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Nashville—Coming from new Library Building at American Baptist Theological Seminary are President R. W. Riley, L. S. Sedberry, Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Commission on the Seminary, Rev. W. L. Varnado, Memphis, Chairman of Trustees, and Victor Glass, Dean. Recently built by gifts from the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists, this library, with capacity of 50,000 volumes and space to accomodate 300 students, will be equipped by the National Baptist Convention. Rev. George C. Monroe, a graduate of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, is acting librarian.

Concerning the Convention

The Convention in Knoxville showed The new annual goal of 50,000 baptisms has readiness to accept the challenge for larger tasks in Tennessee. The suggested goal of \$4,000,000 in Cooperative Program receipts by 1961, presented to the Convention by Executive Secretary C. W. Pope, was adopted. This will call for a steady annual increase of a quarter of a million dollars above this year's receipts from the Cooperative Program. Next year's goal, therefore, would be \$2,250,000. In addition to the above, the Convention authorized a new campaign to benefit all four Tennessee Baptist schools, for "not more than two and one half million dollars."

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This general Christian education campaign is expected to be undertaken and actively promoted in the securing of pledges as soon as the necessary details can be agreed upon and worked out by a committee composed of the heads of the four schools together with the Executive Secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation, Dr. Norris Gilliam, and the Executive Secretary of the Executive Board, Dr. C. W. Pope. The active drive is expected to be finished by the end of 1954, though pledges for this campaign will run beyond.

The Convention also set an increase in its goal in soul-winning above the estimated 30,000 baptisms during the current year.



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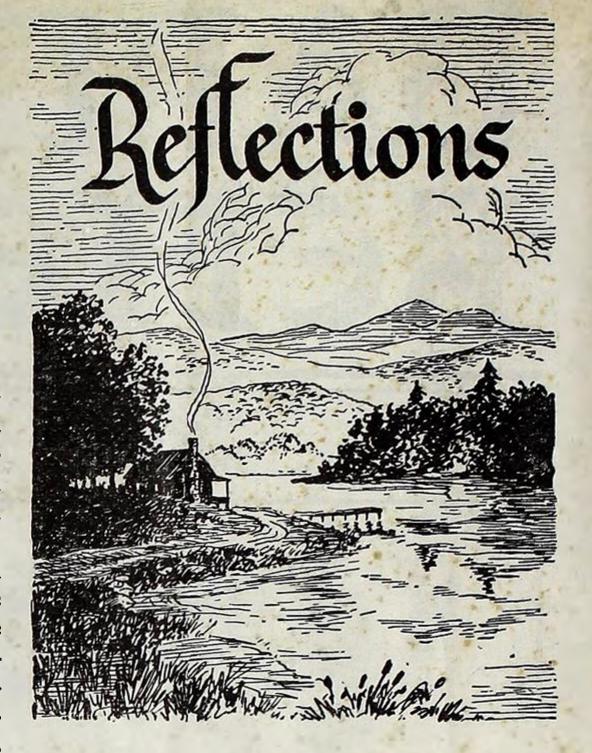
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These goals, therefore, are certainly not to be thought of as too large, but rather should be undertaken in the realization that we out not to do less.

Tennessee Baptists from a wealth of able, consecrated leaders selected three capable, devoted men to serve as their president and vice-presidents. Mr. A. Roy Greene, a prominent business man of Nashville, long identified with the development of his own church and of Baptist work in general, is an excellent choice as the new president. Dr. Robert L. Orr of Dyersburg and Dr. E. Gibson Davis of Kingsport will do honor to the places they have been chosen to fill.

The new Committee on Boards, Walter Warmath, chairman, and the new Commitee on Committees, F. M. Dowell, Jr., chairman, are due a great deal of credit for the work which they did in a limited period of time in fulfilling the trust committed to them and bringing before the Convention their nominations for so many places of great importance and trust. All of this was accomplished after a few suggested changes, conforming to the requirements of the new By-laws which went into effect at the Convention's opening.

Despite the fact that these two committees had done their work separately, without any knowledge of whom the other commitee might have named, there were only a few duplications which had to be changed upon presentation to the Convention.



Honest acts (unless they are the acts of very important people) don't often break into the news. So we want to remind you of—

—the young girl who gave up the chance at the big prize in a spelling bee by telling the judges herself that she had spelled a word wrong;

—the golfer who looked at his posted tournament score and saw that he was credited with a lower score than he had made; he corrected his score, and but himself out of a larger prize;

—the mother who returned to a bank \$2,000 which her daughter had found on the floor, with a note that read: "We teach our children never to take what is not theirs."

We have a sneaking suspicion that mis sort of honesty occurs more frequently than people realize. It just doesn't make the news because the occasions a m't colorful.—Editorial, Wall Street Journal.

There are more than 2 billion persons on earth. And each of them has a nervous system, a brain, hopes, fears, ambitions, joys and frustrations. Each is the center of the world—his own world. Until a man wakes up and begins to appreciate other worlds besides his own, he's only seeing one two-billionth of the whole picture.

—Bureau of Business Practice.

Americans spent almost twice as much on television in '52 as they did in supporting their churches. Also, 4 times as much on tobacco, 7 times as much on new automobiles, \$50 million more on toilet articles, and 8 times as much on alcoholic beverages.—Department of Commerce Report.

A man walked out of a hall where a speaker was addressing a meeting. Someone in the corridor asked if the speaker had finished his speech. "Yes," was the reply, "but he hasn't stopped talking."—Watchman-Examiner.

Comparison 1952 and 1953 Receipts Executive Committee Southern Baptist Convention

Jan.-Oct., 1953

	Cooperative	Cooperative		
	Program 1953	Program 1952	Designated 1953	Designated 1952
Specials	\$ 3,182.89	\$ 2,409.72	\$ 10,739.81	\$ 10,618.38
SpecialsAlabama	389,972.08	390,818.01	246,558.22	214,952.38
Alaska	4 6 7 6 1	1,775.40	2,597.59	1,528.54
Arizona		17,305.77	22,388.41	12,549.33
Arkansas	299,237.24	280,620.84	127,637.54	104,356.60
California	24,657.41	27,641.42	30,093.34	22,364.11
District of Columbia	27,645.32	24,995.83	25,695.69	19,437.94
Florida	416,316.66	454,910.35	203,591.84	163,567.63
Georgia	557,067.16	502,199.53	376,324.34	328,826.72
Illinois		112,765.72	52,374.44	42,403.41
Kansas	the state of the s	5,472.07	7,070.05	6,041.50
Kentucky	441,971.93	355,300.85	228,973.70	189,601.97
Louisiana	338,516.65	259,440.02	239,136.27	178,828.62
Maryland	73,159.02	57,112.74	5,401.29	3,374.63
Mississippi		314,662.38	228,209.93	206,028.99
Missouri		376,049.23	229,868.30	187,222.02
New Mexico		56,027.00	50,153.76	60,322.52
North Carolina		605,642.87	535,431.39	452,679.20
Oklahoma .		445,361.85	219,679.38	198,121.68
Oregon-Washington		3,431.45	6,562.43	4,115.97
South Carolina		653,611.16	311,285.92	272,293.83
Tennessee		698,963.66	226,534.11	193,401.71
Texas	1,365,166.68	1,264,166.68	1,722,198.40	1,461,150.01
Virginia	563,382.85	562,481.89	363,845.96	338,504.93
Totals	\$8,102,356.37	\$7,473,166.44	\$5,472,352.11	\$4,672,292.62

Why?

Reference is to the reluctance manifested by so many to give a straight out, unequivocal reply to the question, "Are you a Communist?"

Why should there be any hesitation in a declaration of denial? And why be disturbed by the source of the question? Why take the ground that such a question is an infringement on personal liberty, or in violation of Constitutional rights?

One is either a Communist, or he is not. It ought to be a matter of pride to say he is not. Any equivocation, so far as I am concerned, is suspect.

Nor do I see anything so sacrosanct in the ministry that the preacher is different from the plumber when loyalty to the government is in question. It is a sad day when the ministry takes shelter in "the cloth," and holds itself to be immune from the probes that others face.

The quickest way for the ministry to merit the assured confidence of the public is to open the door itself, and invite that public to see how clean is its house. And the quickest way to destroy that confidence is to put storm bolts on the door, and deny entrance, under the plea that its right of sanctuary is involved.

When anyone, preacher or otherwise, begins to argue about it and to erect verbal barricades, he at once raises a doubt—whether he intends to, or not.

Certainly it is a privilege to say, "I am not a Communist," and I think it is a declaration of which anyone should be only too happy to proclaim.

I repeat, a man is either a Communist, or he is not. Why then weasel word a reply? So then, let me proudly affirm, "I am not a Communist."—J. W. Storer

"Doctrinally Speaking"

Is the growth of an idea coming from Dr. Albert McClellan of the Southern Baptist Press, Nashville. It is a series prepared by some of the most gifted writers among Southern Baptists at his suggestion and will be presented to readers of Baptist and Reflector. Our fellow Tennessean, Dr. Lofton Hudson is author of the first five. He will be followed in the series, which totals 18, by these men: Dr. W. Landon Miller of Sherman, Texas; Dr. Robert S. Scales of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Dr. Bruce Price of Newport News, Virginia and Editor W. Barry Garrett of the Arizona Baptist Beacon.

Special Bible Study Week

Tennessee Baptists will join their fellow Baptists throughout the Southern Baptist Convention territory in a week of special Bible study January 4-8, 1954.

The book written for our guidance in this week of Bible study is Studies in Psalms, prepared by Dr. Kyle M. Yates. Dr. Yates was for many years a professor of Old Testament at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. He is now pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Houston, Texas. He is, therefore, well prepared to give us this book of guidance for our study of the book of Psalms.

Let me, therefore, urge upon all of our churches to engage in this week of special Bible study. It is a good way to start the new year. It is always a personal privilege of mine to lead our people in this week of Bible study. From personal experience I can say it is truly a great week in our church life.

Let us make this one of the greatest weeks of Bible study that we have ever had.—
J. G. Hughes

Doctrinally Speaking:

THE TRUE GOD

by R. Lofton Hudson

The archbishop of Canterbury before Queen Elizabeth II was crowned, said to his congregation, The great solemnity of the



coronation means that the queen comes to accept her temporal kingdom, power and glory from God. As she received it from God, so she would exercise it according to God's Word and will by His constant grace." Such a sublime conception! If this later part is real, it should give "solem-

nity." Such a conception would apply equally to my little life.

