  
 ADDRESS: "BOOKS ARE BRIDGES TO MORE ABUNDANT LIVING".....Dr. T. C. Meador, Erwin, Tenn.  
 7:00 P. M. EST — Closing Session  
 HYMN....."Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
 MEDITATION: "Thy Word Is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path".....Rev. W. L. Blanton, Gatlinburg, Tenn.  
 "BOOKS FOR THE WORLD OF TOMORROW".....  
 .....Miss Florida Waite, Nashville, Tenn.  
 HYMN....."My Faith Looks up to Thee"  
 "THE CHURCH LIBRARY—A SOURCE FOR THE REINFORCEMENT OF TEACHING".....  
 .....Mrs. Estelle Warwick, Fountain City, Tenn.  
 SPECIAL MUSIC  
 ADDRESS: "BOOKS AND OUR WORLD-WIDE TASK".....  
 .....Dr. J. O. Williams, Nashville, Tenn.

# Baptist Training Union

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## Word Concerning Shelby County School

CODIE D. BELL

Baptists of the Shelby County Association are eagerly looking forward to the annual Central Training School to be held September 8-12 at Union Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis. Twenty-five hundred are expected to attend, according to Richard A. Sullivan, Associational Director. Last year the enrollment was 2,223, having jumped from 1,433 in 1945. Special programs will be held each night after the class period and in addition, on Tuesday evening there will be a reception and on Thursday evening there will be a banquet for the faculty and Associational Officers. Thursday and Friday evenings N. R. Swartwout of the North Shore Baptist Church of Chicago will present the outstanding feature of its kind in America when he draws beautiful pictures of great gospel hymns with fluorescent crayons and paints them with varied lighting devices, with a special background of music which will be furnished by the choirs of Union Avenue and Bellevue.

Faculty members from out of town who will teach Training Union methods and related topics include Charles L. Norton, Secretary of the Tennessee Training Union Department, "Adult Manual"; Leonard Wedel, Southwide Associational Director, "Training Union Manual"; Miss Mary Anderson, member of Mr. Norton's staff, "Intermediate Leadership Manual"; Miss Roxie Jacobs, Tennessee Junior and Intermediate Leader, "Junior and Intermediate Department Officers" and Miss Mareva Chapman, Associate Southwide Director of the Story Hour, "Story Hour Leadership Manual."

Mrs. A. A. Taylor, Baptist Book Store, will teach the "Church Library Manual"; Earl Waldrup, Southwide Visual Aid Director, "Visual Aids in the Church" and Genter Stephens, Musical Director of Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville, will coach musical directors, choristers, etc.

The adults will be well taken care of by A. Donald Anthony, Assistant-to-the-Pastor, Union Avenue, "Building a Christian Home"; J. L. McMillin, Chairman, Executive Committee, Baptist Memorial Hospital, "Honoring the Deaconship"; Dr. Ralph Moore, Superintendent, City Missions, "The Holy Spirit in Missions," and Dr. D. A. Ellis, Pastor of McLean and Dean of Memphis pastors will present "Studies in Romans."

The Young People's Department will again have E. E. (Hot-dog) Lee, Dean of Southwide Workers, who will cover "Baptist Young People's Administration." Dr. E. Gibson Davis, pastor, Temple, "Investments in Christian Living"; Rev. Brooks Ramsey, pastor of Bellevue Mission, "Our Bible"; Rev. E. B. Bowen, pastor, Berclair, "Home Missions in the New World"; and Miss Helen Gardner, Director of Church Activities at Bellevue, will present a new course in "Planning, Presenting and Evaluating Programs."

Memphis Intermediates will have Mrs. B. L. Phillips, Associational Intermediate Director, as the teacher of the "Intermediate Manual"; Rev. Nelson Reagan, Bellevue, "Not Your Own"; Miss Helen Ammons, Bellevue, "Witnessing for Christ"; Rev. D. C. Applegate, Associational Pastor Advisor, "Training in Christian Service"; and J. R. Carter, Highland Heights, "Growing in Bible Knowledge."

The Juniors will have a wide selection of classes with Mrs. C. B. Middleton, Associational Junior Leader, teaching the "Junior Manual"; Mrs. A. E. Elmore, Bellevue, "Living for Jesus"; Miss Juanita Browder, Associate Associational Junior Leader, "The Junior and His Church"; Rev. Bob Rochelle, pastor, Galilee, "This Is My Bible"; E. S. Tucker, Park Avenue Branch of Union Avenue, "Bible Heroes"; and Jack Brashear, Kennedy Memorial, "Trail Makers in Other Lands."

