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Sequatchie Valley Association re-elected the following in its annual meeting: L. Leon Riddle, pastor of First Church, Dunlap, moderator; Greely W. Davenport, pastor, Ewtonville Church, Dunlap; Gettis Hudson, a member of First Church, Whitwell, clerk; P. A. Foutch, a member of Richard City Church, treasurer.

White Oak Church, Chattanooga, ordained Sam Evans, Carl Sisemore and James W. Wilson as deacons. Pastor Elmer J. Foust preached the ordination sermon and gave the charge to the church.

Marion L. Hayes, has resigned as minister of education of First Church, Nashville, and has accepted a similar position with First Church, Tallahassee, Fla. He has been the minister of education at First Church, Nashville for four years.

Cedar Grove Church, Kingsport, has called Francis V. Canty of Beulah Church as pastor. He began his new work November 21. Brother Canty succeeds Maurice Quillen who resigned and is completing his education and teaching school. Both the above churches are in Holston Association.



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Joelton Church, Nashville Association, has called Don Eads, a student at Belmont College, as part-time music director.

Walter Greene, pastor of Calvary Church, Erwin, led Pine Crest Church, Johnson City, in revival services November 14-20. There were two additions to the church and a number of rededications. Cohen Arms is pastor of the Pine Crest church.

First Church, Whiteville, ordained Jack Cross and J. W. Wright as deacons. Bobby Zumbro is pastor.

Beulah Association

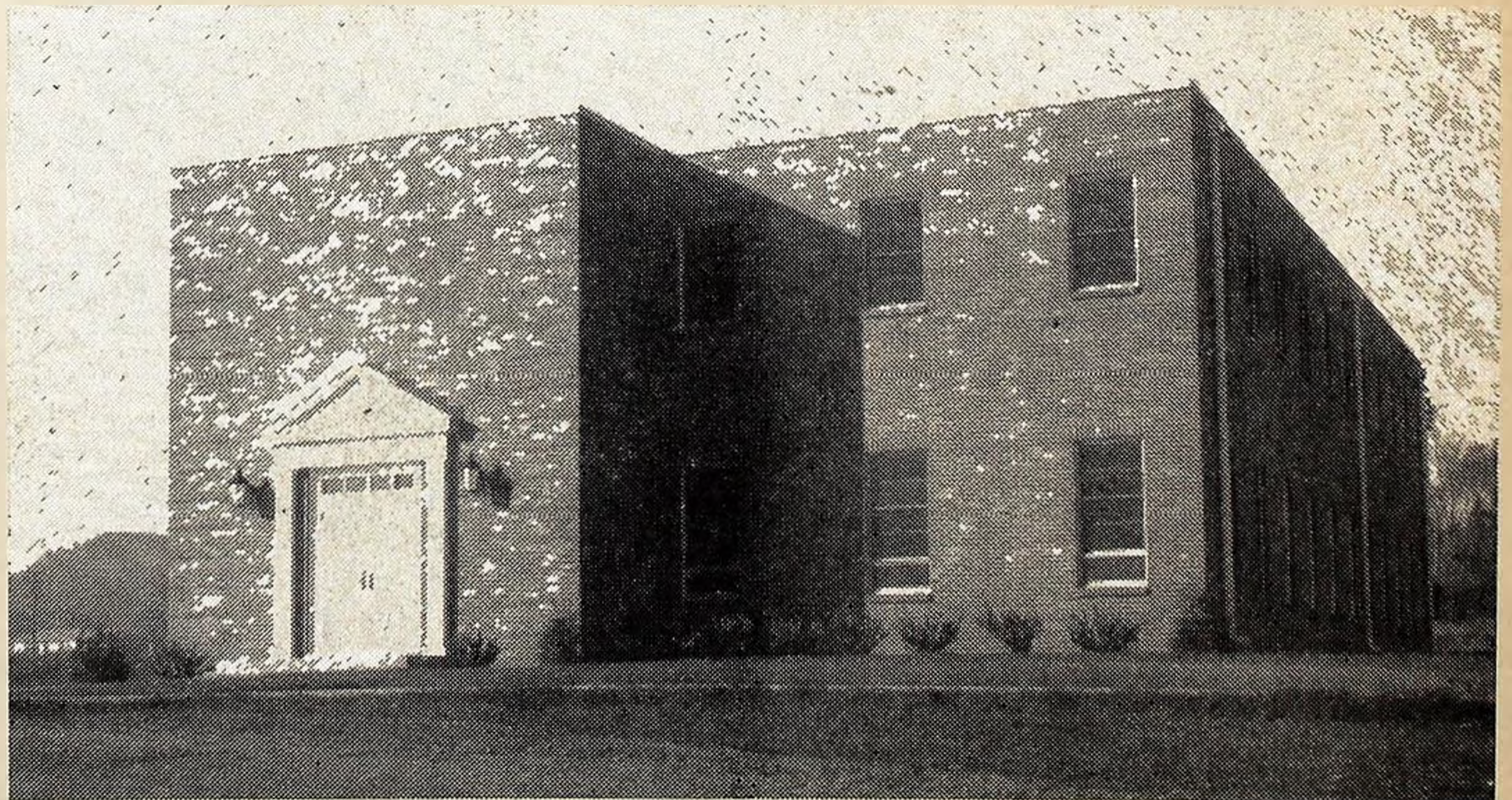
John Somers has resigned as pastor of Fairview Church. He has accepted a church in Gibson Association. Mt. Moriah Church has Robert Greene of Trenton as its new pastor. Clyde Crocker of Mt. Pisgah Church near Milan has been called as pastor of New Home Church. Gerral Bland has resigned as pastor of Mt. Pelia Church after 4½ years service. His resignation will be effective December 18 when he plans to move to Louisville, Ky., where he plans to finish his seminary work. While he has been pastor at Mt. Pelia there have been 85 additions of which 44 were by baptism. The church has a beautiful pastor's home.

Rev. and Mrs. William R. Medling, missionaries to Japan, have moved from Kumamoto City to Okayama, where their address is 236 Hirose-Machi, Okayama, Japan. He was born in Fukuoka, Japan, where his parents were Southern Baptist missionaries; she is the former Mary Louise Gulley of Whitesburg, Tenn.

E. E. Patterson, pastor of the Missionary Baptist Church, Monroe, Mich., led the Corryton Church, Knox County, in revival services October 30-November 10. Seven united with the church by baptism, five by letter and there were several rededications. Carl Huskisson was in charge of the music. The church at Monroe is a Southern Baptist Church and Patterson is a brother of Damon Patterson who has been pastor of the Corryton Church since June 1. During that time there have been 27 additions.

Wallace Britton, former educational director at First Church, Elizabethton, has been called to Talbot Park Church, Norfolk, Va., as director of education. Mr. Britton left the Elizabethton Church to enter Southern Seminary. While completing his seminary work, he served as director of education at Severns Valley Church, Elizabethtown, Ky.

James Phelps began his work as associational missionary for Indian Creek Association, November 16. The association is building a missionary home at Waynesboro. It is to be a three bedroom brick with den. Before coming to Tennessee Phelps did work with the Home Mission Board at Cloutierville, La.



NASHVILLE—Third Church here dedicated its new building, November 13, with Dr. Gaye L. McGlothlen delivering the dedication sermon. Third Church, now located at 5275 Buena Vista Road, was started on Jefferson Street in North Nashville in 1878. About 1903 the church was moved and a new building was erected at 10th and Monroe. With the shift of the population to the suburban areas, the church realized the need to move again and in 1958 purchased land for the new building. A first unit educational building with auditorium has been erected with plans to add another educational building, and the main auditorium in the last of the three units. Clyde W. Cutrer is in his fourth year as pastor of the church.

P. H. Hooker Observes 40 Years in Ministry

Forty years in the ministry is the record of the Rev. P. H. Hooker of Polk County, who has served as pastor of Zion Church for the past eight years, and who has headed the Polk County Baptist Association as moderator. During his pastorate at Zion, a new structure has been erected.

In observance of the 40th anniversary, November 13, the Rev. Hooker delivered a sermon at Cool Springs Church, near Chattahoochee, Ga., where on the first Sunday in September, 1920, he delivered his first sermon. Although the Cool Springs Church has a new building, one couple still lives in the community who heard the minister deliver his first sermon. Hooker was ordained by Boanerges Baptist Church of Polk County in 1925.

During the 40 years of service, he has held a number of pastorates in Polk County.

Madison-Chester Association

Clover Creek Church, Jack Carver, pastor, held open house, Sunday afternoon, November 13, at its beautiful new parsonage. Mifflin has called William A. Smith as pastor. North Jackson dedicated its new sanctuary Sunday afternoon, November 6. This beautiful and spacious building seating 600 was built and furnished under the leadership of Pastor Lawrence Green at a cost of \$153,000. Parkview, Joe Harris, pastor, ordained Bill Vinson, Bill Alexander, C. T. Lacy, W. F. Jeter, James Wilson, and James Terry as deacons. Spring Creek has called Willis W. Hinson, a student at Union, as its pastor. West Jackson organized its missions, Nashway Chapel, into a church, November 13.

Vance Marberry, pastor of First Church, Henderson, had the services of Ralph Neighbour of Middletown, Pa., as the evangelist and Joe Cole of Russellville, Ala., as song leader in a revival which resulted in 15 additions by baptism, six by letter and several rededications. Neighbour, who was a classmate of Marberry and Cole at New Orleans Seminary, formerly was a member of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Team. He is at present a Southern Baptist missionary in a pioneer mission field in Pennsylvania.

Jess Moss, a Leadvale community merchant and deacon of Leadvale Baptist Church, near White Pine, died November 15, after suffering a heart attack.

Gid Lee, Jr. was ordained as a deacon by First Church, Lenoir City.



LAVINIA—Hopewell Baptists have replaced its building which was struck by lightning in July, 1958, with the beautiful structure pictured above. At the time of the fire there was a indebtedness of \$1,955. Today, in ad-

dition to the new building with its new furnishings the church owns a parsonage. Chester C. Bullington serves this church as pastor. Hopewell was established in 1871.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 20, Roy Starmer, a graduate of C-N-C, and now missionary to Rome spoke at Broadway Church, Knoxville. Rev. and Mrs. Starmer are on furlough; Mrs. Starmer's home is Knoxville.

Danny Allen, ministerial student from Bell Buckle, who did his high school work at Harrison-Chilhowee Academy has been chosen from a class of 200, as the typical freshman boy and presented with an appropriate pin at Belmont College, Nashville.