Yet we are living in a day when people try to blur the idea of God by speaking of Him as "Higher Power," "Supreme Mind," "Truth" and "Love." Or they challenge us to define God. To think of God as a "principle" or as "power" is like thinking of man as certain chemicals. To say "God is mind" is inadequate.

God is a person, the Supreme One. To say that He is a person means that He is a self, somewhat like ourselves, who thinks, feels and wills. Here words become inadequate. We can only partly comprehend God. He is entirely too great for the small receptacles of our minds. But a God who is a person is the only kind of God who, to use Walter Lippman's phrase, is "available for religious purposes."

G. K. Chesterton once said that the sun does not rise "merely as the result of the earth's motion." It rises because God says, "Get up!" That is the kind of God we have, and we make no apology for Him.

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Southern Baptists To Meet in Saint Louis

SAINT LOUIS, Mo.—(BP)—Three major Southern Baptist groups will meet here next May 31-June 6, according to Oliver R. Shields, chairman, Committee on Convention Arrangements.

The Woman's Missionary Union will meet in the Opera House, Monday and Tuesday, May 31 and June 1. The Pastors' Conference will meet in the Third Baptist Church, Monday evening and Tuesday. The Southern Baptist Convention will meet in the Keil Auditorium, Wednesday, June 2 through Sunday, June 6.

Make Reservations Now

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—(BP)—Groups expecting to have breakfasts or dinners in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention here next June 2-6, should get in touch with J. Loren Jolly, 1029 Dolores St., St. Louis, Mo., dinner and banquet chairman. His telephone number is Wy-1762. This is necessary in order to avoid conflicts.

The Irresistible Grace of God

1. Basis of Irresistible Grace

At this stage in the development of Calvin's thought Christ and the Holy Spirit became major considerations. The Sovereignty of God engulfed election. The election of God became manifest and efficacious in the incarnation and the atonement. But the atonement was nothing apart from Christ and the Holy Spirit. It was here that Calvin's basic ethic rose to the surface and became more clearly defined. The heart of Calvin's theological and ethical institutes of the Christian religion became manifest in the light of his discussion of God's irresistible grace. Christ, the Holy Spirit, the gift of faith, and justification were the means of grace. Their ethical tokens were holy living, works of love, or sanctification. The work of irresistible grace in Christ, the Holy Spirit, the gift of faith, and justification were the works of God from the divine side. Holy living, works of love, and sanctification were also the works of God but they were on the human side. The two were distinct but inseparable.

The ordination of God was the primary cause of our salvation. God appointed Christ as the agent through whom he might perfect salvation. Christ did not die in order to cause the Father to love us. God already loved us before the foundation of the world. God's ordination and his love brought about our reconciliation through Christ.

Because of the Father's love for the Son he accepted the elect in the Son by gratitutous adoption. God was in a manner hostile to man and had his arm raised for his destruction. Yet because of the expiation accomplished in the death of Christ, God abolished the evil in us so that we could appear just and holy in his sight. In his death Christ felt the weight of divine vengeance on his soul. He endured the death inflicted upon the wicked by an angry God. He came to grips with the devil, the fear of death, and the pains of hell. He gained the victory over them all and in his triumph passed the laurels of his victory to many fainting hearts.

Calvin maintained that Christ is in heaven—that we are on the earth. How then could Christ and his righteousness affect us? The answer lay in the work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit brought down to the earth the benefits of Christ above. In some mysterious but effective way the life of Christ was transfused from heaven and deflected downward to the earth below by the divine influence of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit caused Christ to dwell in us, to quicken us, and to sustain us. The Holy Spirit caused the work of Christ to become

effective in us. As the flow of sap from the root to the branches so the life of Christ flowed to us from Christ above.

Christ, by the interior influence of the Holy Spirit, bound us to himself. He united us to his own body. In this condition he extended a second influence through the agency of the Holy Spirit and made us rich with his gifts.

Thus, through the ministration of the Holy Spirit Christ exhibited himself in us and produced godly effects in our lives. We were ingrafted into his body. He was made one with us. As our head he infused his life into ours.

Yet it was only through the gift of faith that the work of Christ and the ministry of the Holy Spirit actually became effective in the individual heart. Faith laid hold of Christ and made his benefits ours. We received what God offered only by faith. Faith brought nothing of our own to God but received spontaneously that which God offered us.

In his sovereignty God elected some to eternal life. He appointed Christ to make the atonement. The Holy Spirit became a medium for the flow of Christ's life to us. The gift of faith and gratuitous justification made the sovereign election of God effective in the life of the individual. It was God's work all the way through and at every step downward. It was the downward approach of the divine as he became distinctly but inseparably joined to us.

II. Grace Irresistible

Calvin asserted that God's grace could not be resisted by the will of man when God purposed to save him. Said Calvin: "... no man hears and learns of God without at the same time believing in Christ; ... the motion of the Holy Spirit is so efficacious that it always begets faith. Man was not able to listen to the inspiration of God merely if he willed to do so.

By implication Calvin's reasoning relative to irrestible grace followed this pattern: God was in Christ who was both God and man. God found no resistance to his will in Christ for he worked freely in Christ in determining his own will. Christ was able to pursue his will in the elect because the efficacy of the Holy Spirit working in them made them willing to yield to God's will. Thus, it was God in his will working all the way through and his will was not resisted. It was in this sense that Calvin held that God's grace was irresistible. In this manner the will of God was not forced. God worked

Counselor's Corner

by Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

Insane Husband

Question: A woman in my congregation has a husband who is a mental case. He has had electric shock treatments, been in and out of mental hospitals for years, and has had the brain operation called labotomy. The psychiatrists diagnose him as catatonic schizophrenic.

This good lady can hardly live with him. He is moody, stubborn, unreasonable, and more than once has walked off from their business with the checking account.

She wants me to tell her whether or not it will be wrong for her to get a divorce. And should she have her husband committed to a hospital? She wants to do what is right as a Christian.

Answer: A minister is often faced with problems like this one. Only the courageous and humble will feel safe in tackling them.

Does this lady need you to give her the answers? And if you do, will she not be equally in need of your "decisions" when later questions arise?

You can help her, however, to know that God is not a tyrant who crucifies human beings on a cross called law. Divorce laws were made for man, not man for the divorce laws. She must, like all of the rest of us, pray and read God's Word, and then act according to her best light. Christ is the only one who has the answers.

Encourage this woman to take the psychiatrist's advice about hospital commitment. And furnish her an atmosphere where she can "talk out" her deep resentments toward her husband. This, it seems to me, is your best contribution. However, if she is so immature as to insist on your advice, do the best you can and give as little advice as possible. Listen and love. That is the best counseling under some circumstances.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

in the wills of men to make them willing to embrace his will. In this sense man exercised his choice and chose the will of God. From Calvin's point of view such a course of action laid a secure foundation for a wholesome ethical emphasis.

(The concluding article will consist of Calvin's doctrine of the perseverance of the saints and a word of caution to those who lay claims to being Calvinistic Baptists. After some investigation the writer is of the opinion that Baptists need to make some qualifications with such a claim.)

Baptists in Russia

(FROM BRITISH BAPTIST TIMES)—The Russian Evangelical Christian-Baptist Union publishes in Moscow Bratsky Vestnik ("Brotherly Messenger"). The most recent issue of their journal I have received contains much information on Baptist life and activity behind the Iron Curtain.

"'Churches of the Evangelical Christian-Baptist Union,' it states, 'are found throughout the whole vast territory of the Soviet Union. As a rule services are held not only on Sundays and holidays, but in the week, and are eagerly attended by believers.

"The work of the church is done by the pastor, assisted by deacons and helpers of both sexes, as well as the choir. For the greater part, the pastors receive no financial support from the church members. They work in factories or on the land, and serve the church in their spare time."

"Bratsky Vestnik refers to the visits paid by various leaders to different parts of the wide Soviet domain. In Brest-Litovsk Baptist work has had much blessing, though owing to the scarcity of men in some churches the services are conducted by women.

"Pastor Andreev of Moscow reports that a visit to Kharkov revealed that in that area fifty-eight churches have a combined membership of 5,967. In Kharkov itself a beautiful church building seats 1,000. The church in Leningrad on March 25, saw thirty people baptized, while in Moscow, where our church holds 2,500, 125 converts were baptized during the early months of this year.

"Baptists everywhere will rejoice to hear of this progress. It strengthens our desire to have much closer fellowship with our brethren in Russia. How happy we should be if our Russian friends could send a delegation to the Baptist World Alliance Jubilee Congress in London in 1955."

Ministers Wives Plan Annual Supper

The fellowship supper for wives of ministers at the Tennessee Baptist Convention which was provided this year by the wives of Baptist ministers of Knox County was accepted with such enthusiasm that a decision was made for it to become an annual affair. Mrs. Raymond DeArmond was general Chairman, Mrs. James E. Harris, President of Knox County Ministers Wives presided. Named to plan a similiar meeting in Nashville in connection with the Tennessee Baptist Convention in November, 1954 were: Mrs. J. Howard Young, Springfield, Tennessee, Chairman; Mrs. Kelly White, Nashville, and Mrs. Ramsey Pollard, Knoxville.

Grace Church, Nashville is definitely evangelistic, having led its association with 163 baptisms during the past year; and missionary as well, with gifts to missions of \$19,377.31 according to the Nashville Association minutes. Dr. W. L. Stigler has led this church since September, 1946, which now has a membership of 2,457.

Cotton Field Finishes Payment on Home



This scene is a very happy occasion for the Deerfield Church near Lawrenceburg. Clerk McAmis Campbell hands Deacon C. J. Truitt a \$1,000 check as final payment on the pastor's home. Pastor F. M. Speakman stands in the background. The picture was taken at the last cotton picking. A ten acre field was used which yielded nine bales—all by the help of God—all for the work of God. The remaining money will be spent in the construction of Sunday school rooms. "We want to thank God for the increase, and encourage other country churches to give God a chance to bless them as He has blessed us," Pastor Speakman said.

