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## THE OPEN DOOR

*To the members of our Baptist churches throughout the world:*

*Greetings in the name of our one Master and Lord*

With the wonderful spiritual fellowship of the Cleveland Congress fresh in our minds we face 1951 with confidence, knowing that all the years belong to God, and that if we are faithful in prayer and consecrated service His promises will not fail.

It is to God's Word that Baptists unfailingly turn for guidance and help; we may well commend to one another a passage in Revelation 3:8. It was the word of God to the church in Philadelphia: "Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it." Philadelphia, though set in a favorable commercial situation, lay in a district liable to volcanic eruptions, and the city itself was no stranger to earthquakes. Yet it was to such a church, menaced daily by earth-shaking forces which threatened to engulf the city in ruins, that the challenge of God came. Uncertainty, instability . . . yet at the same time opportunity, the opportunity of God's open door.

The Baptists of the world live in times no less uncertain. For many of our brethren, indeed, Christian witness is maintained only at great cost. In some areas our cherished convictions

are in danger. In all areas men are in desperate need of the saving grace of the Gospel. To us, as to the ancient church in Philadelphia, comes the challenge. The door is open and God has opened it. It is for us to pass through, linking hands and hearts in the Faith, singing the great hymns of Christian experience, declaring the authentic Gospel of the Crucified and Risen Lord, willing to spend and be spent if only mankind will "crown Him Lord of all."

May our Heavenly Father crown the year with revival, sending down showers of blessing on all our churches. Let us all, in the quiet ways of personal life, keep very close to the Master. They who keep daily company with Christ discover a faith that enables them to meet the challenge of this day.

"Rise up, O men of God!  
Have done with lesser things,  
Give heart and mind and soul and strength  
To serve the King of kings.

"Lift high the Cross of Christ;  
Tread where His feet have trod;  
As brothers of the Son of Man  
Rise up, O men of God!"

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God is in . . .

# TOMORROW

God is in tomorrow! This, and this alone is our basis for any hope. This and this fact alone laid hold of securely can now give a sense of sure direction in a confused time and give an inner quietness in an era of alarm.

But to make this truth effective in our lives we must as never before obey the inspired counsel of the Psalmist. "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass." (37:5)

The old year is gone. The uncertain new has begun. Millions long and pray that it will bring some sense of order and peace.

But the fear and disorder of the world without must be met first by order and peace within ourselves. We must be rightly related to God in Christ.

The Kingdom of God must come first in our purposes, programs, prayers, passions. The only worthy goal for our lives is presented to us in the reign for God in human life. "Seek ye first His Kingdom and His righteousness . . ."

This quest must have priority. This quest must dominate our days. We are shut up to God's way or total destruction.

The new year opens darkly. It is time to penitently pray, to pray from the heart confessing our sin of forsaking God's way, the sin of attempted independence of God's counsel.

The tragic costly loss and suffering of the present can be turned to good, in the mercy of God, if it occasions a nationwide turning of the American people to God in humble submission. Here and there over the country there are indications that this may be the result. Every church in the land should be open and the people turning from their cares and affairs to prayer in the house of God, for "Thou, Lord, only knowest the true path of life."

No matter what 1951 may bring we can trust God and not be afraid. We are encouraged by His wisdom, His worthiness, His Way ahead of us, as George

W. Wiseman has written:

"The Saviour goeth before you,  
So what if your path be dim;  
Your greatest fear of the future  
Is encountered first by Him.  
And thus like the faithful shepherd  
Who goeth before his sheep,  
He leads you in perfect safety,  
Though rough be your road and steep.  
The Saviour goeth before you,  
Fear not, then, approaching night;  
Whate'er is hidden by darkness,  
Escapes not the Master's sight.  
So cease from your useless worry;  
Fear not what life holds in store;  
Let this be your consolation,  
Your Saviour goeth before."

This counsel undergirds with hope those who follow it. "He shall bring it to pass" God is more than a match for tomorrow! Many ways of life lead to defeat and despair.

But the way of the Lord means hope for our disordered world. God reigns. His Kingdom is reality.

The Kingdom is not something that you and I must create and continue out of our own resources. No such impossible task has been committed to us. God's cause is assured by God's resources.

We must each determine whether or not we shall share in the peace and victory which is assured.

God is in every tomorrow. It lies within our power to make today and the morrow times in which we are working with God and not against Him.

We are challenged to decide. God has a purpose in each of us. Its no use to claim that we surrender to the Eternal if we do not heartily enlist in the work the Eternal wants done. Jesus saw no virtue in the cry, "Lord, Lord" when obedience to Him was denied by those confessing Him.

So for whatever time remains let us obey this counsel showing us how to meet and master the difficulties of our day for our good and God's glory.

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### Reflections

How can we measure life? Not in years and days, but in accomplishment. A useless life is short though it exists a century. You may do much in a few years—you may do nothing in a lifetime.

Consider the bee—it doesn't say much but usually carries its point.  
—Trumbull Cheer

Communism is a debased kind of religion but it is fanatically believed in by most of its adherents. The only answer to it is a vital Christian faith. A second hand faith won't do.

Goethe being asked by a friend to suggest a daily exercise for spiritual improvement replied:  
"I would like to read a noble poem.  
"I would like to see a beautiful picture.  
"I would like to hear a bit of inspiring music.  
"I would like to meet a gentle soul.  
"And for my fellow men I would like to say a few sensible words."  
—One Thousand Beautiful Things

The way you play the game shows something of your character; how you lose it, shows all.

Minds are like parachutes, no good unless they open. But like parachutes they can't be depended on if they are open at both ends.

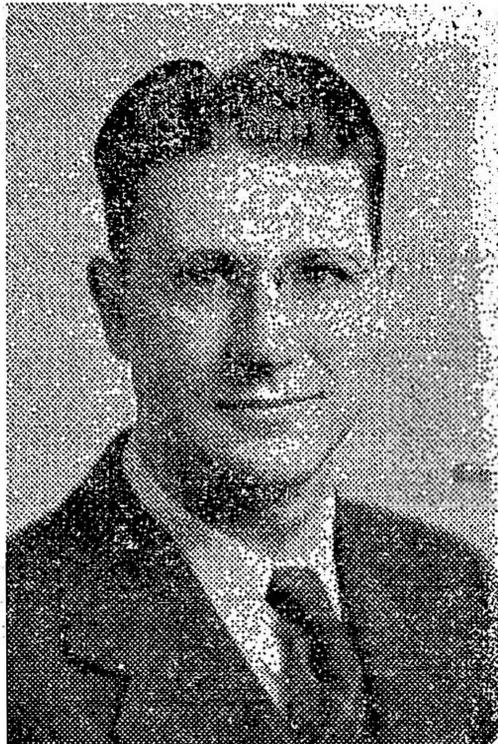
What we see depends as much on what is back of our eyes as what is before them.

# Greetings To Our Fellow Baptists

Never before have such heavy burdens rested upon the true people of God than in this hour of world crisis. We can only hope and pray that this dark hour may be prophetic of the dawn. These are days in which we should call upon the people of the world to repent in "Sack cloth and ashes" and we as the Ministers of

1951. This can become a reality if all of our Churches will increase their gifts through the Co-operative Program by twenty-five per cent. Inflation alone will require this much of an increase.

We greet you in the name of the Christ of prophecy, in the name of the Christ of Bethlehem, in the name of the Christ of the Cross, in the name of the Christ of the resurrection, the ascension, and the second coming.



J. Harold Stephens, President, Tennessee Baptist Convention

the Gospel should lead the way, and set the example. May God forgive us if we have failed to be, "Watchmen on the Tower." May God forgive us if we have failed to warn the people. May God forgive us if we have degraded from Shepherds of the sheep to mere hirelings. We must be convinced that Divine intervention alone can spare the world of another great catastrophe of an ever spreading and devastating war. If we are to expect such Divine intervention, in behalf of our own Nation, we must "humble ourselves, and pray, and seek the face of God, and turn from our wicked ways." We would not be defeated pessimists, and wild alarmists, but if we would be honest realists we must face the darkness of the hour on our knees searching for the "Light of the World."

We would further call upon our fellow Baptists of Tennessee to be Christlike stewards of all that God has committed to our trust. All of the work which we are undertaking in the name of Christ would be greatly strengthened through attaining our goal of a two million dollar Co-operative Program in Tennessee for

## A Call to Prayer

Robert G. Lee

As President of our Southern Baptist Convention I, as millions of others, am interested in the importance of prayer at this time when the whole world seems to be nearer the point of deterioration than at any time since the fall of the Roman Empire.

Today, with anti-Christian forces mighty and aggressive in this war-scared world, America should bind herself to God in holy obedience. Such a binding to God cannot be without prayer.

Therefore, knowing that no spiritual

With God in Prayer



power is existent apart from prayer, knowing that prayer based on God's Word is our mightiest weapon to touch visible and invisible foes, having evidence centuries old that prayer is the strongest force in the universe, let Southern Baptists, during the week when many will study the book *The Bible and Prayer*, test the resources of God by entering into the positive and practical power of prayer.

Let us pray for our enemy nations, for other nations in distress, for our own nation, for moral forces everywhere.

Let prayer, private and public and persistent, be our portion, pastime, passion, practice.

# After the Holidays

W. C. Kirk, Edgefield Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee

Publicity Director, Simultaneous Crusade, 1951

For the life of me, I shall never be able to call Christmas the "Holiday" season, although pagan America has led the world in removing well-nigh everything holy from those blessed days. But, as Kipling says, that is another story.

Let me plead with every pastor, every Committee Chairman, every deacon, every Associational Missionary, to make this post-yuletide a time of holy preparation for our simultaneous soul-winning



crusade March 25-April 8. Only TWELVE WEEKS MORE remain; "when there were yet THREE MONTHS to harvest" (Amos 4:7), and there is yet SO much still to be done!