The library of Smithwood Church, Fountain City, recently observed its fifteenth anniversary.

The \$20,000 addition to Goodsprings Church, McMinn Association, nears completion. The two-story brick structure contains 18 rooms, including an assembly room, a baptistery, and a pastor's study. Paul Smallen is the pastor, coming to this church three years ago from Loudon Association.

West View Church, Cookeville, under the leadership of Pastor Ray B. McCall took an eastward look and began a mission in East Cookeville on November 6 with a fulltime program. There were 38 in Sunday school and 29 in Training Union with 18 in prayer meeting the following Wednesday night. On November 13 there were 63 in Sunday school and 40 in Training Union. A move is underway to purchase a building lot.

Polk Co. Assn. Dissolved Two Assns. Formed

The Polk County Association has been dissolved and two new associations formed.

On November 11, meeting at Benton Station Church, the West Polk County Association was constituted with 31 churches. The area also has one mission. For moderator the group selected Lynn Moreland, pastor of Benton Station Church; Roy G. Lillard, clerk; Stanley Elrod, treasurer; Cecil Rogers, assistant treasurer; Eldon Goble, S.S. Supt.; Mrs. Woodrow Rogers, WMU president; Kenneth Green, Brotherhood president; and D. W. Pickelsimer, music director; Arthur Dale, moderator of the Pastors and Church Conference.

The Cooper Basin Association was organized on November 15, meeting, with Mine City Church, Ducktown, and it is composed of 14 churches. Edgar Cheatham, pastor of Mt. Zion Church, Postelle, was selected as moderator; C. M. Bowers, vice-moderator; W. L. Shipman, clerk and treasurer; O. E. Stiles, S.S. Supt.; W. H. Smith, T.U. director; Max Bandy, Brotherhood president; A. E. Harper, moderator of the Pastors and Church Conference; Mrs. C. M. Bowers, director of music; W. L. Cook, superintendent of evangelism; Mrs. C. H. Goode, WMU president.

*"commit thy way
unto the Lord."*

... Psalm 37:5

Emotional Stress And The Ministry

Too few of us understand the emotional stress of a pastor's life. A recent study at the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, indicates that ministers are more inclined to emotional stress and strain than men of the same age group in other jobs and professions.

A minister has to constantly share emotions with people in sorrow. Dr. Richard K. Young, of the Winston-Salem Hospital calls this thing the pastor does "lending out your emotions." He also says that pastors like doctors find frustrations in relationship to their own families. His position is like "being owned by other people," to a certain degree. These frustrations put him under more than ordinary emotional strain.

From findings of this survey, as brought out by its compiler Dr. Albert L. Meiburg, young ministers between 30 and 40 are more susceptible to illness. About 20 per cent of those studied showed evidences

of the relationship between vocation and illness. The conclusion seems to be that the younger ministers, seeking to prove themselves, are "under fire" more and become victims of emotional stress. The study made over a period of 14 years was made of about 1000 ministers from 20 to 80. These represented 19 different denominations, but a majority were Baptists.

Church members should bear in mind that their pastor is pulled in for or five directions at once. He could spend all of his time on one of several areas of church work, and still find that his job hasn't been done. Certainly, church members should not call upon pastors for things trivial and superficial. Ministers don't have enough time even to meet the emergencies and truly big problems in the life of their congregations, and in the homes of their membership. Then, too, a pastor ought to have time enough for his own home.

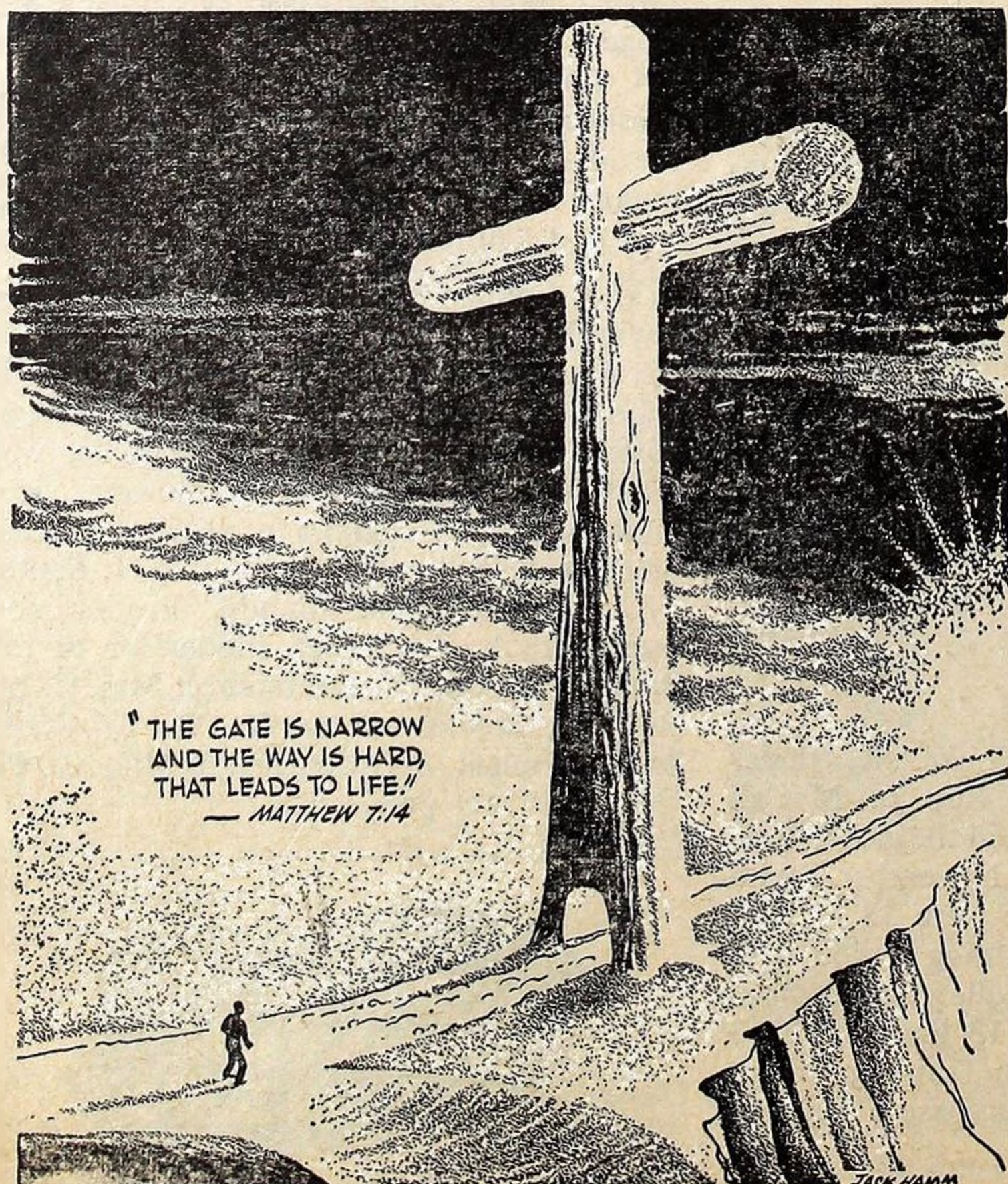
Hospitable Church

Tennessee Baptist Convention owes a debt to First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee for its gracious hospitality. Here the Convention met and its related groups from Monday through Thursday. No organization in all our state has offered its facilities more hospitably throughout the years than First Baptist Church of Nashville.

Since its beginning the Convention has met in the city of Nashville seventeen different times. Twelve of these times, First Baptist Church of Nashville has been the host. Perhaps no other church in all of the Southern Baptist Convention is the gathering place more frequently for more denominational meetings than this great old historic church, at the center of our Baptist activities.

Dr. Franklin Paschall graciously welcomed the 86th Tennessee Baptist Convention on Tuesday. Many of the women of the church served at registration desks and in other capacities during the four day sessions. The BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR is grateful for the fine group of volunteers from the Women's Missionary Union of this church who served coffee at the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR booth during all of the sessions.

Way Of Life



THE enigma of history resides in the fact that every event is at one and the same time the results of the operation of universal natural laws and the object of the exercise of the Divine will, declares William G. Pollard in "Chances and Providence." In this book on God's action in a world governed by scientific thought, Dr. Pollard, a physicist and former executive director of the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies, further states, "As history unfolds, the world moves forward in accordance with the inner requirements of its structure and the universal laws to which it is subjected. This structure is, however, so constituted and the laws under which it operates so framed as to open innumerable alternatives. Among the 'chances' and 'accidents' of those alternatives, history threads its amazing course, ever responsive to the mighty will of the Creator and Sustainer of history and expressing in the story which it tells the mysterious working out of His hidden purpose." Author Pollard continues, "Because of this, it is possible either to assert that all events without exception are subject to the universal laws of nature and to sift out of the profusion of events those which manifest the universal scope of this assertion, or to assert with equal validity that all events without exception are responsive to the will of Almighty God and to sift out of the profusion of events those which manifest His universal sovereignty."

Dr. Pollard reminds us that science deals with a single happening only in terms of the way it falls into the pattern of repeatable events which can happen in a given set of circumstances. Providence, however, ignores all else which might have happened but didn't, and focuses its attention on the one thing which did happen in a given setting in history. The context of science is the laboratory where things happen over and over under the same controlled conditions. The context of providence is history which happens only once. What is labeled 'chance' in one context can without contradiction manifest the will of God acting in judgment or in redemption in the other. Pollard maintains, "It is in this way that a world ruled by God and responsive to His will can be at the same time a world capable of scientific description in terms of natural law and natural causality."

Dr. Pollard makes a distinction between two kinds of time which he calls *scientific* time and *historical* time. Time as we know it and experience it is both of these kinds of time together, yet they are very different in character.

Scientific time is the kind of time measured by a clock. Its most distinguishing characteristic is the possibility of representing it by means of a line in space. This is done, for example wherever we make a graph with time as a coordinate. It's a characteristic of a line in space that every point

on it has the same status as every other. There is no special distinctive point. Scientific time can be marked off in seconds, hours, and years. Historical time has no extension and it cannot be measured. It can only be lived. It is made up of three domains—past, present, and future. Each of these is different and possesses its own distinctive character. Scientific time has no past, present, or future inherent in itself. Historical time has as its most distinctive feature a fixed point, the *now*. This point separates two domains which are essentially different in character, the past and the future. All existence is inexorably imprisoned in the now. It's the most unalterable condition of our existence that there is no escape from it. We may and sometimes do wish that we could escape this present and live in some other period. But the point in time which we are given to live in must be accepted. Behind this point stretches the domain of the past, the record of all that has already happened, the reservoir of the dead and gone, the accumulation of all that existed or happened in previous 'nows'. The characteristic of the past is its unchangeableness. Once a thing has happened, it must always, forever after that, be that way. There is no way in which we can get back into the past and alter one jot or one tittle of it.