New Pastors Presented To the Convention

W. B. Oakley, First, Tiptonville; B. J. Turner, Glenview, Memphis; H. D. Hudson, Pleasant Plains, Madison-Chester Association; B. B. Dawn, Lookout Valley, Chattanooga; Vestel Bennett, First, Allardt; William A. Foote, First, Cowan; James A. Overton, First, Parsons; Brown Hughes, Harpeth Heights, Nashville; Millard G. Evans, Wards Grove, Madison-Chester Association; S. A. Jones, Mt. Carmel, Hamilton County; Paul G. Cantrell, Pleasant Hill, Robertson County; Clifford A. Noe, Southmoor, Memphis; Sam B. Conner, Boyds Creek, Boyds Creek; Pitt Woodroof, First, Shelbyville; Raymond K. Chadwick, Ewtonville, Sequatchie Valley Association; H. J. Rushing, First, Lawrenceburg; Virgil Ratcliff, Saturn Drive, Nashville; J. T. Poe, First, Alamo; F. A. Dautdson, Isabella, Polk County; J. M. Queen, Mt. Harmony, Polk County; L. B. Crantford, Ridgedale, Chattanooga; Clay H. Bass, Brush Creek, New Salem Association; R. Haskell Bolding, Park City, Knoxville; A. L. Helton, Powell, Powell; Garvin Haley, Flat Rock and Rawles Creek Mission, New Salem Association; S. Felton Carter, New Hopewell, Knoxville; Drewey Garner, First, Niota; P. B. Kinsolving, Salem, Liberty; Alexander Nisbet, First, Harrogate; Samuel E. Strong, Oak Grove, Jonesboro; Jack C. Jones, Elkton, Elkton; Gardner Burden, Gracey Avenue, Clarksville; Harry E. Guinn, Persia, Persia; Bob Patterson, Westover, Jackson; Charles Trentham, First, Knoxville; V. T. Lewis, Ardmore, Ardmore; Howard Rich, Unaka Avenue, Johnson City; W. C. Garland, Valley Grove, Knoxville; Thomas E. Weringo, Fairview, Watauga Association.

Chatham Heads Religious Education Association

Tennessee Baptist Religious Education Association at its meeting in Knoxville, November 10, elected the following officers for 1953-54:

E. Doyle Chatham, Union City, president; Miss Marcella Adams, Knoxville, vice-president for East Tennessee; Wayne Maddox, Nashville, vice-president for Middle Tennessee; Miller M. Huckabee, Memphis, vice-president for West Tennessee; Miss Maurine Elder, Nashville, Secretary-Treasurer.

This association has an annual meeting in connection with the Tennessee Baptist Convention and a program in discussion concerned with all matters of interest to education and music directors.

Southern Baptists Feature On NBC TV November 29

The November 29 telecast of "Frontiers of Faith," weekly religious broadcast of the NBC television network, will feature for the second time a presentation by the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Taking part on the program along with Director Paul Stevens of the Commission will be Dr. Vernon B. Richardson of Baltimore, Maryland; Dr. Kearnie Keegan, Nashville as soloist; Marvin Clark and a mixed quartet from the University Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland.

The live telecast will be seen at 12:30 p.m. (Central Standard Time) November 29 over WSM TV Nashville. It will appear on a delayed basis on WMCT, Memphis at 11 P.M., December 6.

Next Sunday's Lesson-

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

Lessons based on International Sunday School Lessons; the International Bible Lesson for Christian Training, copyrighted by International Council or Religious Education

TEXTS: Deuteronomy 24:14-15, 19-21; Amos 5:10-15, 24; II Thessalonians 3:7-10; James 5:1-5 (Larger)—Deut. 24:14, 15, 19; Amos 5:10-15, 24; II Thess. 3:7-10 (Printed)—Amos 5:24 (Golden).

A World of Opportunity for All

Dr. George L. Robinson comments upon the Golden Text of this lesson in the following statement: "The great mission of Amos was essentially that of a reformer whose work is to sweep away abuses, to overthrow established evils, and thus to prepare for a reconstruction, which necessarily he must leave to others. Of such the world has constant need. The great passion of the prophet's soul was for social justice. To him this was a fundamental postulate of society. Hence, he urged the inexorable character of the moral law. Morality was the one necessity of Israel. God's requirements are always moral. Moral issues determine the course of history. By such preaching Amos lighted a social candle in Israel that has never been, indeed, never can be, extinguished. His whole message serves as a most fitting prelude to James' definition of religion" (James 1:27). When men of Amos' caliber and teaching are heard and heeded, today, there shall indeed be a world of opportunity for all. The printed texts yield suggestions as to how this may be done.

Treat the Worker Fairly (Deut. 24:14, 15, 19)

This involves the paying to him of his wages promptly. If he has been diligent in the doing of his task, and this is assumed, he should not be compelled to wait unduly long for his compensation. Since "time is of the essence" in our complex society, fairness upon the part of the employer requires that payment be made at the appointed time.

This involves the bestowing of charity in a gracious manner. There are situations and circumstances where charity is both needed and fitting. Those who have should, in some instances, give to those who have not. If poverty is the result of conditions over which the poor have no control, then such poverty should be alleviated in the spirit of and for the sake of Christ. If the worker expects to be treated fairly, he must of course practice the Golden Rule or be fair and square with his employer.

Build the Economy Justly (Amos 5:10-15, 24)

A prosperity that is based upon one group's taking advantage of another group cannot, in the very nature of the case, permanently endure. Bribery and injustice are specifically condemned in this passage. America, in other days, was the victim of what have been called "the robber barons." These were giants of industry and finance who used their great power in a selfishly greedy manner. One of the number is credited with the statement, "The public

be damned." Such men thrive and grow for awhile, at the expense of others, but they ultimately fall and few regret their decline.

A prosperity that is based upon the teaching of Christ is lasting because justice always prevails. The best business practices, those that yield the largest profits over the longest periods of time, are permeated with what He taught. Men are more important than machines. Their services should never be exploited. The profit-motive needs to be brought more nearly in harmony with God's Word instead of trying to abolish it altogether, as some crack-pot theorists advocate. It is refreshing to find the number increasing, among the leaders of commerce and industry in this country, who take seriously the teachings of the Bible along this line. On the other hand, it is alarming to find so many persons in places of leadership and responsibility who foolishly imagine that the way to build up an economy is by pulling down the high to fill up the low. Such persons reason, without either rhyme or

reason even, that the way to have more is to spend or give away what is already possessed. Of course, such individuals have nothing to lose and all to gain in such a projected plan for they usually are very proficient in spending some one else's money, much more proficient than in earning their own.

Share the Return Equitably (II Thess. 3:7-10)

On the one hand, laziness or voluntary idleness is condemned. The formulation that the Apostle Paul makes is clear and positive: "if any would not work, neither should he eat." No man has either a moral or a legal right to eat another's bread if it is at all possible for him to earn his own. This may seem terribly old-fashioned in this day of socialism under whatever guise or label it happens to be maneuvering, but it is absolutely basic as this and other passages from God's Word indicate. It is one thing for one to share with another solely because he desires to do so, but it is another thing entirely to be forced to share with another against one's will.

On the other hand, industriousness or diligence should be rewarded. Paul carefully avoided possible criticism from the people among whom he labored on this particular point. In setting them a good example of diligence, by working with his own hands in order that he might not be chargeable to any of them, he set a good example for all time. No one could accuse him of being what we would call a "dead beat" or a "sponger."

YOU FATHERS...
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The Young South

Happy Thanksgiving Day! I'd love to hear about the good times you are having this week at your house. Are you having company? Or are you being company at Grandmother's or somewhere else? Will there be special thanksgiving services at your church—so that you can meet there with your friends and praise God for his many, many good gifts to you?

Sometimes people make Thanksgiving lists, to help them remember special things for which they wish to thank God. On those lists are everyday blessings like food, family, teachers, homes, and so on. Usually if you should make such a list, what would it include? Will "friends" be near the top of the list? All of us are glad for friends. If you choose one of these new friends as your pen pal, you may add that name to your list of blessings!

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a girl at the age of twelve. This is my first time to write you. I don't have any pen pals. I would like to have some. I will answer all letters promptly. My church is the First Baptist in Cookeville, Tennessee.

CAROLYN GRIMES

Route 1
Hillham Road
Cookeville, Tennessee

Dear Aunt Polly:

This is my first time to write to you. I am nine years old. I go to Liberty Hill School. I am in the fourth grade. My teachers' name is Mrs. W. C. Cole. I go to Minor Hill Baptist Church. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Earl Booth. I like her very much. I would like to have a lot of pen pals. I will try to answer every letter I receive.

MARY ANNA HAGOOD

Route 1 Minor Hill, Tennessee

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a little girl eight years old. I go to Unaka Avenue Baptist Church. My birthday is November 26. I go to Stratton School. I would like to have some pen pals.

CAROLYN STATEN

1105 East Holston Street Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am ten years old. My birthday is January 23. I go to Bluff City School. I am in the fifth grade. I go to the First Baptist Church. My pastor is Brother Cox. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Lilly. This is my first time to write you. I would like many pen pals. I will answer every card or letter I get.

ANN LARKINS

Box 28 Bluff City, Tennessee

Thursday, November 26, 1953

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am seven years old. I go to Hopewell Baptist Church. I am in the Primary Class in Sunday School. I go to Cross Plains School and am in the second grade. Please put my letter in the Youth South column.

ANN HENDLEY

Route 1 White House, Tennessee

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a girl fourteen years of age. My birthday is August 27. This is my first time to write to you. I don't have any pen pals yet, but would like to have some. I am a Christian and a member of Laurel Grove Baptist Church. Brother Alfred Harness is pastor.

FAYE DUNCAN

Route 1
Briceville, Tennessee

Dear Aunt Polly:

I will be fifteen years old in April. I would like to have some pen pals to write to me. I will answer all the letters I get. I go to Chinquapin Church. I am a Christian.

GLEN HICKS

Route 2
Bluff City, Tennessee



Dear Aunt Polly:

I am twelve years old. I am in the seventh grade. I would like to have some pen pals. I am a Christian and a member of the Chinquapin Grove Baptist Church. My pastor is Brother Fred Potter. I will answer every letter I get, if I can. I am in the Junior class at Sunday school. This is my first time to write you. My favorite subjects at school are arithmetic and spelling.

