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A Lost Capacity

Isaiah 29:9



Bernard Campbell, Georgian Hills Church,
Memphis

God's people were in trouble, and one way out was for them to stop, to wonder, to be amazed and astonished at the marvelous things of God . . . His power, His might, His glory, and His majesty.

The actions, attitudes and accents of our lives give evidence that we have lost our capacity of wonder and amazement concerning spiritual realities. It was said many



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Preliminary 1963 SBC Statistics Reported

NASHVILLE (BP)—Preliminary estimates of 1963 Southern Baptist Convention statistics show slightly more than 10.3 million members of about 33,100 cooperating churches.

Martin B. Bradley, secretary of Research and Statistics for the SBC Sunday School Board here, reported the estimates to state Baptist leaders attending board-sponsored meetings in Nashville.

Figures from about 150 district associations of Baptist churches—there are over 1100 such associations in the U. S.—were not available at the time of the preliminary report. Other returns had not been edited.

Final, official statistics for the previous year are reported each February. Thus, 1963 statistics will be available in February, 1964.

Bradley's figures included a projection of the likely lower limit of each final figure and the likely higher limit. He qualified his preliminary information by saying:

"The projected estimates shown in the

times in the New Testament, that the people were amazed; they were astonished by the words and works of Jesus. It seems that we are more awed and amazed by the accomplishments and achievements of man than we are with the accomplishments and achievements of God.

We do not show a great sense of wonder and astonishment concerning the Word of God. Yet, we know that it is a life-giving and a life-transforming word. But, that doesn't seem to amaze us as much as some discovery to control or cure a physical disease. We do not show a great sense of wonder and amazement concerning the Cross of Christ. Yet we know that it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth. We do not show a great sense of wonder and amazement concerning the resurrection of our Lord; yet we know that no power has ever been released that will equal the power of His resurrection.

What causes God's people to lose this meaningful capacity, that is needed to give us the inspiration and motivation for our living and serving? One of the main reasons, of course, is sin. Sin always mars our vision and our appreciation of spiritual realities. Another major reason is our familiarity with spiritual things.

I lived in the shadow of the Incline on Lookout Mountain for years, and I have heard people marvel and exclaim over the great engineering feat of man. They seemed to be greatly astonished by such an achievement, but I must admit that I never felt amazed nor astonished by it, simply because I lived so close to it for so long. This is what often happens to us in relationship to spiritual realities, we become so familiar with them that they lose their meaning.

We shall never convince the world of the wonders and marvels of God, until we ourselves become amazed and astonished.

following report are prepared solely for the benefit of State and Southern Baptist Convention leaders as they look ahead to future programming."

The preliminary figures of membership and churches would mean a gain of more than 100,000 members and of around 300 churches, compared to final 1962 statistics.

The 1963 estimates also showed a probable decrease in baptisms of converts; they would be at least 20,000 fewer than 1962's final report.

Projections for church membership, and for Sunday school, Music ministry and Brotherhood enrolments showed probable increases over 1962. Training Union and Royal Ambassador enrolment registered a probable decline, while Woman's Missionary Union could show either a small decrease or increase in the final figures.

When the final statistics are released in February, in conjunction with the meeting of the SBC Executive Committee, an interpretation and analysis of trends in the statistics will be given by Bradley.

C-N To Build Dormitory; Admit Qualified Negroes

JEFFERSON CITY—Plans to construct a new men's dormitory and a decision to admit qualified Negro students to Carson-Newman College were announced here after the annual meeting of the college's board of trustees.

Work begins shortly after the first of the year on the first wing of a \$350,000, air-conditioned dormitory to house 152 students, Dr. D. Harley Fite, C-N president said.

The board also voted to accept qualified Negro students, beginning with the fall term this year; approved several faculty-recommended changes in the college curriculum; approved a new salary scale for teachers and administrative staff; and endorsed a tuition increase of \$50 per semester, effective with the 1964 fall term.

With the trustee's decision, Carson-Newman, a liberal arts college with about 1400 students, becomes the fourteenth Southern Baptist college to remove the racial barrier, Dr. Fite pointed out.

The C-N president said the measures passed by the board had been under consideration for some time and each item was considered to be an important step forward in the college's ten-year development program.

The increase in tuition brings the total cost of a full year of study at C-N to \$1172, which includes tuition, matriculation fee, room, board, insurance, book rental and laboratory fees.

Current figures show that American colleges and universities are now charging

1964 — Another Chance!

A. Donald Bell

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Isaiah 57:10—"Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way; yet saidst thou not, There is no hope: thou hast found the life of thine hand; therefore thou wast not grieved."

Luke 15:17-24—"And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

"And his father said . . . For this my son was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found."

Hebrews 10:17—"And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more."

As we live the first weeks of a new year, we are reminded that life, from the Christian view, is filled with new opportunities.

The Christian faith is one of new beginnings. It is initiated in conversion with a fresh start. Along the experience of living that life there are the blessings of rededication, recommitment, and a closer walk. All of these add to the vitality of Christian living.

The Gift of Life

All men are given a fresh beginning at birth. Some babies have physical handicaps and a very few will have mental retardation, but most people are given a beautiful, impressionable life to begin with. What an initial gift we are given by God! It is true that we have our original sin and temperamental traits which are not perfect, but by and large we begin this life with more advantages than we deserve.

The tragic failure which some people make of life is really unbelievable in the light of the above facts. Perhaps man disappoints God more at the point of poor stewardship of life than any other.

A New Start Each Day

Man often falls into poor appreciation of the prospects of life—he allows life to lose its flavor. There is nothing in the world which, from a human standpoint, is worse than monotony and lonesomeness. A human

Dr. Bell is Professor of Psychology and Counseling, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

students an average of about \$1800 a year, and in some colleges as high as \$3000, Dr. Fite pointed out.

The board action on integration was a clarification of C-N admissions policies that any qualified student regardless of race or color would be considered for admission to Carson-Newman College.

being can adjust to the changes of life even when they're very difficult. But a great adjustment is the one which must be made to monotony and lonesomeness. It is even difficult to retain one's good mental health in a life which gives routine without variety. People who live in "ideal" climates report that they long for a change of season. Those who live in areas where there is little variety in the physical surroundings hunger for different scenery. Those who work all day in manual vocations where monotony is involved often keep their minds on other things during their working hours in order to make their tasks more pleasant.

