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"I Was Beaten With Stripes"

HE CAME WALKING up the aisle on little fat brown legs, with serious determination in his eyes. I stopped speaking and the congregation was quiet as death.

"You asked me what I would have done, if I had been in the crowd when Jesus fell under the weight of his cross." He looked earnestly up at me. "Please, sir, I would have helped carry it."

He was a Mexican lad eight years of age. His father was a miner and his mother was an outcast from decent society. I had been preaching on the crucifixion and had reached the story of Simon of Cyrene when I asked the audience to determine in their own hearts their reaction to that scene, had they been numbered among the hordes on the Via Dolorosa that day when they pushed our Master to his death.

Little Pedro was strong in his conviction. I determined to test his faith. Doubling my fist as through I were going to strike him, and wrenching my face into an expression of anger and hatred, I lifted my arm and cried:

"Yes, and if you had helped him carry his cross the cruel Roman soldiers would have beaten down across your naked back with their whips until the blood ran down to your heels!" I lunged forward and brought my arm down as though I had a

whip in my hand and were striking at the little fellow's face.

He never flinched. His eyes never qualied. Meeting my glance with one of cool courage he gritted between clinched teeth:

"I don't care. I would have helped him carry it just the same."

Two weeks later, at the closer of a service in the same building, I stood at the door greeting the people as they left. When Pedro came by, I said something pleasant to him and slapped him affectionately on the back. He shrank from me with a little cry.

"Don't do that. My back is sore."

I stood rooted in astonishment. I had barely touched his shoulders. I took him into the cloak room and stripped his shirt from his body. Crisscrossed from his neck to his waist were ugly, bloody welts.

"Who did that?" I cried in anger.

"Mother did it. She whipped me because I came to church."

Now, after many years, when the way gets too hard, I remember the face of little Pedro and see again those bright ebony eyes as they looked into mine with quiet confidence.

"I don't care if they whipped me. I would have helped him carry his cross." I have the strength to carry on.

Baptist Messenger

-Harold Dye

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EDITORIAL

Commitment For Placement

T THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST Convention at St. Louis in May, 1947, one phase of the report of the Baptist Sunday School Board adopted by the messengers of the churches read, in part, as follows:

The Sunday School Board has constantly sought to educate people against the use of alcohol as a beverage. The attitude of the Board in all its literature is that of total abstinence. * *

We propose that Sunday, May 30, 1948, be designated as commitment day and that a total abstinence card be placed in the hands of every individual above twelve for his signature. Each person will sign the card and keep it as an agreement between his own heart and his Lord. The Board will furnish cards upon request.

This effort will require the closest co-operation of all our churches, boards, institutions, and commissions.

Since then the Sunday School Board and other agencies have carried on publicity along this line. BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR has carried publicity concerning it. A recent instance was the very fine article entitled, "I Commit Myself," by Dr. John L. Hill, on the front page of the April 15 issue of the paper. If for some reason you have not read that article, get that issue and read it now.

Observation and irrefutable facts prove beyond all question that beverage alcohol and its traffic are definitely, tragically and irremediably anti-social. The socially sensitive conscience is opposed to this cancer on the body politic.

On May 30, the members of our churches, if the churches heed the request which has gone out, will be given an opportunity to sign a commitment card to give expression to this sensitive social conscience. And those who are not Christians but have a strong moral sense will be given the opportunity to sign the pledge of abstinence. This will definitely positionize the signers against the evil of beverage alcohol. Thus it will be a commitment for placement. As Dr. Hill in his fine article said:

Because I love Jesus and because I know what beverage alcohol does, I am promising myself that I will not use beverage alcohol and that I will never sell, give, or serve it to others • • Let all our churches and congregations who love the Lord make such a personal commitment of themselves. This is one way to combat this terrible evil; God helping us, we can do no less.

Can You Talk?

DELEGATE to a Nashville meeting of a secular organization visited a worker in the Baptist State Building, saying he had heard so much talk on earthly matters that he wanted to talk with someone awhile about the Lord.

Can you enter into fellowship with a friend in this way? Does the discussion of spiritual things make you feel constrained or restrained and to prefer that the subject be changed? Scripture teaches that regeneration puts responsiveness to revealed truth in the heart.

Conversion is a definite and joyful experience. David said that the Lord "put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God" (Psalm 40:1-4). And it was he who said: "Come and hear, ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul" (Psalm 66:16). The saving experience of God gives one something definite to tell. Can you talk?

The effects of the Gospel caused "great joy" in the city of Samaria (Acts 8:8). The converted eunuch "went on his way rejoicing" (8:39). The converted jailer ":ejoiced, believing in God with all his house" (16:34).

The justified believer has "peace with God" (Rom. 5:1). "The Spirit himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God" (Rom. 8:16). And the believers "rejoice with joy unspeakable, and full of glory" (I Peter 1:8). Conversion is a definite and heartfelt experience.

The great and profound Augustine (354-430), a member of the Catholic Church, was converted alone in a garden. Hence, he was not converted by way of sacraments. In his Confessions, one of the most probing and moving books ever written, he tells about it. Reading the Scriptures, he came to a certain passage, with this result: "No further would I read, nor did I need; for instantly, as the sentence ended—by a light, as it were of security into my heart—all the gloom of doubt vanished away." Here in that distant time was an instant and heartfelt conversion.

Augustine's companion, Alypius, was converted on the same occasion in another part of the garden. "Thence we go in to my mother. We make it known to her—she rejoiceth. We relate how it came to pass—she leapeth for joy, and triumpheth and blesseth God." Augustine and Alyius were happy, and can you not see that mother leaping for joy?

That Titanic Texan Baptist, B. H. Carroll, was, as a young man, recovered from infidelity and saved one night by the grace of God. Baptist and Reflector has previously published his account of it. "In a moment I went, once and forever, casting myself unreservedly for all time at his feet, and in a moment the rest came, indescribable and unspeakable, and it has remained from that day until now. . . . When the morning came, it was still with me, brighter than the sunlight and sweeter than the songs of birds, and now for the first time, I understood that Scripture which I had often heard my mother repeat: 'Ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the fields shall clap their hands' (Isa. 55:12)."

In the immediate area where the editor was converted, there were no mountains and hills, but his heart sang and in some measure his lips expressed it and the trees did clap their hands that bright afternoon, and his mother "leapeth, and triumpheth and blesseth God." Since then there have been times when mountains and hills and trees have all praised God.

Today we greatly fear that many professed conversions have not been attended by sufficiently profound exercises of soul and are too casual. Some churches used to require applicants for membership to relate an experience of grace. Could you meet that test? As Spurgeon said, the conversion of a child may be "like the gentle dew from heaven" as compared with an older sinner. But when saved, both have something definite to tell in their own way? Can you talk?

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.

Christianity and Communism

The Converted Catholic Magazine

It is plainly evident that Communism has prospered best in countries where Christianity was at its worst. Disillusioned by the corruption of Christianity, especially in Roman Catholic countries, millions have seized upon Communism as a substitute for religion.

Mankind cannot live without some kind of religion and forever seeks spiritual values. Many observers are now beginning to discover that Communism is attractive to the masses of people not because of its ruthless realism, as we hitherto imagined, but rather because of its spirtual idealism. It is also being noted that the appeal of Communism is not so much because of its materialistic prospects, but rather because of its spiritual promises. The masses of the people in all the Catholic countries of Europe had long ceased to look to Christianity, as they knew it, to satisfy either their spiritual or material needs. While Fascism lasted the people were forced to respect the Church, but as soon as Fascism's iron grip was broken, the people turned to Communism again for both spiritual and material comfort. The same would happen in Spain and Portugal should Franco and Salazar go the way of Mussolini and Hitler. It would seem that Christianity in those Catholic countries had become so corrupt that not even Satan could use it any longer as a means of deception. Maybe he sees more hope of using Communism to this end.

(Something to think about!—R. B. J.)

The Modern Pastor

The Next Step in The Churches

The ministry of today, still tolerated by the majority of people and reverenced by minorities of people, has all but lost its leadership in matters truly spiritual. Pastors are so constantly overrun with religious

secondaries in material activities that they have lost touch with the supreme Reality in spiritual affairs. For instance, the pastor, once his calling has been professionalized, may be more nearly insensitive than his alert laymen to the fundamental difference between a worship service and the Worship Experience. And any pastor who does not himself now and then have real Experience in worship cannot lead his people beyond a mere worship service. The minister harnessed into the details of a modern pastorate, so tires himself out in the day running after seemingly necessary incidentals that at night he either stays fretfully awake or goes off into the dead sleep of exhaustion. So God gets very little chance to become real to him day or night. His ministry goes empty. He ceases to speak of God in the terms and tone of Experiential Reality. He preaches second-hand stuff. Men immediately detect the lack of authority in all he says and does. He tries to make up for this fatal deficiency by being a "good mixer with the people."

To a pastor thus frustrated there is little time to read books. An ordinary vacation is little good; it does not change him or his pastorate; it only rests him so that he can endure his frustration a while longer. Attending conventions and conferences and assemblies where he hears one speech after another on what he is against at home all the time only bores him. He needs an Experience that integrates him and gives him the authority (self-authenticating reality) which enables him to work some radical changes in the church where he is pastor.

(This hits the nail on the head—R. B. J.)

A Professor Dreams

Baptist Standard

Rowland E. Wolfe, professor of Biblical literature at Western Reserve university, advances some notions of his own in the interest of hastening the ecumenical move-

ment. According to the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Prof. Wolfe proposes:

- 1. That all Protestant churches be closed for one year and have everybody attend Catholic churches, go to mass, confess to a priest, and be good Catholics.
- 2. Close all Catholic churches for one year and make Catholics attend Protestant churches and do all that Protestants do.
- 3. Close all Protestant and Catholic churches for a year and have all Catholics and Protestants attend Jewish synagogues and immerse themselves in the Jewish ritual.
- 4. Close all synagogues for a year; make Jews attend Christian churches.
- 5. Ban both Judaism and Christianity and have everybody become members of an oriental religion.