But on the other side of the 'now' in historical time lies the domain of the future. This domain is very different in character and structure from the domain of the past. The most distinctive characteristic of the future is the endless variety of its possibilities.

The future is alive with potentiality. The one thing we know most deeply about it is, that until a thing has actually happened, almost anything can happen. This is in complete contrast to the past where all is unalterable.

Historical time is the time in which we live our lives. It is only in the present that life is lived, decisions taken, and commitments made. Our past is the ordered array of the events which took place in all earlier 'nows', but it does not exist as we now exist. It only resides in memory. It can only be recalled, never actualized. On the other hand, our future lies ahead of us. It does not exist as we now exist, but it resides only in anticipation.

The future keeps coming at us with its open alternatives among which we must, whether we will or not, select one and forever reject all the others. We cannot slow it down, put it off, or avoid it in any way. It will not wait for us but moves steadily, inexorably upon us. The alternatives it presents must be chosen. But the primary requirement of historical time is that *only one* of the possible alternatives coming at you from the future can be actualized in the present where it will flow into the past and remain forever after unalterable.

The Laws Of Nature And The Sovereignty Of God

State Baptist Convention

Thursday morning Hobart Ford of Nashville submitted the report of the Christian Services Committee, setting forth objectives of our children's homes and hospitals. Report of the children's homes was submitted by J. G. Miller. W. C. Creasman, executive secretary-treasurer of the Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes, said we would have to move slowly in certain fields so as to comply with legal requirements in the areas of foster home and adopted services. The first consideration, he said, should be the child's welfare. Resident superintendents were presented: John M. Wenger, Franklin; Erba A. Butler, Memphis, and Richard Johnson, Chattanooga. Miss Lanius Young, director of social services, Mrs. Bettye Working, secretary-typist, and Miss Patsy Simmons, secretary-bookkeeper, were presented by Dr. Creasman, also Mr. Wilson, social service worker at the Franklin home. Mrs. Dickinson, piano teacher, accompanied Margaret Ann Brewer, Mary Jane Worley, and Rebecca Lane, a trio of high school girls in two selections the Convention enjoyed.

Herbert Gabhart presented the report on radio and television. He pointed up the importance of these media of communication.

An impressive memorial service was conducted by Robert Sanders of Camden, assisted by William M. Robinson of Clarksville, and George Douglas of Dresden. Well-known and unknown among Baptists of our state have passed on. The Convention is grateful for their lives and their influence which abides.

President McGlothlen thanked the press for the publicity given the proceedings. James Furman of United Tennessee League briefly told of efforts toward the solution of the narcotic and alcoholic problem. Eighty-eight of Tennessee's ninety-five counties are now legally dry.

Sunday Operation Controversy

C. L. Capps of Crichton Memorial Church, Concord, brought a motion against Sunday operation of Slater's Restaurant lease at Mid-State Medical Center at Nashville. He charged that Sunday operation stigmatizes Baptist work. The president ruled this matter would go to the trustees because of the stand taken the previous day. Capps made an attempt to go over the head of the chair and appeal to the body. The president's ruling was sustained by the Convention. Whether or not the restaurant will be operated on Sunday is referred to trustees of the institution. Crux of the argument was, Why have Boards of Trustees if messengers decide issues by snap judgment on the convention floor involving intricate details concerning an institution. There is need to study all involved. This is

We are concluding the story of the 86th Annual Convention

the responsibility of the trustees. Involved in this controversy are the restaurant at the hospital in Nashville and the cafeteria at Knoxville hospital which the trustees are now permitted to consider re-opening after being shut down in Sunday operation by the action last year at Gatlinburg.

Next Convention In Memphis

Looking ahead to next year's Convention Memphis, First Baptist Church was chosen as the place, and November 14, 15, and 16 as the time. Dr. Wade Darby of Grace Church, Nashville, will be the preacher with Rev. Charles Dinkins of Lakewood Church, Donelson, as the alternate.



Jack Kennedy and Ray Summers enjoyed coffee at the Baptist and Reflector booth. Dr. Kennedy was elected 2nd vice-president by the Convention at its Thursday afternoon session. Dr. Summers brought three Bible studies to the Pastors' Conference preceding the Convention.

David Q. Byrd, chairman of the Resolutions Committee, reported appreciation for the hospitality of First Church, Nashville, and Pastor Franklin Paschall, and the long effective service of L. G. Frey as recording secretary. The Convention is to dedicate a page of its next annual carrying Frey's picture.

Reporting on the Tennessee Baptist Foundation, Dr. Henry Huey said, it has an approximate fund balance of \$2¼ million. An investment committee manages funds for various Baptist institutions, churches, classes, and individuals. The secretary actively promotes stewardship. Four copies of a stewardship film are available from the Foundation office.

Elmer Foust presented the report on Annuity. Miss Beatrice Moore was recognized and Fred Noe of the Dallas office, former



The Registration desks were kept busy during sessions of the Convention when 1,546 registered. Of these 1,183 were qualified messengers each of whom were given a badge which was necessary to show in voting.

business manager of the Tennessee Executive Board, in discussing the report said 795 Tennessee churches are participating, also 899 members. "Whether or not this is good or bad," Noe said, "my philosophy is we ought to be in it 100%." He stated Tennessee has enlisted about 58% of its potential. Noe is treasurer of the Annuity Board.

The Account We Must All Give

Concluding the Thursday morning session Warren Rust of Cleveland underscored Baptists' need to continue to tell all the world (1) that all men are lost and need a Saviour, and (2) that the Lord saved sinners to use them in His service. Basing his message on Matthew 24 and the parable of the talents, Rust, who is chairman of the Convention's Administrative Committee, stressed the fact that life requires investment. The one necessity is to be found faithful in the account we all must inevitably give of what is entrusted to us.

Thursday afternoon's session brought to a close those held at First Church. It saw the election of C. M. Pickler of Memphis as president over E. B. Bowen and David Q. Byrd, who were also nominated. Dr. Howard Kirksey, dean of Middle Tennessee State College at Murfreesboro, was elected first vice-president. Dr. Jack Kennedy, pastor of Lookout Mountain Church, Chattanooga, was chosen as second vice-president. L. G. Frey was named recording secretary emeritus and Wallace Anderson as secretary in his place. Re-elected were Dr. W. Fred Kendall as treasurer and Gene Kerr as statistical secretary.

In the Thursday afternoon session, the convention heard reports on its camps; that during their ten-year operation, 52,392 people had attended. Letters of appreciation from campers were read by Joseph B. Kesler.

Mrs. Roy Babb, president of the Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee, submitted the report for the past year. She stated that Miss Mary Mills is recuperating at her home from surgery. Miss Mary Lou Burnett, director of W.M.S., Miss Frances Sullivan, director of Y.W.A., and Miss Beulah Peoples, director of G.A., briefly discussed their phases of the work.



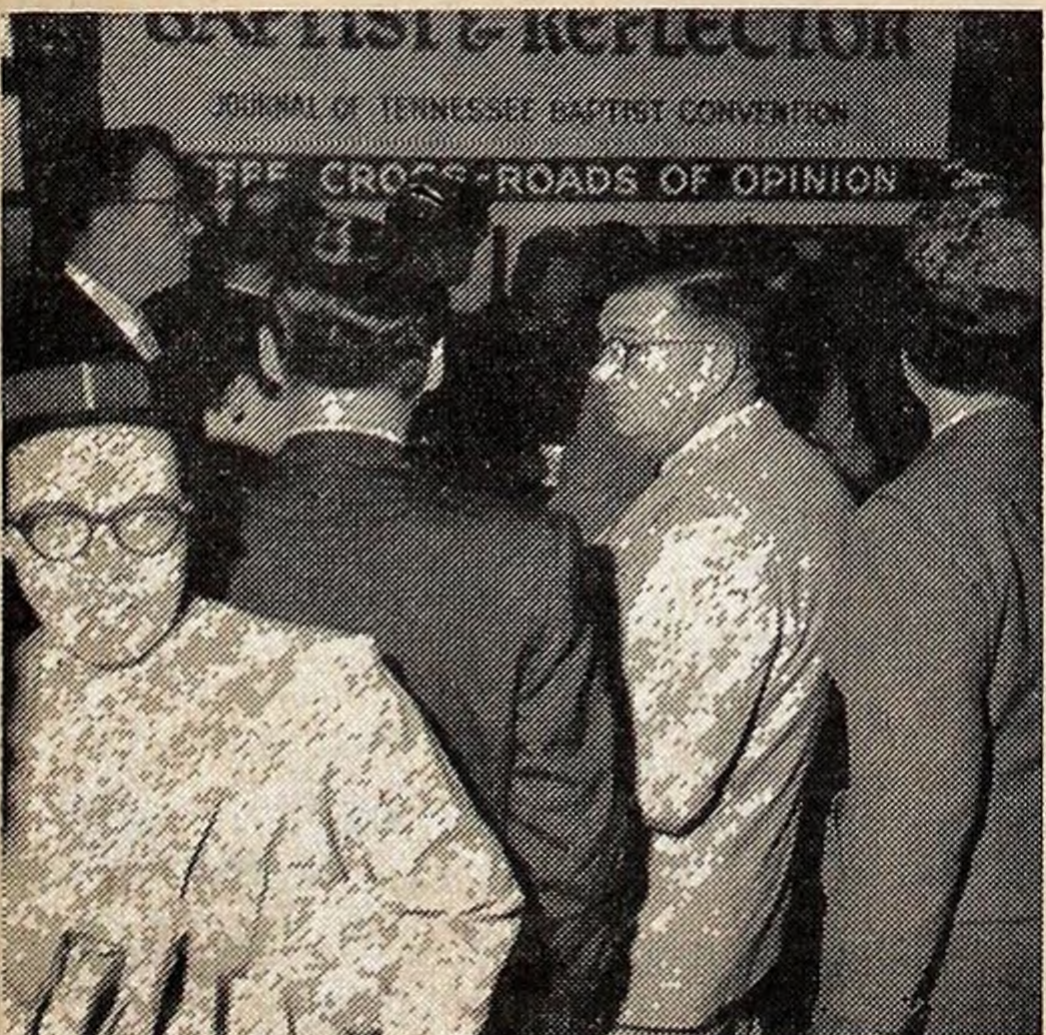
Dr. G. Allen West, right, expressed his appreciation to Rev. L. G. Frey, long-time recording secretary of the Convention. Frey declined to be re-elected for active service but was named secretary emeritus. Mrs. Frey was present with him at the sessions.