One of the things which helps to alleviate this monotony of life is the constant setting of new goals and the refreshing which comes in new beginnings. How wonderful it is from a psychological standpoint that God has given us the night and day! This enables us to awake every morning with the feeling of a new beginning. We are to go to our rest each night with a sense of satisfaction and deserved relaxation. What a privilege to be able to set goals and get a fresh start. This is spiritually beneficial to the personal life.

A Second Birth

Life's greatest blessing is the privilege and opportunity to be able to have a completely

new beginning at the experience of Christian conversion. Those who have had this experience know what it means to be able to stop and start all over again. How life would pile up and obsess a man if he thought there was no relief in sight! After this initial unburdening in conversion there comes a new and vigorous set for life. Even the sins and offenses of the life before conversion can be overcome and straightened out because of the spiritual resources and the optimism found in salvation in Christ.

Then all along the road of the Christian life there are the deep experiences of spiritual inventories. It is common knowledge that every good businessman must regularly take an inventory on his business. In this way he knows how he is coming along and whether or not the books have been balanced. The same principle applies in living the Christian life.

A Beginning—at the End

Death is perhaps the most misunderstood aspect of life. Most people have developed a morbid psychology of death. The Christian concept goes against the grain of modern thought as it does ancient superstition. This view is that death is a beginning and not an end. Many people believe this theoretically, but too few live as though they really felt the truth of it. Entrance into eternity, for those who are prepared, is the most beautiful beginning of all. And the fascinating fact about it is that, like rebirth, "It is a beginning without an end!"

Division Of Receipts Nears 56-44 Ratio

NASHVILLE—Tennessee Baptists divided their giving during the last convention year with nearly 56 cents out of every dollar going to state causes and nearly 44 cents of each dollar to causes beyond Tennessee. Here is the annual report of the TBC treasurer:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER Tennessee Baptist Convention
Nov. 1, 1962 - Oct. 31, 1963

Receipts

Cooperative Program	\$3,716,501.42
Designated and Reported	1,239,997.35
Total from Churches	\$4,956,498.77
Other Income	162,331.64
Grand Total	\$5,118,830.41

Distribution of Gifts

Object	Cooperative Program	Per Cent	Designated	Total Gifts	Per Cent
Foreign Missions	\$ 574,199.47	15.45	\$ 691,377.23	\$1,265,576.70	25.53
Home Missions	203,664.28	5.48	181,851.32	385,515.60	7.78
Southwide-Education	354,925.89	9.55	3,070.00	357,995.89	7.22
Other SBC Causes	105,920.29	2.85	60,382.04	166,302.33	3.36
Total Southwide	\$1,238,709.93	33.33	\$ 936,680.50	\$2,175,390.52	43.89
TB General Convention	\$ 427,030.50	11.49		\$ 427,030.50	8.62
State Missions Depts.	574,375.99	15.45	43,500.00	617,875.99	12.47
Woman's Missionary Union	76,295.69	2.05	2,461.25	78,756.94	1.59
TBC Foundation	25,214.60	.68	588.01	25,802.61	.52
Schools	935,696.12	25.18	69,921.65	1,005,617.77	20.29
Hospitals	225,419.18	6.07		225,419.18	4.55
Children's Homes	213,759.41	5.75	161,166.61	374,926.02	7.56
Other State Causes			25,679.24	25,679.24	.51
Total Statewide	\$2,477,791.49	66.67	\$ 303,316.76	\$2,781,108.25	56.11
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,716,501.42	100.00	\$1,239,997.35	\$4,956,498.77	100.00
Southwide gifts	43.89%				
Statewide gifts	56.11%				

Remember Them In Prayer

Those who bear responsibility both in governmental and in religious life carry heavy loads. We should remember all such in our prayers. Recently the Executive Board of our State Convention sent a telegram assuring the President of the United States our prayers on his behalf as he carries the heavy burden of the highest office in our land and of leadership in the free world. It is right that this should be done. It is our duty and privilege as citizens of the United States of America. We should also pray for those who represent us in Congress, in our national government, also those who bear the burden of public office in state, county, and city or town.

We also should be mindful of those who bear heavy loads of responsibility in our denominational life. None bear heavier burdens than those in places of leadership as executive-secretaries in our state conventions, and those in the leadership of our boards, institutions and agencies. This is true both in the state and in the

convention-wide work of Southern Baptists. These denominational servants have given themselves without reserve to strengthening the cause of Christ in the areas of responsibility committed to them. Evidence of the toll taken is the fact that within recent weeks two state executive-secretaries have had heart attacks from which we are grateful that they are now recovering, Dr. Earl Harding of Missouri, Dr. John Maguire of Florida. Likewise, Dr. Courts Redford of the Home Mission Board and Dr. Joseph Nordenhaug of the Baptist World Alliance.

None among us works harder nor bears a heavier load than our own Dr. W. Fred Kendall. Our Executive Board wisely calls upon us all to remember him daily by name in prayer that he may continue to have health, wisdom and strength. He has led Tennessee Baptists for eight years with Christian statesmanship. Never sparing himself, he has faithfully fulfilled the great responsibility entrusted to him. Bear him up in your prayers each day.

EVER PRESENT HELP



63.4 Out Of Each Hundred

Church members now represent 63.4 percent of the total USA population. This is the same as it was one year ago. During the year church membership increased 1.6%. So did the population by a like figure. These latest figures come from the 1964 Yearbook of American Churches.

Highest percentage ever reached for church membership was in 1960 when it was 63.6%. For those who think the earlier days of our country were more religious, so far as church membership was concerned, history says otherwise. The yearbook traces church membership as to percentage of population since 1850. That year it was only 16.10%. The percentage rose to 23% in 1860 but fell to 18% in 1870. In 1900 the figure climbed to 36%. During the decade of World War I church membership stayed fixed at 43%

Religion Issue Fails To Stop College Bill

WASHINGTON (BP)—A college aid bill providing grants and loans to church-related colleges as well as public institutions, the first of its kind, won Senate approval in a vote of 54-27. This sends the measure to the White House for the President's signature.

The bill, a compromise between differing Senate and House versions, was passed by the House in early November. The Senate had held up action pending agreement in a conference committee on another education bill, the vocational education proposal.

