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... Turning From Our Age-Old Belief?

● Are we as Baptists turning from our age old belief in the separation of church and state? The principle is still vocally believed in, but our practice of it is wavering of late. We have long believed that those preferring private or parochial schools should support those schools individually.

Now we find at least two states, Arkansas and Virginia, actively allotting funds to students who prefer to attend private schools in preference to the public schools. In these states there are, of course, underlying causes; but how long will parents who prefer parochial schools stand by and see others being subsidized in private schools? Not long, and rightly so. The Tennessee legislature is supposed to receive a similar private subsidy bill and will quite possibly approve it.

These are changing times we live in, but if we approve the forthcoming subsidy bill it will mean many a mile along the road to subsidizing all students. If this comes, we Baptists will find ourselves far behind other religious bodies: furthermore we will be reversing our long standing belief in separation of church and state. If that happens, have we been wrong in our stand all along?

Those who look to Virginia for leadership should study the persecution committed against Baptists by Virginia at the instigation of the official state religion of that commonwealth. Could it happen again? We should study the consequences of our present emotional binge before taking the plunge.—Norman Dye, Ellendale, Tenn.

... From Missionaries in Rhodesia

● Our first copy of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR arrived today. Perhaps I should wait to see if any other copies will come—but I do want to say thank you. Since I am from Georgia we receive the *Christian Index* regularly—but there will be much news that is different in the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR.

For the past five weeks Marvin has been able to carry on much mission work and so we are really rejoicing. It will be three years March 7

since he had his back injury and then the four operations. We are so happy to be in Gatooma and of all people feel most blessed. There is no fellowship anywhere to compare with that among missionaries.

Thank you for sending us the magazine—we shall look forward to reading each copy.—Mrs. M. L. Garrett, Box 252, Gatooma, S. Rhodesia, Africa.

... Thank Tennessee for the Richard Morris

● The first issue of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR has reached me and I thank you for sending my state paper to me.

The Taiwan Mission has a retreat for the missionaries of our Convention early in February each year. On the 5-6 of this month, we were in Taipei at our summer assembly grounds for a two-day meeting. While we were there we again had the privilege of being with the Richard Morris family from Iron City, Tennessee. We want to thank Tennessee for sending this fine family to us. Richard and Tena decided to be the first couple of the Baptist Mission to undertake to learn the Taiwanese language. 7,000,000 of the 10,000,000 people on Taiwan speak the Taiwanese language. We have three small chapels among this language group. Our other 19 churches and 40 chapels are for the Mandarin speaking population. Richard and Tena are doing well with the language and are fitting into the work beautifully. At the dedication of one of the new chapels two weeks ago, Richard sang in Taiwanese and led in prayer in his new language. He has a wonderful spirit of humility and helpfulness and we are proud of our newest missionary family. Send us some more like them.

With kindest regards to the staff and the officers of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR—Lorene Tilford, Box 135, Taichung, Taiwan, Free China.

... Pope John and Christian Unity

● Pope John has indicated his purpose to call an ecumenical council in quest of (so called) Christian Unity. We don't need to use our imagination but know from history what sort of unity Pope John wants and will advocate. The lion called a council on unity with a lamb about their lying down together. But when the council met the condition imposed was that the lamb should docilely lie down inside the lion.

Southern Baptist Convention President Brooks Hays is reported as saying with reference to the Pope's proposal; "All Christians share the Pope's concern for Christian unity in a period threatened by materialism and unbelief."

I have known Mr. Hays pleasantly since his college days and regard him highly but must say that he does not know his Roman Catholicism when he thinks that Pope John is concerned about real Christian unity. There has never been a Pope on his purple bogus throne that wanted anything in the way of unity except for Baptists and Protestants to stand meekly on the Vatican steps and confess their sins and humbly seek the privilege of being swallowed by Romanism. The snow was cold at Canosa when a king stood barefoot and begged a Pope for indulgence. I don't think that all Christians share the Pope's concern for I feel quite sure that the Pope has no concern for true Christian unity. If Baptists have good sense they will pay no attention to Pope's empty talk about "Christian unity," and will dedicate themselves anew to the God-given task of preaching the gospel to the world, so as to counteract the false teaching of the Pope and his hierarchy. This will bring the multitudes of the earth to the foot of the Cross where there is life for a look at the Crucified Saviour.

Meantime, I wish Mr. Hayes would remember that he cannot make pronouncements on such

... Always The Possibility Of 'Family Harmony'.

● I wish to take rather strong exception to the position implied in Jess Moody's short article "The Ecumenical Council or a Papal Parable" (BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, February 19, 1959). For one thing, there never was at any time "a very happy family" of Christians. For an example, let us look at the New Testament, which shows rather unhappy factions in the church at Corinth. Let us look at history, which reveals dissident groups such as the Gnostics, the Marcionites, and the Donatists long before the Reformation-inspired denominations of the sixteenth century and afterwards. Let us look at present experience, which indicates suspicion, misunderstanding, and even outright persecution among the groups generally known as "Christian."

For another thing, it is simply not true that Jesus gave "specific instructions" to his followers. He gave general commandments for the most part, and different bodies have filled in the details according to their own particular tradition. Indeed, this is a great source of difficulty. We do not so much disagree on whether to serve Christ as on how to serve Christ.

Finally, any attempt at peace and harmony among Christians should be considered more from the point of view of God's will than according to the selfish motives of sinful men, whoever they be. If we at least sat down and talked sincerely with Roman Catholics and others, we could certainly air mutual grievances and perhaps even come to see others as truly brothers for whom Christ died. We do not have to agree—and possibly never will, but much can be done to make us more of a happy family than we are now. There is always the possibility for family harmony wherever there are Christians of conviction, charity, and humility. There may be more of these than we imagine. Let us each pray to God that we may be one of them.—E. B. Self, Pastor, LaVergne Baptist Church, LaVergne, Tenn.

... Imperative Need Challenges

● The Latin American Missions Conference, concluded today in Buenos Aires, is one of the most significant meetings I have attended.

Dr. Clifton J. Allen and I were asked by Dr. Frank Means and the Foreign Mission Board to meet in their (1) Religious Education and Publications Committees and (2) their Field Work Committee, respectively.

The sense of imperative need, expressed by these missionary leaders, for assistance in application of stewardship principles and development of stewardship and church finance plans and programs, and particularly the Forward Program, presented probably the greatest challenge I have ever faced.

Whatever our contributions, Clifton and I feel that we do have a better understanding of the world mission task.—Merrill D. Moore, written in flight from Santiago, Chile, to Lima, Peru. (Dr. Moore is Director of Promotion and Associate Secretary of the Executive Committee, S.B.C., Nashville, Tennessee.)

subjects without many people thinking that he, in some sense, is speaking for the Baptists. With all my respect for this friend of the years I must insist that he should say nothing on such matters that can be construed in any respect as the voice of Southern Baptists.

Flirting with a Roman Pope is not the path to Christian unity. Christ wants his people to be one, so do we, but first they must be his people, and second they must be united according to the Scripture in the bonds of the gospel of the cross and not on seven sacraments for salvation through priestly pretension of the forgiveness of sin.

Christian unity indeed! With Roman Catholic closing Baptist and Protestant Churches in it and stoning and mobbing Baptist preachers in Central America.—L. E. Barton, 2033 South Hull Montgomery, Alabama.



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Membership Of Churches Surpasses 9 Million

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Nine million members of churches, seven million in Sunday schools, \$400 million given, 400,000 converts baptized . . .

These are the significant figures to Southern Baptists for 1958, showing growth of the Southern Baptist Convention on the eve of the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

Total membership of churches co-operating with the Convention surpassed nine million for the first time, reaching a total of 9,206,758. This was a 2.7 per cent gain.

Enrolment in Sunday schools, the Bible-teaching agency of the churches, topped seven million for the first time. The total there is 7,096,175, up 1.8 per cent over 1957.

Gifts to churches for all objectives—local, national, and world-wide—went over the \$400 million mark, something that hasn't happened before. Total 1958 gifts amounted to \$419,619,438.

Baptisms, an indication of the evangelistic fervor of the denomination since they tell how many persons accepted Christ as Saviour during the year, topped 400,000 again during 1958. The year's total was 407,892, up 4.7 per cent.

These statistics were reported by J. P. Edmunds, secretary of research and statistics for the Convention's Sunday School Board in Nashville. Part of the responsibility of Edmund's department is to compile the annual records for Southern Baptists.

Percentage gains of from six-tenths of 1 per cent to 13.9 per cent were reported in various phases of denominational life. In the major areas, no losses were reported.

The number of churches increased six-tenths of 1 per cent, from 31,297 in 1957 to 31,498 in 1958.

Enrolment in Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador organizations in churches—these are groups for men and boys respectively—showed the largest percentage gain, 13.9. Enrolment climbed from 511,521 in 1957 to 582,497 last year.

A close second in percentage gain was that of choir enrolment—12.6. An increase of 69,673 was reported, bringing total choir enrolment in 1958 to 622,694.

Gifts to missions and benevolences showed a greater percentage gain for the year than did total gifts. While total gifts

were increasing 5.6 per cent from \$397,550,347 to \$419,619,438, the portion of them going to missions and benevolence was rising 6.8 per cent.

Total missions-benevolence giving stood at \$74,750,699 last year compared with \$70,015,299 the previous year. Missions-benevolence giving includes support to home and foreign missions, and to hospitals, children's homes, and homes for the aged operated by Southern Baptist groups.

The total value of property of the 31,498 churches went up a whopping 9.8 per cent, a gain from 1957 to 1958 of \$162,961,428. The 1958 total evaluation was \$1,825,474,318.

Other gains pointed out in Edmunds' report are: Vacation Bible schools, enrolment up 4.7 per cent from 1957 to 2,908,157; enrolment in Baptist Training Unions, up 3.7 per cent over the year to 2,503,920; enrolment in organizations of the Woman's Missionary Union, up 5.4 per cent to 1,395,974.