NINA SUE HICKS

Route 2 Bluff City, Tennessee

These new pen pals would like to hear about your Thanksgiving fun. That would be a good thing to write about, in your get-acquainted letter. And Thanksgiving Day would be a good time to write to, wouldn't it? Perhaps you can find time to write me a letter too! I need it!

AUNT POLLY
Belcourt at Sixteenth Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee



Gag during American Bankers Association convention, paraphrasing McArthur: "Old bankers never die, they just lose their interest."

After a long dry sermon, the minister announced that there would be a brief meeting of the Board immediately after the benediction. Following the services, a stranger was the first to meet the minister up front. "You must have misunderstood the announcement," said the minister. "I announced a meeting of the Board." "So I heard," replied the stranger, "and if there was anyone here more bored than I was, I'd like to meet him."

Two girls were discussing their problems. One said, "You shouldn't be discouraged. In this world, there is a man for every girl and a girl for every man. You can't improve on an arrangement like that." "I don't want to improve on it," retorted the other. "I just want to get in on it."

Every pedestrian will envy a friend of ours who has constructed a little gadget that he carries in his pocket. It makes exactly the same sound as an auto horn, and whenever a motorist honks at him, he takes out the gadget and honks back vigorously.

An automobile mechanic with a sense of humor used to tell his prospects: "Well, sir, I can reline your brakes today for \$22.85 (or whatever the price was), or I can do the job tomorrow for you for \$122.85. Very frequently the customer would "blow his top" and ask how come. To which the obvious answer was, "By tomorrow you may also need a front bumper and radiator grill."

The young fellow was new in the store business. "Have you an account here, ma'am?" he asked. "No," the lady replied, "But I would like to see the manager." He led her into the manager's office and announced. "A no-account lady to see you, sir."

A mouth is an opening in the face which gets jams into people, and people into jams.

There are many complaints about the weather, but probably not half as many as there would be if the government regulated it instead of predicting it.

Surprising, isn't it, what a difference in the view when you're looking thru rosecolored glasses—instead of merely seeing red?

Don't believe all you see; a dollar looks exactly the same as it did 10 years ago.—
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PURPOSEFUL LIVING

(Message of C. D. Tabor, Missionary for New Duck River Association, delivered to the Woman's Missionary Union Quarterly Meeting at Bell Buckle Baptist Church.)

man's, they rise or sink together." Another has said, "There are times in the history of the world when a woman, for the happiness of herself and others, must take the initiative." This may be true in the catalog of Baptist activity.

Our theme suggests the approach to a proper attitude toward life's greatest task. We are to face forward and not backward. We need not be as much concerned about apostolic succession as about missionary progression. We shall clothe our witness in Divine Authority and make it effective by appealing, not to the historic past, but to the ever-living and ever-present Word and by applying it to the needs of the people of this day. I would like for us to take some definite stand in mission endeaver.

The Baptists Must for Many Reasons, Set Themselves to the Task of World Missions

This kind of attitude will rightly relate us to the best things in history. The missionary vision, passion and practice are the essential marks that have made our denomination a spiritual instrument in God's great program. We would like to tell about Carey and Judson, Yates and Richard, Livingstone and Stanley, of Oncken and Grenfell, Maddry and Rankin, or of Lawrence and Redford and a host of others-but time does not afford. These have served in fields difficult and have made our day a great one because of their love and devotions to their own God-given call to service.

We must have a big mission program to preserve the great message we have. If we save it we must sow it to give it opportunity to bring forth after its kind in all the fields of the world. The truth we hold requires this missionary ideal and program.

We must get our people to face the future if we are to lure them from the false and enchanting influences of the satanic powers. A One-Task Program is the surest antidote for worldiness. Small tasks make small Christians. We must call for a red-

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Tennyson says, "The woman's cause is hot conviction and a burning enthusiasm for big things. Christianity seems to be on the scales, weighing against Catholicism, Communism, heathenism and rationalism. Missions are the weights that will balance the scales to the joy of a lost world, and carry streaks of light that will show fallacies of such doctrines as come in these false idealogies. Wherever Baptist Missionaries have gone, in foreign lands or at home they have found illiteracy, disease, poverty neglected childhood and repressed womanhood. But to these they have brought education, compassion, healing, and a GOSPEL creating new life, rejuvenating men morally, spiritually and mentally. The darkness of false idealogies have been penetrated with the Gospel of Light and Love. Our cause has true credentials.

Our Churches Must Relate Themselves to the Future in the Light of God's Word

Today is time's conjunction connecting in one sentence of history, our yesterdays and our tomorrows. Our past has been coloured by our failures and successes; our future challenges us to correct the failures and enhance the successes. May we give the world a greater evangelical Christianity.

Tomorrow holds pending issues which even now tremble in the balance. Our credential must be solvent, because man is in a religious dilemma; thus our Christianity must penetrate this chasm of darkness. The future holds administrative problems that only consecrated, unselfish, and soul-loving individuals can solve. There is also before us a financial problem for the home church and all other work. We have come upon a day of great expansion; tremendous forces and resources are now necessary to maintain a victorious front. We must utilize all the elements of strength a combined group, under the leadership of the Lord, can muster. It is, and will be, an offensive program. Our New Testament Program will meet the needs of all nations. Through it every individual can find self-realization and fullest self-expression. Each will have a chance to grow in knowledge and service as the truths of God's word reveals His call to man.

What Then Is Necessary at This Time?

As Baptists everywhere, we must face the issues with spiritual temper and cultivate a spirit of knowledge and zeal which will not flinch at hardships nor sacrifices. We should fear to be at ease in Zion. We cannot relax on denominational emphasis, nor become complacent in regard to soul-winning, which have characterized our past. The churches must dispatch to the fields men and women with this missionary message who will wield

the Sword of the Spirit with zeal and courage. The message must be clarion and resonant with conviction if it would quicken and inspire missionary venture. We need not become too alarmed with the metaphysical meddlers and the enshrouded immature minds that send forth fumes of atheistic lava, but content to give forth the Gospel saturating our messages with the doctrine of salvation by grace and grace alone.

It will be necessary, however, to keep constant watch at the home base for distorted, disrupted and irrational attitudes toward our great program of missions. Teach, train and send forth workers into God's great harvest fields. We need to remind ourselves that we have resources at our finger-tips and that we must channel them through effective ways of witnessing. Our success will not be signified by great winter quarters, days of furlough, or a dress parade or honor system, but on the contrary, it will come as a by-product of unselfish and Christ-honoring services enacted on the basis of love and devotion to love's duty. Permit me to ask you some questions of paramount concern in this day in which we live. 1. Do we believe the spirit of missions is the spirit of Christ? Do we believe our COOPERATIVE PROGRAM PLAN in reaching the needs of the world is a task big enough to challenge the best in us? 2. Do you agree with me that the Church with the message of Jesus unfailingly proclaimed and intelligently presented will bring a spell of Holy influence and communicate an inspiration throughout the whole denomination that will lead our people to give themselves and what they possess to execute such a mission program? Your actions through your church program give ample answer to these important questions. We will need all the resources and all the products of our churches that God has vouchsafed to us for HIS HOLY CRUSADE.

We must never retreat. The world awaits our message. HIS promise is to show us greater things, that we may do greater things: then in God's name let us expect greater things!

Story in Snapshots

Andrew M. Hall Fayetteville, Arkansas

A University of Arkansas professor was thumbing through some childhood snapshots. Here was one—just two little fellows pictured playing with teddy bears.

He remembered back through the years. His neighbor boy had much more money and many more things. His parents saw little of him—too busy making a living. The potential professor moved away and studied hard. He worked for what he got.

Then came the headlines: "Carl Austin Hall guilty of kidnapping." He remembered it all now. . . . Carl held the other teddy bear in the snapshot.

Report of Committee on Committees for 1953

Charles S. Bond, Chm.; Fountain City, 3 years Hayward Highfill, Humboldt, 3 years Harold Gregory, Nashville, 3 years Shields Webb, Crossville, 2 years James Coggins, Memphis, 2 years Truett Cox, Bluff City, 2 years John Haggai, Chattanooga, 1 year Clark Hensley, Pulaski, 1 year

Tennessee Baptist Press
Edwin Deusner, Chm.; Lexington, 3 years
F. M. Warden, Jefferson City, 3 years
Lloyd Householder, Maryville, 2 years
J. R. Claypool, Nashville, 2 years
James Nunnery, Orlinda, 1 year
W. M. Martin, Humblodt, 1 year

Jerry Glisson, Huntingdon, 1 year

Cooperative Program

E. Gibson Davis, Chm.; Kingsport, 3 years
Floyd Cates, Bolivar, 3 years
William Grogan, Greeneville, 2 years
Harold Stephens, Nashville, 2 years
E. B. Bowen, Memphis, 1 year
George Logan, Nashville, 1 year

Woman's Missionary Union
Mrs. A. L. McGarr, Jr., Chm.; Nashville, 3 years
Mrs. Fred V. Brown, Knoxville, 3 years
Mrs. Thomas Drake, Dyersburg, 2 years
Mrs. Joe Wells, Fayetteville, 2 years
Mrs. W. S. Moore, Etowah, 1 year
Mrs. J. B. Swain, Brighton, 1 year

Orphans
C. A. Dabney, Chm.; Chattanooga, 3 years
Roy Hinchey, Nashville, 3 years
David Walker, Knoxville, 2 years
L. H. Hatcher, McKenzie, 2 years
Joe Harris, Ridgely, 1 year
J. T. Spurlin, Nashville, 1 year

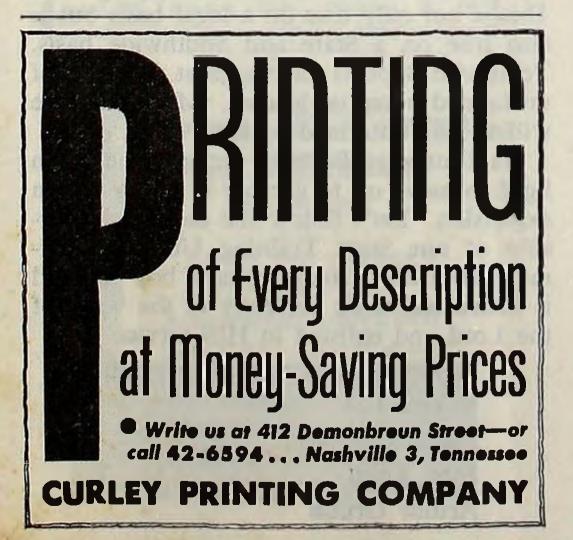
W. Alvis Strickland, Chm.; Nashville, 3 years A. L. Ferguson, Brownsville, 3 years Elmer Bailey, Knoxville, 2 years Ramsey Pollard, Jr., Maryville, 2 years Dan Bates, Jackson, 1 year John G. Humphrey, Springfield, 1 year

