

# BAPTIST & REFLECTOR

JOURNAL OF  
TENNESSEE BAPTIST  
CONVENTION

"SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE"



VOLUME 134

✱

THURSDAY

OCT. 3, 1968

✱

NUMBER 40

Broadway Baptist Church, Knoxville, will be host to the 94th annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Nov. 12-14.

The new \$820,000 structure has permanent seating for 1250. Dr. Lewis E. Rhodes is pastor.



## Pulpit To Pew

By Jim Griffith

The preacher, in his constant search for sermon topics, can receive help from unusual sources.

Promoters of special observances often send the preacher suggested sermons which might go something like this.

In observing National Beautician's Day, the sermon topic could be: "Why Not Have Your Faith Lifted?"

For National Chiropractic week, and in the interest of peace and harmony in the congregation, the preacher could choose the subject: "Don't Rub Anybody The Wrong Way!"

On U. S. Mail Day, the preacher could give the mailman a boost by selecting as his text: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of them that bring glad tidings . . ."

National Dental Week could prompt the preacher to reflect on the skill of the dentist and the way to a happier life by preaching on: "How not to Look Down in the Mouth."

Finally, National Soil Conservation Week could inspire the much-needed sermon: "Raising Sand."

## Regular Features

	Page
EDITORIAL	6
Sunday School Lesson	14
Pulpit To Pew	2
Counseling	14
Executive Secretary	15



## BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR

Established 1835

1812 Belmont Blvd., Nashville, Tenn. 37203  
Phone 297-0951

James A. Lester  
Editor

RICHARD DAVID KEEL      Circulation Manager

Entered at Postoffice, Nashville, Tenn., as second-class matter as a weekly except Christmas week, under the act of March 3, 1879.

To effect change in address, give both old and new also name of church and allow 2 weeks.

Subscriptions \$2.25 each; Clubs of ten or more, \$1.75; Church budget rate to 50% or more of church homes, 3¢ weekly. Advertising rates on request.

Space forbids full printing of Resolutions and Obituaries. News-value items in such may be used.

Member of Baptist Press (BP) service of the Southern Baptist Convention. Subscriber to Religious News Service (RNS).

News-Journal of Tennessee Baptist Convention  
W. FRED KENDALL, Exec.-Sec'y-Treasurer

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: Charles Ausmus, Chairman; Lewis Bratcher, David Byrd, Eugene Cotey, Wade Darby, R. G. Elliott, Melvin Faulkner, Eugene Fleming, Jerry Glisson, J. E. Ledbetter, Raymond Lloyd, Ralph Murray, O. C. Nugent, Robert Sanders, and Henry West.

## PERSONALLY SPEAKING . . .

Tennessee Baptists are a great fellowship! Your welcome to me has already been most cordial and is appreciated very much. It is never easy to say what is in one's heart. The lead editorial expresses many things which I wish to say to you. From time to time the editor will write a personal column such as this. The reason for any type of personal column is to say in an informal manner those things which might not be said in a more formal editorial.

I wish that Tennessee Baptists might know of my great and long-standing appreciation for Executive Secretary W. Fred Kendall. He has a nation-wide reputation as a faithful and effective servant of our Lord. His warm Christian spirit has already been a blessing to me. I pledge to you and to him the fullest measure of cooperation in our tasks together. Elsewhere in this issue there is a column written by Dr. Kendall. It is my belief that this direct voice to you from the Executive Secretary through the pages of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR will be most helpful. I have asked Dr. Kendall to say to you each week through his column those things which are upon his heart and in his mind.

The Administrative Committee, the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR "board" of the Administrative Committee, and the entire Executive Board have been most gracious.

Many plans are being made for the future of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. We shall keep you informed through the pages of the paper as these plans develop.

Full and complete coverage of Tennessee Baptist news, Southern Baptist news, and religious news in general is planned. Additionally, articles featuring the work of Tennessee Baptist agencies and institutions, and material with theological depth are planned.

Your cooperation in providing news is needed. Please give us this news in advance—and as far in advance as is possible.

The door to the editor's office is always open! Come to see me! Call with news which you think might be of general interest. The office telephone is (615) 297-0951. My home telephone is (615) 833-9424. We may not be able to use all the material you send, but we'll do our best.

Letters to the editor upon pertinent topics are solicited. These will be used as space is available.

It is our sincere wish and prayer that many, many more churches will place the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR in the church budgets. The Rev. Richard David Keel, who has served effectively for some years as circulation manager, and I shall be pleased to present information concerning our budget plan, and other subscription plans available.

Jim Lester

## Devotional

### PREACH THE WORD

Dr. H. Eugene Cotey  
Murfreesboro First Baptist

Paul charged young Timothy to "Preach the Word." Vital to preaching is understanding the word. This is the reason for seminaries—that preachers may better understand the word.

There is another side of preaching the Word, and that is communicating the preacher's understanding of the Word to the one listening in the pew. Clarity. Conciseness. Brevity. All of these are a part of preaching.



Dr. Cotey

Often we preachers have an apt understanding of the Word, but are unable to "put it across". One author lists some of our faults. He states we attempt to deal with too many ideas. In the words of the old farmer: "There's no need in trying to feed all the hay in the barn at one time." Other faults found in the preacher are: too much analysis, too impersonal, too few illustrations, too little guidance for commitment.