The boys and girls of the Story Hour will have as their Dean, Mrs. L. H. Johnson, Associational Story Hour Leader. She will be assisted by the following: Mrs. William Van Hersh, Union Avenue, Nursery; Mrs. J. H. McCutchen, Bellevue, Beginners (4-5); Mrs. Charles L. Ricks, Jr., Berclair, Beginners (6-7); and Mrs. M. F. Hamlin, Bellevue, Primaries (8).

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## Training and Enlargement Campaign In Duck River Association

The following churches have been enlisted in a special campaign to be held during the week of September 28-October 3.

Church	Sunday School Superintendent
Beech Grove	W. J. Edwards
Cowan	B. E. Cockrum, Sr.
Decherd	Louis Roggli
Huntland	Gordon Pogue
McMinnville	Allen McCormick
Manchester	G. E. Redd
Maxwell	Roy Reynolds
Prairie Plains	
Rutledge Falls	Roy Parsley
Spring Creek	Earl Newgent
Tracy City	Dr. P. S. Adams
Tullahoma	C. J. Charey
Wartrace	Dr. K. W. Hudgins
Winchester	H. W. Ray

A group of teachers have been enlisted from adjoining associations. The following people have agreed to help in this campaign.

C. D. Tabor	Shelbyville
Norman Baker	Cornersville
Homer Cate	Shelbyville
L. L. Arms	Whitwell
J. B. Caldwell	Doyle
Buford Bull	Doyle
A. H. Hopson	Lebanon
M. H. Willingham	Ardmore
W. M. Gladson	Whitwell
Clarence Blackburn	Dayton
A. M. Senter	Milton
D. W. Pickelsimer	Smithville

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## Should We Drop Names?

From a pamphlet, "Absentees, What To Do With Them," written by Mr. Arthur Flake we quote the following:

### Causes for Dropping the Names of Absent Members

The Sunday school roll should be kept alive and great diligence should be observed at all times to do this, but erasing the names of members from the roll simply because they do not attend Sunday school regularly is not the correct way to do it. In fact, it is the poorest way and it discredits the Sunday school and in no way can it possibly benefit the irregular members.

But says some one, "Should the names of irregular members *never* be dropped from the roll?" The answer is, Yes, for certain causes their names should be erased from the roll. Either one of the following four causes would justify such action:

1. Death.
2. Removal from the community.
3. Joining another Sunday school.
4. At the member's request after every available means has been exerted to get him to return.

However, evidence in each case should be unmistakable and no name should be dropped except by the teacher with the consent of the department superintendent, or the general superintendent if the school has no department superintendent, and even then the general superintendent should know about each case and the cause for dropping the name. There is too much involved for this matter to be treated in a haphazard way. It is too serious a business, this winning people into the Sunday school, to teach them God's Word and win them to Christ, to allow their names to be dropped at the whim of some class or because of the laziness and neglect of some teacher.

Let teachers make this question a matter of conscience and lead their members to esteem every opportunity to help the irregular members of the class. Let no person's name be erased from the roll so long as there is the slightest chance to get them to return.

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### Some Interesting Beginnings

From *Sunlight and Shadows*, BY J. D. FREEMAN

(Use on State Mission Program)

When the first Baptists entered Tennessee territory, they found a great virgin field occupied for the most part by Indians. Being few in numbers, and having no organization for promoting the work, the early Baptists confined their labors almost entirely to the white settlements. Wherever a colony was planted, it was not long before a Baptist preacher was there, and soon after he appeared a school was going in addition to the church work. It is due to the hardy pioneer preachers that the state is today such a stronghold for our Baptist cause.

As early as 1763 there were Baptists in the Watauga Settlement. By 1789 there were at least eighteen Baptist churches in that region now embraced in Holston and Watauga associations. The first Baptist churches organized in Tennessee were Buffalo Ridge near Johnson City and Sinking Creek near Elizabethton, organized about the same time. Sinking Creek's original house preserved today in a memorial building erected by the two associations.

Two distinct types of Baptists were among the first settlers. One group of them came from Virginia and were of the extreme Calvinistic persuasion. They placed great emphasis upon the doctrines of Election and Predestination. The other group came from New England where they had come under the influence of Armenian evangelists and had modified their Calvinistic views to include the "Means of Grace" in reaching the lost. Hence they believed in evangelism.

It did not take our forefathers long to realize the need for some effective organization through which the churches might do their missionary work. The early Baptist preachers were statesmen enough to comprehend the immensity of their task. They were prophets enough to see into the future and realize what the task would grow to be with the coming of the hordes of settlers. Hence they soon met together and began associational work in the state. The associations were, at first, largely concerned about the fellowship of the brotherhood and the doctrinal purity of the churches. Hence the annual meetings were given over in the main to reports on the spiritual conditions of the churches, to the discussions connected with the "Queries" sent in from the churches and to settling disputes among members of the various churches.