What is the most urgent matter upon your Church calendar after Christmas? Is it not a quickening and strengthening of your church's prayer life and power? Are you this month—preferably this week—leading your people in an earnest study of Dr. R. G. Lee's new book on "The Bible and Prayer"? Build the fire high and hot! Don't be afraid to make it more than just a "Study Course"; in fact, if you don't make it more than that, better not have anything at all, for the book has been written from the hot heart of our great Convention President to be made more than a "study course." Let the revival begin this week.

Let Associational Publicity Directors begin NOW to feed news releases concerning local planning to all local newspapers. *Get your bill-board signs NOW from the Baptist Book Store.* Don't put them up now, but get everything in readiness.

All roads lead to First Baptist Church, Nashville, January 22-23—EIGHTEEN days more. Fill all cars with interested persons and Committee members. GET HOTEL RESERVATIONS NOW. ON TO NASHVILLE, JANUARY 22-23!

# Sixteen Years of Repeal

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(From material gathered by Dr. George A. Little, of Toronto, Canada, upon the occasion of his recent speaking tour under auspices United Dry Forces of Tennessee, Inc.)  
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After Repeal in 1934, liquor spending was about 3 billion dollars a year. During and after World War II spending increased about one billion a year until in 1948, when it reached almost ten billion dollars. In 1949, there was a decrease to \$8,800,000,000.

Spending for liquor has reached as high an average as \$60 per person, man, woman and child, or \$253 per family. Over one million dollars an hour is spent for

liquor. For every \$65 spent for education, \$88 are spent for beverage alcohol. More is spent for drink than the spending for education and religion combined. The total spending on beverage alcohol since Repeal amounts to 100 billion dollars. What is there to show for it? True the government has received 30 billion of the liquor bill in taxes, but that does not begin to pay for the cost of crime due to liquor. Why spend \$4.00 to get \$1.00 back?

More people are drinking more. The Yale School of Alcohol Studies estimates that there are 65 million people over 15 years of age who now use beverage alcohol, some of them very moderately and only occasionally.

Fifty-six per cent of women over 15 years of age now use liquor to some degree.

Surveys show that the majority of alcoholics began drinking from 17 to 19 years of age.

Minors have been able to purchase liquor freely.

Surveys also show that social drinking is the vogue among college students.

The peak age for admission to mental hospitals for alcoholic psychosis has gone down from 49 in 1943 to 42 in 1949.

The Capital City of Washington has established a record for heavy drinking. In the calendar year 1949 the per capita consumption of distilled spirits in the District of Columbia was 4.44 gallons, the highest in the United States. The commitments to jail for intoxication in the fiscal year 1949 totalled 14,151, or 71% of the total commitments.

There are now 10 million heavy drinkers, 4 million problem or pathological drinkers. Including one million chronic addicts, not 2% of these will recover, at the present rate of rehabilitation. The majority of these are on their way out. New alcoholics at the rate of 50,000 are now produced every year.

Already there are 40,000 alcoholics among the veterans of World War II. There are 20,000 alcoholic deaths a year, about the same number as from cancer. Alcoholism is the most neglected health problem, ranking fourth among the nation's killers, exceeded only by heart disease, tuberculosis and cancer.

In fifteen years Alcoholics Anonymous has helped 100,000 alcoholics or 2½% of the four million problem drinkers.

Since Repeal there have been over 25 million arrests for drunkenness. Arrests for drunkenness and offenses against liquor laws now total 4 million a year. Not one is arrested for ten who might reasonably be arrested and who during prohibition would have been arrested, but even so there is a liquor arrest on an average of every 8 seconds.

Press reports and community observation of liquor tragedies have given an impetus to local option. Nearly one-fifth of the citizens of the United States live under some form of prohibitory law and nearly one-third of the country is dry again. There are 3,070 counties in the United States and 959 of them have voted under local option laws to forbid the sale of beer or spirits, or both. Outstanding for counties voting dry is the state of Kentucky which manufactures more hard liquor than any other state in the union.

Social injury from the liquor traffic is becoming increasingly and shockingly evident. Highway fatalities where liquor is a factor are 8,000 a year, yet in some states service stations sell package liquor.

The nation supports 198,878 schools and 253,762 churches, and has 482,033 retail liquor outlets or 23,393 more retail liquor outlets than the number of schools and churches combined.

One hundred thirty million dollars is spent annually for liquor advertising. One publishing firm receives 12 million dollars per year revenue from its advertising of liquor.

Four distilling firms now control 85% of the hard liquor industry. 150,000 barmaids are employed to serve liquor. Divorces have been as high as 600,000 in one year. There are now one million dependent children.

Workers lost approximately 30 million working days through the effects of drinking in 1949.

The courts have shown that liquor is a partner in much crime, gambling, and vice, and President Truman has called for an all-out drive against crime, supporting his appeal by reports furnished by Mr. Hoover and the F.B.I. Legal sale has not put an end to bootlegging. Last year 18,000 illicit stills were seized and the liquor industry is complaining bitterly against the unfair competition of illegal selling. Nor has Repeal taken liquor out of politics. The liquor traffic is very much in politics. Repeal has created more problems than it has solved.

# The Underlined Sentence

by Dr. F. W. Boreham

Dr. William Temple loved to tell of one of his boys at Repton, who suddenly discovered the added value that might be imparted to words by the simple expedient of underlining them. In his next letter to his parents, he availed himself fairly freely of this contrivance, and his home-folk were impressed by the distinction conferred on those outstanding passages.

In his next communication, however, half the letter was italicized, with the result that his parents simply ignored the sentences that lacked the distinguishing markings. And when, on receipt of their son's third missive, they found that the entire letter was underlined, they felt that they had returned to their starting point, and that things were as they were before the new system was introduced. The point is that life consists of emphasis; but that emphasis rests for its foundation on the unemphasized.

Arnold Bennett once wrote a very useful little book for the guidance and admonition of young writers who aspire to become the novelists of tomorrow. In nothing is he more emphatic than in this matter of emphasis. In a well-designed picture he points out, the eye is drawn sharply to one particular spot. If it is drawn with equal force to several different spots, then we reproach the painter with having scattered the interest of the canvas.

Similarly, Mr. Bennett argued, a novel must have one, two, or at most, three figures that easily overtop the rest. These figures must dominate the foreground; the others are relegated to the middle-distance or the background.

The principle is of universal application. In fact as well as in fiction, in life as well as in literature, the law is vital. The value of emphasis is based on the unemphasized. The orator who emphasizes every word emphasizes no word. The dog that tries, simultaneously, to chase several rabbits, catches none. A range of snow-capped hills is emphatic—a desert is not. Yet, but for the desert, the mountains would be shorn of their grandeur. If all the world were a jumble of snow-capped mountains, all the world would be a wilderness. Let a man flatter everybody, and his cheap compliments will quickly become nauseous and offens-

ive, let him just occasionally express his approbation, and his praise will become a prize which all will covet.

The energies of life, to be effective, must be carefully concentrated. Thought must be focused on the essential, whatever in each particular case the essential may happen to be.

Mark Rutherford tells how George Allen went with his father to hear a sermon by the venerable Mr. Bradshaw. The old gentleman took as his text the words: "Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings on every place thou seest."

Even faith has her frugalities. Mark Rutherford's old preacher protested against the lavish outpouring of life's wealthiest oblations upon places unworthy of so precious an anointing. The Jew who laid a dead lamb on any cairn that he happened to pass turned the offering into refuse, and the stones into a rubbish heap; but the Jew who recognized but one altar, and brought to it his offering, made of the lamb a sacrifice and of the stones a shrine.

After having achieved renown by his exquisite statue of Christ, Dannecker declined, even at Napoleon's request, to undertake a Venus. "The hands that carved the Christ," he said, "can never now fashion a pagan goddess!" The whole philosophy of emphasis lies in that fine retort.

—The Australian Baptist

## Belmont Heights Calls Purdy

Belmont Heights church, Nashville, extended a call December 17 to Dr. Harold J. Purdy who has been pastor of Bowling Green, Kentucky, First church the past four years. Dr. Purdy announced his acceptance of the Nashville church's call effective the middle of January.

John L. Tillery goes to Whiteville, North Carolina, from a fruitful four-year pastorate with the church at Philadelphia, Tennessee. A recent revival service at Philadelphia resulted in 85 additions and reclamations. His former pastorate is saddened at his going.

Dr. Selwyn Smith, pastor of McLean church, Memphis, has accepted the call of First Southern church, Tucson, Arizona, and moved to that field December 14. This church is adjacent to University of Arizona campus and will have Dr. Robert G. Lee lead in revival services February 12-18.

## Chaplains Commended

A communique from the Department of the Army recently received by BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR lists commendations for chaplains in Korea from commanding officers. Three of the chaplains thus commended were Baptists: Deyo J. Williams, Clayton C. Shepherd and Michael E. Reynolds.

We have reason to be grateful to God for these courageous men with our boys in combat. The editor has known personally many of the chaplains and had the privilege of being the pastor of the second named man above who together with his family were members of First church, Clarksville, while Chaplain Shepherd was stationed at near-by Fort Campbell.

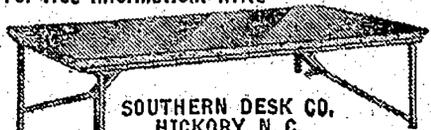
Chaplain (Captain) Clayton C. Shepherd, 17th Infantry, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California, received two commendations because, as the communique relates, "he was always present to give consolation and aid to the wounded and to minister to all in need. . . he was observed in action by this headquarters with the battalion aid station during combat. He devoted himself to his duties with no show of concern for his own welfare in spite of occasional sniper fire."