The college bill would authorize \$1,195,000,000 for the first three years of a five-year program. Both grants and loans would be available to private and public colleges. The funds would be limited to construction of academic facilities for science, engineering, mathematics and modern foreign languages, and for libraries.

Sen. Sam J. Ervin, Jr. (D. N. C.), sponsor of a judicial review amendment in the original Senate bill, spoke at length in opposition to the conference report. He urged the Senate to reject it and request a second conference with the House. Senate conferees, he said, should be instructed to retain the judicial review amendment.

"I have opposed this program because I believe that this bill . . . as it is phrased at the present, gives religious denominations access to the federal treasury for the purpose of financing schools owned and operated by them," Ervin said.

The senator said the college bill "attempts to divorce the supposed secular activities of church colleges and universities from their religious activities, and to provide for financial support from the federal treasury only for their secular activities. . . . This is exactly what the Supreme Court has said cannot be done." Ervin referred to a number of Supreme Court cases which he said

supported his opinion that aid to church schools is unconstitutional.

(Editor's Note— Tennessee's Senators Albert Gore and Herbert Walters split their vote on the college aid bill with Gore opposing it on the ground that the Supreme Court "does not have adequate guide lines and I thought it important to have a judicial determination." Walters favored the Ervin amendment on judicial determination, but when that was knocked out voted for bill anyway.)

Sen. John Sherman Cooper (R., Ky.), co-sponsor of the judicial review amendment, also argued against the conference report on the college bill. He said he was aware that colleges, public or private or religious, are in need of additional funds. He said church colleges contribute to the "richness of our educational system, and to its spiritual values."

"Nevertheless," Cooper continued, "We are faced, as I see it, with the question . . . whether Congress has the authority to provide tax funds to church schools."

Sen. Lister Hill (D., Ala.), chairman of the Senate Education and Labor Committee, spoke in opposition to the measure. Hill was a member of the conference committee on the bill but did not sign the report.

"I feel that the pending conference report is directly in violation of the Constitution and is a complete negation and defeat of the fundamental principle of the separation of church and state," Hill stated.

Replying to the demands to keep judicial review in the bill, Sen. Wayne Morse (D., Ore.), chairman of the subcommittee on education, said that the House would not pass the college bill with judicial review in it. He called attention to the recent separate bills on judicial review introduced by himself in the Senate and by Rep. Edith Green (D., Ore.) in the House. He said it does not necessarily follow that the House will not pass this separate bill.

Set Up Information Center For Pastors, Church Workers

A Baptist Information and Service Center has been set up in St. Louis, Mo. A group of Southern Baptist ministers and laymen met in St. Louis, Dec. 14 and elected James A. Thompson as chairman of the Steering Committee for the new center which began operating Jan. 1. Thompson is an active Baptist layman.

Purpose of the Baptist Information and Service Center, according to Thompson is "to provide a central place of information on Baptist ministers and others in church related vocations and to aid Baptist churches and church agencies in locating and providing information in depth about prospective pastors, evangelists, or employees with particular experiences and qualifications."

Registration forms will be mailed to all ministers and other people in church related vocations in St. Louis, Jan. 1. The services of the center located at 4011 Greenmeadows Drive, St. Louis, Mo. 63123 will become immediately available to all Southern Baptist churches and church agencies, the chairman of the Steering Committee announced.

Sen. Gordon Allott (R., Colo.), speaking against the bill, said one problem is that the funds would be available to construct buildings designed for specific purposes. The key, he said, is the use of the word "designed."

"Under the provisions of the bill, federal funds can be had for the construction of a building which is "designed" for science, mathematics, and similar subjects. The day after the money is paid, the building can be converted to any use to which the owners wish it to be converted," Allott said.

"We are contributing to the support of religion because the building belongs to a religious institution," he stated.

from 1910-1920. Biggest increase in any ten year period came in time of World War II when church membership increased from 49% in 1940 to 57% in 1950.

Both Protestants and Catholics showed less gains during the past year than in 1961. Of the 252 bodies reporting membership 222 were Protestant with 64,929,941 members. Roman Catholic membership is listed as 43,847,938. This was an increase of 1.9% for Roman Catholics in 1961, whereas in 1960, they gained 3.2%. Protestants comprised 34.9% of USA population in 1962, while Roman Catholics comprised 23.6%.

Not all churches employ the same recording system, so these statistics have to be accepted with that in mind. Some churches include infants and all family members. Others record only those received into membership by baptism. Any use of statistics should always keep in mind the lack of uniformity in the recording systems.

These statistics seem to indicate American churches and synagogues are keeping even with the population increase. There may be some comfort in this. On the other hand there may well be reason to be concerned since the religious forces are merely static with respect to the population growth of our country.

Tennessee Topics

First Church, Coolidge, Campbell County Association, has a new pastor who moved into the pastorium Dec. 30. He is Paul A. Reneau, former pastor of Second Church, Maryville.

Elbert Baird is the new pastor of East LaFollette Church. He came to LaFollette from First Church, Briceville.

Red Bank Church, Sevier County Association, broke ground for its new building on Nov. 24. Plans are to move into the building by early Spring. W. E. Parham is pastor.

Lynwood Henderson, pastor of Mt. Pisgah Church, Millington, resigned to become pastor of Calvary Church, Tuscumbia, Ala., Dec. 29.

Bob Wiggins has resigned as pastor of Cotton Grove Church in Madison-Chester Association.

B. B. Dawn, Jr., a former pastor of Look-out Valley Church, Chattanooga, began his duties as pastor of Stuart Heights Church, Chattanooga, Jan. 1. For the past three years he has served First Church of Cohutta, Ga., as pastor. Dawn received his B.D. degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex. He is married and has a young son.

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William Monroe Richardson, retired carpenter, died Dec. 6. A lifelong resident of Tipton County, he spent most of his life in the Charleston community. Richardson was a member of Charleston Church where he served as a deacon for more than 30 years.

The ministers of Big Emory Baptist Association met and organized a Ministers' Conference Dec. 9. The pastors will meet at Trenton Street Church, Harriman, each Monday morning at 11 o'clock. Officers are Charles Holland, president; Clarence Heneisen, first vice president; E. H. Howard, second vice president; C. Eugene Spencer, song leader; James L. Austin, pianist; and Tommy Deaton, secretary and treasurer.