B&R's Largest Circulation

Grant Jones of Lewisburg, submitted the report on the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. Editor Owen, introduced Mrs. George Lannom, editor's assistant, Miss Betty McGill, bookkeeper, and Mr. Jack Childs, circulation manager, who told of the gain in subscribers during the past year. The BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR now has the largest circulation of any time in its history.

There must be a revival in the sense of the importance of what you and I have to say as ministers, Dr. Harold K. Graves said in his closing address on Theological Education. "If people come and do not find God then we have failed in the pulpit, no matter how many bonds have been sold and other things have been accomplished in the way of promotion."

Greetings were brought from Carver School at Louisville, from Southeastern, New Orleans, and Southwestern seminaries by representatives. It was noted by the presiding officer that the attendance at this tapering off session was not a credit to



Hundreds enjoyed the coffee at the Baptist and Reflector booth. Volunteers from First Church, Nashville, WMS served more than 1800 cups of free coffee for the Baptist and Reflector at its booth.

Convention Sidelights

Veteran L. G. Frey, standing and receiving the warm appreciation of the Convention, which he has served as recording secretary for twenty-one years. He was on hand and on the job again.

President McGlothlen confronted with an amendment to an amendment calling for a different basis of electing Executive Board members, was asked from the floor, "isn't this a matter we can't act on today?" McGlothlen said, "I asked three local lawyers to act as parliamentarians but I told them they wouldn't need to come until tomorrow. I didn't think we would have to have them here the first day."

W. A. Criswell of Dallas, Texas: "who cares whether anybody in this world likes you, if God likes you!"

Tennessee Baptists. Dr. Graves is president of Golden Gate Seminary, San Francisco.

Youth Night

The final Youth Night session of the State Convention was held in the War Memorial Building. Young people kept coming until gradually the auditorium filled. A beautiful concert was presented by the combined nurses choirs of the Nashville and Knoxville hospitals, under the direction of Bob Mulloy. An effective report on Training Union submitted by W. M. Grogan was shared in by Charles Norton, and all the workers in that department. W. C. Garland of Humboldt presented the report of the Committee on Christian Life. This was spoken to by Dr. Foy Valentine emphasizing the need for relevancy in religion. The Student Union report was submitted by Julius Thompson of Hollywood Church, Memphis. Spot-lighted were the summer outreach, the international students in our midst, and the campus missionaries in the persons of Tennessee student directors, under the direction of Mr. Charles Roselle.

The story of Job up-to-date was dramatized by a group of young people from Belmont Heights Church: Tommy Harris, Craig Steele, Ellen Steele, and Betty Choate, directed by Miss Dayle Thomas.

"The Point of No Return" was a plea for total commitment to Christ presented by Dr. Chester Swor of Jackson, Mississippi. Hundreds of teenagers and young people responded to his appeal for dedication of life, vocation, and witnessing for Christ, accepting the motto of Phillipians 1.21 as the law of their lives.

President McGlothlen in final words of appreciation brought the 86th Tennessee Baptist Convention to a close.

It was an inspiring session, and a fitting note on which to return with zeal and purpose to daily work in our respective communities.

Committee Men Elected

The Tennessee Baptist Convention meeting at Nashville elected to its important Committee on Board's for a three year tenure, the Rev. Floyd Cates of Pulaski, the Rev. J. E. Sharp of Bells, and the Rev. O. C. Rainwater of Loudon. These nominees were submitted by the Committee on Committees. The Committee on Board's is made up of nine members, who nominate to the convention members of the Executive Board and the trustees of the various institutions and agencies.

The Convention also elected to its Committee on Committees for three years Rev. James M. Gregg of Nashville, Rev. Robert Sanders of Camden, and Rev. Tom Wells of Maryville. These three are to serve with the six other members of this committee in nominating memberships for six committees of the convention: Committee on Arrangement, Credentials, Resolutions, Audits, Journal, and Boards. Each committee has nine members who are elected on a rotating basis of one, two, and three years.

Pre-Convention Meetings Elect Officers

Tennessee Baptist pastors elected the Rev. Barney Flowers as President of their conference for next year. Flowers is pastor of Baptist Church at Medina. The Religious Education and Music Association chose Elmer Bailey of Bellevue Church, Memphis to head its group. Other offices chosen in the pre-convention session of these two groups at First Church, Nashville were: for the Pastors' Conference, Dan Lawler, Vice-president, Harsh Chapel, Nashville; Bob Peek, Secretary, Pastor of Grandview, Maryville. Next year's Program Committee will be: Clyde Martin, Chairman, Pastor of First Church, Columbia; George Capps of Parsons, First Church; and Leonard Stafford of East Church, Athens.

Also chosen as officers by the Religious Education and Music Association were: East Tennessee Vice-President, Jerry Ratcliff of Red Bank, Chattanooga; Central Tennessee V. P., Dean Kaufman of Woodmont Church, Nashville; Vice-Pres. for West Tennessee, Eddie Prather of Boulevard Church, Memphis; Miss Ethel McIndoo of the Sunday School Department, Tennessee Baptist Convention was elected Secretary-Treasurer; Mr. Robert Mulloy of Brook Hollow Church, Nashville, pianist; and Mervyn Altman of First Church, Cleveland as chorister.

Sessions of the Pastor's Conference this year were presided over by Dr. Wade Darby, pastor of Grace Church, Nashville. Theme of the three sessions was, "The Faith We Keep." Dr. Ray Summers of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., conducted three Bible studies on the nature, obliga-

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Executive Secretary W. Fred Kendall, right, was snapped here talking to Terry Davis, a member of the Program Committee.

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evil for evil is human, but to return good for evil is God like," Dr. Summers told the large group of ministers present. "Now that tion, and trials of the Christian life. "To return evil for good is animal life, to return

faith has come with the knowledge and truth that it has, we must declare to the world that faith. We must do what God wants done," said the Rev. J. Ralph McIntyre of Brainerd Church, Chattanooga. "Jesus believed in numbers, but He believed in getting them only through regeneration . . . He never stopped short of getting the whole of man," declared Paul Roberts of First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark. Another visiting pastor brought the conference to a close in his message on "faith." Dr. W. A. Criswell of First Church, Dallas, Texas called upon the Baptist pastors to have a faith that is ready to stand up and be counted.

Raymond Coolidge of North Edgefield Church, Nashville brought an effective chalk talk to the group. Devotionals were led by Oscar Lumpkin, and Kermit T. Brann.

This year's session of the Religious Education and Music Association was presided over by Robert H. Wilson. "We have one program in the church—the total program. We must find our place in it," Dr. W. L. Howse of the Baptist Sunday School Board told the group in a meeting at Jarman Chapel of First Church, Nashville. Lloyd T. Householder, Jr. told how churches can



Lucius Hart, left, and Homer A. Cate were two of the members of the Committee on Boards. Hart served as chairman.

encourage young people to consider church related, vocational service. Robert Dixon discussed a program for older adults. Various leaders in state Baptist work forecast important events in the year ahead. One session of this group was at the Y.W.C.A. cafeteria when Dr. Spencer Thornton addressed those present.

State Convention

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BUDGET—1960-1961

Southern Baptist Convention Program (33⅓%)	\$1,166,666.67
Tennessee Baptist Convention Program (66⅔%)	
1. Operating Funds	\$2,029,357.14
2. Capital Needs Funds	303,976.19
	<u>\$2,333,333.33</u>

TOTAL COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BUDGET.....\$3,500,000.00

The following is a detailed breakdown of the budget:

Operating Funds	
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION PROGRAM—33⅓%	\$1,166,666.67
TENNESSEE BAPTIST CONVENTION PROGRAM—66⅔%	

General Convention	
1. General Expense	\$ 67,900.00
2. Administrative	
(1) Executive Secy.'s Office	39,911.20
(2) Adm. Assistant's Office	24,549.56
3. Administrative Services	
(1) Business Office	15,572.04
(2) Building	53,024.56
(3) Camps	000.00†
4. Program Services	32,014.00
5. Retirement Plans	
(1) Administration	\$ 10,694.00
(2) Convention Dues	150,620.00
	<u>161,314.00</u>

\$394,285.36

State Missions	
1. Associational Services Department	
(1) Administration	\$ 21,570.00
(2) Missionaries	125,571.87
(3) Pastor Aid	35,000.00
(4) Church Lot Fund	15,000.00
	<u>197,141.87</u>
2. Brotherhood Department	47,348.28
3. Evangelism Department	22,668.06
4. Music Department	26,867.56
5. Stewardship Department	19,539.00
6. Student Department	
(1) Administration	\$ 74,837.00
(2) Capital Needs for Student Centers	30,000.00
	<u>104,837.00</u>
7. Sunday School Department	71,863.08

8. Training Union Department	63,778.64
9. Contingency Fund	10,000.00
	<u>\$ 564,043.49</u>

Auxiliary	
1. Woman's Missionary Union	\$ 72,623.00
Agencies	
1. Baptist and Reflector	\$ 000.00†
2. Foundation	26,200.00
(1) Church Bldg. & Loan Program	4,125.00
	<u>\$ 30,325.00</u>

Educational Institutions	
1. Belmont College	\$138,122.52
2. Carson-Newman College	183,086.24
3. Union University	138,122.52
4. Harrison-Chilhowee Academy	55,249.01
5. Ministerial Student Aid	25,000.00
6. Off-Campus Extension Schools	1,500.00
	<u>\$541,080.29</u>

Hospitals	
1. Memorial Hospital	\$ 60,000.00
(1) Memorial (Special)*	30,000.00
2. East Tennessee Hospital	71,000.00
3. Mid-State Hospital	71,000.00
	<u>\$232,000.00</u>

Children's Homes	\$195,000.00
Total Operating Funds State Program	<u>\$2,029,357.14</u>

CAPITAL NEEDS FUNDS**	
1. Belmont College	\$ 72,954.29
2. Carson-Newman College	130,709.76
3. Union University	72,954.29
4. Harrison-Chilhowee Academy	27,357.85
Total Capital Needs Funds	<u>\$303,976.19</u>
Total Tennessee Baptist Convention Program	<u>\$2,333,333.33</u>

TOTAL COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BUDGET.....\$3,500,000.00

† Self-liquidating budget
* Approved by Convention, November, 1958.
**Percentage of allocations agreed upon by the heads of the schools:
Belmont—24%
Carson-Newman—43%
Union—24%
Harrison-Chilhowee—9%

Cauthen Confident Of Advance Program Funds

In his report to the Foreign Mission Board in its November meeting, Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen expressed confidence that this year's Advance Program funds from the Cooperative Program will provide more than \$800,000 needed from this source for the Board's 1961 budget. (Cooperative Program money received after Southern Baptist Convention's operating budget is met is called Advance Program funds and is shared by the Foreign and the Home Mission Boards, with the Foreign Board receiving 75 per cent.)