Besides these common faults there is yet another fault that is more of a barrier perhaps than a fault. It is expressed in this comment of one of my church members: "Preacher you have a tendency to argue with yourself". This is true. In seeking TRUTH the preacher must be sure, as sure as he can be, that truth is winning out, and not his own prejudices.

Reule Howe says, "The preacher can be ambivalent about preaching the Gospel itself because to truly present it truly brings him under judgment and calls him to commitments that threaten his way of life."

The preacher not only preaches to the pew; he first of all preaches to the pulpit. The Gospel is related to life, and where the water hits the wheel is the life of the preacher himself.

It is for this reason that Paul told Timothy not only to preach the word, but to be "instant in season, out of season". As preachers we must be willing to live what we preach, else the preachment is of little value. One translator states it like this: "and stand by it zealously in season and out".

The charge to Timothy is one we preachers can well accept. Preach the Word—Live the Word!

Maturity begins to grow when you can sense your concern for others outweighing your concern for yourself.—John MacNaughton, "The Marks of Maturity," **Pulpit Digest**.



# Convention Annual Session Set For Knoxville Nov. 12-14

The 94th annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention meets Nov. 12-14 in the newly-completed sanctuary of the Broadway Baptist church, Knoxville. More than 2000 pastors, their wives, and laymen from Tennessee churches are expected to attend the three-day session.

The convention proper gets under way Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 2 p.m., and continues through Thursday evening, the 14th.

Prior to actual convention sessions, the annual meetings of the Tennessee Baptist Pastors' Conference will be held in the sanctuary of the Broadway church, Monday afternoon. Ansell Baker, pastor of Central church in Chattanooga is president and program chairman for the pastor's group.

The Convention's Executive Board will meet Monday afternoon.

With the theme this year A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Evangelism and World Missions, featured speakers include:

Dr. Ernest S. Owens, Jr., pastor of the Cherokee Baptist church, Memphis, who will bring the convention sermon at 3:25 p.m. Tuesday;

Dr. Wade E. Darby, TBC president, and pastor of the First Baptist church, Jefferson City, who will bring the president's address Tuesday evening at 8:30 p.m.;

Dr. H. Franklin Paschall, pastor, First Baptist church, Nashville, and immediate past-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, who will speak at 11:25 a.m. Wednesday;

The Rev. W. Fred Kendall, II, pastor of the First Baptist church, Union City, who is scheduled to address the session Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.;

Dr. Roy Fish, professor of evangelism, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., will speak Wednesday evening;

Dr. Frederick Schlafer, pastor, Fifth Avenue Baptist, Knoxville, who will speak at 11:05 a.m. Thursday;

The Rev. J. Ralph McIntyre, pastor, Brainerd Baptist, Chattanooga, who will speak at 3:40 p.m. Thursday; and

Dr. Ramsay Pollard, pastor, Bellevue Baptist, Memphis, and also a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, who is scheduled to bring the closing address at 8:35 p.m. Thursday.

Dr. Jerry Glisson, chairman of the Executive Board of the Convention, and pastor of the Leawood Baptist Church, Memphis, will present that board's report at 9:40 a.m. Wednesday, and Convention Executive Secretary W. Fred Kendall will present the proposed budget for 1969 following Glisson's report.

A business session and election of officers for the convention is scheduled at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday, with a second session for elections scheduled at 3:05 p.m. Wednesday, to be followed by a business session.

## Southwide Staff Changes

**MEMPHIS, Tenn.**—George L. Euting, assistant executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, has resigned to become vice president of Bluefield College at Bluefield, Va.

A program director at the Brotherhood Commission for more than four years, Euting will become responsible for promotion and development at the two-year, 500 student Baptist institution. He will establish an office in Richmond about Oct. 15.

Before his Brotherhood Commission assignment, Euting served as Brotherhood director for Virginia Baptists for eight years. (BP)

**DALLAS**—Larry Jerden, former assistant editor of Baptist Men's Journal, a Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission publication, has joined the editorial staff of the Baptist Standard as editorial assistant.

Jerden, 24, is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism. He has worked on a weekly newspaper and in the Little Rock bureau of United Press International, and was news writer for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board before joining the Brotherhood Commission. (BP)

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.**—Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here has named both a new assistant to the president and its first full-time news director.

Robert D. Meade, pastor of McCarthy Baptist Church in St. Joseph, Mo., is the new assistant to the president, succeeding John Goodwin who resigned to return to the pastorate. Meade is a graduate of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., and Midwestern Seminary.

Timothy J. Fields of Salina, Kan., fills the newly-created position of news director, and will be responsible for news dissemination, associate editor of The Spire, and campus photographer.

A graduate of Kansas State University in journalism, Fields has been photographer and reporter for several Kansas newspapers. He is also enrolled currently as a student in the seminary's master of religious education program. (BP)



Darby



Williams



Howard



Young

## Student Convention Set At Murfreesboro

More than 1000 students from colleges and universities throughout Tennessee are expected to attend the annual Baptist Student Convention scheduled at the First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Oct. 11-13, according to Charles M. Rozelle, Nashville, state Baptist student work director.

With the theme "To Every Man and Nation," Convention participants will hear messages from outstanding Baptist leaders, and also reports from summer missionaries.