That is the professor's notion as to how to save religion for the modern world. Such a plan might possibly promote "religion," but would not help Christianity. But these ecumenically-minded church "fixers" who tell us that one church is as good as another, would hardly be disturbed about placing Christianity on a parity with old-world religions. Prof. Wolfe forgot to tell us who would exercise the authority and enforce the closing of churches, cathedrals, and synagogues and who would police the public and herd Protestants into Catholic professionals, and Catholics into Bible schools. Presumably this fantastic program would be promoted by the state or federal government. It fits the pattern of a lot of "fool" things politicians are now advocating for the government. P. T. Barnum must have been right. There is one born every minute. (Isn't it wonderful what some of these professors can dream up?—R.B.J.)

Ku Klux Klan

Baptist New Mexican

Under the guise of true Americanism, some times patriotism, this hooded order, too cowardly to show their faces, parade with scepter and bugle violating everything

in democracy for which a Christian church stands. Perhaps the hottest spot in the nation where this "heathenish" order carries on its intimidation and its abortive practices is in Georgia. The Baptist paper of that state in a recent editorial has not hesitated to call the Klan "unchristian and undemocratic" and to denounce the Klan's use of the Cross behind which the order marches when on its destructive work. The Cross is, indeed, the most meaningful symbol of the Christian church, its wrong use the most brazen sin. The editorial recites "All of history fails to record an organization that long survives with hatred as its single keystone." He says that the cross is a symbol of love and not of hate and we can think of no more abortive act than this.

Taking notice of the diabolical acts of the Klan, the Baptist Press observes that "Rabble rousers have drawn their followers to such creeds only to learn that permanence cannot be built upon the preaching of destruction." The Ku Klux Klan, however, seem to be a long way from learning the evil consequences of unfairness, uncharitableness, intolerance, bigotry, injustice, pride, selfishness, cowardice, and figndishness. The shame is that in the order are some church members.

(Tennessee Baptists ought to be clear on this matter.—R.B.J.)

All Southern Baptists Urged To Pray

By C. E. MATTHEWS

THE COMMITTEE in charge of preparation for the evangelistic service to be conducted by the Southern Baptist Convention in Crump Stadium, Memphis, Tennessee, Sunday at 2:30 P.M., May 23, is urging that all Baptists everywhere pray earnestly each day for God's blessings on this colossal undertaking.

The attendance goal for the occasion is 30,000. There will be 2,000 in the great choir, which will be conducted by W. Plunkett Martin. There will be 600 ushers in charge of seating the people. Cavalcades from local churches as far distant as seventy-five miles are coming to the service. A special train will be run from Jackson, Tennesseee, carrying people to the service. It is hoped that large numbers of unsaved people will be present. Dr. R. G. Lee will preach and give the invitation for the lost to publicly confess our Christ as Saviour.

If this service is a success, it will encourage Christians everywhere to undertake the unusual in an effort to press the claims of Christ to a bewildered world in this critical hour. In the darkest hours of civilization's history God has always moved upon His people to do the unusual in His name in order that people might know He is God. He instructed Noah to build an ark. He led Elijah to Mt. Carmel to pray down fire from heaven when the world was at its darkest. Jesus sent His 120 true followers to an upper room, where they remained ten days in prayer until the unusual happened and a world realized again that God was on His throne and that His power to turn men's hearts from evil and fear had not changed. Of all times that a demonstration of God's presence and power over all His foes is needed, it is now. We believe He is ready and that the hour for the unusual has struck.

Pray for the committee in charge of preparation for the evangelistic service, for the churches who are working toward an attendance goal, for the great choir, for Brother Martin, and for Dr. Lee.

"And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them" (Mark 11:22-24).

Aid of Churches Sought For Negro Training Center

ATLANTA, GA.—(BP)—Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has written pastors of all Convention churches urging their cooperation in the sale of Booker T. Washington Memorial half dollars.

Dr. Newton, pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church here, cites in his letter a resolution adopted recently by the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee endorsing the establishment of the Booker Washington Memorial in Virginia "to perpetuate the ideals and teachings" of the Negro educator.

The Memorial will serve as headquarters for a national program of trade and industrial training for Negroes of low educational status. It is being financed by sale of the memorial half-dollar for \$1, the premium going into the Memorial.

"It is my opinion that giving support to this program will not only be an evidence of Christian charity but it will be a means of

The Survey Bulletin

By PORTER ROUTE

FACTS OF INTEREST

Divorces dropped 26.6 per cent in 1947, and marriages dropped about 12.5 per cent, according to the Federal Security Agency. There were about 2,000,000 marriages and 450,000 divorces during 1947, compared with 613,000 divorces and 2,285,539 marriages in 1946.

Harvard has increased tuition from \$400 to \$525 a year.

The House of Commons has voted to suspend the death penalty in Great Britain.

The brewing industry has won an extension from April 15 to June 1 on their grain conservation agreement with Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson.

Liquor interests are fighting the new Reed-Johnson bill to regulate liquor advertising. Advertising interests are also fighting to save the \$50,000,000 expended annually for liquor advertising.

If you are planning to write a book, the Senate has doubled the

\$2 copyright fee.

And in case you are asked, the taxi interests, in telling of the 2 billion passengers in 1947, proudly announced that 15 babies were born in U. S. cabs during the year.

IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

During the past year, the Seventh Day Adventists have sent out 545 missionaries, 262 from North America. They have been sent to 73 different countries and islands. Of those sent, 359 were new appointees.

Since October, 1944, American Roman Catholics have sent 58,-000,000 pounds of relief material, valued at \$23,000,000, to Italy. An effort will be made to send 20,000.000 pounds of material during 1948.

U. S. Methodists, meeting in Boston April 27, have been asked to explore the possibility of merger with the Protestant Episcopal Church.

French Catholic leaders are demanding revision of the French constitution to provide grants for Catholic schools.

The Protestant Film Commission will release its second picture, "My Name Is Han" on June 15. The picture is a study of mission work in China.

The Seventh Day Adventists report that their 51 publishing houses around the world sold \$10,000,000 worth of literature in 1947.

The Yale Divinity School is sponsoring a national meeting of college and university chaplains at New Haven May 4-7.

A conference of U. S. Protestants interested in church union will be held at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., October 19-21, 1948.

BAPTIST HIGHLIGHTS

Dr. Paul M. Cousins has resigned as president of Shorter College in Georgia to accept a professorship of English at Mercer University.

Norman Fromm has been elected secretary of the Training Union and Student Union departments in California. He was pastor at Tulare before accepting the new work

Dr. Ross E. Dillon has resigned as superintendent of city missions in Kansas City to accept the work as executive secretary of the Houston, Texas, Baptist group made up of 93 churches.

building inter-racial good will," Dr. Newton wrote in the letter addressed to 25,500 Baptist ministers. "Then, too, using this opportunity to help our colored brethren to help themselves will mean a great deal to the well-being of our Southland and will prove to those of other sections that we are interested in their welfare."—C. E. BRYANT.

In My Opinion-

Alcoholism Can Be Eradicated

An Editorial by ROY L. SMITH in The Christian Advocate

PROM ONE END of the nation to the other there is a rising tide of of concern over the problem of alcoholism. This is not due to the agitation of the question from the pulpits of the land; it is, rather, a result of facts which are slowly but inescapably obtruding themselves upon the social scene. Rather remarkably, too, the discussions of the problem are taking place in the newspapers and over the radio, and not in ministerial meetings.

The number of alcoholics, particularly among women, is in an upward spiral. "Lady drunks" are cluttering up the courts. Judges who hear divorce cases are telling the reporters of their grave fears concerning the use of liquor by mothers. Institutions offering "cures" are crowded to suffocation. Great commonwealths are debating the proposal to build giant hospitals for the care of inebriates, and the medical profession concedes that alcoholism is one of the major American diseases of the day.

In the city of Chicago, which is said to have 26,900 confirmed alcoholics and 100,000 problem drinkers, a committee of prominent citizens has organized a "Research Council" for the study of the problem and is asking the public for \$150,000 with which to finance its investigation. Similar councils have been or are being organized in other cities. More than 50 colleges and universities are offering courses on the subject and Yale university has built up one entire department with a considerable staff of experts to investigate the whole field of alcoholism.

The solution of the problem is, however, very simple. Any individual can solve it for himself within 30 seconds by adopting one simple principle stated in three short words.

DON'T DRINK ALCOHOL!

In all the history of intoxicants, and in all the recent discussion of the problem of alcoholism, there has never been one instance cited of any person who ever became an alcoholic or a problem drinker who was a total abstainer.

That some people can drink intoxicants through long periods of years without becoming addicts is an established fact. That others became victims of alcoholism within the space of a few months after taking their first drink is another fact. That still others drink moderately for years, and then suddenly develop into alcoholics is a third fact.

Sentence Sermons

No drunken nation has ever been able to compete successfully with a sober nation.

The trouble with alcohol is that its chemical character makes it a trouble-maker.

The sober citizen can leave liquor alone, but liquor never leaves the sober citizen alone. It is always imposing on him.

Something tragic has happened to the person who can laugh at a drunkard.

No person ever becomes drunken without becoming a nuisance.

There is, however, a fourth fact of supreme importance to every person who is debating the question of his first drink. No scientist now living can tell any person whether or not he will become an alcoholic after he has taken his first drink.

This means that every drinker is a potential alcoholic, for there is no scientist who can guarantee to any person that, once he has taken his first drink, he will never become an alcoholic.

The only guaranteed formula for security against alcoholism is total abstinence.

No mother in her right mind would deliberately expose her son to the danger of tubercular infection, nor would she endanger her daughter by knowingly infecting her with malaria. But any mother who serves intoxicants on her dinner table for her young people is exposing them to the dangers of alcoholism!

Here is a cause to which the church of God must give major attention during the next decade especially. The influences which are attempting to persuade the American boy and girl to drink alcohol are powerful, popular, and well financed. They are able to stifle protests, conceal facts, and punish the opposition. There is no other source from which the nation can hope for help, except the church. If the Christian pulpit surrenders, the nation is doomed.

In a scientific age facts become the munitions by which any war is waged, and in the case of alcoholism the church of Christ enjoys the alliance of one irrefutable, unchallenged, undeniable fact. Nondrinkers never become problem drinkers, and the total abstainer never shows the slightest symptom of alcoholism.

