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## *George Washington's Prayer for the United States of America*



"Almighty God: We make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government, and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large.

"And, finally, that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility, and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without a humble imitation of whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation.

"Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord: Amen."

## Ten Trends Making Honesty Scarce

George Washington, whose birthday we observe February 22, once said,

*"I hope I shall always possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles—the character of an honest man."*

Note well the words of the man rightly hailed as "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

Take careful note of his lofty regard for the title "an honest man." Then recall along with this the reminder "An honest man is the noblest work of God" as Pope, the British essayist, concluded.

No one can be truly honest apart from God. That must be our point of beginning as we aspire to the title so prized by the Father of our Country.

Today America needs honest men and women as never before—honest in word, deed, motive. And the possession of honest character calls for firmness and virtue, in fact for the grace of God in human hearts.

Insidious practices are making for scarcity in honesty in America now. It is easy to warn of some of these:

1. The practice of destroying the sense of individual responsibility in over-emphasis on group or social responsibility.

2. The practice of coddling the lazy, the careless and the improvident through unwise socialistic legislation.

3. The prevalence of the selfish demand for more and more pay while giving less and less work in return.

4. The tendency to load the unborn generations with burdens due to present day bungling.

5. The demands on government by groups whose policy is "we-take-care-of-ourselves-at-society's-expense."

6. The dishonest use of words to justify acts, whether by governmental agency, individual, or groups (How sick were those who went out on the "sick" strike of railway switchmen?)

7. The demoralizing spread of the "something-for-nothing" idea, with public acceptance of gambling to the point of its legalization and protection in some places. (Sign of the times: not even a trial atom-bomb blast in Nevada stopped the crap-shooters in Las Vegas.)

8. The delusion of relativism in morals with its idea that the difference between right and wrong is a man-made fence which succeeding generations can move about at will.

9. The dangerous trend toward totalitarianism in all realms-political, economic, ecclesiastical with corrupting desire for power and with its denying or debasing of the worth of the individual.

10. The stupidity of supposing one can fall in with little dishonesties and stand true when the big test comes.

It is easy to warn of these practices making for dishonesty and the destruction of society. And if we be honest with ourselves and our fellowman we will contritely recognize that only the grace of God in Jesus Christ our Saviour can meet the need of the human heart—the need not simply of reformation but of regeneration.

## Something Higher Than Toleration

We in America are aware as never before of powerful, demonic forces bent upon crushing religious and human liberties throughout the world.

Hatred, bigotry and intolerance are ever perilous but all the more so now. America will be weakened and destroyed by these divisive influences unless checked through the grace of God humbly received into the human heart.

Today there is a plea for Brotherhood, but with some the basis of their envisioned brotherhood is a mere toleration of one group, race, or religion by another.

America cannot survive if there be those who assume the right to tolerate while others must be content to be tolerated.

Americans must stand for something much higher than toleration. They must stand for freedom. Whatever endangers the separation of church and state imperils our freedoms so dearly won in the past. The forfeiture of religious freedom means the loss at length of all freedom.

The Brotherhood we must seek in America is one of freedom, understanding, goodwill. It is the kind envisioned by Roger Williams when driven forth from Massachusetts. Williams founded the colony of Rhode Island on the basis not of toleration but of absolute freedom of religion. It is the kind set forth in the *Federal Bill of Rights* entitling all men to the free exercise of religion "according to the dictates of conscience."

Thomas Jefferson set it forth in his epochal *Statute of Religious Freedom*. It was not enacted without a great struggle against privileged groups who felt they could look down their noses upon some other peoples. This Statute was "the first detailed law in all human ordinances giving perfect freedom of conscience." Its protective mantle was spread over all citizens.

Let us in this present-day talk about the need of "tolerance" recall that President George Washington in a famous letter four years after the enactment of the *Statute of Religious Freedom* wrote the following:

"It is now no more that toleration is spoken of, as if it was by the indulgence of one class of people, that another enjoyed the exercise of inherent natural rights. For happily the Government of the United States, which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance, requires only

## Reflections

It is infinitely easier to observe a great American's birthday than to put his principles into practice each day.

Washington seldom indulged in jokes, but when he did, he always made a hit. In Congress, during debate on the Federal Army, a member offered a resolution limiting the force to 3,000 men. George Washington suggested an amendment providing that no enemy should ever invade the U. S. with more than 2,000 soldiers. Laughter completely smothered the resolution. *Judy's*

The most important struggle during the next 50 years—perhaps in the next 100 years—will be the struggle to win the minds of men throughout the world. Dr. George Gallup, *Vital Speeches*

Worry is like a rocking chair. It gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you anywhere. Mrs. Ralph A. Byers, *Rotarian*

People are like steamboats—they toot loudest when they are in a fog. *Friendly Thoughts*

A lot of good could be done for the world if nobody cared who got the credit for it. *Arkansas Methodist*

A little girl repeating the 23rd Psalm, said it this way: "The Lord is my Shepherd, that's all I want." *Baraca-Philathea News*

that they who live under its protection should demean themselves as good citizens, in giving it on all occasions their effectual support."

This quotation from George Washington, succinctly sets forth the attitudes which all Americans should remember in their mutual relations.

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# Carnalities vs. Spiritualities

by Vance Havner

What is the number one problem in our churches?

In his superb treatment of the Corinthian letters, Dr. G. Campbell Morgan tells us that Paul, in his first letter to Corinth, deals first with the carnalities and then with the spiritualities or the spirituals. We would do well to ponder that order today. It is a time when we are blissfully told that if we accentuate the positive the negative will be no problem. Negative preaching is frowned upon regardless of the fact that the New Testament consistently gives us double-barreled admonitions all the way through: "Be not drunk with wine . . . but be filled with the Spirit"; "Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed . . ."; "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh."

According to some modern experts, Paul should have started with the thirteenth chapter of his first Corinthian letter. Then, with the atmosphere of love created, it would not have been necessary to deal with such unpleasant themes as incest, disorder at the Lord's table, schisms, going to law, and all the other ailments of the Corinthian saints. But it still stands that the Holy Spirit dealt with carnality first.

## Revival and Morals

All of the Corinthian evils and many more exist in the churches today, but the approach we take in meeting them is not Pauline. Many of our prayer meetings remind us of Joshua on his face after the defeat at Ai, with God saying, "Get thee up; wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face? Israel hath sinned . . ." Many so-called revivals demand no break with the world, the flesh, and the devil. Consequently, we number thousands of babes on milk after years in the church, carnal and yet in their sins. Indeed, one weak in the faith is to be received not to doubtful disputations. But when he has been in the church for decades and still has not made progress, something is tragically wrong.

The early church dealt quickly with sin in its midst as in the case of Ananias and Sapphira. No wonder great fear came upon all and the superficial durst not join. Paul did not believe that if he majored on the love chapter all the other troubles would clear up. He dealt with the troubles before he got around to the love chapter.

Our Lord's final message to the church was not the Great Commission, although it is of course still our marching orders. To five out of seven he said, "Repent," and as Christians and churches we still need that message in just about that ratio.

Carnality, worldliness, call it whatever you will, is the number one problem with many a Christian and church, and it will not be solved by silence, by ignoring it, or

by a cheerful positivism. The New Testament deals squarely with it throughout, both in the individual and in collective Christian experience. Spirituality languishes because the "spirituals" do not thrive in a hotbed of carnality.

## Failure of Spiritual Pride

Unfortunately, there have been those who have majored on separation and have developed a superior sanctity, looking down their noses at all who do not cross their t's and dot their i's in like fashion. Some of these Pharisees are noted only for what they do not do—they do not dance, smoke, go to the movies. If that is all, the same might be said of a gatepost. Worldliness, while certainly it includes such things, must be understood to mean the love of this age and the spirit of this pagan world setup. And not only sins of the body, but sins of the spirit, which often do infinitely more harm, sins of omission, commission, and disposition, all are included. We are to cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit.

Too often have we thoughtlessly sung, "My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine," and then unconsciously declared what we never have done, "For Thee all the pleasures of sin I resign." We have failed to make it plain that while salvation is free, discipleship costs everything we are and have. A real Christian is a believer, a disciple, and a witness. We have a great crop of church members who, if they are believers, are certainly very poor disciples and poorer witnesses.

It is time for powerful preaching and positive action on the carnalities if we expect to move over into the spiritualities. There are too many Christians and churches who have got over Jordan and taken Jericho, but are defeated at Ai. It is time to get up, for Israel has sinned.

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—The Watchman-Examiner



**"The royal law....  
love thy neighbour  
as thyself." James 2:8**

# "I Cannot Tell a Lie"

by W. C. Kirk

On this February 22, commemorating the birthday of the Sage of Mount Vernon, one remembers the story of the little boy, the hatchet (or was it a new axe?), and the cherry tree. The famous quotation above comes from that story. As March 25-April 8 looms just around the corner, barely one month hence, it causes us to tremble. Several things beckon us to never forget to remember:

1. "I Cannot Tell a Lie" about the need for this Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade. With humiliating memories of Korea, with the present dangerous state of this war-weary and jittery world, this sinning and sick universe needs a revival. Douglas MacArthur pleads for a "Spiritual Recrudescence" and President Truman sighs for "a spiritual awakening." We this day hold the answer to this world's needs, and that answer is *not* the atomic bomb, even though we should be forced to use it upon the enemies of God.

2. "I Cannot Tell a Lie" about Southern and Tennessee Baptists' responsibility in these days. If the gospel message will redeem, and if, as we believe, Baptists have that message, then we are criminally guilty of blood before the Bar of God and Man. Instead of our singing "Will There Be Any Stars in My Crown?", we ought to be asking ourselves, "Will There Be Any Blood On My Hands?" (Ezek. 3:18) after March 25-April 8.

3. "I Cannot Tell a Lie" about the potentiality of this Crusade. Never since Pentecost has there been such possibilities bound up in any religious movement. Think of it! Four millions of Baptists, 20,000 preachers, 18,214 Baptist churches east of the Mississippi river, thousands of missions and other points, and two full weeks of time.

