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### WOMEN CALLED TO SHOW CHRISTIAN SPIRIT

HOUSTON—Southern Baptist women were challenged here to respond in a Christian spirit to issues ranging from race to space.

Dr. Dorothy Brown, Negro professor of surgery at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn., drew a standing ovation from 3,000 delegates to the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union when she called on the church to do its job in race relations.

Edward B. Lindaman, a space program manager for North American Rockwell Corp. of Downey, Calif., who shocked the women with an account of technical space progress ahead, called for Christians to recognize the scope of love as worldwide.

In a business session the women chose Mrs. Robert Fling of Pleasantville, N. Y., to serve them another year as president. They re-elected Mrs. J. R. Lobaugh of Kansas City, Kan., as recording secretary.

Other major speeches included Jesse C. Fletcher, secretary of mission personnel at the Foreign Mission Board, and Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary of WMU.

In a hard hitting address, Dr. Brown, a Tennessee legislator, placed the blame for the current plight of the American Negro on the church.

"The church has sung its songs, prayed its prayers, and then closed and locked its doors to the real reason for its being.

"If the church would do its job, we



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Outspoken Tennessee legislator Dr. Dorothy Brown of Nashville told the Woman's Missionary Union that if the church does its job there will be no further need for human relations commissions or further civil rights laws.

wouldn't need any more human relations commissions or further civil rights laws," she said.

Dr. Brown strongly condemned violence as the cure for America's ills.

Lindaman, a prominent Presbyterian layman whose Christian devotion has caused some to tag him, "prophet of the Space Age," predicted that the effects of man's flight to the moon will reach into every facet of life.

"I believe we will see a new thread in the weave of history. It will be saying, 'Man! Man! Now that your freedom and responsibility have moved to worlds beyond our wildest imagination, can you not see that you are able to enrich the lives of all persons with your fantastic know-how? . . . Will you not choose to eradicate disease, war, and famine from this planet earth . . . that all of God's children might experience the fullness of humanity?

Fletcher voiced concern about some of the tendencies he said were developing in the Southern Baptist Convention.

"I am worried because I have caught a spirit of neo-isolationism, which is causing people to look away from the international scene and look back at our own country."

Fletcher stressed that he was not criticizing the move by Southern Baptists to reach out into their communities and states.

"I am excited that people are becoming concerned about the problems in our nation. This is a healthy spirit because it is a mission spirit that has no boundaries. It will not stop here but will continue across the oceans.

"But here are others who are saying— 'Wait a minute. We've got terrible needs at home. Let's hold the line on our overseas commitment until we solve these problems.'

"This is a malignant spirit. If we turn our eyes away from people out there who do not know Jesus Christ, we'll invoke our own death."

In her report to the women, Miss Hunt

### ELECT CRISWELL; RETAIN "SBC"NAME

HOUSTON—W. A. Criswell, 59-yearold outspoken pastor of the huge First Baptist Church of Dallas, was elected on first ballot as president of the 11-million member Southern Baptist Convention.

Only one other nominee, layman industrialist Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, Miss., was on the ballot.

Earlier, Memphis pastor Gerald M. Martin, past president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, withdrew his name from the running.

The popular Texas minister succeeds H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of First Baptist Church of Nashville, Tenn., who is winding up his second one-year term.

Criswell, pastor of the 15,000-member First Church in Dallas since 1944, has been a strong, conservative evangelistic figure in Southern Baptist life.

In another key vote of the afternoon, the messengers voted overwhelmingly in a straw poll to keep the name of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Although the vote is not binding on the SBC Executive Committee which is continuing its long-range study of the possibility of changing the convention's name, the vote was about five to three in favor of the current name.

Two other names on the ballot split votes almost evenly. Ranking second in number was a group of messengers which preferred a new name, but not one of the two new names listed on the ballot.

Results of the straw vote were as follows: Southern Baptist Convention, 4,996; Baptist General Convention, 702; United Baptist Convention, 611; and some for name, 956.

said WMU was "geared for change." Explaining the reasons for the WMU's recent change in organizational structure, she said, "To look at where we are headed requires us neither to deplore nor to hail the past, but simply to recognize the handwriting on the wall.

"Recognizing that we cannot meet the challenges of our day with outdated approaches and techniques, we have tried to update our organizational structure, our approaches to study, and our techniques recommended for doing the work committed to us."

Other emphases at the convention included testimonies by emeritus foreign missionaries and accounts of lay participation in ministries to victims of last summer's flood in Fairbanks, Alaska, and Hurricane Beulah in southern Texas last fall.

A concluding dramatic presentation, "Christ the Only Hope!" focused the convention delegates' attention on the Crusade of the Americas.

Next year's meeting of WMU is planned for June 1, 2 in New Orleans.

# 12 Resolutions Adopted By SBC

By Roddy Stinson

HOUSTON (BP)—Violence, war, pornography, beverage alcohol, and Monday holidays were attacked by messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention here.

The action came as the messengers adopted 12 resolutions presented to the convention by the denomination's resolutions committee.

In a resolution concerning violence and disregard for law, they expressed shock at the tragic death of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and commended President Lyndon Johnson's urgent plea to Congress to "pass laws to bring the insane traffic in guns to a halt."

Acting on an amendment from the floor, the messengers also urged the President at the same time to "maintain the constitutional rights of the legitimate possession of arms."

A peace resolution pleaded with responsible leaders on all sides of the Vietnam conflict "to seek an immediate cease-fire and a termination of all hostile activities and any further buildup of military power or advantage. . . ."

The messengers reaffirmed their opposition to obscene, pornographic, and offensive publications and entertainment.

Noting that the federal government has spent vast sums of money for the study of the effects of smoking on health, they requested that the Surgeon General of the United States "undertake a similar effort on the effct of alcoholic beverages on physical and mental health."

A resolution on "the Lord's Day" stressed that a bill now before the United States Congress to fix certain national holidays on Monday would "encourage further disregard of Sunday as the Lord's Day." Messengers appealed for a proper and faithful observance of Sunday.

A resolution on traffic safety called attention to the 52,200 persons killed and four million persons injured on the nation's highways in 1967 and urged stronger legislation at all levels of government.

A resolution on church-state relations urged Baptist agencies and institutions "to assign leadership responsibilities concerning church-state relationships designed to safeguard both the people's rights under government and their freedom under God."

The resolution stressed that tax funds come from all citizens and should not be used for sectarian purposes.

In other action, the messengers reaffirmed their support for the church, pledged to support evangelistic endeavors, particularly the Crusade of the Americas, and commended convention officers, the host convention city (Houston), and the American Bible Society.

The resolution on peace noted that as disciples of the Prince of Peace, Christians have a mandate to be peacemakers, to seek the preservation of human life, to love and to pray for all people, even enemies. The messengers resolved to "pray for the peace negotiators, the delegates to the United Nations, and the men of good will in all of the world who seek after peace and justice."

The law and order resolution called upon all citizens to support their local police and all who are in authority. It also commended "responsible leaders of all groups who have shown and are showing remarkable determination in seeking to hold violence in check while working for social justice."

The messengers approved a recommendation by the resolutions committee to ask its Christian Life Commission to communicate the convention's complaint about profanity and vulgar language on television.

A resolution by S. L. Whatley of Mobile, Ala., was not returned by the resolutions committee because it was "not germane to the business of this convention." The resolution dealt with a request to President Johnson to appoint "one additional clergyman" to his recently appointed committee to study the increase of crime and violence in the nation.

# Convention Approves Resolutions

Numerous resolutions submitted to the Convention were automatically passed on to the Resolutions Committee for consideration, and on Friday the following, in addition to customary resolutions in appreciation of the host city and the services of the Convention's officers, were brought to the Convention, debated, and approved by the messengers.

### On Pornographic Materials

We reaffirm our resolution of the 1965 Convention relating to our opposition to obscene, pornographic, and offensive publications and entertainment and call the attention of our churches to the program of action which it recommends.

We call attention also to a decision of the U. S. Supreme Court, announced on April 22, 1968, which upheld an act of the State of New York prohibiting the sale of obscene materials to minors under the age of seventeen. We urge Baptists everywhere to join with citizens concerned with the protection of children and young people from the immoral, degrading influences of offensive literature and entertainment to take advantage of this significant decision of our highest court, and to urge city councils, state legislatures, and Congress to pass laws, in keeping with this decision, to prohibit the distribution and sale of obscene publications and entertainment to minors.

We request the Christian Life Commission to represent this Convention in co-operative efforts with other denominations and groups concerned with efforts to combat the great evil of obscenity.