Training Union
Erba Butler, Chm.; Brighton, 3 years
Harold Lee, Nashville, 3 years
Paul Roberts, Nashville, 2 years
Brooks Ramsey, Maryville, 2 years
Doyle Chatham, Union City, 1 year
Warren Rust, Knoxville, 1 year

Student Union
Fred Wood, Chm.; Memphis, 3 years
David Alexander, Nashville, 3 years
Elbert Williams, Knoxville, 2 years
Miss Clarice Thomason, Martin, 2 years
Miss Agnes Mahoney, Cookeville, 1 year
William Lucas, Chattanooga, 1 year

Relief and Annuity
A. F. Mahan, Chm.; Fountain City, 3 years
L. S. Ewton, Nashville, 3 years
Herman Cobb, Elizabethton, 2 years
Hugh Myers, Franklin, 2 years
V. E. Boston, Newbern, 1 year
David Byrd, Jackson, 1 year

Ramsey Pollard, Chm.; Knoxville, 3 years John W. Allen, Tullahoma, 3 years J. T. Cline, Athens, 2 years Paul Caudill, Memphis, 2 years Allen West, Nashville, 1 year Teddy Evans, Selmer, 1 year



Music

Frank Charton, Chm.; Memphis, 3 years Neil Darnell, Nashville, 3 years Ed Hamilton, Knoxville, 2 years Jack Duvall, Cookeville, 2 years Ken Cochran, Jackson, 1 year Charles Jones, Jefferson City, 1 year

Brotherhood
T. L. Alexander, Chm.; Trimble, 3 years
Wilbur Webb, Kingsport, 3 years
James P. Brown, Knoxville, 2 years
Carl Allen, Lewisburg, 2 years
Carl Methvin, Shelbyville, 1 year
T. Robert Ackland, Memphis, 1 year

Social Service
Slater Murphy, Chm.; Memphis, 3 years
J. O. Carter, Gatlinburg, 3 years
D. P. McFarland, Covington, 2 years
Carl Daw, Nashville, 2 years
H. Cowan Ellis, Etowah, 1 year
James Brewer, Columbia, 1 year

Memorial
Gaye McGlothlen, Chm.; Nashville, 3 years
A. L. Bishop, Henderson, 3 years
O. G. Lawless, Selmer, 2 years
Vern Powers, Lafollette, 2 years
Charles Lemmons, Knoxville, 1 year
W. L. Baker, Donelson, 1 year

Bernard Scates, Ripley, 3 years
Mrs. M. K. Cobble, Knoxville, 3 years
Lowell Milburn, Newport, 2 years
Mrs. W. A. Farmer, Bradford, 2 years
Roy Babb, Winchester, 1 year
Mrs. Oscar Nelson, Nashville, 1 year

Hospital Commission
Paul Wieland, Chm.; Trenton, 3 years
Frank S. Groner, Memphis, 3 years
Harold Prather, Knoxville, 2 years
Robert Murphy, Nashville, 2 years
Don Pinson, Nashville, 1 year
Charles Ausmus, Knoxville, 1 year

Harold Purdy, Chm.; Nashville, 3 years Fred Kendall, Jackson, 3 years O. E. Turner, Paris, 2 years P. B. Stephens, Wartrace, 2 years Ralph Norton, Chattanooga, 1 year W. A. Shannon, Morristown, 1 year

Credentials
Pitt Woodroof, Chm.; Shelbyville, 3 years
W. B. Oakley, Tiptonville, 3 years
Wallace Carrier, Rockwood, 2 years
T. C. Meador, Erwin, 2 years
Lacy Freeman, Dresden, 1 year
H. J. Rushing, Lawrenceburg, 1 year

Fred Noe, Chm.; Nashville, 3 years
Billy Turner, Memphis, 3 years
Robert Palmer, Murfreesboro, 2 years
M. W. Egerton, Knoxville, 2 years
Thomas Pope, Martin, 1 year
W. R. Rigell, Johnson City, 1 year

Three Year Members, Committee on Boards

J. Burch Cooper, Maryville
Herbert Gabhart, Memphis, (Named by President Pollard)
Hudson Hicks, Morristown, (Named by Special Committee)

The above nominations were submitted to the Convention at Knoxville by the Committee on Committees:

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"Half Million Month"

Gaye L. McGlothlen

Is there a Southern Baptist that doesn't know what the phrase, "Million More in '54" means? Should you be one who doesn't, please see your pastor and Sunday school Superintendent and discover the part your church is playing in this Sunday school enrolment project.

In November, there is some settling down. Promotion Day is past. Class rolls are revised in light of those promoted into the classes. By now each class has completed its "settling down" so far as revising and completing the rolls are concerned.

In November, there should be some settling up.

Last summer each class approved its goal for its proportionate share of its Sunday school's part in the "Million More" campaign. Many teachers and class officers said, "We'll see what we can do about it after Promotion Day when we know what our revised enrolment will be." Every class knows that now. If you have been "on the ball" in reaching your prospects you should have one half of your goal by November 30. Check now, and "settle up" the records by putting forth that extra push needed before the end of November if your half way goal isn't attained.

In November, there must be some reaching out.

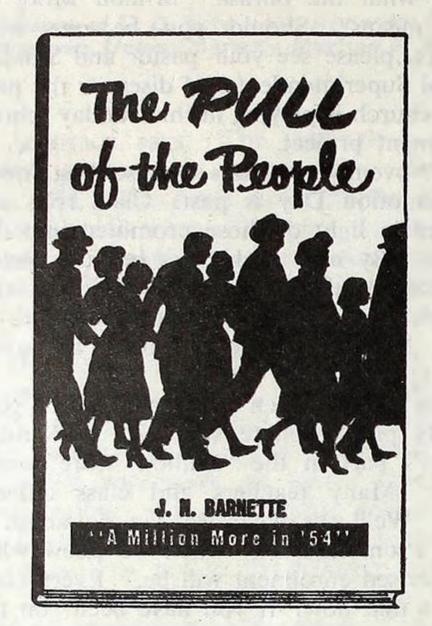
Many classes will need to do a better job of visiting prospects, enlisting new members, finding larger classroom space. This "reaching out" process will go on from now through next September when the second half-way goal should be reached. Many churches have had a fall revival. Sunday school prospects were found in the censuses before the revivals and in the additions to the churches during the revivals. Are they all enrolled? Check your worship services for visitors who are legitimate prospects for Sunday school. What about parents of children in elementary departments? Is there a "Welcome Wagon" service in your town that provides names of newcomers? "Look all around you, find someone in need" someone in need of Bible study; someone in need of Christ; someone in need of your class ministry and you will be doing a grand job of "reaching out."

With "Half Million Month" a success, final victory becomes more easy!

BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR has received resolutions from Grubbs Memorial Church, Nashville in expression of appreciation for the outstanding work done by Pastor Charles Julian, Jr., in his three years and 7 month's ministry with them. Brother Julian has gone to the Pastorate of St. John Church, Jacksonville, Florida.

Our office is in receipt of a copy of resolutions of sympathy drawn up by the deacons of First Church, Humboldt, upon the death of their beloved brother in Christ, Elbert E. Boone.





Get This Book Taught

Many churches are already reaping the benefits of the study of the book, "The Pull of the People." We urge all churches that have not as yet studied this book to do so at once.

Testimonies from county, town, and city church groups that have studied this course are thrilling. These churches are on the move.

A few nights ago Misses Elder and Johnson, the two associates of the Sunday school department, went out to a rural church to aid the workers in moving up from a class to a department school. At the close of the conserence the General superintendent said to Misses Johnson and Elder, "Let me take you two back to Nashville." They said, "We thank you, but we have our bus tickets back to Nashville. We can go on the bus and save you that 80 mile drive." The superintendent said, "Oh, that's all right, but I want to ask you many more questions about the work." The workers said, "Fine, we will be glad to have you take us back." As they drove along the superintendent said, "You know I have been asleep. I was satisfied to go along and do Sunday school work as usual until this great objective 'A Million More in '54' was presented to us, then we studied the book, 'The Pull of the People.' Now I have been awakened to our great Sunday school possibilities. Now it is my earnest desire to see every Sunday school superintendent that has been asleep to be awakened and enlistd in this grat program of advance."

Whatever it Takes

Friends, whatever it takes, we must get the book, "The Pull of the People," taught in every church. Many churches can take care of their own school with a local teacher, but they need an urge to do it now. Hundreds of other churches will need a

volunteer teacher to teach the course. There are hundreds of men and women who will be glad to teach a course in a church that needs help if asked to do so.

Contact your associational superintendent and tell him you will volunteer to teach this course in a church that needs help.

Many pastors, laymen and women have already agreed to teach if needed.

A little program gets a little done. A big program will get big things done. We are engaged in the biggest business in the

world. It will be be criminal if we fail to get this book taught in every church.

Get Ready for January Bible Study

January Bible study book, "Studies in Psalms," is now off the press and available through the Book Stores.

Since these books are available we urge the churches to order and distribute the books early. This should make the study more effective this year.

The success of the past years plus the universal appeal of the "Psalms" should combine to reach many more churches and people for Bible Study week this year than ever before.



Training Union.

CHARLES L. NORTON, Secretary

Introduction to Training Union Report for **State Convention**

This report comes at an opportune moment! An hour when we need to begin enlarging our Training Program. Plagiarizing a bit, we need More Training Unions, Larger Training Unions and Better Training Unions. When we reach "A Million More in '54" in Sunday school and "Baptize a Million More in '55, we need to be "Fixed to Train a Million More in '56." Now is the time for many to begin planting the seed, time for others to continue to cultivate and time for others to begin reaping enlarged Training Unions.

The Baptist Training Union is fast coming into its own. However, there was a time when many looked upon Training Union with indifference and skepticism. In the main, this is not true today because it has proven its value. Most all wide awake and progressive churches are using the Training Union to a great advantage.