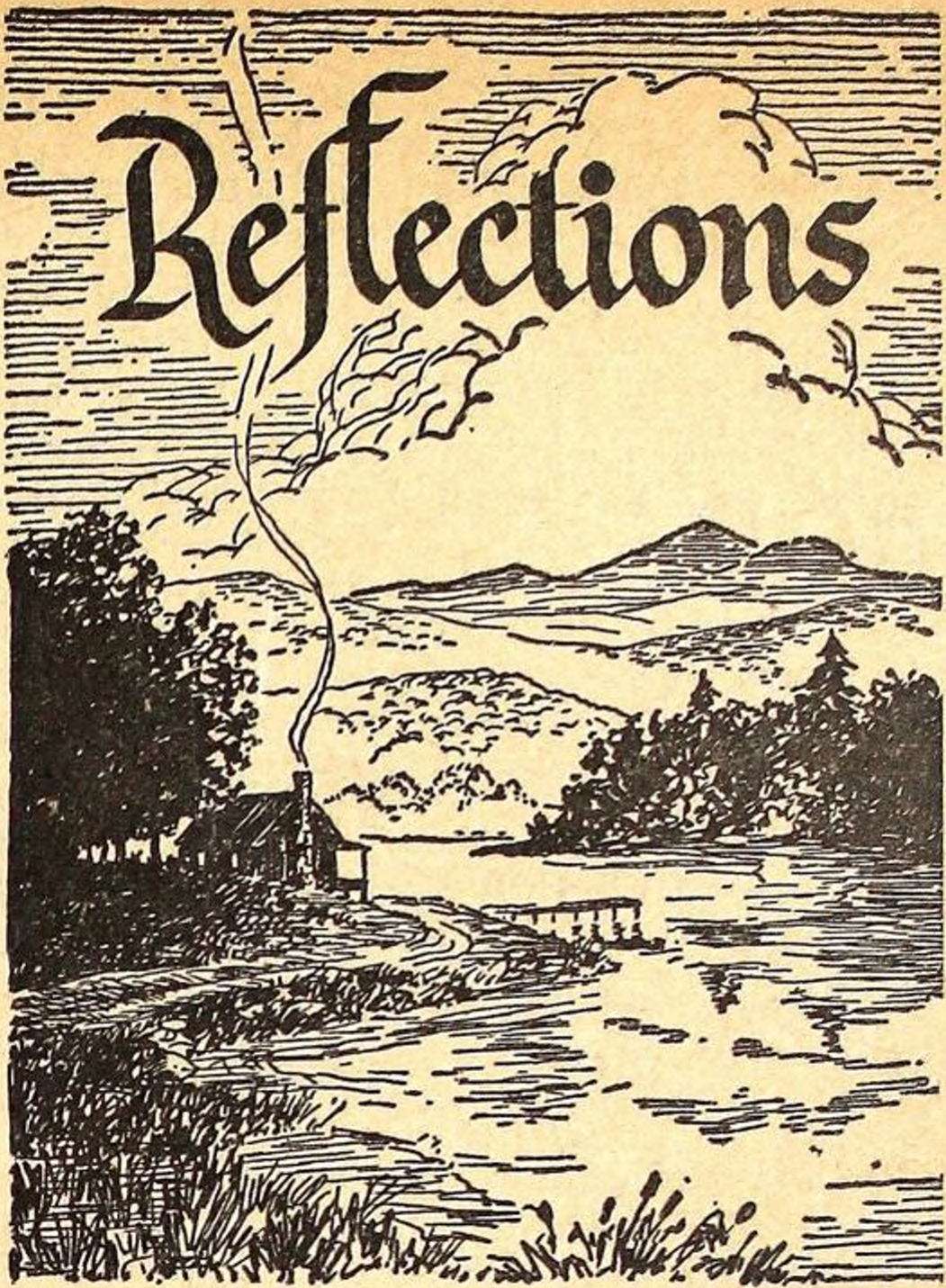
Baptisms were 18,176 more in 1958 than in 1957 when they were slightly under the 400,000 mark. This is not the first year, however, that these have been over 400,000.

Increases were considered significant because of the entry of Southern Baptists—with five other Baptists in North America—into the five-year program of growth beginning Jan. 1, 1959, known as the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

The 31,498 churches are located in 42 states, plus the District of Columbia and Hawaii. The report shows that open country churches still comprise almost half the total number of churches—15,472. Another 4546 churches are located in villages and 3733 churches in towns. Only 7747 are classified as city churches.

The Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845 with 351,951 members of 4126 co-operating churches. By 1873 its membership had reached the one million mark, and by 1940, the five million mark. In the 18 years since 1940, membership has increased more than four million.

Statistics reported here are based on reports from churches themselves to their district associations of churches. Associational clerks in turn file reports of their associations each year at Edmunds request.



I am not familiar with military strategists' dreams (about a military base on the moon)—but I know that from the moon only one side of the earth faces you at a time; for the good part of each month that face will be in total darkness, and much of it will probably be covered by clouds. Anyone who thinks he can see any man-made object from 240,000 miles away is optimistic. . . . Can we use the great new technologies of space travel for peaceful and scientific purposes—or are we going to be led into wild programs of Buck Rogers stunts and insane pseudo-military expeditions? The decision is going to be made soon—and it is high time the best people in America do some good hard thinking about it.—Lee A. DuBridge, pres. California Institute of Technology, "Plain Talk About Space Flight," *Popular Science*.

At 18 a boy wants and really expects to reform the whole world; at 30 he concentrates on his own country; at 40, on his state; and at 60, he has to center his efforts on himself if he's to reach 80.—Giles French, *Moro (Ore.) Journal*.

We usually hear that we ought to teach more mathematics, more science, so that we can get ahead of the Soviet Union. We are kidding ourselves, of course, if we think this is the way to salvation. The eventual victory, whatever its form, will not go to the nation with the best scientists. It will go, instead, to those who understand how the spirit of man is best fulfilled.—Edgar Dale, quoted by John H. Fischer, Supt. of Public Instruction in Baltimore, Md. "Teaching the Nature of Communism," *Social Education*.

Faith and works are like the light and the candle; they cannot be separated.—J. Beaumont, quoted in *Argonaut*.

SUMMARY OF 1958 STATISTICS				
	1958	1957	Increase	Per cent Increase
Churches	31,498	31,297	201	.6
Baptisms	407,892	389,716	18,176	4.7
Membership	9,206,758	8,966,255	240,503	2.7
Sunday school enrolment	7,096,175	6,972,350	123,825	1.8
Vacation Bible school enrolment	2,908,157	2,777,104	131,053	4.7
Training Union enrolment	2,503,920	2,414,584	89,336	3.7
Choir enrolment	622,694	553,021	69,673	12.6
W.M.U. enrolment	1,395,974	1,324,295	71,679	5.4
Total Brotherhood enrolment	582,497	511,521	70,976	13.9
Total gifts	\$ 419,619,438	\$ 397,550,347	\$ 22,069,091	5.6
Missions and benevolences	\$ 74,750,699	\$ 70,015,299	\$ 4,735,400	6.8
Total value of church property	\$1,825,474,318	\$1,662,512,890	\$ 162,961,428	9.8
Research and Statistics Department Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention				

On the confused and disturbed matter of racial relationships we need all the light we can get. The seriousness of the race issue marks our whole world situation today. Certainly it is not something peculiar to the South since the Supreme Court decision of May 17, 1954 on ending compulsory segregation. We in the South just happen to be in the vortex of this great whirling storm. But the pressures and the tensions are throughout the whole world.

As Christians, we of all people should seek to follow the light of God's Word. Yet there are divergencies of opinion as to what the Bible says on the controversy. No greater tragedy can come than that which issues from following false teaching. Nor is there a deadlier heresy than error seeking to clothe itself in the sanction of Holy Scriptures wrested to its own misuse. The "curse on Canaan" spoken of in Genesis 9:25 is oftentimes today erroneously spoken of as "the curse of Ham". It is wrongly used by some misled people hoping to defend the status quo in race relationships with the Word of God.

In view of all this, we hail as of unusual importance the clear and timely book by Dr. T. B. Maston which carefully examines the Biblical teaching on the nature of man and on the Divine intention concerning human relations. The book is entitled "The Bible and Race" and has just recently been released by Broadman Press of Nashville. Dr. Maston is a distinguished son of Tennessee, a graduate of Carson-Newman College, an author of half a dozen valuable books, who has taught at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, for the past thirty-six years. In his most recent book, Dr. Maston reverently and thoroughly searches the Scriptures to put before us God's revelation on the attitudes that should be between men of various races.

Exposition of the Scriptures is the main intent of this book, rather than a detailed study of the different aspects of the race issue.

He has a chapter on "The Powers That Be" (Romans 13:1), with reasons for obedience to civil authority and the limitations on that obedience. The Christian is to be concerned principally about others' rights rather than his own. The first chapter of the book, "In the Image of God," sums up the meaning of "the image" not only as a being who can say to himself, "I am, I ought, I will," but one who has *capacity for fellowship with God*. This last is possibly the deepest meaning of "the image of God". Personality both on the human and the divine levels involves and necessitates fellowship or communication. Dr. Maston draws the conclusion that anything that artificially limits or destroys one's fellowship with his fellow man will impoverish his personality.

The high value of man comes from his relation to God. Divorce man from God and you separate man from his source of value. Sooner or later he loses respect for himself and for his fellow men. To retain a deep conviction that men are created "in the image of God," and that Christ died for all, leads to treating all men with respect. Knowing that a man is made "in the image of God," we can never treat him as a mere means or instrument, but always as an end of infinite value.

While the Bible has little to say directly on race as such, it declares basic truths dealing with the problem which we ignore at our peril. The Bible's real teaching gives no comfort to any who suppose the Negroes' second-grade citizenship results from "the curse of Canaan" and that God has ordained the Negro to subserviency. To misrepresent God is to damage the cause of Christ in our witness to it at home and abroad.

We are dealing with a very perplexing problem. Christians today may defend racial segregation as the best method of temporarily and immediately handling this very vexing situation. This can possibly be done without fatal damage to the cause of Christ. But certainly it cannot be done so long as anybody seeks to use "the curse of Canaan" and other Biblical incidents to support their position. The Christian witness is not strengthened by defending segregation as being the full and final expression of the divine will in human relations. This is the contention of the author.

These are revolutionary times in which we live. There is movement and change on every hand. We can be sure that God is at work today. Let us have the insight, the faith, and the love to work with God as His Holy Spirit moves in the hearts of men of all races and all colors. He is no respecter of persons. He created man in His own image. He loved all men enough to give His Son in their stead. We need the Light now, and from now on.