*The first convention.* The growth of Baptists in numbers and strength soon made the leaders conscious of a broader service which they might render the cause of Christ. So as early as 1802 plans were made for co-operative mission work, and at least one association elected a corresponding secretary who was entrusted with the task of evangelism in its territory. When Luther Rice returned to the States after his conversion to Baptist doctrines his messages aroused a passion to do foreign mission work. In 1811 a movement had been begun in Cumberland Association for mission work. In 1814 they petitioned Concord Association to join them, but the anti-mission element in that body was in the majority and they refused. In 1815 they elected a mission secretary to confer with Luther Rice about missions. By 1833 the demand for cooperative missions had grown too insistent to be denied, so a meeting was called at Mill Creek Church, near Nashville, and the first Tennessee Baptist Convention was organized.

The state was so long from east to west and methods of travel so primitive that it was not possible to have a large representation from the churches at the annual meetings, hence the convention never grew to any size and influence. Each geographical division of the state had its own convention, and while the general body continued for some years, it did little work and in 1847 was allowed to die. The conflict over slavery added to the struggle over organizations and made it impossible to have fellowship among the widely divergent groups of people in the state.

*The present State Convention.* The present State convention was organized in 1874 at a meeting in Murfreesboro called for the purpose of devising some means of saving Union University, then located in the town. In 1877 its first mission work was launched when W. A. Montgomery was elected Corresponding Secretary. During the first year he reported receipts as follows: State Missions \$712.61; foreign missions \$336.12; Ministerial education \$1,000; home missions \$123.44. There were then 108 cooperating churches in the state.

### CONCORD ASSOCIATION

MT. VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

REV. B. V. CHRISTIAN, Pastor

A letter received from the secretary of this active growing Brotherhood states that the membership has been more than doubled since its organization on March 20, 1947. The accomplishments of the men in this Brotherhood are a reasonable example of what can be done in every Brotherhood group, provided the men will be loyal and work to enlist others in all the church program.

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### LETTER FROM EUGENE NEAL,

Secretary-Treasurer

The Brotherhood of the Mt. View Baptist Church, Concord Association, met July 10 with 90 men present, of which 59 are members, the membership having grown from 22 charter members. We have had a contest to enlist new members, dividing the charter members into two groups.

The contest lasted three months and the committees worked faithfully to get new members. At the end of the contest we are having a banquet for all the members and their families.

The Brotherhood has meant a lot to the men, not only do they get to know each other better but there is a growing spirit of good will and co-operation and helpfulness among them.

We often have folk from other denominations present and have good speakers at each meeting. At one of our recent meetings we had a conversion.

Our pastor, Brother B. V. Christian, has been present at every meeting, with the exception of two when he was in revival services elsewhere. He is a real leader and gospel preacher.

# AMONG THE BRETHREN

Andersonville Baptist Church was assisted in a recent revival by Gene Peck Cole, Jefferson City, preaching and Fred Hawkins, music director of the First Church, Clinton leading the singing. There were 4 reconsecrations, 23 professions and 28 additions to the church, 23 of them for baptisms. Thomas H. Johnson is pastor.

—B&R—

Midway Baptist Church in Providence Association has been richly blessed in a revival in which there were 68 additions to the church, 47 by baptism. Fred Clifton of Knoxville assisted the pastor, John M. Ellenburg. This was Bro. Clifton's initial effort in evangelism.

—B&R—

James Purcell, missionary in Stone Association and Mrs. Purcell held a revival recently at Woodcliff Baptist Church near Monterey in which there were 32 decisions either by way of conversion or reclamation. The singing was led by P. E. Lack of Monterey, a member of the Woodcliff church.

—B&R—

In 18 Vacation Bible Schools conducted by the Highland Park Baptist Church, Chattanooga, there were 1,743 enrolled with an average attendance of 1,451, a total of 160 professions of faith and 109 were baptized. The offering was \$63.76. This report was signed by Arnold Chambers, general superintendent of Highland Park Baptist Church. Lee Roberson is pastor.

—B&R—

Chapel Hill Baptist Church near Milan has recently closed a revival in which there were 17 additions to the church, 9 upon profession of faith and 8 by letter. W. F. Carlton of Raleigh did the preaching with Milton Woods leading the singing. R. H. Hampton is pastor.

The First Baptist Church of Dyer closed a revival on August 20 in which there were 15 additions to the church, 14 upon profession of faith and 1 by letter. The pastor, J. C. Franklin, did the preaching and Bro. Edward Claybrook of Jackson directed the music. On Wednesday night Bro. Franklin baptized 17.

Bro. Franklin came to the First Baptist Church on May 2, 1947 from the Birchwood Baptist Church in the Ocoee Association. He is doing a great work. Since he has been on the field there have been 24 additions to the church.