"If as much money is received by the S.B.C. Executive Committee in November and December as was received in the corresponding months in 1959 the Foreign Mission Board will receive \$873,027," he said. "If there is a 3 per cent increase in November and December over the amount received last year the Foreign Mission Board will receive \$945,405.

"This is also the period of the year when the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is being received. It is impossible to state fully the importance of this Offering as it reaches toward its goal of \$8,700,000. Of this, \$3,000,000 will constitute a part of the Board's 1961 budget and will be used for support of missionaries, operating expenses of schools, hospitals, evangelistic work, and many other purposes.

"The remainder of the offering will be used chiefly for capital purposes. The very large requests for funds for church buildings, schools, hospitals, theological seminaries, mission residences, and other purposes could not be considered without this great Offering which brings reinforcement year by year."

Dr. Cauthen called attention to large-scale evangelistic meetings just concluded in Hong Kong and similar one being held in the Philippines. Four thousand people attended the opening night service in Hong Kong. Two pastors from the United States are assisting Southern Baptist missionaries and national Baptist leaders in these meetings. They are Dr. Charles C. Bowles, of Hunter Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., and Dr. Edwin L. Skiles, of First Baptist Church, Abilene, Tex.

James D. Crane Named Field Representative

In its program of strengthening administrative arrangements for Latin America, the Board named Rev. James D. Crane, missionary to Mexico, as field representative for the area made up of Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, and the Baptist Spanish Publishing House in El Paso, Tex.

Three other field representatives were

named in October: Rev. Horace Victor Davis, for Brazil; Rev. Charles W. Bryan, for the area made up of Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and the Bahamas (and any other mission fields which might be added in the Caribbean area in the future); and Rev. William M. Dyal, Jr., for the area made up of Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay. All of the men retain missionary status.

These field representatives will stand alongside Latin-American Secretary Frank K. Means in a liaison capacity, interpreting Board policy to the Missions (organizations of Southern Baptist missionaries) and the recommendations of the Missions to the Board.

Couple Approved for English Work on Guam

After studying the request of a Southern Baptist group on Guam and hearing the report of Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, the Foreign Mission Board approved in principle the placement of a missionary couple on the island for English-speaking work.

Early this year a two-year-old Southern Baptist fellowship group on Guam organized itself into a congregation with a full program of worship, evangelism, and religious education under the sponsorship of Ardmore Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn. This congregation has requested the Foreign Mission Board to provide help along the lines of its present policy with regard to English-language work overseas.

Dr. Crawley explained that although Guam is technically a territory of the United States it is much nearer in location, background, and original culture to the Philippines and other East Asia areas than to this country. On the island are nearly 40,000 Guamanians, of Polynesian lineage and largely Roman Catholic in religion, thousands of Filipino contract workers, and more than 20,000 Stateside Americans. The majority of the Americans are military personnel and dependents; but a number of them are civilians related to the military forces, to local government and schools, or to private business enterprises. Among them are probably 1,200 to 1,500 Southern Baptists.

"This situation would indicate the possibility of development of a strong Southern Baptist church," Dr. Crawley said. "And as it develops it will find opportunities for ministry not only to Stateside personnel but also eventually to Filipinos and Guamanians.

"From the brief history of other English-language Baptist churches we would expect such a church on Guam to grow rapidly,

show a spirit of unusual enthusiasm, give a real missionary outlet and vision to Southern Baptists stationed overseas, present a warm witness to unevangelized and unenlisted Stateside personnel, have an appeal to many local people, and send back to the United States a steady stream of Southern Baptist people deeply committed to world missions, including many new candidates for the ministry and the mission fields."

Central Africa Work

Continues Amid Unrest

In his report Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, said there has been a noticeable increase in political unrest and racial tension in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. However, Southern Baptist missionaries there do not feel that they are in danger. "They feel that their ministry is more needed than ever; and their chief concern is that they may continue to have freedom to move among the African population, preaching, teaching, and serving," Dr. Goerner said.

"In contrast with these troubled conditions elsewhere, Nigeria moves into its second month of national independence without any indications of internal disorder. Evidence continues to come to light that most Nigerians have a deep sense of gratitude for the recognized contributions of Christian missionaries."

The Baptist theological seminary building in Budapest, Hungary, has been restored to the Hungarian Baptist Union, Dr. Goerner reported. After control of the property was lost by Baptists the building was used as the legation of one of the Asian countries. The seminary, which carried on in other, less suitable quarters, is now conducting its classes in its original home.



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ASSOCIATIONS	No. Churches	TRAINING			S. SCHOOL ENLARGEMENT			STAND-ARDS	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS				
		Churches With**	Cat. 17	Total Awards	Enrolment 1958	Enrolment 1959	Gain Loss—		Associational Clinics	Churches Reached	Attendance	Schools Reported	Standard Bible Schools
Beech River.....	51	8	66	416	3,820	3,867	47	4	.....	.....	.....	8	0
Beulah.....	41	15	82	860	6,734	6,849	115	0	.....	.....	.....	22	0
Big Emory.....	47	36	368	2,541	10,057	10,140	83	0	4	21	183	40	5
Big Hatchie.....	38	24	262	1,189	7,135	6,882	—253	2	1	22	129	25	2
Bledsoe.....	22	14	150	734	3,604	3,707	103	8	2	13	58	21	0
Bradley.....	47	31	460	2,101	6,967	6,653	—314	9	2	19	132	40	1
Campbell.....	35	16	20	415	4,989	4,694	—295	0	1	9	49	14	0
Carroll-Benton...	23	13	95	748	4,746	4,360	—386	19	2	13	55	19	0
Central.....	13	7	99	329	.....	2,000	2,000	0	2	10	82	10	0
Chilhowee.....	70	39	684	3,594	15,896	16,132	236	16	6	53	442	73	3
Clinton.....	61	30	430	2,331	13,853	14,424	571	25	3	31	184	50	2
Concord.....	35	22	186	1,196	5,431	5,920	489	15	3	23	171	27	3
Crockett.....	14	6	35	333	2,457	2,507	50	4	1	2	8	4	0
Cumberland.....	30	22	320	1,312	5,492	5,717	225	16	1	20	98	17	1
Cumberland Co...	19	6	89	419	2,438	2,386	—52	0	1	7	33	17	0
Cumberland Gap...	77	10	7	152	6,782	5,745	—1,037	0	4	20	115	24	1
Duck River.....	29	21	217	1,762	6,077	5,147	—930	18	1	19	128	31	3
Dyer.....	39	18	83	1,064	6,665	6,839	174	3	3	23	135	21	0
East Tennessee...	35	8	94	298	4,478	3,642	—836	11	.....	.....	.....	15	0
Fayette.....	15	8	50	563	1,532	1,563	31	1	1	6	29	9	0
Gibson.....	44	38	325	2,093	9,639	9,747	108	15	3	28	223	44	0
Giles.....	20	4	38	141	2,414	2,429	15	2	1	6	21	12	0
Grainger.....	34	11	0	240	3,621	3,468	—153	0	3	8	40	19	0
Hamilton.....	116	77	1,243	7,389	35,020	36,076	1,056	58	9	63	739	81	4
Hardeman.....	30	24	141	849	3,479	3,573	94	3	2	15	93	28	0
Hiwassee.....	10	0	0	0	981	732	—249	0	0	0	0	8	0
Holston.....	115	76	641	5,386	27,523	28,214	691	13	6	57	332	74	4
Holston Valley...	48	9	57	573	5,761	5,540	—221	0	3	20	117	30	3
Indian Creek.....	26	13	34	518	2,263	2,339	76	0	.....	.....	.....	10	0
Jefferson.....	25	19	19	799	4,887	4,714	—173	0	2	17	114	26	0
Judson.....	16	0	0	0	730	694	—36	0	.....	.....	.....	1	0
Knox.....	139	95	2,272	12,432	53,943	54,870	927	139	4	83	693	101	3
Lawrence.....	31	14	86	1,365	4,108	3,955	—153	2	2	12	86	20	0
Loudon.....	32	12	155	950	6,558	6,207	—351	2	6	.....	210	31	1
Madison-Chester..	44	36	366	2,882	12,146	12,422	276	11	5	37	295	58	4
Maurry.....	25	11	52	662	3,942	4,056	114	0	2	11	52	15	2
McMinn.....	67	28	202	2,763	10,612	11,019	407	7	1	40	195	38	0
McNairy.....	25	14	93	420	3,039	3,047	8	0	.....	.....	.....	8	0
Midland.....	30	8	31	220	3,133	3,179	46	0	1	15	52	7	0
Mulberry Gap....	78	2	46	171	4,780	4,090	—690	0	1	4	10	3	0
Nashville.....	89	87	1,485	10,130	45,241	46,794	1,553	106	6	78	448	75	3
New Duck River..	23	13	43	469	4,891	5,096	205	0	2	16	107	25	0
New River.....	44	1	0	12	3,323	3,377	54	0	0	0	0	10	0
New Salem.....	15	8	30	304	1,706	1,729	23	1	1	6	42	10	0
Nolachucky.....	48	23	190	1,179	9,149	8,994	—155	0	4	28	210	29	2
Northern.....	21	4	2	84	1,344	1,326	—18	0	1	.....	.....	8	0
Polk.....	45	14	55	387	4,099	3,860	—239	1	2	32	129	25	2
Riverside.....	24	9	114	484	2,584	2,487	—97	1	3	14	84	20	0
Robertson.....	22	16	111	791	6,124	6,202	78	11	.....	.....	.....	24	1
Salem.....	26	7	38	277	3,015	2,541	—474	4	.....	.....	.....	17	0
Sequatchie Valley..	26	13	21	406	3,181	3,021	—160	0	1	9	40	11	0
Sevier.....	58	15	161	1,285	7,123	7,159	36	3	.....	.....	.....	44	1
Shelby.....	104	99	5,084	17,937	70,330	72,029	1,699	281	10	84	975	94	6
Stewart.....	15	6	69	164	930	1,082	152	0	.....	.....	.....	13	1
Stone.....	28	12	77	674	3,682	3,624	—58	7	3	15	86	27	0
Sweetwater.....	73	22	20	698	8,888	8,755	—133	0	1	23	105	39	2
Tennessee Valley..	29	9	2	275	3,076	2,933	—143	0	1	11	48	11	0
Truett.....	6	4	79	261	644	773	129	1	.....	.....	.....	3	0
Union.....	14	4	44	263	2,294	1,416	—878	3	.....	.....	.....	7	1
Watauga.....	69	39	352	2,553	10,840	10,741	—99	18	6	42	221	46	7
Weakley.....	38	16	11	427	3,783	3,943	160	2	3	12	96	18	1
Western District..	28	18	88	594	4,368	4,393	25	0	1	23	87	31	0
West Union.....	61	0	0	0	4,479	4,455	—24	0	0	0	0	5	0
William Carey....	27	12	38	370	3,292	3,344	52	0	.....	.....	.....	16	0
Wilson.....	29	27	70	1,039	5,930	6,046	116	4	.....	.....	.....	26	0
Totals.....	2,658	1,323	17,782	103,273	532,048	535,665	3,617	850	134	1,120	7,981	1,815	72