If we will approximate the pre-Pentecost preparations, God will approximate the Pentecost results. At Pentecost, approximately 25 were won to the Lord per church member..... in one day. Multiply the number of Tennessee Baptists by 25 and then multiply by two weeks! The product will represent the potentiality of the days before us. Mark you, I said potentialities. But potentialities rapidly become possibilities as human factors make such possible. God help us to dare and to bare and to bear and to share!

4. "I Cannot Tell a Lie" about the doom of those not reached for Christ. Last year Hollywood came out with a movie entitled "The Damned Don't Cry." Immediately our present State Convention President, J. Harold Stephens, Nashville, countered with a ringing sermon, "The Damned DO Cry!" You should hear that sermon! Yes, and with the ears of your soul, you should hear the crying of the Damned in your church community while there is still time to do something about it. There is still time—barely time left—for your church to join in this mighty Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade March 25-April 8. Do it today.

# The Set of the Sails

by Dr. F. W. Boreham

Does the average man appreciate the enormity of the debt that civilization owes to the trade winds? To an enlightened mind every reference to the trade winds is a reminder that Nature is a greater believer in perpetual motion. She keeps everything in a ferment. The earth is a habitable place only because of constant movement. The planet itself spins and revolves, and on its surface sea and air are kept in continual agitation. By means of its ebbing and flowing, its heaving and tossing, its ceaseless undulations and fluctuations, the ocean is kept pure and is enlisted as the greatest purifying agency on the face of the globe.

Bound up with this conspiracy of unending flux is the age-long restlessness of the winds. In his *Cheapside to Arcady*, Mr. Arthur Scammell maintains that half the romance of the universe is bound up with the movements of the winds. If, he says, we had but the ears to hear, we should listen, spellbound and enchanted, to the stirring tales that the trade wind and the hurricane could tell. Every such story is a story of ceaseless movement, and belongs to a realm in which nothing in the shape of repose is ever known.

I.

It by no means follows, however, that these turbulent agitators, either of air or of water, are arbitrary, much less anarchic. The earth moves, but moves by in exact rule. The stars move, but they hold to their orbits with the most marvellous precision. Why, then, should winds and waves be regarded as Nature's rebels?

On the contrary they obey certain fixed and stable laws, and may therefore be harnessed to the highest and most useful ends. In his little textbook on Navigation, Capt. William Hall, R.N., B.A., draws attention to the regularity and dependability of the great ocean currents, and, in his work on *Weather Science*, Mr. R. K. G. Lempfert, M.A., bears similar testimony to the movements of the winds. "Over the oceans," he says, "the trade winds blow with most remarkable persistence. In the region of the southeast trade winds of the South Atlantic the current is particularly steady. At St. Helena, which lies in the centre of that region, the variation is only a point or two in direction and a few miles per hour in velocity."

But for the trade winds and ocean currents, which made possible man's primitive experiments in navigation, the nations would still have been in a condition of torpor and

semi-barbarism. These titanic natural forces have made all the difference. In motion themselves, they have induced men to move. And the movements of men have meant the making of history and the incalculable enrichment of the race.

II.

In this respect, the operation of the trade winds is in line with Nature's invariable programme. Nature is never so happy as when she is compelling men to move. For Man is incorrigibly lazy; he likes to get all that he needs in return for as little exertion as possible. Left to himself he would stagnate, vegetate, deteriorate—and die. But Nature makes it her business to save him from so melancholy a fate. Henry Drummond's savage is a case in point. "Let us suppose," says the Professor, "that, when we meet him first, he is sitting in the sun. Let us further suppose—and it requires no imagination to suppose it—that he has no wish to do anything else than sit in the sun, and that, thus occupied, he is perfectly content and perfectly happy. Nature around him, visible and invisible, appears to be as still as he is, as inert apparently and as unconcerned. Neither molests the other; they seem to have no connection with one another.

Yet, in reality, it is not so. That savage is the victim of a conspiracy! Nature has designs upon him. She wants to move him. How does she set about it? By moving herself! The sun goes down; it gets cold; he must move or freeze! Time goes on; hunger asserts itself; he must move or starve! The roar of a wild beast is heard; he must move or be eaten! He moves! Nature has gained her point.

The trade winds are simply an integral part of the complicated mechanism by which she ceaselessly compasses this selfsame end. She loves to see men moving. And Sir Arthur Quiller Couch has painted a vivid picture of the panorama that, as a result of her activities, her sparkling eyes have witnessed.

Sir Arthur thinks that one of the most fascinating Books That Have Never Been Written is a history of the trade winds and their influence, sometimes direct and sometimes indirect, on the great trade routes. He lets his imagination play upon the ships that have spread their sails to the trade winds. Then, passing from the stricter and narrower sense in which the trade winds have opened up the trade routes, Sir Arthur deals with the way in which the seeds of wild flow-

ers have been blown about the world, beauty and fragrance passing from one country to another under their influence. The romance is interminable. It presents a vision of sublime restlessness, a vision of a world astir, a vision of the ages dancing to the tune that Nature plays.

III.

The matter has still wider implications. For, just as the material world on which we live is swept by certain forces that move men steadily, age after age, in fixed directions, so the intellectual, emotional and ethical realms are dominated by tendencies almost as constant, as universal and as irresistible. These trade winds sometimes resemble gentle zephyrs, and sometimes violent gales, but, sooner or later, we each get caught in them, and they affect us each in pretty much the same way.

A little girl's love for a doll; a little boy's love for a whip; a big girl's love for a pretty frock; a big boy's love for an adventure story; the universal love of pleasure, the love of money, the love of excitement, the love of laughter, the love of love! These are fixed tendencies, trade winds! It is no use ignoring them, or condemning them, or fighting them. It is better to do as the sailors do.

So far as these winds are blowing in the opposite direction to that in which we wish to travel, we must evade them, following some other course; and so far as they can be made to serve our ends and facilitate our progress, we must harness and enjoy them. That is the rule of the sea. Wise men will make it the rule of the land as well.

IV.

Speaking generally, the inner realm is swept by three powerful trade winds. There is the impulse of *Ambition*; there is the impulse of *Love*; and there is the impulse of *Immortality*. As with the trade winds that sweep the oceans, these three master-impulses are inter-related; they are parts of one vast system. But we shall come to that presently. As a matter of fact, we only make this important discovery when we begin to look back upon life.

The impulse of *Ambition*—life's first trade wind—asserts itself early. A boy feels a desire to excel. In school, in sport, in business, he loves to be at the top. He thinks wistfully of the heights that he may some day reach. He is prepared to beat down all his rivals as he forges his way to the front. *Excelsior!* is his motto. Ambition tingles in his blood. He would become hard, cruel, selfish and pitiless but for the fact that, at this critical juncture, another stormy impulse asserts itself.

He becomes aware that, although he feels awkward and clumsy in the presence of his girl-friends, they are nevertheless acquiring a singular fascination for him. In their society he likes to look his best. He finds himself paying unwonted attention

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to his personal appearance. His enthusiasm for Red Indians, and pirates, and cow-boys has waned considerably. He still likes books of adventure, but the hair-raising exploits must now be inspired by the hero's devotion to a beautiful and charming heroine.

In absent-minded moments, he himself sighs for the opportunity of stopping the runaway horse on which a lovely maiden is in danger of being dashed to death. He laments that the days of chivalry are past. If only he could set out—a knight in shining armour—to rescue some fair damsel from the clutches of the monster in whose castle she was languishing! This is the *second* trade wind.

And as life goes on—as its horizon becomes wider, as its landscapes become grander, as its responsibilities become heavier, as its issues become vaster, as its mysteries become deeper—he feels a new sensation creeping over him. He becomes more and more certain that the life he is living is not complete in itself. It is merely the introductory section of a perfect whole. And, as the years roll by, and as friend after friend departs, he finds this conviction a strangely pleasant one. Things all point forward. The instinct of immortality stirs in his soul. He feels himself to be a citizen of eternity. He repudiates the suggestion that those "whom he has loved long since and lost awhile" have left him for ever.

Gone for ever? Ever? No! For since our dying race began,  
Ever, Ever and For Ever was the leading light of man;  
Truth for Truth, and Good for Good! The Good, the True, the Pure, the Just.  
Take the charm For Ever from them, and they crumble into dust.

I said just now that these three trade winds are but separate parts of one stupendous system. The Impulse of *Ambition* is largely inspired by the Impulse of *Love*. A young man wants to get on in the world in order that he may be entitled to seek the hand of the dream-girl whom he enthrones among his fancies and ideals. And, similarly, the Impulse of *Love* is largely animated by the Impulse of *Immortality*. If only a man could read his own inmost soul, he would discover that his desire to marry and have children is, in reality, an expression of his desire to live again in the next generation—and in the next—and the next—and so for evermore.

And thus all life's trade winds set steadily towards the infinite, the unseen, the eternal. The sailor sets his sails to the trade winds, but always with his destination clearly in mind. He courts the trade wind, or avoids it, as may best enable him to reach the haven of his desire. In so doing he exhibits the acme of wise navigation. Let a man keep steadily in mind the anchorage that he passionately desires to reach, and he will find it easy to decide, at each important crisis, whether to employ or eschew the powerful elements that sweep so constantly and tumultuously around him. It is all in the set of the sails.

—The Australian Baptist

## Increasing Relief Calls Bring Warning from Relief & Annuity Board

Dr. R. S. Jones, Associate Secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas, has voiced the concern of that board over the increasing relief load it is being called upon to bear. In a letter to Dr. C. W. Pope, Executive Secretary, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Dr. Jones sent a copy of a resolution unanimously approved by the Board's Executive Committee together with the following letter:

"We, here in Dallas, have been much disturbed about the ever-increasing load which our relief department is called upon to bear. In the meeting of our Executive Committee, in its quarterly meeting of January 17th, the enclosed resolution was adopted which will show you the concern on the part of said committee and of the relief committee, about the problem of non-participation of pastors in the Ministers Retirement Plan, who are now retiring in such great numbers, requesting that their names be placed on the relief roll.

"We cannot go on following the present trend. If we do, we will soon use all of our relief reserve and be carrying a burden which it was never intended that the relief department carry.

"Last year we spent more in eleven states than those states gave us for relief, and our Executive Committee feels that warning should be given to pastors, now in active service, about the seriousness of this problem.

