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APPRECIATED OR APPRECIATIVE?

by RICHARD N. OWEN

There are two conflicting attitudes toward life to be seen in any community among most any group: first, those who count up the points on which they expect appreciation by others, and second, those who count up the points in others for which they express appreciation. We can take life daily on the basis of being *appreciated* or being *appreciative*.

Life becomes buoyant through being appreciative, being understanding, being grateful. This of course has application to many areas of life, but just now I'm focussing on the fact of our American citizenship and of what America has meant and *ought* to mean to us. We are prone to take so many of our privileges and blessings for granted. Without a sense of appreciation and a sense of indebtedness life becomes flabby and shabby. To be a Christian in America is to be a favored person—a person to whom much has been entrusted and from whom much is rightly expected.

Mr. David Grayson, the friendly philosopher, recounts the story of the Shabby Man in one of his delightful books. Mr. Grayson was walking through a city park when he noticed this man, shabby in dress and demeanor. In fact everything about him seemed to spell failure. Sensing a human interest story Grayson determined, if he could, to find out the secret back of the man's failure. So he followed the Shabby Man to where he sat down on a park bench.

"I see (said Grayson) that you are taking your ease in *your* garden."

"My garden," said the Shabby Man, somewhat indignantly, "Where did you get that idea?"

"Are you not sitting here freely of your own will?" Grayson countered.

"Why yes," said the Shabby Man, "They ain't nobody compelling me."

"And can anyone, by any law, make you move?"

"No," said the Shabby Man. . . .

"Well, then," (continued Grayson calmly); I have proved, haven't I, that this *is* your garden—at least, as much *yours* as anyone's? . . . Did it ever come to you that whatever *you* can enjoy *belongs* to you?"

"Say, neighbor" said the Shabby Man, somewhat suspiciously, "I ain't particular, but are you all straight?"

After awhile an agitator came along, set up his soap box, and the Shabby Man

went over to hear him. His whole message could be boiled down into a few sentences. He told his hearers that they were having a hard time of it, and they were not getting half what was rightly theirs. His advice was that they *demand* their rights and *take* what was their own.

When the speaker had moved on to greener pastures the Shabby Man ambled back to the bench and said to Grayson, "That Man had the goods. We fellows aren't getting what is coming to us." Then as they chatted together Grayson asked the Shabby Man if he had seen the names cut in stone on the library building—Newton, Franklin, Lincoln, Shakespeare. "How do you *feel* when you see *those* names?" asked Grayson.

"I don't feel anything" replied the Shabby Man.

Grayson mused, "I never go along there without wanting to take off my hat to them—When I consider sometimes what has been done for me by the great men of the past—often done with much sorrow and suffering—I feel as though I were a deeply indebted man."

Then, with that fine understanding that marks his writings, David Grayson said that he thought he had discovered the *cause* of that man's shabbiness. He was a *Shabby* Man because he had *no* sense of indebtedness. He thought the world owed him much and he *never* dreamed that *he* owed the world anything.

Times are great and people are great just in proportion to their *feeling* of *indebtedness* to God and to one another. The apostle Paul spake with true nobility of soul when he confessed, "I am debtor." But when a man thinks everyone owes him and he owes nobody, he is flabby in mind and shabby in soul.

Our great danger now as Americans is in losing sight of what has been done *for us*. This generation needs to be reminded, because we are obviously the most indebted generation that ever lived. None has ever received so much, been blessed so bountifully, inherited so generously. Yet, with too many there are spiritual blindspots, failing to see what they have been given. They refuse to recognize the debt which is theirs. The freedoms, privileges, opportunities we now have are ours only because our forefathers became strangers and pilgrims to possess them, because heroes fought for them, and martyrs died for them. We are the heirs of the ages. Ours are the im-



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perishable gifts enriching life for us. Others have labored and we have entered into their labors. We must have a sense of appreciation or become shabby in body, mind and soul.

The most soul-destroying thing that can happen to any people is to accept the attitude of the discontented Shabby Man. "I'm not getting what is mine." It spawns the selfish, pressure groups in politics; it shamelessly demands somebody else carry its share of the load; it disowns rightful responsibilities; it denies the true spirit of America, the voluntary discipline of self in the interest of others.

We must appreciate the spirit of *faith* and *sacrifice* which made America. We cannot continue to have America unless we today are willing to express these same virtues. Mr. Gareth Garrett points out that only such traits can get us over the hard places on the road to Heights Unknown. As we Americans go on the way we meet things that test us. Mr. Gareth gives it to us in a parable: "At a very rough spot there is a road bearing to the left. The sign there reads: "To Security. Delightful coasting—idyllic scenery." The people who take that left road, find it lovely for awhile. The leader who persuaded them to it, calls back from the driver's seat: "Isn't this better?" There is a chorus saying, "Yes." The road is still smooth and *downhill*, but as the speed increases, some begin to call for brakes. The driver says, "There's nothing to fear but fear. That sensation of speed is owing to the winds of reaction rushing by." Someone asks: "What was that?" It was a sign, but nobody read it. Then comes another sign saying, "Toll Gate Ahead." At the toll gate the collector says: "Your freedoms please." When they begin to protest, he replies: "Only your *unnecessary* free-

doms. When you arrive at *Security* you won't be needing them *any more.*"

Some among the group plead, "Let's go back."

The collector says, "You passed a sign you did not read. Everybody does that. The sign says, "You Are Passing The Point Of *No Return.*" A voice speaks up, "But we are still free. We can go back if we will." The collector says, "The sign doesn't mean you *can't.* It means that you *won't.*" They wonder at this, and then ask, "Why not?" He replies: "Those who leave the hard and dangerous way *never find it again,* and if they did, they would not know how to use it, because the spell is broken. It is a long way back to where you think it is, *all uphill,* and then it isn't there. Talk it over." They talk it over. The rugged minority still want to go back, only they cannot go back alone. The majority have decided to go on. It is easier to go on downhill than to go back where they took the wrong fork of the road. That's the way Garet Garrett puts it in his parable "At The Toll Gate."

As we approach this Thanksgiving Day we can do no better thing for ourselves, for our country and eventually for the world than to realize our amazingly bountiful blessings and gratefully acknowledge to God our indebtedness to Him—most of all for the freedom of soul we have through His mercy in Jesus Christ the Lord.

Freedom is safe only in the hands of those who remember its unspeakable cost and who humbly realize that to possess freedom is to become indebted to use freedom worthily of its cost. Our danger lies in our care-free assumption that we deserve what has been given us and that we are free to do as we please with freedom and still be able to keep it. No people ever denied their indebtedness without becoming shabby. It was with true insight that John Bunyan marked the most perilous spot on the road from the City of Destruction to Mount Zion as that place called, "Forgetful Green." Let us take care that we remember God, remember His goodness to us, remember the heritage He has given us makes us His everlasting debtors!

Southwide Brotherhood Leadership

Mr. Lawson H. Cooke who retires December 31 as executive secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South has proven himself a capable leader in this position as the phenomenal development of the Brotherhood work the past fifteen years indicates. Mr. Cooke has, together with the help of his staff and the state Brotherhood secretaries, enlisted an army of laymen in a more effective support of their churches and the denominational program at large.

In his statement about his retirement

Mr. Cooke says, "the phenomenal development of the Brotherhood work in every section of the convention territory demands a younger and more vigorous leadership." We congratulate the Brotherhood on its virile leadership by Mr. Cooke during the past fifteen years during which the number of brotherhoods has expanded from 250 to 5,076 with enrolment increasing from 10,000 to 167,744. The Brotherhood Quarterly now has a circulation of 60,000 and the bi-monthly bulletin, 23,000. In 1936 there were only two State Brotherhood secretaries, now there are sixteen.

We congratulate the Brotherhood upon the election of Mr. George W. Schroeder as the worthy successor to Mr. Cooke. Mr. Schroeder is well-equipped and experienced and will provide for this highly important post the type of leadership that will be stimulating and effective.

Shall America Bow To the Pope of Rome?

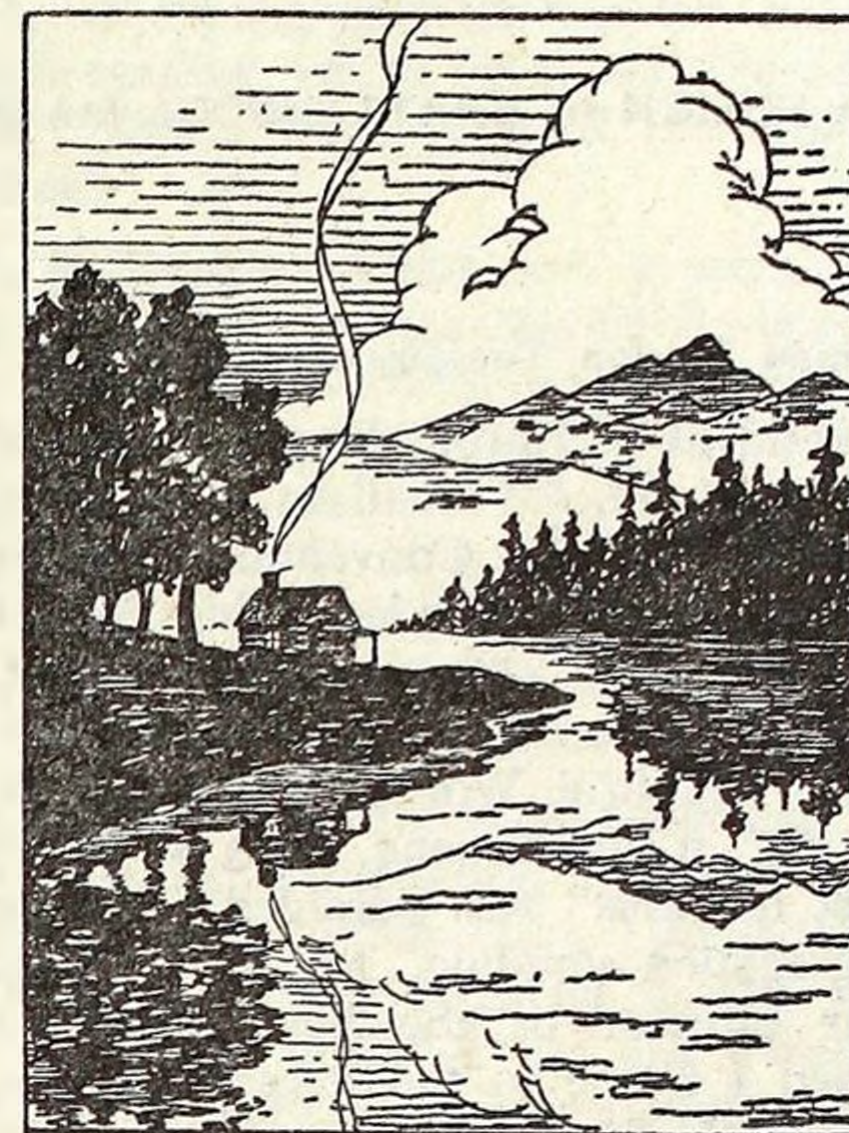
This will be answered with a thunderous "NO!" as American citizens, informed on the issues involved in the creation of an ambassador to the Vatican, register their millions of protests against the appointment of Gen. Clark.