The church has recently purchased a new heating system and expects delivery on an Electric Organ soon.—MRS. HOLLAN HOLT, Clerk.

—B&R—

Nash's Grove Baptist Church, New Salem Association, has just completed a two week revival with H. R. Anderson, pastor of Auburntown church, doing the preaching. The pastor, Reid R. Compton, led the singing. There were 8 professions of faith, 1 by statement and 4 rededications.

—B&R—

Brown Springs Baptist Church, Mosheim, Leonard Eyans, pastor, just closed a revival in which J. Connally Evans, pastor of Cresson Baptist Church, Cresson, Texas, did the preaching. The church was greatly revived and a number professed faith in Christ and there were 9 additions to the church.

—B&R—

Ralph Kerley of North Jackson Baptist Church, assisted Pastor Lacy Freeman and the Antioch church in Gibson Association in a revival in which there were 21 additions by baptism and 3 by letter. The church was greatly uplifted and the effect of the meeting continues.

Four of the six Negroes being aided by our State Mission Board in mission work are graduates of the American Baptist Theological Seminary of Nashville. One of them, Mrs. Christine Westbrooks, is a graduate of the National Baptist Missionary Training School, having taken studies at the American Baptist Theological Seminary.

—B&R—

Pastor O. C. Cooper of Greenfield has returned from Pascagoula, Miss., where he was in a meeting with Pastor W. C. Wyatt and the Wade Baptist Church. There were over 80 conversions and rededications. Mrs. Cooper was in charge of the young people, gave a number of chalk talks and led the music.

—B&R—

Pastor L. P. Fleming and the Oakwood Baptist Church near Milan have closed a revival in which there were 15 additions by baptism and 5 by letter. Chester Pillow of Poplar Bluff, Mo., did the preaching and W. H. Cloyce of Milan led the singing.

—B&R—

Pastor W. C. Skinner and the First Baptist Church of Friendship have concluded a gracious revival resulting in 22 additions, 16 of them by baptism. The preaching was done by J. Ray Dobbins, pastor of Hall Street Baptist Church of Owensboro, Ky.

—B&R—

The fall session of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will begin September 9. Registration begins at 2:00 P. M. on September 5. Registrar S. A. Newman predicts a record enrollment of 1,100 to 1,150. Last year's enrollment was 1,067.

## DEPARTMENTAL ATTENDANCES AND ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCHES, AUGUST 24, 1947

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions	Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions	Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Alamo	221			Cleveland, Big Spring	306	273		Maryville, First	504	90	
Alcoa, Calvary	237	73		First	467	170	1	Medina	149	63	
Alexandria	132	84		First Mission	94		5	Memphis, Bellevue	2059	620	11
Andersonville	132	29		New Friendship	105	126	8	Boulevard	488	121	2
Ardmore, Macedonia	89	91		South Cleveland	130	62	1	Central Avenue	422	101	2
Athens, East	197	67		Cookeville, First	335	79		Highland Heights	720	227	8
First	386	70		Steven's Street	124	57		LaBelle	575	134	2
West End Mission	37			Crossville, Oak Hill	86			Levi	160	72	
North	185	44		Chestnut Hill	46			McLean	277	101	2
Calhoun	99	6		Peavine Mission	22			Temple	1185	224	1
Charleston	44			Elizabethton, Big Spring	139	145	1	Union Avenue	918	125	4
Clear Water	88	50		Siam	221	111		Milan, Chapel Hill	65	44	
Coghill	87			Fountain City, Central	673	128		First	281	87	
Cotton Port	119	66		Hines Valley Chapel	34			Milton	86	63	
Englewood	159	54		Gallatin, First	261	47		Morristown, First	344	103	
Etowah, East	64			Harriman, Trenton Street	380	74		Montvue	76	51	2
Etowah, First	329	58		Walnut Hill	271	86		Murfreesboro, First	329	80	
Etowah, North	116	25		Hohenwald	86	44		Walnut Street Mission	49		
Good Springs	85	41		Huntingdon, First	128		3	Powell's Chapel	95	82	
Idlewild	100	57		Jackson, Bemis	195	72		Taylor's Chapel	85	45	
McMahan Calvary	91	51		Bible Grove	105	92		Westvue	61		2
Mt. Harmony No. 1	89	59		Calvary	400	138	1	Nashville, Antioch	60	33	
New Zion	87			West Jackson	714	276		Belmont	840	231	5
Niota, First	130	35		Jellico, First	264	107		Grace	719	140	4
Niota, East	140	73		Kingsport, Calvary	282	109	1	Harsh Chapel	126	45	
Zion Hill	37			State Line	96	30	7	Lockeland	431	164	28
Benton	131	26		Knoxville, Broadway	962	203	10	Inglewood	414	142	2
Bluff City	187	128		Broadway Branch	70			Mill Creek	58	33	
Brighton	157	78	1	Fifth Avenue	856	197	1	Una	125	90	
Bristol, Calvary	333	98		First	785			Woodmont	187	63	
Chapel Hill, Smyrna	70	66		Glenwood	205	81		Woodmont Baptist Center	47		1
Chattanooga, Avondale	798	201	26	Lonsdale	368	70		Oak Ridge, First	338	60	5
Calvary	418		14	McCalla Avenue	590	132	4	Glenwood	218		
East Lake	353	87	3	Sevier Heights	385	101	1	Highview	359	71	5
East Ridge	182	56	1	Smithwood	321	86	2	Old Hickory, First	578	203	4
Highland Park	1905	608	7	South Knoxville	420	60	1	Oliver Springs, First	142	29	
Kingwood	123	59	6	Lawrenceburg	221	76		Philadelphia	122	39	
Morris Hill	227	126	2	Lebanon	361	91		Rockwood, First	303	114	
Philadelphia	141	34	1	Barton's Creek	73	25		Mission	26		
Red Bank	438	123		Cedar Grove	101	43		Whites Creek	54	29	
Ridgedale	455	139	2	Lexington, First	219	49	1	Rutledge, Oakland	56	52	
Signal Mountain	61	35		Mt. Pleasant	138	53		Union City, First	512	118	2
Woodland Park	786	216	2	Madison, First	352	101	2	Watertown, First	164	49	