Let Us Worthily Honor

The recent and much publicized troubles at Southern Baptist Seminary should not dim the 100th anniversary of that great school. Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins sounds a plea for a worthy observance in May (see page 7). Perhaps no man among us knows the Seminary from first hand experience better than Dr. Dobbins. It is enheartening to read his article and note his observation that, "the storm is subsiding." He believes the Seminary is emerging with prospects for even greater usefulness. Let us put the recent agitation in proper perspective. The Seminary has met and weathered many a storm before. We can dispel the dark shadow that has fallen across it with an outpouring of love and gratitude to God for what the Seminary has meant the past hundred years.



Questions Answered

(Address questions to T. A. Patterson,
First Baptist Church, Beaumont, Texas)

Should pastors and other former staff members make it a practice to visit on the fields where they once labored?—M.D.A.

A categorical "no" is the best answer to this question. After a person has severed his relationship with a church he should not make it a "practice" to return. An occasional visit might be all right, depending upon the circumstances and upon his own attitude and spirit. For example, if the present pastor asks him back for a special occasion, he is free to accept the invitation. While on the field, he should see that he neither says nor does anything which would reflect upon the new leadership. What is true of a pastor is equally true of other staff members.

"Moses my servant is dead" (Joshua 1:2) was more than the announcement of a fact. It was a forceful reminder that a new leader had come on the scene. Certainly the people would not lose their appreciation, respect, and love for Moses but their allegiance was now to be transferred to Joshua. A similar thing obtains when one pastor leaves and God sends another in his place.

When a pastor tries to hold on to the people whom he once served or allows them to speak critically to him about the church or its leadership, he can do great harm to the cause of Christ. The new man may be doing the finest work ever done in the church, but since some people are opposed to change, he could have a few critics to whom even a sympathetic hearing would be a great encouragement. The right kind of person, either on or off the field, would use his influence to curb such developments.

Pastors and other Christian workers do not have standards of professional ethics already drawn up for them such as exist among doctors and lawyers, but they are under an enduring obligation to the Lord Jesus Christ to manifest the Christian spirit in all their attitudes and actions.

C. W. Leonard is the new pastor of New Bethlehem Church, Gibson Association. He began his new work February 15. On this date there were 213 in Sunday school and 104 in Training Union with three additions. His address is Route 1, Dyer. Brother Leonard has served as pastor of Barton Creek Church in Wilson County Association.

The 30,000 Movement Report and Request for Certificates of Awards cards are now available. Please order from State Chairman L. G. Frey, Belcourt at 16th Avenue, S., Nashville, Tenn.

Religious Liberty Is World Problem

WASHINGTON—(BP)—Religious liberty problems continue to loom large on the world horizon according to C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. He pointed out three specific areas to the recent meeting of the Committee here.

The denial of religious liberty in Spain, suggestions for an American ambassador to the Vatican, and the distribution of United States foreign aid through church channels are three pressing issues at the moment, Carlson said.

In Spain eight Baptist churches have been closed by the Government and two others have had restrictions imposed on their building programs. Eight other Protestant churches have been closed in Spain, and four more have received verbal orders to close.

Concerning the proposed U. S. representation at the Vatican, Carlson said, "Without having explored opinions on the Hill, I venture a personal reaction to the effect that the passing of the Anfuso resolution is not a political probability." However, in view of the possibility of a ground swell of public support for the move, the Baptist Committee gave the executive director authority to act in harmony with previously adopted resolutions opposing such ambassadorial representation.

"The distribution of United States surplus food through church agencies is continuing to raise questions and to point toward complications," Carlson reported. Although there has been no overall survey to determine to what extent church agencies are using these surplus commodities for their own advantage in the furtherance of their own aims, Carlson quoted one newspaper man, who said:

"These needy persons turn out to be, not the refugees whom such Protestant agencies such as Church World Service have been helping, but those who are in distress in countries where poverty has been generated by a combination of reactionary economic system supported by the Catholic Church and a high birth rate demanded by the church's teaching against birth control.

"It will come as a shock to Americans to learn that the 'neediest country' in the world, as measured by U.S. donations abroad, is not war-torn Korea, but Italy.

"More than one-fifth of all the U.S. food given to religious and charitable organizations went to Italy, a total of \$28,423,000 in the fiscal year 1958. And 99 per cent of it was sent there by the NCWC (National Catholic Welfare Conference) to be distributed through Catholic welfare groups in that country to strengthen the Church there."

Rev. Roy W. Babb is recovering following surgery in Mid-State Baptist Hospital. We were privileged to be in his pulpit at Edgefield Church, Nashville during part of the time he was away. It was good to note the deep love of the church for Bro. and Mrs. Babb who have led this church in great advances for the Lord. During the past year 90 were baptized into fellowship of the church. A good work is also being carried forward under sponsorship of the church in the Woodcock Chapel.—RNO

CONSIDER

by David E. Mason



First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Louisiana

CONSIDER bridges—toll bridges, draw bridges, covered bridges, uncovered bridges, suspension bridges, nose bridges, wooden bridges, red bridges, railroad bridges, dental bridges, log bridges, steel-arch bridges, cantilever bridges, and truss bridges.

A bridge, for your information, is a structure over a depression or obstacle. Bridges are often taken for granted, yet they are tremendously important to the primitive pigmy with his vine bridge, or the Mayor of San Francisco with his Golden Gate.

Recent literature is filled with stories about bridges. There they are trying to blow one up. Here they are trying to build one. She is planning to throw herself from one. Whether it be Toko Ri, Waterloo, San Louis Rey, The Long Bridge, London Bridge or the bridge across the gulley behind your house, bridges are important to man and his adventures and progress. A bridge is nothing more or less than something that allows you to get from one place to another where otherwise it would be difficult or impossible.

Consider then the bridge God built for you. You are in a state of unfaithfulness and rebellion and sin. Whether you like the sound of the words or not—it is true. Across the impassable gorge is the state you would like to be in—the fellowship and security of a right relation with God. But buddy, there is no way for you to jump across or to build a bridge. God has taken care of it by building a bridge of forgiveness. His giving of his Son is proof of his love and we know the bridge is there. Cross it.

Forward Program Progress

By Gene Kerr

First Baptist, Alamo, Robert Benson, pastor, pledged \$28,874.04 on a \$28,620.00 budget goal. Plans to give 24% through the Cooperative Program.

Oakwood Baptist, Chattanooga, F. R. Cole, pastor, increased percentage to Cooperative Program from 15% to 17%, increased amount pledged over last year by \$12,000.

First Church, Cookeville, C. D. Sallee, Jr., pastor, pledged \$68,500.00. 2% increase to Cooperative Program.

Temple Baptist, Johnson City, Haven C. Lowe, using program for second year, reports increase of tithers from 252 to 309 and number of pledgers from 386 to 403.

Wayne Markham, pastor, Rocky Hill Church, Knoxville, reports: "The Forward Program of Church Finance has been a real success in our church. This success was both in material blessings and spiritual blessings. The report will tell the story as to finance, and the unusual seems to be that out of the 200 who pledged, 180 pledged to tithe. During this time of five Sundays, we baptized into our fellowship seventeen. Our attendance went up, and there was a spirit of revival among our people during the campaign. This spirit still remains."

John W. Lucas, First Baptist, Dandridge, comments: "We have received an average increase of 20% in offerings ever since the Program closed. It is thrilling to see how God works and blesses the faithful efforts of his children."

Featured In Magazine

FORT WORTH—(BP)—The story of Southern Baptists' radio and television ministry will be graphically told in an article in the March issue of *Coronet* magazine.

Written by Seth Kantor, columnist for the *Fort Worth Press*, the article is entitled "Evangelists of the Air Waves."

The Southern Baptist Convention Radio and TV Commission here produces all Southern Baptist programs discussed in the article.

"The Baptist Hour," now in its 20th broadcast year, is a feature program in the story. The article tells of a former prison inmate who heard the program, made a profession of faith and was subsequently employed by the Commission.

Also discussed in the article are "Tele-evangelism," the use of television in personal evangelism; the growth of "This is the Answer" TV series and "Master Control," a new Southern Baptist religious program designed for radio.

Arthur Jackson, former executive secretary of the Georgia Baptist Foundation, has become administrative assistant to President Randall H. Minor at Shorter College, Rome, Ga.

Missionary Hallock Handles Congress Plans

RIO DE JANEIRO—(BP)—Between now and June 26, 1960, Missionary Edgar F. Hallock, Jr., is not likely to spend much time loafing.

Not that the energetic director of the publishing house division of the Brazilian Baptist Sunday School Board was ever guilty of that, but as chairman of the general committee on arrangements for the Baptist World Congress here June 26-July 3, 1960, his work is cut out for him in the next year and a half.

Heavy responsibility for the success of the Congress rests on him and the 26 subcommittees working under his direction. All committees have been meeting monthly for more than a year.

The organization is set up similar to that which a host city utilizes in entertaining a session of the Southern Baptist Convention. For example, there are committees on registration, publicity, reception and information, housing, transportation, exhibits, meals, interpreters and preachers, music, first aid, tours and excursions, communications, immigration and personal documents, exchange of money, nursery, and relations with government officials.

Decries Popular Church

FORT WORTH—(BP)—A Houston Baptist pastor warned about 165 fellow pulpiteers attending an annual Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission-sponsored workshop here against building popular churches.

"A church popular with the world is a pallid imitation of a New Testament church," said James Riley, pastor of the Second Baptist church of Houston.

He said Christians have been lulled into a false sense of security, with concepts of the Christian faith being prostituted into political dogma. "A prevalent idea," he said, "is that discipleship can be practiced without danger."

Other principal speakers included Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe and the Near East for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Forrest C. Feezor, Texas Baptist executive secretary; and J. M. Dawson, retired executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

"The workshop," said Foy Valentine, director of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission, "was designed to help Christians to carry into every area of life the whole gospel of Christ."

A five-member executive committee is composed of Hallock, two vice-presidents, and two recording secretaries (one Portuguese and one English).

Hallock, a Southern Baptist Convention missionary estimates that 15,000 people will attend the Congress, with 5,000 of them coming from outside Brazil. "We are planning on 4,000 from the United States and 1,000 from all other countries of the world," he said. This means that Brazil's attendance will be about 10,000, including a 3,000-voice choir. Organization of the choir is already underway, with the singers coming from Rio, Sao Paulo, and six other cities in Brazil.

Being host to 15,000 people is not a simple job, Hallock and his committees are finding. There's the problem of transportation from hotels to stadium, for example. It is hoped that shuttle buses can be used since public transportation is filled to capacity most of the time.