## Lafayette First, Organized

A cooperative missionary group was the nucleus of the church organized December 10, at Lafayette to be known as First Baptist church, Lafayette, Tennessee, with 34 charter members. The sermon for the occasion was delivered by L. G. Frey of Nashville. Special music was rendered by a Cumberland University quartette and by Eugene Cook singing "The Lord's Prayer." Moderator for the organizational meeting was R. M. Collidge. Mrs. John Radall Smith was elected church clerk; Fred S. Pipkin, A. W. Jenkins, and Harold Hargis, trustees. Rev. V. R. Butler, who conducted the song service during the afternoon organization session, preached in the evening meeting. John D. Wootten was chosen superintendent of the Sunday school and Dewey Tucker, director of the Training Union.

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# 1952 S.B.C. Budget Provides

## HOME MISSION ADVANCE

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting here the second week in December looked ahead for two years in planning the Convention budget, and made provisions for the capital needs of two new seminaries and for home mission participation in the 1952 Advance Program.

### 1952 S. B. C. Budget

The 1952 Convention budget came before the committee for preview and endorsement. Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Tenn., presented the report of the finance committee calling for a ten million dollar goal to be divided as follows:

Convention Operating Budget.....	\$ 252,000
Current Operating Expenses.....	4,500,000
Capital Needs.....	2,500,000

Advance Program—All over seven million dollars and the Convention operating budget.

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Committee to be referred to the Southern Baptist Convention in annual session next June 20-24, San Francisco.

The 1952 Southern Convention operating budget of \$252,000, if approved by the Convention, will be divided as follows:

Convention Expenses,	
Including Annual.....	\$ 45,000
Special Committees.....	10,000
Executive Committee.....	75,000
Southern Baptist Foundation.....	15,000
Education Commission.....	15,000
Historical Society.....	18,000
Social Service Commission.....	12,500
Public Affairs Committee.....	11,500
Reserve Fund.....	50,000
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	\$252,000

The historical society received an increase of \$3,000 over their 1950 allocation in order to establish the society in its new headquarters at Nashville and to procure historical materials.

The 1952 Southern Convention current operating budget of \$4,500,000, if approved by the Convention, will be divided as follows:

Foreign Mission Bd.....	\$2,250,000 (50%)
Home Mission Board...	660,015 (14.667%)
Relief and Annuity Bd...	550,040 (11.112%)
S'thern Bapt. Seminary..	200,025 ( 4.445%)
Southwestern Seminary..	200,025 ( 4.445%)
New Orleans Seminary..	200,025 ( 4.445%)
Southeastern Seminary..	100,035 ( 2.223%)
Golden Gate Seminary..	100,035 ( 2.223%)
W.M.U. Training School	40,050 ( .890%)
Ame'can Bapt. Seminary	45,000 ( 1.000%)
Southern Baptist Hosp...	40,050 ( .890%)
Baptist Brotherhood.....	49,950 ( 1.110%)
Radio Commission.....	90,000 ( 2.000%)
Baptist World Alliance..	24,750 ( .550%)

\$4,500,000

Distribution of 1952 capital needs funds will be determined next year in line with established business procedure of the Convention.

1952 Advance Program funds (all over seven million dollars and the Convention operating budget) will be divided 25 per cent to home missions and 75 per cent to foreign missions.

### 1951 Capital Needs

Division of 1951 capital needs funds, expected to total \$2,500,000, was recommended by the committee on re-survey capital needs of S.B.C. agencies, Henry W. Tiffany, Norfolk, Va., chairman. If finally approved by the 1951 Southern Baptist Convention, division will be as follows:

Southeastern Seminary.....	\$ 300,000 (12%)
Golden Gate Seminary.....	150,000 ( 6%)
Southern Seminary.....	300,000 (12%)
Southwestern Seminary.....	300,000 (12%)
New Orleans Seminary.....	375,000 (15%)
American Seminary.....	26,250 ( 1.05%)
Foreign Missions.....	300,000 (12%)
Home Missions.....	330,000 (13.2%)
Relief and Annuity Board	346,250 (13.85%)
Radio Commission.....	40,000 ( 1.6%)
Southern Baptist Hosp....	25,000 ( 1%)
Brotherhood.....	7,500 ( 0.3%)
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	\$2,500,000

Two new institutions were included for the first time in the capital needs budget. Southeastern Seminary will receive \$300,000 to apply on the purchase of a campus at Wake Forest, N. C. Golden Gate Seminary will receive \$150,000 to apply on capital developments.

The Radio Commission was granted \$15,000 additional funds on the condition that the Commission liquidate all indebtedness during 1951.

### Restudy Agreements

A committee of five was appointed to confer with a committee of the state secretaries or the entire body of state secretaries to restudy the plan of cooperation between the states and the Southern Baptist Convention printed in the *Southern Baptist Convention Annual* of 1934. The committee is composed of Dr. Louie D. Newton, chairman, Dr. Leon M. Latimer, Dr. J. W. Storer, Dr. Adiel Moncrief, Jr., and Dr. J. Winston Pierce.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held in San Francisco on June 19, 1951, the day before the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. The regular summer meeting of the Executive Committee will be held September 12-13 at Nashville.

Park Lane church, Knoxville, with 74 of its 76 members present won the "M" night banner for the second consecutive year. Their Training Union moves forward under the capable director, Norvell West. Preceding Christmas the lawn of this church presented a beautiful Nativity scene with life size figures of Wise Men and camels painted by a member of the church, Mrs. Sam Shumate. Life size manikins dressed in oriental costume represented Joseph and Mary. The scene drew visitors from far and near.

## Executive Committee Sees No Conflict In Lay Participation in Social Security

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The way seems open for lay employees of Baptist churches and employees of Baptist colleges, Baptist hospitals and Baptist orphanages and other Baptist institutions and agencies to participate in government social security. The Executive Committee passed a resolution giving their opinion that participation under terms defined in U.S. Government bill 6,000, as amended, did not seem to be in violation of the cherished principle of separation of church and state.

The resolution also stated, "It is the opinion of the Executive Committee that participation in this plan on the part of our Baptist agencies and institutions makes its benefits available to all of their employees, particularly those in the lower income brackets not hitherto covered by retirement plans, without conflict or competition with our own Relief and Annuity Board plans of retirement.

"We respectfully urge all institutions and agencies that may participate in the Social Security Plan to continue their participation in the Relief and Annuity Board's retirement plans."

The paper was offered by a committee consisting of Walter Pope Binns, chairman, public affairs committee, R. S. Jones, associate secretary, Relief and Annuity Board, Judge Frank A. Hooper, Jr., James W. Merritt, and Louie D. Newton.

The erect figure of James Hughett has long been a familiar sight in the upper Cumberland country as he has ridden horseback 2 hours each way to Capuchine church in West Union association whose pastoral care he has had for 23 years.

Brother Hughett is now past the 77 and-a-half year mark and has been actively engaged in Christian service since his conversion in February 1896. He began working in revival meetings and in Sunday school, soon becoming church clerk and Sunday school superintendent.

He was ordained in 1927, and has been pastor of 7 churches, 3 of them at the same time. To reach his charges he has ridden horseback, 2 to 2½ hours each way, from his home near Pioneer, Tennessee, across rough mountain country. He has been a land surveyor and school teacher also. One of his sons is Emmet L. Hughett pastor of the Annadel church in West Union association.

J. D. Sayres goes to the Pond Grove church, Rockwood, from Surgoinville church, January 7 being his initial preaching day in his new pastorate. The Pond Grove pulpit was supplied the past several months by Douglas J. Harris, professor of Bible at Carson-Newman college.

Eureka church, Big Emory association, has called as pastor Clarence Sitzler, who had served as supply pastor during November.

Southern Baptists have appointed 111 new missionaries in 1950, a record, to make the total now 803 active missionaries.

## Next Sunday's Lesson

by O. L. RIVES, Professor of Religious Education, Carson-Newman College

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TEXTS: Mark 1:1-20 (Larger)—Mark 1:9-20 (Printed).

### Jesus Begins His Ministry

Students of Sunday school materials will welcome the opportunity of concentrating their efforts during the coming quarter upon one book, Mark, which has been characterized as the Gospel of action. In keeping with this characterization, the key word of the Gospel as agreed upon by many Bible students is "straightway." Mark pictures our Lord as uniquely a servant, one who was energetically active.

Mark, whose first name John, is mentioned in Acts 12:12 by name. He first appears, however, as "a certain young man" who fled in great haste and much fear at Jesus' arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mk. 14:51, 52). If, as seems probable, he is mentioned in Col. 4:10, he was related to Barnabas. He became a devoted companion and a valuable helper, both to Peter and Paul. Tradition says that he was the founder and first pastor of the church of Alexandria.

What of the beginning of our Lord's public ministry, which lasted some three or three and a half years? The larger lesson shows the following.

#### Forerunner and Preparation (vv. 1-8)

After a long night of prophetic silence, lasting about four hundred years, John the Baptist appears in the wilderness of Judea preaching repentance and the coming of the kingdom of heaven as had been foretold by the Old Testament prophets (Mal. 3:1; Isa. 40:3). Great throngs attended his preaching, as is always the case when the preacher is able and is completely yielded to the Holy Spirit. His preaching and ministry were preparatory to the Coming One. The King was about to visit His people, so the highway must be prepared in terms of repentance and faith and humility by those to whom He is coming. John's preaching was fearless, to the point, uncompromising and Christ-centered.

#### Baptism and Approval (vv. 9-11)

One day Jesus of Nazareth appeared before John the Baptist and asked to be baptized at his hands. John preferred to be baptized of Jesus, but finally yielded to the Master's request when told that in so doing, all righteousness would be fulfilled (Mt. 3:15). Let us pause by the banks of the Jordan and listen to the swish of the baptismal waters as our Lord enters and emerges from the liquid grave. Let us hear, too, the voice of approval from the Father in heaven.