—Loss **Missions included when training reported

TENNESSEE WOMEN STUDENTS ENROLLED IN SBC GRADUATE SCHOOLS 1960-61

Each year women in Woman's Missionary Societies throughout the state are interested in Tennessee young women enrolled in graduate schools of the Southern Baptist Convention.

As the Christmas season approaches many of these will be returning home for the holidays. Others may be spending the vacation period away from home. It would be thoughtful to assure these women of your prayers and interest by sending a greeting. Check the list for those near you, or those whom you know already. A greeting or a small remembrance would be suitable on her birthday or Valentine. Clip this list of names and birthdays for future reference.

NAME	HOME TOWN	BIRTHDAY
Carver School of Missions and Social Work 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville, Ky.		
Miss Helen Morefield	Neva	February 4
Mrs. Nancy Tilley	Madisonville	September 4
Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary Strawberry Point, Mill Valley, California		
Jane Ann Williams	Route 16, Highland View Road, Knoxville	May 2

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary 3939 Gentilly Blvd., New Orleans 26, La.		
Miss Genevieve Cox—Jonesboro		October 16
Miss Mary Rosaleen Chitwood		April 5
Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary Wake Forest, North Carolina		
Miss Peggy Sue Ranson Chattanooga		April 28
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Box 22000, Fort Worth 15, Texas		
Miss Nancy Jane Blair—Oneida		December 18
Miss Katharine C. Bryan—Nashville		February 28
Mrs. Robert M. Carney (Bonnie)—Memphis		April 9
Miss Annie Sue Clift—Newbern		November 29
Mrs. Willard C. Cole (Alice)—Buena Vista		March 8
Miss Helen Yvonne Coleman—Knoxville		March 4
Miss Wilma Anita Coleman—Memphis		October 31
Mrs. Chas. Ernest Condee (Wilma)—Athens		May 30
Mrs. Byron R. Epps (Albertine)—Niota		May 30
Miss Jane Carolyn Frazier—Blaine		January 23
Mrs. James B. Glisson (Eunice)—Dyer		July 6
Miss Billie Lou Julian—Knoxville		July 10
Miss Beverly Irene Lutz—Memphis		April 20
Miss Nina Fay Mayfield—Memphis		September 15
Mrs. Charles W. Pringle (Helen)—Memphis		February 19
Mrs. Ronald L. Rogers (Doris)—Jackson		September 26
Miss Genie Shelton—Memphis		February 18
Mrs. Gerald L. Stow (Barbara)—Byrdstown		February 17
Miss Martha Lenore Tolinson—Mt. Juliet		October 15
Mrs. John W. Tresch (Beverly)—Columbia		February 18
Miss Gloria Torrance—Memphis		June 7
Mrs. William T. Vick (Dorris)—Memphis		January 31

Wives Of Prominent North Carolinians Die

RALEIGH, N. C.—(BP)—Wives of two prominent North Carolina retired Baptist leaders died.

Mrs. C. C. Warren, wife of the former Southern Baptist Convention president, died in Charlotte Nov. 12 after a brief illness. Funeral services were scheduled Nov. 14.

Warren had been pastor of Charlotte's First Baptist Church until a few years ago. Since his retirement from the pastorate, he had been directing Southern Baptists' 30,000 Movement, an effort in church extension.

Mrs. L. L. Carpenter, whose husband edited the Baptist state newspaper here before retiring, died Nov. 11. Funeral services for Mrs. Carpenter were held Nov. 13.

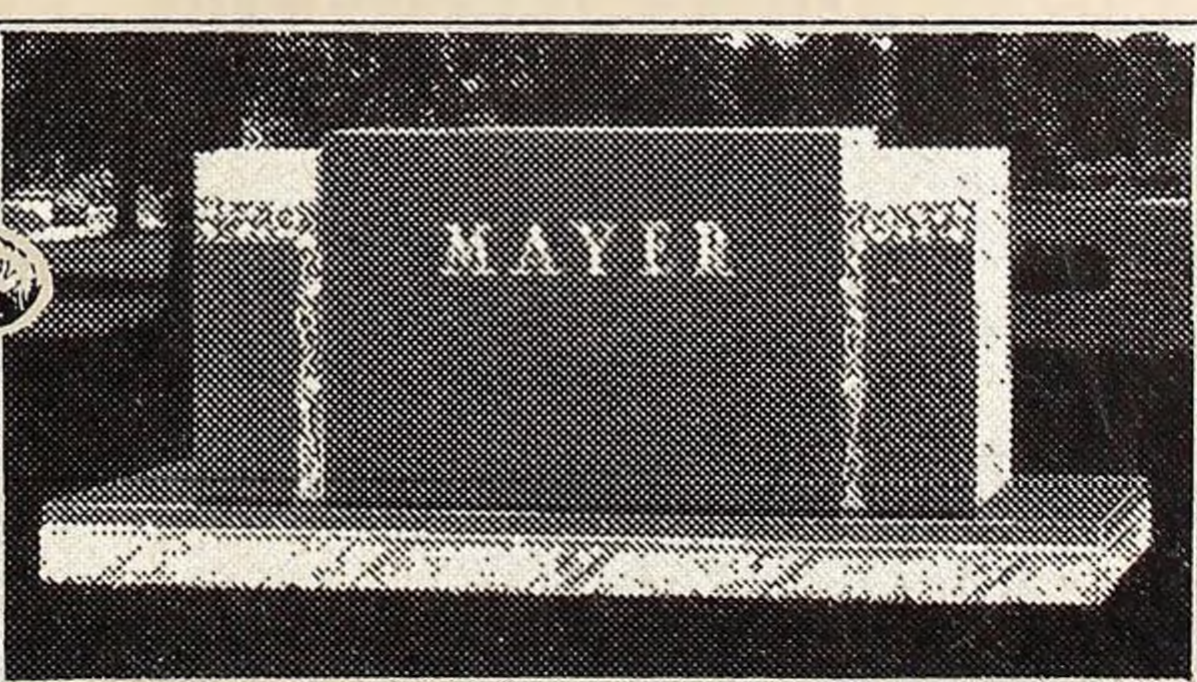
Carpenter also had retired recently after editing the weekly *Biblical Recorder*.



"That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come saying,

What mean ye by these stones?

Then ye shall answer them, these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel forever." Joshua 4:6-7.



Just as Joshua commanded the twelve men of Israel to build with perfect stones a monument to commemorate the passing over Jordan—
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Training In Missions

Like the symbolic red chord which runs through the cloth of the uniform of the British Navy missions extends through Biblical History from the "Book of Beginnings" to Revelation. My attention has recently been drawn to a passage in II Kings 17:24-27. After the Assyrian King, Sargon II, had completed the destruction of Samaria and Israel's captivity we are told that he allowed people from Babylon, Cuthah, Ava, Hamath and Sepharvaim to occupy the land which had been vacated by the Israelites. The people of each nation had their own gods and "feared not the Lord." When this was called to the attention of the Assyrian King somehow the Lord impressed him to react favorably. He thus allowed the captives in Babylon to send a priest back into Samaria, to dwell with the new occupants and "teach them the manner of the God of the land." Is this not the plan which God would still have us use?

"Training in Missions" has two vital, primary factors. We simply must train those who are to go as the messengers to "teach them the manner of the God of the land," and we must also train those who will remain at home. We are the support of those messengers and we will support them only in proportion to the amount of enlightenment, understanding and training which we possess.

At this writing I have just received the bulletins of the Foreign Mission Board.¹ It renews my sense of urgency about Missions. The bulletin reveals that Christianity is winning only about one-fourth of the world's population increase. In 1959 the net population increase of the world was approximately 48,000,000. Only 12,000,000

¹Your Foreign Missions Bulletin, September, 1960, Richmond, Virginia.



This article on the monthly theme of the Training Union Calendar for December is written by Rev. Anderson McCulley, pastor of First Baptist Church, Sweetwater.

converts in 1959 can be numbered by all Christian Organizations combined. At that rate we are losing three-fourths of the population gain. When we review with scrutiny the "Great Commission" we are repeatedly convicted that we have a responsibility for the people of all nations.

Once I heard of a merchant who showed a preacher a box of orchids which he had just opened. Instead of their usual beauty they had a rotten brownish look. They had gotten lost in shipment and arrived too late. Someone had failed to mark the box "PLEASE RUSH." In this day in which the world population is "exploding" it becomes increasingly important for us to mark each "gospel parcel" with the words "PLEASE RUSH!"

The Scripture reference accompanying the December theme reads: "So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me." Ezekiel 33:7.

Thus Saith the Preacher—

No Room For Virtuosos

Dear Editor:

It's a little late to be discussing a book with you that was written in 1957, but some of us just don't get around to things as quickly as you do. The book to which I refer is W. H. Whyte's *The Organization Man*. What he had to say about the Organization Man in business has some significant overtones about churches and denominations.

He quotes the Montsano Chemical Company, for example, as advertising: "No Room for Virtuosos in our Company." They have a film showing the chemists in their company, all in white coats, and the sound track says: "No geniuses there; just a bunch of average Americans working together." In other words, if you want to be a genius, don't work for us!