Arrangements are already being made to simplify the feeding of so many people, particularly at lunch. The government tourist office is expected to provide a catering service at the stadium. This will save delegates the time-consuming trip back to their hotels.

There will be an official currency exchange booth at the stadium, along with a post office. If plans are finalized, there will be a curio shop so visiting Baptists can do a bit of souvenir shopping during the lunch hour.

Asked if he had any suggestions to folks planning to come to Rio in 1960, Hallock observed that patience was a virtue of all good Christians. "It will especially be helpful in South America," he added. "This continent is just now being discovered by Americans. The tourist movement is growing, but still not as well developed as it is in Europe and the Holy Land, for instance."

"The conduct of Baptists as they travel through South America will have a great influence on our work. We have every reason to believe that the Congress will be the greatest boost Baptist work has ever received in this section of the world. Ask our fellow Baptists in America to join us in that prayer."

For the past 36 years, Hallock's father has been pastor of First Baptist Church, Norman, Okla., where the Brazilian missionary was reared. A graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, he is now in his 17th year as a missionary to Brazil. His wife is the former Zelm Curnutt, a native of Gould, Okla., and they have four children.

Southern Seminary's Centennial

Gaines S. Dobbins

The year 1909 marked the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. I had just enrolled as student and was called on by Dr. J. N. Prestridge, editor of the *Baptist World*, to report the meeting for his paper and for the *Courier-Journal*.

The celebration was a notable occasion, bringing to Louisville some of the outstanding Baptist and other religious leaders of the time. Dr. A. T. Robertson was especially featured as the most distinguished New Testament scholar and author of the English-speaking world.

As a youngster, I was deeply impressed by the occasion and the high esteem in which Southern Seminary was held at home and abroad. I remember that I wondered if I would live to see the celebration of the Seminary's 100th anniversary and tried to imagine the tremendousness of the event. Just around the corner is this celebration and I am spared to write about it! In imagination, I can see a cloud of witnesses looking from heaven with eager anticipation—Boyce, Broadus, Williams, Manly, Whitsett, Kerfoot, Mullins, Sampey, Robertson, McGlothlin, Carver, Gardner, Eager, Dargan, Adams, Fuller, Davis and other professors, and a host of alumni. If there is sadness in heaven, would they not be grieved if this anniversary celebration should in any wise fall short because of the misfortune that has just overtaken the school they loved?

I came to the faculty of the Seminary in 1920, when President E. Y. Mullins was at the height of his career and the institution had become world-renowned. Hershey Davis and I, elected at the same time, brought the total of full faculty members to nine! Dr. Mullins died in 1928, just before the depression, and left the Seminary with a building debt of almost a million dollars. For the next twenty years we struggled heroically to pay the debt and keep the school financially solvent. Few new faculty members could be added. We tightened our belts, took salary cuts rather than raises, with never a word of complaint. Always we put the Seminary first. In the close-knit fellowship of a dozen men there was a sort of unwritten agreement that no professor would be proposed to the trustees for election unless we were unanimous.

With the coming of Dr. Ellis Fuller to the presidency, we entered a new era. The debt was paid. The Convention's growth and prosperity became phenomenal. Dr. Fuller possessed amazing ability to get money for the Seminary. The student body

increased to a thousand, to twelve hundred, to fifteen hundred, and of course there had to be a corresponding increase in the faculty.

Dr. McCall came to a situation that demanded reorganization and redefinition of policy. The trustees had given Dr. Fuller a mandate to be president, the administrative head of the school, rather than "chairman of the faculty" as in the previous conception. Dr. McCall inherited this mandate which he was obliged to implement. Much of the trouble between certain members of the faculty and the trustees grew out of this difficulty of adjustment from an old order to a new, and an apparent failure to apprehend the genius of the Seminary as a Southern Baptist institution.

I served successively with Presidents Mullins, Sampey, Fuller, McCall. I bear solemn testimony that there was never abuse of administrative authority during these 36 years of my close association with these four men. The most nearly authoritarian of the four was Dr. Mullins, the most democratic Dr. Sampey. Dr. Sampey so leaned backward in his concept of himself as "first among equals" that the trustees by formal resolution required of his successors the exercise of more administrative authority. As is almost always the case, the personal equation entered the picture and inevitably mistakes were made. Perhaps the gravest mistake of the trustees was in not dealing decisively with the difficulty nearer its inception.

What profit can possibly come from agitating the trouble at the convention in the effort to assess the blame? Whoever in the course of time may be adjudged more blameworthy, *this sin should not be laid at the door of the Alumni—that we failed in our loyalty at this crisis hour of our Alma Mater*. For disloyalty is sin—deep and dark. When I think of what the Seminary did for me, helping me to find myself when I was groping and uncertain, giving to me a foundation on which to build a useful career, honoring me with a place on its faculty, I am ready to cry concerning the Seminary as did the Psalmist concerning Jerusalem: "If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth!" And I am persuaded that I echo the sentiment of Southern Seminary's alumni at home and around the world.

Let us not be too much disturbed by the report of the Committee of the American Association of Theological Schools. The report was made by men of known integrity who did not have all the facts and who, I am afraid, were at some points misin-

formed. Remember, the Association is not "theirs" but ours. No man did more than our own W. O. Carver to promote its organization and perfect its operation. The Association has rendered and is rendering invaluable service to the cause of theological education. It is our friend, and I am confident that we could expect and receive fair and helpful treatment from the Commission on Research and Counsel if their services were requested by the Seminary trustees. The purpose of the Association is not to exercise control nor to punish members after trial and conviction, but "to promote the improvement of theological education in such ways as may be appropriate," as its constitution states. The suspension of accreditation would come, if at all, as a last resort, and only if the Association should be convinced that a member's affairs are in such condition as to require time in which to effect changes which the trustees themselves would voluntarily make in the interest of greater efficiency.

The assumption needs rethinking that loss of these professors with resultant internal difficulties, imperils the Seminary's academic standing. Apparently account was not taken of the outcome if the demands of the professors had been met by the trustees. The Seminary would have lost its president and, I am confident, even more of its teachers who would not have stayed than those who left.

The Seminary has passed through many storms and weathered them all. A visit to the school, such as I was privileged to make recently, will convince that already the storm is subsiding and that the Seminary is emerging with prospects for even greater usefulness during the next hundred years than during the past.

Alumni and friends of Southern Seminary, hear my plea: *Let us go to Louisville prepared for a great outpouring of love and loyalty to the school that for a century has meant more to the cause of Southern Baptists and of Christ than any other institution God has given us!* Let us feel the presence of that "cloud of witnesses" who with eagerness and holy pride will be watching as we celebrate the centennial of the school to which some gave their lives and from which others received the equipment and inspiration that blessed and fructified their lives! Let no dark shadow fall across this occasion, but let us dispel it with such a display of gratitude and affection that will fittingly mark the turning point for another hundred years of still greater achievement and usefulness.—*Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Berkeley, California*

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Thursday Morning

FIRST SESSION

"That They Might Have Life"

Gear the Whole Sunday School Organization
to Evangelism

- 9:30 Praise the Lord
- 9:40 Scripture Reading and Prayer
- 9:50 We Welcome You—Charles Trentham, Pastor Host
- 10:00 Feature: How Every Sunday School Unit May Be
Used in Evangelism—Jesse Daniel, Mildred Oaks,
Irene Bishop, Maurine Elder, Bob Patterson
- 10:20 A Bible Teacher—Teaching to Win—A. V. Washburn
- 10:45 Song
- 10:50 The Ministry of Visitation in Evangelism—John T.
Sisemore
- 11:15 Song
- 11:20 Announcements
- 11:25 Song
- 11:30 A Church Using Its Sunday School in the Evangelistic
Crusade—F. M. Dowell, Jr.
- 12:00 Adjourn for Lunch

Thursday Afternoon

SECOND SESSION

"That They Might Have Life"

Reaching More People for Bible Study

- 1:45 Praise the Lord
- 1:55 Lead the Sunday School Workers in Your Sunday
School to Meet the Standard Requirements on En-
largement—Bob Patterson
- 2:15 The Place of the Sunday School in the 30,000
Movement—Lawson Hatfield
- 2:40 Song
- 2:45 Meeting Sunday School Educational Needs Through
Buildings—Rowland Crowder

- 3:10 Public Relations—Gene Kerr
- 3:30 Simultaneous Conferences

	Conference Leader	Assistant
Cradle Roll	Mrs. Douglas Hills	Mrs. Mildred Oaks
Nursery	Mrs. Sam Brents	Mrs. J. S. Underwood
Beginner	Miss Helen Young	Mrs. C. R. Miller
Primary	Robert A. Dowdy	Mrs. J. Howard Young
Junior	Mrs. Lacy Freeman	Miss Irene Bishop
Intermediate	Miss Maurine Elder	Mrs. Marie Lowry
Young People's	Mrs. John T. Sisemore	Mrs. Jesse Daniel
Adult	John T. Sisemore	Bob Patterson
Extension	Mrs. Will S. McCraw	Mrs. J. S. Womack
General	A. V. Washburn	Jesse Daniel