"During the present year, we are going to stress promotion from this office to the best of our ability and I know you will be glad to give your best to this phase of our work.

"Anyway you can get this information out to the pastors, and anything you can do to enlist those who have thus far neglected to join the Ministers Retirement Plan, will be greatly appreciated by us."

Following is the resolution approved by the Board:

"There is a growing concern on the part of the Executive Committee of the Relief and Annuity Board, over the ever increasing load which the relief department is called upon to carry.

"The relief department was organized to provide for those who never had an opportunity to join the Ministers Retirement Plan, having served before there was any Relief and Annuity Board. Had all the pastors of the Southern Baptist Convention taken advantage of the opportunity offered by the Ministers Retirement Plan, the load on the relief department would be decreasing each year. So many pastors have neglected or refused to join the Ministers Retirement Plan and are now retiring, requesting that their names be added to our relief roll, that the load on the relief department is becoming unbearable.

"The denomination has made it possible,

through the Ministers Retirement Plan, for any pastor, willing to pay three-eighths of the cost, to provide, with the help of his denomination, a retirement benefit equal to one-half of his average salary over a period of twenty-five years.

"The Executive Committee and the relief committee feel that a statement should be made to pastors who have failed to enter the Ministers Retirement Plan, calling their attention to the seriousness of this problem. The relief committee feels that pastors now in active service who refuse or neglect to join the Ministers Retirement Plan, will have no right to expect assistance from the department.

"Those who are now on the roll are being made to suffer as we divide our funds between those who have a valid claim for assistance from the department and those who have, by their neglect, failed to provide for themselves. It is urgently requested that the state secretaries inform pastors in active service that unless they provide, with the help of their denomination, retirement benefits, there is serious doubt that we will be able to care for them out of relief funds. So serious has this problem become that the relief committee has given instructions that no increases be granted except in cases of dire emergency."

## Activities of CNC to be Filmed

A movie in color is being filmed of the activities of Carson-Newman campus. It is expected to show every phase of campus life. In order to give the picture a touch of personal interest President Fite plans to introduce the film with a high school guidance scene. Next a prospective student will be shown with her parents discussing her going to college. The scene will then shift to the campus with parents and student being introduced to the dean. This student will be shown in various aspects of the orientation program and later in the many phases of college life. Many phases of the college program will be shown where this student does not appear, but it is intended that a full program of her participating will be pictured. Thus, a prospective student will be able to see what is in store for him on Carson-Newman campus. Since it is expected that life on the campus will be filmed as it ordinarily happens, it will take a whole year to complete the picture.

This movie will be used in public relations work, and it will be sent to churches and other groups that wish to show it.

God did not count the cost when He provided the world a Saviour. Neither should we count the cost of Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade March 25-April 8. Is your church cooperating? If not, why not?

*Every Baptist a Tither*

# Southern Baptists and Social Security

by Walter R. Alexander, D. D.

## SECOND ARTICLE

This is the second article of a series of five dealing with this timely topic. The first of the series appeared last week in all our denominational papers. In it, we set forth what the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention said in their December resolution. We emphasized what they said by calling to the reader's attention several things the Committee did not say.

As a background for this second article, let me quote Paul's well-known word: "All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient; all things are lawful for me but I will not be brought under the power of any" (I Cor. 6:12).

What the Executive Committee said was that it was "lawful" for a Baptist or a group of Baptists to participate in Federal Social Security, in that such participation did not violate our time-honored principle of the separation of Church and State. What I mean to say in this article is that, although it may be lawful, it is certainly a moot question whether or not it is the expedient thing to do.

### Southern Baptists' Reaction in 1940

In 1940, the Walsh Amendment to the Social Security Act was pending in the United States Senate. Southern Baptists objected to it on the ground that it would automatically bring under Social Security lay employees of Baptist churches, and employees of Baptist boards and institutions. "This," said the Southern Convention, "would result in the taxation of our churches and church institutions." The Convention further said: "Religious bodies, even under the most favorable circumstances, would be unwise if they should sacrifice this important principle (separation of Church and State) for an economical advantage such as is proposed by the Social Security Act in the Old Age Benefit System" (1940 Southern Baptist Convention Annual, Page 390).

For the very reasons Drs. Sampey, Scarborough, and others opposed the Walsh Amendment in 1940, this writer voiced the opposition of Southern Baptists before the Senate Finance Committee, February, 1950. All of us are grateful for the fact that HR6000, as amended and finally approved, continued to exclude the employees of non-profit religious institutions. It would offer unto such the privilege of participation, if the organization and two thirds or more of the employees were to express such a desire.

Thus, with all threat of governmental coercion of free institutions removed, the privilege of participation now granted has appeared most desirable to some, and innocuous to many. But I ask, "Is either conclusion thus reached justified by the facts in the case?"

### Southern Baptists' Reaction in 1950

Let us recall here that the Chicago Con-

vention (May, 1950) approved the report of the special committee it had appointed to give an expression with regard to Social Security (1950 Southern Baptist Convention Annual, Pages 48 and 49).

Two paragraphs of that report need to be restated here:

"Thus, we fear the possible and probable results of the option offered in the Senate Finance Committee's report extended to any denomination that would seek the coverage of Federal Social Security for its employees. Such inclusion, even though not mandatory, would mean: (1) that, in the future, the function of providing for the economic security of employees of churches, denominational organizations, and other institutions of religion would be taken away from these groups and be made the function of the State; (2) that the churches and their institutions would be taxed by the State for the support of its social security program; (3) that the door would be open for the punitive coercion of the churches by the State in the enforcement of its regulations; and (4) it involves the individual workers of the churches in a direct economic dependence upon the State that will tend to dull religious conviction and stifle independent, conscientious action.

"It is our conviction that the church's highest spiritual function becomes impossible when its organization and methods, to any degree whatsoever, are controlled by the State or when it becomes economically dependent upon any other group. The church must remain entirely free from entangling alliances if it is to continue to function as the voice of God in human society."

Some may say this statement is overdrawn. That may be; but at least it brings to mind definite possibilities, even probabilities, that we must not take lightly.

### Inherent Involvements

Participation in Federal Social Security on a voluntary basis is indeed a far cry from mandatory participation. On a voluntary basis, it may not constitute a threat to the principle of separation of Church and State, but even so many Southern Baptists feel that there are dangers inherent whenever a free Church strikes hands with a paternalistic Government.

It must also be borne in mind that, once a group has voted to participate in Social Security, thus exercising their option in the matter, such a choice is not extended subsequent employees of that particular institution, board, or church. The action of the present group determines the future for new employees. They have no option. For them, participation is mandatory. Whether it be contrary to the individual's own conscience in the matter, the individual has no alternative. Thus is established a future course, both for employer and employee. This becomes coercion, and brings to the fore many of the objections that were pertinent under a mandatory bill.

It must also be borne in mind that, once participation is entered upon, a relationship is inaugurated that cannot be terminated under ten years.

## Hiroshima Pastor Offers Senate Prayer

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (RNS) — Guest chaplain at a session of the United States Senate here was the Rev. Kiyoshi Tanimoto, a survivor of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan. Mr. Tanimoto is pastor of Naregawa Christian church in that city.

He is the first Japanese clergyman upon whom this honor has been bestowed since the end of the war and one of the few foreign clergymen upon whom it has ever been conferred.

Mr. Tanimoto offered thanks to God for American generosity to Japan after the end of hostilities. It was Christian generosity, he said, which halted "the ravages of post-war conditions which would have been greater than the destruction of war itself."

"We thank Thee," he prayed, "for America's great spiritual heritage expressed so beautifully in her sacrificial rehabilitation of human life throughout the war-torn countries."

His prayer so moved members of the Senate that Senator A. Willis Robertson (D.-Va.) rose to declare, "I was inspired by the fact that a man whom we tried to kill with an atomic bomb came on the floor of the Senate and offered a prayer to the same God we worship, thanking Him for America's great spiritual heritage, and asking Him to bless every member of this Senate.

"The atomic bomb did not kill him. It did not break his will. So, Mr. President, I could not help but feel that if a miracle like that could be worked in his heart, it

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might be possible that a power stronger than the atomic bomb will rend the Iron Curtain behind which millions of misinformed people look upon us as enemies bent upon their destruction."

Senator Robertson said that Mr. Tanimoto's prayer reminded him of the historic words of Woodrow Wilson: "To conquer with arms is to make only a temporary conquest; to conquer the world by earning its respect is a permanent conquest."

As stated, therefore, at the close of the first article, decisions with regard to this vital matter should be made only after a full study of the many issues that are involved. Whatever opinions we hold to the contrary, this statement cannot be gainsaid: That, if we elect not to participate in Social Security of the Federal Government, we at least keep Pandora's box tightly locked against the future.

## Next Sunday's Lesson

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

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TEXTS: Mk. 9:2-50 (Larger)—Mk. 9:2-4, 14-17, 25-29 (Printed)—Mk. 9:7 (Golden).

### Glory and Service

A good introduction to the lesson is found in the devotional reading, which is Isaiah 6:1-8. This is the account of the prophet's experience of worship as preparation for doing God's will in his own personal life. It can be epitomized in the three pairs of wings mentioned which, in turn, may symbolize reverence, humility and service.

#### Worship on the Mountain (vv. 2-8)

The mountain referred to seems to have been on the slopes of Mt. Hermon. We speak of it as the Mount of Transfiguration, where Jesus was wrapped in the very atmosphere of heaven so that Peter, James and John (who accompanied Him) were dazzled by the scene. The word translated "transfigured" here is the same word used by Paul in Romans 12:2 where it is translated "transformed" and suggests our other word "metamorphosis" which is used to describe the process of a caterpillar's changing to a butterfly. The two heavenly visitors, Moses and Elijah, appeared also and engaged in conversation with Jesus concerning His approaching death (see Lu. 9:31). One who has climbed a high mountain through dense clouds, alone, does not have too much difficulty in visualizing the awe-inspiring experience.

Peter suggests the building of three tabernacles, because he was so frightened and did not know what else to say. He may have suddenly recalled that the feast of tabernacles was close at hand. Then there came the voice of God out of the cloud, voicing the Father's approval of the Son. Two other times a similar approval came, at Jesus' baptism and when the Greeks came seeking Jesus (see Jn. 12:28). It was a glorious occasion and contained all of the elements of vital and meaningful worship.