One of the best pamphlets dealing with the Vatican Envoy Issue is the brochure by James DeForest Murch entitled, "Shall America Bow to the Pope of Rome?" which can be secured from United Evangelical Action, 111 E. Fourth St., Cincinnati 2, Ohio. The brochure is 25 cents a single copy; 10 cents in bundles of ten or more. This pamphlet has full, dependable information on the matter of the Vatican Envoy and ought to be secured by pastors to put into the hand of every church member. Freedom depends on knowing the facts and acting in the light of them.

We also call attention to reprints of, "An Ambassador at the Vatican?" which can be had for \$3.95 per hundred from The Christian Century, 407 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 5, Ill. This is a well-reasoned argument against it as a subverting of the First Amendment to the Constitution. Likewise we recommend the pamphlet "A Brief in Support of Maintaining a Valuable American Tradition" published by the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y. Also we would call attention to the literature on this subject which is available from Protestants and other Americans United for Separation of Church and State 1633 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Washington, D. C.

We would like to make this appeal now to you as an individual that you personally write or wire your congressman and senator how you feel concerning an ambassador to the Vatican. It is not too late to act. Americans must speak up now. Get the facts and then act.

Reflections



He who cannot rest cannot work; he who cannot let go, cannot hang on; he who loses serenity within, loses everything without.—*Author Unknown.*

Better to have no lighthouse along our rugged coasts than to have them with their lights gone out and their keepers disinterested.—*Rev. Herman Rose, Indianapolis Times.*

The most dangerous fault in American life today is the lack of interest in truth.—*Henry R. Luce.*

There are two sides to every argument but no end.—*Cominco Magazine.*

Circumstances and situations do color life but you have been given the mind to choose what the color shall be.—*John Homer Miller.*

If you were another person would you like to be a friend of yours?—*Lion*

In everything worth while it is quality not quantity that counts.—*Arthur Bryant, Illustrated London News.*

It takes more than brass to fashion the key to success.—*T. N. Tiemeyer, Pulpit Digest.*

Men occasionally stumble over the truth, but most of them pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing had happened.—*Winston Churchill.*

Have you ever thought what a world we could make if we put into peace endeavours the energy, self-sacrifice, and cooperation we use in the wastefulness of war?—*Gen. Archibald P. Wavell, British military leader.*

Western European nations now are up to 144% of their prewar production. If they can't carry themselves now, we ought not to kid ourselves that they ever can.—*Sen. Walter F. George, of Ga.*

TENNESSEE BAPTIST CONVENTION

77th SESSION IN CHATTANOOGA MARKED BY GREAT PROGRESS

CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 13-15, PROVES BAPTIST DEMOCRACY WORKS

Opening Session Tuesday Afternoon

President J. Harold Stephens rapped the gavel at 1:30, "We call to order the 77th Tennessee Baptist Convention," presenting Alton E. Harvey, who led, "Sing Them Over Again to Me," Manning Sullivan at the console of the organ. The hundreds rolled forth "Beautiful Words, Wonderful Words of Life" in joyous song. "Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus" was heralded forth by the congregation standing. Mr. Dave Bingham, choir director of the host church, sang, "When I Come to the River at Ending of Day." "I Won't Have to Cross Jordan Alone" held his hearers in rapt attention.

First Vice President W. J. Willis of Jonesboro and Second Vice President J. E. Ledbetter of Lenoir City were presented by President Stephens. As an Enrollment Committee F. M. Dowell, chairman, Ralph Norton and Wayne Tarpley were named by the chair.

Pastor John Edmond Haggai of Woodland Park Church, Chattanooga, read from Acts 2:37 and the following verses; praying, "We seek Thy guidance . . . that wisdom that is from above . . . that we may speak and act at Thy will."

Ralph Norton cordially welcomed the body to Chattanooga on behalf of the Baptists of the city.

The Convention organized by motion that all messengers from the churches be recognized as constituting the body.

W. A. Venable and A. B. Cash, Georgia were recognized as visitors.

Motion by E. E. Deusner, Lexington, carried that the secretary send fraternal greetings to all sister conventions in session. Chaplain Halsell was recognized stating 105 additional Baptist Chaplains are needed with the colors according to an appeal sent out by the director of our chaplains work with the Home Mission Board.

Dr. Slater Murphy, chairman, presented the program prepared by the committee named last year for this purpose, and gave some sensible suggestions to all who are on the program to attain the best use of the time allotted. The program was adopted.

With the Vice President W. J. Willis in the chair, the President's address was delivered by J. Harold Stephens, Nashville. (Please see the previous issue of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR for excerpts from this timely message calling for fidelity in the trust committed to Baptists.)

Harvey Gray, Johnson City, led in prayer. President Harold Stephens stated his purpose to adhere to the constitution in appointment of committees. (See article IX)

E. L. Williams on a point of order moved

that the President appoint the *heads* of all committees to report next year and that the present committee on nominations name the *Committee on Committees*. The latter committee will complete the personnel of the committees. The motion carried by *viva voce*. Chairman Robert L. Orr called for a meeting of the committee on nominations.

Carl J. Giers, Chattanooga, presented the report on the Cooperative Program and spoke to the report. . . . "We ought to strengthen the Cooperative Program and save us from overplaying one string . . . too long we've allowed a divisiveness to come in and disrupt . . . by our gifts through this program we multiply our witness."

Coming to the period of worship, "Work for the Night is Coming," was sung. Dr. Leonard Stigler, Nashville, read I Timothy 1:1-4, II Timothy 3:1-5, and II Timothy 4:1-5. Accompanied by Mrs. Carl Giers, Chattanooga, Elmer Thomas of Dayton sang, "The Wonderful Christ of the Cross." The appointee for the annual sermon, O. E. Turner, Paris, preached on "The importance of our remaining true to the central teachings of Christ both in doctrine and practice." This well-thought-out, Bible-based appeal was carried in full in last week's BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, on pages 4-5.

Second Session Tuesday Night

"O Zion Haste Thy Mission High Fulfilling" rang from the great concourse filling the auditorium at 7:00 p.m. as the evening session opened. "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" and "O God We Pray For All Mankind" were then sung.

Carmack Penuel, Savannah, read Matthew 28 and led in prayer.

Telegrams from the State Conventions of South Carolina and Georgia were read by recording secretary, L. G. Frey who introduced 40 new pastors who have taken up their work in Tennessee during the past year. Robert L. Orr, chairman of the Committee on Nominations, named as the Committee on Committees: Fred Tarpley, chairman, Walter Warmath, Ralph Norton, Paul Kirkland, Howard Young, James Canaday, and Fred Wood.

Thomas T. Holloway gave a brief resume of the work of the American Bible Society. "You have helped to produce and distribute 14,000,000 Bibles . . . thank you for your part in doing it," Mr. Holloway said.

Harry Phillips, Nashville, was recognized by President Harold Stephens as the time for Miscellaneous Business arrived. Mr. Phillips moved that the report of Cumberland Trustees be heard by the Convention as a special order of business after Dr. W. F. Powell's address. Hudson Hicks moved that

it be referred to the Program Committee. This motion failed to carry. Henry Huey moved the full time allotted to the State Mission Program be allowed as scheduled.

The convention set as a special order following the State Mission Program the hearing of the Cumberland University matter as moved by Mr. Phillips.

With Vice President J. E. Ledbetter in the Chair, Secretary C. W. Pope presented the State Mission workers by departments, field missionaries, the city missionaries, the general and special missionaries and mission pastors and the state evangelist. These, standing, formed a great array of people all over the auditorium.

C. W. Pope declared "The immediate need of our work in Tennessee is not 'to lengthen the cords' but 'to strengthen the stakes of our denominational life.'" He pointed out as the first stake to be strengthened, the Two Million Dollar Cooperative Program to be achieved in 1952. Dr. Pope announced that Tennessee Baptists this past year gave more than ever before, having passed the million and a half dollar mark for the first time in gifts to the Cooperative Program. As the second stake Dr. Pope asked all institutions and causes to hold operating expenses as near to the present level as possible. The third stake he set forth as the strengthening of our institutions by giving them the patronage they deserve. Fourth, Baptists must be "firm in our loyalty to the great doctrines . . . between Catholicism and Communism it is only a choice between two totalitarianisms." "The religious liberty we have in the United States is in spite of the Catholic Church." Pointing out the peril to us in the appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican he said, "This is a more crucial day than some of us realize. It is no time for the weak-kneed . . . it is a time for strong men. I had rather see Baptists lose every other thing they have than to compromise their principles for a political purpose."

The host stood and sang "Faith of our Fathers." Mark Harris, Memphis, led in prayer. Alton E. Harvey sang, "I was Drifting Away on Life's Restless Sea."

Dr. W. F. Powell, Nashville, spoke on "Tennessee For Christ—The World for Christ." "I'm praying that God will make this Convention immortal in fellowship and unity . . . make Tennessee a fulcrum on which God would rest His Gospel and lift all the world up into the light. The main issue before us is whether this lost world is going to be saved. The intent, content and extent of the Great Commission is entrusted to us. . . . Will God have to destroy America to bring us to realize the saving power within the Word of God?" Dr. Powell brought an inspiring message to his fellow

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Baptists of Tennessee before hurrying by plane to speak to the conventions in session in South and North Carolina.

President Harold Stephens asked Vice President Willis to preside over the extended session concerning Cumberland University. E. L. Williams led in prayer—"Whatever we do, help us to do it in the spirit of Jesus Christ."