- 4:30 Adjourn from Conferences

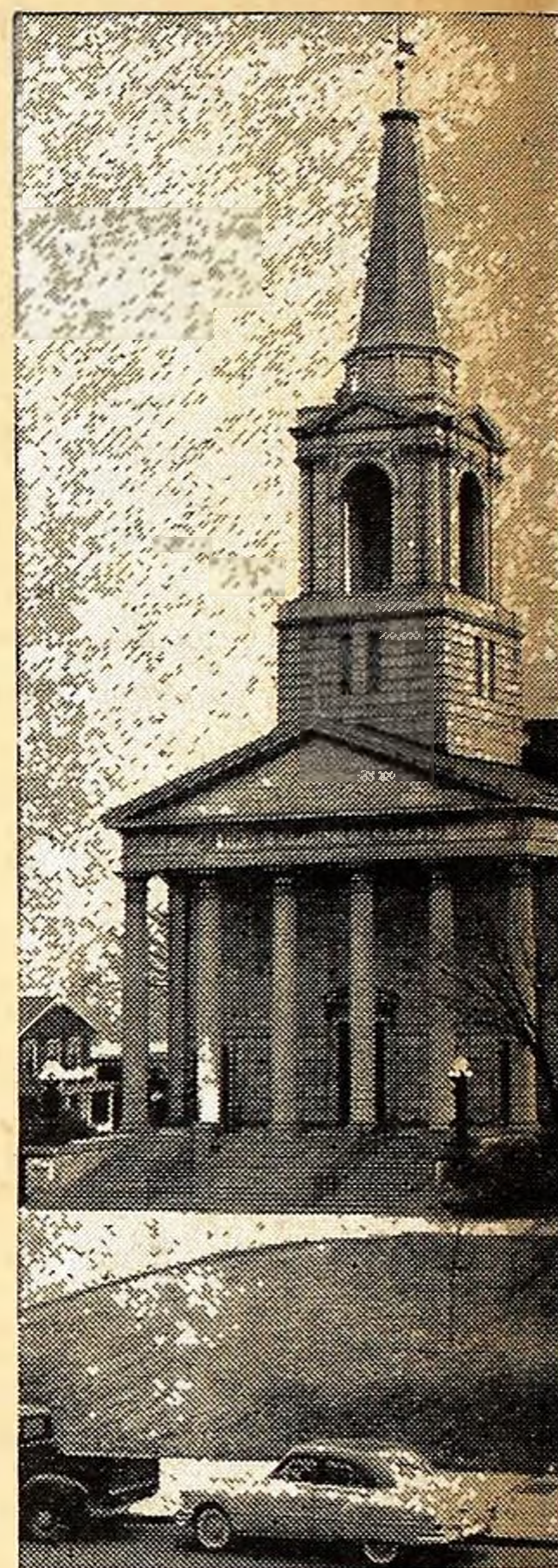
Thursday Evening

THIRD SESSION

"That They Might Have Life"

Magnify the Opportunity of the Vacation Bible School

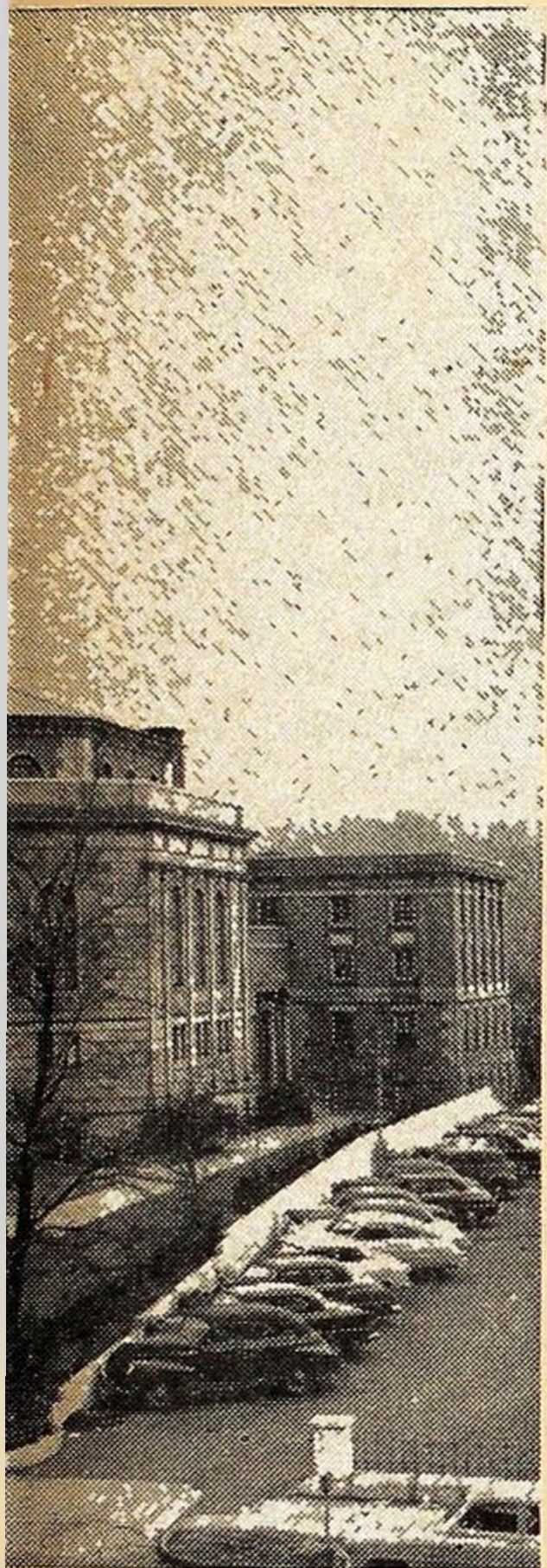
- 6:45 Praise the Lord



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- 10:45 Reassemble in Auditorium
- 10:50 Song
- 10:55 Panel Discussion—We Work the Points in the Standards to Meet the Needs in Our Units—Miss Maurine Elder, Leader
- 11:20 Announcements
- 11:25 Song
- 11:30 Effective Bible Study Must Be Wedded to Good Administration—Robert A. Dowdy

Friday Afternoon

FIFTH SESSION

"That They Might Have Life"

Train Present and Future Leadership

- 1:45 Song
- 1:55 Lead the Sunday School Workers to Meet the Standard Requirements on Training—Mrs. Mildred Oaks
- 2:15 What Ever You Need in Your Sunday School Train for It—Bob Patterson
- 2:40 Song
- 2:45 The New Church Study Course for Training and Teaching—A. V. Washburn
- 3:25 Simultaneous Conferences (Same as before)
- 4:30 Adjourn

Friday Evening

SIXTH SESSION

"That They Might Have Life"

We Are Laborers Together with God

- 6:45 Song
- 6:50 Simultaneous Conferences (Same as before)
- 7:40 Reassemble in Auditorium
- 7:45 Song
- 7:50 Announcements
- 8:00 Feature: An Associational Sunday School Organization Becoming a Great Missionary Agency
- 8:30 Special Music
- 8:40 Laborers Together with God—W. Fred Kendall
- Adjourn—Back to the Task—To Dare and To Do

Friday Morning

FOURTH SESSION

"That They Might Have Life"

Use the Standards for More Effective Administration

- 8:25 Special Vacation Bible School Conference
- 9:25 Assemble in Auditorium
- 9:30 Song
- 9:35 Scripture Reading and Prayer
- 9:45 Simultaneous Conferences (Same as before)



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Proposed By-Laws

Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Tenn. Baptist Convention

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this organization shall be **Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Tennessee Baptist Convention.**

ARTICLE II

OBJECT

The object of Woman's Missionary Union shall be to emulate the spirit of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to promote Christian missions and to stimulate the grace of giving among women and young people.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall be composed of the members of Woman's Missionary Union (Woman's Missionary Societies and missionary organizations for youth) in churches affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers shall be a **President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Directors of Youth, Prayer Director, Community Missions Director, Mission Study Director, Stewardship Director, Graduate School Representative, and Chairman for Business Woman's Circles Federation.**

Section 2. All officers and other members of the Executive Board shall be elected by Woman's Missionary Union at its annual session and shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected. The term for officers shall begin at the final adjournment of the annual session.

Section 3. The term of non-salaried officers and Executive Board members shall not exceed six consecutive years, and one year shall elapse before these officers and Executive Board members may be eligible for election to the previously held office.

Section 4. Duties: The duties of the various officers shall be such as are specified in these By-Laws and Policies of the Executive Board, hereinafter defined, and the parliamentary authority adopted by Woman's Missionary Union.

President. The President shall preside at the annual session and at all meetings of the Executive Board. She shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for. She may call special meetings of the Executive Committee when, in her judgment, it is necessary. Also, upon request of not less than five members of the Executive Board she shall call a special meeting of the full Board. She shall plan the program for the annual session. She shall be an ex-officio member of all standing and special committees except the Nominating Committee.

Vice-President. The Vice-President shall

preside at any regular session in the absence of the President. If, for any reason, the office of President shall become vacant, the Vice-President shall fill the unexpired term of such office.

Recording Secretary and Assistant Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary or the Assistant Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the annual session, and all meetings of the Executive Board.

Executive Secretary-Treasurer. The Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be an executive officer responsible for the administration, promotion and development of the work of Woman's Missionary Union. She shall make a written report to each session of the Executive Board and to Woman's Missionary Union in annual session. She shall be responsible for receiving the funds of Woman's Missionary Union and depositing them in a safe depository designated by the Executive Board and shall disburse funds at the direction of the Executive Board. She shall be bonded by a recognized corporate surety company. All funds and financial records shall be audited by the auditor of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. She shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

Directors of Youth. The Directors of Youth shall promote and stimulate the Missionary Education of youth through age groups, according to the plan of Woman's Missionary Union. They shall make written reports to each session of the Executive Board and to Woman's Missionary Union in annual session. These secretaries shall work under the direction of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer.

Directors of Prayer, Community Missions, Mission Study, and Stewardship. The Directors of Prayer, Community Missions, Mission Study, and Stewardship shall promote and stimulate prayer, community missions, mission study, and stewardship among women and youth. They shall make written reports at the annual session of Woman's Missionary Union.

The Graduate School Representative shall serve as adviser to women seeking entrance to, and scholarships for, any of the graduate schools of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Chairman for Business Woman's Circles Federation shall seek to bind together the business women and other members of Woman's Missionary Union in a oneness of organization and spirit. She shall represent the Business Woman's Circles Federation to the Woman's Missionary Union in annual session and shall make a written report at the Executive Board Meetings.

ARTICLE V

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. The **Nominating Committee** shall be a rotating committee composed of nine members of the Executive Board who are nominated and elected by said Board. One member from East Tennessee, one member from Middle Tennessee, and one from West Tennessee shall be elected annually for a three year term. At the first meeting after the adoption of these By-Laws, one from East Tennessee, one from Middle Tennessee, and one from West Tennessee shall be elected for one year; one member from East Tennessee, one from Middle Tennessee, and one from West Tennessee shall be elected for two years; and one from East Tennessee, one from Middle Tennessee and one from West Tennessee shall be elected for three years. The President of the Union shall designate one of the committee members as Chairman.

Section 2. The **Nominating Committee** shall nominate a candidate for each office with the exception of the Chairman for Business Woman's Circles Federation who shall be nominated by the Business Woman's Circles Federation. Additional nominations shall be made from the floor at the annual session.

Section 3. The **Nominating Committee** shall also select and report a nominee and an alternate to be elected to serve as the State Representative on the Nominating Committee for the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Section 4. The **Nominating Committee** shall meet at least three months prior to the next annual meeting for the election of nominees. The Chairman shall call the meeting, designate the time and place, and notify all members at least ten days in advance.