### On Highway Safety Sunday

WHEREAS, 52,200 persons were killed and 4,000,000 injured on the nation's highways last year, and

WHEREAS, at the present rate one out of every two Americans will eventually be killed or injured in an auto accident, and

WHEREAS, some Southern Baptist Convention states each year lose five times as many citizens on their highways as they lose in Vietnam, and

WHEREAS, there is a critical need to more effectively apply Christian principles to highway safety,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the messengers of the Southern Baptist Convention in session at Houston, Texas, that we personally pledge ourselves to do our part to eradicate discourtesy, anger, impatience and selfishness on the highways, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we seek to practice the Golden Rule in our driving, taking seriously the obligation that we are our brother's keeper, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we keep before local, state and national governing bodies the documented fact that at least half of all highway fatalities are caused by drinking and drunken drivers, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge stronger legislation at all levels to protect the innocent on our highways, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge churches to give special emphasis to the concerns.

### On Beverage Alcohol

WHEREAS, the federal government has spent vast sums of money for the study of the effects of smoking on health, and

WHEREAS, legislation has been passed requiring cigarette manufacturers to warn of the health hazards of their product,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we express gratitude to our government for its actions attempting to protect the health of American citizens, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we request the Surgeon General of the United States to undertake a similar effort on the effect of alcoholic beverages on physical and mental health.

# EDITORIAL .......

### We Can Reach a Better Day

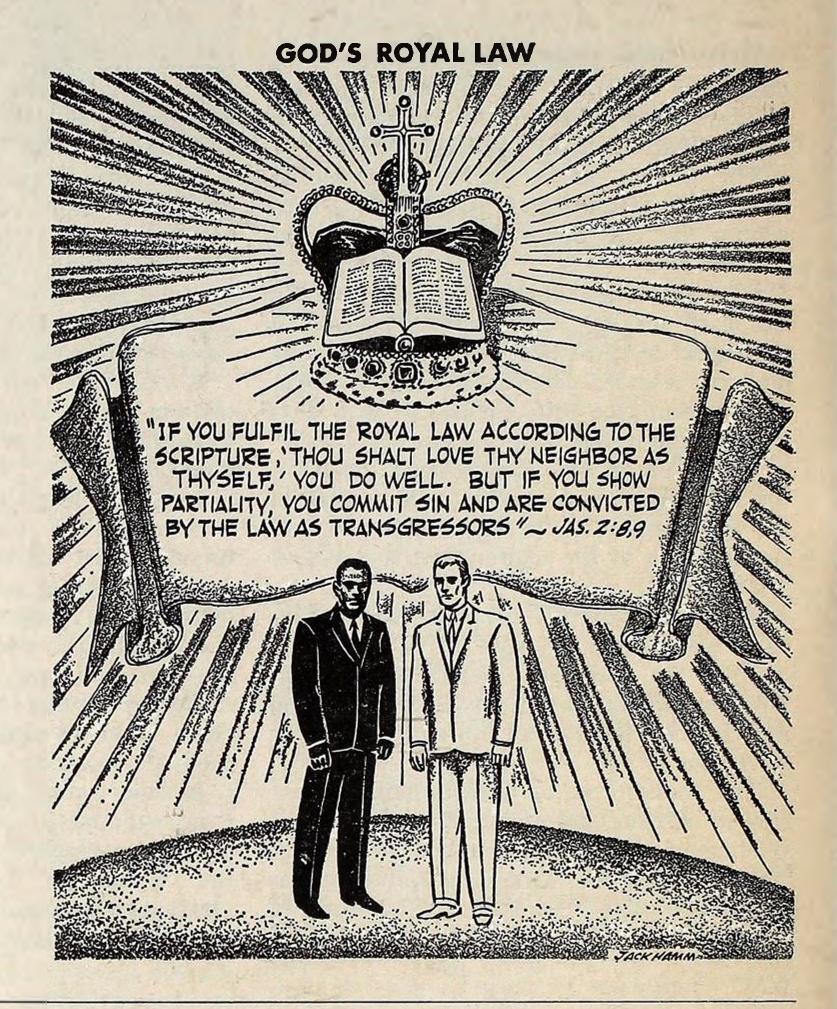
These are evil times. But we can reach a better day. It depends on our willingness to humble ourselves and lovingly obey God in every respect. If we do so He may use us to show our fellow men The Way up and out of today's evil.

In this issue we are printing in full the "Statement Concerning the Crisis in Our Nation" as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention at Houston.

The revised statement represented the views of Southern Baptists in all sections of the country. It was approved after lengthy debate and amendment.

We give to it our full approval, and we trust it will meet with approval by Southern Baptists throughout the nation. It is a statement on which Baptists unite to improve human relationships and to give witness to the spirit of redeeming love in Jesus Christ.

The statement calls upon individuals, churches, associations, state conventions to join the Southern Baptist Convention in a renewal of Christian effort to meet the present tragic crisis in American life.



### A Statement Concerning The Crisis In Our Nation

(We recognize that no individual or organization can speak for all Baptists. The following represents the concern, confession, commitment, and appeal by the majority of the messengers meeting in Houston, Texas, June 4, 1968.)

### We Face a Crisis

Our nation is enveloped in a social and cultural revolution. We are shocked by the potential for anarchy in a land dedicated to democracy and freedom. There are ominous sounds of hate and violence among men and of unbelief and rebellion toward God. These compel Christians to face the social situation and to examine themselves under the judgment of God.

We are an affluent society, abounding in wealth and luxury. Yet far too many of our people suffer from poverty. Many are hurt by circumstance they find it difficult to escape, injustice they find it difficult to correct, or heartless exploitation they find it difficult to resist. Many live in slum housing or ghettos of race or poverty or ignorance or bitterness that often generate both despair and defiance.

We are a nation that declares the sovereignty of law and the necessity of civil order. (Revised)

Yet, we have had riots, and have tolerated conditions that breed riots, spread violence, foster disrespect for the law, and undermine the democratic process.

We are a nation that declares the equality and rights of persons irrespective of race. Yet, as a nation, we have allowed cultural patterns to persist that have deprived millions of black Americans and other racial groups as well, of equality of recognition and opportunity in the areas of education, employment, citizenship, housing, and worship. Worse still, as a nation, we have condoned prejudices that have damaged the personhood of blacks and whites alike. We have seen a climate of racism and reactionism developed resulting in hostility, injustice, suspicion, faction, strife, and alarming potential for bitterness, division, destruction, and death.

### We Review Our Efforts

In the face of national shortcomings, we

must nevertheless express appreciation for men of good will of all races and classes who have worked tirelessly and faithfully to create a Christian climate in our nation.

From the beginning of the Southern Baptist Convention and indeed in organized Baptist life, we have affirmed God's love for all men of all continents and colors, of all regions and races. We have continued to proclaim that the death of Jesus on Calvary's cross is the instrument of God's miraculous redemption for every individual.

Inadequately but sincerely, we have sought in our nation and around the world both to proclaim the gospel to the lost and to minister to human need in Christ's name. Individually and collectively, we are trying to serve, but we have yet to use our full resources to proclaim the gospel whereby all things are made new in Christ.

### We Voice Our Confession

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their

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land" (2 Chron. 7:14).

The current crisis arouses the Christian conscience. Judgment begins at the house of God. Christians are inescapably involved in the life of the nation. Along with all other citizens we recognize our share of responsibility for creating in our land conditions in which justice, order and righteousness can prevail. May God forgive us wherein we have failed Him and our fellow man.

As Southern Baptists, representative of one of the largest bodies of Christians in our nation and claiming special ties of spiritual unity with the large conventions of Negro Baptists in our land, we have come far short of our privilege in Christian brotherhood.

Humbling ourselves before God, we implore Him to create in us a right spirit of repentance and to make us instruments of his redemption, his righteousness, his peace, and his love toward all men.

### We Declare Our Commitment

The Christ we serve, the opportunity we face, and the crisis we confront, compel us to action. We therefore declare our commitment, believing this to be right in the sight of God and our duty under the lord-ship of Christ.

We will respect every individual as a person possessing inherent dignity and worth growing out of his creation in the image of God.

We will strive to obtain and secure for every person equality of human and legal rights. We will undertake to secure opportunities in matters of citizenship, public services, education, employment, and personal habitation that every man achieve his highest potential as a person.

We will accept and exercise our civic responsibility as Christians to defend people against injustice. We will strive to insure for

all persons the full opportunity for achievement according to the enddowments given by God.

We will refuse to be a party to any movement that fosters racism or violence or mob action.

We will personally accept every Christian as a brother beloved in the Lord and welcome to the fellowship of faith and worship every person irrespective of race or class.

We will strive by personal initiative and every appropriate means of communication to bridge divisive barriers, to work for reconciliation, and to open channels of fellowship and cooperation.