New officers for Belmont College Board of Trustees are L. B. Stevens, president; Fred D. Wright, vice-chairman; and Roy W. Babb, secretary. All of the above officers are from Nashville.

Rev. and Mrs. Virgil H. Moorefield, Jr., missionaries on furlough from Italy, have a second son, William Louis, born Dec. 9. Mr. and Mrs. Moorefield may be addressed at 104 W. King St., Jefferson City, Tenn. Both are natives of Kentucky, he of Hopkinsville and she, the former Jane Richardson, of Louisville (daughter of a Baptist minister, she lived in several Kentucky and Tennessee towns as a girl).

William E. Denham, Jr., pastor of River Oaks Church, Houston, has accepted the call of First Church, Austin, Tex., to become its pastor. He will move to Austin Jan. 26. Denham is a former pastor of First Church, Newport, Tenn.

Tommy Horne has accepted the call of Haywood Hills Church, Nashville, as part-time minister of music. Tommy and his wife, Betty, are students at Middle Tennessee State College in Murfreesboro. He previously served as minister of music at Auburntown Church.



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Baptist Heads Latin American Relations

WASHINGTON (BP) — Thomas C. Mann, the Texan selected by President Johnson to administer the United States' Latin American policies, is a Baptist.

Johnson has named Mann, presently the American Ambassador to Mexico, to serve both as assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs and as special assistant to the president in the field of Latin American relations.

Mann, a native of Laredo, Tex., a city on the Mexican border, holds degrees in both arts and law from Baylor University, a Texas Baptist institution. He, his wife, and his son Clifton, are members of the Briggs Memorial Baptist Church in Washington.

In a letter to Ambassador Mann, the President said he is determined to achieve "an American community of nations moving forward together in progress and freedom."

That, he said in essence, is Mann's job.

During his 20 years in the foreign service, Mann has served in Greece, Guatemala, El Salvador, Venezuela, and Mexico. He also has served previously but briefly, during the Eisenhower administration, as an assistant secretary of state.

He is the fourth Baptist holding an important place on President Johnson's White House staff. Bill D. Moyers, a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, works as one of Johnson's closest advisors though he still retains his title as deputy director of the Peace Corps. Brooks Hays, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, is assistant to the President in the field of intergovernmental relations, and Richard Reuter, a New York Baptist, is special assistant to the President with responsibility for the Food for Peace Program. Both Hays and Reuter were named by President Kennedy and continued on the staff under President Johnson.

Hugh Widick of First Church, McLeansboro, Ill. has accepted the call of Union Hill Church, Goodlettsville, and will begin his work there as pastor around Jan. 15. Widick is a native of Robertson County. Ray H. Dean has served the last six months as interim pastor.

Harold Beard is serving as supply pastor at First Church, Clinton. He is BSU director at U.T., Knoxville.

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The Earliest Tennessee Baptist Education Story

By Richard Hiram Ward

The settlement of Tennessee in the late 1760's was, in a large part, a continuation of the Scotch-Irish immigration which had begun earlier in the century. Since the Scotch-Irish were predominantly Presbyterian it would be expected that the first churches and schools would be Presbyterian. However, there are indications that Baptists were numbered among the first settlers in Tennessee. The democratic principles of church government held by Baptists were well adapted to the frontier. The organization of churches would not have to wait for ecclesiastical approval from a distant source of authority. By 1786, seven Baptist churches united to form the Holston Baptist Association, the first such association in the new territory, then a part of North Carolina.

The nineteenth century was the period of the academies, most of which were privately operated. It is probable that we do not know where or by whom the first so-called Baptist school was established in Tennessee. Most of these academies, high schools and colleges were privately owned and operated. Some of them were of short duration; others operated over a period of years.

Those of which we have some record are given below with location, approximate dates of origin and in some cases the date of closing:

Andersonville Institute, Andersonville, 1897-1919; Athens Baptist Female College, 1901; Boscobel College, Nashville, 1889-1902; Bristol Female College, 1868-1903; Brownsville Female College, 1851-1893; Carroll College, Denmark, 1850; Cosby Academy, Cosby, 1912-1936; Crab Orchard Academy, Cumberland County, 1901-1906; Cumberland Institute, Cumberland Gap Association, 1902; Cumberland University, Lebanon, 1946-1951; Doyle Institute, Doyle, 1884-1936; Duck River Male Academy, Fairfield, 1858; Eagleville School, Eagleville, 1887; Fall Branch Seminary, Fall Branch, 1851-1870; Hall-Moody Junior College, Martin, 1900-1926; Harrison-Chilhowee Academy, Seymour, 1880 to present; Holbrook Normal College, Fountain City, 1900; Holston Baptist Female Seminary, Jonesboro, 1853-1871; Madison College, Spring Creek, 1852-1868; Mary Sharp College, Winchester, 1850-1896; Memphis



Ward

Medical College, Memphis, 1879-1889; Morristown Female Academy, Morristown, 1858; Murfreesboro Academy, Murfreesboro, 1899; Smokey Mountain Academy, Sevier County, 1915; Soule College, Murfreesboro, 1889-1892; Stockton's Valley Institute, Helena, 1901-1930; Sweetwater Seminary, Sweetwater, 1886-1897; Tennessee Normal College, Fountain City, 1900-1910; Tennessee Valley Institute, Evansville, 1897; Terril College, Decherd, 1889-1896; Unaka Academy, Erwin, 1907-1916; Union Academy, Clinton, 1830; Union University, Murfreesboro, 1848-1873; Watauga Academy, Butler, 1902-1940; Watertown School, Watertown, 1890.

Two colleges which were established, attained some eminence and then closed their doors were Union University at Murfreesboro (1848-1873), and Mary Sharp College (1850-1896) at Winchester.

Union University at Murfreesboro was the culmination of the efforts made in Middle Tennessee to provide an educated ministry. These efforts which had begun in the 1830's resulted in the organization of the "Tennessee Baptist Education Society of Ministerial Improvement" in 1836. The charter of Union University was secured in 1842, but funds were not available to finance a college. In 1845, Rev. Bradley Kimbrough was selected as an agent to raise an endowment. In January 1848, the academy, operated by J. H. Eaton since 1842, was reorganized as Union University under the charter of 1842.