The motion was re-read by Secretary L. G. Frey stating the business before the body. Harry Phillips thanked the convention for willingness to hear the report of the Cumberland Trustees. A mimeographed copy had been presented the messengers, parts of which were read by Mr. Phillips, recounting Cumberland's history, its relationship to the Convention, and the accomplishments of the 5-year period 1946-1951. It set forth the disagreement between some Cumberland Trustees and the Executive Board concerning the proposed transfer of departments of the University to Ward-Belmont College after acquisition of that property by the Tennessee Baptist Convention; and the reason for transfer of the University back to its former trustees who held it before it was under Baptist auspices.

Dr. C. W. Pope answering the implication that matters had been withheld said, "There wasn't a thing secret about the whole thing." Giving the figures concerning the debts on Cumberland University when taken over and the amounts invested in it by Tennessee Baptists he said, "Tennessee Baptists met their obligations to Cumberland University except to get it accredited, and we were doing our best to get it accredited." He pointed out that any application for accreditation was only a step and that it took 15 years after application for another of our schools (Union University) to receive accreditation. Speaking of the Ward-Belmont property he stated that the initiative for the transfer of this property had been on the part of the president and trustees of Ward-Belmont but Baptists have been unjustly criticized for taking over. "The assets of the Tennessee Baptist Convention have been increased by nearly \$4,000,000 by this property which others asked us to receive." Dr. Pope said that Cumberland would have had in Ward-Belmont everything it needed to apply for accreditation immediately.

Dr. Pope denied that the Executive Board by its action had "doomed" Cumberland University, but that the Cumberland Trustees had "in open defiance of the Executive Board" voted to turn the University back to its old board. "I don't have any bitterness in my heart toward anyone. . . . I believe that all these men acted as best they could."

F. M. Dowell, Athens, reminding of the precedent of the Executive Board's action concerning Tennessee College said that the Convention then raised no protest.

When P. B. Stephens, Nashville, asserted that the Education Commission had never had any committee to study the usage of the Ward-Belmont property, two members R. B. Jones, Jefferson City, and Gaye Mc-

Glothen, Nashville, made it clear that it was a committee named from the personnel of the Education Commission and that they together with O. E. Turner, Paris, and Fred Kendall, Jackson, had served on this committee and made their report to a full meeting of the Executive Board.

Carl J. Giers, Chattanooga, said, "We are grateful for the services of these men on the Executive Board who serve without pay." "You are impugning the integrity of every man on that Board should this report be adopted—I move that it be tabled."

By an overwhelming majority the convention acted to table the whole matter which Harry Phillips had presented.

Henry Huey, Milan, president of the Executive Board, said, "These men had no

Democracy at Work

Tennessee Baptists are a democratic body. This convention completely demonstrated that. Controversial matters received thorough discussion. Interest was intense throughout the sessions in the matters to be determined. Not only were all seats taken but messengers were standing all around the walls. There was democratic debate and the body reached orderly decisions. These actions were overwhelming in the majorities by which they voted and registered their decisions. It was an overwhelming majority that voted to approve the actions of the Executive Committee relative to Cumberland University and Ward-Belmont College property acquisition and the establishment of Belmont College. It was an overwhelming vote of confidence in Executive Secretary C. W. Pope, a spontaneous demonstration of appreciation for him by a great host standing to their feet in token of their support of Dr. Pope.

axes to grind. This would have been a dark hour if Tennessee Baptists had turned their backs on their leadership. I know of no better way to close this meeting than to pledge to our leader, Dr. C. W. Pope, our support." The congregation stood to their feet, and sang, "Blest Be The Tie." Prayer by Carl Giers.

Third Session Wednesday Morning

Joining in singing "Blessed Assurance" and "All The Way My Saviour Leads Me" messengers and visitors began to fill the auditorium.

"Yes, God Is Real," was winsomely sung

by Alton E. Harvey with the host church organist, Mr. Sullivan, at the console.

The devotional period was led by Otto Sutton reading verses from the Gospel of Luke. Prayer was offered by Clifford Haynes.

E. E. Deusner, Lexington, presented the report of the Tennessee Baptist Press and it was spoken to by Editor Richard N. Owen of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR who thanked Tennessee Baptists for upping the subscription list 14% during the past year and urged that the church budget plan be adopted so as to provide the state paper for all homes in the churches.

Norris Gilliam, executive secretary Tennessee Baptist Foundation read the report of the Baptist Foundation. Replying to questions from the floor as to the status of endowment funds of the old Tennessee College for Women, "It is tremendously important that we remember that the Foundation is a distinct corporation," Secretary Gilliam stated.

Mrs. Lloyd T. Householder, Maryville, presented the Woman's Missionary Union report. She introduced Mrs. M. K. Cobble, Knoxville, State President of the WMU. Mrs. Householder spoke to the report from which we quote:

We report 66,048 members in our organizations. A net gain of 2,717 members. Even though we are happy over this report there are 1,379 churches in Tennessee that do not have any Missionary organizations at all.

We report 309 churches with a full graded W.M.U. We have 14 A-1 Unions.

Our women and young people still realize the greatness of our work depends upon PRAYER. We unite our hearts and hands in prayer as we pray for the lost around the world, and continue to observe our three Seasons of Prayer.

Executive Board Reports

Henry J. Huey, chairman, presented the report of the Executive Board, pointing up the new high records achieved by Tennessee Baptists during the year just closed. Executive Secretary C. W. Pope called attention to the 32,209 baptisms reported to date. He presented the following recommendations from the Executive Board which were adopted by the convention *seriatim*.

Concerning Distribution of Cooperative Program Funds

1. That during the present Convention year the first \$1,500,000 Cooperative Program funds be distributed as indicated in the following table, with the understanding that the Southern Baptist Convention's portion shall be subject to the direction of that Convention. However, the Tennessee Baptist Convention reserves the right to withhold its allocation funds from any agency, organization, institution, or individual which ceases to operate in harmony with the policies and program of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

State	
State Missions	17%
Orphans' Home	8%
Carson-Newman College	5%
Belmont College	5%
Union University	5%
Harrison-Chilhowee Academy	2%
Ministerial Education	1%
East Tennessee Baptist Hospital	4%
Mid State Baptist Hospital	3%
	50%

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Next Sunday's Lesson

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TEXTS: Exodus 24; 29 to 31; 35; 40 (Larger)—Exod. 29:43-46; 35:21-29
(Printed)—Exod. 35:5 (Golden).

The People at Worship

This lesson may be introduced by the Devotional Reading (Psalm 100). The version that follows is that of Alexander Maclaren.

Shout aloud to Jehovah, all the earth.
Serve Jehovah with gladness,
Come before His face with joyful cry.
Know ye that Jehovah He is God,
He, He has made us, and His we are,
His people and the sheep of His pasture.
Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
His courts with praise,
Give thanks to Him, bless His name.
For Jehovah is good, for ever endures His
loving-kindness,
And to generation after generation His
faithfulness.

Communion and Consecration (Ex. 29:43-44)

God promises to meet with His people when they gather in His name, with a desire to have contact and fellowship with Him. This is what makes the service of worship in a church-house unique and different from any and all assemblages in which men may find themselves. We are to go to such places and become a part of such peoples in order, not to be entertained, but to have communion with the Lord. In proportion to our sincerity and earnestness, as we come into His presence, are we conscious of communion.

As we commune with Him, in worship, we consecrate ourselves to Him and the tasks to which He has called us. He is holy, He wants us to be holy; these facts tend to our consecration. When we have truly worshipped, because God has consecrated us in the process, we are able to dedicate ourselves and all that we have to His glory.

Presence and Power (Ex. 29:45-46)

God promises to dwell in the midst of His people and in so doing cause them to become like He is. This is to remind us of what Jesus said while He dwelt in physical presence on the earth. "If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him" (Jn. 14:23b). The promise still stands.

Our greatest need, as Christians, is spiritual power. We need it in order to overcome temptations; we need it in order to do the Lord's work; we need it in order to bear the proper kind of testimony in the midst of a sinfully antagonistic environment. What we need, God is abundantly able and

willing to give. Effective worship, upon our part, makes available to us that spiritual power. Dare we try to live without such a great necessity?

Heart and Hand (Ex. 35:21-26)

Jesus taught, by precept and example, that the Christian religion has its beginning in the heart (the seat of the affections, attitudes and ambitions). "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good" (Luke 6:45a). Worship is essentially a matter of heart relationships. And so the above text begins, "And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whose spirit made him willing."

But the heart will ultimately affect the hand, in worship as well as in work. Let it be remembered that the two words, work and worship, begin exactly alike and are closely allied in Christian experience; the one being a reflection of the other. We worship in order that we may work, and at the same time do so more effectively. After we have done the Lord's work, then our spirits need refreshing which is best done in genuine worship. If we attempt work without worship, it is apt to become tiresome and boresome.

Steward and Substance (Ex. 35:27-29)

Is it possible for one to worship acceptably before God without at the same time recognizing one's stewardship? In the light of the passage before us, the answer must be in the negative. Other passages from the Word of God confirm this answer. The teaching suggested in the Golden Text is typical. Let us gratefully and lovingly assume our trusteeship as we come before the Lord for worship, ever recalling that "we are laborers together with God" (I Cor. 3:9a). The Lord has highly honored us in making us stewards of His. Let us not fail Him in this.

One of the expressions of our stewardship is the bringing of a part our substance before Him and placing it upon the altar for His use, which means the placing of it in the hands of the church and the denomination of which the church is a part. Giving, when done in harmony with the teachings of the Bible, is as much a part of worship as is praying, singing or preaching. Is it altogether a coincidence that the act of giving occurs almost at the very center of the order of the worship service?

Westwood Church, Nashville, Makes Progress

Mill Creek church, Nashville, realized the need for a church in the vicinity of Crowlywood and Westboro sections and voted to send their assistant pastor, Dr. G. Daniel Miller, to hold services which began May 29, 1950. After several weeks a mission was organized with 48 members. July 16, the mission voted to buy property for the church site. A revival was held in a tent on the property and Brother Miller did the preaching which resulted in 27 additions. August 8, the Sunday school was organized with Raymond Martin as superintendent and the Training Union with P. M. Berry as director. The church was organized as Westwood church, October 1, 1950.

Central Church Organized at Hixson

Sunday afternoon, November 4, Central Baptist church was organized and E. J. Bramlett was called as pastor. The church is located on the new Hixson pike near the newly developed business district in Hixson.

W. T. McMahan, pastor of North Chattanooga church, served as moderator; C. H. Petty, pastor of Silverdale church, brought the message; and H. E. Campbell served as clerk.

Jack Surman was elected Sunday school superintendent and Brother Bramlett as director of the Training Union.