The program of "Training in Church Membership," is essential to a well-rounded, living, vital Christian witness. If we take seriously the Lord's statement in Matt. 28:20a, "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," we will feel a definite responsibility to lead people to a fuller understanding of Christ's claim on their lives.

One of the great assets of Training Union is its flexibility. It is flexible enough to give those who have creative ideas an opportunity to put them to use. The best known method of training is that of "learning by doing." This method is employed throughout the Training Union. Young People learn to arrange their thoughts and compete in the Better Speaker's Tournament each year. The Intermediates become familiar with their Bibles and learn where to find select passages in less than eight seconds. Adults, among other things, learn to speak

before their Unions. The writer was privileged to attend an Adult Union in another state. During the program a man in his forties stood before the Union and gave his part. It was easy to see he was not accustomed to speaking before groups. But he did a commendable job, considering that he had been a Christian only a few weeks and had never taken part on a Training Union program. This man expressed a determination to do a better job next time. The Training Union provides an opportunity for everyone to train.

The Training Union is also adaptable. It can meet the needs of small churches. It can aptly serve large churches. It can be conducted in a one-room church building or in a building that provides for many departments. Every church needs a Training Union!

One wide awake Associational Moderator and Pastor made this observation on a local basis. He said, "The Training Union taken seriously in our association would revolutionize our whole associational program." This is not only true on a local basis but is also true on a State and Southwide basis. Tennessee Baptists have a great reservoir of unclaimed potential leaders. Multitudes are willing but untrained to serve.

As Tennessee Baptists we have the green light to move on to greater Training Union expansion. Let's follow the capable leadership of our State Training Union department until every man, woman, boy and girl is instructed more perfectly in the ways of the Lord and enlisted in HIS service

> Edwin R. Alexander, Chairman Robert Lee James Canaday John Trent Arthur Griffin



Woman's Missionary Union

MISS MARY MILLS, Executive Sec'y-Treas.

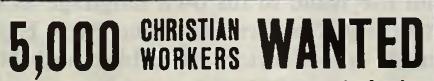
The Tie That Binds

Dear Friends:

Baptist women on six continents will join hearts and voices on the last day of our Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, making the greatest fellowship of prayer Baptists have ever known. We are grateful for the tie that binds us together. Christian fellowship knows no boundaries of nation or language. Our lands, our customs, our languages are different, but there is a fellowship of which we are a vital part, and there is a language we can understand. The fellowship is that of followers of Jesus Christ, and the language is that of Christian love— "Bless be the tie that binds." Every missionary society as it observes the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions should have before it a globe, or a map of the world, no matter how small or inexpensive it may be. Through it, we may become world-conscious, humanity-conscious, God-conscious. With that globe before us, we will pray more earnestly, more widely and more wisely; we will give more universally and sacrificially. Even menial service is glorified when there is a map of the world in the heart. The world is waiting for our gifts, but even more it trembles for our prayers.

New experiences await us as we pause in His presence. Privileges are ours which will be transforming. We have all prayed for each other many times. Think of the new power that comes with praying with each other. Truly, there are fibres that bind humanity together. Each person is a vital unit, a contact, a transmission of good or evil.

During this day we can each find our place of world contact. As we pray with



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each other, as we give to send our Saviour to those who know Him not, we become a vital contact, a powerful transmission that ultimately affects the whole world.

Members of Woman's Missionary Union, is it too much to ask you to kneel together in prayer with the other Baptist women of

the world this day?

Lovingly Mrs. George R. Martin

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Theme for 1954—Brazil

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The Parable of the Second Wife

By Fred T. Evans

And he spake a parable unto them, saying, Behold a certain man married a wife who was fair to look upon. She opened her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue was the law of kindness. She looked well to the ways of her household, and did not eat the bread of idleness. She did him good and not evil all the days of her life. And it came to pass she became sick, even unto death. He made her grave among the lilies of the field, and the birds of the air sang her praise. And he thought within himself, saying; what shall I do? He girded himself with sackcloth and mourned many days. His neighbors came in to comfort him.

And in the process of time he took unto himself another wife. She also shewed him kindness, and he trusted her. She prepared a good table before him, and kept his house in order. Her neighbors came in and went out saying; It is well that he have her. Peace was their portion for many days. At last he saith unto her: Thou doest well, but thou art not as my other wife was. Thou hast rearranged my house, and the food which thou preparest is not the same as she set before me. How excellent were all her ways. Likewise he spake unto her many times.

And she answered and said unto him: Behold, I am thy wife now. I am not thy first wife; neither indeed can be. Thou praiseth her and thou doest well, but the day cometh, and now is, when thou art married to another. Therefore, if thou lovest me let peace abide in thy house. If thou lovest me not I will arise and go unto my father. And he said unto her; I have sinned against thee. Thou knowest I love thee: Henceforth, nothing shall come between thee and me. Arise! Let us rejoice and be glad.

Hear ye therefore the parable of the second wife. The husband is the church and the first wife is the beloved pastor who served long and well, but in due time departed from them. The second wife is the new pastor whom the church ca leth, and anon discovereth that he differeth in certain things from the other pastor. The words of praise pertaining to her who had departed, and were not pleasing to her who now abideth in the house, are those words sometimes spoken amiss, extoling the virtues of a saintly servant to him who followeth after.

Therefore, I say unto you. Let that church which calleth a pastor perceive that he is himself and not another man, neither indeed can be. But as one star differeth from another star in glory, so shall one man differ from another man on the earth. God who sendeth the former also sendeth the latter. Be followers of him, even as he also is of Christ Jesus, and he will do thee good. Believeth thou this?

Christian Life Man Criticizes U.M.T.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — "Democracy cannot flourish from the seeds of military autocracy," declared A. C. Miller, secretary of the Christian Life Commission, Nashville. "Within our generation we have seen many of our democratic processes destroyed by the pressures of military requirements. We must not permit this process to continue."

Miller specifically cited two incidents that point up these pressures, the secretive way the proponents of Universal Military Training fostered their cause in Congress and the double-dealing with regards to the sale of liquor in clubs and mess halls.

Miller said, "In a recent interview by U. 5. News, the assistant secretary of defense states that no recommendation for Universal Military Training will be made. 'So long as we are going to need at least two years of service from all young men,' he says, 'then there can be no enthusiasm on the part of the defense department for a universal military program which contemplates training them for a short period and releasing them to civilian life.' At the same time it may be well for us to remember that U.M.T. bill H.R. 5904 has not been defeated. It was sent back to the committee on Armed Services for revision and can be called out again.

"Public opposition to this bill was aroused by the secret way its proponents tried to get it passed by Congress before the people were aware of it. The bill was neatly tucked away as an amendment to the selective service law extension so it would be enacted as emergency legislation although the bill specifically stated that the plan would not and could not operate in times of emergency.

"Now they again resort to a secret directive to provide for the sale of liquor in the clubs and mess halls of commissioned and non-commissioned officers. This directive in effect repeals the law passed by the representatives of the people in Congress and ignores the law of certain communities in which military camps are located. Moreover, it was sent out after Congress had adjourned."

Miller also asked Christians everywhere to enter vigorous protest to our president, commander-in-chief of our military forces; to Hon. Charles E. Wilson, secretary of defense, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C., and Harold E. Talbot, secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C.

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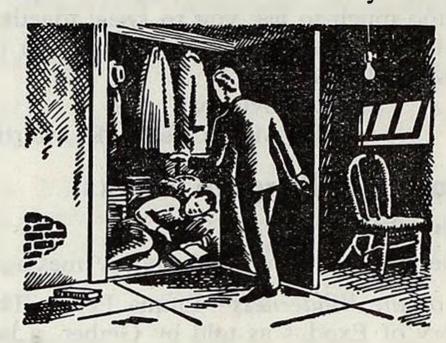
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Harry's Call from Heaven

by Mrs. Tom Carter

Ofttimes one unique experience can cause a catastrophic change in the ministry of a preacher.

It was true of Rev. Erza Upton that when he first began pastoring the great Westdown church he was lukewarm in his preaching—until his encounter with Harry Dunkle.



At the time, it seemed pure irony to Rev. Upton—praying for a mountaintop experience, that he should find fifteen-year-old Harry sleeping in the church basement storage closet. Everyone new the poor and hungry Dunkles. They were the primary reason for the "poor and needy" closet. Certainly not mountaintop material!

Looking at the boy, the preacher was filled with great pity, and wonder at the dignity and strength in the young face.

"You know that you did wrong to trespass in God's house?"

"Yes, sir. I shouldn't have forced the window but the closet was a warm place to sleep. I didn't touch anything but the magazines and books. I read them by flashlight, sir."

Making a quick mental inventory of the closet, the old clothing, outdated quarterlies, and worn Bibles, the preacher wondered if the boy had actually read them. "What did you read, Harry?"

"About God, Sir."

"Go on, Harry."

"God so loved the world that he gave his son. He died for our sins and—," he hesitated, "last night I read about Paul. I would like to be like Paul, Sir, but I don't suppose a Dunkle—could ever preach?"

A light was slowly dawning upon Rev. Upton. "You've never been inside our beautiful sanctuary—sat with the great congregation—heard the organ and choir—the preached word?"

"No, sir."

"And yet you found God, heard his call, in a storage closet?"

"Yes, sir."

An avalanche of texts flooded the preacher's mind, "Take heed that ye despise not—"
"—a cup of cold water—" "Thy loving kindness—" "By faith—"

"It's incredible!" he told himself. "I'll never be the same again! Why—I could preach forever about Harry Dunkle and his call to preach!"

Mrs. Carter is a Baptist writer who lives in Mangum, Okla.

Birmingham Church Makes Non-Resident Inventory

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (BP) — The Woodlawn Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., Frank W. Wood, pastor, recently did a complete inventory on their non-resident member problem. The results were startling. They located 740 names and made a strong effort to contact every one of them.

Letters were addressed to 200 non-resident members, sixty-six of which were returned "wrong address." Names of 400 others were sent to pastors or churches in cities where these "lost sheep of the house of Israel" were thought to reside. Fifteen of these letters were returned. Some pastors acknowledged the letters with appreciation for the information and a promise to endeavor to locate and enlist these lost members.

It was discovered that twenty-five non-resident members had united with other churches already—seventeen Baptist and eight other denominations—as far back as twenty years ago and their names were still carried on Woodlawn membership rolls. Fourteen members to whom letters were addressed requested letters of dismission to join churches where they were residing.