We will strive to become well informed about public issues, social ills, and divisive movements that are damaging to human relationships. We will strive to resist prejudice and to combat forces that breed distrust and hostility.

We will recognize our involvement with other Christians and with all others of good will in the obligation to work for righteousness in public life and justice for all persons. We will strive to promote Christian brotherhood as a witness to the gospel of Christ.

### We Make An Appeal

Our nation is at the crossroads. We must decide whether we shall be united in good will, freedom, and justice under God to serve mankind of be destroyed by coveteousness, passion, hate, and strife.

We urge all leaders and supporters of minority groups to encourage their followers to exercise Christian concern and respect for the person and property of others and to manifest the responsible action commensurate with individual dignity and Christian citizenship.

We appeal to our fellow Southern Baptists

to join us in self-examination under the Spirit of God and to accept the present crisis as a challenge from God to strive for reconciliation by love.

We appeal to our fellow Southern Baptists to engage in Christian ventures in human relationships, and to take courageous actions for justice and peace.

We believe that a vigorous Christian response to this national crisis is imperative for an effective witness on our part at home and abroad.

Words will not suffice. The time has come for action. Our hope for healing and renewal is in the redemption of the whole of life. Let us call men to faith in Christ. Let us dare to accept the full demands of the love and lordship of Christ in human relationships and urgent ministry. Let us be identified with Christ in the reproach and suffering of the cross.

We therefore recommend to the messengers of the Southern Baptist Convention that:

- 1. We approve this statement on the national crisis.
- 2. We rededicate ourselves to the proclamation of the gospel which includes redemption of the individual and his involvement in the social issues of our day.
- 3. We request the Home Mission Board to take the leadership in working with the Convention agencies concerned with the problems related to this crisis in the most effective manner possible and in keeping with their program assignments.
- 4. Call upon individuals, the churches, the associations, and the state conventions to join the Southern Baptist Convention in a renewal of Christian effort to meet the national crisis.

Interpretation—by Herschel H. Hobbs

### To Whom Are You Listening?

"This is my beloved Son: hear him"— Luke 9:35.

These words were spoken by God the Father concerning Jesus. His voice came out of a cloud following Jesus' transfiguration (vv.29-34). Why this approval of Jesus and admonition to the apostles?

To understand one must recall Jesus' words about His coming death, burial, and resurrection (v.22). Matthew 16:21 says that Jesus "began" to teach this. And Peter "began" to rebuke Him (v.22). This suggests that this debate continued for some time, perhaps for a week (Matt. 17:1; Lk. 9:28). Then came the Transfiguration in which Jesus was seen in His deity. He was also seen talking with Moses and Elijah (Lk. 9:29-31). They were talking about Jesus' "decease" (exodus) out of the world (v.31).

This was accomplished by Jesus' death, burial, resurrection, and ascension.

Moses and Elijah were symbolic of the law and prophets or Old Testament scripture. Their conversation with Jesus indicates that the Hebrew scriptures taught the manner of Jesus' exodus even as He was teaching it. So both the Old Testament and Jesus taught about a suffering and triumphant Christ. Peter's rebuke reflected the current Jewish concept of a political-military Messiah.

Furthermore, Peter had proposed to make three tabernacles: one each for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah. He was placing the three on an equal plane. The voice of God out of the cloud was a rebuke for such a concept. As deity Jesus was above these Old Testament worthies.

But more to the point "hear him" instructed the apostles to listen to Jesus rather than to the Old Testament or to the Jewish teachers' misinterpretation of it. God's full revelation of Himself is found not in the Old Testament but in Jesus. Furthermore, the apostles are to listen to Jesus rather than to current false ideas about His person and mission. They are not to argue with Him about the manner of His redemptive work.

But the apostles were not the only ones whose ears were tuned in to the wrong station. Multitudes today are captives of the partial revelation of God in the types and shadows of the true found in the Old Testament. The Old Covenant cannot contain the glorious revelation of God's grace. It is seen in Jesus alone. To be sure the Christian revelation is rooted in the Old Testament. But the flower and fruit are found in God's complete revelation in His Son.

Also many people listen to current and (Continued on page 11)

### Tennessee Topics

James E. Harris, pastor of Spring Creek Road Church, Chattanooga, was honored by the church on his third anniversary as pastor. "This Is Your Life" program came as a surprise at the close of the evening service, May 19. He was also presented a colored television. Present for the occasion were members of his family and out of town guests from former pastorates.

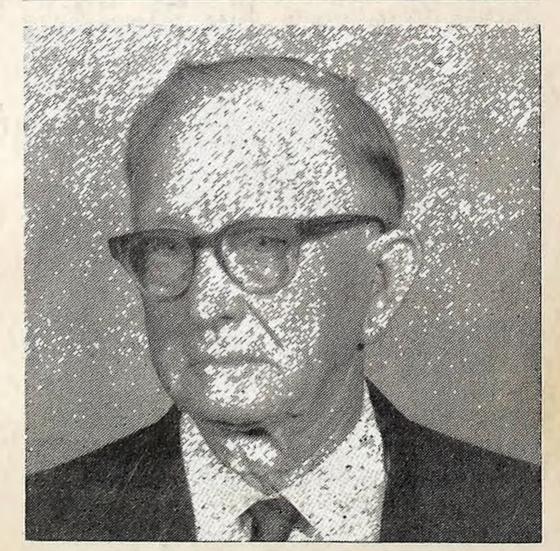
James A. Atchley reigned as pastor of First Church, Bruceton, to attend Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He is now pastor of Salem Church, Cave City, Ky.

Grainger County Association—New Prospect called Otha S. Woodby as pastor. C. V. Brown, pastor at Tampico Church, suffered a heart attack on May 8 and was taken to Milligan Clinic where he stayed 11 days. Missionary Clyde Cobb is supplying his pulpit and reports that Brown is improving and expects to be back in the work soon.

Willie Todd resigned as pastor of Dorton Church, Harriman, effective June 16.

Loretto Church, Loretto, recently dedicated a new auditorium, 13 new classrooms, and kitchen. In the seven years Frank Stone has been pastor there have been 95 baptisms, 47 by letter, one young man licensed to preach, one ordained to the ministry, and a pastorium bought and paid for.

Englewood Church, Jackson, called James A. Pate, professor of education, Union University, as its interim pastor. He came to Union in 1959 from Ala. He has served 28 years as pastor in Ala. and Ga.



Eva Church, Carroll-Benton Association, will honor its pastor, W. E. Chadwick, July 28, with all days services. It will be Chadwick's 50 years of preaching the gospel. He has pastored churches in Tennessee, Missouri and Arkansas.

New Duck River Association—Marvin Youngblood accepted the pastorate of North Fork Church and plans to begin his work there July 1. Smyrna Church dedicated its new building in Chapel Hill June 2.

Rev. and Mrs. Glen M. Swicegood, missionaries, sailed for Brazil on May 26 to resume their responsibilities after a year of furlough. They live in Recife, where he is architectural consultant for the Baptist church loan board of northern Brazil (address: Caixa 2571, Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil). Born in Atlanta, Ga., he also lived in Kingsport, Tenn., and Dothan, Ala., during boyhood; she is the former Audrey Price, of Live Oak, Fla. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1963 he worked in the church architecture department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles W. Shirley, missionaries to Argentina, returned to the States on May 24 for medical furlough (address: c/o Mrs. Charles Tucker, Rte. 8, Box 81, Johnson City, Tenn., 37601). Mr. Shirley is a native of Johnson City; Mrs. Shirley is the former Lois Parsons, of Elizabethton, Tenn. He was pastor of Bratt (Fla.) Baptist Church when they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1958.

P. S. Woody of Sale Creek, C. Richard McAfee of Chattanooga, and the Arlyne Smiths of Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., assisted Pastor T. J. Youngblood at Oak Street Church, Soddy, in revival services. There were six professions of faith, four united by baptism, and 27 rededications.

Concord Association—Calvary Chapel called George Webb, 3340 Ezell Road, Antioch, as pastor. Woodbury Road Church called Richard Boyd as youth director. J. G. Love is pastor. Miracle Church, LaVergne, Bob Dowdy, pastor, is using its beautiful new building and recently started a mission in LaVergne School. Hillview Church, Harold Firestone, pastor, remodeled its auditorium. Mt. Pleasant Church built a new educational building. Don Ricks is pastor. Rocky Fork Mission, Leonard Measures, pastor, remodeled its building.

Fifty-two students of Baptist Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, Memphis, received diplomas in graduation ceremonies June 7 at First Baptist Church. Herbert Gabhart, president of Belmont College, Nashville, gave the commencement address. Hays Owen, Jr., of Covington, president of the Board of Trustees, awarded the diplomas.