Resolutions commending J. V. Brown, who has served as pastor of First church, Petersburg, associational Training Union director and has held other offices in the William Carey association, have been received. "Brother Brown is a progressive, cooperative, and missionary-minded pastor," says J. Lowell Knupp, Clerk of the association. On November 5, Brother Brown became pastor of First church, Cornersville.

Dr. J. T. Spurlin begins his ministry at Edgefield church, Nashville, December 1, coming from First church, Hayti, Mo. Dr. T. W. Medearis, general superintendent, Missouri Baptist General Association, writes: "Brother Spurlin has done a monumental work at Hayti and is greatly beloved in his church and association. He has been a most cooperant member of our State Board. He is a splendid preacher and a great pastor. We regret to lose him from Missouri." Tennessee Baptists together with Edgefield church heartily welcome Brother Spurlin.

Dear Friend,

I wish your copy of this letter could begin "Dear Shirley," or "John," or "Ann," or "George," or whatever *your* name is. For it is a letter written especially to you—each one of my Young South friends. Will you help me to make it more personal by writing your name over the word "Friend?"

I imagine you are planning a happy Thanksgiving week end. Will all your family be together again? Have you already made place-cards for the Thanksgiving dinner table? If you have an extra one, please send it to me. I'd love to see it.

One girl I know is going to use real baby chrysanthemums instead of cards, attaching a name slip to the stem of each flower.

Last year I simply cut pieces of cardboard 3x3 inches, folded them so that they would stand up, and stuck a Thanksgiving seal on the front beside the person's name. This year I have another idea. I think I shall use cards again, but on the inside of each card I will print a Thanksgiving Bible verse. Before we eat, each person will read his verse as a part of our special Thanksgiving prayer. Here are some of the verses I will use:

"O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good" (Psalm 136:1).

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father" (James 1:17).

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name" (Psalm 103:1).

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits" (Psalm 103:2).

"The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad" (Psalm 126:3).

On the very back of each card I am going to write a special surprise. It will begin like this: "Thank *you* for—" and I'll name something special for which I am thankful to that person.

But not everyone on my Thanksgiving list will be eating at my dinner table. Besides my special thank-you to God for these friends, I want to tell each friend that I appreciate his friendship and help. I think I shall write some thank-you notes. One will be to my dentist who was very kind and understanding even when he had to hurt me while working on my teeth recently. Another will be to a Junior girl who works very hard to help us have good programs in our Training Union. I want to tell her again how much her dependability means to me. There are also some friends who make my daily work a pleasure. I want to tell them so. There is a friend who lets me ride to work in her car.

Some of these friends may be surprised to get my thank-you notes. That will make them even more fun for me.

There are so many people I want to thank, that I guess I'd better start early. In fact, I *am* starting today—with this letter to you. For truly I do appreciate you. I want to thank you first of all for taking time to read the Young South column each week. Then I want to thank you for cooperating with the things we have been doing this year through the column. You responded right away when a little sick girl's aunt asked for some cheer-up messages for her niece. You filled in the word-picture clippings recently and sent them in as requested. You have tried very hard to keep your word-pictures up to date. You have shared experiences and ideas. In these and other ways you have helped us to make your Young South column more interesting and attractive. Every letter which I receive from you encourages me and makes my work easier.

In short, I want to thank you just for being *my friend*. I am looking forward to more visits with you through the column, and to doing more things together. I just couldn't let this Thanksgiving season slip by without saying a special thank-you to YOU for all that you have done, and are doing to make every season happier for me.

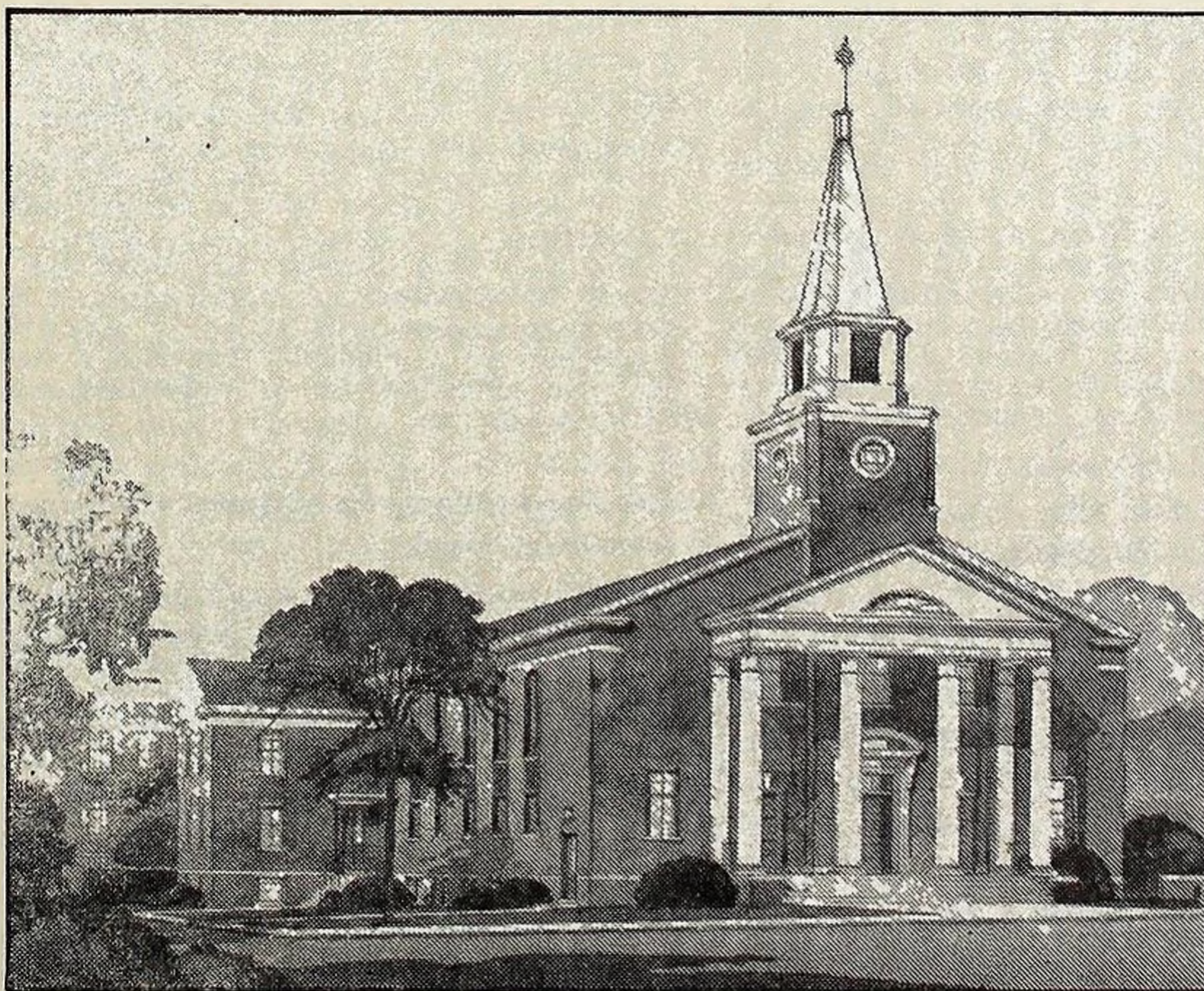
Love,

AUNT POLLY

GRACE CHURCH, NASHVILLE, DEDICATED NOVEMBER 18



LEONARD STIGLER



—Artist's Sketch

New air-conditioned, \$250,000 edifice of Grace church, Nashville, Dr. Leonard Stigler, pastor, dedicated November 18. This building has a total seating capacity in the auditorium of 1,100. There are ten adult Sunday school rooms on the ground floor with a modern kitchen. The church offices are in this new addition to Grace church's enlarged facilities.

***Southwide**

Foreign Missions	25%
Home Missions	7.3335%
Relief & Annuity Board	5.556 %
Southern Baptist Seminary	2.2225%
Southwestern Baptist Seminary	2.2225%
New Orleans Baptist Seminary	2.2225%
Golden Gate Seminary	1.1115%
Southeastern Baptist Seminary	1.1115%
W. M. U. Training School445 %
American Baptist Seminary Com- mission50 %
Southern Baptist Hospital445 %
Baptist Brotherhood555 %
Radio Commission	1.00 %
Baptist World Alliance275 %
50%	

*Distribution of first \$4,500,000 the next \$2,500,000 according to capital needs; and, all above \$7,000,000 to Foreign Missions, and Home Missions for 1952, with the Foreign Mission Board receiving 75% and the Home Mission Board receiving 25%.

Division of Funds in Excess of \$1,500,000

2. That all Cooperative funds in excess of \$1,500,000 be divided on a fifty-fifty basis between Statewide and Southwide causes, and that the State's half of such funds be divided in the following manner:

First \$10,000 per year to the Baptist Memorial Hospital. The remainder of funds in excess of \$1,500,000:	
Union University	5%
Belmont College	4%
Carson-Newman College	10%
Harrison-Chilhowee Academy	2%
Orphans' Home	8%
East Tennessee Hospital	4%
Mid State Hospital	3%
State Missions	14%
50%	

Protest Appointment of Vatican Envoy

3. RESOLUTION approved unanimously

Whereas, the President of the United States has appointed an ambassador to the Vatican at Rome, and, Whereas, this unprecedented action places our government in an official relationship with the Vatican which it bears to no other religious body on earth,

and, Whereas, this relationship clearly jeopardizes the cherished American tradition of separation of church and state,

therefore, Be it resolved by the Tennessee Baptist Convention, representing 2,564 churches with a combined membership of 629,781 members, that this Convention in annual session at Chattanooga, Tennessee this 14th day of November, 1951, vigorously protests the appointment of said ambassador or other representative as a direct violation of the principle of separation of church and state.

Be it further resolved that we pledge ourselves to use such legitimate and ethical means as we may possess to prevent the approval of this appointment by the United States Senate; that a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States and to Senators Kefauver and McKellar and the congressmen from Tennessee.

Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, Memphis, presented an amendment that Secretary Dr. C. W. Pope and the incoming president personally present these protests.

The convention accepted further amendments that personal commitments be sought from the Senators and Congressmen and also that we urge our people to personally make their own individual protests. Later the convention named James Windham, Maryville, to serve together with Dr. Pope and the incoming president of the convention on this committee.