ARTICLE VI

MEETINGS

Section 1. A regular session of Woman's Missionary Union shall be held annually, the date and place to be fixed at the previous annual session or, in an emergency, by the Executive Board.

Section 2. The annual session of Woman's Missionary Union shall be open to members of Woman's Missionary Union and visitors. The privilege of making motions, speaking on the floor, and voting, shall be limited to officers of the Woman's Missionary Union, members of the Executive Board and duly elected delegates, the chairman of any standing or special committees authorized by these By-Laws or by Woman's Missionary Union, or by the Executive Board, who have been instructed to report at the annual session.

Section 3. Each Woman's Missionary Society and Young Woman's Auxiliary of each local Baptist church cooperating with the Tennessee Baptist Convention shall be entitled to one delegate to the annual session for every ten members or fraction thereof, and each of the other organizations for

youth in such local church shall be entitled to one adult delegate. Associational Presidents and Associational Youth Leaders shall be delegates to the annual session by virtue of their office.

Section 4. One hundred voting members actually present at any meeting of the annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5. The annual session shall be for the election of officers, the hearing of reports, the transaction of business, and any other matters germane to carrying out the objects of Woman's Missionary Union.

Section 6. Conferences, councils, and camps for promoting the objects of Woman's Missionary Union among women and youth shall be held as authorized by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The officers and the president of each association shall constitute the Executive Board. Salaried officers shall serve without vote except in the meetings for promotion.

Section 2. The President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, and the Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be officers of the Executive Board.

Section 3. There shall be at least two meetings of the Executive Board: one preceding the annual session, the date and time of the other meeting to be designated by the Executive Board.

Section 4. Special sessions of the Executive Board may be called by the President, and shall be called upon the request of five members of the Executive Board.

Section 5. The Executive Board shall have all of the power and authority over the affairs of the Woman's Missionary Union, possessed by the Union itself, during the interim between the meetings of the Woman's Missionary Union, except the Executive Board shall not take any action inconsistent with action taken by the Woman's Missionary Union in annual session.

Section 6. The Executive Board shall have committees on Policy, Finance, Scholarship, Youth, Prayer, Community Missions, Mission Study, Stewardship, Margaret Fund, a committee to work with the Graduate School Representative, and such other committees as the work demands. There shall also be a Personnel Committee to nominate replacements to fill any vacancies that may occur among the salaried officers. This Committee shall report to the Executive Board which shall elect subject to the action of the next annual session.

Section 7. The Executive Board is authorized to adopt By-Laws for the transaction of its work provided they do not conflict with these By-Laws.

Section 8. The Executive Board may make an annual report to Woman's Missionary Union.

Section 9. The Executive Board shall have an Executive Committee composed of the

President, Vice-President, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and Directors of Youth. This Committee shall also include two Executive Board members from East Tennessee, two from Middle Tennessee, and two from West Tennessee all six of whom shall be designated by the President.

Section 10. The Executive Board shall authorize the Executive Committee to perform, between the meetings of the Executive Board, such duties as the Executive Board may from time to time deem expedient and to transact such business of the Board as may arise between its regular meetings.

Section 11. The President shall be Chairman and the Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be Recording Secretary of the Executive Committee.

Section 12. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President or upon the request of three of its members.

Section 13. The members of the Executive Board, when present in meetings of the Executive Committee, may have all privileges of the members of the Executive Committee.

Section 14. The Executive Committee may make a report to each meeting of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER REVISED, shall govern Woman's Missionary Union in all

cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

ARTICLE IX

STANDING RULES

1. A majority shall be considered a quorum for all Boards and Committees, standing or special, of Woman's Missionary Union.

2. A woman appointed or elected to fill a vacancy for one half or more of a term shall be considered to have served a full term. A woman who fills a vacancy for less than half a term shall be eligible for a full term.

3. In the event a vacancy in any non-salaried office shall occur and for which no provision is herein made, the Executive Committee shall determine in what manner the duties of that office shall be performed.

ARTICLE X

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting at any annual meeting, provided the proposed amendments have been published in the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR by the Executive Secretary-Treasurer one month prior to the annual meeting, and the proposed amendments have been presented to the Executive Board.

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Cotton Port	69	56	
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Lake View	54	46	
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Valley View	35	8	
West View	69	31	
Wild Wood	119	63	
Zion Hill	38	38	
Bemis, First	345	92	
Blaine, Block Springs	144	44	
Bolivar, First	370	101	
Mission	47		
Bristol, Tennessee Avenue	932	243	8
Mission	48	30	
Brownsville	474	103	
Bruceton, First	239	80	2
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Chattanooga, Brainerd	879	321	5
Concord	383	170	
Eastdale	562	136	
East Lake	560	175	1
East Ridge	816	279	
Red Bank	1113	360	12
Ridgeview	310	119	
White Oak	492	142	
Woodland Park	409	163	
Clarksville, Blooming Grove	86	40	
First	718	197	1
Little West Fork	120	58	2
Pleasant View	248	116	
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Second	206	65	
Harriman, South	456	175	2
Walnut Hill	306	110	2
Henderson, First	214	81	
Hendersonville, Rockland	44	37	
Hixson, First	424	226	2
Middle Valley	157	66	
Hornsby	110	26	
Humboldt, Antioch	214	52	
First	533	180	
Jackson, Englewood	169	69	
First	929	272	1
Madison	114	70	2
North	336	145	7
Parkview	459	167	1

West	914	443	3
Jamestown, First	311	130	
Johnson City, Central	769	127	6
Clark Street	199	80	
North	47	19	
Temple	360	130	7
Unaka Avenue	402	153	2
Kenton, Macedonia	80	57	
Kingsport, First	834	196	2
Glenwood	412	153	11
Litz Manor	239	129	3
Knoxville, Broadway	1237	421	3
Fifth Avenue	838	307	3
First	991	286	4
Lincoln Park	1100	308	
Lonsdale	302	120	5
Meridian	538	120	2
Sevier Heights	717	296	1
South	608	242	3
Washington Pike	364	76	2
LaGuarda	155	101	
Lawrenceburg, First	252	94	2
Meadow View	48	20	
Highland Park	205	89	3
Lebanon, Fairview	233	107	
First	546	214	1
Hillcrest	187	95	1
Immanuel	320	120	1
Rocky Valley	109	74	
Leoma	98	30	
Lenoir City, Calvary	237	70	3
First	574	220	
Kingston Pike	81	32	
Lewisburg, First	577	141	5
Livingston, First	127	59	1
Madisonville, Chestua	105	41	
First	269	94	
Mission	61	41	
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Sandy Hook	22		
Scott Town	15		
Swan Creek	26		
Memphis, Bellevue	2516	806	7
Central Avenue	851	249	2
Glen Park	133	92	1
DeSota Heights	173	99	
Hartland Heights	1327	530	4
Temple	1112	363	2
Milan, First	401	121	
Murfreesboro, First	664	167	1
Calvary	119		
Mt. View	168	68	4
Third	312	109	
Woodbury Road	206	80	
Nashville, Bakers Grove	150	44	1
Bethany	36	36	
Charlotte Road	63	38	
Crievewood	302	106	2
Dickerson Road	352	108	1
Donelson	768	204	4
Eastland	635	145	1
Freeland	130	61	2
Gallatin Road	380	140	1
Glendale	216	58	4
Grace	985	342	
Inglewood	1088	358	1
Cross Keys	52	55	
State School	111		
Ivy Memorial	392	155	8
Judson	743	200	2
Benton Avenue	78	46	3
Lincoya Hills	384	70	1
Madison Heights	186	103	
Neelys Bend	133	83	2
Park Avenue	711	237	7
Radnor	570	205	2
River Road	61	61	
Scottsboro	108	56	3
Seventh	255	103	4
Haywood Hills	90	55	
Tuscum Hills	230	88	
Woodmont	716	240	2
Newport, English Creek	72	39	
Old Hickory, First	581	230	
Rayon City	187	96	1
Oliver Springs, Beech Park	195	99	4
Parsons, Calvary	52	31	
First	178	57	3
Philadelphia	181	50	
Pigeon Forge	237	109	
Portland, First	332	119	
Rockwood, First	555	203	2
Rutledge, Oakland	82	27	
Sevierville, Antioch	135	57	4
Boys Creek	109	39	
Dupont	116	59	
First	539	188	6
Knob Creek	180	72	
Second	74	87	2
Zion Hill	122	60	

Grant Heads Public Relations

NASHVILLE—(BP)—J. Marse Grant, editor of Charity and Children, Baptist weekly newspaper published at Thomasville, N. C., has been elected here to head the Baptist Public Relations Association for 1959-60.

Grant succeeds Albert McClellan of Nashville, program planning secretary for the Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention.

Roald Sorensen, director of public relations at Campbell College, Buies Creek, N. C., was re-elected membership vice-president of the association. The public relations group also re-elected its secretary, Harry R. Koontz of Berkeley, Calif., who is director of publicity at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary.

Other officers are both newly-elected. George Bagley, assistant to the executive secretary, Alabama Baptist State Convention, Montgomery, is program vice-president, and Badgett Dillard, director of administrative services at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will edit the association's Newsletter.

The association voted to hold its 1960 meeting at Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 1-2.

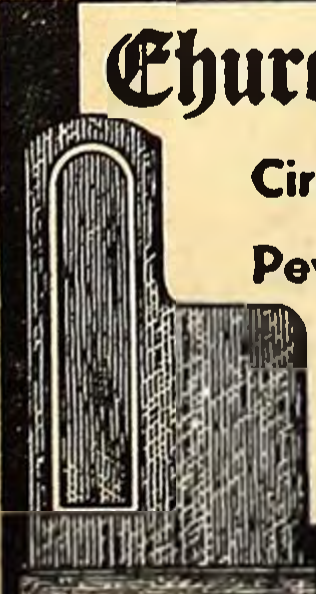
Grant, a former daily newspaperman, is chairman of the public relations committee for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Charity and Children, while published by the North Carolina Baptist Children's Home, carries news of general denominational interest, both state and national.

The Baptist Public Relations Association is composed of persons employed in writing, editing, photography, television, promotion, films, and other phases of public relations for colleges, boards, and other Baptist-related agencies.

It has an annual winter workshop at which the members of the association discuss common problems and receive pointers from experts on various public relations activities.