RECIFE, PERNAMBUCO, BRAZIL—Mr. and Mrs. Ray T. Fleet, missionaries to Brazil, left here June 13 for a year's furlough in the States. Here they are shown singing a duet in the Capunga Baptist Church, Recife, where Fleet has served as minister of music and Sunday school superintendent, in addition to being director of the Pernambuco State Baptist Religious Education Department.

Fleet, a native of Memphis, is a graduate of Oklahoma City University and Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth, Tex. He has done graduate work at the University of Oklahoma and Ouachita Baptist University and plans to do further study during furlough at Southwestern Seminary. He served as music and educational director of Beverly Hills Church, Memphis, 1957-59. Mrs. Fleet, from Foreman, Ark., has served as office secretary of the North Brazil Baptist Mission (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries) for the past two years.

The Fleets have two children: Vivian and Ray, Jr.

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph A. Newton, missionaries, have returned to Melilla, Spanish city on the Moroccan coast, after about six months in Tangier, Morocco. They will do evangelistic work among Moroccans and Spanish-speaking people (address: Carlos de Arellano, 25-30, Melilla, Spain). Born in Live Oak, Fla., Newton grew up in Newark, N.Y.; Mrs. Newton is the former Nancy Walker, of Nashville, Tenn. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1965 he was pastor of Parkton (N.C.) Baptist Church.

Peabody Church, Memphis, was led in revival services by Evangelist Don Womack, Memphis, and Neal and Margaret Suddard, Memphis, were in charge of the music. Pastor Loyd Shelton reports 13 professions of faith, 10 candidates for baptism, eight additions by letter, and several rededications.

Woodlawn Church, Bristol, John W. Outland, pastor, was led in revival services by Dewey Kerr, pastor of Calvary Church, Bristol. There were 20 professions of faith, one by letter and 40 rededications.

#### On the Church

WHEREAS, the New Testament doctrine of the church has been under subtle and obvious attack, and

WHEREAS, the local church has been berated, belittled, and even denounced before the eyes of the public across America, sometimes by those who speak under the church's auspices, and

WHEREAS, the role of the local church has been called into question by some religious leaders,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we reaffirm our belief in the church expressed in the Statement of Faith and Message adopted by the 1963 Southern Baptist Convention,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our conviction that the local church, although imperfect, is being used today, as in the past, to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ and His kingdom for the saving and building of the whole man,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we affirm our faith in the victory of Christ through His church as He himself said, "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

#### On the Lord's Day

WHEREAS, there is a growing disregard of Sunday as the Lord's Day, and

WHEREAS, there is under consideration in the Congress of the United States a bill to fix certain national holidays on Monday, and

WHEREAS, such a bill, if passed, will encourage further disregard of Sunday as the Lord's Day,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we appeal for a proper and faithful observance of Sunday as the Lord's Day by our people.

#### On Church-State Relations

WHEREAS, the doctrine of soul liberty is basic to Baptist beliefs, its corollary being the doctrine of a free church in a free state, and

WHEREAS, the Southern Baptist Convention has often expressed itself for separation of church and state, and

WHEREAS, in the passing years there has been an increasing complication in church-state relations in such matters as tax money in the form of grants and loans available for private and sectarian institutions, tax privileges for religious groups, religious ministries to armed service personnel, public assistance to dependent persons, international emergency needs, and basic health services, and

WHEREAS, organized society has increasingly undergirded the provision of care for people in need because of age, lack of job skills or opportunities, illness, death of the breadwinner, or other emergencies, and

WHEREAS, many, if not most of the new church-state issues are arising through federal and state-administered programs or through urban planning and growth, and

WHEREAS, we are called upon continually to make a more precise definition of the separation of church and state as applied to these changing relations and programs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the messengers of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting at Houston, Texas, June 7, 1968, that we reaffirm our basic doctrine of soul liberty and the corollaries of religious liberty for all men and a separation of church and state, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we commend those who have made studied analyses of these changing situations in an effort to safeguard our basic insights on freedom and on human dignity and need, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge Baptist agencies and institutions to assign leader-

ship responsibilities concerning church-state relationships designed to safeguard both the people's rights under government and their freedom under God.

#### On Peace

WHEREAS, peace negotiators are now engaged in efforts to terminate the cruel war in Vietnam which is taking an awesome toll in human life and property, and

WHEREAS, the universal dream of mankind is for a world of peace, brotherhood and freedom for all peoples, and

WHEREAS, as disciples of the Prince of Peace, we as Christians have a mandate to be peace-makers, to seek the preservation of human life, to love and to pray for all people, even our enemies, and

WHEREAS, there are many ministers from the ranks of Southern Baptists serving as chaplains in Vietnam, and

WHEREAS, young men from our families are fighting and dying in Vietnam,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we plead with the responsible leaders on all sides in this conflict to seek an immediate cease fire and a termination of all hostile activities and any further buildup of military power or advantage, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge the nations involved to seek an honorable solution that will bring a just and durable peace that recognizes the dignity and values of human personality and the inaleinable right of all men to be free, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we pray for the peace negotiators, the delegates of the United Nations who seek peace and freedom for all men, the men of good will in all parts of the world who seek after peace and justice, our Christian brothers who are suffering for their faith around the world, for suffering humanity, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we be messengers of hope and good news, encouraging humankind not to despair in its quest for the reign of peace and justice and righteousness, ever believing that these are the gifts God seeks to give the people of this world through His Son and our Lord Jesus Christ.

### On Violence, Disregard for Law

WHEREAS, violence, resulting in the tragic death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, has shocked our nation during this week of our Convention, and

WHEREAS, such violence is the latest in a series of tragic events which have convulsed our nation with grief in recent times, and

WHEREAS, the unbridled passion of mobs has shamed this country over and over again through lynching, rioting, looting, burning, and shooting, and

WHEREAS, the glorification and exploitation of violence in television, movies, newspapers and fiction have legitimized violence as a way of life, made heroes out of criminals, and exerted an adverse influence on the character of our nation, particularly our youth, and

WHEREAS, a permissive atmosphere has developed in our society where many people are psychologically conditioned to violence, crime and anarchy, and disrespect for law, and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the basic cause of this climate of hatred, violence, extremism, and contempt for the rights of others is sin in the hearts of men.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that this Convention commend the President of the United States for his decisive condemnation of hatred and violence in saying, "We must not tolerate the sway of violent men among us. We must not permit men filled with hatred and careless of innocent life to dominate our streets and fill our homes with fear.

We cannot sanction the appeals of violence, no matter what its cause, no matter what the grievance from which it springs," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we commend and support the President's urgent plea to Congress to "pass laws to bring the insane traffic in guns to a halt," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Convention call upon our local, state and national leaders to act decisively to meet the problems of which violence is a result, not only because we want to avert violence and anarchy, but because, under God, we want to do right, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we petition the executive, legislative, and judicial leaders of our nation and the individual states to uphold the law and to take positive steps to establish a climate of respect for law, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we commend those responsible leaders of all groups who have shown, and are showing, remarkable determination in seeking to hold violence in check while working for social justice, and that we urge all leaders of all groups to refrain from encouraging others to disobey laws with which they are not in agreement but to seek redress of their grievances through proper legal procedures, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call upon all citizens to support their local police and all who are in authority not by words only but by paying taxes to raise police salaries and improving police training, insisting upon responsible use of force, and creating open communication between citizens and their policemen, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call upon Baptist people to renew their allegiance to civil authority, respect for the rights of others, and cooperation with all agencies and institutions responsible for maintaining law and order and seeking to bring about social justice, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we strive to purge hostility and misunderstanding from our hearts, seek forgiveness for our own sins, and commit ourselves to reverence and respect for the lives and rights of others, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call our institutions and agencies, our leaders, our people, and ourselves to a renewed dedication to Jesus Christ, and to the proclamation and practice of the Gospel of His redeeming love as the ultimate answer to the spiritual malady afflicting the modern world.

### On Evangelism and the Crusade of the Americas

WHEREAS, the greatest need of the world is a spiritual awakening and a turning to God through Jesus Christ, and

WHEREAS, Baptists of this hemisphere are engaged in the greatest evangelistic enterprise in the history of Christianity, the Crusade of the Americas, and

WHEREAS, our newly elected president, W. A. Criswell, has expressed his desire to lead the Convention into a tremendous evangelistic and missionary effort,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we commend our denominational leaders, agencies and workers and our churches, pastors and people for their commitment to the cause of evangelism in general and the Crusade of the Americas in particular, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call our people to full dedication and united prayer that the Crusade of the Americas might result in a mighty spiritual revival sweeping this hemisphere and the world, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we pledge our prayerful support to our new president and our other leaders as they seek to lead us in this unprecedented evangelistic undertaking.