There is only one solution of the alcohol problem which the church of God can accept, and that is abstinence.

For the sake of the nation's health; for the sake of its morals, its efficiency, and its integrity; for the sake of our children and their future; for the sake of the honor of the church and its sacred commission to establish the kingdom of God on earth, there must be a new insistence upon total abstinence on the part of all Christian fathers and mothers.

It is one of the tragic facts concerning tuberculosis that it strikes at the undernourished, the underprivileged and the defenseless among our citizens. As we raise general living conditions and improve the public health safeguards, we lower the rate of infection. But there is no immunity for the drinker. Alcoholism strikes as viciously and as terribly among the educated, the socially prominent, the strong-willed, the intellectual, and the executive types as among the underprivileged.

No man or woman who drinks any alcohol is a good risk in the gamble against alcoholism.

There is a desperate need that our people—young and old—shall be impressed with this simple fact. The only guaranty against alcoholism is—DON'T DRINK ALCOHOL.

(Editors' Note: This ties in with Commitment Day on May 30.)

The latest survey of U. S. congressmen reveals only 11 reporting no religious affiliation. Methodists lead with 112, Catholics report 77 members, Baptists have 72, Presbyterians have 57, and Episcopalians report 62. There are seven Jews in the House.

What Do We Mean By "Cooperating Constituency?"

E. H. WESTMORELAND, Houston, Texas
Chairman Committee to Consider Kansas Application
Southern Baptist Convention

MUCH HAS BEEN SAID RECENTLY in regard to the relationship between the Southern Baptist Convention and State Conventions. Some deny that such a relationship exists, insisting that the Southern Baptist Convention is made up of messengers from the local churches. This is in accord with our Constitution which declares in Article III: "The Convention shall consist of messengers who are members of missionary Baptist churches, cooperating with the Convention." That seems to settle the matter with finality.

But in By-Law 17 of the same Constitution we find a statement of policy regarding the matter of receiving "new constituencies." This problem we have faced in recent years and it now seems evident that we shall face it increasingly in the coming years. This By-Law implies that there is a relationship between State Conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention. Just how far that relationship extends is not made clear in the Constitution but experience will tell us that in many ways there is a direct connection between the bodies. Representation on Boards and Agencies of the Convention is on the basis of states. Contributions to the Cooperative Program are made through the state offices and the percentage to Southwide causes is determined by State Conventions. Pre-registration cards for the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention are distributed through State Executive Secretaries, and these bear printed upon them the names of the State through which the cards are issued. These and many other similar factors might be cited to prove that a vital relationship exists between the Convention and State Conventions.

We agree with Dr. E. C. Routh in his recent statement that the Convention should now face this important matter and write into our Constitution a clear and comprehensive statement of that relationship. As Chairman of the Committee to consider the Kansas Application, I have had opportunity to witness the confusion that exists because of the lack of such a statement. Our committee was instructed by By-Law 17 to "investigate all matters pertaining to the request (the application filed with the Secretary of the Convention by certain churches in Kansas) and make report to the next annual meeting for its action." The only matters called for in the application had to do with "the number of Baptists in our churches which desire cooperative relations, and the amount of money given to the work of the Convention during the preceding year." Since these matters are definitely stated in the application what other matters are to be included in the statement "all matters?" Are we to investigate the doctrinal position held by these churches? Are we called upon to pass on the spirit existing between these Baptists and other Baptists within the state concerned by the application? Are we to consider the methods and motives by which their program is promoted and their work carried on? Are we called upon to judge the sincerity and character of those making such request? On what grounds are we to make our report to the Convention? What is included in the directive "to investigate all matters pertaining to the request?" The Constitution does not definitely state the principles by which such a decision is to be made. I must confess that the Committee was at a loss to know just what matters the Convention wanted us to investigate.

Therefore, one of our recommendations will be: "We recommend that a special committee of seven be appointed to study this larger problem with a view of recommending policies and procedures by which the Convention may be governed in receiving new cooperating constituencies in the U. S. and its territories' (Article II). We believe this involves the clarification of By-Law 17."

The entire committee is in agreement that the time has come for Southern Baptists to face seriously the issue involved in the implied relationship between the Convention and the so-called "cooperating constituencies." We would like to see the matter discussed in the denominational press before the meeting of the Convention in Memphis. Any enlightment which may be given to the issue will be deeply appreciated and helpful.

The Home Mission Board will use 300 students during the summer to work in various mission fields in the Convention territory.

-The Young South_

SEND ALL LETTERS TO AUNT POLLY

149 Sixth Avenue, N.

Nashville 3 Tennessee

MAY IS SUCH A LONG WAY from New Year's Day that it is a little hard to think of New Year's resolutions at this time of year. But last week we turned our calendar pages for a new month, we were reminded again of resolutions which we made four months ago. For there, between the April and May pages of the calendar, we found the resolutions charts on which we have been charting our progress in keeping our resolutions. How does your chart look? Did all of your April grades show improvement?

"April showers bring May flowers," they say. Just for fun, let's make a little change in the way we grade ourselves during May. When we finish, we may have a whole row of May flowers on our charts.

The first time you make a special effort to keep a resolution, draw the stem of a flower in the May block opposite that resolution on your chart. After the next effort, draw the center of a flower, then a petal for each additional effort until you have a complete flower. Leaves may be added following other efforts, if you wish, and more than one flower may be drawn in one block, if you complete one flower before the end of May. At the end of the month, if you feel that you have really improved in your keeping of a resolution, color the flower in that block. What a colorful row of flowers you may have!

Of course, since we did not start this method of grading the first day of May, you will have to remember times you have worked especially hard on your resolutions. Or it might be easier to begin your flowers today.

Tell your mother about our plan. Let her see your chart. She will enjoy seeing the flowers blossom forth with each of your efforts to keep your resolutions. Telling Mother that you are really trying to improve in the way you feel, and think, and act, would be a nice gift on Mother's Day.

Speaking of Mother's Day, what about your greeting card for Mother? There are, of course, many beautiful ones in the stores, with lovely pictures and verses. Your mother would appreciate one of these. But she would probably appreciate much more a card which you make yourself. Try it. You do not have to make a fancy card. You might try something like the one described here.

Fold halfway a sheet of drawing paper or plain white paper. Then fold this halfway, so that it opens like a book. This is the way bought cards usually are folded.

Make the front of the card as attractive as possible. If you have some bird or flower stickers, use them. Or, cut pretty pictures from a catalogue or magazine or an old Sunday school quarterly, and paste it on the front of the card. Better still, use your crayons or water colors to make your own picture. Perhaps you will draw a border of spring flowers, around the edges, and print in the center, "With love to Mother," "For Mother," or something similar.

The message to go inside your card is entirely up to you. It may be a note of appreciation written something like a letter. It may be your mother's favorite Bible verse. Perhaps it will be a promise to try harder to be the kind of boy or girl your mother wants you to be, or to try to show your love for Mother every day, and not just on her special day. Simply, "I love you, Mother," written and signed by you, is one of the best messages you could choose.

This is an excellent opportunity for you to try your hand at poetry again. Jot down all the words you can think of that describe your mother—like "loving," "kind," and so on. As you think of your mother and watch her in the home, it will be easy for you to write an "I love you" poem, or a "thank you" poem to her.

No matter what type card you make, your mother will treasure it. If she is like most mothers, you may find that same card years later, tucked away among her most prized possessions. And with it will be happy memories of a joyous Mother's Day, and a young son or daughter who helped to make it so.

Love, Aunt Polly

P. S. It will be Mother's Day for Grandmother, too. Maybe you'd like to make more than one card. If your own mother is not with you now, you will especially want to do something nice for Grandmother or some other dear friend—perhaps some mother who will get no other cards or gifts. By adding to the happiness of others, you will be truly honoring your own mother.

Sunday School Department _

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First Vacation Bible School Report

On April 21 we received the first Vacation Bible School report for the year. It was sent in by pastor, V. A. Shugart, of Etowah. Serving as principal was Mrs. Louis Underwood. The school was promoted by the Towee Falls Baptist church and had the assistance of associational missionary, W. O. Beaty. Seventy were enrolled with an average attendance of fifty-two.

We hope this report begins a multitude of reports that will come into our office this year. Our goal for this year is 1,800. With this start let us set out to reach this worthy goal.

Build For Them Now or Fail Them Tomorrow

PHILIP B. HARRIS

Superintendent of Young People's Work
Baptist Sunday School Board

The percentage of young people today is at the lowest point in a hundred years. This condition is the result of the low birth rate in the early thirties, and the number of young people in military service.

In a very few years there will be 35 or 40 per cent more young people than there are today. Why? Because of the high birth rate beginning in 1940 and increasing through 1947. Take a look at the picture.

There are available now approximately 2,000,000 young people ages seventeen through twenty-four years for Southern Baptist Sunday schools. It is estimated that there will be available by 1957 nearly 3,000,000 young people for Southern Baptist Sunday schools.

The present enrollment of young people in Southern Baptist Sunday schools is 500,000. The evidence is abundant that this enrollment has increased every time a new Sunday school class has been built. If the Sunday schools, therefore, minister to an increasing number of these young people, the churches must provide more classes and good teachers for them. Many thoughtful pastors believe this to be the only answer. If more classes are established, rooms must be provided.

CHURCHES MUST BUILD TODAY TO MEET TOMORROW'S NEEDS

Many churches are planning in the new building for two or more departments for Adults, and this is right. Strange to say, however, some of these same churches, however, are planning for only one department for Young People.

Many smaller churches are planning in the new building for six or more classes for Adults, and this is proper. Some of these same churches, however, are planning for only two classes for Young People, and in some churches only one class.

A number of churches are providing from four to ten Nurseries for children from birth through three years of age, and only one department for all the Young People ages seventeen through twenty-four years.

Two classes for Young People in the majority of churches are not enough. In most of the smaller churches plan for four classes, one for married women, one for single women, and two for men.

Larger churches will provide for two or more departments: one for single people seventeen and eighteen years of age; one for single people nineteen through twenty-four of age; and one for married people.