#### Temptation and Ministry (vv. 12, 13)

Mark's account of Jesus' temptation followed by the ministry of the angels to Him occupies only two verses. The parallel accounts are found in Mt. 4:1-11 and Lu. 4:1-13, both of which should be read for their fulness of detail. It was a terrific struggle in which Satan did his best to overcome our Lord, but with absolutely no success. John Milton has given the account classic expression in his

"Paradise Regained," to which the student is referred for further reading. And so one wrote, "For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin" (Heb. 4:15).

#### Preaching and Fulfillment (vv. 14, 15)

Probably a year's time intervened between verses thirteen and fourteen, so that Jesus' preaching becomes the fulfillment of time in Galilee in initiating His ministry of a year and a half in that section of Palestine. His preaching and teaching (Lu. 4:15) had the same theme as did that of John the Baptist,

## The Young South

Happy New Year!

I do hope this brand new year has started well for you—that you haven't broken a single resolution yet, and that you have already started to carry out some of your new plans. I'd like to know about some of these plans. Do you have one special resolution or plan which you could share with me? How about writing and telling me just one thing you plan to do this year to make this year a truly happy one—for yourself or for somebody else. I'd like to make a note of this on your word-picture card in our Young South file.

If you will write me a resolutions letter this week, I will file your letter in a special place, and at the end of 1951, I will mail it back to you. Then you can check yourself on what you planned to do and what you actually did to make 1951 a Happy New Year! How about it? Be sure to get your letter off to me this week!

Perhaps one of your resolutions is to be a friendlier person—to do more about making new friends. Maybe you're depending on your Young South column to help you find some of these new friends. Would you like to see a few of the new word pictures today—and perhaps to choose your first new friend from them?

Ten-year-olds, who like to read would enjoy knowing JOYCE ALDRIDGE, who lives on Route 1, Fountain Head, Tennessee. Joyce is in the fourth grade at school. Wouldn't it be fun to introduce each other to book friends and perhaps even to share books with one another?

If you like to read too, why don't you write and tell Joyce your age and the kind of books you enjoy most. Tell her about the best story you have read recently. When she answers your letter, she may tell you whether your story was a new one to her, and of course she will share one of her favorite stories with you. You might even make up games or puzzles about book friends.

namely, repentance and the immediacy of the kingdom of heaven. Luke adds that He was "glorified of all." Thus we are told that His preaching was vital and glorious. The Father's plans for the redemption of the race were beginning to materialize through the preaching of His Son. How we would like to hear Jesus preach! It may be that we will some day.

#### Calling and Response (vv. 16-20)

In passing along the shore of that beautiful little pear-shaped lake or sea of Galilee, about eight by five miles at its longest and widest, Jesus found four fishermen (Peter, Andrew, James and John) and called them to become fishers of men. It was a majestic and winsome call and they made a whole-hearted and obedient response. These men were never quite the same after the call of that day. Nor is any one quite the same, for that matter, when Jesus passes by and calls and that one responds as did these four. The Master was no doubt visualizing the time when He would leave this earth in physical presence and would entrust His cause to human hands and hearts. He wanted it to continue and to grow. He said then, and He still says, "Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men." Reader, are you coming?

ERNESTINE LITTLEJOHN, Route 1, Guys, Tennessee, would also like to know you. Ernestine is eleven years old. She lives on a farm with her parents and two brothers. She is in the sixth grade at Pleasant Site School. She especially enjoys Sunday school and Training Union. She is a princess in the Junior G.A. of her church. Ernestine loves to write letters and to make new friends. She already has more than thirty pen pals! If you are not one of those thirty, would you like to be added to the list? I'm sure Ernestine will be glad to have your letter—and to answer it right away!

RUTH LONG lives on Route 1, Church Hill, Tennessee. She, too, is eleven years old and in the sixth grade at school. Her favorite subjects are history, arithmetic, and spelling. Ruth is a Christian and goes to Church Hill Baptist Mission. Soon they will have a new church building and Ruth is looking forward to that. I hope she will write and tell us all about the first service in the new building. Those are always exciting affairs—and all of us would enjoy being in on this one, by way of Ruth's report! Ruth would like some new friends this year. Does something in her word picture make you want to know her better? Then write a letter to her now! That's the surest way.

WARREN LONG is Ruth's eight-year-old brother, and, of course, his address is the same as Ruth's. He is in the third grade at Surgoinsville School. His favorite subjects are spelling, arithmetic, and geography. Warren wants pen pals. He writes a very interesting letter, and I'm sure would answer each letter which he received from a Young South friend. Why don't you try him out on this.

That brings us down to the M's in our file—and I guess that's where we'll have to put our place-marker until next week. There are some more new friends you'll be glad to meet.

Love,  
AUNT POLLY



# Woman's Missionary Union

MRS. SAM HOLLOWAY, President  
MISS LAURA FRANCES SNOW  
Young People's Secretary

MISS MARY NORTHINGTON, Executive Sec'y Treas.  
MRS. DOUGLAS GINN  
Office Secretary

1951

**WATCHWORD:** "Ye shall be my witnesses"  
(Acts 1:8b)

**HYMN:** "Jesus Calls Us"

**PROGRAM THEME:** "God Is Moving—Who  
Can Hinder?"

**AIM:** To arouse an awareness of the mighty  
and triumphant movement of God in  
today's world.

## Reaching Our Goal

From Birmingham comes the good news that Tennessee reached its goal for all of the W.M.U. magazines. For *Royal Service*, we subscribed for 15,108 copies; *The Window of Y.W.A.*, 2,611; *World Comrades*, 5,333; *Ambassador Life*, 2,622. W.M.U. workers of the South now subscribe for 350,341 copies of their magazines. If you have failed to send in your subscription for 1951, mail it with a dollar to the W.M.U., 1111 Comer Building, Birmingham 3, Alabama.

## 1951 Home Mission Graded Series

The 1951 Home Mission Graded Series is already off the press. Why not resolve to make this study of Home Missions the best ever! Look at these intriguing titles:

O JERUSALEM!, by S. F. Dowis, price 50c (for Adults)

Dr. Dowis sets forth in this book the program of city missions, the opportunity for service in cities and the methods of reaching the unaffiliated and unreached. The book has valuable charts and statistics.

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In the running story, newspaper style, the author seeks to acquaint Juniors with their part in city missions. They see a new church started out of a Sunday school begun by children. They see what goes on at a Good Will Center and in the homes of underprivileged people. They learn what city churches can do to help.

PRECIOUS IN HIS SIGHT, by Lucile A. Mann, price 50c (for Primaries)

Here is the picture story book of the Series in which the children see themselves in the various activities in which they can engage.

CHRIST FOR OUR CITIES, by John Caylor, price 50c (for Teachers)

This is the resource book for the Series. It contains background materials and suggestions for class sessions.

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## Attention!!

**Associational Mission Study Chairmen!!**  
There is no better time than the present to plan your Associational Mission Study Institute. Set a date, line up your teachers, send out announcements, and anticipate a great day of "teaching teachers to teach" the above Home Mission Series.

In response to the request of the pastor's association, the mayor of Chattanooga issued a proclamation calling for a day of confession and prayer at the beginning of December. Seven hundred people were present in a downtown noon-day prayer meeting, with many hundreds of others meeting in local churches. Many churches are continuing noon-day prayer periods summoning the people by the ringing of bells or the playing of chimes.

The sense of crisis has made people responsive to calls to prayer in other cities and communities across the land. It's time for people everywhere to humbly turn to God.



## Brotherhood

BERNICE BROWN, Office Secretary

## BROTHERHOOD SECRETARIES

### Meeting at Biloxi

The state Brotherhood secretaries met at Biloxi, Mississippi, November 29th through December 1st and had as their guest the South-wide officers: Lawson Cook, Hugh Latimer, and George W. Schroeder, also Tom Holloway of American Bible Society and Judge John W. McCall, Southwide Brotherhood president.

Plans for 1951 were discussed. Among these plans were of course the four Brotherhood objectives: Evangelism, Cooperative Program, Foundation, and Man and Boy Movement. Since this is the year for the Evangelistic Crusade this side of the Mississippi River, it is hoped that the Brotherhood will take an active part in the preparation and caring through to a successful conclusion this Evangelistic Crusade.

We have heard our executive secretary, Dr. C. W. Pope, make this statement time and time again that evangelism and stewardship go hand in hand. Therefore, the Brotherhoods in the state of Tennessee will not only promote Evangelism in 1951, but they shall do everything within their power to make the Cooperative Program reach the suggested goal of \$2,000,000 in 1951.

The Brotherhood Secretary attended four Brotherhood meetings week of December 10th

## IN MEMORIAM

Rhodes

The W. M. U. of Antioch church, Gibson association, wishes in this way to show its appreciation of loyalty of its worthy departed member, Mrs. Nannie Belle Rhodes.

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to take from our midst one of our charter members, our loss is His gain.

Whereas, She will be missed not only as a member of the W. M. U. but also as a wonderful Sunday school teacher; her life was truly an example for others to follow.

Therefore, be it Resolved, That though our hearts grieve at her going, we bow in submission and say, "Not our will but His be done."

Be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded the family, a copy be forwarded to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, and a copy be spread on the minutes of the Antioch W. M. U.

Mrs. Luther Luckey  
Mrs. Ivo Sanders  
Miss Grace Fly

Jack McMahan of Wilsons Chapel in Union association has surrendered to the call of the gospel ministry and preached his first sermon December 10, in his home church. He enters Harrison-Chilhowee academy, January 8.

E. N. DELZELL, Secretary

149 6th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.

and we are certainly getting a fine start on our organizational work for this year. Madison-Chester Associational Brotherhood will have seven group meetings for Men and Boys in the month of January. We would like to suggest that every associational president arrange to have an associational meeting the first of February and then again the first of March and invite the associational missionary and the chairman of the Evangelistic Crusade to meet with them making plans for the crusade.