Dr. Robert G. Lee, emeritus pastor, Bellevue Church, Memphis, is shown here addressing the Pastor's Conference preceding the Convention.



Five of the six Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Presidents discuss their annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting here June 4-7. Left to right they are: Harold K. Graves, Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.; Robert E. Naylor, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Olin T. Binkley, Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.; Duke K. McCall, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and H. Leo Eddleman, New Orleans Seminary, New Orleans, La. Not pictured was Millard J. Berquist, Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Mo.

Children ask for autographs of furloughesionaries at Foreign Mission Board rec Wednesday afternoon.

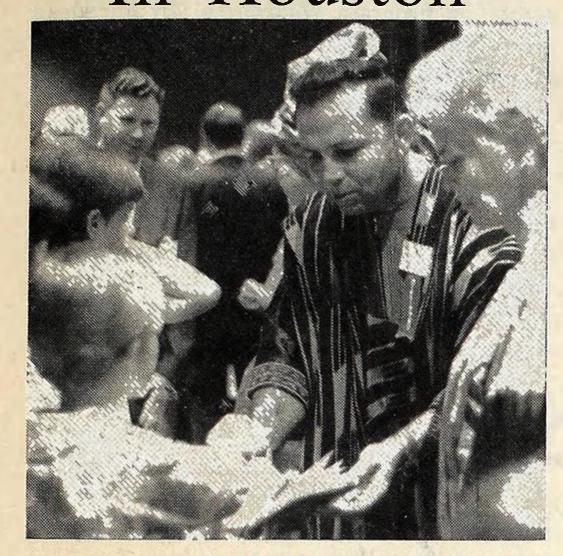


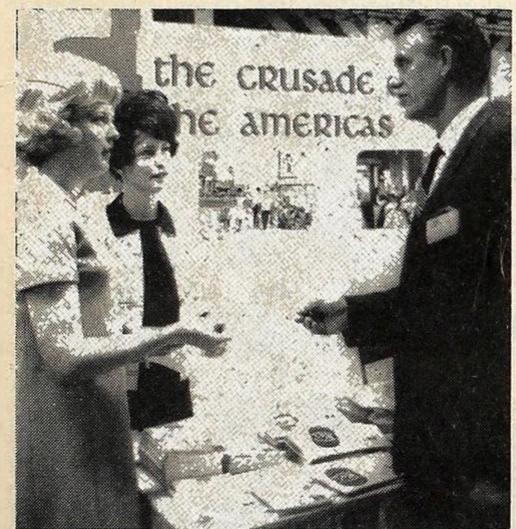
World needs were brought into focus at the WMU annual meeting, June 3-4, by dramatic scenes as the one above.



Opera glasses are appreciated in the huge Sam Houston Coliseum which Southern Baptists filled at nearly every session. But if you are five, you just watch photographers taking mother's picture.

# Seen at the Convention In Houston







Demonstrating their concern that Southern Baptists face the issues of race, poverty and the war in Vietnam, a dozen students picket the auxiliary meetings in advance of the Southern Baptist Convention. They called their efforts "a non-disruptive silent vigil carrying placards."

Messengers at the Crusade of the Americas display, Foreign Mission Board exhibit, discuss the upcoming 1969 event. Left to right are: Mrs. Gene Tyre, Calhoun, Ga.; Mrs. Charles W. Brown, Copperhill, Tenn. and Edmond Walker, executive-treasurer of the Hawaiian Baptist Convention.

June 3-7 1968



Messengers filled the Sam Houston Coliseum at nearly every session of the four day Southern Baptist Convention.

### March If Permit Given

LOUISVILLE (BP)—The steering committee for the North American Continental Congress as part of the Crusade of the Americas reaffirmed here its plans to hold an open air rally and/or march, if a permit can be obtained from the proper government officials.

In mid-April, the superintendent of Central National Capital Parks of the National Park Service told congress officials that their permit request was being held in abeyance

until after the racial situation in Washington cools off.

"Because of the civil strife that is taking place in Washington, we are not making any commitments or issuing permits for large gatherings in our public parks," said Monte E. Fitch, the authorized government official, in a letter to William J. Cumbie, executive director of the Continental Congress steering committee last April.

The steering committee voted here to in-

struct its program committee "to go ahead with some kind of an open air rally" if the situation should change "as to make it possible and feasible."

The steering committee met at Walnut Street Baptist Church here where Wayne Dehoney, North American coordinator for the Crusade of the Americas, is the pastor. Dehoney said representatives of most of the nine Baptist bodies in North America par-

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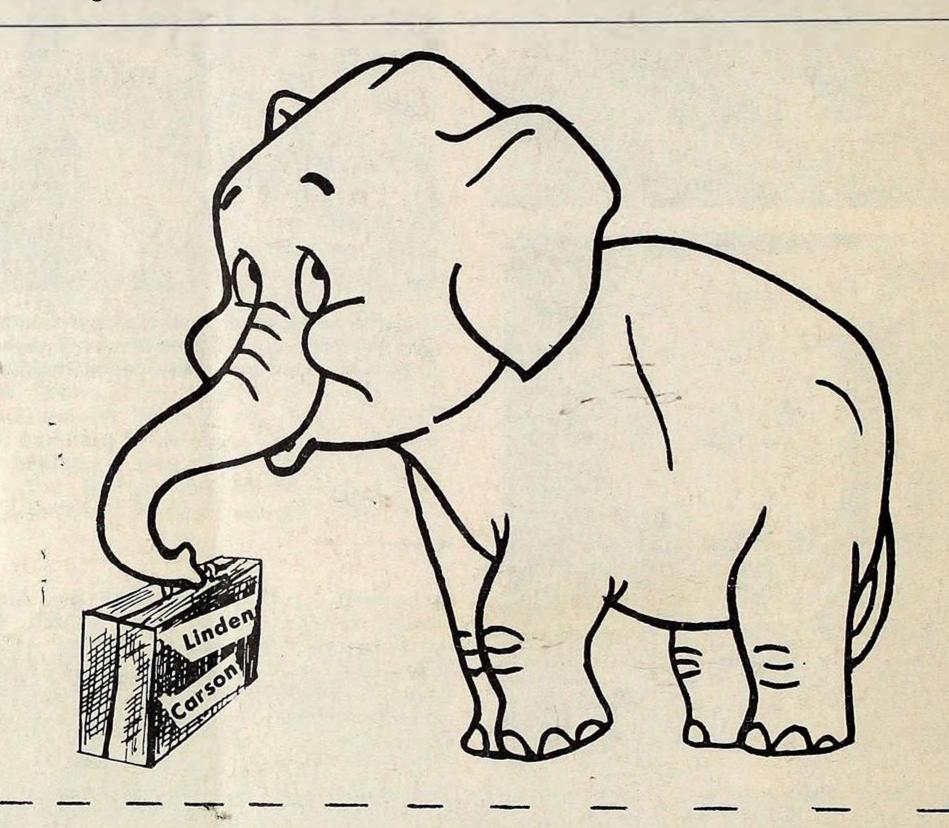
# TENNESSEE TRAINING UNION ASSEMBLIES

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### CHILDREN'S HOMES

A total of \$81,934 has been received through Monday, June 10, 1968, for the Children's Homes' Mother's Day Offerings. This is \$32,044 above the same period last year. Thanks be unto God and to you, Tennessee Baptists.

James M. Gregg, Director

### March

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ticipating in the crusade were present in the meeting.

In a major action, the committee approved the program committee's recommendations for major speakers for the Congress, slated at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington on Oct. 10-13.

The complete program for the Congress was not announced, but major speakers and Bible study leaders were named.

Listed as major speakers were: Hon. Ernest C. Manning, Premier of Alberta, Canada, and ordained Baptist minister and evangelist; J. H. Jackson, Chicago, president of the National Baptist Convention, Inc.; Gardner Taylor, New York, president of the Progressive Baptist Convention; John Williams, Kansas City, vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance and a member of the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A.; Wayne Dehoney, North American coordinator for the Crusade of the Americas; and Mrs. Marie Mathis, secretary of promotion of the WMU.

Leading Bible study at the Congress will be: Gerald Borchert, Professor at North American Baptist General Conference Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. D.; Dale Moody, Professor of theology at Southern Seminary; and Gordon Anderson, Home Missions Secretary for the Baptist General Conference, Chicago.

Other speakers on the program as confirmed by the steering committee include: Reuben Lopez of Sao Paulo, Brazil, President of the Crusade of the Americas; C. E. Autrey, Director of Evangelism, Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Henry Earl Peacock, Coordinator of the Crusade of the Americas and Southern Baptist missionary to Brazil; Gordon Schroeder, American Baptist Convention pastor from Detroit; Emmett Johnson, Baptist General Conference pastor, Elam Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minn.; Arthur Blessitt, SBC evangelist among the hippies in San Francisco; Owen Cooper, SBC layman from Yazoo, Mississippi; Kenneth Chafin, Professor of evangelism at Southern Seminary; Barry Moore, Baptist evangelist from Canada; and Baker James Cauthen, Executive Secretary, SBC Foreign Mission Board.