#### Wonderment Along the Way (vv. 9-13)

Wending their way down the side of the mountain, the four men descended with the spell of worship upon them. The three disciples were much puzzled by what they had seen and heard. Especially were they perplexed by "what the rising from the dead should mean." They could not seem to grasp the strange truth that their Messiah must first suffer and be put to death before He could finally be triumphant. And, too, they were disturbed by the coming of Elijah and how this could fit in with their understanding of the Old Testament prophecies as they had been interpreted by the scribes.

The Master, with infinite patience and tenderness, explains it all and suggests that they will begin to grasp its full significance

after His resurrection from the dead. "Be patient and be trustful, and by and by you will understand," He seems to say to them.

#### Work in the Valley (vv. 14-29)

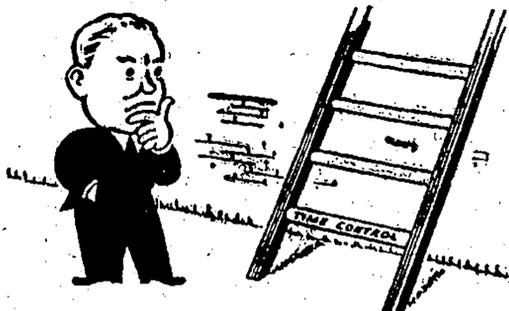
One of the purposes of worship is to fit us for work, the Lord's work. We cannot hope or expect or plan to stay on the mountain of worship all of the time. Down in the valley there is human need, crying need, pitiable need, such as is seen in this maniac or epileptic boy with his sorely distressed father. On the mountain these men had received divine inspiration and now there was the call for human perspiration. Work had to be done.

God reveals to us His glory in order that we may be equipped to render service in His name and in His behalf. Our world, today, is pictured in the condition of this afflicted boy, writhing in its madness and misery. Will we be helpless and hopeless as these other disciples had been before the arrival of Jesus with the three disciples who had been with Him on the mountain? The help He rendered was effective and satisfying to all concerned. The power that was exercised here can only come through earnest prayer.

#### Winsomeness Within the House (vv. 30-37)

"Who is to be the greatest in Christ's kingdom?" argued the Twelve. "The greatest is the least," Jesus taught. They did not understand. Nor do we understand, except when we are actually on the "mount" or fresh from it. It is strange, but glorious, teaching. It is so entirely different from the teaching of the world and the worldly-minded. But we know it is true.

Jesus then took a little child and set him in the midst. Who does not thrill to the innocence and charm of a little child? It was a beautiful thing for the Master to do. It won again the hearts of the twelve disputing apostles. The warmth of the scene melted the iciness of jealousy and bickering. Love and trustfulness, characteristic of little children, always win.



HE WHO TO THE TOP WOULD CLIMB  
MUST FIRST LEARN TO CONTROL HIS TIME!

### Harrison-Chilhowee Campaign Opens

The Harrison-Chilhowee Academy Enlargement Campaign opened officially February 15 at the school. The first division to begin its drive is the School Family Division, consisting of trustees, faculty, and students. Rev. Charles S. Bond, pastor of Central church, Fountain City, is chairman of this division.

The Special Gifts Division, to be led by the director of the campaign, Rev. James M. Windham, will follow the School Family drive. Rev. Earl Stallings, pastor of Ridgedale church, Chattanooga, is chairman of the church and Alumni Division, which will initiate its campaign throughout the churches of the state at a later time.

The current campaign calls for at least \$200,000 to be used for new buildings at the Academy. At the helm of the state-wide drive is the Executive Committee composed of the following: Dr. F. F. Brown, pastor emeritus, Knoxville; Hon. A. B. Smith, city manager, Alcoa; Rev. E. L. Williams, pastor of Bell Avenue church, Knoxville; Dr. Ramsey Pollard, pastor of Broadway Baptist church, Knoxville; Rev. Charles Bond, pastor of Central Baptist church, Fountain City; Rev. Earl Stallings, pastor of Ridgedale Baptist church, Chattanooga, Mrs. Gale Gardner of Knoxville; Rev. James M. Windham, pastor of First Baptist church, Maryville; Rev. Stuart Rule, Pastor of First Baptist church, Oak Ridge; Mr. Roy Anderson, President of Harrison-Chilhowee Baptist Academy.

Dr. Norris Gilliam, secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation, is assisting the leadership in both plans and promotion.

### Philippine Protestants Map Program to Combat Communism

MANILA — (RNS) — Recommendations aimed at helping Filipino Christians combat the menace of Communism were adopted at a seminar here sponsored by the Federation of Christian Churches in the Philippines and attended by 100 Evangelical leaders.

Among the recommendations adopted by the delegates was one calling for local seminars of ministers, educators and youth, to communicate the facts concerning Communism, and to present an exposition of the Christian faith.

Another recommendation urged the preparation of materials exposing Communism and the preaching of anti-Communist sermons.

Other recommendations called for training a Filipino Christian worker in the field of labor relations to cultivate ties with labor organizations; distributing literature presenting the evangelical conception of democracy; and the development of a program of activities embodying "a constructive alternative to Communism."

One day General George Washington went to a friend's home to discuss some business matters. While the two men talked together, they paid little attention to an eight-year-old girl who played quietly in the room.

When the time came for General Washington to leave, the little girl opened the door for him.

"Thank you, my child," said General Washington, "you are a very polite little girl."

The little girl bowed and smiled as she said, "I only wish I were opening the door for you to come in."

That is supposed to be a true story. I like it. I wonder what it was about Washington that made the little girl like him as she did. Was it his pleasant attitude during the conversation she had overheard? his patient, understanding method of discussing important matters? the kind expression on his face?

Perhaps the little girl had heard her father and mother discuss the General. She knew his reputation for being brave and honest and helpful.

She may have heard the story of the time the boy Washington had cut down a cherry tree, then admitted it to his father.

Or she may have heard of the time when George slipped out and bridled his mother's favorite valuable colt, and tried to ride. George was an excellent rider, but the colt had not been tamed, and when George leaped to its back, it plunged and reared! George held on tightly, and did not fall off. But the sudden leap was too much for the colt. It burst a blood vessel and fell dead.

When George went into the house, his mother's first question was, "How is my fine colt this morning?"

And George had to tell her what happened. "I am sorry," he said. "Your best colt is dead, and I am to blame for it."

At first his mother was angry because her son had disobeyed her in trying to ride the wild colt. Then she said, "Son, I am sorry

to lose such a fine animal. But I am very glad that you have told me everything. It pleases me to have a son who is truthful."

Today we celebrate the birthday of that boy who was brave enough to tell the truth even when it was hard. But his honesty is just one reason for our celebration.

Today we honor a great soldier who led his men wisely and bravely.

We honor an ambitious boy who studied hard and learned to be a first class land surveyor by the time he was sixteen years of age.

Today we honor the first President of our great United States of America, the man who has been called "The Father of Our Country."

President Washington began his highest career with his Bible in hand. He kissed the Bible reverently, then lifted a serious face to acknowledge the cheers and confidence of his people as they shouted, "Long live George Washington!"

Today we would honor George Washington in the *greatest* way—by being loyal boys and girls—good Americans. We, too, would be honest and brave and helpful. And we would find our rules for a good life in the same Book which he honored and followed—God's Word of Truth!

## Niemoeller Urges Christians Outdo Red Propaganda

CHICAGO, Ill.—(RNS)—Pastor Martin Niemoeller, German Evangelical Church leader, told the third annual meeting of the National Council of Presbyterian Men here that "only Christianity can improve the world and save humanity."

The German clergyman warned some 1,500 delegates that "fear, anxiety, and frustration are overpowering the world today."

"Because of conflict and competition," he said, "man abuses his fellow men. Christianity is our only hope."

Interviewed later, Dr. Niemoeller advised Christians, as well as the Western world governments, to defeat Russia in her own propaganda game. He said:

"Russia believes she can win over non-Red countries to her side by taking advantage of their economic strife and bad social conditions. The Russians pervert the truth. The Western world should not permit them to do so. The West should do some propaganda work of its own."

by Porter Routh

## Baptist Highlights

Charles William Daniel died in Atlanta, Ga., on Sunday, February 4. He served Southern Baptists in many capacities during his active ministry. He was born May 6, 1874, in Montecello, Arkansas.

Arizona Baptists will move their college from Prescott to Phoenix.

Oklahoma Baptists have taken over the management of a new \$385,000 hospital in Perry, Oklahoma.

Dr. Jack B. Fellows, professor of Religious Education in the Central Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas, will soon leave for Korea to take thousands of letters from Christians of the U. S. sending greetings and expressing interest and prayers for service men fighting there.

The Committee on the Alaskan Petition to enter the SBC met in Nashville. James Middleton, Atlanta, chairman.

And the Broadman Press has published 200,000 copies of the book on evangelism by C. E. Matthews, "Every Christian's Job." This is the largest single printing of any book yet published by the Baptist Sunday School Board.

## In the World of Religion

Through use of the church budget plan, the circulation of the *Presbyterian Life* has jumped from 80,000 to 322,000 during the past eight months.

Dr. Bernard H. Braskamp has been elected as chaplain of the House of Representatives for the 82nd Congress. Dr. Frederick Brown Harris has been re-elected chaplain of the Senate.

The National Lutheran Council has approved a budget of \$300,000 for the production of a full-length motion picture on the life and work of Martin Luther.

The National Production Administration reports that construction of new churches is not affected by construction controls now in force unless the new building contains dining rooms, auditoriums, and recreational facilities not used primarily for worship. If any questions are raised, church committees are asked to write to Construction Controls Division, National Production Administration, 801 E. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Telephone calls and personal visits are discouraged as permits can be granted only in writing.

And a North Carolina judge has ordered a man to "stop sending his child to Sunday school and start taking him."

## Facts of Interest

The Tuskegee Institute reports two lynchings in 1950 with seven prevented lynchings.

Manufacturers sales in 1950 amounted to \$235 billion, an 18 per cent gain over 1949.

Cities of 100,000 or over reported 553,794 marriage licenses in 1950, a gain over the 529,597 reported in 1949.