Most churches cannot build again for twenty-five years. Mistakes are expensive, often disastrous. The urge here is that churches will plan now for the future expansion of the Young People's work.

Re-check your building plans. Safeguard the future of your Young People by providing for them now in your over-all building plans. Adequate space in the building, capable leaders and teachers, and recognition of the capabilities of the Young People will solve most of the so-called problems.

Plan for the number of Young People you now have enrolled, and you may be able to continue with that number. Provide adequately for twice the number you now have and you at least have a chance to reach them.

We will face the inevitable and plan church buildings today in the light of tomorrow's needs.

Before completing plans for your church building, confer with your state Sunday school secretary and the Architectural Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Much of tomorrow will be determined by the plans of today.

"Expect great things from God: Attempt great things for God."

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Training Union Study Course Awards Issued During the Month of March, 1948

(Continued from Last Week)

Philadelphia	10	South Pittsburg	
Pleasant Hill	2		127
Pleasant Grove	8	SHELBY COUNTY—	,,
Red Bank	1	Berclair	6
St. Elmo	18	Big Creek	9
South St. Elmo	29	Mallory Heights	33
Shepherd	19		_
Silverdale	60		48
Spring Creek	51	STONE—	
Second, Chattanooga	84	Monterey	12
Temple	2		10
Concord	62	CWETWATED	12
White Oak-B	5	SWEETWATER— Pocks Springs	27
Woodland Park	122	Rocky Springs	37
Alton Park	24		37
Ridgedale	21	TENNESSEE VALLEY—	57
Cameron Hill	2	Tennessee Valley	44
Pine Ridge	$\bar{2}$		44
Rutledge Memorial	6'	WATAUGA—	
Middlebrook	1	East Side, Elizabethton	20
Mt. Vernon	4	First, Elizabethton	63
1	1971	Mountain City	40
	_	Zion	1
PROVIDENCE—			
Midway	58	WILLCON	124
	50	WILSON—	24
SECTIATORIE VALLEY	58	Fairview	24
SEQUATCHIE VALLEY— Dunlap	34	1 -3 -	24
Jasper	3		Z4
Richard City		Total	4130
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Youth Week Reports

UNION AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, MEMPHIS

BY RICHARD SULLIVAN

We have just concluded a very successful Youth Week in Union Avenue Church sponsored and planned by the Training Union under the leadership of Director Macon Bennett, with the help of Mr. Donald Anthony. The morning speaker, Charles Chapman, preached as fine a sermon as anyone would want. It would have been a credit to any young minister, and he has not had any ministerial training or previous experience in the pulpit. I believe that as a whole it was a better Youth Week than the one last year.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CLINTON

BY FRED HAWKINS, JR.

To the young people of our church and to the older ones, as well, this has been of great and, no doubt, everlasting benefit. We discovered many of our young people for the first time and I can assure you that they will be used in our full program as much as possible. There wasn't a bad hitch in the whole program and the youngsters made it appear that they didn't need the help of the older people at all. A committee of our church drew up a resolution which was adopted by the church unanimously commending the Youth Week Leaders and the ones who had worked with them. One of the leaders who is an older man suggested that we vote to sponsor it every year. I am sure that our young people will benefit from this week for the rest of their lives.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON

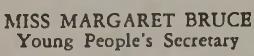
BY LULA SEWARD

We have just closed one of the finest "Youth Weeks" in the history of our church. Youth Week began at the close of the morning worship service on April 4 and closed after the morning worship service on April 11. The banquet on Saturday night was attended by around 100. The theme of the banquet was "Anchors Aweigh" and Mr. Robert S. Denny was the speaker.

Woman's Missionary Union ___

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Program, Woman's Missionary Union, S. B. C.

Memphis, Tennessee, May 17-18, 1948

Theme: For God and Home and Every Land

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 17—10 O'CLOCK

Call to Worship-Mrs. Ethlyn Potts Ware, Harpist, Memphis

Hymn-"Jesus Shall Reign"

Words of Welcome-Mrs. H. Mahon Crawford, Chairman of Hostess Committee

We Worship Together-Miss Helen Falls, Dean of Women, New Orleans

Seminary, La. "Our Father Which Art in Heaven"-Mrs. Rosa Page Welch

Reports of Officers

Miss Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretary

Mrs. W. J. Cox, Treasurer

Miss Juliette Mather, Young People's Secretary

Hymn—"Come, Women, Wide Proclaim"

Moments with Our Missionaries—Miss Mallory

Special Music-Miss Kay Sherry, Memphis

Address-Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton, Adams, New York

Musical Benediction—Bellevue Quartet

MONDAY AFTERNOON—2 O'CLOCK

Hymn—"Jesus Calls Us"

Business

Revision of Constitution and By-laws-Mrs. Carleton M. Long, D.C.

Report of Board of Managers

Election of Nominating Committee for 1949

Plan of Work

Our Business Women-Miss Mary Christian

Tools in Type

Books-Mrs. Irvin Lawrence

Leaflets and Supplies-Miss Ethel Winfield

Magazines—Miss Juliette Mather

Our Training School—Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn

Our Margaret Fund-Mrs. Walter P. Binns, Mo. Moments with Our Missionaries—Miss Mallory

Address-"Christian Women and the Liquor Problem"-Mrs. D. Leigh

Colvin, Evanston, Ill.

MONDAY EVENING—7:30 O'CLOCK

Hymn—"O Zion, Haste!"

Prayer—Miss Mallory

Special Music-Mrs. C. L. Parchman, Memphis

Our Commemoration Year-Mrs. Frank Burney, Chairman of Sixtieth

Anniversary Committee

Pageant Commemorating 60th Anniversary

Address-Baptists and World Relief-Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Chairman Relief

Committee, Baptist World Alliance

TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 16-9 O'CLOCK

Hymn—"What a Friend. . ."

We Worship Together-Dr. Floy Barnard, Dean of Women, Southwestern

Seminary, Texas

Our Own, Our Native Land—Miss Irene Chambers

Miss Vena Aquillard, La.

Mrs. Aaron Hancock, Okla.

Tiding from Afar

Miss Lorene Tilford, China

Miss Alberta Steward, South America

Miss Kate Ellen Gruver, Palestine

Special Music-Mr. Clifford Trundle, Memphis Address—"Distinctive Notes in Our Baptist World Mission"—Mrs. Edgar

Bates, Dean of Women, McMaster University, Ontario

Musical Benediction—Bellevue Quartet

TUESDAY AFTERNOON—2 O'CLOCK

Hymn—"Jesus Shall Reign"

Prayer

Reading of Minutes—Mrs. Tyler

Reports of Committees

Memorial Service-Mrs. George Q. Holland, Florida

Moments with Our Missionaries—Miss Mallory

Address-Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton

Election of Officers

Address-Mrs. Henry W. Munger, Mo.

Closing Prayer

TUESDAY EVENING-7:30 O'CLOCK

Hymn-"All Hail the Power"

Special Music

Europe Still Calls-Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, Va.

Hymn—"Send the Light"

Africa Needs Christ-Dr. W. H. Carson, Nigeria, Africa

Volunteers and the Cross—Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Secretary of Foreign Mission Board

"Were You There?"—Mrs. Rosa Page Welch

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Secretary-treasurerMillard Cro	ocker

AMONG THE BRETHREN-

The Springfield Baptist Church has just closed a series of evangelistic services. There were 33 additions to the church, 12 by letter and 21 by baptism, several rededications of life, and 1 Intermediate girl surrendered to the call of missions. Two made professions but did not unite with the church. J. G. Hughes, pastor of the Union Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis, did the preaching and Clyde C. Bryan, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Gallatin, directed the musical program.

—B&R—

Messengers who will attend the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, May 19-23, should secure registration cards in advance from their state secretary of their state Baptist convention. Only those persons duly elected by churches cooperating in the work of the Southern Baptist Convention and who are properly certified as messengers can be received as messengers to the Convention.

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The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention has just published a valuable handbook detailing origin, history, and doctrines and the present program and future plans of Southern Baptists. It is "We Southern Baptists," by Dr. J. E. Dillard. It is a very readable and informative volume and may be purchased through Baptist Book Stores at 35 cents.

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With E. Pitt Woodroff, pastor of Seventh Street Baptist Church, Memphis, doing the preaching, Pastor L. C. Bowers and the Millington Baptist Church have experienced a gracious revival. There were 27 additions to the church.

Rev. George W. Griffin, Rural Church Consultant of Washington, D. C., is greatly interested in procuring rooms for students to attend the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, May 19-23. Dr. Slater A. Murphy, Chairman of the General Committee on entertainment for the convention, commends Mr. Griffin for this work and so do others. If any of our people in the country or towns near Memphis have rooms for students for the period of the convention, please notify Dr. Mark Harris, pastor, Speedway Terrace Baptist Church, Memphis, chairman of the Homes Committee.

Temple Baptist Church, Old Hickory, has just closed a revival meeting in which the preaching was done by the pastor, A. D. Nichols, and Charles Pruitt, local choir director was in charge of the music. There were 19 additions by baptisms, 3 by letter and 1 by statement.

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We have received from a Tennessee town an interesting letter signed "An Earnest Christian." But we can not use it because as we have often announced, we do not use unsigned or unidentified communications.

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On page 11 BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR issue of April 8 gave the name of Mrs. J. L. Williams as president of the B. W. C. Federation when it should have been Mrs. T. L. Williams.

Evangelist Arthur Fox of Morristown did the preaching in a recent revival at First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark., R. C. Campbell, pastor, in which there were 98 additions, 80 of them by baptism. There were 12 additions on Sunday following the close of the revival and the revival spirit continues.

—B&R—

The Baptist Press reports that the 11 a.m. preaching hour at the First Baptist Church of Memphis, where R. Paul Caudill is pastor, has the highest Hooper rating of any 11 a.m. Sunday program carried by the eight radio stations of Memphis.

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The First Baptist Church, Americus, Ga., has experienced a gracious eight-day revival. There were 37 additions, 20 coming on profession of faith. Pastor James A. Ivey did the preaching. His son, Jim Ivey, Jr., who is serving as Music and Educational Director, directed the music.