In another section a group of GE trainees were asked what they would do if a brilliant person like Steinmetz were to apply to them for a job. A few said that maybe he would work out; because of the fraternity-like life of the training program they might iron out his rough spots. Most of them disagreed: the man would be too hopelessly antisocial to remold. "I don't think we would put up with a fellow like that now." (But where would GE be without Steinmetz?)

Well, there's plenty more of the same thing in the book. Exaggerated? Perhaps. But at least it is indicative of a serious trend.

Of course, Christians live in organizations, in communities, but we don't have to sell our souls to any one group. We must stand before God as individuals, and there must ever be a place in modern life for the virtuoso.

The Christian faith would have never gotten outside Jerusalem if all the disciples had been average fellows. There were efforts to throttle Paul and the others. In fact, it was a constant struggle for them to keep from behaving like the ordinary people of the communities. In fact, Paul chided the Corinthian Christians about their ordinary behaviour.

I'm not pleading for a bunch of odd ball nonconformists, but I am urging that there always be a place for one. The Christian must be willing to stand alone at times, even against his own group sometimes.

Yours,

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Cobb Resigns Texas Stewardship Position

DALLAS—(BP)—L. B. Cobb, associate secretary of the Texas Baptist Cooperative Program and Church Finance Department, has resigned his position and will establish a home in Memphis, Tenn. in January.

His resignation terminates seven and one-half years of leadership in Texas Baptists' Stewardship and Church Finance efforts. Cobb was named director of Church Finance in August, 1953. Working with pastors and missionaries in budget promotion, he has in recent years spearheaded promotional programs for the Forward Program of Church Finance.

A graduate of Union University in Jackson, Tenn., Cobb formerly pastored churches in Tennessee, Louisiana and Texas. He is a former president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Dr. W. W. Hamilton, Sr. Dies

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Dr. W. W. Hamilton, 91, former president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and twice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, died November 19 in Southern Baptist Hospital here where he had served as chaplain and then chaplain emeritus.

He was president of New Orleans Seminary (then the Baptist Bible Institute) from 1928-1942. His administration was credited with seeing the seminary through the critical depression years.

Highly respected by religious and civic leaders alike, the Hamilton Goodwill Center, a Southern Baptist Home Mission Board project in New Orleans, was named in his honor.

A native of Hopkinsville, Ky., Dr. Hamilton had lived in New Orleans for 39 years.

He is survived by two sons, Dr. W. W. Hamilton, Jr., pastor of First Church, Havelock, N. C. and Doyle R. Hamilton, office manager of the St. Charles Avenue Church, New Orleans.

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Carver Secures Robert Laessig

LOUISVILLE—(BP)—Robert Laessig, a former missionary in Africa, will join the faculty of Carver School of Missions and Social Work here next summer.

Laessig has been directing the program of linguistics at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee. He has served there for 13 years.

"Laessig is an outstanding scholar in the field of language study. He has written extensively on the subject of comparative linguistics and is recognized as one of the few living authorities on African languages," school officials said.

"He will bring to the Carver School faculty a much-needed skill in preparation for missionary service, that of linguistics or the basic principles of language study."

Although a specialist in African languages, Laessig has a reading knowledge of more than 40 languages. He is teaching

interested groups at night such languages as Russian, Korean, Indonesian, and Turkish.

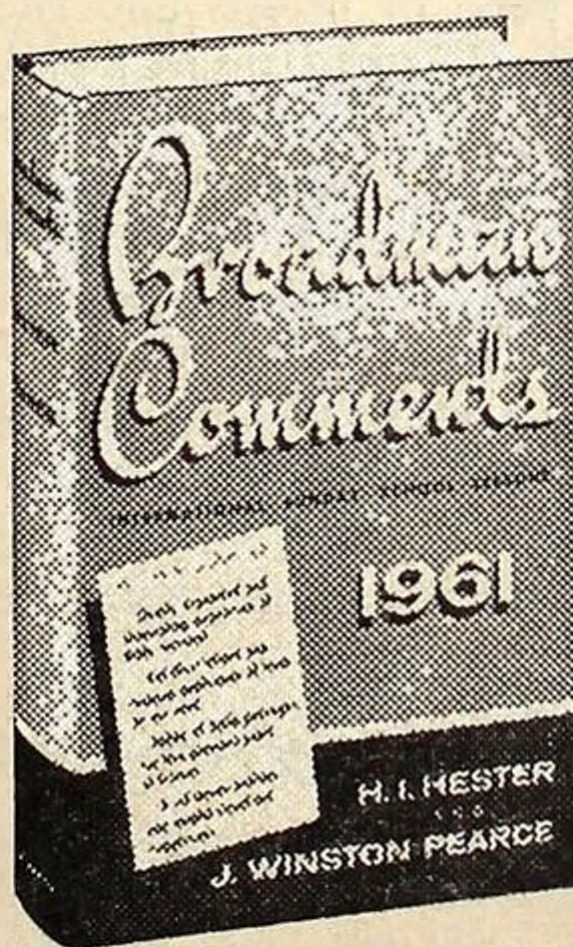
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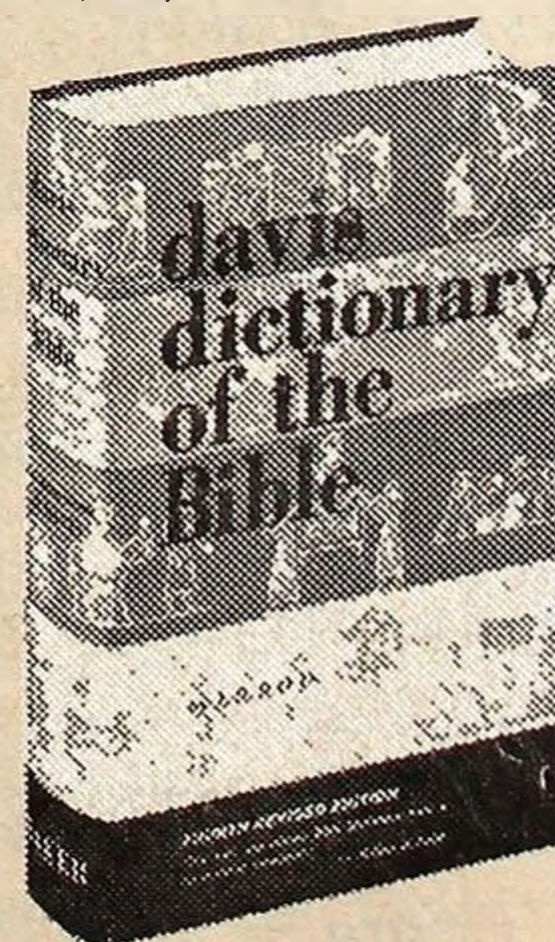
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God's Covenant Of Love

Texts: Jeremiah 31 and Romans 8 (Larger)—Jer. 31:3b-7, 31-34; Rom. 8:1, 2, 38, 39 (Printed).

The concept of covenants between God and man is seen throughout the Bible. Among them is the Adamic, the Abrahamic, the Mosaic and the Davidic (to mention only some from the Old Testament). Even our Bibles are divided into the Old and the New Testaments (or "covenants"). God agrees to do certain things if man will agree to do certain other things. The idea is to set before mankind something of his duties, responsibilities and privileges. This is clearly observed in the passages of our printed text out of which there has been derived the suggested topic, "God's Covenant of Love". It will be noted that the text from the New Covenant grows out of and is an expansion of that from the Old Covenant. In other

words, Paul supplements Jeremiah. Both alike were inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Restoration And Revelation (Jer. 31:3b-7, 31-34)

The restoration promised here is fundamentally spiritual in nature. To fail to see this is to minimize the eternal plan of God as He deals with His people. Rebuilding and replanting, mentioned here, are incidental. The entire context of the Scriptures bears out this emphasis. The material restoration was intended to point the "remnant" in the direction of an acknowledgment of God and a compliance with His way of living. Any other interpretation leads to the view that this passage is mere history rather than an injunction to a deeper spiritual commitment.

The revelation indicated in the last part of the passage is personal in nature. God would write His covenant upon the hearts and lives of the people, first His own people and then through them all other peoples. In His so doing, there would be no further need of priests and rites. The testimony of His way of life and love would be direct and immediate. He would reveal Himself completely and satisfactorily through conscience informed by means of the Word of God and illuminated through the Holy Spirit. The "weeping prophet" is inspired to write that all previous covenants would be consummated in the coming covenant of love. In such a new covenant the old ones would be completely fulfilled.

Liberty And Love (Rom. 8:1, 2, 38, 39)

The liberty, or freedom, promised here is also to be primarily spiritual in nature. Men must be free in spirit before they can achieve genuine freedom or liberty in other relationships. To imagine otherwise is to invite grave disappointment in the end. Political and economic liberty, to mention only two other phases of liberty, become curses instead of blessings for those who are enslaved in spirit. When the "Spirit of life in Christ Jesus" sets a person free then he is ready to benefit from, and become competent to achieve other forms of freedom. His freedom from the "law of sin and death" provides proper aim and motivation both for himself and for those about him. History and the teachings of the Word of God show conclusively that the Gospel, when accepted and applied, is the most powerful liberating force the world has ever known.

The love mentioned here by Paul likewise is personal in nature. God as Person loves each one of us as persons. The Apostle here in these two verses (the final ones in the passage) rises to eloquent heights as he writes of the abiding equality of God's love. "Nothing", he says, "can separate us from God's love.". To know and respond to His marvelous love, upon a personal and individual basis, insures life or union with Him. The focus of that love is in Jesus Christ who died that such life might become ours by faith and trust in Him as personal Saviour. The ancients would seal their covenants, or contracts, with their blood. This was their expression of good faith in the agreements that they had made. Jesus has shed His blood in God's part of the covenant of love. He wants each person, in response, to give his life to Him. Is not this a fair or reasonable request?