Wood said he received not one letter from other churches or pastors regarding their non-resident members living in Birmingham. "An honest effort was made with a degree of success; but, as we begin our new church year, the non-resident church membership problem is still with us. Of our total membership, 692 are either non-resident or their whereabouts are unknown to us. There are still an estimated 400 non-resident Baptists living in our church territory. All of which means we must continue to try to deal carefully with the problem and work diligently toward a solution of it."

White House gets Bibles In 78 Languages

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—Every White House guest in the future will be able to read the Bible in his own language as the result of a gift to President and Mrs. Eisenhower of a collection of Bibles and New Testaments in 78 tongues.

Presentation of the Bibles was made at a White House ceremony by Daniel Burke of New York, president of the American BibleSociety. He told the Chief Executive and Mrs. Eisenhower that the Scripture translations span the modern languages from Afrikaans to Zulu.

Rogers Smith Goes to Foreign Mission Board

NASHVILLE—(BP)—Rogers M. Smith, for the past nine years student union secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, will serve as field representative for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He will be associated with the Department of Mission Education and Promotion and his territory will be world-wide.

ATTENDANCES AND ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCHES SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1953

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West End Mission		71 65	***	Jackson, Calvary		269 240	4
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Etowah, West		149	1	Knoxville, Alice Bell Bell Avenue		89 406	4
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Lake View	101	81		Central (Bearden)	. 361	148	5
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28 Tennessee Students At New Orleans Seminary

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, with the school year less than half completed, has broken previous records with 734 students enrolled, 3 above the previous high mark. The student body comes from 29 states and four foreign countries.

Tennessee students who have enrolled during the year are: Mr. and Mrs. Keating A. Armstrong (Nashville), Mrs. Bryan P. Bazer (Paris), Ralph Bray (Waynesboro), Mr. and Mrs. George E. Capps (Grand Junction), Max Leonard Dinstuhl (Memphis), Frank M. Edwards (Shelbyville), Eva Mae Eldridge (Grand Junction), Mr. and Mrs. Andrew L. Garner (Maryville), Calvin Hoyle Garner (Memphis), Darrell E. Hall (Memphis), Mrs. Audley G. Hamrick (Knoxville), Mr. and Mrs. Hildra Tommy Hight (Columbia), James B. Hightower (Stanton), Frank F. Johnson (Jackson), Donald L. R. Jones (Memphis), Malcolm Anderson Jones (Memphis), Wayne Kiester (Bethel Springs), Betty Carolyn Mitchell (Estill Springs), William McKay Phillips (Maryville), Donald Bryan Rogers (Memphis), Henry William Stamey (Athens), Robert Earl Walden (Knoxville), and James N. Westmoreland (Culleoka).

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Glendale	170	38	-
Riverside	280	72	2
New Market, Mill Spring	98	69	
Pleasant Grove	113	83	
Newport, Bethel	98	43 66	
English Creek	84 440	173	
First Union	82	49	
Oak Ridge, Central	431	133	6
First	745	153	3
Robertsville	589	192	8
Old Hickory, Temple	214	115	2
Paris, First	504	125	1
West	233	107	-
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Rockwood, First	441	189	3
Whites Creek	86	77	-
Rogersville	378	113	4
Rutledge, Oakland		53	
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Shelbyville, Shelbyville Mills	215		5
Shop Springs	139	55	1
Somerville, First	238	149	
Springfield, North	120	70 111	1
Sweetwater, First Trenton, Poplar Grave	408 106	59	1
White Hall	138	72	
Tullahoma, First		69	1
Rutledge Falls	176	71	400
Union City, First	630	137	6
Watertown, Round Lick	205	99	-
Winchester, First	337	94	
Coolmont	18	****	

Mid STATE Briefs

by W. Alvis Strickland, 2635 Nolensville Road, Nashville

First Church, Goodlettsville, will be led in a revival, November 29-December 6, by Robert S. Denny, evangelist, and Eddy Nicholson, singer.

H. B. Cross, Director of Public Relation, United Tennessee League Against Beverage Alcohol, and former pastor Judson Memorial Church, Nashville, was guest speaker at First Church, Murfreesboro on November 8.

Highland Park Church, Columbia, reports 9 additions, in a revival of one week led by Pastor Paul Waters preaching and C. O. Mullins cading the Song Service.

Speaking from Experience: "I cannot remember when I began to tithe. In the Sunbeam Band in this church and in my home I learned tithing. My first check looked so large and a tithe of it was so much more than I had ever given, but when the check was tithed, I have never had any question concerning what belonged to God. My tithe is my regular Sunday contribution. I get additional joy in giving a second tithe in my missionary offerings. My retirement income is small, but proportionally my gifts are the same. I trust the stubs of my check book will pass the Divine Auditor."—Miss Mary Northington, First Church, Clarksville.

Latest available reports reveal that 294 tithers and 241 non-tithers pledged more than \$2000 in excess of a \$95,000 budget at Woodmont Church, Nashville. G. Allen West, Jr., is pastor of this fine growing church.

First Church, Cookeville, has set a budget of \$56,711 for 1954. November 8 was Victory Day for budget subscription. Attendance goal was 650.

Union University Chorus gave a concert, Magness Memorial Church, McMinnville, November 10. The Chorus was en route to the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Knoxville.

Immanuel Church, Nashville, has set up a tentative 1954 budget that calls for almost \$19,000 for missions. The total budget is \$102,010 with \$35,000 going toward construction of Immanuel's new building in Belle Meade. Gaye McGlothlen is pastor.

There were 13 additions and 7 other decisions in a recent revival at First Church, Milan, Henry J. Huey, pastor. Evangelist was B. Frank Collins, First Church, Goodlettsville.

Newly elected deacons at First Church, Shelbyville, are: E. B. Edison, H. F. Craddock, J. W. Hames, Claude Haynes, Karl Hoover, Claude White, T. A. Hawkins, and W. O. Wiggs.

An All Church Fellowship was promoted by Ivy Chapel, Nashville, to welcome all new church members received during past year. Purpose was to acquaint new members with other church members.

Greenbrier Church, Tom Madden, pastor, reports 128 tithers in the 1954 financial program.

We have just received a copy of the Statistical History of Grace Church, Nashville. It shows the growth and development of the church, since its organization in 1910, under the leadership of 9 pastors. Clearly it can be seen that each pastor built a foundation for the work of the man who followed him. In 1910, under the leadership of Pastor T. H. Johnson, the church had 120 members and 28 baptisms. During the 19 year ministry of L. S. Ewton, who retired in 1946, membership increased to 1961 and baptisms averaged 81 per year. Under the leadership of W. L. Stigler, since 1947, the membership has increased to 2457 and baptisms have averaged 116 each year. Average gifts to missions have been \$17,770.04. Present Sunday school enrollment is 1539. Present Training Union enrollment is 425. Grace Church has given a total of \$1,014,207.06 for all purposes during its 44 year history and \$237,814.29 has been given to missions in the same period of time.

First Church, Manchester, E. M. Mc-Carty, pastor, has adopted a \$17,715 budget for 1954. The church is currently engaged in a building campaign. The new building, which will cost \$100,000 ultimately, is scheduled for occupancy by Christmas.

Big Springs Memorial Church, Billie Blankenship, pastor, is planning for a series of stewardship studies on successive Wednesday evenings.

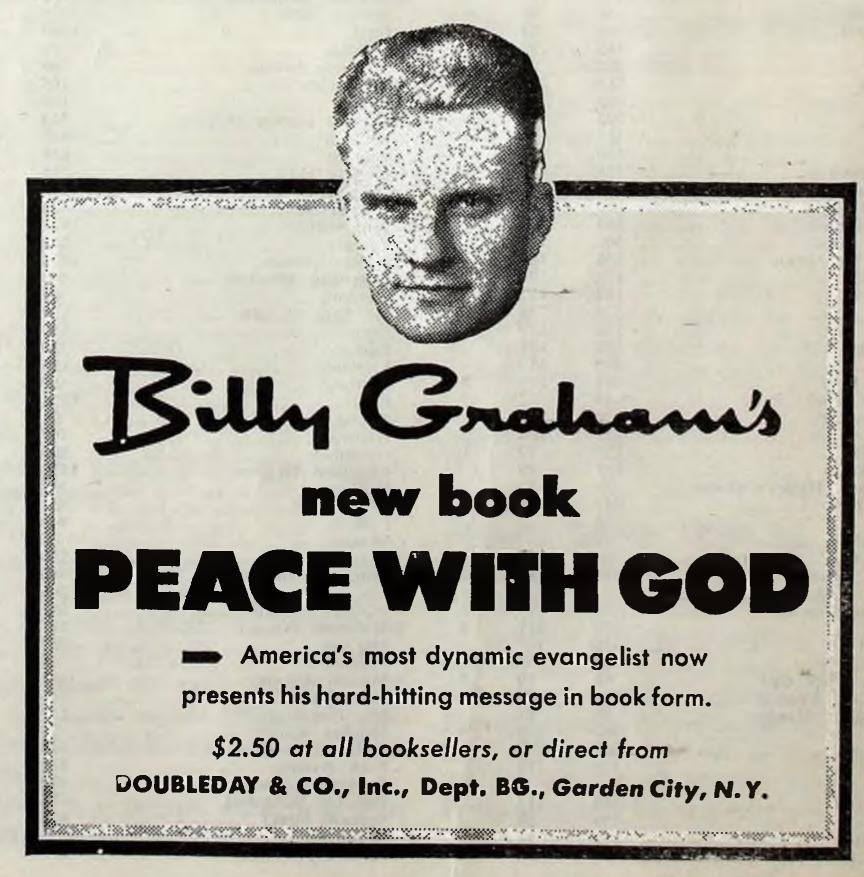
Brother N. O. Baker has resigned as pastor of Round Lick Church, Watertown, to accept similar position with the South Pittsburg Church.

Leonard Sanderson, Secretary, Department of Evangelism and Promotion, Tennessee Baptist Convention, has been secured as General Chairman for the Nashville Simultaneous Revivals in 1955. Brother Sanderson will preach in the campaign at Grandview Church.

Shelbyville Mills Church, the "Little White Church in the Village" has designated November as Stewardship Month with a goal of 200 tithe cards signed and returned by the end of the month. Harold Kilpatrick is pastor.