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Harold D. Gregory, Superintendent of City Missions, Nashville, reports the results of the Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign in the Nashville Association March 28-April 11 as follows: 508 baptisms; 225 additions by letter; total 766.

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Pastor Bertis Fair and the Mount Calvary Baptist Church of Valdese, N. C., were recently assisted in a great revival in which the preaching was done by R. C. Shearin of Greensboro, N. C. and Ed Powell of Gastonia, N. C., led the singing. There were 41 additions, 29 of them for baptism and 11 by letter.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTENDANCES AND ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCHES, APRIL 25, 1948

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Alamo, First		54		White Oak		91	1	Maryville, Broadway	355	140	CIONS
Alcoa, Calvary		84	-	Woodland Heights		79	1	Everett Hills	264	93	2
Athens, Antioch			***	Church Hill, McPheeters Bend		69		First	715	200	
East		74	-	Oak Grove		87		Maury City, Cairo	116	55	10
First	496	155	77	Cleveland, Big Spring		173	1	Medina	157	86	
West End Mission		-4	-	First		150	1	Memphis, Bellevue	2697	701	7
North		36	1	North	221	128		Boulevard	930	220	26
Calhoun		35		Rutledge Memorial	129	56		Mission	35	122	
Clear Water	78	67 80		South		81		Central Avenue Highland Heights	601	155	
Coghill Cotton Port	120	68		Clinton, First		52	-	Kennedy	934 128	330 46	-0
Englewood		50		Columbia, First		120		LaBelle	780	174	2 2
Etowah, East				Godwin Chapel		97		Levi	222	95	1
Etowah, First	432	115		Cookeville, First				Louisiana Street	159	42	î
Etowah, North		39	70.00	Algood Mission Fourth Street Mission				Prescott Memorial	618	119	19
Good Springs	90	50	-	Steven Street		64		Temple	1461	321	3
Idlewild	85	67		Crossville, First		138		Union Avenue	1204	248	8
McMahan Calvary	98	38	100	Missions				Millington	152	33	
Mt. Harmony No. 1		59		Decherd	121	60	6	Milton	78	46	
Now Bethel	30	18		Ducktown, Mine City	169	95	8	Prosperity Monterey, First	150	63	
New Hope		65		Eagleville	69	29		Moodyville	250	74	
New Friendship	00			Elizabethton, First		86	4	Morristown, First	59 548	89	-6
Niota, East		50		Fountain City, Central		179		Montvue	131	44	_
Niota, First		49		Hines Valley Chapel		78		Murfreesboro, First	453	71	-
Old Salem	41		-	Fowlkes First		71	44	Walnut Street Mission	71	- 11	
Riceville				Gallatin, First Harriman, Trenton Street		135	3	Powell's Chapel	109	66	
Rodgers Creek		8	22	Hixson, Pleasant Grove		23		Taylor's Chapel	65	32	
Sanford	60	84		Huntingdon, First			1	Westvue	378	90	
Wild Wood	92	46	200	Jackson, Bemis		80		Nashville, Belmont	961	335	6
Zion Hill				Calvary		153	4	First Grace	1183	405	2
Benton Pilian	135	34	20	Jellico, First	285	113	1	Harsh Chapel	837	221	0
Bolivar, First	286 193	148 117		Johnson City, Sinking Creek	151	65	3	Inglewood	179 651	81 175	2
Bluff City	184	94		Kingsport, First		112	200	Joelton	104	94	2
Bristol, Calvary	407	104		Long Island		36	477	Mill Creek	95	52	100
Virginia Avenue	336	120	4	Lynn Garden		208	47	Park Avenue	468	124	
Woodlawn		102		Knoxville, Broadway		362	5	Third		88	
Brownsville		59	5	Broadway Branch		181		W COGMONT	234	80	2
Byrdstown, Etter	45	90		Fifth Avenue First		216		Newport, First	300	70	
Chapel Hill, Smyrna		64		Immanuel		80		Oak Ridge, First	582	97	1
Chattanooga, Avondale		171	2	Lincoln Park		173	8	Glenwood Highland View	486	98	-
Bartlebaugh		48		Lonsdale		180	12	Highland View Robertsville	460	112	1,000
Cedar HillChamberlain Avenue		101		McCalla Avenue		210	6	Old Hickory, First	405 629	114	1
Concord		86		New Hopewell		35		Parsons, First	264	201 69	7
Eastdale		119	2	Oakwood	848	171	1	Philadelphia	172	30	
East Lake	542	141		Sevier Heights		148	6	MOCKIOFO	285	106	
East Ridge		97	3	South		75	8	Kockwood, First	268	122	
Highland Park	2413	671	24	Lawrenceburg, First		114		Whites Creek	61	49	
Merris Hill	277	139		Lebanon, Barton's Creek		49	2	Rutledge, Oakland	132	56	
Oak Grove		96		Cedar Grove		49 59	6	Shelbyville, Shelbyville M	(i))e _ 155	92	1
Ooltewah		50	2	Fairview		55	U	Springfield, First Eastland Heights Missi	510	88	
Philadelphia		72 163		Lexington, First Mt. Juliet, Chandler		24		Trenton, White Hall	on 96	40	
Red Bank		101	3	Mt. Pleasant		81		Union City, First	808	48 176	77
Spring Creek		64	2	Madison, First	4 40 40	152	1	Watertown, Round Lick	143	51	8
Dyring Oreck	222 200								. 10	-	

Preachers' School At Union University

June 7-18

DR. W. A. KEBL, Dean

The Preacher's School which is held annually at Union University will begin this year on June 7 and continue through June 18. The program, which is designed to be of special help to all pastors, includes the following courses and conferences:

"Sermon Building," Dr. J. G. Hughes, pastor, Union Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis.

"Evangelism," Dr. Norris Gilliam, Ex. Sec., Baptist Foundation, Nashville.

"State Missions," Dr. Chas. W. Pope, Ex. Sec., Tennessee Baptist Convention, Nashville.

"Practical English," Dean S. S. Sargent, Union University.

"Doctrines," Rev. Robert Orr, First Baptist

Church, Brownsville.
"Foreign Missions," The Foreign Mission

Board.

In addition there will be a chapel period daily

and recreation in the afternoon.

Conferences have been planned for three evenings each week at 7:30 as follows:

"The Pastor and His Work," L. G. Frey, Nash-ville (First Week).

"Church Music," Dr. J. Clyde Garrett, Head of Department of Music, Union University (Second Week).

"Visual Education," Dr. J. Franklin Ray, Union University (8:30 one night each week).

The W.M.U. program is under the direction of Miss Mary Northington.

A cordial invitation is extended to each pastor to be present at this school. Reservations should be sent to Union University, Jackson, Tenn.—R. C. BRIGGS, Bible Department, Union University.

The sympathy of the brotherhood goes out to Mr. Bascom Isbell of Woodland Mills over the death of his wife, Mrs. Verda Isbell on April 20. She was the daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. I. N. Penick. She is survived by her husband and four sons, Joe Newt, Lucian, and Charles Isbell, all of the Woodland Mills community, and Paul Isbell, pastor of Dresden Baptist Church, Dresden; three brothers, Joe Penick of New York, Warren Penick of Savannah, Ga. and Albert K. Penick of Kentucky, and a sister, Mrs. H. L. Carlton of Arcadia, Fla. She was a noble Christian wife, mother and church member. The Lord's grace be upon all the sorrowing.

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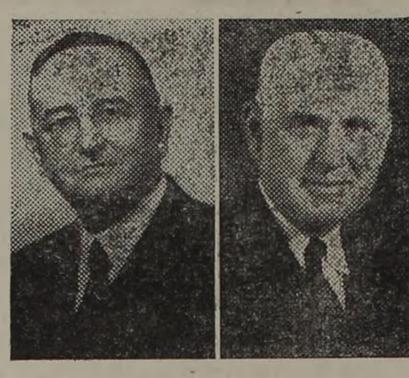
William P. Davis, pastor at Clinton, Ky., has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Hollandale, Miss.

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Commencement Speakers



Commencement speakers for the Blue Mountain College Diamond Jubilee celebration May 29-31 are Dr. Roland Q. Leavell (left), president of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and Dr. John H. Buchanan, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.

Cedar Grove Ordains Deacons

The Cedar Grove, United Baptist Church, of Stockton Valley Association called a Council for the purpose of ordaining deacons which met April 18, 1948 at the Cedar Grove meetinghouse and was organized of the following brethren from the following churches and associations:

Elders J. W. Reeder, Everette Reagan and deacons Lonzo Buck, Rosco Matthews and A. B. Smith of Pleasant View church, Stockton Valley Association.

Elder James P. Duncan and deacons H. H. Hays and Okla Hinds of Fairview church, Stockton Valley Association.

Elders Edd Simpson and General C. Phillips of Oak Grove Church, West Union Association.

Elder Evie Tucker of Livingston Church, Riverside Association.

The council elected Elder L. W. Garrett, pastor of Cedar Grove Church moderator and James P. Duncan, clerk. Evie Tucker was chosen to examine the candidates; James P. Duncan to deliver the charge; General C. Phillips to lead the Ordination prayer and J. W. Reeder to preach the ordination sermon.

After the candidates, Joe Chism and Chester Chote, both young men, had shown by their answers to questions that they were saved, sound in doctrine and willing to undertake the duties of deacons, the council ordained the above named brethren.—EVIE TUCKER.

Pastor A. A. McClanahan and the Chamberlain Avenue Baptist Church, Chattanooga, recently closed a very successful revival meeting in which there were 48 additions, 34 by baptism. The preaching was done by Thomas Guinn of Kenedy, Texas, and the singing was directed by Gene Greer of Chattanooga. In reporting the meeting Brother McClanahan says: "The BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR goes to about 150 families in our church and we feel that this has meant much for the evangelistic and missionary spirit in our church."

McMinn Associational Simultaneous Stewardship Revival

Recently E. C. Sisk, ably assisted by associational missionary J. R. Land, led in a simultaneous Stewardship Revival, in which 42 of the 64 churches in the association took part.

A volunteer worker went into each church and spoke on Bible Stewardship for the week. A free-will offering cared for the traveling expenses, but no worker received any remuneration for his services. Some of these speakers are pastors in the association, but the majority of them were from the outside.