The enrollment of the University varied from some 50 students at the beginning to a peak of 330. There was a constant problem of finance in spite of the "indefatigable labours of Rev. Bradley Kimbrough." The endowment secured was in personal bonds, payable in installments at various times, and "refundable" in tuition. This, plus the fact that free tuition was provided ministerial students meant that the funds were never adequate to pay salaries and other expenses. There was no organic connection with the denomination and no central agency of organization to provide financial support.

After an attempt to resume operation of the University following the Civil War its doors were closed in October 1873. The reasons for closing given at the time, included: the small number of students, the panic created by an epidemic of cholera, the unsightliness of the college buildings, and the great financial crisis of the country.

Mary Sharp College in Winchester was chartered as the Tennessee Female Institute in 1848. The institution began operations in 1850 with eight instructors and 110 students. Z. C. Graves was the first presi-

dent, which position he filled some forty years.

The college enjoyed a period of comparative prosperity for it reported in 1861 an enrollment of over 300 from twelve states. It claimed to be the oldest college for women in the United States where Latin and Greek were required for graduation.

After John L. Johnson became president in 1889, the college closed for lack of support. Graves tried to revive the school in 1893 but gave up in 1896 due to the financial difficulties of the time.

Thus the nineteenth century was a period of time in which Baptist educational effort had its beginning in response to the need for an educated ministry and the need for an educated and enlightened citizenry. Schools were founded as a result of local conditions and were financed by local efforts. Education societies were organized as a means of founding colleges and were instrumental in securing a charter. These societies and the churches exercised no authority over the colleges and assumed no financial responsibility for them. There was no denominational organization to assume financial responsibility. Financial agents were employed by the schools to solicit funds from individuals and local churches. As a result the colleges were always inadequately financed. Those that temporarily survived did so in spite of stringent times and inadequate support.

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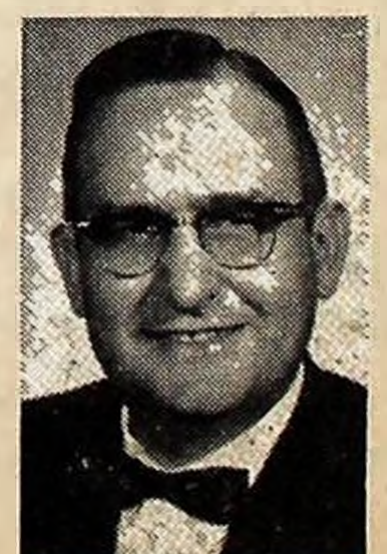
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MONDAY AFTERNOON,
JANUARY 20

THEME: Preparation for Revival

- 2:00 Song Service Frank Charton
- 2:10 Devotion William L. Swafford
- 2:20 "Paying the Price In
Prayer" James F. Eaves
- 2:50 Announcements
- 3:00 "Paying the Price In Spiritual
Preparation" F. M. Dowell
- 3:30 Song
- 3:35 "Preparation Through the Sunday School
Witnessing Campaign" Bob Patterson
- 3:50 "Preparation Through the Soul Winning
Training Program" Charles L. Norton
- 4:05 Special Music
- 4:15 Message James A. Vaus, Jr.
- 4:45 Benediction

MONDAY EVENING,
JANUARY 20

THEME: Prerequisites for Revival

- 7:00 Song Service Frank Charton
- 7:10 Devotion Branson Wiggins
- 7:20 "What Is Revival" Newman McLarry
- 7:50 Song.....
- 7:55 "The Cross and Revival" ... W. Fred Kendall
- 8:25 Announcements
- 8:35 Special Music
- 8:45 "When Will Revival Come" ... Ramsey Pollard
- 9:15 Benediction

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**TUESDAY MORNING,
JANUARY 21**

THEME: *Plan for Revival*

- 9:00 Song Service Frank Charton
9:10 Devotion Norman O. Baker
9:20 "Our Concern for the Lost"
..... Newman McLarry
9:50 Simultaneous Conferences:
 Chairmen of Evangelism—Newman Mc-
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 Mrs. Bradford Duncan
 Brotherhood Presidents—Kenneth Rose
 Music Directors—Frank Charton
 Public Relations Directors—Gene Kerr
 Personal Soul Winning—Leonard Sanderson
10:45 Song and Announcements
10:50 "How We Got Participation in Our
 Association" John L. Gilbert
11:05 "How We Got Participation in Our
 Church" J. Lowell Knupp
11:20 Song and Special Music
11:30 "Soul Winning, The Primary Purpose
 of the Church" Leonard A. Sanderson
12:00 Benediction

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON,
JANUARY 21**

THEME: *Power for Revival*

- 1:30 Song Service Frank Charton
1:40 Devotion Bernard Scates
1:50 "The Holy Spirit In Revival"
..... Julius Thompson
2:20 "The Laymen Witnessing" Roy Gilleland
2:35 "The Women Witnessing" .. Miss Mary Mills
2:50 Song and Announcements
2:55 "The Gospel We Preach"
..... James A. Canaday
3:25 Special Music
3:35 "He Is Able" Wallace Morton
4:05 Benediction

**TUESDAY EVENING,
JANUARY 21**

THEME: *Projection of the Revival*

- 7:00 Song Service Frank Charton
7:25 Scripture and Prayer Gerald Overton
7:35 Message James A. Vaus, Jr.
8:05 "Saving the Saved"
..... Leonard A. Sanderson
8:35 Special Music
8:45 "The Christian Life" H. Franklin Paschall
9:15 Benediction



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Morning Session (January 10 and 17)

- 9:15 "Take Time to Plan"
- 10:15 Welcome, Scripture, Prayer
- 10:25 The Right Start is Important
- 10:50 Space Must Meet the Needs of the Educational Program
- 11:15 Discussion
- 11:30 Space to Meet the Needs of Worship and Other Needs

Afternoon Session

- 1:30 Film: "Planning and Constructing Church Buildings by Units"
- 1:50 Site Selection and Master Planning
- 2:15 The Work of the Building Committee and the Architect
- 2:40 Discussion
- 2:50 Furnishing and Equipping the Building
- 3:15 Raising Money and Borrowing Funds for Buildings
- 3:45 Adjourn

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Standard Units By Associations

The following is a listing of the number of Standard Sunday Schools and other units by associations. Associations not listed reported no Standard units. The number listed under "Other Units" includes all Standard classes and departments.