Through January 26, the U. S. reported 46,814 casualties in Korea. This includes 6,897 killed, 30,615 wounded, and 9,302 missing in action.

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## Dr. Wallace Still In Prison

Dr. William Lindsey Wallace, Southern Baptist missionary who was taken prisoner in December, is still in custody, according to Dr. Baker James Cauthen, the Foreign Mission Board's secretary for the Orient. The report was received by air from Hong Kong and read at the February meeting of the Board.

The Stout Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, China, where Dr. Wallace served as staff physician, sends food to him each day; but friends are not allowed to see him, the report said. Communists have called meetings of doctors, nurses, and other groups asking if any one can bring any charge against Dr. Wallace. The people say he is the most unselfish man they have ever known and they cannot say enough good about him.

Then the Communists ask, "How do you explain finding a pistol in his room?" Although it is common knowledge that the gun was planted by the Communists, the people do not dare say, "You put it there." A Roman Catholic bishop, two priests, and a nun also are being held because opium was planted at their mission and then discovered by the Communists, Dr. Cauthen reported.

### Baptist Property in China

Communist China has demanded that Christian institutions sever relations with foreign support. All assets of Americans and American-supported institutions have been frozen; however, after a short period, regulations were established for withdrawing reasonable sums of money from bank accounts. Dr. Cauthen reports that our missionaries there have funds in hand.

All American property in China has been put under Government control. "This does not mean property is confiscated," wrote Dr. Cauthen. "It means it has a special registration, cannot be disposed of, and those using it are responsible for its safety. All religious organizations and institutions receiving foreign aid are required to register with the government. Full details are demanded concerning aid received.

"As far as we have heard, no Baptist property has been seized by the Government since these regulations came into force. The only exception is the Stout Memorial Hospital; but we do not have full details. A letter from Miss Everley Hayes, Southern Baptist nurse, says that the hospital has "changed hands" and she is not allowed to function. We do not know whether this development is due to the arrest of Dr. Wallace or is something which would have occurred as a consequence of the control regulations. Schools, hospitals, churches, and Christian leaders living in missionary residences, have not been forced to vacate their buildings."

### Missionaries Leaving China

Twelve of the sixteen Southern Baptist missionaries in China have applied for exit.

"They realize their remaining up to this point has produced a great deal of good," Dr. Cauthen said, "but with the probability of even more anti-American pressure, a longer stay would not only bring greater danger to themselves but would imperil Chinese Christian friends as well."

"It is obvious," Dr. Cauthen reported, "the Communists regard missionary work as a bond of good will between America and the people of China. Their effort now is directed toward breaking down that good will by accusing the missionary movement of 'cultural aggression'."

As a good precautionary measure in case of sudden crisis, evacuation advice has been issued for Hong Kong. Some of the missionaries there, who are due for furlough in the summer, are leaving within the next few weeks.

## Seek Curbs on Criminals

WILMINGTON, Del. — (RNS) — The Methodist legislative committee of Delaware has asked state legislators to pass an act which would require that all persons living in the state, or moving into Delaware to take up extended residence, who have served sentences in penitentiaries or similar institutions within the past 10 years, register with police authorities.

Such an act, which has been under consideration in various quarters recently, would be designed to curb the purported infiltration into Delaware of actual or potential criminals from other states.

The committee is also urging passage of a bill which would make the results of intoximeter tests legal evidence in cases of drunken driving. It is seeking to insert into the state liquor laws provisions which would more clearly define the circumstances under which liquor licenses may be granted—particularly with respect to the proximity of churches and schools—and setting a time limit within which a rejected applicant may not reapply for a license.

## Pastor Has Long Record

W. R. Bryant has begun his 31st year as pastor of West Memorial church, Harde-man County. This church was constituted in 1916 with 23 charter members and Bro. Bryant was one of the charter members. He was ordained to preach the gospel in October, 1920, and has served as pastor since that time.

In addition to this church he has served as pastor of Rocky Springs church 18 years; Enon 21 years; Mt. Olive 29 years; and Liberty Grove 2 years.

His father, R. W. Bryant, was converted under his preaching, and he baptized him at the age of 69.

## Montana Church Leaders Fight Gambling Bills

HELENA, Mont. — (RNS) — Church leaders in this state are preparing for an "all-out battle" against two pro-gambling bills before the Montana legislature here.

Although Montana voters last fall defeated a referendum which would have made slot machines legal, the Council's legislative committee has warned against over-optimism. It is urging ministers and laymen to start a letter-writing campaign asking the legislators to defeat both bills.

The committee pointed out that, with the legislators seeking all possible means to meet growing expenses without large increases in regular taxes, the measures might get through "while we are asleep."

## Church Aids Father-and-Son Farm Partnerships

WATERLOO, Ia.—(RNS)—At least 36 successful father-and-son partnerships have been formed among members of a rural church in Orange township near here, as a result of a program to get young people to stay on the farm.

In the belief that agriculture, family life, and religion can contribute to one another's success, the pastor and members of the South Waterloo church of the Brethren are making all of these factors attractive to young people.

Aid in establishing father-and-son farm partnership agreements has been part of the rural community service which for 19 years has won for the church a certificate of merit from Iowa State College.

The agreements have many variations, but they are all aimed at gradually introducing young men into the business that supported their fathers before them.

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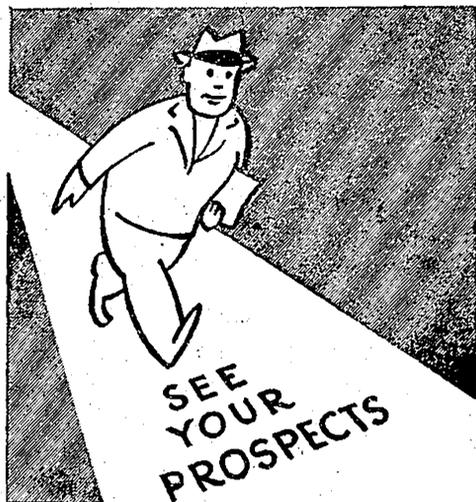
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2. Have you checked the census cards against the Sunday school roll?
3. Have you checked the resident church roll against the Sunday school roll?
4. Did you grade the census cards by age groups?
5. Did you build your Sunday school organization on paper in order to determine the number of classes needed in the school?
6. Have you tabulated the census returns in such a way that each officer and teacher can know what is expected of him in reaching every prospect? See pages 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 in the leaflet, *Taking and Using A Religious Census*, for more detailed information; or chapter 2 in the book, *A Church Using Its Sunday School*; or chapter 3 in the book, *Building A Standard Sunday School*.
7. Have you worked out a plan of visitation? See every prospect.



The Sunday schools in Tennessee are urged to join other schools in the Southern Convention territory to add three new pupils to the Sunday school enrolment per Sunday through February and March. Many superintendents have already written in saying they will attempt such a goal—others agree to go far beyond.

Think of it. If we could get people generally interested in this idea in Tennessee, it could result in a net gain in Sunday school

enrolment of from fifty to sixty thousand people. Are you interested in such an undertaking. If you have not already done so, call the officers and teachers together and challenge them to go all out for reaching more people for Bible Study. It seems that our opportunity to produce good Sunday school enrolment gains is *now*.

## Rejoice, Rejoice, Rejoice

Mr. J. N. Barnette tells us that the net Sunday school enrolment gain for Southern Baptists last year was 381,806. Tennessee's part in that great gain was 30,441. What will we do this year. Our goal is 48,000 gain. What do you say? Let's resolve to reach it. Such accomplishment calls for the loyal support of every Sunday school even in the most remote section of the state.

Listen—Tennessee had a good training record in January. 3,404 awards. That is great. We have good reason to believe that February is also going to be a good training month.

Get that request for awards in.

## Student Witnesses for Christ

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved," is a witness heeded and accepted by 42 persons who were won to Christ by Miss Drucilla King of Milton, Tenn., during her two years just ended at the New Orleans Seminary.

Miss King, a home mission volunteer, delighted in the work on the Practical Activities Department, directed by Dr. E. N. Patterson, that sends bands of students throughout the New Orleans area on evangelistic and mission assignments.

She has enrolled in Clarke Junior College, Newton, Miss., to complete her college work before going into full-time mission work, preferably as an associational worker.

At the time she dedicated her life to this work during a revival in her home church at Milton, three of the students in her Intermediate Girls Sunday school class made similar dedications. One plans to go to Japan, one to be a nurse and the third is undecided between home and foreign missions.

Polk County Baptist Association Executive Committee is to be commended for its efforts to raise funds to pay for the hospital treatment of Little Lillian Ledford who was seriously burned Christmas Day. Lillian is in the East Tennessee hospital, Knoxville. The estimated cost of treatment is from \$2,000.00 to \$2,500.00. She is the daughter of Rev. M. C. Ledford who passed away January 8.

## Resolutions

Bowman

The homegoing of E. Winston Bowman, chairman of the deacons of Jacksboro church, December 23, 1950, was deeply lamented. He had served his Lord faithfully for many years. The minutes of our church serve as a record of his zeal to serve his master in his church.

WHEREAS, he was a man of character, cheerful, friendly and courteous. He loved his Lord, his church and Sunday school, and was faithful in his attendance. He was a real friend to the pastors. We are sure he always thought of the scripture, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life":

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this church has lost a true and sincere friend and member; his widow has lost a devoted companion; his son a loving father; and the community has lost an upright citizen:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy be sent to the family, a copy to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR for publication and a copy be spread on the minutes of this church.

—J. S. Aiken, Committee  
Fred I. Cain  
Esco Stephens

## Book Reviews

MISSIONARY MELODIES, by Louanah Riggs Holcomb. Published by the Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn. Price \$2.00.

A book of songs about children of every land. These are songs for fun and songs for worship and singing games. Sunbeam leaders will enjoy using the book in leading the children to sing and play with those of other lands. Illustrations will attract children.

—Eura Lannom

DEEP RIVER GIRL, by Harry Albus. Published by Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price \$1.00.

A biography of the great negro contralto, Marian Anderson, this book will be of special interest to those of Junior age. It tells of her ambitions, persistence, heartaches and achievements. In a way it is the story of her race, using her as an example of the difficulties to be overcome in their struggle for recognition. It is told simply and for the most part is a true story. However, a few lines are added to give the story charm and more appeal. After reading the book, one will have a greater appreciation of her and her work, and a deeper sympathy for any artist who struggles as she did to obtain a goal.