Concerning Ward-Belmont

An attempt by Cumberland University Law School's Professor Bailey to have the convention set a special order of business

concerning Belmont College was overwhelmingly voted down. The convention then proceeded to hear from Dr. C. W. Pope the Executive Board's statement which was adopted, as follows: (No. 4)

In January 1951 the Board of Trustees of Ward-Belmont, Inc. offered that institution to Tennessee Baptists. At that time the school had assets variously estimated at from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000, and had an indebtedness of approximately \$650,000. This debt consisted of preferred stocks, bonds, and bank debts. Baptists have been unjustly criticised for "taking Ward-Belmont from her former owners." The truth is that Ward-Belmont trustees and the Ward-Belmont president took every initiative in approaching Tennessee Baptists, and no protest was made until Tennessee Baptists had bought up the stocks and bonds and had legally assumed the bank debts. Few people realize that the banks would no longer finance Ward-Belmont, and that the school could not have opened its doors for operation the following fall.

The acquisition of the Ward-Belmont property offered a solution of the State Headquarters building problem. For more than fifteen years Tennessee Baptists have been trying to provide a better location and building for State Headquarters. The building in which we have operated so long was not large enough to house all the departments, and some of them had to be operated in another building. The territory around our former headquarters had become infested with beer joints, liquor stores, and cheap rooming houses. Baptists had bought a good lot on Eighth Avenue on which to build, but an adequate building would have cost in excess of \$750,000.00. On the Ward-Belmont campus one large commodious four-story building offered ideal headquarters, with plenty of room for expansion in the future and ample parking facilities. This one building alone is worth all Baptists have invested in the entire Ward-Belmont project.

The Education Commission of the Tennessee Baptist Convention was directed to "study the Ward-Belmont situation with a view to making recommendation concerning the best use of the property for school purposes." A thorough study revealed that everything which Cumberland needed to become accredited could be had immediately on the Ward-Belmont campus. The study revealed that Cumberland had sufficient income from the Tennessee Baptist Convention and had sufficient endowment to meet the requirements of the Southern Association of Accredited Schools and Colleges. Cumberland's one great need was facilities and equipment. Ward-Belmont had excellent facilities and equipment. By moving Cumberland University's School of Arts and Sciences to Ward-Belmont, Cumberland would have been ready to apply for accreditation immediately. The Education Commission, therefore, recommended, and the Executive Board approved, moving the Cumberland University School of Arts and Sciences to Nashville, leaving the law School at Lebanon, and using all Cumberland University property at Lebanon to strengthen the Law School. Had this action been approved by the former trustees of Cumberland, Cumberland University's future would have been assured. But, when the former Board of Trustees of Cumberland University refused to approve this action to assure the accreditation of Cumberland University, there was no other alternative but to return the school to its former owners.

Convention Approves Actions of Executive Board

We, therefore, the Tennessee Baptist Convention approve the actions of the Executive Board in acquiring the property of Ward-Belmont College, in releasing Cumberland University to its former owners, and in the establishment of Belmont College on the Ward-Belmont campus.

Relative to Disposition of Receipts in the Cumberland Transfer

5. In its last session the Convention voted to lend Cumberland University \$85,000 with which to operate. Much of this amount was spent in operating expenses. In the transfer Baptists received in return a small amount of cash, some office equipment and fixtures, and considerable furniture. We recommend that the cash be applied to the Ward-Belmont, Inc. bank debt, that such office equipment and fixtures as are available and needed be used to equip the new State Headquarters offices, that such other furniture as can

be used for camp purposes be taken to the camps, and that any remaining equipment be sold and the proceeds applied to the debt, and that the note be written off the books.

To Retain the Corporation of Tennessee College

6. Since the attorney for the Tennessee Baptist Convention advises that for the protection of the Convention in legal and technical matters it will be wise to retain for a while the corporation of Tennessee College for Women; we recommend that in the interest of convenience the number of members of this Board be reduced to ten members, since five members is the minimum number specified in the charter.

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws

7. That Dr. L. S. Ewton, Dr. F. F. Brown, Dr. D. A. Ellis, Dr. A. F. Mahan, Dr. O. W. Taylor, Henry Huey, R. Paul Caudill, Roy Green, Guard Green, and Paul Kirkland, together with five others to be named by the Committee on Nominations, be elected by the Convention as a committee to study the Constitution and By-Laws of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, and to make such recommendations of changes or additions as may appear to be wise and advisable in the interest of the Convention. This Committee to make its report to the next session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Harrison-Chilhowee Campaign

8. That Harrison-Chilhowee Baptist Academy be authorized to continue its campaign to June 30, 1952.

Bernard Scates, Lawrenceburg, brought the report of the Camp Committee. Roy Babb and L. G. Frey spoke. J. R. Hamlin requested that the preachers schools, if possible, be at the colleges. Carl Daw offered the substitute motion, adopted as follows: "that the heads of Departments get together and work out the suitable schedule, including time and place, for the Summer Preachers' Schools." The report as a whole was then adopted.

Albert McClellan, Nashville, was recognized by the chair.

J. G. Hughes, Leonard Stigler and Robert Orr were named by W. A. Boston, president of the Pastors Conference as the program committee for that body for next year's session.

The convention elected as its officers Henry J. Huey, Milan, president; J. Burch Cooper, Maryville, first vice-president; Roy Hinchey, Nashville, second vice-president; L. G. Frey, Nashville, recording secretary; Fred Noe, Nashville, statistical secretary; and C. W. Pope, Nashville, secretary-treasurer.

Coming to the Worship Hour "We're Marching To Zion" was heartily sung by the congregation led by Mr. Alton Harvey. Genter Stephens, Nashville, sang "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go." Dr. Robert G. Lee preached on "Our People as Baptist People Working Together" with impassioned appeal for every member to live, to love, to fight, to suffer as if the whole cause of Christ depended on him. He portrayed *The Baptist Body* and what it can do empowered by the Spirit. "The greatest inspiration for us as a Baptist Body is the Body of Jesus. Look at His Body and yours, and then remember that the life of Jesus is to be made manifest in your mortal body." It was a peerless hour.

Executive Board Reports Progress

The Executive Board report presented Wednesday morning by Dr. Henry J. Huey of Milan dwelt upon the progress registered during the past year and during the past ten years with the contrasting figures which we present below.

	1941	1951	Gain
Number Tennessee Baptist churches	2,338	2,564	226
Number baptisms	17,134	32,209	15,075
Number church members	424,047	629,781	205,734
Gifts through Cooperative Program	\$308,976.87	\$1,641,321.47	\$1,332,344.60
Designated Gifts	198,261.29	362,929.58	164,668.29
Total Gifts	\$507,238.16	\$2,004,251.05	\$1,497,012.89

Although the past decade has been one of almost constant war, strife, bloodshed and world-wide confusion, the blessings of God have been upon Tennessee Baptists as indicated by their growth and progress during that period.

In the report from which we quote the following it was pointed out that Cooperative Program gifts exceeded those of any previous year and that during 1951 they passed the million-and-a-half mark and that Tennessee Baptists stand second in such gifts being exceeded only by Texas. The report states:

"Gratitude to God and humility before

Him should fill the hearts of Tennessee Baptists as they gather in Convention session. God has led our churches and our denomination in a successful year of Kingdom work. Many of our achievements are the highest in the history of our Convention. Practically every department of our Convention program shows substantial progress and increase over the preceding year. 'This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes' (Matthew 21:42). Only the leadership of a Mighty God and the fellowship of a great people could have effected the accomplishments of the past year by Tennessee Baptists."

Fourth Session Wednesday Afternoon

Opening this session the Carson-Newman Choir, directed by W. P. Converse beautifully rendered three numbers: "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes"—Lawrence Erb, "Lost in the Night"—Christiansen and Robert Shaw's "Set Down Servant."

Scripture was read by C. D. Tabor, Shelbyville, followed by prayer led by M. W. Little, Benton.

Ralph Norton, Chattanooga, presented the report of the Baptist Student Union and was followed by Secretary Rogers Smith's discussion of the work of his department. "Our concern is that we shall minister to every Baptist student in the state." David Cook, state president of the BSU, chemical engineering student at the University of Tennessee, said "God is real to me," was the meaning of BSU to him.

The Chair recognized the newly elected convention officers: Henry Huey, Milan, president; J. Burch Cooper, Maryville, and Roy Hinchey, the vice-presidents; Fred Noe, statistical secretary; L. G. Frey, recording secretary and Dr. C. W. Pope, treasurer. Each of these brethren, as called upon by President Stephens, responded fittingly.

Genter L. Stephens, Nashville, on behalf of his committee submitted the Music Committee report carrying a recommendation that the State Education Commission together with the presidents of our three colleges study the possibility of giving special consideration to young men and women who have felt the call to become full-time ministers of music and have been given approval by their home churches. "When Baptists quit singing they will have lost their fervor," cautioned Mr. Stephens.

A. E. Cate, Jefferson City, assisted by James Furman, Nashville, presented the report on Temperance, Social Service and United Dry Forces, underscoring the imperative need for a vigorous educational program to deal with the problems of drinking and gambling.

George Williams reported on *The Braille Evangel* which provides Christian literature for some 6,000 blind readers. Chaplain Halsell was heard on the Challenge of the Chaplaincy, stating "We need 105 chaplains immediately."

The report of the Radio Commission was submitted by Robert Palmer, Murfreesboro, who was followed by Charles Wellborn who addressed the body concerning the ministry of the Baptist Hour.

Fred Kendall, Jackson, presented the report for the Education Commission and was followed by James Windham, Maryville, speaking with reference to the Harrison-Chilhowee Academy campaign. "We must have a Christian approach to life and to truth in the realm of knowledge," stated Dr. Kendall. "It's a shame we have to spend so much time trying to 'sell our people' on our Christian schools," he asserted. A large body of ministerial students present from Harrison-Chilhowee Academy were given recognition and asked to stand. A total to date of \$131,967.92 was reported for the academy's campaign with expenses being \$12,331.06. So far only 300 churches have reported on this campaign according to Mr. Windham.

Congregational singing was led by Mr. Harvey, "Onward Christian Soldiers" being sung. The presidents of our Tennessee Baptist schools were recognized and Vice-president J. E. Ledbetter in the chair presented

Dr. Cornell Goerner, Louisville, Ky., who closed the afternoon session in an appeal on behalf of all our seminaries recognizing Dr. J. Wash Watts from New Orleans and Dr. Charles Trentham of Ft. Worth, Texas, who were on hand from our Baptist seminaries located in those cities.