C. V. McCoig, pastor of Lincoln Avenue Church, Newport, has accepted a call to become pastor of Eureka Church, in Big Emory Association. He assumed his duties March 1. The Eureka Church has been without a regular pastor since September when Omer Painter resigned to enter Southern Seminary. James Kautz has served as interim pastor. Brother McCoig leaves an 11-year pastorate at Newport and a church that he has led through a building program of a new church and parsonage.

Shelbyville, First	406	86	
Smyrna, First	229	87	5
South Pittsburg	200	70	1
Mission	27		
Summertown	109	40	
Tullahoma, Highland	202	134	1
Union City, First	639	205	1
Second	274	116	
Whiteville	155		
Winchester, First	280	40	2
Southside	80		



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Teachers for the week's study were these Union University students:

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Miss Carol Green, *Winning Others to Christ*

Rev. Peter Ray Jones, *Intermediate Fishers*

Miss Ellen Miles, *Jesus Saves*

Mrs. Berneice Carter, teaching Primaries and Beginners.

The climax of a wonderful week came when there were five professions of faith on the last night.

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To date, less than 100 biographies have been received by the Promotion Department, said Mr. Kerr. A biographical sketch should be filed for every Baptist leader and teacher, living or dead. Several churches are ordering enough forms for every person working in their Sunday school, Training Union, WMU and Brotherhood organizations to submit a biographical sketch, he added.

To help defray costs of the operation, \$1.00 is to be enclosed with each person's biographical sketch. Two copies should be submitted, one which will be sent to the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission.

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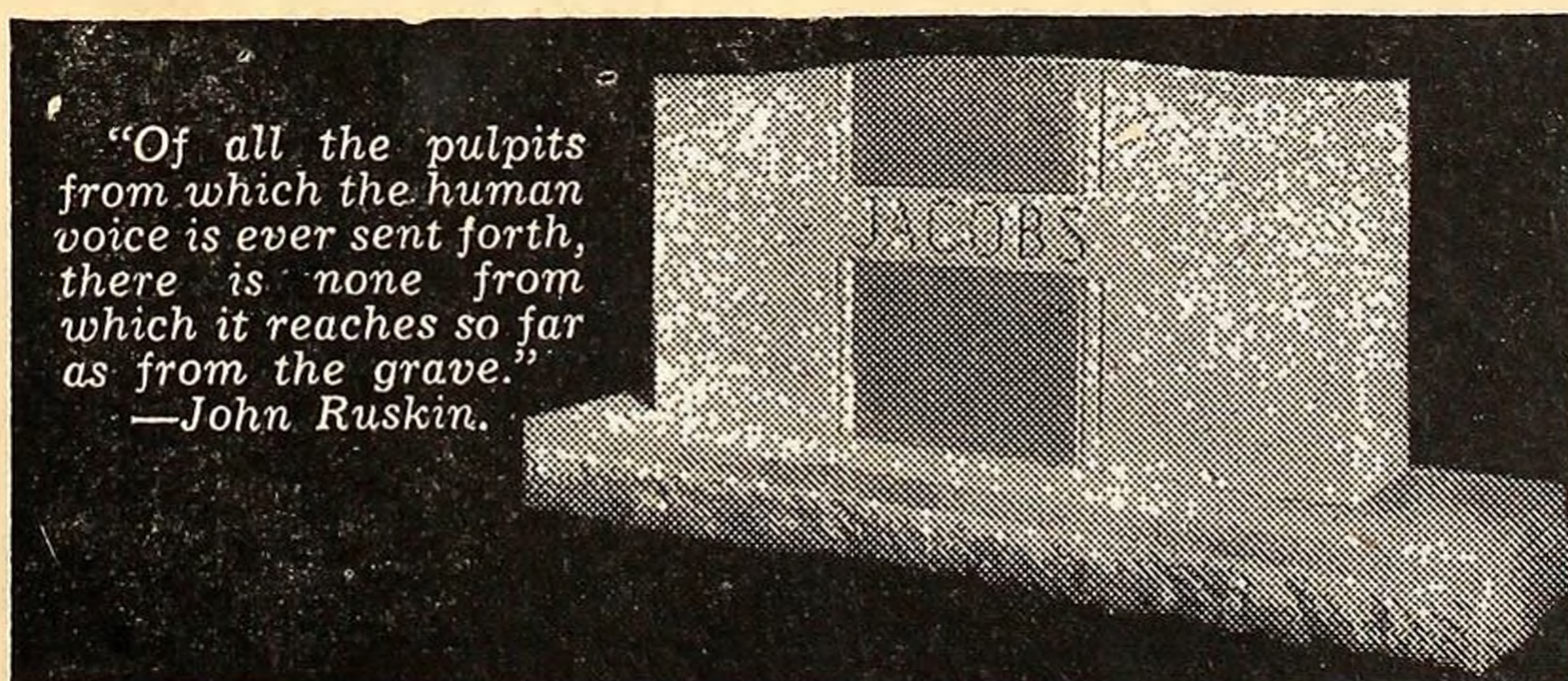
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The Cross And The Will Of God

TEXTS: Mark 14:12-42 (Larger)—Mark 14:32-42 (Printed).

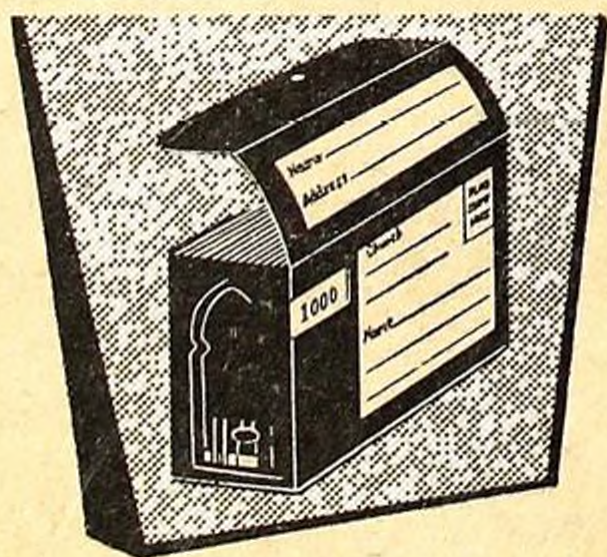
The events of two gardens have been of tremendous significance in the history of mankind. It was in the Garden of Eden that mankind began his long and troubled journey of sin. It was in the Garden of Gethsemane that the Son of man, Jesus Christ, began to make it possible for mankind to overcome sin and return to God through repentance and faith. The events connected with Gethsemane are the materials within the printed text, the basis for the notes that follow. The time is perhaps between midnight and dawn of the day of the Crucifixion. The Passover has been observed, the Lord's Supper has been instituted, and Jesus and His disciples have made their way from the Upper Room and out across the brook of Kidron and into the Garden, less than a mile from Jerusalem.

Coming to the Shadows (vv. 32-34)

The key expression here is "and began to be sore amazed". Like the sun in an eclipse, Jesus was coming into the shadows of the darkest hour the world has ever known. Gethsemane was to be the penumbra where the Son would be in complete alignment with God's curse upon sin and God's love for sinning mankind some hours later on Calvary or umbra or complete shadow. The Paschal Lamb was being prepared for the sacrifice. The Atonement was at hand. In prospect, Jesus' soul was "exceeding sorrowful unto death". The solemnity and the sanctity forbid an attempt upon our part to interpret just here. We do well to take off our shoes, remembering with Moses while at the Burning Bush that we are standing upon holy ground. It must be observed, however, that here we glimpse the enormity of sin—enough to make Him "very heavy".

Calling to the Father (vv. 35, 36, 39)

The cry or call directed to the Father



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is seen in "take away this cup . . . nevertheless . . . what thou wilt". The human side of Jesus shrank from the terrible ordeal that was immediately ahead of Him; but the divine side immediately asserted itself also. Three times He prays, falling on the ground in agony of spirit. The burden of sin was heavy but He struggled under it manfully as well as looking heavenward for help and sustenance. What an example of victorious prayer we note here! What a picture of divine love! The will of God required that He take our place in God's wrath against sin, although He had committed no sin, but He took it voluntarily. He was about to be "wounded for our transgressions" and "bruised for our iniquities"; and His sensitive being trembled at the prospect.

Caution to the Disciples (vv. 37, 38, 40)

"Watch ye and pray", He cautions. One wonders how the disciples could have fallen asleep in such a situation. But we can know much more of what was actually involved than they could have, since we have the record of what followed. Besides, they were typical human beings with the common limitations. The night had been a strenuous one and filled with perplexities for them. Did they, at least dimly, foresee what was coming in terms of trial and cru-

cifixion? If they did, could it be that they wept and sobbed themselves into sleep? Other strong men have, under similar conditions, done this. But of course we do not know. But we do know that Jesus warned them, and us, to be alert to the weaknesses of the flesh in order to give the spirit its proper place.

Committal to the Betrayal (vv. 41, 42)

Judas and his band of men were already on their way to the Garden for His arrest. The betrayal was in the process of accomplishment. The sounds of their approach were likely heard at this point by Jesus and the disciples. In any case, Jesus forknew that they were coming. "The Son of man is betrayed", He announced quietly. He had just pronounced His blessing upon the sleeping group. Imagine the tenderness with which He must have spoken to them as He saw them stretched upon the ground there in the light of the full moon. But the storm is about to break, with the approach of the party of armed men who were being guided by Judas. But Jesus was completely committed to it.

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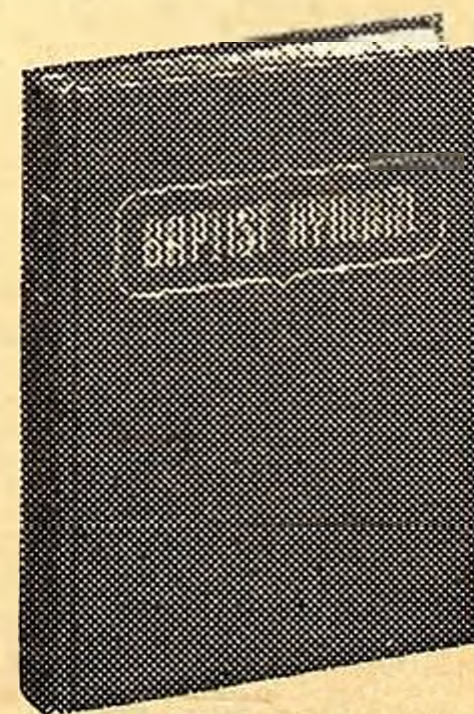
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The Young South

Thank you for the nice letters you have been writing to me. I can hardly wait to share them with Young South friends! I hope you will keep your word pictures up to date now—and that your pen pal list will get longer each week! How many new pen pals have you already made this year? Perhaps one of today's letters will be especially interesting to you.