## NEW BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZED

### Madison-Chester Association

Parkview Baptist Church

REV. JAMES A. FARRAR, Pastor

President.....Ernest Holland  
Activities V. P.....Wilson Street  
Program V. P.....Alexander Dismuke  
Membership V. P.....Albert Higgins  
Secretary-Treasurer.....Tommy Craig

### Duck River Association FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tullahoma, Tennessee

President.....George Edwards  
Membership V. P.....W. R. Raney, Jr.  
Program V. P.....John Johnson  
Activities V. P.....George Mitchell  
Secretary-Treasurer.....Arthur Baerg  
Chorister.....L. B. Jennings

BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR



# Sunday School

JESSE DANIEL, Secretary

Happy New Year, Mr. Superintendent!

Don't you always welcome the coming of January? It is the beginning of a new year. A time for new beginnings in your Sunday school work. A new chance to lead the Sunday school to greater achievements.

Our responsibilities are too many to begin a new year, 1951, without making some high resolves. Good resolutions made and kept mean worth-while results throughout the year. Let's resolve to make the most of each month in the new Sunday school year.

### Check Rating on Standard

Now that you have checked the Standard of Excellence rating of your school, make application for recognition.

Brother Superintendent, here is what some others have said: "The Standard of Excellence is a finely balanced program of Sunday school work." . . . "Don't just work to be Standard but be Standard to get better work." . . .

"Standard Sunday schools are better schools." . . . "Be wise—Standardize."

Check up and enlist your officers, teachers and members to bring your Sunday school up to its every attainment. Free literature on request. Resolve to attain the Standard this year!

### Vacation Bible School

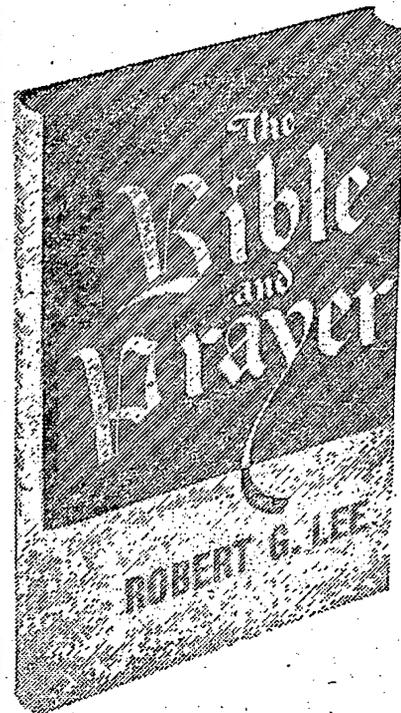
Our record in V. B. S. for 1950, was as follows: 1956 schools with an enrolment of 133,370, a faculty of 25,215, with a total enrolment of 158,585. Professions of faith, 3,116, pupils not enrolled in any Sunday school, 5,725, Mission offerings:

Cooperative Program .....	\$ 9,220
Designated Causes .....	\$ 7,407
Cause not given .....	\$ 932
Total .....	\$17,561

Make plans early for 1951 school. Plan a two weeks' Vacation Bible School.

### Observe Bible Study Week!

Don't forget, you have time enough yet to enrol a large number of people in the January Bible Study. Go after every available person in your church. People everywhere want to study the book, *Bible and Prayer*.



The above group of members and attendants are shown in front of Bethlehem church edifice, Oneida. Roy Blevins is the pastor under whose leadership great progress has been made.



This church was organized in 1844, with 30 members, and antedates both the town and county in which it is located. In 1937, when Bro. Blevins began his pastorate, the membership was 300, with 100 enrolled in the Sunday school and no other organization. They, then, had a one-room building. In 1939, 13 classrooms were added and an air furnace. Last year an additional building program was initiated with 12 new classrooms. In July, a very fruitful revival was held with 167 conversions and 160 additions to the church. Following this, a stewardship revival was conducted with more than 250 tithers secured. The church has a membership of 650, Sunday school, 400; Training Union, 200, and W.M.S., 100.

### Books Received

"*Christ in the Old Testament*," T. W. Callaway; a welcome work toward understanding Jesus Christ as foretold and foreseen in the O. T.; Loizeaux Brothers, \$2.25.

"*Creating Christian Cells*," stories of group fellowship at work, edited by John S. Beck, Irving Harris, S. M. Shoemaker; first published in *The Evangel*, 61 Gramercy Pk, NYC. Sowers Printing Co., 35c.

"*Broadman Comments*," R. Paul Caudill; valuable help to teacher and Sunday School pupil by gifted pastor of First Church, Memphis. Broadman Press, \$2.00.

"*God's Best Secrets*," Andrew Murray, Daily Devotional Meditations, Zondervan, \$2.50.

"*F. B. Meyer*," Volume VI in "Great Pulpit Masters." Twenty-two great sermons. Introduction by Dr. Robert G. Lee. Revell, \$2.25.

"*Dynamic Worship Programs for Young People*," Letitia W. Wood. Eighteen different topics interestingly presented. W. A. Wilde Co., \$1.75.

"*The Beaten Paths*," George M. Hodgson. Exposition Press, \$2.75.

"*Meals From The Manse*," Lora Lee Parrott. Good recipes for both body and soul. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., \$1.50.

"*A Path of Light*," 8 Missionary Sketches, John Caylor & Others. Home Mission Board.



### Training Union

#### Gains and Losses by Associations During This Past Year

Beech River	-50
Beulah	-101
Big Emory	140
Big Hatchie	764
Bledsoe	62
Bradley	2,041
Campbell	76
Carroll-Benton	151
Chilhowee	422
Clinton	645
Concord	372
Crockett	40
Cumberland	243
Cumberland Gap	35
Cumberland Plateau	
Duck River	120
Dyer	370
East Tennessee	114
Enon	
Fayette	39
Gibson	*
Giles	328
Grainger	657
Hamilton	8,997
Hardeman	-51
Hiwassee	26
Holston	829
Holston Valley	423
Indian Creek	182
Jefferson	359
Judson	130
Knox	1,685
Lawrence	248

Madison-Chester	346
Maury	-70
McMinn	177
McNairy	423
Midland	32
Mulberry Gap	15
Nashville	851
New Duck River	371
New River	-151
New Salem	-3
Nolachucky	173
Northern	2
Ocoee (Divided into Bradley and Hamilton, 1950)	10,055
Polk	240
Providence	135
Riverside	99
Robertson	150
Salem	115
Sequatchie Valley	293
Sevier	*
Shelby	1,835
Southwestern District	
Stewart	64
Stockton Valley	
Stone	277
Sweetwater	719
Tennessee Valley	265
Union	181
Watauga	205
Weakley	44
West Union	325
Western District	17
William Carey	191
Wilson	204
Wiseman	

TOTAL GAINS—16,402.

\*1949 REPORT.

### Resolutions

#### Walker

WHEREAS William M. Walker has served devotedly as Pastor Advisor for the Baptist Student Union of Memphis State College for the past year and a half; and

WHEREAS he is now leaving for the Seminary at Fort Worth

RESOLVED, that the members of this organization go on record as expressing our deepest love and appreciation for the wise counsel and guidance he has offered us and for the fine Christian life he has lived before us; be it

RESOLVED FURTHER That a copy of this resolution be presented to Rev. Walker, that a copy be sent to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, that a copy be sent to the Shelby Baptist Association, and that a copy be included in the minutes of the organization.

BETTY BLASENGAME, *President*  
MARY M. WELCH, *Secretary*

Every Baptist a Tither

### Books Received

"The Pulpit in the South," edited by Frank S. Mead. 16 sermons including such eminent Baptists as, Ralph A. Herring, Theodore F. Adams, W. A. Criswell, Robert G. Lee, Louie D. Newton. Revell, \$2.00.

"Essentials of New Testament Greek," Ray Summers, Director, School of Theology, Southwestern Baptist Seminary. Broadman, \$3.75.

"The Life and Letters of St. Paul," J. W. Shepard, Ex-Professor New Testament Interpretation, New Orleans Baptist Seminary. Wm. B. Eerdmans Publ. Co., \$5.00.

"Handbook for Ministers' Wives," Welthy Hon-singer Fisher, Woman's Press, \$2.00.

"For You and Your Church," booklet by Inter-Agency Council of Southern Baptist Agencies designed to set forth relationships of the several church organizations and effective use of them by the church.

"Household Salvation," John Linton, Sword of the Lord Publishers, \$1.50 sermons.

### Facts of Interest

Americans were sobered by the State of National Emergency and announced casualties in Korea reaching 33,879, with the impact of the Chinese Communist offensive yet to be reported.

Average primary prices reached a record peak of 173.4 for the week ending December 12, a gain of 1.4 per cent in four weeks and 14.7 above the year before.

Prices on book paper jumped \$10 to \$20 a ton during the week, with newsprint consumption reaching 5,700,000 tons for the year, and getting hard to get.

### In the World of Religion

The United Nations has failed to adopt a motion which would set up a commission to study means of providing international control over the so-called "Holy Places" of Jerusalem.

The Minister of Education of the Israeli government has said that Christian missionary schools will have the right to full and free operation.

Roman Catholic parochial schools in the north have been asked to release 200 nuns to work in schools in the South. The northern schools will be asked to continue to take care of their expenses.

Methodists report a gain of 253,144 in Sunday school to reach an enrolment of 5,366,848.

The American Bible Society adopted a budget of \$2,161,000 as it started its 134th year. They heard that the number of those in the world without any part of the Bible translated into their own tongue is larger than the U. S. population. Some part of the Scripture has now been translated into 1,117 languages, but there are still more than 1,000 tongues with no translation.

### Baptist Highlights

Texas Baptists have broken ground on a \$1,000,000 headquarters building.

Southern Baptist Foundation secretaries will meet in Nashville, Feb. 26-27. Dr. George J. Mason is the president.