October 1, 1962—Sept. 30, 1963

Association	Standard Sunday Schools	Other Units
Beech River	2	1
Beulah		6
Big Emory	1	1
Big Hatchie	1	
Bledsoe	1	3
Bradley	2	5
Carroll-Benton	1	8
Chilhowee	2	44
Clinton		5
Concord	2	31
Crockett		4
Cumberland	1	5
Duck River	1	9
Dyer	1	9
East Tennessee		1
Fayette		1
Gibson	3	10
Giles		1
Hamilton	3	66
Hiwassee	1	
Holston		3
Indian Creek	1	
Jefferson		1
Knox	5	146
Lawrence	1	
Loudon	1	
McMinn	1	1
Madison-Chester	3	17
Maury		2
Nashville	4	32
New Duck River	1	
Nolachucky		5
Robertson	2	9
Sevier	1	6
Shelby	7	210
Stone		1
Truett		1
Union		1
Watauga	1	4
Weakley	1	
Wilson		2
Total	51	651

This report reflects a total number of 702 Standard units. Last year (1961-62) the state had a total of 790 Standard units. This reflects a decrease of 88. In Tennessee 26 associations reported no Standard units, while 41 reported the 702. Of this total, 356 (or over half) came from only two associations.

This same trend is reflected in most other state conventions and in the Southern Baptist Convention as a whole. Total Standard units reported last year were 110 fewer

Churches Reaching WMU 75th Anniversary Goals

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than the year before for the whole convention.

The questions remain. Why? What is the cause? What is the solution?

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TENNESSEE TOPICS

Walter M. Martin has been prevailed upon by Antioch Church, Humboldt, to reconsider his resignation which he had tendered for Jan. 31 due to ill health. Martin has led this church for 15 years. He is greatly beloved by the congregation. They asked him to reconsider his resignation and remain with them. This he consented to do, and agreed to continue as pastor.

Ray Bowman of Johnson City began his work as minister of music at First Church, Lewisburg, Jan. 1.



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Vocational Aid Bill Enacted

WASHINGTON (BP)—A third major education program got congressional approval in the Senate passage of the Vocational Education Bill. The President's signature made the bill law.

The measure, a compromise between differing Senate and House versions passed earlier this year, won Senate approval in a vote of 82-4. The House had already passed the compromise bill.

The conference report on the bill (1) expands the current vocational education program by an additional \$1.6 billion over a four-year period; (2) extends for two years the program of aid to federally impacted areas by authorizing an additional \$319.6 million; and (3) extends for one year the student loan provisions of the National Defense Education Act by increasing the amount available in loans and increasing the amount available to students in any one college.

Congress passed earlier this year a Med-

Education Conference Held At Southern Seminary

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Eight Baptist pastors from Tennessee attended a Continuing Theological Education Conference at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here recently.

The pastors, part of 52 from 13 states who attended, were Roy W. Babb, pastor, Edgefield Church, Nashville; James Canaday, pastor, Central Church, Johnson City; T. M. Megar Jr., pastor, Calvary Church, Bristol; Ernest S. Owens Jr., pastor, Cherokee Church, Memphis; Fred Rudder, pastor, Central Church of Bearden, Knoxville; R. Victor Watts, Glenwood Church, Oak Ridge; Charles A. Wingo, pastor, First Church, Martin; and Fred M. Wood, pastor, Eudora Church, Memphis.

Four Seminary professors taught classes in pastoral care, led in Bible study, and ical School Aid Bill and a College Aid Bill. Both of these make funds available to church institutions.

conducted services for the conference participants. Free time was allowed for browsing in the Seminary library and attending regular Seminary classes.

Another similar conference is planned for June. The Continuing Theological Education Conference program is part of the Seminary's recently-created Conference and Research Center, which sponsors workshops and special conferences both on and off the Seminary campus.

Russian Baptists' Message Greets American Church

VALLEY FORGE, Pa. (RNS)—The All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians (Baptists) in Russia called on all Christians, in a Christmas message, to pray for the "further improvement of the relations among people in the whole world."

Signed by the Rev. Jacob Zhidkov and the Rev. Alexander Karev, the council's president and general secretary, respectively, the message was sent to headquarters of the American Baptist Convention here.

Noting that "especially dear" to the heart of Jesus Christ was "peace of man with God and peace of people with one another," the message said, "May the peace, bought by the blood of Jesus Christ, live in our hearts."

The Baptists urged Christians to be "messengers of this peace for all mankind, for all nations and for all people in whose hearts there is still enmity towards God and towards their neighbors."

Christians of the world, the message continued, should thank God for the "first rays of clearing" in international peace efforts with the signing of the atomic weapons test ban treaty.

Alabama Elects Asst. Secy.

MONTGOMERY—The Alabama Baptist State Executive Board, meeting here Dec. 6, allocated more than half a million dollars for state missions work in Alabama, elected a new assistant executive secretary, and made other plans for the denominational program in 1964.

In addition to the state missions allocation, more than \$3 million goes to state and SBC causes, making the total 1964 budget \$3,744,000.

Claude T. Ammerman was named assistant to the executive secretary for the Executive Board, with his new duties beginning immediately. Ammerman, pastor at Troy, Ala., for 16 years, has for the past five years been secretary of the Ministers Retirement Department for Alabama Baptists. In his new position as assistant to Dr. George E. Bagley, Dr. Ammerman will have responsibilities in stewardship promotion, general administration, and will also continue to administer the state retirement program.