Emphasis was placed upon the way Baptist Churches work together in sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Informed Baptists can always be depended upon to give to missions.

The fine periods of fellowship were afforded the workers during the week, when individual reports from the churches were given.

Missionary J. R. Land has the confidence and good-will of both pastors and churches in his association.

Ernest Kelly Ordained

Ernest Kelly was recently ordained to the full gospel ministry by the East Lake Baptist Church of Chattanooga. The questioning of the ordaining counsel was led by J. B. Hester, pastor of the East Lake Baptist Church. Bro. Kelly answered the questions well, proving himself to be sound in the faith. The charge to the church and candidate was delivered by the local pastor. The ordination prayer was given by Luther Owens, a deacon of the East Lake Church. The ordination sermon was preached by W. C. Tallant, one of the faithful Baptist preachers of Chattanooga.

Bro. Kelly is a student at Cumberland University, Lebanon, and has recently been called as pastor of the Holly Grove Baptist Church and the Hurricane Baptist Church, both of which are near Lebanon.

Lawrence County Associational Missionary H. D. Mote reports that the Summertown Baptist Church has ordained four deacons, F. M. Bottoms, Wash King, Howard Key and Ewell Dye. F. M. Speakman, Jr., is pastor. Also the Bonnertown Baptist Church ordained six deacons, Miley Fowler, Willie Fowler, Ellis Yarber. Carl Yarber, Odell Porter and Felix Shook. G. S. King is pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Ford of Sturgis, Ky., announce the arrival of a son, Warren Crockett, on April 21. Bro. Ford was formerly pastor at Greenbrier, Tenn.

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Home Dedication To Mark Memphis Service

By Joe W. Burton Editor, Home Life

A period of personal dedication to Christian home building will climax the Christian Home Service at the Southern Baptist Convention in Memphis on Saturday evening, May 22.

Following the sermon by Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, on the subject "Save Our Homes or Else," the entire audience which is expected to fill Memphis Municipal Auditorium, will be challenged to a dedication to the building of Christian homes.

Three specific daily activities as a minimum for the Christian home will be presented—namely, family worship, grace at meals, and private devotion.

Music for the Saturday night service will be in charge of C. Lamar Alexander and a two-hundred-voice Memphis choir. The program also includes a talk by Judge Hamilton Burnett, of the State Supreme Court of Tennessee, and a series of pictures entitled "A Crusade for Christian Homes."

Relief Announcements Available

New Orleans—"Relief needs continue to be acute in both countries of Europe and Asia and churches that broadcast their services can help to enlist non-Baptists in the great program of sending relief supplies through the Relief Center in New Orleans by making spot announcements concerning the program while these services are on the air," Charles R. Gage, Director of Promotion, said today.

Brief one minute spot announcements will be sent regularly to any church which will agree to use them, according to Gage. These announcements will highlight current relief needs and give practical suggestions for sending clothing to New Orleans. These spot announcements may also be used in church bulletins.

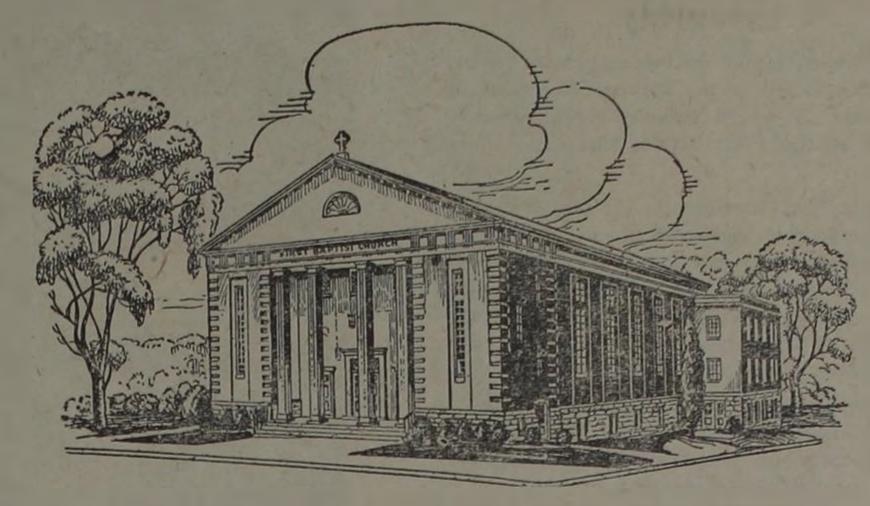
"Thousands of persons in the United States not presently giving relief supplies will be happy to do so if they know of a Christian agency through which they can contribute," Gage said.

Churches that desire to be placed on a mailing list to receive these periodical announcements should write immediately to the Radio Department, Southern Baptist Relief Center, 718 Richard Street, New Orleans 13, La.

Pastor Roy Arbuckle and the Glenwood Baptist Church, Oak Ridge, have been assisted in a revival by H. L. Hutchins, pastor of the Clear Branch Baptist Church and moderator of the Clinton Association, doing the preaching. Fred Hawkins, director of music and education, First Church, Clinton, led the singing. There were 36 additions, 22 of them for baptism. The Glenwood Church was organized in June, 1946 with 86 members. The present membership is 287. Since September 1, 1947 the church has received 130 members, 71 by baptism and 59 by letter.



Construction Starts On New Auditorium At Gallatin



Construction has begun on the new auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Gallatin. According to the pastor, Clyde C. Bryan, the new sanctuary will be complete in every detail. It will include chambers for a large pipe organ, radio broadcasting equipment, hearing aids, and cooling system. The sanctuary will have a maximum seating capacity of 900. The interior will have a colonial feeling, with white woodwork and wall-to-wall carpeting.

The ground floor will contain a banquet room seating 200 at tables and the Young People's department. The new building will tie in with the present educational building, thus increasing the educational space to over 16,000 square feet.

The church hopes to complete the building by early spring of 1949, when it will observe its ninetieth anniversary.

At 2 p. m. on a recent Sunday the Bulls Gap Baptist Church ordained four new deacons: Jay Melton, W. C. Shepherd, York A. Quillen, Jr., and H. C. Barker. The speakers were J. O. Carter, pastor of First Baptist Church, Greeneville and E. C. Masden, professor of Bible, Carson-Newman College. D. C. Morley was added to the deacon list by letter. Cecil Davis is pastor.

—B&R—

Pastor Joe J. Martin, Jr., and the Berryville Baptist Church near "the Hermitage" have been assisted in a revival by John F. Vines of Nashville, formerly Superintendent of Evangelism in Missouri. The pastor directed the music. There were 31 who came receiving Christ and desiring baptism and church membership. Brother Martin spoke in high praise of the work of Bro. Vines.

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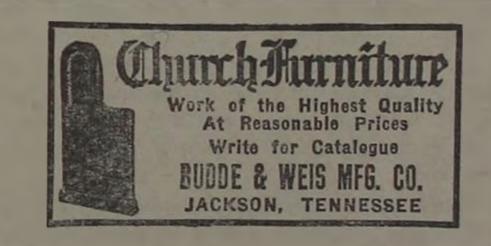
Clerk Thomas A. Frazier in the South Knoxville Baptist Church, Knoxville, reports a successful Youth Revival, with William Hall Preston, Nashville, in charge. Mr. Preston's work is praised in high terms. There were 14 received for baptism and 9 by letter. John T. Courtney is pastor.

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E. F. Glenn, superintendent of the Kentucky Baptist Childrens' Home, Glendale, Ky., has been elected business manager of the institution and C. Ford Deusner, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky., has been elected superintendent of the Home. He is a brother of Edwin Deusner, pastor, First Baptist Church, Lexington, Tenn.





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Resolution On Western Assembly

The following resolution was authorized by the State Mission Board, of the Baptist Convention of New Mexico, in regular session held on January 27, 1948, at the First Baptist Church, Alamogordo.

Whereas, The constituency of The Southern Baptist Convention has tremendously increased during the past several years, both by additions to existing churches, and by fellowship of new churches extending Westward, and offering unprecedented opportunities of growth in the immediate future, and

Whereas, The distance to Ridgecrest is a serious handicap in securing adequate attendance of leadership from much of the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, and

Whereas, The facilities at Ridgecrest are exceedingly limited for such enlarged constituency, making their superb program available only to a select minority, and

Whereas, The general interest in attending the inspiring and heart-warming fellowship of assemblies is rapidly on the increase, and

Whereas, This aroused interest offers unparalleled opportunities to discover, develop, and discipline future leadership in world missions, and

Whereas, The serious consideration of these challenging conditions culminated in the adoption of special resolutions by the Southern Baptist Convention authorizing a committee to seek out a feasible location for a general assembly somewhere in the Western area, to be administered upon a similar scope and purpose as now conducted by Southern Baptists at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, and

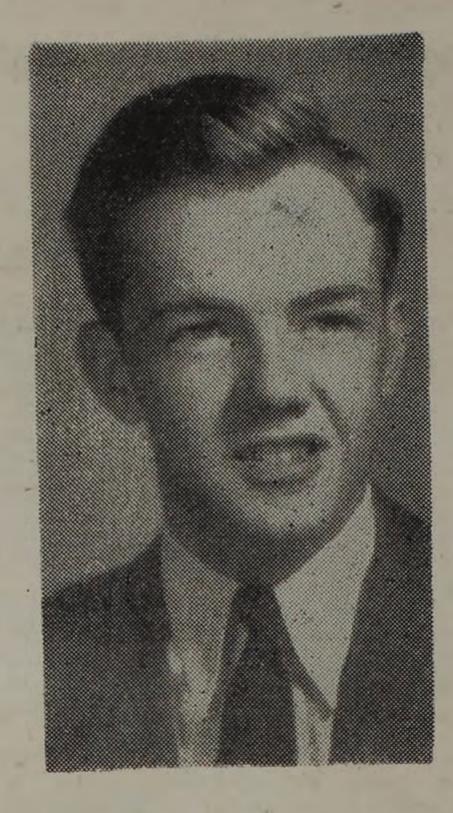
Whereas, New Mexico is in the geographical center of the new territory to be served, with climate unsurpassed, in the charm of the Rockies' scenic vacation land, with numerous natural wonders of international fame, in the Indians' "Land of Enchantment," and saturated with Spanish Lore in the oldest settlements of American History, and

Whereas, The area known as the Breese Ranch at Glorieta is easily accessible by bordering upon United States Highway 85, connecting directly with all main roads of the Southwest, with transcontinental bus service at the gate, adjacent to the R. R. Station on the mainline Santa Fe System between Chicago and Los Angeles, 19 miles from old Santa Fe, where Spanish senoritas danced their fiestas before the Pilgrims ploughed the seas to Plymouth Rock, now boasting a modern airport served by Continental, Pioneer, and Trans World Airlines.