# To Conduct Kindergarten Workshop











McDougal

Barry

Dewey

Hutchens

Castle

The faculty pictured here will be participating in a Workshop for kindergarten directors and teachers at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, July 15 to 19. The project is co-sponored by the College and the Sunday School Department of the Ten-

Congress Features Music

RIO de JANEIRO, Brazil (BP)—The Pan American B a p t i s t Laymen's Evangelism Congress meeting here July 15-21 will feature international and inter-racial music presentations, the chairman of the congress, Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, Miss., has announced.

Sacred concerts will be featured each evening by Robert Bradley, music director for the National (Negro) Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., on Monday; by a Negro choir from Mississippi on Tuesday; by Irene Jordan, Metropolitan Opera soloist on Wednesday; and by Russell Newport, soloist and businessman from Springfield, Mo., on Thursday night.

The international music program will also feature a choir from Brazil, a missionary and national from Argentina, a youth choir from First Baptist Church in Minden, La., (U.S.A), a soloist from Brazil, the daughter of former Baptist World Alliance President John Soren of Rio de Janeiro, Claude Rhea, music consultant from the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and others.

Directing the congregational singing will be Bill Ichter, Southern Baptist missionary to Brazil who wrote the theme song for the Crusade of the Americas, "Christ the Only Hope."

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passing fads in theology. The Christian is to judge all of these by the truth as found in Jesus. He is the criterion by which to interpret the Old Testament and to judge systems of theological speculation.

So listen to Him when He speaks. Anything which runs contrary to His deity and atoning work by grace through faith is false.

nessee Baptist Convention, under the direction of Mrs. Barbara McDougal and Miss Florence Dewey.

Dr. Elizabeth Hutchens, Associate Professor of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Seminary, will deal with the three "R's" in a kindergarten curriculum, and then demonstrate techniques with a group of children from 10:15 a.m. to 12 noon each day, as conferees observe.

Dr. James Barry, kindergarten consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board, will lead in discussions pertaining to recent developments in preschool education, and in matters of interest to directors and new kindergarten teachers.

Mr. Leon Castle, Minister of Education and Music, Lynn Garden Baptist Church, Kingsport, will give emphasis to the use of music in every aspect of the kindergarten program.

Not pictured is Mr. Ray Koonce, Director of Guidance and Placement, Carson-Newman College, who will lead a session on the characteristics and needs of the growing child.

After a keynote message by Dr. Hutchens Monday evening, daily sessions will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A special luncheon at noon, Friday, July 19, will close the Workshop.

The course will cost \$25.00 without credit, or \$30.00 with one hour college credit. Rooms (shared) are available in Burnett Hall at minimal cost. Allow \$2.00 to \$3.00 a day for meals in the college cafeteria.

Register now, by completing the form below, and mailing it with a preregistration fee of \$5.00 to Mrs. Barbara McDougal, Carson-Newman Preschool, Jefferson City, Tenn. 37760.

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### Graham Life Threatened? Says He's Ready To Die

By Jim Newton

HOUSTON (BP)—Evangelist Billy Graham, under heavy security guard, said here Friday that he was ready to die at any time, and that if being shot or killed would glorify God, he would accept death unflinchingly.

In a press conference, the famed evangelist refused to answer a question asking if his life had been threatened while in Houston to speak at the Southern Baptist Convention, saying, "You'll have to ask the police about that."

Graham, flanked by at least three bodyguards, told the reporters covering the Baptist convention, "Like all figures in the public, we do get all kinds of threats. Some of them now are being taken seriously."

Graham added that he believed he has a "spiritual shield" around him, and that God would protect his life until "God wants me to go."

"If being shot or killed would glorify God, I'll be glad to go," he said. Graham added that he almost hoped he would have an opportunity to suffer for the sake of the Gospel.

"I've faced death thousands of times. I don't know when I'm going to die, but I'm ready."

Calling the assassination of Sen. Robert Kennedy a tragic and senseless act, he said it was terrible that a candidate for public office might not be able to campaign publicly except on television and radio.

He said he felt that President Lyndon B. Johnson did a right, yet an illegal thing, when he ordered the Secret Service to protect presidential candidates. He observed that there is no legal authority granting the president this right.

Graham said that there is a possibility



Evangelist Billy Graham shown during the Friday morning press conference.

the country might be moving toward a dictatorship, but added that it certainly would not be called that, but probably just "a strong president."

In the area of politics, the Baptist evangelist said he did not intend to endorse any political candidate this year, and reaffirmed his previous refusal to accept any political office himself, including the vice-presidency.

In response to a question concerning an article speculating that Graham might be a possible vice-presidential nominee, Graham replied: "In the first place, no candidate has ever hinted that he wanted me; and if one did, I would tell him no. If nominated, I would not campaign, and if elected, I would not serve."

He said he recently decided against building a college in his name because, while he was ill, he "reconfirmed my calling as an evangelist." He said he might get sick again if he toyed with entering politics.

Graham said he felt that churches should return to preaching the Gospel that changes



26 C-N Students Elected To Who's Who

JEFFERSON CITY—Scholarship and leadership have paid off for 26 Carson-Newman College students who have been selected to be included in the 1968-69 edition of Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

The 14 Tennesseans and their home towns are: Beverly Sue Ausmus, Knoxville; Daniel Lee Darby, Jefferson City; Diana Lynn Dearing, Morristown; Sylvia Germaine Dodd, Chattanooga; Betty Jean Gleaves, Hermitage; Melvin Taylor Harris, Jr., Nashville; Doug Hembree, Knoxville; Valecia Ann Ingle, Knoxville; Steven Ray Koonce. Jefferson City; William Ross Mayfield, Bells; Thomas Braden Milligan, Jr., Jefferson City; James Leslie Spitzer, Knoxville; David Allen Standridge, Kingston; and Stuart L. Watson, Jefferson City.

men's hearts, so that changed men can change society.

"The church is going too far in the other direction" in its emphasis on social action," he added.

"I believe in social action and the social aspects of the Gospel, but it ought not to be the neglect of the very foundation of why Christ came," the evangelist said.

When asked if the Southern Baptist Convention was moving more in the direction of emphasizing social action, Graham said that the uniqueness of the SBC has been its emphasis on evangelism and missions. If it has been lacking in any area, he said, it has been on social issues, especially the race issue.

"Southern Baptists are now getting it in proper perspective, intensifying evangelism and missions, but also emphasizing response to social issues," Graham observed.

He commended the statement on race relations and the crisis in the nation adopted earlier by the messengers, calling it wonderful, and adding: "it couldn't be strong enough for me."

Thousands of people in the South have been swept into the church who have never had a meaningful experience with Christ, and this is the reason for the failure of churches to deal with race, Graham said.

"I've seen men who have held up the Bible and said they believed it from cover to cover, and yet they have not put it into practice in their lives."

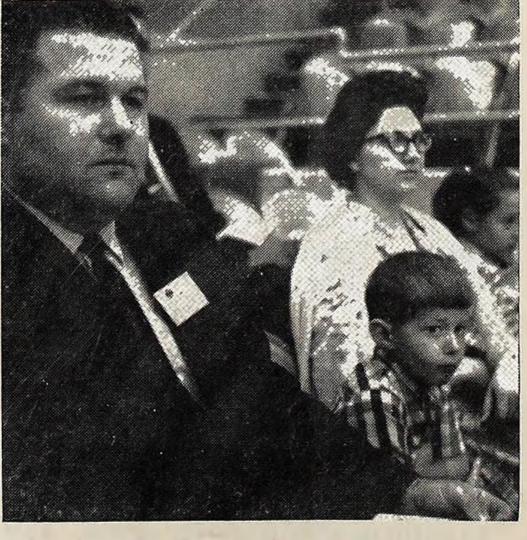
Churches in the South must move more quickly in dealing with race. They cannot wait five or ten years, he said.

"No church in the South should shut its doors to any person because of his color," Graham said. "The time for keeping churches closed to Negroes is ended."

"We've got to get back to preaching the Gospel of regeneration, and open wide the doors of the church to all who will come," he said.



First Church, Rockwood pastor Raymond Sanderson and Mrs. Sanderson look through one of the many books on display in the Convention display room.



Raymond Napier, pastor, Brookside Church, Nashville and family are seen in Convention hall on Friday.