All through the story we are made to feel her complete trust in God and her sense of responsibility to Him who gave her her talent.

—Marie W. Deusner

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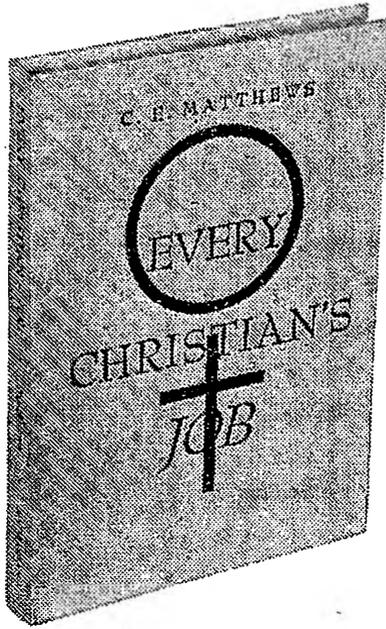


# Training Union

CHARLES L. NORTON, Secretary

## New Soul-Winning Study Course Books

The following books will be promoted by the Training Union early in March in preparation for the simultaneous revivals:



## Young People and Adult

*Every Christian's Job*, by C. E. Matthews

A book on personal soul-winning by a master of this great spiritual art. Chapter titles: I—How Are Christians Developed into Soul-Winners?; II—Incentives to Win; III—The Soul-Winner's Equipment; IV—How to Proceed; V—Bringing the Lost to a Decision; VI—Visitation by Teams of Two and Two; VII—How to Meet Excuses and Difficulties. (Award: Seal—Optional Training Union, Sunday school, or Music.)

## Intermediates

*Intermediate Fishers*, by Frank E. Burkhalter

A book for Intermediates to help them to win other Intermediates for Christ. It is a regulation textbook of eight chapters and is concerned with the highest form of fishing—fishing for souls—leading unsaved relatives and friends to give their hearts and lives to Jesus Christ. Teaching Helps for the teacher provide excellent suggestions to gain immediate response from Intermediates.

## Juniors

*Jesus Saves*, by Hattie Bell Allen

A discussion of soul-winning from the standpoint of Juniors winning Juniors. It is the first book of this kind to be used as a textbook for Juniors. It presents in eight

chapters in the simplest possible form the Bible teachings on how to be saved. The teacher's edition offers the teacher the priceless privilege to use the material in making Jesus the Saviour real to boys and girls.

## Story Hour

Material for the Story Hour to be used during study courses has been prepared by Mrs. Jesse Meek, State Approved Story Hour Worker. Copies of the material may be secured by writing the State Training Union Office, 149 Sixth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.



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Beulah—McConnell, Ridgely

Big Hatchie—Covington

Chilhowee—Everett Hill; Maryville, Broadway

Gibson—Humboldt; Medina; Salem; Trenton

Hamilton—Brainerd; Chattanooga First (6-9 yrs.); Eastdale; Second; White Oak

Hardeman—Grand Junction

Holston—Beulah; Bristol, Va. Ave.; Johnson City, Temple; Kingsport, Lynn Garden

Jefferson—White Pine

Knox—Alice Bell; Arlington; Broadway; Central Fountain City; Lincoln Park; Lonsdale; McCalla Ave.; Meredian; Mt. Olive

Madison—Jackson, Calvary (2); Parkview; Parksburg

McMinn—Cog Hill

Nashville—Goodlettsville; Harpeth Heights; Harsh Chapel (2); Old Hickory

New Duck River—Cornersville; Lewisburg

Polk—Mine City

Providence—First Ave.

Salem—Liberty

Shelby—Bellevue; Central Ave.; Highland Heights; LaBelle; Lamar Heights; Prescott Memorial; Raleigh; Union Ave. (2)

Stewart—Dover

Stone—Monterey

Tennessee Valley—Dayton; Spring City

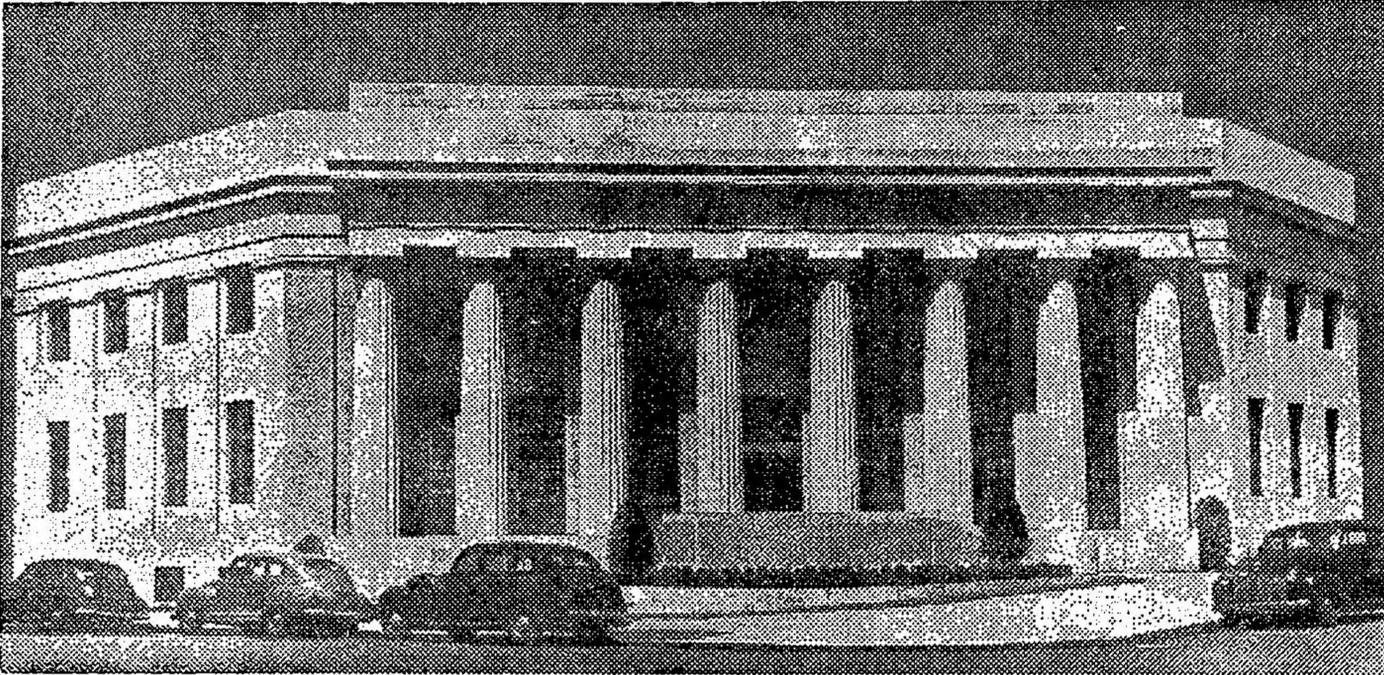
Weakley—Martin, Central

Western District—Paris West

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# WMU HEADQUARTERS BUILDING



In the center of downtown Birmingham near hotels, printers, post office, bus and railroad stations is a comparatively new building which will become the WMU headquarters.

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Rev. John S. Trent, new pastor of Shellsford church, McMinnville, came to this field from Calvary church, Columbia, Miss., which he founded. Mr. Trent is a graduate of Mississippi college and has three years of seminary training. Mrs. Trent is a graduate of Clark Memorial college and has had two years of seminary training. They were honored with a Christmas supper and shower by their new church. God is blessing their ministry in a remarkable way. After fifteen months in his Mississippi pastorate, Bro. Trent led the church to own its building and begin the building of a new pastor's home. It now has a membership of 125 and all organizations.

A "vigorous fight by telegram" was launched by a group of Georgia Baptist ministers and laymen to persuade the state legislature to pass several bills sponsored by the Georgia Temperance League. So great was the flow of messages that a telegraph company dispatched a special corps of clerks to the meeting to handle them.

Georgia Baptists have set a goal of 75,000 baptisms for 1951 which is more than twice the record in 1950. Reports from associational chairmen indicate almost 2,000 of the state's 2,600 Baptist churches had committed themselves to participate in the crusade.

## They Shall Not March, Sail, or Fly ALONE

Current need for an additional 129 Southern Baptist chaplains is urgent. All branches of the services need chaplains who have not reached their 33rd birthday and who possess college and seminary degrees, or their equivalent in standard credits. Upon being commissioned in the Reserve Corps, the rank is First Lieutenant and pay for active duty is approximately \$4,400.00 per year.

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*For denominational endorsement papers*, write the Chaplains Commission, Baptist Home Mission Board, 161 Spring Street, N.W., Atlanta 3, Ga.

Alfred Carpenter, Director

## Seminaries to Offer Student Secretary Course

NASHVILLE, TENN.—(BP)—Representatives from Southern, Southwestern, and the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminaries met January 29 to discuss the possibility of co-ordinating the various seminary courses of study for training of student secretaries. The meeting was called by Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary of the Department of Student Work.

Two conclusions were reached by the group: (1) Beginning this summer a seminar will be conducted for the secretaries now in service. It will be jointly sponsored by the Southern, Southwestern, and New Orleans Seminaries and the Department of Student Work at Nashville. Southeastern and Golden Gate Seminaries, along with the Training School, will be invited to participate through faculty representation. The first of these seminars will be held at Southern, July 30 through August 3.

(2) Professor Othal Feather, Southwestern Seminary, was selected as chairman of a committee from the three seminaries to bring in a suggested course of study for the training of student secretaries at the next meeting of the joint seminary conference. The Department of Student Work of Nashville will work with the committee.

"The general consensus of opinion among the group was that this meeting will prove to be of far-reaching significance in the life of our denomination," Dr. Keegan stated.

There are now 20 state student secretaries, and 110 full-time, and 75 part-time secretaries located on college campuses.

Professor Charles Jones, choir director at Carson-Newman college, left February 4 to answer his call to the service. Professor Jones came to the music department five years ago.