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—P. C. TIPTON, M. D.

—B&R—

Sunday, August 24, Westover Baptist Church, Jackson, ordained Nelson Gentry and David Stegall as deacons. G. E. Fullerton served as moderator, Chester Smith questioned the candidates. L. E. Harvey led the ordaining prayer, and W. A. Smith delivered the charge to the church. Jesse Newton gave the charge to the deacons.

—B&R—

C. M. Pickler, pastor of Boulevard Baptist Church of Memphis assisted Pastor Calvin Meacham and the Shirley Park Baptist Church of Frayser in a revival in which there were 38 additions. When Bro. Meacham came to this church eight months ago the membership was 75. Since that time there have been 77 additions.

—B&R—

Recently Leonard Sanderson, pastor at Huntingdon did the preaching in a revival with Pastor J. Oscar Lumpkin and the Hopewell Baptist Church in Robertson Association. There were 31 additions to the church, 19 of them for baptism. Bro. Lumpkin led the singing.

—B&R—

Supply-pastor D. L. Milligan and the Taylor's Chapel Baptist Church near Murfreesboro have been assisted in a revival by B. Frank Collins of the Brainerd Baptist Church of Chattanooga. There were 11 by baptism and 6 by letter.

—B&R—

Gordon T. Greenwell, pastor of Cowan Baptist Church, recently did the preaching in a revival with Pastor R. H. Ward and the Estill Springs Baptist Church. There were 8 additions, 5 by baptism, 2 by letter and 1 by statement.

## Maryville Pastor Returns From World Alliance



James M. Windham, pastor First Baptist Church, Maryville, has just returned from the Baptist World Alliance at Copenhagen, Denmark. Bro. Windham came to the pastorate of First Maryville church on July 1st, and had been with the church two weeks when the church sent him as their delegate to the Baptist World Congress. He returned from this tour to Maryville on August 14, 1947, and assumed his duties as pastor of this church.

He is a graduate of Mercer University of Macon, Georgia, and received his Bachelor of Divinity Degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. Prior to his coming to Maryville, he was pastor of First Baptist Church of Thomaston, Georgia. Bro. Windham is a native of Tipton, Georgia. He, with his wife and daughter, have moved to the pastorium of First Baptist Church on High Street. Rev. Windham succeeds Dr. Colvin L. Hammock, who passed away last November.

Pastor C. H. Frye and the Hornsby Baptist Church have been assisted in a revival by Evangelist Howard Aultman of Holly Springs, Miss. The report states that there were 17 additions by baptism upon a profession of faith and 2 by letter. The revival was preceded by special prayer services.

## Louisville Baptists Start High School

ACCOMODATIONS at Louisville Baptist High School will be filled and overflowing when the institution opens its doors for the first time September 8.

Rev. Oscar Gibson, pastor of the 18th Street Baptist Church and chairman of the Baptist School Board, said that plans had been made for only 65 students and more than 40 applications have been received the first week after announcement of plans. "In addition to heavy response from inside the city, we have received so many applications from outside Louisville we are forced to start making plans for a dormitory for the next year," Mr. Gibson declared. "I had no idea the school would be in such demand. Our full quota will be exceeded this first year."