Speakers include Dr. Wade Darby, pastor, First Baptist church, Jefferson City, and president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention; Dr. W. F. Howard, director of Baptist Student work in Texas; The Rev. Benton Williams, missionary in student work in Thailand; Dwight Young, former missionary journeyman to Hong Kong, and Ed Seabough, associate secretary of the department of missionary personnel, Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

Dr. Eugene Cotey, Murfreesboro, is pastor of the host church.

## Culture Doomed, Reporters Are Told

**EVANSTON, Ill.**—American culture very likely cannot change in time to prevent its utter destruction, Dr. Robert Theobald, a noted socio-economist has told a seminar of 100 religion reporters and editors here at Northwestern University.

Dr. Theobald, addressing a Conference on Issues in Religious Journalism, said this is an almost certain prospect because "much of our unconscious analysis is still based on a belief that conditions will remain stable."

He warned, however, that American culture has become irrelevant to its environment, a condition which, he said, historian Arnold Toynbee has termed cause for "inevitable collapse." (RNS)



# Executive Board Approves Record 1969 Budget

The Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention has approved a record \$5,445,000 Cooperative Program budget goal for 1969.

At the September meeting, the board voted unanimously for the budget approval, an increase of \$445,000 over the 1968 budget. The proposal will be presented to the annual session of the Convention in November for final approval.

Included in the budget is \$3,630,000 for Tennessee causes, and \$1,815,000 for Southern Baptist Convention causes.

The Board heard a report on construction of the new Baptist building in Brentwood which indicated that work was progressing on schedule, with completion anticipated by May 28, 1969. As of Sept. 16, a total of 1,216 cubic yards of concrete had been poured, and the work schedule calls for pouring of the second floor during the week of Oct. 7. George Capps, building committee chairman indicated that the work would be finished "just about on schedule."

In other action, the Board approved a proposal to include permanently dates in the Tennessee Baptist calendar for the observance of state missions emphases. These dates include: State Missions Week, Sept. 14-21, 1969; State Missions Sunday, Sept. 14, 1969; and Day of Prayer for State Missions, Sept. 17, 1969.

Dr. Harley Fite, retiring president of Carson-Newman college was honored by the Executive Board in the presentation of a citation of appreciation for his ministry.

Dr. Robert E. Craig, president of Union university, reported an enrolment of 740 at the Baptist institution for the Fall quarter despite recent student unrest and the resignation last summer of several faculty members.

## National Bible Week

**NEW YORK**—Describing the Scriptures as the "best possible guidepost for today's living," President Johnson has officially endorsed National Bible Week, Oct. 20-27.

"The Bible comes with many covers, on varying grades of paper and in multiple languages," Mr. Johnson told the sponsors of the observance, the American Bible Society and the Laymen's National Committee. He continued:

"But its purpose is unchanged: man's firm instructions and wonderful promises from God. It holds answers and hopes. It is life's greatest truth."

"While this mighty book traces our history and projects into tomorrow, it remains the best possible guidepost for today's living."

National Bible Week also marks the opening of the American Bible Society's World-wide Bible Reading, a month-long scriptural program conducted annually. It will be observed from Oct. 20 to Nov. 28, Thanksgiving Day. (RNS)

## 58 Are Enroled At Ruschlikon

The Baptist seminary in Rüschlikon, Switzerland, has more students from more countries than it has ever had in its nearly 20-year history, President John D. W. Watts has revealed.

The 58 students enroled for the 1968-69 scholastic year do not set a new record for students, since this same number was enroled 10 years ago. The 21 countries represented in the student family surpasses the previous record number of 20 counted in the 1967-68 academic year.

The combination of high enrolment and wide international representation is unique this year, Watts continued. Twenty-eight of the currently enroled students are new at Rüschlikon. Fifty-two are classified as full-time students, which is a record number of full-time students. The remaining six are auditors.

The 21 countries included in the 1968-69 enrolment are Switzerland, USA, Sweden, Italy, France, United Kingdom (Scotland, England, and Wales all represented), Spain, Belgium, the Netherlands, Argentina, Australia, Norway, Canada, South Africa, Germany, Brazil, Denmark, Finland, Yugoslavia, Israel, and Czechoslovakia.

Twenty-four students are taking courses leading to bachelor of divinity degrees. Another 19 students will seek either diplomas or advanced diplomas. (EBPS)