The Executive Committee will recommend a \$10 million Cooperative Program for 1952. \$4,500,000 will go for operating expenses, the next \$2,500,000 will go for capital needs, and all over \$7 million will go for Advance, with the Foreign Mission Board getting 75 per cent and the Home Mission Board 25 per cent.

The Executive Committee adopted a statement that it was not their feeling that the new Social Security law violated the principle of separation of church and state by making its provision available to lay employees on a voluntary basis.

"The Bible and World and Triluminal Science," Apostolos Makrakis; original Greek work published in Athens in 1905, translated into English by D. Cummings, 1950, and published by Othodox Christian Educational Society, Chicago. This 515 page volume also contains a third section entitled, "Proofs of the Authenticity of the Septuagint."

# West Tennessee NEWS

by Edwin E. Deuser

Mr. W. E. McLeod, teacher of the Loyalty class of Union Avenue church, Memphis, made history recently when he taught his class from his residence by means of a telephone hook-up. The venture was so successful that it was decided to continue it during Mr. McLeod's illness. He has taught the class for more than twenty years.

George Wadlington, director of music at Calvary church, Jackson, and Miss Margie Lee Edwards, Memphis, were married at Speedway Terrace church, Memphis, on December 18. Both are students at Union university.

The *Baptist Standard* of Texas reports that Tom Brice has accepted a call as pastor of the City View church, Texas. He has served the church at Newbern in a fine way. We regret to see him leave the state.

North Jackson church, Waif Hamilton, pastor, engaged in a revival the week of December 3. Bob Randall was the evangelist,—his second visit to North Jackson,—and Richard Johnson was the song leader.

Calvary church, Jackson, James Canaday, pastor, recently elected Robert Hart and J. C. Hamlett as deacons. Both had been previously ordained by other Baptist churches.

Pastor A. B. White, East Grand Avenue church, Dallas, assisted the First church, Union City, W. A. Boston, pastor, in a revival November 26-December 3.

Members of Bellevue church, Memphis, Robert G. Lee, pastor, recently contributed \$50,418 as a special "Love Offering" for their new building. A total of 1871 signed a pledge to tithe during 1951—a 20% gain over 1950.

On Sunday, December 10, Pastor R. G. Lee began his 24th year at Bellevue church, Memphis. There were 3,331 in Sunday school, 1917 in Training Union and 13 additions to the church. During the 23 years of his pastorate he has received 15,424 new members and of this number, 4,874 came for baptism. He has administered the Ordinance of Baptism every week he has been in town. A total of \$3,334,591.36 has been contributed for all causes with \$990,446.71 of this amount going to missions. The present membership is 8,266.

We welcome Pastor Joe Harting to West Tennessee as pastor of the church at Brownsville. He is a native of Kevil, Kentucky, and is a graduate of Union university. He was our successor at Carthage, and went from there to Old Hickory.

Oak Park chapel, a mission of Boulevard church, Memphis, C. M. Pickler, pastor, became Glenview Baptist church on December 3.

Pastor L. H. Hatcher, First church, McKenzie, was the "M" Night speaker for Carroll-Benton association on December 4. The meeting was held at First church, Bruceton, Alvin Gilliland, pastor.

Parkway church, Memphis, Bob G. Rochelle, pastor, recently moved into their new \$100,000 building. Already the Sunday school attendance has increased 200 and Training Union has increased by 50. There were 27 additions on the first three Sundays in the new building.

The spiritual impact made upon Jackson by the ministry of Chester Swor, will abide for many years. One of the truly great weeks in the life of the First church, W. Fred Kendall, pastor, was experienced November 26-December 3, when this dynamic Christian youth leader spoke to great crowds twice daily. Visible results were 27 additions.

The Brotherhood of the First church, Lexington, had a splendid Ladies' Night recently. Sixty-five people enjoyed a turkey dinner and a program of cartoons given by Mr. Foy Lisenby of Jackson. This lad is only 18 years of age. Church groups wanting a program that is clean and highly entertaining will enjoy having him. He may be reached at Northside high school.

Handel's "Messiah" was presented by the choir of Bellevue church, Memphis, on the night of December 17, under the direction of Thomas P. Lane, minister of music. Warren Angell, of Oklahoma Baptist university, was guest soloist.

Jerry Seabough, a graduate of Union university, has accepted a position as associate pastor at Fifth Avenue church, Knoxville. Pastor Walter Warmath was his pastor at Calvary church, Jackson, while Bro. Seabough was a student. He also performed the wedding ceremony which joined him and Miss Betty Jean Pomeroy in marriage.

Pastor Gordon L. DePriest, Tiptonville, began his eighth year there on December 10. This seven-year pastorate has been marked by steady growth.

During the inaugural services at the new Highland Heights church, Memphis, it was brought out that the church was organized in 1913 under the leadership of D. A. Ellis. There were 23 charter members. Others serving as pastor through the years were Carmen James, H. P. Hurt, a Brother Harris, E. G. Stout, E. F. Curle, Ira C. Cole, and the present pastor, Slater A. Murphy. During the eight years of his leadership there have been 2,549 additions. The church has 1,091 tithers. The new building cost \$564,221.84 fully equipped, with more than \$325,000 being raised before and during the construction.

First church, Trenton, Paul A. Wieland, pastor, observed the 100th anniversary of the church's founding on December 10. Both pastor and people are still receiving congratulations on the beauty and commodiousness of their new educational building.

Jeff D. Long, a retired Baptist pastor, died at his home in Flint, Michigan, on December 7. He was a native of this area (Beech River association), but had made his home in Flint for the past 25 years.

J. E. Dillard, Nashville, will be the preacher at Huntingdon, Thomas W. Pope, pastor, during the great simultaneous revival, beginning March 26.



Pastor Haynes Langford is shown together with some of the members of Fairview church breaking ground for their new building located on Highway 69 S., just outside the city limits of Paris. This church was organized July 30, 1950, with 11 charter members. Bro. Langford accepted the call of the church for half-time service October 1, since which time 16 new members have been added. Fred Sykes, is chairman of the building committee; Mrs. E. O. Wiseman, clerk; V. C. Ridinger, Sunday school superintendent. Pastor L. F. Gassaway of West Paris church led a week's revival services in August resulting in 7 baptisms.

by Homer A. Cate

A reception to welcome the new pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Howard Thompson, to the Westvue church, Cookeville, Stone association, was enjoyed Friday night, November 24. Among those in the receiving line were: Mrs. Sam McReynolds, President, Woman's Missionary Union, Pastor and Mrs. A. M. Senter, Stevens Street Church, Cookeville, General Missionary Miss Vaughtie Rowland and Associational missionary, Charles E. Smith.

Pastor Weldell Price, Third church, Murfreesboro, has done the preaching in two recent revival meetings at Nolensville, a new church to be organized in an abandoned Methodist church building and at Short Creek church, J. E. Oglesby, pastor. A. M. Nicholson, Concord association missionary, has led in the Nolensville work and assisted Brother Price during the meeting there.

The First church, Lebanon, Alvin Hopson, pastor, began a Revival of Bible giving Sunday, December 10, with George J. Burnett, Memphis, conducting the meeting. Brother George Burnett will do any church much lasting good when he leads them in a campaign to increase stewardship fervor and Bible giving on the part of God's people. The Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist convention December 5 elected Brother Burnett to give as much time as he can to stewardship work with Tennessee Baptist churches. His work comes under the Department of Missions and Evangelism. On Tuesday, December 12, Brother Burnett spoke at the convocation service of Cumberland University.

Wilson Woodcock was guest speaker at the First church, Clarksville, Sunday, December 10.

The Immanuel church, Nashville, Gaye McGlothlen, pastor, set aside Sunday, December 10, as a Day of Prayer in observance of the 63rd anniversary of the church. In fact, it was the 77th anniversary of continuous work since the founding of Watkins' Park mission, which later became Immanuel church, Nashville.

Orlinda church, Lowell D. Milburn, pastor, recently closed a very successful revival meeting in which the preaching was done by Gordon Clinard, pastor, First church, Burleson, Texas, which resulted in 25 additions, 19 of them by baptism.

Greenbrier church, Vern B. Powers, pastor, has made great progress the past four years. October's record of 1950 shows an improvement of 85 in Sunday school over October 1946, 20 in Training Union, and \$898.90 in gifts. Growth made by this church has been consistent.

Supply preachers the last four Sundays in December at Belmont Heights church: December 10, Dr. C. B. Jackson, Associate Supt. of Evangelism, Texas; December 17, D. F. Ackland; December 24 and 31, Dr. Duke K. McCall.

A reception was held by the First church, Nashville, W. F. Powell, pastor, in Fidelis Hall and the dining room of the church Tuesday evening, December 12, in honor of the new members received into the church during 1950.

L. G. Gatlin, pastor, First church, Mt. Pleasant, preached a special series of sermons for both morning and evening services during December. Morning subjects were on "Prophecies about Jesus and their Fulfillment," and evenings on: "Jesus Christ, the great 'I am.'"

Dr. Vernon C. White filled the pulpits of the First church, Shelbyville, Homer A. Cate, pastor, Sunday morning, December 10, and the First church, Lewisburg, Leonard Sanderson, pastor, Sunday evening, of the same day. His message was broadcast over Station WGGM, Lewisburg. Dr. White is one of the best speakers the writer has ever heard on alcohol education or temperance in general.

Dr. Bob Hite, pastor, Trinity church, Vancouver, Washington, who serves as Superintendent of Evangelism for the Baptist General convention of Oregon and Washington, which cooperates with the Southern convention supplied the pulpit of the Inglewood church, J. Harold Stephens, pastor, Sunday, December 10. His subject: "A New Testament Interpretation of our Work in the West."