From Beverly King, 2590 Filmore Avenue, Memphis 14, Tenn.:

I was 12 years old on January 10. I have one little brother. My father is employed by an insurance company, and my mother is a housewife. I enjoy helping with some of the house work, especially cleaning my room, but I do not like to iron.

My hobby is collecting records, and I very much enjoy listening to them.

I cannot play a musical instrument, but I would like to learn how.

I attend Bethel Grove School and am in the sixth grade. I am not a Christian, though I attend Southland Baptist Church, including Sunday school, Training Union, GA, and choir practice. One of my favorite church activities is singing in the choir.

Our family has its best fun together when we go places together.

In GA, I am working on the Honor Queen step. I have completed my other requirements. I enjoy GA activities.

I have no pen pals but would like several—from Tennessee and from other states!

From Judy Lynn Fitts, Baptist Children's Home, Route 5, Franklin, Tenn.:

I am 11 years old and in the sixth grade. My birthday is July 13. I go to school and church here in the Home.

I would like to have pen pals any age and will try to answer every letter I receive. I would also like to have pictures of my pen pals, if that is possible.

From Brenda Laurin Atkins, Cunningham, Tenn.:

I am 12 years old. My birthday is May 10. I go to Montgomery Central School. I am in the sixth grade. I am a member of Stewart Baptist Church at Stewart, Tenn.

From Linda Lou Whaley, Baptist Children's Home, Route 5, Franklin, Tenn.:

I was 12 years old on February 17. I am in the sixth grade. I go to church and school here at the Home. I am a Christian and a member of the church.

I would like to have pen pals age any, from all over the world. My hobbies are playing the piano and skating. I will try to answer every letter I receive.

From Linda Frances Cox, 124 N. Bowling St., Clinton, Tenn.:

I will be ten years old on March 30. I have not written to you before, and I want to help you make an up-to-date word picture of me. I have two brothers, Fred and Lester. My father is an electrician and my mother is a homemaker. My favorite job

at home is feeding my cat. Sometimes I find it hard to be cheerful when I am asked to wash dishes.

My favorite leisure-time activity is playing dolls and dressing up. I am learning to play the piano. My hobbies are skating, dolls, and crafts. I attend Clinton Grammar School and am in the fourth grade. I am a Christian and attend First Baptist Church, including Sunday school, Training Union, G.A. meetings, and choir practice. One of my favorite church activities is singing in the Junior choir.

Our family has its best fun together when we go skating or swimming together.

I have no pen pals but would like to have some around my age.

From Vicky Fowler, 116 Anna Road, Oak Ridge, Tenn.:

I am 12 years old. I attend church, Training Union, and the G.A. at Glenwood Baptist Church. I go to school at Jefferson Junior High School. My favorite sports activities are playing the piano and swimming, acting, modeling, and drawing. I would like to write to girls between the ages of 10-14. I will answer each letter I receive. Thank you very much.

* * *

How many letters are printed in today's column? Circle the number giving the age of each writer. Perhaps you would like to draw a frame around the letter which is most interesting to you. Within that letter, mark words or sentences which are especially interesting or inviting. Maybe you will mark the age of the writer, the birthday, mention of a hobby, a church activity, and so on. You might even mark the name of the writer's home town—is it a place you've visited, or a place of which you have heard some interesting stories? Have you known someone else whose home was there? Do you have a question you would like to ask the new friend—either about her town or about any of the other information in her letter?

Of course, you will not write a letter that is made up of a series of questions! Your new friends want to know about *you*—your own family and fun, your church and school activities, your collections or hobbies.

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A merry heart doeth good like a medicine
Prov. 17:22

This is the
way it was
told to us . . .

Cora was taking her first trip on the train. The conductor came through and called for tickets. Cora gave up her ticket.

A few minutes later the newsboy came through the car calling "Candy?"

"Never," cried Cora, bravely, "you can take my ticket, but not my candy."

A farmer visiting a state mental hospital was strolling the grounds when he came upon an inmate sprawled in the shade of a tree. After a word of greeting, the man sat up and eyed the visitor with interest.

"What do you do for a living?" the inmate finally asked.

"I'm a farmer."

"Farmer, huh? I used to be a farmer. Pretty hard work."

"Sure is," agreed the visitor.

"Ever try being crazy?"

"No."

"You ought to try it some time," advised the inmate as he settled back on the cool grass. "Beats farmin'."

*This highway adage I have found
Has much of wisdom in it—
If motorists would give more ground,
There would be fewer in it!*

A woman tourist posed for a snapshot in front of the fallen pillars of Greece. "Don't get the car in the picture," she warned, "or my husband will think I ran into the place."

First young woman: I wouldn't buy a car. It's too complicated.

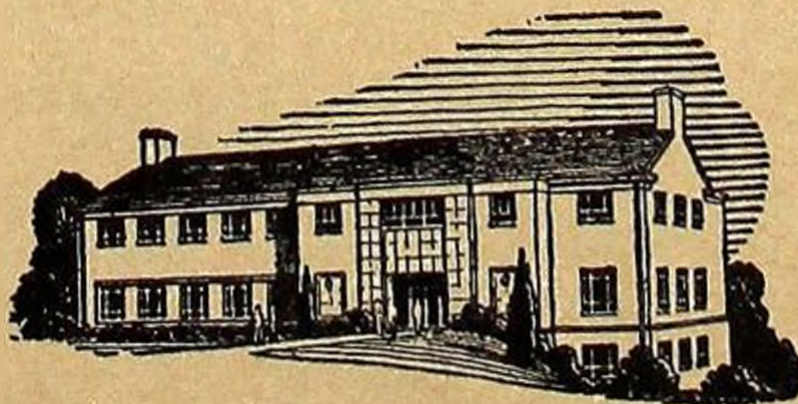
Second young woman: What's complicated about buying a car?

First young woman: Well, all I know is my uncle is still paying part payments on the car he sold in part payment of the car he has now.

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Brainerd Calls McIntyre

Brainerd Church, Chattanooga, gave a unanimous call February 22 to Rev. Ralph McIntyre to become pastor. He has accepted effective April 20. A native of Houston, Texas, McIntyre served as a radar instructor in the U. S. Navy near Memphis. He was ordained to the ministry by Bellevue Church in 1945 and attended Union University. While at Union he was pastor at Ruthersford. Following a year at Union he enrolled at Vanderbilt and served as pastor of Cross Plains Church, earning his degree in philosophy and psychology in 1949. He attended Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth. While a student there he pastored Handley Church. He has been assistant pastor to Dr. Robert G. Lee of Bellevue Church, Memphis, since 1956. He is married to the former Mary Sue Pierce of Memphis. They have three children, Robert Lee, Michael Pierce and Jacquelyn Sue.

Brother McIntyre will succeed Connie A. Dabney who became pastor of Truett Memorial Baptist Church, Denver, Colo., last September. Dr. John D. Freeman of Nashville has served as interim pastor at Brainerd.

Mrs. H. Boyce Taylor, 83, died February 13 following a long illness at Murray, Ky., where she had lived 60 years. News of her death has been sent to us by Mrs. J. R. McNutt. Mrs. Taylor's husband served as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Murray, for 34 years. He died in 1932.

During the absence of Pastor S. M. Mulkey, South Knoxville Church, Feb. 16-March 14, the deacons of the church will serve in the capacity of visiting the sick and those in need of pastoral ministry.

First Church, Martin, Charles A. Wingo, pastor, began broadcasting its morning worship services February 15. The church has a three-month contract with station WCMT of Martin which can be heard at 1410 on the dial. The Extension Department of the Sunday school, Fred Mitchell, superintendent, is making a concentrated effort to see that every shut-in in the church has a working radio so that he can hear the service. At least twenty shut-ins have reported hearing the first service.

On their day of dedication, Red Bank Church, Chattanooga, with Dr. Ralph Norton, pastor, broke all previous Sunday school and Training Union attendance records: Sunday School 1,320; and Training Union 489; with an offering of \$5-331.76.

Charles M. Conley, a former Chattanooga, has been commissioned a first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force Reserve as a chaplain.



CHATTANOOGA—Morris Hill Church, Route 7, is building a brick veneer home for its pastor at the south side of its church edifice. Shown at the left, Pastor Taylor Castlebury is digging the first shovelful while others of the building committee in the foreground are ready to participate in the ground-breaking (left to right) Lester Sandidage, contractor and builder; C. J. Cline, Donald Howard, Reed Rogers and C. A. Brewster, as members of the church gather behind them. The house will have four bedrooms, two baths, a large living room, dining room, modern kitchen, utility room and carport.

Gene Collins has been named director of Adult and Young People's choirs, First Church, Oneida.

J. O. Archer has been chosen by the First Church, Knoxville to serve as Superintendent of the Sunday school to be organized and conducted at the Knox County Baptist Building, 309 Market Street. First Church will sponsor this mission Sunday school, with Dr. Charles Trentham as pastor.

Lyn Claybrook will do the preaching in a revival at Walnut Grove Church, April 19-26, and in his own church, Cottage Grove, March 29-April 5.

Jerry Ratcliff, a native of Jellico and a graduate of Carson-Newman College and of the School of Music at Southern Seminary, has accepted the position of minister of music at First Church, Kannapolis, N. C. He has been serving in this capacity at Morningside Church Spartanburg, S. C., since June, 1956. He is married to the former Miss Ann Banks Sedberry, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Leland S. Sedberry, Nashville.

J. Edward Firestone has resigned as pastor of the Wedmore Church in the Polk Association. He is a former missionary for this association, and is the present moderator.

Whitehaven Baptist Mission has pitched a tent in its backyard. It outgrew its residence home at 4984 Newton, Memphis. The problem seemed big until the church rented a huge tent for a revival. The church kept the tent one Sunday, and the problem was solved. The 134 members in Sunday school finally had places to sit. Whitehaven Church, sponsor of the mission, bought the tent. They had troubles again—the rain and mud. The members went to work and made wood walks and floors. This mission is getting a full-time preacher. He is Dr. David C. Bandy, who will begin April 1. He was pastor of First Church, Collierville, for more than three years. The mission even has a name picked: Westhaven Baptist Church.

L. A. Hill is the new pastor of Griffith Creek Church in Sequatchie Valley Association.

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