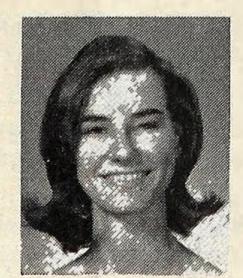
# '68 Summer Music Specialists



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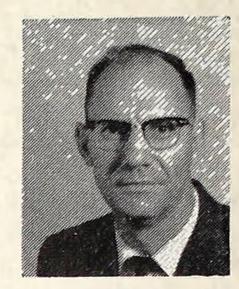


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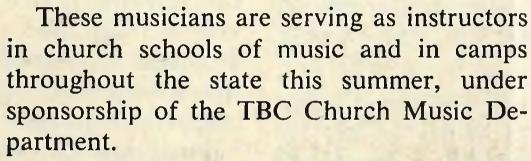
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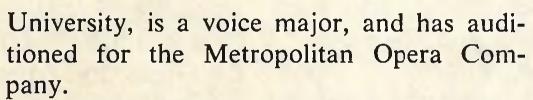
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Larry Smith, senior at Belmont College from Clarksville, is supervising the program. Minister of music for Haywood Hills, Nashville the past four years, this will be his fourth year in the Summer Music Program.

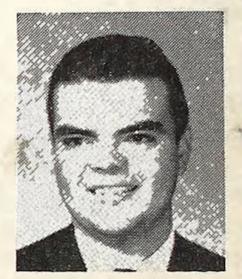
Kermit Whitten is a teacher in Knoxville City School system, and music director at West Maryville. Jerry House of Jackson is pursuing the MSM degree at Southern Seminary, and has held positions as minister of music — youth, and pastor's assistant in Tenn. and Ky. churches. Jim Hageman of Furman, S.C. is a senior at Carson-Newman. His traveling companion is a dummy named "Dusty Breeze."

Several requests for workers in girls' camps influenced the selection of three young women. Mary Glass a '68 Carson-Newman graduate, and Linda Curtis, senior, both are organ majors and members of the A cappella Choir. Mary is from Lynch Station, Va., and Linda's home is St. Louis. Loretta Mathews, Memphis, senior at Union

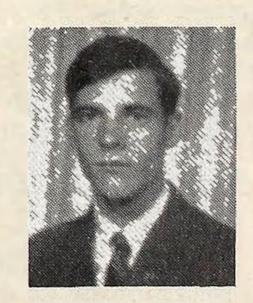


"Rookie" workers include Tommy Johnson and Lynn Briley, native Nashvillians. Tommy, sophomore at Belmont, and member of the Men's Glee Club, was director of the primary choir at his home church— Radnor—during his high school years, and taught several private piano pupils. Lynn is majoring in music at Murray State University. His experience includes former president of the Nashville Music Club, organist for Lincoya Hills Church, and director of the Nashville Music Club Chorus. Born in Nashville, but now residing in Springfield, Bryan Stewart is a junior at Tennessee Tech majoring in Music Education. He is a soloist. Phil Adams, sophomore at UT majoring in Music Education, plays the French horn, is a member of the UT Band, Vol Chorus, and is Student Conductor for the Men's Glee Club. His family resides in Jackson.

The Summer Music Program is a service offered by the Church Music Department, Tennessee Baptist Convention, by Frank G. Charton, Secretary.



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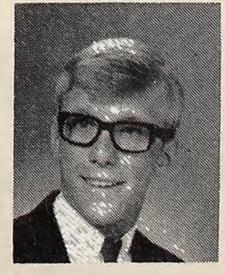


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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR JUNE 23, 1968—By W. R. White

### LEARNERS BECOME TEACHERS

Basic Passages: John 1:40-51; 2 Tim. 2:2; Jas. 3:1

Focal Passages: John 1:40-51; 2 Tim. 2:2

Recruiting teachers of the Word of God is a grave problem today. The same is true in the case of secular teachers. Many people are not willing to pay the price to be good teachers. It is much easier and more convenient to just listen to others teach.

Our Lord was constantly calling disciples as learners. He did not always call those who were already proficient in teaching. He seemed to have preferred, in the main, people who were teachable and teach them from the very beginning of their learning experience. Paul was an outstanding exception.

Teachers must first know the Lord in a true experience of grace. Then they must be willing followers of Christ that they might learn more of Him and His word.

The need for diligent students of God's word, who have a gift from the Lord to teach, is so imperative. Perhaps a chain reaction like Dr. Lauback starts in his literacy program would be in order. Each one taught to read and write is urged to teach another to become literate, and on and on.

### Learners Win Learners John 1:40-51

Andrew becomes a disciple through the ministry of John the Baptist. He wins his brother Simon Peter through his witness. Jesus tells him that he will be called Cephas,

# What does the Garden of Gethsemane look like today?

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a stone. He was a very unstable pebble for some time but became a steady rock.

Jesus goes to Bethsaida and finds Philip and calls him. Perhaps Andrew and Peter had done some preparatory work since they lived in the same village.

Philip witnesses to Nathaniel concerning Jesus of Nazareth to whom Moses had given witness in the law and the prophets. Nathaniel cannot imagine anything good coming out of Nazareth. Philip challenges him to come and see.

Jesus refers to Nathaniel as an Israelite without guile. Nathaniel wants to know from whence Jesus received His information concerning Him. Christ informs him that He saw him under the fig tree before Philip called him.

Nathaniel confesses Jesus as the Son of God and King of Israel. In other words, the Great One expected of Israel is here.

Jesus informs him that a supreme manifestation of His glory is in the future. He will see the angels ascending and descending on the Son of man. Nathaniel has many exciting experiences ahead as he learns more of Jesus.

### **Deacons Preach and Teach Acts 8:4-8**

All the disciples except the apostles are scattered abroad because of persecution. Each disciple becomes a preacher and teacher.

Among this group was Philip, a recently ordained deacon. He preaches and teaches in Samaria. The Lord accompanies his powerful witness with mighty signs and wonders. There is a marvelous response to the gospel. A city is stirred greatly. Remember the woman at Jacob's well and the early seed sowing by Jesus Himself. He referred to the situation as white unto harvest even then. Now the reaping is glorious and the joy is city-wide.



### Honor Dr. White

INDEPENDENCE, Tex. (BP)—W. R. White, president emeritus of Baylor University and a leader in Texas Baptist life for almost 40 years, has been named Texas Baptist Elder Statesman for 1968.

The 75-year-old educator was honored in ceremonies June 9 at the annual meeting of the Independence Association at historic Independence Church here.

An East Texas orphan farm boy who was reared by his grandmother, White rose to become president and chancellor of Baylor University and a leading spokesman for Southern Baptists.

Since retiring as chancellor in 1963, White has continued to live in Waco and has been active as a teacher, preacher and a writer.

### Paul Urges a Succession of Teachers II Tim. 2:2

Paul teaches Timothy very carefully. Many witness the sacred process. He wants this teaching passed on to the faithful men able to reach others also.

This is the responsibility of every generation of disciples. It takes good teaching to attract able learners.

Ignorance of what the Bible actually teaches is the shame of our day. People are so absorbed and preoccupied that they do not take time to really know their Bibles. Many who teach do not properly prepare themselves. They do not inspire others to teach.

The Bible needs to be studied as a whole and interpreted as a whole. It is a unity. The Scriptures cannot be broken. The hop, skip and jump selection of Scriptures will likely miss the truth taught by the Bible. It certainly will not be greatly rewarding.

A good concordance, a sound scholarly Bible dictionary and a reliable commentary are so essential to Bible study and teaching preparation.

Some complain of their inability to get the meaning of the King James translation. Well, there are many excellent translations in our present day vocabulary. The use of the King James with one or two of these will be helpful.

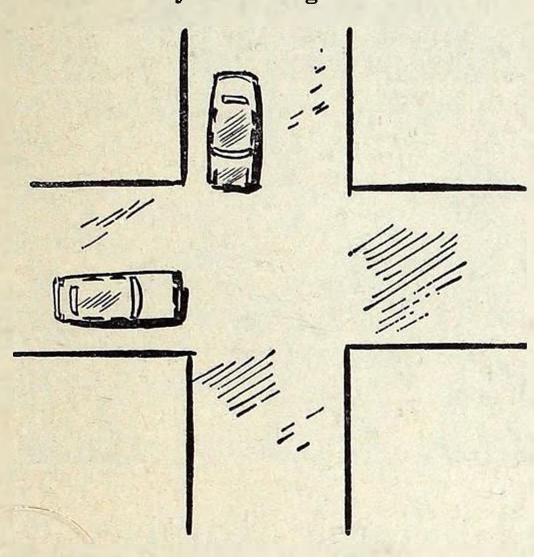
The supreme necessity is a spiritual approach and Holy Spirit guidance in study. This is the only way to get the deeper truth from the Bible. Its meaning will not come automatically even by this commitment. The Holy Spirit does not reward laziness. It requires diligent study and much prayer.