Therefore, Be it resolved:

That in appreciation of the invaluable support and cooperation of the Southern Baptist Convention in the development of our Baptist Cause in New Mexico, and in consideration of our strategic and appropriate location, and in our earnest desire for increased Christian influence in our spiritually destitute empire of the West.

We, the Baptist Convention of New Mexico, by action of the State Mission Board, do hereby offer to convey a clear and absolute title to the Southern Baptist Convention for the property known as the Breese Ranch located at Glorieta, New Mexico, comprised of 880 acres, together with such improvement thereon, to be used as a location of a Western Assembly and for purposes of Christian Missions, Christian Education, inspiration and fellowship, for the propagation of New Testament faith and practice as held to be fundamental by Southern Baptists. The title of this property shall revert to the Baptist Convention of New Mexico, if and when said property ceases to be used for said purposes.



GENE BECKER HADLEY

The First Baptist Church, Covington, ordained Gene Becker Hadley on Sunday, April 18. Rev. Robert Orr of Brownsville examined Bro. Hadley; Dr. C. L. Bowden of Ripley delivered the sermon; Rev. M. C. Padgett of Garland gave the Charge to the Minister; Rev. Jonas Stewart, associational missionary of Big Hatchie, gave the Charge to the Church; R. E. Scott, Chairman of the deacons in the First Church, Covington, presented the Bible; and Rev. James E. Riherd lead the Ordination Prayer. Pastor A. H. Hicks was moderator. Bro. Hadley will graduate from Covington High School this spring. He will attend Union University in September. He has been called to pastor Mt. Lebanon Church near Covington.

Under the Grace of God, may the teeming thousands who tread the stony soil of these canyons, hallowed by the mingled blood of our brothers from North and South in their historic conflict, find a cleansing communion with the Eternal, as these lofty Sangre de Christo Mountain peaks, marked with Holy Ghost Canyon and Spirit Lake, fringed about with aspen and spruce, and tipped with snow, caress a turquoise sky.

May each traveler return in peace from whence he came, refreshed in body, mind and soul, and in character as level as our mesas and as tall as our timber, to more effectively serve in the farflung Brotherhood of Mankind, having imbibed the vision, determination and fortitude of the ancient Santa Fe trail.

Witness herewith the hand of each member of the special committee acting for the Board, and affixed hereto the seal of The Baptist Convention of New Mexico, this twenty-eighth day of February, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, at Albuquerque.

SIGNED:

S. M. MORGAN,
President of the Board.
HARRY P. STAGG,
Executive Secretary.

CLINT IRWIN,
Recording Secretary.

C. W. Howard has resigned at Brainerd Hills Baptist Church, Chattanooga to accept the pastorate at Mozeley Drive Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

Wants To Close Shows On Sunday Nights

Nashville, Tenn.—(BP)—A bill requiring picture shows to close on Sunday nights during church hours is scheduled for introduction in the Nashville City Council.

Councilman Pat Doyle announced he has asked the city legal department to prepare the bill. He plans for the bill also to prohibit "bank nights" at the movies and to establish a new movie censorship board.

The proposal for Sunday night closing of the theaters is a result of the current "See You in Church Sunday" campaign being conducted by Nashville churches. The bill would require all theaters in the city to be closed from 7 to 9 p. m. on Sundays.

"Several ministers have complained that Sunday night movies are drawing members away from their churches," Doyle asserted. "I don't believe picture shows should be open in competition with church services."

Shellsford Baptist Church, McMinnville, has made unusual progress under the leadership of James B. Dotson who came to the church as pastor on November 9, 1947.

The organizations of the church have been greatly strengthened in every way. The enrollment of the Sunday school has increased rapidly since the church is sponsoring a bus route. An Extension Department, a Cradle Roll and six new classes have been added to the units of the school. Under the leadership of Bro. Dotson and Mrs. Erwin Bottoms, Sunday school superintendent, a mission Sunday school is being developed at Campaign and a near-by inactive church is being revived.

The W. M. U. has been organized with all the Auxiliaries. Mr. Erwin Bottoms is president.

The Training Union is growing rapidly in attendance. Much interest is created by the attractive and unusual assembly programs presented each Sunday evening by the Young People of the church and Mrs. Ben Groves, Training Union Director. The church has doubled in contributions and offerings in the six months and now gives 10% to missions.

Many improvements have been made in the church building. An oil furnace has been installed at an approximate cost of \$1,000, and plans are under way for the installation of new pews. Through a generous gift from Mrs. Ben Groves, the outside of the church has been veneered.

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The Baptist Standard, Texas Baptist weekly publication, has reached a circulation of more than 200,000. Twenty-five years ago a little more than 21,000 Standards were distributed. The circulation grew to 50,000 in 1941 and jumped to more than 100,000 in 1943. The paper goes into approximately 80 per cent of the Baptist homes in Texas. David M. Gardner is editor.

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Southern Seminary Choir on Tour

On its third annual tour, May 10-27, the touring choir of the School of Church Music of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will give a score of concerts in five states. The concerts, scheduled for points in Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Alabama, include appearances at First Church and Union University, Jackson, May 11; Bellevue Church, Memphis, May 12; and Belmont Heights Church, Nashville, May 27.

The group, chosen by Director Donald Winters from the larger choir of the School of Church Music, will be in Memphis for the Southern Baptist Convention, singing at the Field Workers Meeting, May 18, and on the Convention program, May 19.

Ministerial Conference Meets At HCBA

The permanent Alumni Ministerial Conference of Harrison Chilhowee Baptist Academy, Seymour, met May 3. The program was as follows:

MORNING SESSION

Devotional by W. F. Hall, professor of Bible Announcements President's address by James B. Dotson Special music by Glee Club Sermon by W. C. Taggart, pastor First Baptist Church, Elizabethton

AFTERNOON SESSION

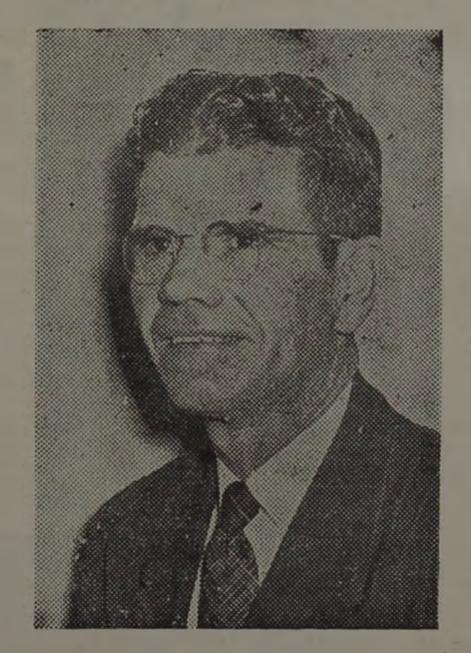
Devotional by P. B. Baldridge
Greetings by Roy Anderson
Address by W. Edwin Richardson, Cumberland
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For the second time Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, is to preach the sermon for the Columbia Broadcasting Company in their Church of the Air program on a coast-to-coast hookup on Sunday, May 16, 10:30 A. M., Eastern Daylight Saving Time. The choir of the First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, will provide the music for this program. Dr. Powell's subject will be "One Master, One Message, One Mission."

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John Charles Yelton supplied the pulpit of First Baptist Church, Old Hickory, Sunday, April 25, while Pastor V. Floyd Starke was in a revival at Calvary Baptist Church, Elizabethton.

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S. C. STRANGE, SR., LaFollette, accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Chutch, New Tazewell, Tenn., in February, 1948. The church is now planning a new parsonage and will start building in a few weeks.

"Old Rugged Cross" Is Favorite Hymn

Atlanta, Ga.—(BP)—George Bennard's "The Old Rugged Cross" is the favorite hymn on the Southern Baptist Hit Parade.

Dr. Sam F. Lowe, director of the Baptist Hour, has announced the following results of a favorite hymn poll conducted in Baptist Training Unions of the Southern Baptist Convention territory:

- 1. The Old Rugged Cross, by George Bennard
- 2. In the Garden, by C. Austin Miles
- 3. Amazing Grace, by John Newton
- 4. What a Friend We Have in Jesus, by Joseph Scriven
- 5. Sweet Hour of Prayer, by W. W. Walford

- 6. Living for Jesus, by T. O. Chisholm
- 7. Heavenly Sunlight, by H. J. Zelley
- 8. Never Alone, anonymous
- 9. The Lily of the Valley, anonymous
- 10. Have Thine Own Way, Lord, by Adelaide Pollard
- 11. At the Cross, by Isaac Watts
- 12. Breathe on Me, by Edwin Hatch
- 13. Rock of Ages, by Augustus M. Toplady

The hymns were sung, one each week in order of increasing favor, on a 13-week series of broadcasts over the 65 station network of the Southern Religious Radio Conference.

With Henry J. Stokes of First Baptist Church, Knoxville, doing the preaching, and Edwin E. Deusner, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lexington, leading the singing, the First Baptist Church of Clarksville, Richard N. Owen, pastor, experienced a great revival April 18-28. There were around 30 additions.