First Church, McKenzie, will be host to the Evangelistic Conference of Carroll-Benton association, February 26-28. L. H. Hatcher is pastor of the McKenzie church. The theme of the conference is "Reaching the Multitude."

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## ATTENDANCES AND ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCHES FEBRUARY 11, 1950

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions	Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Alamo	247	70	2	First	818	118	
Alcoa, Calvary	303	116		North	290	114	1
Athens, Antioch	95	34		West	789	278	1
East	327	167		Jamestown, First	263	72	
First	587	243	3	Jefferson City, First	537	287	
West End Mission	81	58		Kingsport, First	802	218	3
Calhoun	93			Fort Robinson	132	89	1
Clearwater	68	40		Glenwood	332	126	2
Coghill	58	48		Lynn Garden	410	120	
Cotton Port	81	85		Knoxville, Alice Bell	100	36	
Eastanalle	51	20		Bell Avenue	813	356	5
Englewood	111	26		Broadway	1314	482	6
Etowah, East	79	39		Churchwell Avenue	187	74	
Etowah, First	332	84		Fifth Avenue	931	296	7
Etowah, North	316	105		First	906	154	4
Good Springs	115	65		Inskip	473	167	
Lake View	82	48		Lincoln Park	637	210	
McMahan Calvary	68	30		Sevier Heights	515	252	1
Mt. Harmony No. 1	75	62		Washington Pike	293	99	2
New Hope	48	40		LaFollette, First	305	104	
New Zion	57	43		Mission	61	37	
Niota, East	121	54		Lebanon, Cedar Grove	77	25	
Niota, First	141	35		Fairview	144	64	
Riceville	113	51		First	431	136	
Rodgers Creek	24	24		Rocky Grove	28		
Wild Wood	82			Lenoir City, First	402	151	12
Zion Hill	49			Kingston Pike Mission	24		
Bemis, Hebron Chapel	265	86	2	Nelson Street Mission	14		
Benton, First	159	65		Lewisburg, First	469	150	7
Brighton	213	128		Lexington, First	246	37	
Bristol, Calvary	428	138		Madisonville, Chestnut	48	23	
Camden, First	180	77	2	Maryville, Broadway	439	182	2
Chapel Hill, Smyrna	70	76		Everett Hills	319	150	3
Chattanooga, Avondale	565	190	6	First	778	252	3
Brainerd	500	208	5	Medina, Lathams Chapel	79	14	
Cedar Hill	233	51		Memphis, Bellevue	2701	1102	10
Clifton Hill	268	87	1	Boulevard	748	251	3
Concord	279	104		Central Avenue	788	294	3
Eastdale	406	124	5	Highland Heights	1086	553	11
East Lake	590	202	5	Kennedy	171	108	
East Ridge	389	109	4	LaBelle	701	242	2
First	1070	325	6	Levi	186	164	5
Lupton City	130	107	4	Parkway	432	190	3
McCarty	47	23		Southland	148	48	
North Side	442	136	2	Speedway Terrace	880	204	6
Philadelphia	152		4	Millington	240	146	3
Red Bank	711	207	2	Monterey, First	280	94	
Ridgeview	226	117	1	Morrison, Wilson Chapel	61	39	
St. Elmo	367	133		Morristown, First	618	153	
Second	72	51	1	Buffalo Trail	94	52	
Signal Mountain	72	51	1	Northside	14		
Soddy, Oak Street	165	75	1	Murfreesboro, Barfield	65	46	
South Daisy	80	73		First	503	120	
Suck Creek	40	34		Walnut Street Mission	42		
White Oak	346	93		Mt. Herman	113	60	
Woodland Heights	249	70		Powell's Chapel	110	61	
Clarksville, First	440	150	2	Taylor's Chapel	91	34	
Cleveland, Big Spring	264	176		Third	199	77	
Calvary	163	95	7	Nashville, Eastland	569	94	
Rutledge Memorial	71	42		Edgefield	447	125	11
Four Point Chapel	19			Grace	825	288	1
Clinton, First	434	100		Inglewood	808	180	2
Columbia, First	169	152	1	Due West	51	16	4
Godwin Chapel	19			State School	33		
Second	143	102		Lockeland	516	128	
Cookeville, First	415	139		Madison, First	366	96	
Steven Street	105	44		Madison Heights	119	79	
Corryton, Fairview	172	85	6	New Hope	142	82	2
Covington, First	217	66		North End	151	59	
Crossville, Haley's Grove	93	34		Park Avenue	538	147	1
Dyersburg, Calvary Hill	147	141	1	Radnor	320	152	5
First	618	250		Shelby Avenue	419	109	2
Eagleville	101	40		Westwood	110	51	1
Elizabethton, First	624	183	2	Woodmont	378	116	
Immanuel	206	68	2	Woodmont Center	180	91	
Oak Street	146	93		Oak Ridge, Greenwood	409	149	3
Siam	217	142		Robertsville	348	77	
Fountain City, Central	941	195		Old Hickory, First	594	214	
Hines Valley Mission	39			Rockwood, First	360	155	
Smithwood	510	210	5	Rutledge, Oakland	100	80	
Gallatin, First	368	95		Savannah, First	108	43	
Gladeville	131	45		Shelbyville, El Bethel	115	45	1
Grand Junction, First	85	57		Shelbyville Mills	194	74	3
Harriman, South	314	120	5	Spencer	53	39	
Trenton Street	437	156	4	Statesville, Smith Fork	59	50	
Hohenwald, First	110	74	1	Tullahoma, First	272	73	4
Humboldt, Antioch	208	54		Highland	107	59	
First	571	110	1	Union City, First	663	124	
Jackson, Calvary	511	173	4	Watertown, Round Lick	172	72	
				White Pine	167	63	

## Resolutions

Price-Tyree

Whereas, God, in His Infinite Wisdom, has seen fit to remove from earth to Heaven, our Sisters, Hazel Price and Maggie Ellen Tyree, and

Whereas, this act of Providence has saddened the hearts of the members of the Woman's Missionary Society and caused two vacancies in our organization which will be hard to fill, therefore

Be it resolved:

That we as members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Grace church, Nashville, take this means of expressing our love for and appreciation of our lamented Sisters, and of stating that we shall cherish their memory and point to their lives as ones worthy of example.

That their devotion to the cause and their willingness to serve in any capacity to which they were assigned made a deep impression upon the lives of those with whom they came in contact.

That we feel keenly the loss of our co-laborers, and express to their families, and all others who may be touched by this sorrow, our heartfelt sympathy, praying that He who said "My grace is sufficient for thee" will comfort their hearts in this hour.

That a copy of these resolutions be incorporated in our minutes, a copy be sent to their families, and a copy to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR for publication.

Mrs. H. W. Crook, Chairman

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# East Tennessee NEWS

by Lloyd T. Householder, Maryville

Rev. M. K. Cobble, pastor of Gillespie Avenue church, Knoxville, has been elected president of the General Pastor's Conference in Knoxville. He succeeds John T. Courtney who resigned.

To date, 77 white churches, and 17 Colored churches have agreed to participate in the Simultaneous Revival in Knox County.

Charles S. Bond, Central, Fountain City and Walter Warmath, Fifth Avenue, Knoxville, have been teaching, "The Bible and Prayer" by Dr. R. G. Lee at their Wednesday evening service.

Mount Lebanon church, Chilhowee association, entered the basement of its new building on January 28. The old building was destroyed by fire during the past summer. David N. Livingstone is the pastor.

Splendid progress is being made in the campaign for \$200,000 for Harrison-Chilhowee academy. This is an institution worthy of a great deal more consideration from Tennessee Baptists and the campaign ought to meet with a favorable response in every section of the State. James M. Windham, pastor of First church, Maryville, is director of the campaign.

Dr. Melvin Faulkner of Sonora, Ky., has been called as pastor of Arlington church, Knoxville. He succeeds J. Howard Young, who went to Springfield recently.

During the last six months of 1950 the Sunday school of White Pine church averaged 174 per Sunday in attendance. The average for the previous year was 135. Roland C. Hudlow is the pastor of this good church.

During the first week in January, Rev. Harvey Gray, associational worker in Holston association, conducted devotions on Station WJHL, Johnson City, and taught Dr. Lee's book to East Side church, Johnson City.

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Dr. Ramsey Pollard was the speaker at an Associational Evangelistic Rally at Harriman on Friday night, February 2.

On Sunday evening January 28, Smithwood church, Knoxville, Ralph L. Murray, pastor, unveiled a plaque in honor of the boys from that church who have gone into military service.

From all over East Tennessee encouraging news comes concerning plans for the Evangelistic Crusade March 25-April 8. Most of the associations have completed their organization, and the suggested program of preparation is being followed carefully. A large number of pastors and laymen attended the Evangelistic conference in Nashville January 22-23.

The enrollment for the Spring Semester at Carson-Newman College is 820. This is an increase of 8 over the number enrolled at the beginning of the Spring Semester a year ago. In view of the fact that so many schools are showing a decrease in enrollment on account of the war situation, this is encouraging. The week of February 5 is being observed as Vocational Emphasis Week on the Campus. The College Annual, "The Appalachian" has been notified that it has been admitted to the National Scholastic Press Association. This is the first time it has received this recognition. Lloyd T. Householder, Jr. is the Editor.

During the week of January 7-14, Rev. J. E. Ledbetter, pastor of First church, Lenior City, assisted Pastor Hobart Ford and the church at Rogersville, in a gracious revival. At the same time Rev. T. J. Stafford of South Harriman church preached in a revival at East End, and Brother Guinn was with West View, in Rogersville. We have not had the final results of these meetings, but certainly such concentrated effort could not help but produce splendid results.

During the year 1950, First church, Kingsport, gave more than \$86,000.00 to all causes; \$22,800.00 was given to the Co-operative Program. This was the largest amount ever given by this church to the program. Dr. E. Gibson Davis is the beloved pastor of this great church.

On February 4, Dr. Ralph Norton celebrated his third anniversary as pastor of Red Bank church, Chattanooga. Elaborate plans were made for the occasion by the church. He has wrought nobly for the Lord in this splendid field.

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## Whole Community Observes Daily Prayer Period

POTTSTOWN, Pa.—(RNS)—The sound of church bells every noon-hour brings virtually this entire Montgomery County borough of 25,000 population to a halt.