This process will be most rewarding. It will attract listeners and will inspire teachers among them. This is one element so essential to the emergence of a great spiritual awakening. This is an era of crisis and confusion which can be clarified and resolved by divine enlightenment and regeneration.

### Children's Page

### FROM PATH TO HIGHWAY\*

By John Singleton



In the days of the cavemen, there were no roads. People traveled about on crude paths. These paths were later widened into trails. It was necessary to have trails so that animals could pull wheeled carts. The trails were gradually improved until they became dirt roads. The oldest man-made road was seventeen hundred miles long. It ran from the Persian Gulf to the Mediterranean Sea.

In ancient times the greatest cities always had good roads. A city could be great only if it were easy to reach. Assyria and Persia, two wealthy countries, had good roads.

The best roads, however, were built by the Romans. There were twenty-nine roads leading out of Rome. The greatest Roman road was the Appian Way. This huge avenue stretched across 350 miles of steep hills and wide rivers. Slaves made the road. Cemented stone blocks were laid on layers of mortar and small broken stones. There are still parts of the Appian Way today.

The roads built by the Romans were ruined when the Roman Empire fell. These roads fell into such bad condition that only horsemen could use them.

Another great road-building civilization was the Inca Indian tribe of South America. The Incas, like the Romans, built roads from layers of stone. They built ten thousand miles of roads across the rugged Andes Mountains. These roads were narrow and were built for runners. Incas sent messages by runners who occupied posts along the roads. These strong Indians could carry a message 150 miles in one day.

In the United States, the first roads were simple Indian paths. The pioneers widened

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them into trails. The first roads that the colonists built were poor. They were used to get crops to market. These roads were crooked, because the builders tried to avoid any hills and rivers.

In 1775 Daniel Boone and his men hacked a trail through the Cumberland Gap to help settlers move west. The trail was improved and named Wilderness Road. Almost two hundred thousand settlers used this road to get to Kentucky in the next twenty-five years.

The first hard-surfaced road in the United States was built in Pennsylvania, between Philadelphia and Lancaster, in 1705. This privately built road was named the Lancaster Turnpike and was a model for many later roads. It was called a turnpike because long wooden poles, called pikes, blocked travelers until they paid a toll charge. The pole was then turned or lifted to allow them to proceed.

Many roads were built which stretched hundreds of miles into the western United States. They were used by settlers looking for land. The settlers traveled these roads in wagon trains. This was the safest way to travel, because the people could band together to fight attacking Indians.

In the 1800's, a new type of road was devised. It was made of flat planks of wood laid on a dirt road. There were many trees in the United States then, and wood was easy to get. These roads allowed fast travel but were noisy and bumpy. This type of road never became very popular.

In 1816 Virginia formed an organization to assist in road building. Soon after this, steam rollers and stone crushers were invented. People thought that hundreds of new roads would soon be built. This didn't happen, because railroad trains and steamboats became the easiest way to travel long distances. Road building had almost stopped by 1850.

Around 1890, the invention of the car and a new interest in bicycling made it necessary to start building and improving roads again. In 1916 Congress passed the Federal Aid Road Act. This act led to the building of 1,384,000 miles of rural roads. Today the United States leads the world in road construction.

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### Laughs ...

OBEDIENCE—The young man had applied for a job with a large industrial firm and was being interviewed by the personnel manager.

"Are you married?" asked the personnel man as he filled out the questionnaire.

"No," replied the applicant, "but I can take orders if that's what you mean."

Said one fellow to another, "My wife has been talking for two straight days."

"What is she talking about?"

"She didn't say."

A little boy, just back from Sunday School, asked his father if Noah had a wife.

"All the time, questions, questions, questions," replied the father. "Of course he had a wife and her name was, Joan of Arc!"

Whatever trouble Adam had,
No man in days of yore
Could say when Adam cracked a joke,
"I've heard that one before."

Sports-car owner: "I'll take a half pint of gas and a teaspoon of oil, please."

Station attendant: "And shall I cough into the tires, sir?"

Before starting on a much needed diet, a tremendously overweight man bravely stepped on the kind of scales that stamps your weight on a card. The card read, "Come back in 10 minutes—alone."

### WANTED

Church Hostess, by First Baptist Church, P. O. Box 12105, Memphis, Tenn., 38112. Pastor: Dr. R. Paul Caudill.

WANTED: Retired Baptist pastor and wife to live in fishing and tourist village, in southwest Florida and pastor a small church. Home and small weekly remuneration provided. Must be in good health and have own transportation. If interested, please write Rev. John A. Parker, P.O. Box 2171, Port Charlotte, Fla. 33950.

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For the conference to be held at Glorieta (July 11-17) personalities are: Bottom row (left to right) Robert S. Scales, pastor, Trinity Church, Oklahoma City, pastor; T. W. (Jack) Dean, dean of the school of music, Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex., conductor, Ed Nolte, minister of music, Calvary Church, Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Beverly Terrell, member of voice faculty, Dallas (Tex.) Baptist College, soloists.

The conferences will provide training

to music leaders. BSSB PHOTO



### Books Received

Robert G. Lee by John E. Huss (Zondervan. \$5.95). The sensitively drawn biographical portrait of a legendary preacher of this generation. Perhaps the best known living Southern Baptist minister, for more than half a century he has been a leading spokesman for his denomination—and for Christendom in general.

The Cotton Patch Version of Paul's Epistles by Clarence Jordan (Association. \$2.25 paper; \$4.50 cloth). A colloquial modern translation with a Southern accent, vigorous and fervent for the gospel, unsparing in earthiness, rich in humor.

A Layman's Guide to Protestant Theology by William E. Hordern (Macmillan. \$6.95). Revised and expanded edition with new chapters on Rudolf Bultmann, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and the God is dead controversy.

The World Not Bound by John Killinger (Word. \$3.00). A fresh and dramatically incisive interpretation of the manner in which God reveals Himself through man to men.

Living the Great Adventure edited by Richard Engquist (Word. \$3.50). True stories of crisis and discovery from the pages of faith at work.

Nine Roads to Renewal by Walden Howard (Word. \$3.50). A handbook for dissatisfied churches.

Just As I Am by Eugenia Price; Lippin-cott. The message of an old song for to-day's world.

Light on the Riverfront by Marilyn S. Wagnorn (Broadman.  $75\phi$ ). The story of Gladys Keith who worked for nearly 25 years with men and women, boys and girls in the tough waterfront of New Orleans.

Christ and the Carols by William J. Reynolds (Broadman. \$1.50). The material in the book represents an attempt to see Christ as reflected in the vast heritage of our Christmas carols.

The Gospel for an Exploding World by H. Franklin Paschall (Broadman. \$2.95). Paschall, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, sees the gospel of Christ as the only answer for the exploding world.

Your Teen-ager and You by Anna B. Mow (Zondervan. \$2.95). A probing analysis of what causes a breakdown in communication between parents and their teenagers.

Messenger to the Golden People by Margaret G. Iglesias (Broadman. 75¢). Story of Lonnie Iglesias, son of a Cuna Indian medicine man in the San Blas Islands, who shared the gospel with the Cunas.

# Wright Heads Humphrey Ad Campaign

WASHINGTON (BP)—Lloyd Wright, a former Baptist public relations man, will be the advertising coordinator for the presidential campaign of Hubert H. Humphrey, according to an announcement by the United Democrats for Humphrey.

Wright, former director of public relations for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has been a senior executive of the U. S. Information Agency for the past four years, serving as executive assistant to

# Holloway Named Pres. Of University

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex. (BP)—Leonard L. Holloway, president of Mary Hardin-Baylor College in Belton, Tex., for the past two years, has been elected president of the University of Corpus Christi, a Baptist school here, effective Aug. 1.

Holloway fills the place left vacant by the death Jan. 10 of Joseph C. Clapp, who had been president for two years. Kenneth A. Maroney, dean of the college, is the acting president of the school, one of nine major institutions of higher learning operated under the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Holloway, 45, a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and the University of Oklahoma, has held other key posts in Southern Baptist life.

For six years he was director of public relations for the Texas Baptist Convention, and he also has served as vice-president and a member of the faculty at both the New Orleans and Southern Baptist Theological Seminaries.

His business experience includes the vicepresidency of a foundation and service as a senior partner and consultant in a public relations and advertising firm.

USIA director Leonard Marks for the past two years.

A native Texan, Wright first came to Washington in 1962 to help the public affairs and recruitement programs for the Peace Corps. He coordinated the advertising and film program for President Johnson's 1964 election campaign.