"The highest morale I've observed in the world is in Formosa where Free China has concentrated her leadership," said Dr. Goerner. "We need to take a lesson from Chiang Kai-Shek; he's going to be vindicated one of these days." We are going to have to learn that a war emergency is not enough to cut off our educational processes. We must be everlastingly in this business of teaching and training. Give your support to these Christian colleges and seminaries."

Fifth Session Wednesday Night

After the congregation had sung "Glory To His Name" the a Capella Choir of Union University brought three numbers. J. V. Brown, Cornersville, read from Romans 10 and prayer was offered by R. C. Hudlow of White Pine.

D. W. Black of Kingsport brought the Brotherhood Report. E. N. Delzell, secretary, presented Troy Young of Jackson, state president, Loran Baker, East Tennessee vice-president and Miss Bernice Brown, office secretary, he introduced T. Robert Acklen, West Tennessee vice-president who spoke to the Brotherhood report, emphasizing the need for more men concerned for the work of our churches. A large number of laymen stood at the call of President Stephens. Herbert C. Gabhart, Memphis, led in prayer. There are 288 Brotherhoods in our state with 10,000 men in them.

The Sunday School Report was brought by Eugene Roberts, Nashville. There are 412,796 enrolled in our Tennessee Baptist Sunday Schools. During the year 1,665 Vacation Bible Schools were held. Secretary Jesse Daniel spoke to the report, "We have everything to build great Sunday schools: The Bible, the people, tried plans." He introduced Misses Oleta Meek and Clarice Wells expressing appreciation for the cooperation which made possible a great year of Sunday school work.

D. M. Renick, Memphis, gave the report on Training Union and introduced Secretary Charles L. Norton who presented Misses Roxie Jacobs and Mary Anderson and others sharing in the work. Interesting features of the report were pointed out and the picture, "Training Union Is a Family Affair" was shown by A. M. Sutherland.

President Stephens introduced Executive Secretary Porter Routh, of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention who spoke briefly announcing that receipts just arriving from Missouri had brought the total for the year above \$7,200,000.

"Evangelism" was the topic of the message brought by Dr. James Middleton, pastor of First church, Atlanta, Georgia, in-

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Congratulations—Mr. Longshore

Ralph E. Longshore, of Alabama, succeeds J. P. Edmunds as Secretary of Co-operative Field Promotion through Associations in the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Mr. Longshore is twenty-eight years old, is a graduate of Howard College, and has had eleven years' experience as pastor. He comes to the Board from the Sunday School Department of the State Mission Board of Alabama.

Mr. Longshore has been successful in his work and has the commendation of Baptist leaders in Alabama. He makes a good appearance, and will give freely of his energy and talents to his new work.

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Vacation Bible School Report

Up to date in our office, 1725 Vacation Bible school reports have been reported. Please check up and see that your report is in. Begin now to make plans for a *bigger, better, and longer* school for 1952.

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Our Training Record for 1950-1951

Knox County association leads in Tennessee in the total number of awards. They have a total of 3,414. *Hamilton* association takes second place with 2,341 awards. *Shelby County* association comes in third

with 1,880 awards. *What association will be in the lead at the close of 1951-52?*

Broadway Church, Knoxville, is the leading church in total number of awards in Tennessee. Her record is 525 awards. Congratulations to *Broadway, Knoxville!* *What church will be in the lead at the close of 1951-52?*

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Standard Units

The total number of Standard units in Tennessee for 1950-51 was 207. This is a good record, but we can do better. *Look at this.* Tennessee takes *ninth* place in the number of Standard units for last year. Florida leads with 1020 units; Georgia—576 units; Texas—455 units; Oklahoma—463 units; Mississippi—346 units; Alabama—342 units; Kentucky—307 units; Louisiana—230 units. Honestly now, do you know any good reason why any of these states should do a better job than Tennessee in attaining these Standards? Come now, let's let them "eat some of our dust!" Get your application for Standard in as soon as possible.

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State Mission Offering

The churches over the state are responding in a wonderful way in sending in the State Mission offering received through the Sunday school. It is not too late for you to send your offering in. Every church is urged to have a part in this worthy cause.

South Harriman Provides Additional Sunday School Rooms

A total of \$3,000 was contributed during a single service on October 14, toward South Harriman church's new Sunday school addition, \$1,735.00 was in cash, the remainder in pledges. Work on the new addition which will provide eight Sunday school rooms is already underway.

The Sunday school has an enrollment of 531 and an average attendance of 300. During the past two years the enrollment has doubled, with over 300 additions to the church. Ten young people have surrendered to full-time Christian service, six of these are preparing for the ministry and four for foreign mission service. J. L. Stafford is pastor.

Pastor W. Rhody, a native Tennessean, and First church, Boynton Beach, Fla., enjoyed the services of J. L. Stafford, pastor of South Harriman church, Harriman, October 15-25. There were 23 professions of faith, 22 of these coming into the church for baptism, 6 joined the church by letter and 4 rededicated their lives.

YOUR STATE . . . AND MINE

by AGNES GIBBS FORD

More than 9,500,000 acres, or about half the farm acreage in Tennessee, is included in the TVA project.

In 1889, Major W. J. Webster of Columbia made the first official test in the United States of the butterfat content of milk.

Since 1865 Tennessee has been famous for pure-bred Jersey cows which are shipped to all parts of North America.

At Nashville, in 1892, the United Daughters of the Confederacy was organized by widows, wives, mothers, and sisters of those who had served in the Confederate army or navy.

In 1933, the Tennessee Valley Authority was created by Congress to aid flood control, conserve land resources, and generate electric power. Most of the dams in the systems are located in Tennessee, Norris Dam (completed in 1936) being the most important.

Among Tennessee's famous military leaders was General Forrest, a dashing cavalry officer whose motto was to get there "fustest with the mostest."

Between 1861 and 1865, many battles were fought in Tennessee, including Shiloh and Murfreesboro (1862); Chickamauga, and Lookout Mountain (1863); and Nashville (1864).

In 1784, when the North Carolina legislature offered what is now Tennessee to the United States without the consent of the settlers, the pioneers set up the separate state of Franklin with John Sevier as governor and Greeneville as capital.

TO THE MOCKING BIRD

Saucy minstrel fellow
With wings of gray and white
Mocking songs of other birds
All day and oft at night:
Your repertoire has summoned
Muse and celebrity.
No wonder you were chosen
State bird of Tennessee!

—Frances K. Andrews

(Used by permission)

The total members at present is 179. This year there have been 66 baptisms and 6 waiting. A Missionary Society and Brotherhood have been organized. Gifts for the year amounted to \$11,219.23 and the church property now stands at about \$22,500. Charles Garrett and Donald Sadler have been licensed to preach and 10 other young people have dedicated their lives to full-time Christian service.

Pastor A. D. Nichols and Temple church, Old Hickory, recently experienced a great revival in which L. G. Frey, Nashville, did the preaching. There were 9 for baptism and 1 by letter and 6 rededications. The following Sunday 2 others came by letter and 1 upon a profession of faith.

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During the week of October 29 through November 2 the second week of our Regional Planning Meetings was held. It was pleasing to note the fine spirit and enthusiasm as each association presented goals for the year 1951-52. We list below the goals:

North Central Region

Association	Stan. Unions	Stan. Tr. Unions	New Tr. Unions	Awards	Churches Reached With Study Course
Concord	5	1	2	500	15
New Salem	3	2	3	150	7
Riverside	1	1	1	100	2
Salem	2	1	3	300	14
Stone	2	1	1	200	6
Union	3	2	2	250	14
Wilson	10	5	3	700	21

Southeastern Region

Association	Stan. Unions	Stan. Tr. Unions	New Tr. Unions	Awards	Churches Reached With Study Course
Bradley	20	5	5	1,800	35
Hamilton	100	5	3	5,000	75
Hiwassee	1	1	1	50	2
McMinn	30	5	5	1,500	25
Polk	5	1	3	300	25
Sequatchie	2	1	5	300	12
Sweetwater	5	2	5	800	20
Tennessee Valley	5	2	3	350	20

Northeastern Region

Association	Stan. Unions	Stan. Tr. Unions	New Tr. Unions	Awards	Churches Reached With Study Course
East Tennessee	15	1	15	300	8
Grainger	10	2	3	700	30
Holston	50	10	9	2,000	70
Holston Valley	4	1	8	600	21
Jefferson	12	2	3	1,000	20
Mulberry Gap	1	1	1	100	5
Nolachucky	3	1	6	800	25
Watauga	50	12	8	1,800	50

Eastern Region

Association	Stan. Unions	Stan. Tr. Unions	New Tr. Unions	Awards	Churches Reached With Study Course
Big Emory	30	5	4	1,000	25
Campbell	5	1	8	500	15
Chilhowee	50	10	5	2,500	50
Clinton	5	2	2	1,500	30
Cumberland Gap	1	1	4	250	15
Knox	100	15	10	7,500	100
Midland	5	1	2	500	10
New River	6	1	2	150	5
Northern	1	1	1	50	2
Providence	10	2	5	500	15
Sevier	5	2	5	700	25
West Union	1	1	4	100	5



LAUGHS

From
Here and There

Hubby, after an airplane trip: "As I contemplated the wonders of nature from high in the sky, I realized how insignificant man is."

Wife: "Humph! A woman can see that without going up in a plane."

On the ceiling above the wrestling mats in Doremus gymnasium at Washington and Lee University is a sign which reads: "When you can read this, you're in trouble."

Two modern youngsters were discussing the subject of piggy banks.

"I think it's childish to save money that way," little Mary opined.

"I do, too," Annie replied. "And I believe also that it encourages children to become misers."

"And that's not the worst of it," Mary exclaimed. "It turns parents into bank robbers."

His relatives telephoned to the nearest florists. The ribbon must be extra wide, with "Rest in Peace" on both sides, and if there is room, "We Shall Meet in Heaven."

The florist was away, and his new assistant handled the job. There was a sensation when the flowers turned up at the funeral. The ribbon was extra wide indeed, and on it was the inscription:

"Rest in peace on both sides, and if there is room, we shall meet in heaven."

"I can't marry him, mother; he's an atheist—doesn't believe there is a hell."

"Marry him, dear, and between us we'll convince him he's wrong."

A well-known French professor came to teach in an American university. When he plugged in the portable radio he had brought with him, his little girl, Charmaine, listened with amazement.

"Father," she cried, "listen how quickly the radio has learned to speak English."

Husband: "Well, my dear, I have carried you safely over all the rough places of life, haven't I?"

Wife: "Yes, and I don't think you have missed any of them."