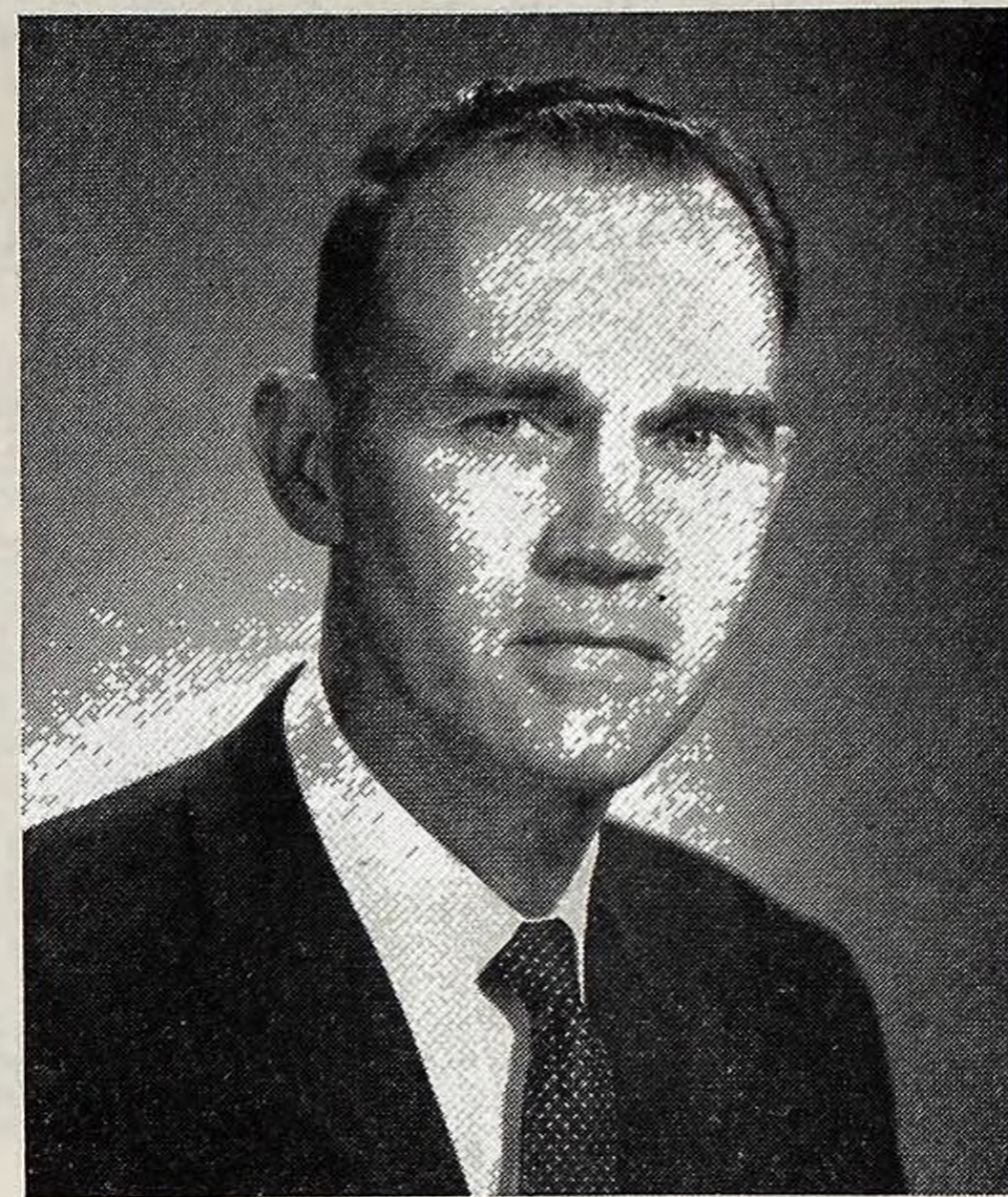
## Union Names Stone To Head Fund Drive

Albert Asa Stone, Jackson, has been named National Chairman for Union university's annual Alumni Fund.

Stone, vice president and general manager of The Sun Publishing Company of Jackson, will be the third national chairman for the drive which was inaugurated in 1966 by the college's Alumni and Development Offices. Previous chairmen have been Dr. Franklin Paschall, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Nashville, and N. Brice Curry, a Nashville insurance executive.

As Fund chairman, Stone will head a staff of volunteers of more than 65 class and regional agents. Monies raised in the drive are used to underwrite faculty salaries.

## Thompson Accepts Richmond Pulpit



**Dr. Thompson**

Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, Chattanooga, has accepted the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., succeeding Dr. Theodore F. Adams, former president of the Baptist World Alliance. Thompson assumes his new duties November 3.

Adams is retiring as pastor of the 4000-member church, Virginia's largest, after serving as pastor for 32 years.

During his eight and one half years as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, there have been between 1,300 to 1,400 additions to the church. Thompson also led the church in recent months to move from its downtown plant to its all-new, \$2.4 million, facilities on Gateway Avenue.

His denominational service to the Tennessee Baptist Convention include tenure on the Executive Board; Board of Trustees, Carson-Newman college and president, Tennessee Baptist Pastors' Conference.

Active in local community affairs, Thompson has served as a member of the governor's Advisory Committee On Public Welfare and on the mayor's Committee for Community Improvement. He has shared in many other civic responsibilities.

He attended Cumberland University in Lebanon, and graduated from Carson-Newman College and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He received the doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Edinburgh.

Thompson is married to the former Mary Evelyn Wingo of Franklin, Ky. They have two sons.



## CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

By T. B. Maston

Retired Professor of Christian Ethics  
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

This is a subject that has been debated for many years. Christians are rather sharply divided regarding it.

The general trend in the United States has been away from capital punishment. There has been a decrease in the crimes that are punishable by death. Murder is the only capital offense in most states, although some retain it as punishment for rape, robbery, and arson.

Ramsay Clark, Attorney of the United States, recently suggested that capital punishment for federal offenses should be abolished. He said that it would be one more step out of barbarism.