Dr. H. E. Kirkpatrick, evangelist, did the preaching in a revival meeting at First church, Madison, Oscar Nelson, pastor, November 26-December 10. Vernon C. Taylor, led the singing. Brother Taylor was a fellow-student with Brother Nelson at Carson-Newman, and was actively engaged in singing during those days.

A very fine simultaneous revival rally for the South Central region was held at First church, Lewisburg, Leonard Sanderson, pastor, Friday evening, December 8. Dr. Slater Murphy, pastor, Highland Heights church, Memphis, was the featured speaker and brought a wonderfully inspiring and helpful message.

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## ATTENDANCES AND ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCHES SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1950

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions	Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Alamo	251	90	2	Knoxville, Alice Bell	102	27	7
Alcoa, Calvary	306	122	---	Arlington	445	105	---
Ashland City, First	36	---	---	Bell Avenue	823	326	---
Athens, Antioch	160	---	---	Fifth Avenue	877	219	---
East	395	165	---	Lincoln Park	659	202	---
First	569	255	---	Oakwood	371	193	6
West End Mission	112	90	---	Sevier Heights	467	258	---
Calfoun	133	---	---	Washington Pike	271	87	---
Coghill	54	42	---	Lawrenceburg, First	256	166	---
Cotton Port	93	84	---	Cedar Grove	96	33	---
Eastanalle	54	23	---	Fairview	151	102	2
Etowah, East	84	44	---	First	448	136	6
Etowah, First	337	88	---	Lenoir City, First	385	120	2
Etowah, North	282	104	---	Kingston Pike Mission	29	---	---
Good Springs	99	51	---	Nelson Street Mission	39	26	---
New Hope	57	35	---	Lewisburg, First	487	167	---
New Zion	55	42	---	Lexington, First	243	58	1
Niota, East	140	57	---	Mt. Juliet	111	37	---
Niota, First	126	47	---	Maryville, Broadway	360	145	---
Riceville	115	43	---	Everett Hills	313	139	---
Bemis, Herron Chapel	306	71	---	First	754	189	---
Benton, First	189	130	---	Maynardville	114	23	---
Brighton	223	136	---	Medina	165	108	---
Bristol, Calvary	420	119	---	Lathams Chapel	93	44	4
Brownsville, First	108	67	---	Memphis, Bellevue	2581	1740	18
Chapel Hill, Smyrna	72	84	---	Boulevard	818	303	---
Chattanooga, Birchwood	79	29	---	Central Avenue	765	224	1
Brainerd	479	238	3	Highland Heights	1019	486	7
Cedar Hill	266	65	---	Levi	196	144	---
East Lake	527	202	2	Barton Heights	163	83	---
First	1039	280	7	Sylvan Heights	216	124	---
Highland Park	3482	1163	28	Millington	291	186	---
Lupton City	135	121	---	Monterey, First	231	77	---
McCarty	55	31	---	Morrison, Wilson's Chapel	83	57	2
Morris Hill	239	137	3	Murfreesboro, Barfield	74	67	---
Oak Grove	146	48	---	First	487	90	---
Ridgeview	184	108	---	Walnut Street Mission	77	---	---
St. Elmo	346	132	1	Mt. Herman	112	66	---
Silverdale	135	60	1	Taylor's Chapel	88	20	---
Suck Creek	49	37	---	Westvue	504	131	---
White Oak	333	87	3	Woodbury Road	87	68	---
Cleveland, First	524	184	2	Nashville, Calvary	144	71	3
Rutledge Memorial	63	40	---	Eastland	658	97	---
Four Point Chapel	22	---	---	Grace	838	308	1
Clinton, First	426	122	1	Inglewood	867	216	6
Norris	52	30	---	Duc West Mission	53	16	---
Columbia, First	443	159	---	Lockland	559	173	---
Godwin Chapel	23	---	---	New Hope	170	94	---
Second	160	109	2	State School	45	---	---
Steven Street	121	55	2	Third	257	57	---
Dyersburg, Calvary Hill	149	133	6	Oak Ridge, First	562	132	---
First	603	183	3	Glenwood	407	113	3
Elizabethton, First	598	169	---	Highland View	319	86	---
Siam	213	157	---	Robertsville	379	108	---
Fountain City, Central	971	216	---	Old Hickory, First	590	219	1
Hines Valley Mission	60	---	2	Rockwood, First	337	136	---
Gladeville	156	---	2	Rutledge, Oakland	102	81	---
Grand Junction, First	121	65	---	Shelbyville, El Bethel	131	43	---
Harriman, South	335	141	2	Shelbyville Mills	231	83	2
Trenton Street	462	112	---	Somerville, First	160	111	2
Walnut Hill	234	83	---	Statesville, Smith Fork	104	61	---
Hohenwald, First	118	79	2	Tullahoma, First	227	70	2
Jackson, Calvary	471	174	---	Highland	94	48	---
North	356	154	1	Union City, First	649	129	1
West	862	262	1	Watertown, Round Lick	185	120	---
Kingsport, First	824	236	---				
Fort Robinson	107	75	1				

### "ECNENITSBALATOT" Therapeutic Miracle

Chicago, Ill.—In view of the widely popular use of various drugs for the prevention of drunkenness in recent months, the Foundation says,—an official publication of the American Business Men's Research Foundation, here in Chicago, in its latest issue, puts forward what it calls a long overlooked "cure" for alcoholism, which it designates by the rather phenomenal, apparently scientific title of "Ecnenitsbalatot" The Foundation says—recommends it in these terms:

"'ECNENITSBALATOT,' or TOT, as we shall call it, will absolutely 'prevent' alcoholism as long as it is consistently used. It will 'cure' alcoholism in the same dosage.

"The reason why it has not stamped out drunkenness, and even social or moderate drinking, is primarily a disinclination to publicize TOT, and a concerted multi-million-dollar conspiracy to conceal its effectiveness and an oblique, but powerful attempt to distort the side-reactions of TOT.

"It can be taken by youngsters all their lives, or it can be started by men and women well

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1951

## Resolutions

DeBord

WHEREAS, Rev. Ralph R. DeBord, pastor of the Henard's Chapel Baptist Church, Rogersville, Tennessee, has accepted the pastorate of the Sneedville Baptist Church, Sneedville, Tennessee, and has moved from the Henard's Chapel Church and the Holston Valley Association:

WHEREAS, Brother and Sister DeBord served the church and association faithfully and well.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we express to them our love and appreciation for their Christian labor, devotion to duty and faithful service.
2. That we express our heartfelt loss in leaving our church and association and that we commend Brother DeBord to the Sneedville Baptist Church and the Mulberry Gap Association as God's servant consecrated to the Master's service.
3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Sneedville Baptist Church, THE BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, and a copy be filed in our records.

Deacons:

BILL PRICE	WILLIS HAWKINS
A. E. HENARD	JACK PRICE
RILEY CLOMONS	OTIS HENARD
ROSCOE DEBORD	

Chadwick

The executive board of the Dyer County Baptist association has requested that we express our appreciation and love which we feel toward Rev. W. E. Chadwick, who has labored faithfully in our association; but who has resigned to go to another field of service.

Therefore be it resolved:

First, that we express to Brother Chadwick our gratitude for his Christian labors in our association; and

Second, that we heartily commend him to the Gibson county Baptist association, and

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Brother Chadwick, to the Gibson county Baptist association, and a copy be spread on our minutes.

Respectfully,

THOMAS DRAKE, *Clerk*  
HENRY GUY JACKSON, *Ass'n Miss.*  
CARRIE BELLE WILSON, *Secretary*

along the road to alcoholism.

"For the latter, tests made by 'Alcoholics Anonymous' prove conclusively its effectiveness, since not one member taking TOT regularly has ever taken another drink.

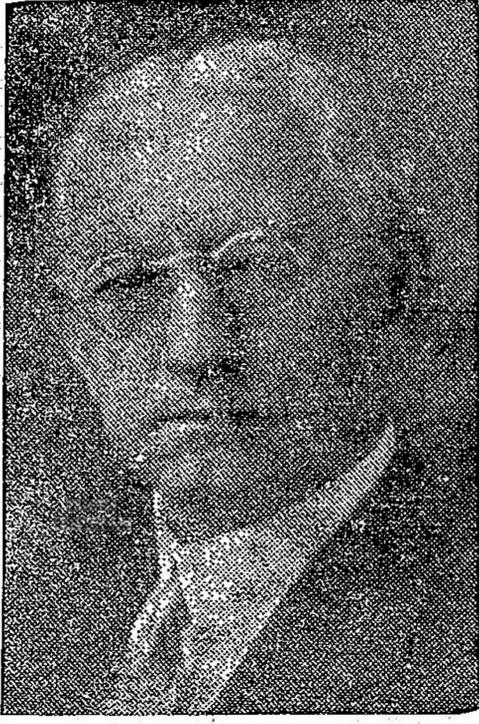
"In addition to preventing alcoholism and social drinking, as a side result, TOT will, among other benefits do the following:

1. Absolutely prevent drunkenness.
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3. Reduce the chance of divorce.
4. Reduce the incidence of disease, including venereal disease.
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7. Make a happier home.
8. Insure better health.
9. Increase the bank balance.
10. If taken from the age of 20 on—it will save the average American \$12,000 in hard cold cash.

"'ECNENITSBALATOT' is total abstinence spelled backward."

## A Personal Tribute To Dr. J. E. Skinner

by O. W. Taylor



When, on December 6, 1950, at his home in Murray, Ky., Dr. J. E. Skinner went "to be with Christ: which is far better," there passed away one of God's truest noblemen.

I am writing in personal appraisal and appreciation of this man, who was for more than fifty years a faithful and fruitful minister of the gospel and my warm personal friend.

### Personal Relationship

Bro. Skinner was born and reared in the eastern part of Calloway County, Ky., and I was born and reared in the western part. Our paths crossed again and again in Kentucky and in other states. Every contact with him lifted me. He was always friendly and helpful to me.