A youngster whose love of history was not too intense expressed his opinion in no uncertain terms on the inside cover of a United States history book. Here is what he wrote:

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roduced by Program Committee chairman Slater Murphy. "This may be the golden era when the tide will turn and a great revival will sweep over America" said Dr. Middleton, setting forth as necessary to this that we "give our selves to the simple task of walking together with Christ. Never let liberty become license among Baptists . . . Before we go much farther with God we've got to come back and go deeper with God . . . and advance of heart and life demands a militant conquest by the followers of Christ . . . This world's last hope is in Jesus Christ our Lord," the Atlanta pastor declared.

Final Session Thursday Morning

With a song service led by Alton E. Harvey the sixth session opened at nine o'clock while a misty rain was falling on Chattanooga. Herbert C. Gabhart, Memphis, read Phil. 2:5-11 and led in prayer. "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Shall I Crucify My Lord?" were sung by a quartet from Union University composed of Bill Fowler, Hurley Thompson, James Cotten and Hugh Burford.

W. C. Summar, Oak Ridge, presented the Orphans' Home Report which was spoken to by W. C. Creasman, superintendent, who said, "We are able to care for our orphan children—we can do all things through Christ." He said the expanded program requires larger support and that the Orphans' Home was counting upon Tennessee Baptists for a Thanksgiving offering.

Homer Cate, Shelbyville, presented the Hospital Commission's Report and introduced hospital chaplains Loman, Bell and Wyatt. Administrator Frank Groner of Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, said "Last spring we graduated the second largest class of nurses in the United States and all were Christians. We are trying to help our churches and to carry on an aggressive mission campaign by our charity work." This charity work amounted to \$228,281.13 last year, an average of 72 beds per day filled with charity patients at our Memphis hospital. Chaplain Wyatt representing Administrator Prather of East Tennessee Baptist Hospital stated, "We are operating on the black side of the ledger." Administrator Robert M. Murphy of Mid-State Baptist Hospital announced, "We've had a year far beyond our expectations with 105% occupancy. With completion of our addition

we will be the largest private hospital in Nashville."

The Relief and Annuity Report was submitted by Roy W. Babb, Winchester, and commented on by Miss Beatrice Moore, secretary of the Retirement Department, who said, "I wish all our preachers, the younger ones especially, would see the benefit of joining the retirement plan. Let's make it 100% in Tennessee." Walter Warmath, Knoxville, a Tennessee member of the Relief and Annuity Board of Dallas, Texas, also spoke.

Secretary L. G. Frey announced that up to this time 778 messengers had enrolled at this Convention. The number of visitors had not been determined.

J. E. Sharp, Bells, led the Memorial Service in fitting tribute to those "well known" and those who have "lived in quiet grandeur in some remote place" who have laid aside all that is mortal and now have "put on immortality."

Good men and women raise our conception of God, and they restore a sense of man's dignity and destiny. By their idealism they light up a way for our thoughts; by their consecration they challenge us to a high cause; by their faith and fidelity they



inspire us for difficult times. We are richer for all who have lived and loved and labored and died "in faith."

"God be thanked for our departed:
And God make us, too, brave-hearted."

Following the prayer by Alvin Hopson, Lebanon, "When I Come to the End of the Road" was sung by George Starke of Chattanooga. E. C. Sisk, Lebanon, moved that C. D. Martin of beloved memory, formerly associational missionary of Chilhowee association be memorialized in the book of reports.

Frederick Loman, Memphis, read the Displaced Persons Committee Report asking for cooperation in the program which is to be continued during the coming year.

Fred Tarpley, Knoxville, brought the report of the Committee on Committees which was adopted by the Convention setting forth the personnel of the committees to function during the coming year. We will give this report in full later.

Robert Orr, Dyersburg, chairman of the hard-working Committee on Nominations, together with E. L. Williams, Fred Kendall and James Brewer of that committee submitted their report carrying time, place and preacher for the next convention and all

NEXT TENNESSEE BAPTIST CONVENTION

TIME: November 11-12-13
—1952

PLACE: Memphis—Highland Heights Church

PREACHER: Gaye L. McGlothlen, Nashville

ALTERNATE: Burch Cooper
Maryville

board, trustee, commission personnel of the convention's institutions, agencies and commissions. This report was approved by the body. We give it in full later. This committee named James Windham, Maryville, to serve together with Dr. C. W. Pope and Dr. Henry Huey on the Committee from the Tennessee Baptist Convention to deliver the Resolutions of Protest Against Any Vatican Embassy. The five men completing the personnel of the Committee to study the Tennessee Baptist State Convention Constitution and make recommendations were named as: M. W. Egerton, Knoxville; Homer Waldrop, Jackson; W. R. Rigell, Johnson City; Andrew Tanner, Nashville and Charles Bond, Fountain City. M. W. Egerton was named by action of the convention as chairman of the committee.

The convention stood to its feet in acceptance of the Resolutions Committee Report by James Gregg, Nashville, carrying its vote of thanks to the host church and pastor Giers, to the officers of the convention, to those providing the music for the sessions and to the press for its coverage, and "to all who have helped in making possible the inspiring sessions of this convention."

"No One Ever Cared for Me Like Jesus" was sung by Wayne Maddox, Chattanooga, with Miss Evelyn Gibbs accompanist. Joe Burton, Nashville, editor of *Home Life* said, "If we do not achieve stability in the home our civilization cannot stand." He brought the final address of the convention affirming, "Whatever the problem of our homes, Christ is the answer."

With retiring and incoming officers on the platform the outgoing president Harold Stephens committed the convention's two gavels to newly installed president Henry J. Huey who said, "This has been a great convention . . . every session has been a high hour . . . Be in prayer for this coming year that it may be eventful with glorious reports to be brought next year." He called for A. F. Mahan, Fountain City, to come to the front and give the convention's benediction at 12:10 P.M.

So closed a good gathering of the Lord's people. It was as President Stephens had remarked, "A Baptist convention, a good convention where messengers had courage to ask questions and those making reports had the courage to answer those questions."

Christians Are Privileged to Witness

The unity of the early believers in heart and soul was manifested in their care for one another. Voluntary sharing and bearing of one another's burdens is a manifestation of the Christ life. "And with great power gave the apostles their *witness* of the *resurrection* of the Lord Jesus; and great grace was upon them all." (Acts 4:33)

When the apostles were imprisoned the second time, they were released by the power of God. In obedience to the will of God they went to the temple and began to preach. Being brought before the high priest and reminded that they were told never to preach or teach again in the name of Jesus their answer was "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers *raised up* Jesus, whom ye slew hanging him on a tree. Him did God exalt at his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour to give repentance to Israel and remission of sins. And we are *witnesses* of these things and so is the Holy Spirit whom God hath given to them that obey him." (Acts 5:29-32)

Each sermon recorded for us in the book of Acts is witness bearing to the resurrection of Christ.

The preacher who does not know the risen, victorious Christ has no message to preach. The preacher who knows the risen, glorified Lord in his own life and faithfully witnesses to him in the pulpit, on the street and in the home will be used mightily by the Lord.

Preaching is not a recital of events, a mere statement of historical facts, it is the proclamation of eternal truth, the truth of God revealed in the crucified, buried and risen Lord and known in the experience of regeneration.

The preacher has no secret source of knowledge and power. The heart of his message and the source of his power is known to every child of God. The risen, glorified Christ is our message and our power. (Eph. 3:16-17)

Each of us, all of us, every child of God has the glorious God-given privilege of bearing witness to the risen, glorified Christ.

Our generation can be turned to God even as the first century world turned to God if we will be true witnesses of the living Lord.

He is the way, he is the truth, he is the life. "We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be ye reconciled to God."

Farmer Paschal, Ripley, was with his brother at Williamson, W. Va., recently and led the singing for a revival in which his brother did the preaching. Farmer has been a County Agent for 23 years, but finds time to serve as deacon, teacher of the Men's Class, and as a member of the music committee of First church, Ripley, Chesley L. Bowden, pastor.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1951

Do You Have Friends in The Northwest?

DEAR BRETHREN OF TENNESSEE:

Greetings from the northwest and from the city of Seattle. In case you are not yet aware of it, Southern Baptists have churches in Seattle and throughout the northwest. These churches are mostly small and young, but they have a marvelous opportunity.

Our biggest challenge is the evangelism of the unsaved people (which is about 70 or 80% of the population, and Seattle alone has about a half million people). However, we face another challenge which needs to be dealt with namely, the enlistment of Southern Baptist people who have moved here—some of whom may be friends of yours. Many of these people are "lost in the crowd" going to no church. Others are being lost to other denominations because they are ignorant of our churches here (a tragic loss which we are trying to correct). In our present weakness we especially need these people, and surely they need our churches, too.

Now, what has this to do with you who are thousands of miles from us? Just this: every one of you can be a definite help to us in one or more ways:

First, send us the names of your friends who have moved here, especially members of your churches whom we need to locate.

Second, if you ever come our way your-

self you'll know to look us up. If you ever vacation here you must visit us and get a glimpse of one of America's greatest mission fields.

Third, pray for us. We need your encouragement and a sense of oneness with you in the task of evangelism.


Your response will be gratifying. Help us!

Sincerely,

George C. Irvin, pastor
First Southern Baptist Church, Seattle

Theodore F. Boushy recently received the Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Oklahoma and is professor of history at Wayland College, Plainview, Texas. When your reporter came to West Tennessee six years ago, Brother Boushy was a resident of Parsons and was very active in the work of Beech River association. He is a graduate of Southern Seminary.—by E. E. Deusner

The Second Baptist church of Lexington worshipped with the First church on the night of November 4 and Pastor Earl Owen of the Second church brought the message. Following the service he administered the Ordinance of Baptism. The building was crowded for the occasion and a fine spirit prevailed.



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We have tried so hard to send all the materials to the right leaders, but we have failed. We corrected our files by the reports, but we find too many treasurers failed to place the names of the new officers on the blanks. We have gone over nearly 5000 cards and checked on the officers. It has taken so much time because lists have been sent to us late and they are not the same as reported by the treasurer. We have honestly tried. If your material was sent to the leader of last year, get it from her and see that the treasurer sends the right name and correct address of each counselor on the next quarter's report blank. In some cases a complete list was sent, but the name of the church was omitted. Often we had to guess at the name because it was not written legibly. Incorrect addresses have cost us many dollars, for the package is returned to us, and we must pay again! Then, we try to send it to some one else so that the organization may have the literature they need.