People, generally, are less favorable to capital punishment. The American Institute of Public Opinion recently released a report showing that the percentage of people approving the death penalty for persons convicted of murder had decreased from 68 per cent in 1953 to 51 per cent in 1960 and 42 per cent in 1966.

There has been a noticeable decrease in the number who have been executed in recent years. In 1936 there were 194 executions in the United States; thirty years later there was only one execution in the entire country.

As the number executed has decreased, the number in "death row" awaiting execution has sharply increased. One state (California) recently reported over seventy men awaiting execution, while another state (Florida) had fifty in death row. In addition there were many more in county jails who had been assessed the death penalty.

Several states have abolished capital punishment. A recent Associated Press

report said that thirteen states had either abolished it or had so restricted it as to make it almost non-existent. There are approximately seventy (70) foreign countries that have abolished the death penalty.

Contrary to the contention of the defenders of capital punishment, it is not an effective deterrent to crime. There is little if any evidence of an increase in capital offenses in states or countries that have abolished capital punishment. One report reveals that the five states that most frequently assess the death penalty have the highest murder rates.

There are several additional arguments against the death penalty. One of the strongest is the discriminatory way in which it is applied. Who are the ones who are executed? In the main, they are the poor or the underprivileged of society. To an unusual degree, they belong to the minority peoples of our culture.

Still another reason for the abolition of capital punishment is the fact that when it is assessed there is no way to correct an error. There have been cases where a man has been executed and later it was revealed or discovered that he was innocent. The fact that a judge and a jury may make a mistake should raise serious questions about capital punishment.

What is needed in contemporary America is a more enlightened and effective penal system. The emphasis should be primarily remedial rather than punitive. If one cannot be reformed so as to become again a useful citizen, then he should be separated from society for the remainder of his life. There is no place for capital punishment in a remedial-oriented penal system.

## "MOTHER CHURCH IS GIVEN PROPERTY

WENTWORTH, N.C.—A Superior Court judge here has ruled that the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. (Southern), as the "mother church," exercises final authority over property held by its congregations who are "subordinate members of the general church organization."

Judge Fate J. Beal, a Southern Presbyterian, pointed to the Book of Church Order in holding that the Presbyterian Church, U.S., is a religious society of "connectional, as opposed to congregational, character."

The decision was expected to strengthen the denomination's control over church property in North Carolina where there are

4,000 Presbyterian, U.S., congregations. An appeal was anticipated.

There have been a number of other cases in the state involving disputes over the property of congregations which have withdrawn from the denomination. In some cases the presbyteries have allowed churches to retain control of property.

Judge Beal's ruling was made in a case involving a dispute between the Orange Presbytery of the North Carolina Synod and the trustees of the Hillview Presbyterian church in Reidsville. The church withdrew from the presbytery in a dispute over title to the property of the congregation. (RNS)

## Baptists In Russia Are On Increase

HAMBURG, Germany—The associate general secretary of the All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians-Baptists in Russia reported here that 5,047 Baptist converts were made in the USSR last year.

Arthur Mitzekevitch of Moscow also told the European Baptists Federation's council that every church has a chief pastor and a number of assistants. There are 100 students now receiving seminary instruction by mail, he said.

Russian Baptists reportedly make up the largest group of Baptists in any European nation, with 550,000 members in more than 5,500 churches.

Mr. Mitzekevitch said a new Baptist hymnal is being prepared in Russian and will be published in an edition of 26,000 copies.

It was also reported that Baptists in Romania have received government permission to construct new church buildings, with a proviso that part of the funds are available in Western currency.

C. Ronald Goulding, secretary of the European Baptist Federation, said there was an immediate need for six buildings, each capable of seating 2,000 people, and that in each instance the members could contribute a substantial part of the cost.

There are some 1,300 Baptist churches in Romania with a combined membership of 120,000. (RNS)

## Boxer Kid Gavilan Religious Refugee

MIAMI—Kid Gavilan, world champion welterweight boxer from 1951-1954, arrived here as a religious refugee from Fidel Castro's Cuba.

"It is a crime to be religious in Cuba," said the 42-year-old Negro who arrived here as Gerardo Gonzales. A former Roman Catholic who is now a Jehovah's Witness, he explained that he was jailed nine times for preaching in the streets.

"I have to work for Jehovah," he said. "I have to go any place where human beings are to tell them about Jehovah's purpose. I have to tell them not to hate, but that people are to live together in love. I have to tell them that Jehovah is for everyone—not just the rich, and no matter what color they are.

"But you can't say that in Cuba. They call it political. The police started chasing me. They called me a Yankee CIA spy who was hiding behind religion." (RNS)

\* \* \*

In the condition of modern life the rule is absolute. The race which does not value trained intelligence is doomed.—Alfred North Whitehead, *Hoosier Schoolmaster*.



### THANK YOU TENNESSEE BAPTISTS!

Thank you! The privilege and responsibility which you have entrusted to me as editor of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR is accepted with an awesome sense of responsibility and deep gratitude.

I approach this responsibility with the full knowledge that apart from the direct and complete leadership of the Holy Spirit, any effort upon my part shall be in vain. Your constant prayers for me and for all those with whom I shall work are requested earnestly and sincerely.

We are indeed laborers together in a common task: That of seeking to advance the Kingdom of God upon earth, and witnessing continually to that hope which is in us of life eternal in God through Christ Jesus.