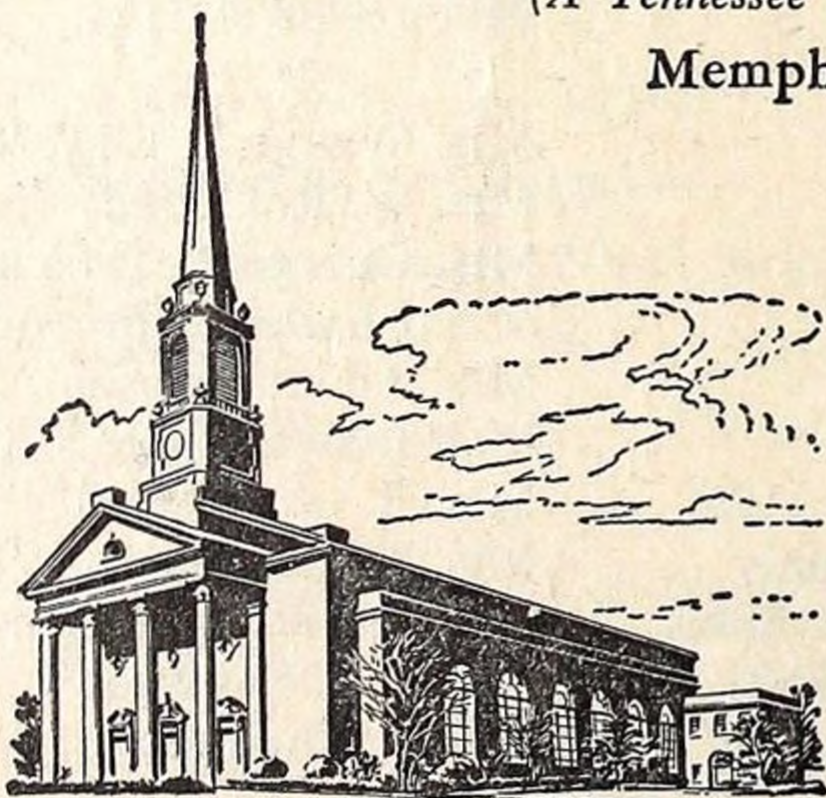
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TENNESSEE TOPICS

William E. Saylor resigned as pastor of Roan Hill Church, Johnson City, effective Dec. 29, to become pastor of Eastern Hills Church, Cincinnati, Ohio. He will begin his new pastorate Jan. 12. During his three years at Roan Hill the church bought a pastorium, made initial steps to relocate, set new attendance records in Sunday school and Training Union, and added 51 by baptism and 27 by letter.

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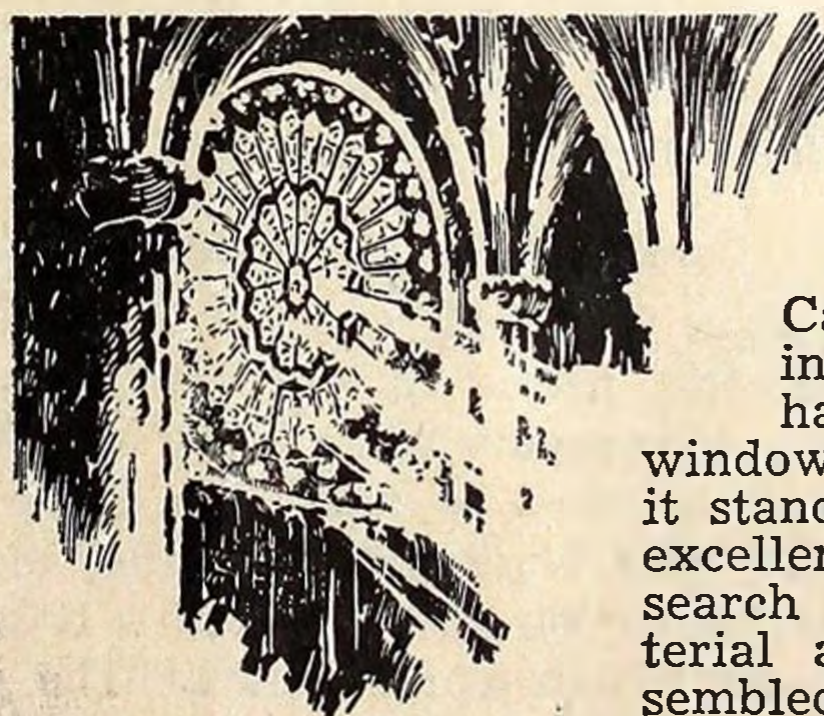
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Mary, The Mother Of Jesus

TEXTS: Matthew 12:46-50; 13:53-58; Luke 2:19, 39-52; John 2:1-12; 19:25-27; Acts 1:14
(Larger)—Luke 2:41-51; Acts 1:14 (Printed).

This is the first in a series of lessons for the coming quarter entitled, "Personalities Around Jesus". One aim of the series will be to study these personalities in terms of what their deeds and words may contribute to our own understanding and appreciation of Jesus Christ. He will be the center always in such studies. This point of view will be emphasized, beginning with this the first lesson. Thus we are to see Mary, not as an object of worship but one whose role it was to be the mother of our Lord. To regard her as one through whom we are to approach God, or as one who because of her relationship offers a special avenue of blessing, will lead ultimately to what has been called "mariolatry". And this is essentially one form of idolatry and thus violates two or more of the Ten Commandments. The notes that follow will glimpse briefly the larger lesson texts to observe Mary's appearances at certain places and upon certain occasions in the earthly ministry of our Lord.

Bethlehem (Lu.2:19)

Mary had just given birth to her first child who would be called Jesus of Nazareth. There would be at least six others to be born later. But this one was different from all the others, besides being the first-born. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit before she was married to Joseph. The angels sang at His birth. Joseph was convinced that He was divine. Such thoughts filled the mind and heart of Mary as she pondered these things. See her, then, in a meditative mood as she turned them over and over in her heart of hearts.

Temple (Lu.2:39-52)

At the age of twelve years, and in keeping with the custom, Mary and Joseph ac-

companied Jesus to Jerusalem for a visit to the Temple (or at least this was where they found Him after their search). It seems safe to assume that Mary had been diligent in the spiritual training of her first-born son, in view of His pleasure and readiness before the religious leaders at that place. She was careful to prepare Him, from the purely human point of view, for the spiritual ministry of full manhood entered upon some eighteen years later. The final verse here is a revealing one indeed, showing as it does Jesus' four-fold growth: wisdom (insight) and stature and spiritual and social. Mary's part was significant.

Cana (Jn.2:1-12)

There was a wedding at Cana. Jesus, with His disciples and Mary, attended. The supply of wine was exhausted. Mary remarked to the servants, concerning her Son, "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." She had confidence in Him. We glimpse her here as proposing that her Son was well able to take care of the situation. Had she already observed Him in a commanding role, even in the home in Nazareth in the ordinary affairs of life? Perhaps so.