His brother, C. L. Skinner, now of San Antonio, Texas, was my pastor when I was ordained to the ministry by Salem church near Lynn Grove, Ky., September 9, 1906, and always greatly encouraged and helped me as an inexperienced and struggling young preacher. I knew Dr. Skinner's fine daughters, Onnie, Annie (Mrs. Lynn Claybrook) and Marie in school days. With his ministerial sons, R. T., W. C. and E. M., I have always had unalloyed fellowship. Another son, J. Glenn, is a faithful and loyal member of Belmont Heights Baptist church, Nashville, where I am also a member. I view this family as a remarkable one.

### Pictures in Memory

As memory reviews the life of Bro. Skinner, there are certain pictures which stand out and which may be taken as descriptive of the life of my friend in my estimate of it.

The very first picture of Bro. Skinner in my list of memories is of him in a funeral service in a cemetery near my boyhood home. He spoke fluently and feelingly as he sought to comfort the parents, who had lost their beautiful Christian daughter. I can still see the

tears running down each cheek as he voiced his heart. J. E. Skinner's heart was always filled with deep sympathy for humanity.

The second remembrance which lingers is of him in a revival in which he did the preaching assisting his brother, C. L., in Salem Baptist church. I recall particularly a certain afternoon sermon on being filled with the Spirit. Graphically, forcefully, feelingly and movingly did he preach. His brother and many, many others were in tears. I remember how warmly an elderly, consecrated "Hardshell" woman approved the message. And I believe that it was in that same service that she shouted aloud God's praises when a kinsman of hers was saved. J. E. Skinner believed in "heartfelt religion" and sought to be guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit and succeeded in being so guided and empowered in a wonderful measure.

Third, I remember when, under repeated and scornful challenges, it became necessary for a friend of Bro. Skinner's to defend the faith in a debate. That friend was W. J. Beale, the man who baptized me. Bro. Skinner served as Bro. Beale's moderator. I can still see his lips moving as with intense attention he followed the speeches of his friend. A visiting scornful and insulting preacher on the opposing side needled Bro. Skinner almost unmercifully, but Bro. Skinner preserved his temper and his Christian dignity. On numerous occasions in various ways, my friend defended the faith once for all delivered to the saints. He was a clear and forceful thinker, speaker and writer. He loved the truth and would not sell it for any price. Yet, he was always considerate and compassionate when contending for it.

Fourth, I remember a "Fifth Sunday Meeting" at West Fork church in Calloway County when I was just beginning to try to preach. Intense cold and a heavy snow caused a small attendance. But those who did attend often had heaven come down to greet their souls. At the final adjournment in the singing of "There's A Land That Is Fairer Than Day," I can still see the glow on the face of Bro. Skinner and others. It was a foretaste of heaven. "Heaven and immortal glory" were realities in the faith of J. E. Skinner.

Lastly, the latter part of September this year, as my wife and I were passing through Murray, we stopped to visit Bro. Skinner awhile. There was an open Bible on the bed where he had been resting. An open Bible conceived as God's inspired and infallible Word proclaimed to men was the keynote of his ministry. Age had taken its toll, but we found him remarkably active and energetic for his eighty-two years. He was cheerful and keenly interested in the affairs of the kingdom. Always in his ministry, he was a deeply interested, informed, loyal and cooperative Baptist. And, as in other years, his fundamental and governing gaze was, to use Bunyan's expression, "beyond the River that has no Bridge." As we left, we felt that a benediction rested upon us.

### At Home

And now, my friend has crossed that "River that has no Bridge." He was at home when I last saw him. Today he is *at Home* in the true

## R. E. Dudley Dies



Roy Elliott Dudley, 59, executive editor of the *Baptist Standard*, died December 9, at Baylor hospital in Dallas, Texas. He was ill only from 6:30 that morning.

A well-known writer among Southern Baptists, he was probably best known for two widely-reprinted columns which he wrote, "Deacon's Viewpoint," and "Reconnaissance."

"His place will be extremely difficult to fill, not only with the Standard, but with every phase of our Texas Baptist program," stated Dr. David M. Gardner, *Baptist Standard* editor. "He was the soul of loyalty to the highest and best in life. He was both an unselfish and untiring worker."

and deep and heavenly sense, and there I expect to see him again.

But the passing of friends and loved ones from earth causes deep pain and grief according to the flesh. When the last look at Daniel Webster was being taken as he lay in his casket, an old farmer looked a long time and said: "Daniel Webster, the world will be lonesome without you." This can be said of J. E. Skinner.

God guide and comfort Bro. Skinner's loved ones as they journey through life toward that Land where "there shall be no more death."

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# Foreign Mission Advance

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## New Officers Elected For Orphans Home

The annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Orphans' Home was held at the Nashville Home, December 15. The report of the Superintendent showed the past year to be one of marked progress and expansion.

The branch home at Memphis was opened during the year, and is now caring for thirty children. The cost of improvements there has been more than \$230,000.00. A combination Baby Building and Infirmary for the Memphis Home was approved, and also another dormitory for the Nashville Home. These two buildings will cost approximately \$100,000.00 each.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Dr. John L. Hill, President; Rev. W. C. Summar, Vice President; Rev. H. B. Cross, Recording Secretary, and Dr. W. C. Creasman, Superintendent and Treasurer.

Dr. Creasman begins his tenth year in his position, and will continue to have supervision of all orphanage work of Tennessee Baptists.

At the close of the Board meeting, the members enjoyed the noon meal with the children and the staff, during which they heard a band concert by the children's band.

## What's Happening In Japan?

During three weeks spent in Japan, Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, assisted in an evangelistic campaign along with Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the S.B.C. Executive Committee, Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor, First Baptist church, Dallas, Texas, and Baker James Cauthen, secretary to the Orient.

On his second evening in Japan, Dr. Rankin preached to 800 people in the auditorium of a police station. Two hundred of these professed faith in Christ. This was typical of the services held by the four evangelists.

There were 8,300 professions of faith counted during the crusade.

## Follow-Up Is Important

"I am not sure I would dare to do what we did had there been no missionaries and national Christians to follow up what we did," said Dr. Rankin. "Too many have not yet gone far enough to come into a definite regenerating experience of grace. If they go no farther, we have cheapened Christianity in the eyes of others. There is no easy and quick way to win this world to Christ.

"Tourist missionaries' are not going to save this world. We can help to garner some of the fruit that other people have brought about. There is a tremendous responsibility in calling people to conversion. To bring babies into existence and then abandon them is a serious offense—and new converts are babies."

Southern Baptists now have 72 missionaries serving in Japan, and the Foreign Mission Board is going ahead with plans to complete the appointment of 100 as rapidly as possible.

## Appointments Reach All-Time High

The Board appointed twelve new missionaries at its December meeting, bringing its total for the year to 111, the highest number ever to be appointed in a single year. Southern Baptists now have a total of 803 active missionaries.

Eight of the young people appointed this month will go to Latin America, the others to Africa.

## Give NOW!

Many of our people are familiar with the fact that tremendous advance has been made during the past three years. During the current calendar year, for example, we have appointed 111 missionaries. We have entered Ecuador, Peru, and Southern Rhodesia, and we have accepted the gift of a hospital in Transjordan. If homes in which the new missionaries are to live and facilities with which they are to work are to be provided, there must be giving of unprecedented proportions.

## Baptists Begin Work in Ecuador

The outstanding event of this last month in Latin America was the conducting of the first Baptist service in the capital city of Quito, Ecuador, an ancient city located almost on the equator and now credited with 150,000 inhabitants.

Rev. and Mrs. E. Gordon Crocker and  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1951

Rev. and Mrs. William M. Haverfield, our first missionaries to that republic, arrived in Quito, September 19, 1950, and together with the national worker, Sr. Vasquez, soon found a building that was ideal for the beginning of their work. After the building had been renovated and adequately equipped, the opening date was publicized throughout the city.

This first Baptist service in Ecuador was held on November 26. Mr. Crocker writes: "We were happily surprised with the number of people that were there, approximately 250. Sr. Vasquez brought a wonderful message and at the close of the service, one person held up his hand indicating that he wanted to know Christ as his Saviour. He, along with two others, stayed quite a while after the services and talked with the pastor."

## The Whistle

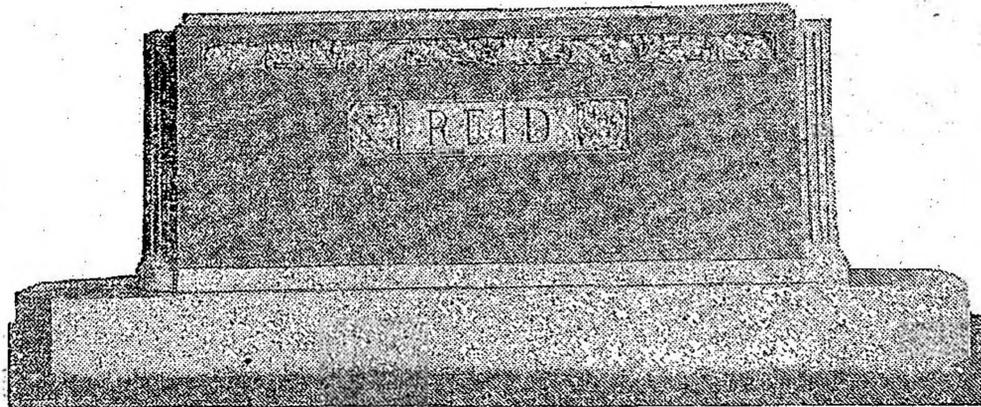
I bought me a wooden whistle  
But it wooden whistle.  
So I bought me a lead whistle,  
But they wooden lead me whistle.  
So I bought me a steel whistle,  
Steel they wooden lead me whistle.  
So I bought me a tin whistle  
And now I tin whistle!

—From "The Young Soldier"

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