As a stranger in your midst there is, I am aware, that aspect of an unknown quantity. It is my sincere desire and objective to become acquainted personally with you—pastor and people—as quickly as possible. I hope you will allow me this privilege.

As successor to a distinguished Christian editor and leader such as Dr. Richard N. Owen, I come to this office with humility and with the prayer that my efforts might be acceptable to you as they are directed to the spiritual and practical tasks which are before us.

I pledge to you to do my best to present each week issues of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR which shall represent the best in religious journalism.

Thank you again, and pray for me.

James A. Lester

### SANCTITY OF PUBLIC WORSHIP

Whether in a Catholic cathedral in Washington, or an evangelical church—Baptist included—in Tennessee, or any other state, those who would lay claim to the blessings of Jehovah God are on dangerous grounds in disturbing public worship.

The spectacle of so-called worshipers filing out of the church in our National Capital in protest to a message—televised nationally—is alarming. The alarm stems from the increasing frequency with which such events occur. Disagree—yes! Voice opposition in Christian love—if necessary, yes. But to walk out of church while God's Word is being read, and a message delivered—we say NO—be it Catholic, Evangelical, or Jewish.

The hymn reminds—"The Lord is in His Holy Temple—Let All the earth keep silence before Him."

We doubt that the advance staging of a battery of microphones and a television camera trained on the aisle helped advance the cause of Christ either.

### CHALLENGE TO INVOLVEMENT

Tennessee Baptists are a cooperative fellowship in the churches, associations, and state convention for the collective advancement of the Kingdom of God through an effective witness to the saving power in Christ Jesus.

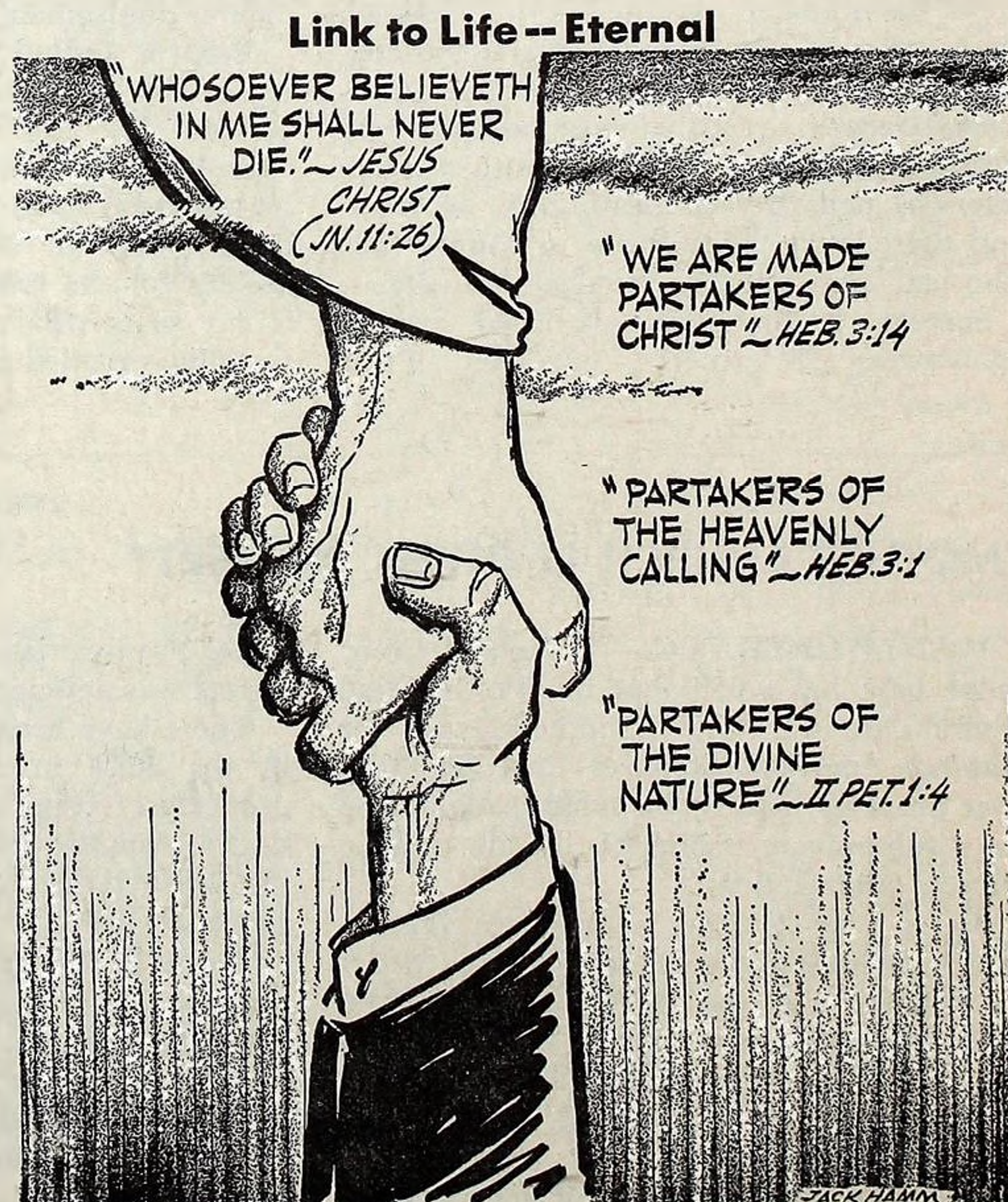
Baptists have worked historically well together to the Glory of our Lord.