Capernaum (Mt.12:46-50; 13:53-58)

Jesus was in the midst of a busy, and exhausting, period of ministry and teaching near Capernaum when Mary and His half-brothers came to take Him home. It appears that word had circulated that Jesus was either on the verge of a break-down or actually in its early stages. The zeal and enthusiasm manifested in His conduct suggested that unhealthy fanaticism was taking possession of Him. The second selection of the above verses is a record of what has been called the Busy Day in Jesus' life. Mary appears in the role of His protector.

Calvary (Jn.19:25-27)

Jesus is dying on a cruel cross. His mother is present to watch the horrible scene. Her heart is breaking along with His. She does not understand it. She knows that He does not deserve to die in such a fashion. She stands perceiving.

Upper Room (Acts 1:14)

Here we glimpse Mary, along with some others, engaged in prayer. Jesus has gone back to the Father. Pentecost lies ahead. The Cross and the open grave lie behind. Strange and marvelous events have taken place. Mary's faith has been tried and has been strengthened. Our last look at her, in prayer, is fitting.



ON MATTERS OF
Family Living

By

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Some Sacrifices By Parents Are Unnecessary

Even parents who aren't interested in keeping up with the Joneses may strive and even sacrifice to keep their children up with the Jones kids, notes child rearing specialist Edith Neisser.

Take the parents who stint themselves to buy a brand new, gadget-loaded two-wheeler for their child because "everybody" has one. Or consider the widow who denies herself decent clothes while her daughter wears expensive outfits from exclusive shops. These are examples of parental sacrifices that may not only be unwise but downright harmful.

One wonders whether love or possibly vanity lies at the root of that particular kind of self-abnegation, and whether it does not encourage selfishness and false values in the young.

While it is "quite reasonable" to bend every effort to provide a child with a bicycle, (though there have been cases of survival without one) it is the emphasis on the *fanciest* make obtainable that seems less than prudent. Parents may not even consider a sturdy, second-hand bike—less their youngest complain.

"Are we, as parents, getting to the point where we cannot stand up to the quite temporary grumblings of 7, 8 or even 12 and 14-year-olds?" wonders Mrs. Neisser. "Here again, it is possible that *true parental unselfishness might consist in enduring a few complaints in order to make it clear that nobody, rich or poor, bright or dull, always can have exactly what he wants just when he wants it.*"

Much unnecessary self-denial could be avoided, if, before parents embarked on an undertaking that was inconvenient, distasteful, unduly wearing or outlandishly expensive, they looked for an unprejudiced answer to the question "Is this really necessary?"

With emotional honesty—and that is not always easy to achieve—resourcefulness, careful planning and a sense of perspective (not to mention a sense of humor) there are many times when we can save ourselves and our children headaches and heartaches by not choosing the hardest way.

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Children's Page



God's Wondrous World* What Do You Collect?

By *Thelma C. Carter*

Do you have fun returning home from a vacation with a collection of special objects to show friends? Whether you have bright pebbles, seashells, or Indian souvenirs, a collection is interesting. Once we begin collecting this or that, we have difficulty stopping.

Since ancient times, people have collected various things. Cave men collected stones. They piled these in front of their cave homes to impress their neighbors. Later, people of different tribes began collecting shell necklaces and bracelets, as well as pieces of fur and bright feathers.

Soon certain tribes and families were recognized as owners of big shells, fur owners, and feather tribes. These people kept adding more and more to their collections. Without their realizing what was happening, they made it possible for envy, jealousy, and unhappiness to come into their lives.

Certain wild creatures collect objects. Ravens are known to collect bright pebbles, colored marbles, and pieces of broken glass to hide in their nests. They will take even other birds' treasures if possible.

The well-known trade rat collects everything from buttons and nails to silver spoons and small clocks. Naturalists tell us this rodent spends most of his life collecting and exchanging until his home is crammed. Then he is forced to seek other quarters.

In Bible times, the Kings of Egypt and other countries filled their palaces, temples, and tombs with beautiful things. They

gathered books, wall paintings, oil jars, statues, couches, and footstools. Their desire to possess things was without end.

Jesus lived in a land where kings and other rich people filled their storehouses with treasures. With divine wisdom, he warned, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven" (Matthew 6:19-20).

We can have fun making collections, but they should not become the most important things in our lives.

Crystal Garden*

By *Cleo Gehrke DuBois*

A crystal garden is a beautiful magic mountain of rainbow colors. To start one growing, use a medium-sized glass baking dish with a low rim. In it build an interesting, jagged mountain, using soft coal, semi-soft coal, or a big cinder.

First, break off pieces of the coal or cinder, if necessary, but keep the chunks varied in size and shape. Mix together six tablespoons of salt, six tablespoons of water, and two tablespoons of ammonia. Pour the mixture very slowly over the black mountain, covering as much of the surface as possible.

Next, drop four teaspoons of household bluing on the mountain. Then take food coloring and drop various colors on the surface.

Do not move or jar your crystal garden. Build it where it is to stay. Then watch it each day.

Your Choice

By *Helen Kitchell Evans*

Today is a day all your own;
God gave it to you to do
Whatever you will, whatever you wish;
He gave it just to you.

How will you use this lovely day?
Will you make today worthwhile?
Will you speak kindly of others
And go through each hour with a smile?

God gave you a day, a lovely day,
A clean day for you to use;
It's a beautiful day, all your own,
But how it is spent you must choose.

Laughs

The professor returned to class with the exam papers and requested that all the students sit down. "If you stood up it is conceivable that you might form a circle—in which case I might be arrested for maintaining a dope ring."

The big-game hunter took his wife on his newest safari. The sportsman had bagged a few minor trophies, but the great prize was the head of a huge lion, killed by his wife.

"What did she hit it with?" asked a friend admiringly. "That .303 Magnum rifle you gave her?"

"No," answered her husband, dryly, "with the 1961 station wagon we hired!"

An automobile is a machine with four wheels, a motor, and not quite enough seats, which enables people to get about with great rapidity and ease to places they never bothered going to before and where they'd just as soon not be now, because now that they're there, there is no place to park.

To every person comes his day,
So calmly wait your chance.
Pedestrians have the right of way
When in the ambulance.

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