Classes will be held in Gibson's church, with Rev. Charles C. Lemon, A.B., M.A., as principal. The all-Baptist faculty is said to be of qualified teachers personally concerned about each student. The school will be co-educational, standard four year, completely under church control and meeting all requirements of the Kentucky Board of Education. The estimate cost of \$8,000 the first year will be met particularly by tuition fees.

Plans are to open the doors to 100 students the second year and ultimately to 300, Mr. Gibson said. "The young people of our city are responding to the call and are eager to come to a Baptist high school. We have a great group of teachers, all consecrated and called to this type of work.

"We are not opening this school in opposition to the public," Mr. Gibson explains. "We desire to supplement the work of the public school by adding the building of Christians on the Word of God with the aim of turning out citizens grounded in the ideals of Christ."

The 18th Street Church plans to erect a new building next year—after the high school has demonstrated just what is needed for a weekday school. Mr. Gibson said, "We will be able to know just what we need in the new plans, and can adjust our Sunday school plant to meet the needs of the high school.

"I have never understood why we should invest a hundred thousand dollars in a Sunday school plant to be used for a little over one hour a week and let it remain idle the rest of the time. To me that becomes a liability. So we decided to put our building to work six days a week instead of one."—C. E. BRYANT, Baptist Press, Nashville 3.

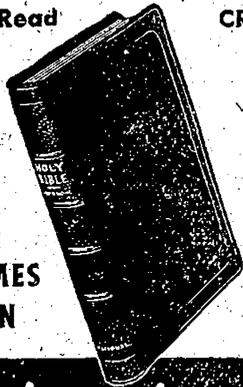
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Ordination Service At Shallow Ford Baptist Church

THE SHALLOW FORD Baptist Church, Route 2, Erwin, met Sunday afternoon, August 17, 1947, for the purpose of ordaining two young men, Roy John Erwin and James Ray Bowman, Jr., as deacons.

The ordaining council consisted of the following from the churches indicated: C. W. Adams, J. A. Callahan, Ray Bowman and Guy Erwin, Shallow Ford Baptist Church; T. C. Meador, R. D. Hall and H. L. Reeves, First; R. H. Dills, R. M. Pickering and C. V. Earley, Ninth Street Baptist Church; A. B. Griffin, Calvary Baptist Church; and Harry E. Guinn, Clear Branch Baptist Church.

First action in the procedure was to select officers. C. W. Adams, pastor of Shallow Ford Baptist Church, was chosen moderator. The others elected were: Harry E. Guinn, clerk; A. B. Griffin, to examine the candidates; T. C. Meador, to deliver the charge and to bring the message; and R. H. Dills, for the ordination prayer.

After questioning by Bro. Griffin the council recommended to the church that it proceed with the ordination of the men examined. The motion was made by T. C. Meador and received a second by R. H. Dills. With the recommendation before the church, Bro. Callahan made the motion that the church proceed. After a second by Bro. Erwin, the motion carried.

Bro. Meador brought the message from Acts 6. Then followed the ordination prayer by Bro. Dills and the laying on of hands by the presbytery.

H. L. Reeves led the closing prayer.

HARRY E. GUINN, Clerk  
C. W. ADAMS, Moderator

Clyde C. Bryan, pastor of First Baptist Church, Gallatin, did the preaching in a recent revival at Barton's Creek Baptist Church, Wilson Association. There were 16 additions, 9 for baptism and 7 by letter. The church has planned to study "Building a Christian Home" which is to be taught by the pastor, Wendell W. Price.

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Truman Again Sends Taylor As Ambassador To Vatican

MYRON C. TAYLOR has departed again for the Vatican on instructions of President Truman despite the protests of Baptists and Protestant forces of the United States.

Taylor, a lawyer and industrialist, was first sent to Rome by President Roosevelt in 1940. He holds the rank of ambassador and personal representative of the president. Evangelical churchmen have held that Taylor's assignment gives diplomatic recognition to the Vatican, but Mr. Truman declares that Taylor's missions will continue until peace has been established.

In a statement given newsmen announcing Mr. Taylor's trip for further conferences with Pope Pius, Mr. Truman said:

"The purpose of these further conversations, as on earlier occasions, is to gather for my guidance and assistance various views and impressions concerning existing conditions affecting peace and the relief of distress, and to obtain the energetic co-operation of all men and women of good will, whether in religion, in government, or in other activities of life, in the interest of progress towards solution of these problems.

"I am seeking by this means a greater clarification of the nature of the vital tasks that confront each of the nations that have pledged themselves to co-operate in the establishment and maintenance of international peace and security

and to promote economic and social advancement. I wish to have the benefit of the constructive views and suggestions of leaders everywhere, to the end that the thought and action of the United States as to world affairs may contribute to that moral world order of peace and security and well-being for which we and the other United Nations struggled to victory in World War II." —C. E. BRYANT, Baptist Press.