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Southern Baptists and the Northwest

BY R. E. MILAM, Executive Secretary Baptist General Convention of Oregon

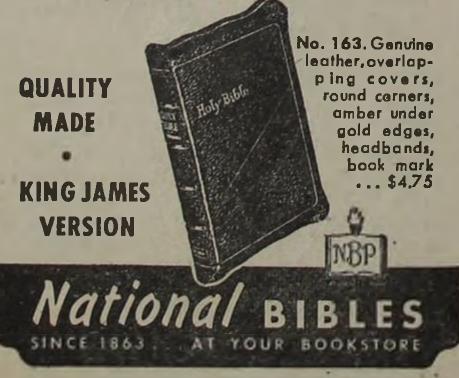
Why should Southern Baptists be interested in the Northwest? Here are four reasons:

- 1. Because Washington and Oregon, in the order named, are the greatest mission fields of all the forty-eight states of the Union. They have more pro-rata non-professing people in their population.
- 2. Because the Northwest is growing by leaps and bounds and is destined to play a great part in the future of our great country. A proportional share of this new population is Southern Baptist and can best be utilized through the program of the Southern Baptist Convention.
- 3. Because Southern Baptists only are in a position to give Bible believing Baptists of the Northwest the program they want and need.
- A. They alone can resist the encroachments of the Federal Council of Churches effectively. People of the Northwest need an alternative choice rather than being forced to accept either Sacremental Catholicism on the one hand or the Communistic Liberalism of the Federal Council on the other.
- B. Southern Baptists alone can offer Baptists of the Northwest a Baptist future. They alone have the Baptist schools to train a Baptist Ministry free from the taint of Modernism. They alone have the unity and doctrinal stability to launch a conquering program.
- 4. Because in the Baptist General Convention of Oregon, composed of sixteen churches of Oregon and Washington, Southern Baptists already have a challenging beginning, prophetic of the great work that shall be. The churches have adopted an annual budget of \$11,250.00 with 25% to go to the Southern Baptist cooperative program.

The Chewalla Baptist Church, Harry L. Winters, pastor, reports a successful Youth Revival which began Sunday, April 11 when the youth of the church served in various capacities. On Monday O. L. Lawless of Albany, Ky., came to the church bringing with him his son, Lyndell, William Winters and Mrs. Laura Winters. Following the services each night the young people were urged to stay for a fellowship hour. There were four public professions of faith and many others rededicated their lives to the Lord. One young man desires to be a preacher and two girls to become missionaries.

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"Missionaries For the Summer"

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The cornerstone of the new Educational Building of the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, was laid in an impressive service at 5:30 p. m. on a recent Sunday. Pastor H. A. Cate led in the service.

Special Services For New Duck River Churches

Associational Missionary C. D. Tabor recently arranged in some of his churches for a one-night service on "How Baptist Churches Work Together." L. G. Frey was the speaker for the week. Union Ridge, North Fork, Bell Buckle, Short Creek, and Charity Churches had responsive audiences for these special services. The chief aim of these meetings was to inform and encourage the members on the Baptist way of carrying out the Great Commission. This association, the youngest in the State, is one of the first to purchase a home for their missionary. Each association and every Baptist Church should plan for a home for their minister if they expect him to live Christianity in their community as well as preach it to them.

J. C. Williamson, Superintendent of Promotion in the Ocoee Association reports the results of the Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign, March 28-April 11 in which 76 congregations participated. There were 832 baptisms; 350 by letter; 23 by statement; total 1,205. The brethren realized that in its influence and size it was the biggest program ever sponsored by Ocoee Association. They have already voted to hold another Simultaneous meeting April 3-17, 1949.

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We, the Upper Cumberland Baptist Pastors Conference, express our sympathy and heartfelt loss in the homegoing on March 17 of Rev. W. M. Kerr, Chattanooga. He was one of the charter members of our Conference, and was faithful and cooperative with our Conference in our efforts to advance the cause of Christ. Bro. Kerr was unable to attend our Conference the past several years because of failing health.

Bro. Kerr spent his life as Pastor-Missionary in Union Association. He had an abiding passion for lost souls. He was willing to go through rain or heat, sleet or snow to serve the Lord, and the churches he loved. It is our prayer, that we; Servants of the Lord, will continue to carry on since he has been called from us.

Therefore, We, members of Upper Cumberland Baptist Pastors Conference will miss Bro. Kerr and shall honor his memory.

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be given to his family, a copy be spread upon the Minutes of this Conference, and a copy be sent to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR for publication.

Adopted in Conference this, 19th day of April in the year of our Lord, One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

D. W. PICKELSIMER, President J. B. CALDWELL, Secy.-Treas.

PETTY

In loving memory of our dear departed teacher and counselor, Mrs. Minna Lou Mansfield Petty, who departed this life March 21, 1948, and was so faithful to her Lord and His cause.

Therefore, be it resolved that though we sustain a great loss in her going and express our deep regret, we humbly submit ourselves to the will of the heavenly father. We do not think of her as gone. She still lives in our hearts and has gone to be in the presence of God and to hear His blessed words, "Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant, Enter Thou Into the Joy of Thy Lord."

We thank God for her devoted service in many departments of our church and she will be long remembered for her kindly spirit and her personal service to the sick and needy of our community. Truly a Princess in Israel has fallen.

Therefore, be it resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be made a part of the Business Women's Circle of the Woman's Missionary Union, and the Minna Lou Petty Sunday school class of the First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Tennessee, and a copy be sent to the members of the family and a copy be sent to BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. HARRISON FAIR MRS. PAT RANDOLPH MRS. LLOYD HAILE

The First Baptist Church, Kilgore, Texas, recently closed a spring revival, with David F. Boston of Houston, Texas, as the evangelistic. On the closing day there was a record attendance at all services and 29 additions, 24 of them for baptism. The church has voted to enter into a \$125,000 building program. Howard C. Bennett, son-in-law of Dr. John Jeter Hurt is pastor.

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12:00 Noon Alumni Luncheon

2:30 P. M: Class Day Program
Awarding of Medals and Honors

8:00 P. M. Senior Class Play

FRIDAY, MAY 7TH

10:00 A. M. Graduation Exercises:

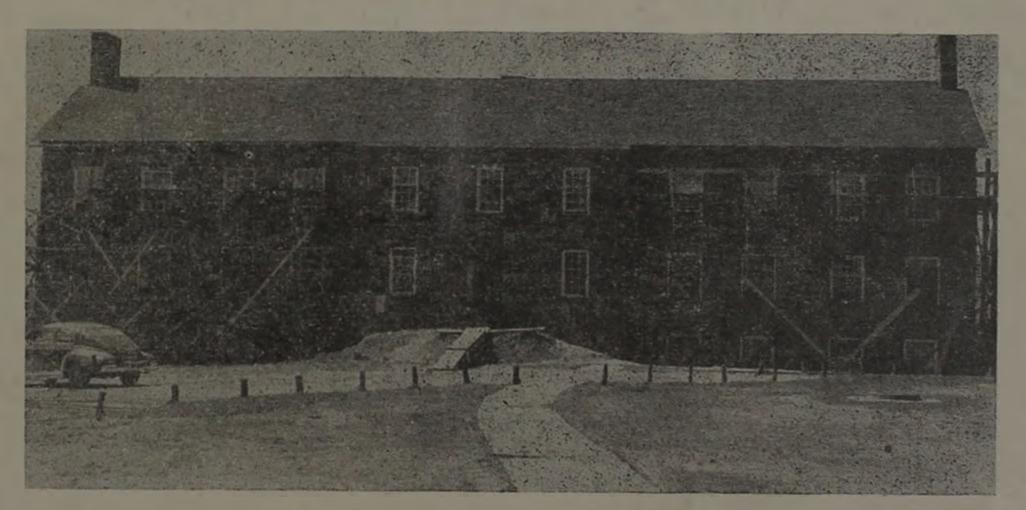
- a. Baccalaureate Address,
 Dr. Duke M. McCall, Executive
 Secretary, Southern Baptist Convention
- b. Conferring of Degrees and Awarding of Diplomas

Climaxing thirty years of service, the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary will graduate 86 students at its thirtieth annual commencement exercises to be held on May 4 at the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans. Tennessee students graduating this year are: Warren Holt Clapp, Jackson; Rupert J. Sedberry, Jr., Woodland Mills; Troy Katherine Cunningham, Seymour; Katherine Hines, Memphis; Carl Hugh Barrett, Nashville; Charles Melton, Memphis.

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NEEDS

We need to complete our boys' dormitory (basement floor is to be plastered and cornice to be completed).

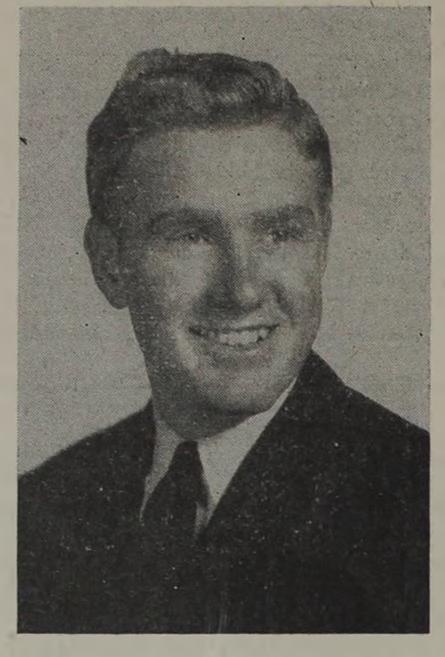
IMMEDIATE NEEDS

- 1. Finishing boys' dormitory (plastering of basement, putting on of cornice, and building front). (See cut.)
- 2. More cottages for married ministerial students.
- 3. Silo for farm.

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The students pictured on this page were chosen by their fellow students, at the State Spring Retreat, April 16-18, to represent the Tennessee Baptist Student Union in special mission projects this summer. Tennessee is joining several other states in providing workers for these projects. Many people throughout our state have had the privilege of hearing Webster Carroll, from Carson-Newman, tell of his work last summer in Hawaii and of seeing his beautiful color movies.

A goal of \$1,750 has been set to defray the expenses of these students to and from their homes to their respective places of service. The Foreign Mission Board and the State Mission Board of California will care for their expenses while they are on the field. If you as an individual, or your Sunday school class, Training Union, W. M. U. circle, or any other organization would like to have a part in this worthy project you might send your contributions immediately to the Student Department, 149 Sixth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

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