For two minutes, shopkeepers, their customers, and practically everyone on the streets, including school children on their way home for lunch, pause in a silent prayer for peace.

The practice has grown in favor and has spread to Schwenksville and several other neighboring villages.

Parents of those in Korea have especially voiced appreciation to the Pottstown Ministerial Association, saying it is one of the finest things they can tell their sons. . . that the whole community, back home, is praying for peace.

## National Council's Men's Unit to Bypass Denominations

CHICAGO, Ill.—(RNS)—The new General Department of United Church Men of the National Council of Churches will bypass the denominational men's organizations and develop its program directly among the men in local churches.

This was decided at the first meeting of the department's executive committee here. The committee said the department would establish "bridges of understanding among the men of the local churches."

## C-N Employee Dies

John Wesley Sheets, for 25 years a faithful employee of Carson-Newman college, passed away at his home February 1. Mr. Sheets had performed several odd jobs during the last quarter of a century for the college, serving as a butcher, janitor, and stock-room manager.

Mr. Sheets is survived by his wife, who is a cook in the college cafeteria.

On January 7, Double Springs church, Holston association, had an all day service which it called "One Thousand Minutes in the House of the Lord." During the day the following brethren preached: Roland Light, Harvey Gray, Arthur Roberts, Leonard Evans, Elton Herron, Earl Johnston, Tom Crawford, and Troy N. Jones.

On Sunday afternoon, January 7, Unaka Avenue church, Johnson City, observed Open House in connection with the completion of its new Educational building. It was also the twelfth anniversary of Pastor D. B. Bowers. Congratulations to church and pastor.

# West Tennessee NEWS

by Edwin E. Deusner, Lexington

We have had a good response from our request for the names of helpers during the simultaneous revivals, March 25-April 8. Since our last column was written the following have reported.

Humboldt, First, Hayward Highfill, pastor; Evangelist, President J. W. Marshall, Wayland College; Singer, Sam Allen, Coach at Wayland, Plainview, Texas.

Boulevard, Memphis, C. M. Pickler, pastor; Evangelist, Pastor M. E. Ramay, First church, Edmond, Oklahoma.

North Jackson church, Jackson, Waif Hamilton, pastor; Evangelist, Alfred Carpenter, of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

First, Union City, W. A. Boston, pastor; Evangelist, H. W. Stigler, Clinton, Oklahoma.

Union Avenue, Memphis, J. G. Hughes, pastor; Evangelist, Blake Smith, Austin, Texas.

Camden, Robert A. Sanders, pastor; Evangelist, Charles W. Pope, Nashville, Tennessee.

Brownsville, Joe Harting, pastor; Evangelist, Roger Hebard, pastor First church, Denton, Texas; Singer, N. G. Carver, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Please send others as quickly as possible. The time is drawing near.

Friends of Herman Jacobs, a graduate of Union University, and son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Young, prominent members of Calvary church, Jackson, will be interested to learn that he has been called to the pastorate of First church, Mount Washington, Ky., about 20 miles south of Louisville. He will receive his Th.M. degree in May from Southern Seminary.

Boulevard church, Memphis, C. M. Pickler, pastor, ordained nine men as Deacons on January 31.

V. E. Boston is supplying the pulpit of First church, Newbern, while the church is without a pastor.

Pastor and Mrs. L. H. Hatcher, McKenzie, are being congratulated upon becoming grandparents. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Meek on February 3 at East Tennessee hospital, Knoxville.

In order to provide more space in the auditorium of Bellevue church, Memphis, the entire Junior department moved to the "Lee Hut" for their worship services during February. Assistant to the pastor, J. Ralph McIntyre, did the preaching.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1951

Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Inlow observed their 60th wedding anniversary on January 7 at the home of their daughter in Albuquerque, N. Mex. In former years he was pastor of Bellevue church, Memphis, and First church, Nashville.

Many Baptist churches having Scout troupes honored these lads and their leaders during National Scout Week, February 8-15. Your reporter was privileged to speak to a banquet honoring the Scoutmasters of Obion county on February 8 at a joint meeting of the Rotary, Kiwanis and American Legion at Union City. It was a rare treat to address such a splendid group.

Prof. T. O. Hall of Union University's Bible department is supplying the pulpit at Brighton on the second and fourth Sundays while they are without a pastor. A pulpit committee, headed by E. C. Browning, as chairman has been appointed. He requests the prayers of the brethren as his committee seeks out a new under-shepherd.

February 4 was a great day with the First church, Union City. It marked the seventh anniversary of the pastorate of W. A. Boston, and it was "Dedication Day." At the morning service the last notes and mortgages against the property were publicly burned. During the past seven years a debt of \$10,000 was paid, and an additional debt of \$125,000 incurred by building the educational unit has also been wiped out. In spite of ice and snow a total of 947 made their way to Sunday school and at the 11 a.m. service there was standing room only. During Brother Boston's pastorate there have been 760 additions, an average of nearly 109 per year. He has conducted 328 funerals. Dr. C. W. Pope and a former pastor, J. G. Hughes, were unable to attend because of weather conditions, but another former pastor, E. L. Watson of Shawnee, Okla., was present and spoke at the afternoon service.

Mt. Olive church, east of Somerville, has started plans for a new building. A committee composed of A. L. Chappell, Bernard McCommon and Elmer Thompson is raising funds for the project. The building program calls for an auditorium and several class rooms.

Citizens of Kenton recently voted beer out of the corporate limits of the town. The vote was about 185 to 118.

Whitehaven church, Shelby county, observed "Furr Day" on February 11 in honor of Pastor Willis C. Furr's 19th anniversary there.

Ardmore church, Memphis, is seeking a pastor following the resignation of Pastor L. C. Holcomb. He has accepted the care of Improve church, Columbus, Miss.

## Baptists "Standing By" On Korean Relief Effort

MEMPHIS, TENN.—(BP)—Relief to Korea has struck a bottleneck that is not yet broken, due to the mid-winter military reverses. Very little relief is going into the war-ruined country at this time. The only recent shipment was made by army transport for United Nations distribution. The announcement was made this week by Dr. R. Paul Caudill, chairman of the relief committee for the Baptist World Alliance.

Plans are being made by the United Nations for the opening of the way for large scale relief in Korea. The program will be in charge of J. Donald Kingsley who is now directing the work of the International Refugee organization.

"Baptists are not conducting a drive at this time but are waiting until the military situation justifies it," Caudill said. The relief committee of the Baptist World Alliance is on a "stand-by" basis, and will take action as soon as practical.

The only campaign for Korean relief of national significance being currently promoted is the effort of the Boy Scouts of America to collect clothing. Each Boy Scout council determines its own campaign period. The Boy Scout effort will close Easter Sunday, March 25.

A west coast group will conduct a similar drive in early March. The need is for blankets, scarves, wool socks, wool clothing, full-length underwear, and shoes especially for men.

European relief is still needed. Two offices are being maintained by the Baptist World Alliance in Germany. Bulk shipments are still being made to these areas. A carload of rice was among the recent gifts. However, no bulk shipments can be made to the eastern zone of Germany.

Pastor John L. Dodge, First church, Hot Springs, Ark., supplied the pulpit of McLean church, Memphis, on February 11.

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## Va. Pastor Proposes Crusade Revival Prayer Plan

NORTON, VA.—(BP)—George Euting, pastor of the First Baptist church here, has suggested that Southern Baptist unity could be greatly strengthened if the churches in the East would request specific churches in the West to pray for them during the Eastern Simultaneous Crusade.

He says, "The idea is to unify the Convention in this Crusade by asking each church west of the Mississippi to sponsor some church in the East through a prayer program. For instance the First Baptist church, Dallas, could sponsor the First church, Richmond, by holding special prayer programs for the success of the campaign. Or a church like the First church, Dallas, could have its Adult S. S. department sponsor a church, the Young People's department could take a church.

"My suggestion is that each church in the East write to some church in the West and ask the membership to pray especially for the lost. The eastern churches could write some particulars such as the number of prospects, the rallies, the visiting evangelist, or any other concerns that need prayer.

"This plan of prayer will be a mighty force in determining the success of the campaign."

## New Textbook for Religious Journalism

SHAWNEE, OKLA.—(BP)—William F. Tanner, assistant professor of journalism at Oklahoma Baptist university, is head of a 12-man committee to write a textbook for courses in religious journalism.

The text, believed to be the first of its kind in the country, is being sponsored by the Radio and Public Relations Department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Baptist colleges in Texas are expected to be the largest purchasers of the text, with an estimate of over 600 copies a year.

The outline of the new book will follow largely the notes which Tanner is using in the beginning religious journalism courses at OBU.

Dr. Alton Reed, director of the Radio and Public Relations Department, and Miss Ruth Tucker, news editor for the same organization, are also on the committee. The remaining nine members will be chosen from newspapermen, wire services men, and college journalism professors in Texas.

Delivery of the text is anticipated in September, 1952.

Since Vernon Sisco went to First church, Caruthersville, Mo. about two years ago as pastor there have been 506 additions to the church, 325 were for baptism. Eight young people have dedicated themselves to full-time Christian service.

## Proposes Every UN Session Open with Prayer

RALEIGH, N. C.—(RNS)—State Senator Hardy Talton of Wayne has introduced in the legislature a measure aimed at the introduction of prayer in United Nations meetings.

The bill would request the Houses of Congress to adopt a joint resolution "suggesting that each session of the United Nations and its affiliated organizations be opened with prayer for Divine guidance."

It declares that "there rests upon the UN and its affiliated organizations the burden of restoring and preserving peace and understanding among the nations of the earth."

"The fate of the world may depend upon the success or failure of this undertaking," the measure asserts.

Sen. Talton said he understood that UN members could attend prayer sessions if they desired, but that prayer is not on the agenda at each day's meeting. He said his

bill was drafted after the proposal had been discussed with him by a number of ministers and laymen.

January gifts for the Southern Baptist convention Cooperative Program were \$597,111. Designations were \$820,436. Total gifts were \$1,417,548.

Missouri Baptists have set as the evangelistic aim for 1951 the winning of 75,000 souls. In 1950 they baptized 21,143 which was an all-time high record.

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