Smyrna Baptist Church, Chapel Hill, has gone to full time. They have called Hugh Myers, a recent graduate of Carson Newman College, as pastor, and he and his wife and three year old son will move on the field immediately.

—B&R—

In a recent revival at Prosperity Church, Wilson Association, there were 22 additions by baptism and 5 by letter. J. H. Shannon of Shop Springs did the preaching and D. W. Pickelsimer of Smithville led the singing. A. M. Senter is pastor.

—B&R—

Dan Lawler, pastor of Harsh Chapel Baptist Church, Nashville, has assisted Pastor Thedford Howard and Allen Chapel Baptist Church in Riverside Association in a good meeting, with large crowds and with 17 additions by baptism.

—B&R—

Gipsy Smith, world-famous evangelist, died of a heart ailment aboard the liner Queen Mary the early part of August.

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### RESOLUTIONS ON THE HOMECOMING OF MRS. WALTER WARMATH AND BETTY CHRISP

WHEREAS, Our Loving Heavenly Father with all His tender mercies looked down upon a group of His children on a mission for Him and realized that He needed in the Heavenly Family two additional members who were beautiful and young, and He directed the sweetheart of the Chrisp family, Betty Marie, to step forward and join the Queen of the pastor's home, Pauline Shaw Warmath, so that when He should call them, swiftly and unexpectedly, to Him, they would be together and ready to answer this call as each had always answered whatever other calls He had extended to her,

Be it resolved, That we as members of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, bow in submissive surrender to the Will of Him Who doeth all things well.

Whereas, we know that it is impossible for us to sympathize and really to share the burden of the hearts of those loved ones left behind, and in the steadfast belief that "Sometime, Somewhere We'll Understand,"

Be it resolved, That we commend them to the Greatest of All Comforters and that we express to them our heartfelt sympathy and love in this hour of testing.

Whereas, the members of Calvary Church realize that the Master has transferred to another Field of service two willing hearts,

Be it resolved, That each member of the church recognize and accept his share of the responsibility in re-enforcing the break made in the circle of humble and prayerful followers of the Master in doing His Will on Earth.

Whereas, we wish all groups with whom we or they have had association to be informed of our feelings as a church toward this loss, which we have sustained,

Be it resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to both families, to THE BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, to The Jackson Sun, and to The Lake County Banner, that they be spread upon the minutes and published in the bulletin of Calvary Baptist Church.

TROY G. YOUNG  
MAGGIE JO GRAY  
MRS. THEO M. BURNEY  
Committee

### RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, deemed it proper to call from our midst, our brother-in-Christ and fellow classmate, Robert E. L. Phillips, and,

Whereas, we, the men of the Men's Bible Class of Halls Baptist Church, feel that in his passing, we have lost one of our most devoted members, a true Christian with an unflinching, immovable faith in God, whose life and loyalty to his God set for the rest of us such a striking example of Christian living and trust in the Rock of Ages,

Therefore, be it resolved that we express our deepest sympathy to Robert's loved ones, in this, their great loss.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, and a copy be spread on the records of our class.

Respectfully submitted,  
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE  
Men's Bible Class  
Halls Baptist Church

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1947

## \$10 Sends Relief Package To Europe Via C.A.R.E.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHAPLAINS in Germany have told Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, that C.A.R.E. packages provide the most speedy and abundant relief that can be sent direct to European Baptists.

Dr. and Mrs. McCall spent several days there, surveying devastation left by the war in defeated Germany. Dr. McCall's observations have already been relayed to Southern Baptists in a pathetic story of malnutrition, disease, inadequate clothing and shelter, and coming winter. German Baptists stand desperately in need of help, he said.

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### SOUTHERN BAPTIST

Bryant, 1st Lt. Othal L., SCU No. 7823, Kassel, Germany.

Daniels, 1st Lt. Theodore, SCU No. 7822, Munich, Germany.

Figg, Capt. Wilfred L., 51st Const. Sqn., Passau, Germany.

Fine, Capt. Paul R., SCU No. 7803, Hanau, Germany.

Gannon, Capt. John E., 385th MP Sv. Bn., Karlsruhe, Germany.

Gillenwaters, Major Henry L., Hq. U. S. Constabulary, Heidelberg, Germany.

Hudson, Major John N., SCU No. 7806, Wurzburg, Germany.

Jones, Capt. John H., 279th Station Hosp., Berlin, Germany.

Jones, Capt. Roy E., SCU No. 7801, Giessen, Germany.