This is a reminder that the annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention is scheduled for next month. In a culture which shuns involvement almost as a way of life, this is a challenge to the churches and church leadership to become increasingly involved in our work together. Plan now to attend the sessions of the Convention. Prayer now for the convention is needed. Prayer when one attends is needed.

Along with prayer, come and attend the sessions for a perspective of the broad panorama of our work which is presented best in the annual sessions. Laymen—men, women, boys and girls, need to attend along with their pastors.

Churches are requested to make provision now for the attendance of their pastors.

Tributes upon the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Richard N. Owen as editor of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR will be featured in the edition of October 10. (Ed.)





# Tennesseans To Participate In Congress On Evangelism

Seventy-five Tennessee Baptist pastors and denominational leaders are scheduled to attend the Continental Congress on Evangelism October 10-13 in Washington, D. C. Sessions will be held in the Shoreham Hotel.

The Congress is a four-day meeting of church and denominational leaders and laymen gathered for the purpose of studying and promoting evangelism. This meeting will be focusing on the 1969 Crusade of the Americas.

The meeting will begin on Thursday evening, October 10 and will conclude on Sunday morning, October 13.

Scheduled to speak on the program are: Dr. Rubens Lopes, president, Central Coordinating Committee, Crusade of the Americas; Dr. C. E. Autrey, evangelism director, Southern Baptist Convention, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Dale Moody, Professor of Christian Theology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Owen Cooper, Southern Baptist layman, Yazoo City, Miss.; Dr. Kenneth L. Chafin, Professor of Evangelism, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. and Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

Six manifestos, touching on such subjects as "The World Crisis and the Social Revolution" will be presented to the Congress as 2,500 Baptists from a dozen different national Baptist bodies meet.

The manifestos will be presented at the beginning of each session of the congress by a committee composed of members from six of the Baptist conventions involved.

There will be no votes taken on the manifestos, congress officials explained, and the statements will not be binding on any of the dozen Baptist bodies involved.

Topics for the manifestos are (1) "The Gospel and the Human Situation," (2) "Human Freedom and Dignity," (3) "The Church and Its Mission," (4) "The World Crisis and Social Revolution," and (5) "The Biblical Revelation," and (6) "The Cosmic Christ and the Space Age."

Each manifesto will seek to relate evangelism to specific issues and needs of the world today, and will emphasize the significance of evangelism in the modern world, said Wayne Dehoney, North American Regional Coordinator of the Crusade of the Americas and pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville.

The Continental Congress on Evangelism is a part of the hemispheric-wide Crusade

of the Americas involving Baptists in 31 countries of North, Central and South America. Baptists from the United States and Canada are involved in the meeting.

A committee headed by Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oklahoma City and a vice president of the Baptist World Alliance, was asked to draw up and to present the manifestos.

## Indoor Rally Slated

WASHINGTON—An indoor rally will substitute for a parade from Capitol Hill when the Baptist Continental Congress on Evangelism convenes here on Oct. 10. The parade, scheduled for the second day of the three-day conference, had caused considerable division among Baptists, particularly over its propriety.

Baptists in the Greater Washington area had complained when plans for a parade were announced early this Summer that it could be provocative. Parades and demonstrations of the Poor People's Campaign were then current.

Officials of the National Capital Park Commission, also fearing possible strong reaction to allowing use of grounds near the Washington Monument, refused to grant a usage permit. They since have reversed their position, saying permission is available.

## New Huntingdon Pastor

Willis W. Henson is the new pastor of the First Baptist church, Huntingdon. A native of Smithland, Ky., and a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Henson comes to Huntingdon from the pastorate of the Antioch Baptist church, Humboldt.

Henson has served this year as vice-president of the West Tennessee Pastor's Conference in Jackson.

## Yarnells On Furlough

The Rev. and Mrs. Carl F. Yarnell, Jr., Tennesseans, and Southern Baptist missionaries to Malaysia, are on furlough, and living in Jefferson City (Rt. 2, Hillcrest Dr., 37760).

Yarnell is a native of Knoxville, and Mrs. Yarnell a native of Blaine. Prior to appointment in 1955, Yarnell was pastor of the Holston Baptist church, Bluff City.

## "Service For Peace" Set At Olympics

MEXICO CITY—A huge interreligious "Service for Peace" at 8 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 10, will open formal religious observances related to the Olympic Games here.

The service, which will precede the opening ceremonies of the Olympic Games by two days, will be held in the Olympic Stadium of the City of Sports on the southern outskirts of Mexico City.

Its purpose will be "to demonstrate the religious cooperation of all Mexican Churches and the desire of all people for peace," said the Rev. Robert J. Jones, rector of Christ Church (Episcopalian) in Mexico City and a member of a commission of clergymen arranging religious services for the 19th Olympiad. (RNS)

## Help For Alcoholics

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The chief clinical chaplain of the Georgian Clinic in Atlanta, famed for its work with alcoholics, said that a new breed of activist minister, instead of being just a "largely untapped source of ancillary helpers in the field," can be the "key professional" in the treatment team to the alcoholic.