As rapidly as possible the Christmas Week of Prayer literature is being sent to you. The change of year and moving our offices have caused us delay.

If your record of Mrs. Martin's message was broken, write us and we will replace it.

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If you are planning to teach any of the books in the South American series, we have helps which are available for the asking. Write us at Belcourt at 16th Ave., South, Nashville.

One Day Is Not Enough

by MABEL CRABTREE
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Many of our societies in Brazil are observing the Day of Prayer each December. We customarily have a map of the world before us and follow a program presenting the principal requests from the various countries, praying for each individual request. In many churches there is only one program at night. In many others, in the cities, there is a meeting in the afternoon for the women and girls, then another at night when the whole church is invited. Sometimes there is a sunrise service that many of the girls can attend before going to their work in the factories or in offices downtown.

We print about 3,000 of our programs for the Day of Prayer, and try to get two or three of them to each of the more or less 1,000 churches in Brazil. Many of them get lost or arrive too late. Many of them

we never hear from. But at least we keep the matter before them and most of the societies consider the Day of Prayer a big day on their calendar.

In our National annual meeting we voted to begin observing the whole Week of prayer, the first week in December. Not all the churches, of course, can well do that. It will depend a lot on whether it is city or country, whether the women work outside the home, or at home, etc., but we do want to use the whole week. One day is not enough to present in an adequate manner the conditions and the needs around the world.

Truck Given Missionaries Returning to Africa



Rev. and Mrs. Archie Dunaway left October 31, for New Orleans, port of embarkation for their return to Nigeria, Africa, to begin their second term of service. During their first three years in Nigeria their work was of a pioneer nature, working among natives where no missionaries had served before. Brother Dunaway is a preacher and a teacher. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and Southern Seminary, Louisville. Mrs. Dunaway is a nurse, operating a clinic. During her recent furlough she completed a special course in obstetrics and child care. She is a graduate of Tennessee College, Murfreesboro, Georgia Baptist Hospital School of Nursing and the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville. Their daughter, Mary Margaret, 3, was born in Africa.

Inglewood church, Nashville, of which

the Dunaways are members, contribute largely to their support through the Cooperative Program. The Mission Truck shown in the picture was given to them by Inglewood church and First church, Murfreesboro, of which Mrs. F. E. Cantrell, shown in the picture, was a representative on this occasion. Mr. E. A. Yates, also seen in the picture, delivered the truck from the Yates Motor Company and made a liberal contribution on it. He is a member of the Inglewood church. The W. M. U. of Nashville association gave a sterilizer and a washing machine for the clinic, and interested friends from all over the state contributed many other useful articles including thousands of pounds of bandages.

Left to right: Archie Dunaway, Mrs. Dunaway, Mary Margaret Dunaway, Mrs. F. E. Cantrell, J. Harold Stephens and E. A. Yates.

J. P. Edmunds Briefs

Baptist Highlights

... "In a wise political move," says Duke McCall, "President Truman has moved the battle from his desk to that of the Senators, who must confirm the appointment of the ambassador to the Vatican. Let us make certain that . . . every senator as well as the President is made aware that our convictions will be expressed, if necessary, at the polls in the forthcoming election."

... Bron Clifford, evangelist, and pastor of the San Jacinto Church, Amarillo, died November 4 after an illness of several months.

... Two other Baptist leaders received their final promotion—Julian Atwood, Texas evangelist, and former president of the New Mexico Baptist Convention, died while preaching in a revival in Anna, Illinois. J. R. Grant, Arkansas educator, and former president of Ouachita College and Arkansas Tech died in Little Rock.

... First Church, Oklahoma City, pledged \$376,478.03 last Sunday on a \$375,000 budget. H. H. Hobbs is the pastor.

... L. L. Gwaltney, 31 years editor of the *Alabama Baptist*, and now editor emeritus, was honored at the Alabama State Convention on November 13. Subscriptions grew from 3,000 to 45,000 under his editorship.

... The Kathleen Mallory Good Will Center, in honor of the former executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, has been opened in Baltimore by the Home Mission Board at a cost of \$125,000.

... The Oregon-Washington Convention elected Rev. E. R. Jacks of Longview, Washington, as president.

... Chaplain (Major) Alexander J. Turner, a native of Florida, has been given a ten-month assignment to complete his study in the "Program of Religious Education for the United States Army," at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

... Co-operative Program receipts are expected to pass the \$7,200,000 current and capital needs budget some time in November, according to Porter Routh. All receipts beyond that figure will go to the Foreign Missions Advance Program.

... S. Arthur Eppley, Baltimore, dentist, has been re-elected president of the Maryland Baptist Union Association.

... D. Swan Haworth, for 12 years pastor of the First Church, Vicksburg, Mississippi, has accepted the call of the First Church, Lumberton, North Carolina.

In the Field of Religion

... More than 1,800 laymen met in Nashville, Tennessee, in the third of four regional laymen conventions being promoted by the Southern Presbyterian Church. Other meeting places are Greensboro, North Carolina, Jacksonville, Florida, and Dallas, Texas. The program was termed "the most

dynamic orientation plans ever conceived by a church."

... Judge Rives of Greensboro, North Carolina, pending pronouncement of his verdict, has ordered members of two families who have been conducting a long-standing feud to attend for three weeks the Billy Graham revival, now in progress in that city.

... 200 preachers representing 40 denominations have undertaken to conduct week-long missions at 90 army camps and 30 Naval bases.

Facts of Interest

... The 1950 census reveals a definite trend of Negro population away from the South to industrial areas. In the South the Negro population gained a one-half per cent from 1940-1950, while in the industrial states the gain was nearly 55 per cent.

... During the past five summers 1,472,208 meals were served at the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, according to Willard Weeks, manager.

... Americans are giving a thousand times as much money for war purposes as for missions, and at our present rate of giving, the annual interest on our debt is equal to all contributions to foreign missions for 100 years.

... The population living on farms in the United States dropped about one million between April 1950 and April 1951.

... Television manufacturers have agreed to shelve color T. V. production for the duration.

... Reminiscent of Noah's day, 600 Moroccan Jews have landed in Israel with 3600 chickens, 150 goats, 350 turkeys, ducks and geese, and numerous dogs, prepared to start life anew in the Promised Land.

Presbyterian Moderator Sees Christian Revival

PHILADELPHIA — (RNS) — A "grass roots" revival of the Christian spirit is rising as a challenge to Communism and "our own materialism," a rally of Presbyterians was told here.

Dr. Harrison Ray Anderson of Chicago, moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., said that a recent 25,000-mile tour of the West had shown him an upsurge in "sound religious interests among youth" that seemed "like music in the air."

"The Christian spirit is rising to the challenge of our own materialism and Russian Communism," he said. "It makes the kind of music our forefathers heard as they marched 'against tyranny. There is new respect for the word of God and . . . the Church is no longer being regarded on the same level as a Rotary club."

Report Czech Police Hunt Bible Distributors

MUNICH—(RNS)—A police hunt is reported to be on in Communist Czechoslovakia for persons accused of distributing property owned by the Czechoslovak Bible Society which was dissolved recently under a new law aimed against all "non-progressive" groups.

(The term "property" in this dispatch presumably refers to Bibles.)

According to a Radio Free Europe report, the search is being conducted especially in Prague, Brno and Bratislava, the capitals of Bohemia, Moravia, and Slovakia, respectively.

When the Bible Society was liquidated, its depots were believed to be stocked with thousands of Scripture copies. These were confiscated by the government and were expected to be destroyed.

A major reason for the police drive, the report indicated, was that Bible Society representatives allegedly were spreading reports that the Prague regime would fall by next February at the latest.

College Abandons Compulsory Services After Catholic Protest

DURHAM, N. C.—(RNS)—Following protests by Roman Catholic leaders, North Carolina College here, state school for Negroes, has discontinued a policy of compulsory attendance at Sunday evening vesper services.

Dr. Alfonso Elder, president of the college, announced that Sunday morning religious services, at which attendance is optional, have been substituted for the vesper services.

Southern Baptist Opens Hong Kong Revival

HONG KONG—(RNS)—Dr. M. Ray McKay, Little Rock, Ark., vice-president of Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, opened a seven-day revival at Kowloon City Baptist church here. He was accompanied by an interpreter who translated his talks into Cantonese.

Dr. McKay came here from Japan where he conducted a two-month preaching mission in company with six other Southern Baptist pastors from the United States. He reported that several thousand persons were converted at the Japanese meetings.

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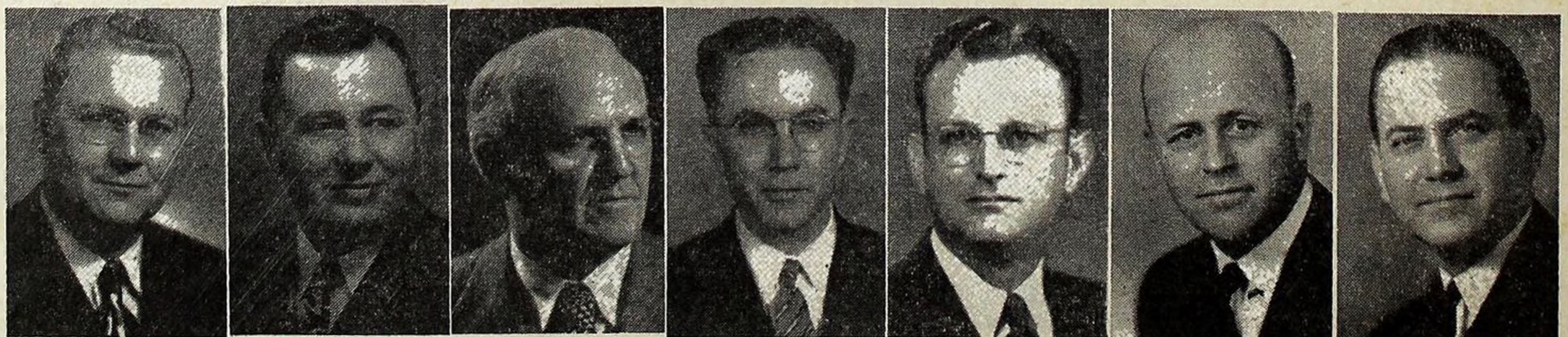
Goal: 1,500 preachers, singers, evangelists, missionaries, Associational Chairman of Evangelism, Organizers of Evangelism, and other laymen.

“ . . . We are journeying unto the place of which the Lord said, I will give it you: come thou with us, and we will do thee good: for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel.” Numbers 10:29b

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