Kirkpatrick, Major William, BC OMGUS, Berlin, Germany.

Maddox, Col. Paul J., Office of Chief Chap., Frankfurt, Germany.

Matheny, Chap. Lowell F., 94 Constr. Sqd., Weiden, Germany.

Raley, Capt. Perry T., Supply Depot, Isle St., Germain, Germany.

Riddle, Capt. Burgess P., 97th General Hosp., Frankfurt, Germany.

Russ, Capt. Thomas H., 53rd Const. Sqn., Schwabach, Germany.

Sanderford, 1st Lt. Matthew A., Constabulary School, Sonthofen, Germany.

### NORTHERN BAPTIST

McKenzie, Capt. Stanley C., 26th Inf. Regt., Nurnberg, Germany.

Nelson, Capt. Vincent E., 7749th SA, Bremerhaven, Germany.

Norton, Capt. Willard A., SCU No. 7811, Amberg, Germany.

Slater, Capt. Vern A., 26th Inf. Regt., Stuttgart, Germany.

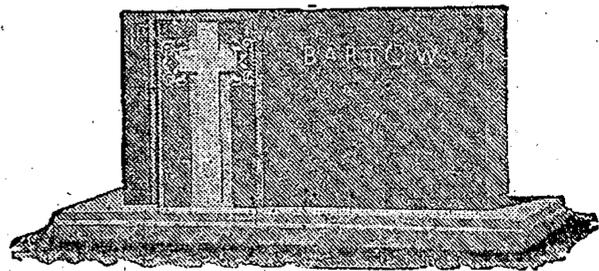
Taylor, Major Horace M., Hq. Vienna Area Comd., Vienna, Austria.

—BAPTIST PRESS

Cross Roads Baptist Church closed its largest Vacation Bible School August 1. The enrollment was 85 with an average attendance of 73. Cannie Leonard, associational missionary, and a number of ladies from the community assisted in the school.

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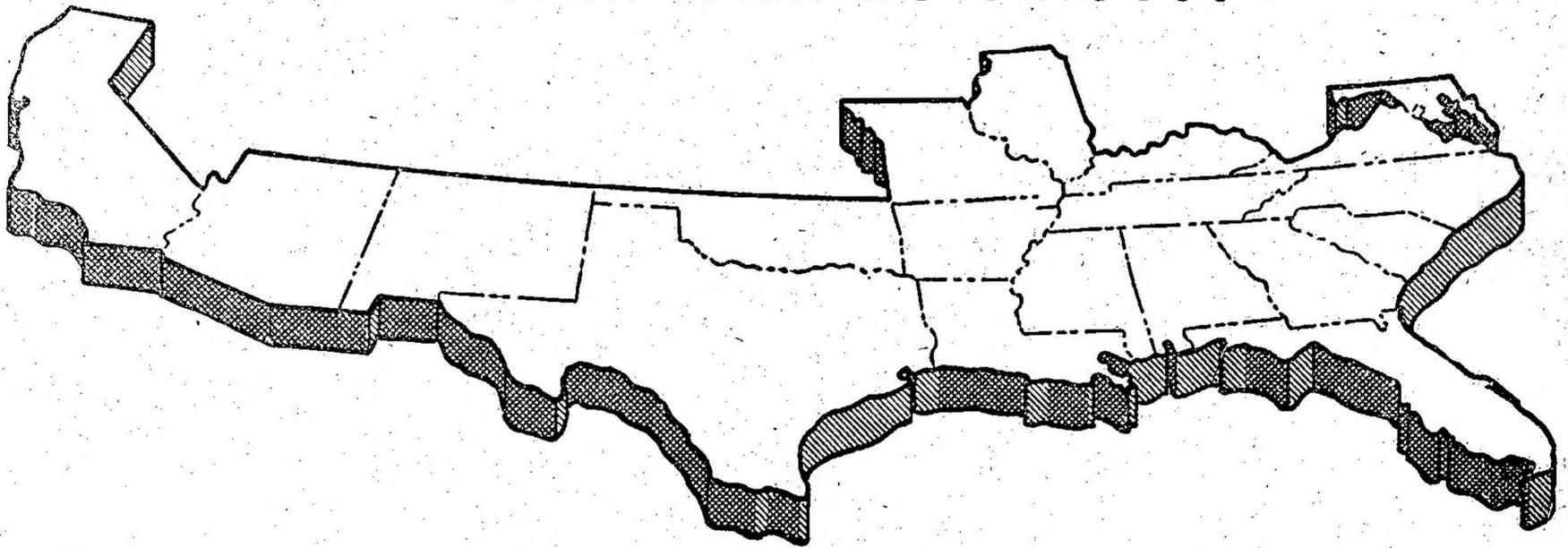
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