Brother Carmack Penuel, who has been ill for some time is back at work in Seventh Church, Nashville. The Brotherhood carried on the pulpit ministry in Brother Penuel's absence.

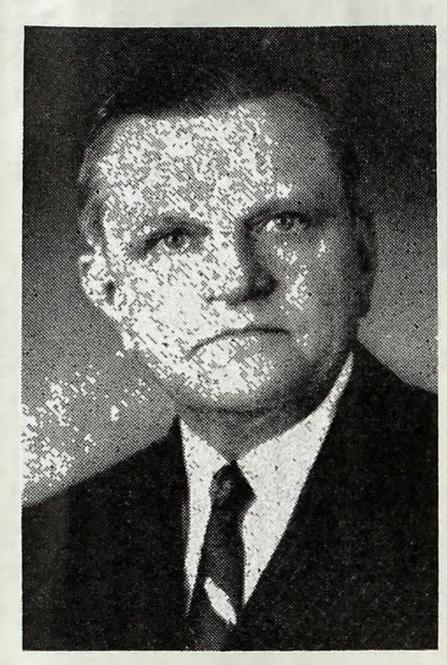
Temple Baptist Church, Denver, Colorado, and pastor, D. A. Bryant, desire to have the name and address of Southern Baptists living in or near the city. Please send this information to the church, 50 South Colorado Boulevard, Denver, Colorado.



BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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Office Secretary

E. C. Sisk, Stewardship Worker



CONGRESSMAN CLIFFORD DAVIS

Congressman Davis speaks at the annual Shelby County Brotherhood Banquet at Bellevue Baptist Church Friday night, November 27th. Shelby County should have one thousand men to attend this banquet.

Regional Meetings Called Off

The Executive Committee of the Brotherhood, composed of Pastor Advisors and state officers, met on Tuesday night, November 10th, upon the request of the Brotherhood Secretary.

The Brotherhood Executive Committee voted to call off the regional meetings that were to be promoted in February of 1954.

Associational Meetings

Mr. Leonard Sanderson who is now the head of the Department of Evangelism and Promotion has suggested conferences in every association promoting Evangelism and Stewardship. We feel that since two of our Brotherhood objectives are Evangelism and Stewardship that the Brotherhood should enter wholeheartedly in the promotion of these conferences.

Under the leadership of Brother Sanderson who certainly knows promotional work, the Brotherhood will not only make a contribution to Evangelism and Stewardship but it will strengthen our Brotherhoods and encourage other churches to organize Brotherhoods.

Southwide Commission Bulletins

Bulletin No. 37 Volume 2 Subject: New Tract

This tract coming from our newly elected

Associate Secretary, David T. Mashburn, will be of great value in our associational Brotherhood organizations. It is a much needed tract and deals with fundamentals necessary to the organization and the proper function of the associational Brotherhood organization.

This tract will be entitled "The Annual Association-Wide Baptist Brotherhood Clinic." It will deal with such questions as What is the Brotherhood Clinic? Why Have An Association-Wide Brotherhood Clinic? This setting forth twelve reasons. How to prepare for the Annual Clinic? A suggested program for the proper method of advertising the clinic.

Bulletin No. 42 Volume 2 Subject: New Brotherhood Secretary in Kentucky

This bulletin brings us the news of another state establishing a Brotherhood Department and calling a Secretary. The state of Kentucky has called Mr. Lucien E. Coleman of Little Rock, Arkansas, as their Brotherhood Secretary.

Mr. Coleman, for the past several years has been serving as the assistant to the executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist Convention. He comes to his new post as Brotherhood leader in Kentucky well qualified. We are happy to claim him as our neighbor Secretary.

Bulletin No. 30 Volume 2 Subject: New Tract, "A Million More In '54"

This bulletin brings us another new tract from our Associate Secretary, James M. Sapp. This tract is titled, "A Million More in '54" "What Can Men Do?"

Program Vice-presidents will especially be interested in this new tract.

Bulletin No. 31 Volume 2 Subject: "How And When Elect Brother-hood Officers"

This brings us another new tract from our Associate Secretary, James M. Sapp. This tract is an adaptation from portions of Chapter V of the Brotherhood Guidebook. I am sure we will have a number of requests for same.

Goal Reached

We had a goal of four hundred Brother-hoods set by Convention time of this year. We reached this goal and exceeded it by fifteen.

The Brotherhood Bulletin Number 32 shows that Tennessee led all other states in the Southern Baptist Convention with Brotherhood organizations the first six months of this year.



E. C. Sisk, Stewardship Worker

Mr. E. C. Sisk has for sometime been in Stewardship work in the state of Tennessee connected with the Department of Missions and Evangelism.

Since one of the major objectives of the Brotherhood is Stewardship, Mr. Sisk will now be in the Brotherhood department giving a larger part of his time to Stewardship. Mr. Sisk has been connected with Baptists work in the state for a number of years and has a number of contacts that should prove beneficial in the promotion of this work.

Results of Stewardship Campaign Promoted by The Brotherhood, October 18-25

Number of Rallies held eight; Number of attending Rallies four ninety;

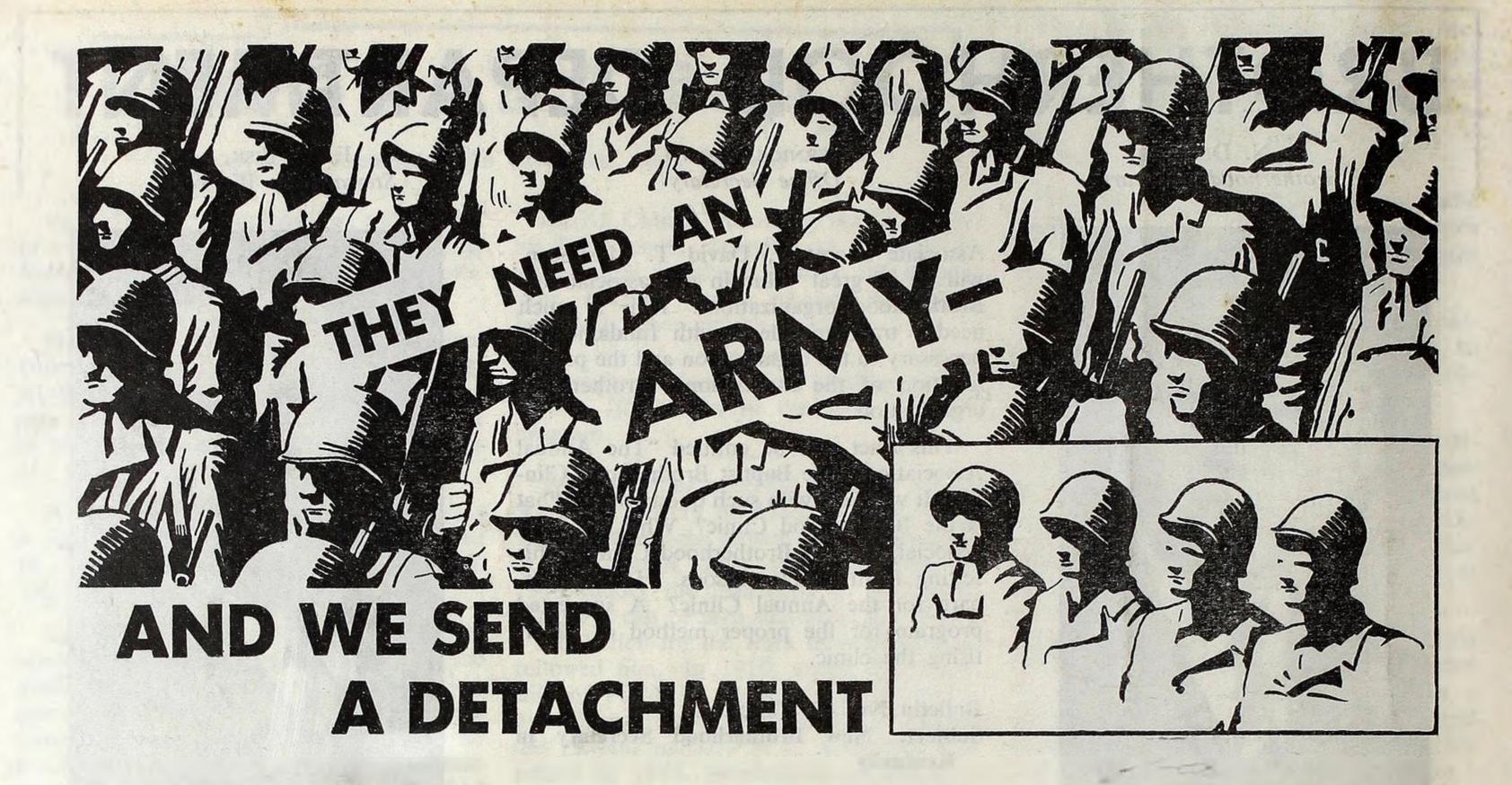
Number of schools three fifty four; and

Number attending schools thirty-two thousand two fifty

The number of new tithers has not yet been recapitulated.

Some schools have reported as high as thirty new tithers. Churches have reported an increase in offerings as high as \$400.00 per Sunday.

The Brotherhood Secretary, E. N. Delzell, wants to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in this campaign. We want to thank especially the speakers who gave unselfishly of their time and energy; to the teachers of every class; to the good pastors and missionaries who cooperated in such a great way.



ROM all parts of the world comes the call for trained Christian workers. Pastors need assistants; churches need ministers of music, ministers of education, and secretaries; the need for student workers, chaplains, denominational workers, and home and foreign missionaries continues to increase. The answer to these needs cannot come from a seminary. It must come from the churches where decisions are made for Christian service. Southern Seminary is prepared to train the army of Christian workers which our world needs. But the challenge for service must begin in the local church.

HEN Southern Seminary established the School of Church Music several years ago, and more recently the School of Religious Education, it added the facilities and faculty necessary to prepare young men and women for all fields of Christian service. But progress creates new needs which must not be ignored. More dormitories and larger library facilities are urgently needed. More teachers and additional classrooms must be provided soon. Southern Seminary is willing to accept the challenge to train the army. But with the challenge comes the responsibility to provide adequate facilities. We cannot — we must not ignore it!

We Are Counting on the Cooperative Program!