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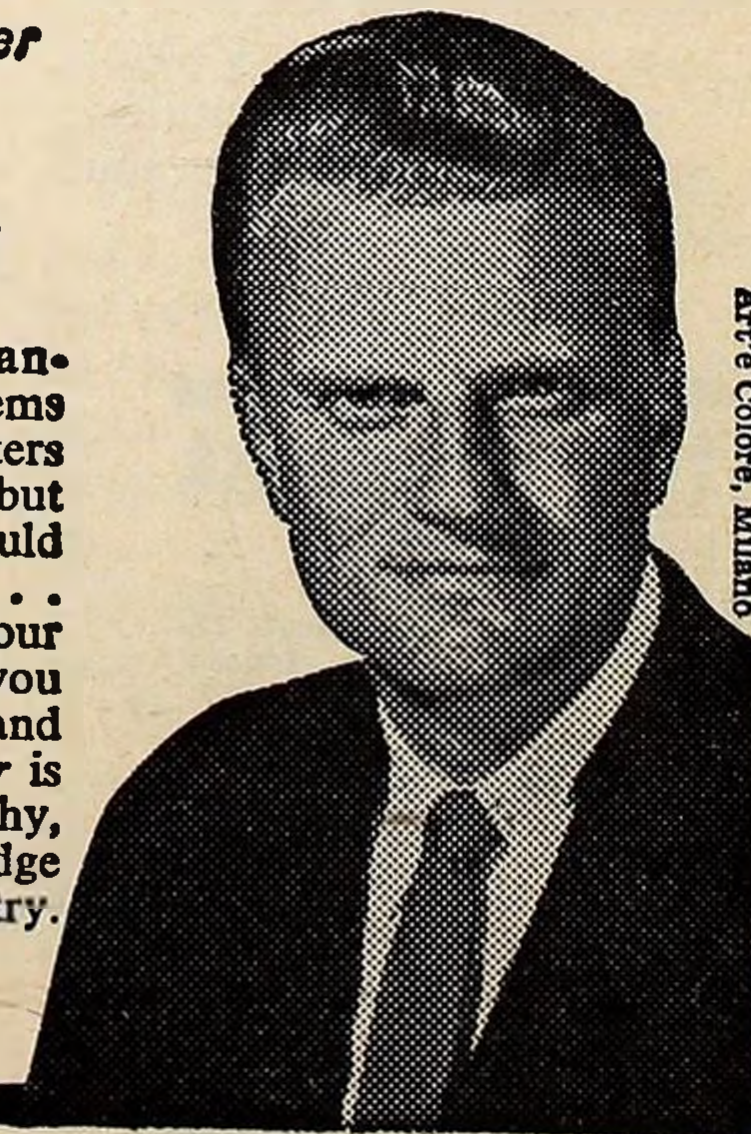
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Children's Page



Let's Read

"Chico sat by the open door of the little adobe house in Guatemala where he lived with his father and mother and his sister Ester. His brown face was tense as he groped for reeds by his side to finish the basket in his lap. Suddenly he pushed it aside.

"If I could only see the colors of the reeds, I'd like to make baskets," he said."

More than anything else Chico wanted to see. Once a doctor happening upon the village where Chico lived, had said that he thought he could make Chico able to see. But Papa would not hear of it. The doctor was a foreigner and a missionary. After much persuasion, however, Papa was willing for Chico to go to the city to the shrine of the Black Christ. Perhaps he could make the boy see.

What happened to Chico and Ester in persuading Papa to make the trip to the Black Christ, and later during the trip, makes a story full of adventure and excitement. Chico's disappointment in the Black Christ's failure to give him his sight was forgotten entirely in discovering the missionary doctor again.

You will enjoy reading about Chico in the book, *Eyes for Chico* by Mary Coxhead. It tells about customs and superstitions in Guatemala, as well as how Chico seeks to be able to see.

Another book, *The Chili Pepper Children* by Oren Arnold, is the story of a Mexican family who, for a living, raise and sell chili peppers. It is a family affair from Papa and Mama right down to Bitsy, age two and a half. Hondo, the oldest of the nine children, is the main character.

When fiesta time comes around, more than anything else the family want to enter the parade, but they lack the main essentials. They lack a donkey to pull their "float" and the means to adequately decorate their cart.

In spite of the fact that they are too poor to buy a donkey of their own, they borrow a friend's animal. They solve their second problem by making use of what is at hand—chili peppers. The result is gorgeously magnificent. When fiesta time arrives at last,

they happily join in the parade. The whole family takes part, marching along before and behind their borrowed donkey and gaily decorated cart.

This is the story of a family's living and loving together, of cheerfully and happily making the best of what they have. You will find it is fun to read about them.

In the story, *Black Jupiter*, an old prospector, following a hunch, finds a newborn colt in an almost inaccessible peak of the Colorado mountains. Already the first snow of the season has covered the small form. Only the faintest movement under the snow indicates that a spark of life exists.

The old man half carries, half drags the colt, wrapped in his own warm coat, down to his solitary shack just below the deep-snow line. Through the rest of the day and night, he works unceasingly to fan that tiny spark of life into a strong, bright flame.

Two days later he leaves the colt alone in the lean-to next to his shack while he makes one of his rare trips to the community at the foot of the mountain. He wants to find the colt a winter. But Black Jupiter, entranced with the world he had almost missed, takes matters upon himself.

How he finds his way into the hearts of two children, who had been longing for a horse of their own, and the part he plays in helping to bring the strange old prospector into contact again with his fellow man is Black Jupiter's own story.

While you enjoy the book, *Black Jupiter* by Mary MacDougall, you will also read interesting information about copper mining in Colorado. A mystery in the copper mine, of which the children's father is in charge, adds interest and excitement to a story that ends satisfactorily for all.

All three of these interesting books are available at your Baptist Book Store. You may want to ask for some of them as Christmas gifts. They will also make nice gifts for your friends.

God's Wondrous World* The Strange Llama

Last summer many people made the exciting trip to South America to attend the

Baptist Congress in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Nature's tropical world of colorful plants, birds, rainbow fishes, and strange animals was a revelation to them.

Among the strange animals found in the high Andes Mountains of Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru, the llamas were unforgettable. With their native Indian shepherds of these odd-looking animals were found grazing on mountainsides. They were found *only up to the snow line* in this great mountain range. They do not live in the snow-covered mountain areas.

Llamas are camellike animals, somewhat resembling sheep. They differ from the humped camels we associate with hot, barren deserts in that they are much smaller in size and have no humps on the back.

Many llamas are trained by natives of South America to become beasts of burden.

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They are able to carry loads up to one hundred pounds. Their loads are sometimes bundles of maize or corn.

Years ago people rode llamas from village to village. In fact, today narrow, cobblestone llama trails still exist in the villages.

Llamas are brown, white, black, or mixed in color. They produce a camel's-hair type of wool. The animal's outer coat is thick and heavy. The underneath is soft and silky.

Llamas have a bad habit of spitting at whoever or whatever disturbs them, as well as when they are tired. The most amazing thing about them is the fact that they can live on a handful of maize a day and can go four or five days without water.

These strange animals are creatures made by God. The Bible says, "God formed every beast of the field" (Genesis 2:19). God tells us in his Word, "Every beast of the forest is mine" (Psalm 50:10).

Laughs

Kindergarten boy: "Do you really and truly believe there is a devil?"

Kindergarten girl: "Of course not. It's like Santa Claus. He's your father."

Reporter: "To what do you attribute your advanced age, sir?"

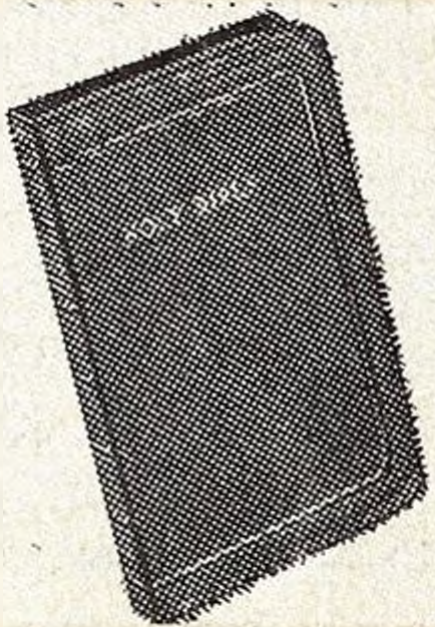
Centenarian: "Mainly to the fact that I was born such a long time ago."

"Father," asked Junior, "What is a financial genius?"

"A financial genius, my son," replied his father thoughtfully, "is a man who can pay his family's Christmas bills in January."



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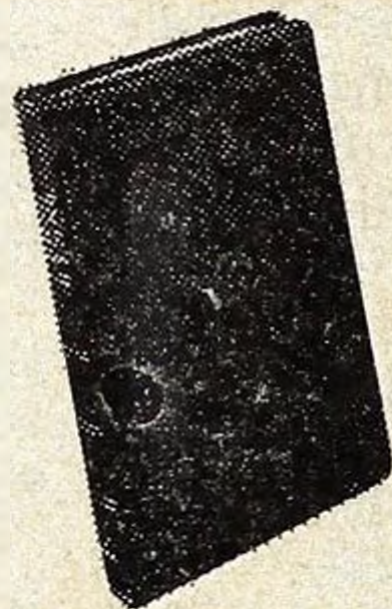
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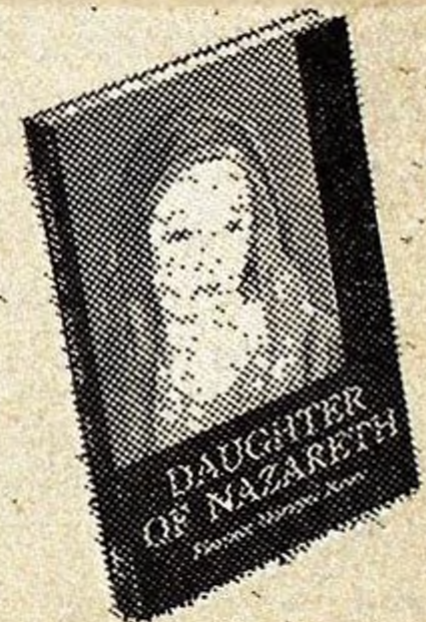
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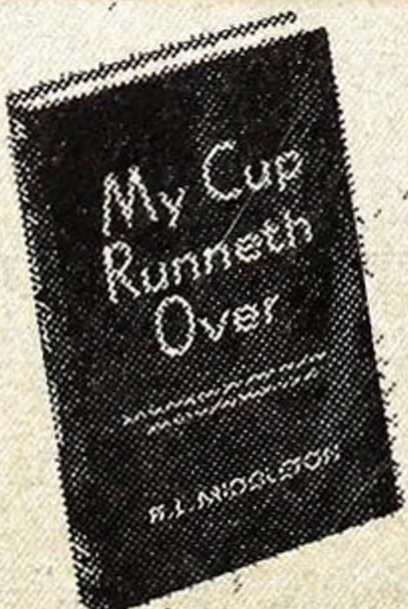
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