Dr. George P. Dominick told a panel on Religion and Church during the 28th International Congress on Alcohol and Alcoholism here that by virtue of their training, clergymen "are well able to tolerate and understand the ever-present death wish and self-destructive behavior of the alcoholic." (RNS)

## Won't Join Council, SBC Leader Affirms

ST. LOUIS—While deeply concerned for Christian unity, the Southern Baptist Convention will not become involved in current ecumenical projects, Dr. W. A. Criswell, SBC president, said here.

"Church councils and merger plans which tend toward the liberal left and de-emphasize the Scriptures and basic Christian doctrines have always been unacceptable to Southern Baptists, and will continue to be so," he said.

Dr. Criswell, pastor of the 15,000-member First Baptist church of Dallas, came here to address a rally of Baptists from eastern Missouri at Kiel Auditorium.

"I do not foresee any time in the near future when Southern Baptists would join the National Council of Churches or become participants in the Consultation on Church Union," he said. "Southern Baptists reject the liberal far left leanings of leadership in these groups, and we find that members of many other church groups are coming to reject them also." (RNS)



## Tennessee News Briefs

Mt. Olive Baptist, Knoxville, has ordained **Jerry Marshall** and **George Waller** as deacons. **Lewis D. Gourley** is pastor.

Western District Baptist Association held a pastor's retreat at Temple Baptist with **W. Fred Kendall II**, pastor, First Baptist, Union City, as guest speaker.

**Hal Sykes** is new pastor of Birds Creek church in the Western District Association. He was licensed recently by Jones Chapel, also in Western District.

**Morgan Wallace**, a student at Tennessee Tech, and a former member of First Baptist, Baxter, is new pastor at Morgan Graves church in the Stone Association.

**Quinton Rose** is new pastor at Caney Fork church, Stone Association.

**Rodger D. Eakin**, a senior at Belmont College, Nashville, was ordained to the ministry by the First Baptist church of South Pittsburg. Pastor **Norman O. Baker** led in the service of ordination.

Gleason First Baptist recently tried a new technique in evangelism when they set up a booth at a local fair for the distribution of the Scriptures and Gospel tracts. Pastor **Deryl G. Watson**, and members of the congregation manned the booth.

Central Baptist, Spring City, held note-burning ceremonies recently when the final payments were made on the education building. Pastor **Beecher Hammons** led in the service.

**Wayne Duggin**, a native of Murfreesboro, and a graduate of Belmont College, Nashville, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, has been named to the faculty of Clarke Memorial college, Newton, Miss.

Pastoral changes in the Carroll-Benton Association include: **Willis Henson**, new pastor, First Baptist, Huntingdon, and **Bill Warman**, Paris, to Chalk Level as new pastor. **Vance Rushing**, McKenzie, has resigned Liberty Hill after serving eight years as pastor.

Greenfield First church, has called **J. D. May** as pastor; his work to begin Oct. 13. He formerly served Fruitland church in Gibson County Association.

Central church, Chattanooga, reports 24 professions of faith, 10 additions by letter during their revival. **Clyde Chiles** was evangelist and **Frank Boggs** was singer and music leader. **Ansell T. Baker** is pastor.

**Dayne Hawks** has accepted a call to his first pastorate, Northwestern church in Weakley County Association. This is his home church. He was ordained by Pleasant Hill church in Beulah Association.

**E. D. Dawson** has retired from the pastorate and is living at 209 Jones St. in Martin.

Moore's Chapel church, Weakley County Association, has called **J. D. Alton** of Jackson as pastor.

**Jesse Pedigo, Jr.**, has been ordained by the Charlotte Road Baptist church, **Thomas C. Smith, Jr.**, pastor. Pedigo is pastor of the Lyncville church in Giles County.

**Dewie E. Williams** is new pastor of the Fowlkes Baptist Church. A graduate of New Orleans Seminary, Williams served for 12 years as pastor of the Bridgedale Baptist church, Metairie, La.

**Nick Harris**, has resigned as pastor of Latham's Chapel Baptist church, Gibson Association, to enrol in Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth.

**J. E. Ledbetter**, former pastor of the First Baptist church, LaFollette, and long-time Tennessee leader, is moving to Lenoir, N. C., where he will do special mission work.

Holston Valley Association plans a conference for Training Union officers and leaders, Monday, Oct. 7, at the North Fork Baptist church.

**Marvin Suiter**, for four years pastor of Hillcrest Baptist, Lebanon, became pastor of the First Baptist church, Centerville, Oct. 1. During his pastorate at Hillcrest, 165 members were received into the church, 103 by baptism.

**Ridgedale Baptist**, Chattanooga, commemorated 60 years of ministry recently with messages by Dr. Duke K. McCall, president, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. Wade Darby, president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention; Dr. Robert G. Lee, pastor emeritus, Bellevue, Memphis, and Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor, First Baptist church, Chattanooga, the mother church of Ridgedale. **R. Raymond Lloyd** is pastor.

**Jerry Lee Grace**, a graduate of Union University, and a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, was evangelist recently in revival services at Calvary Baptist church, Brownsville. His father, **J. T. Grace**, is Calvary pastor, and also clerk of the Haywood Association.

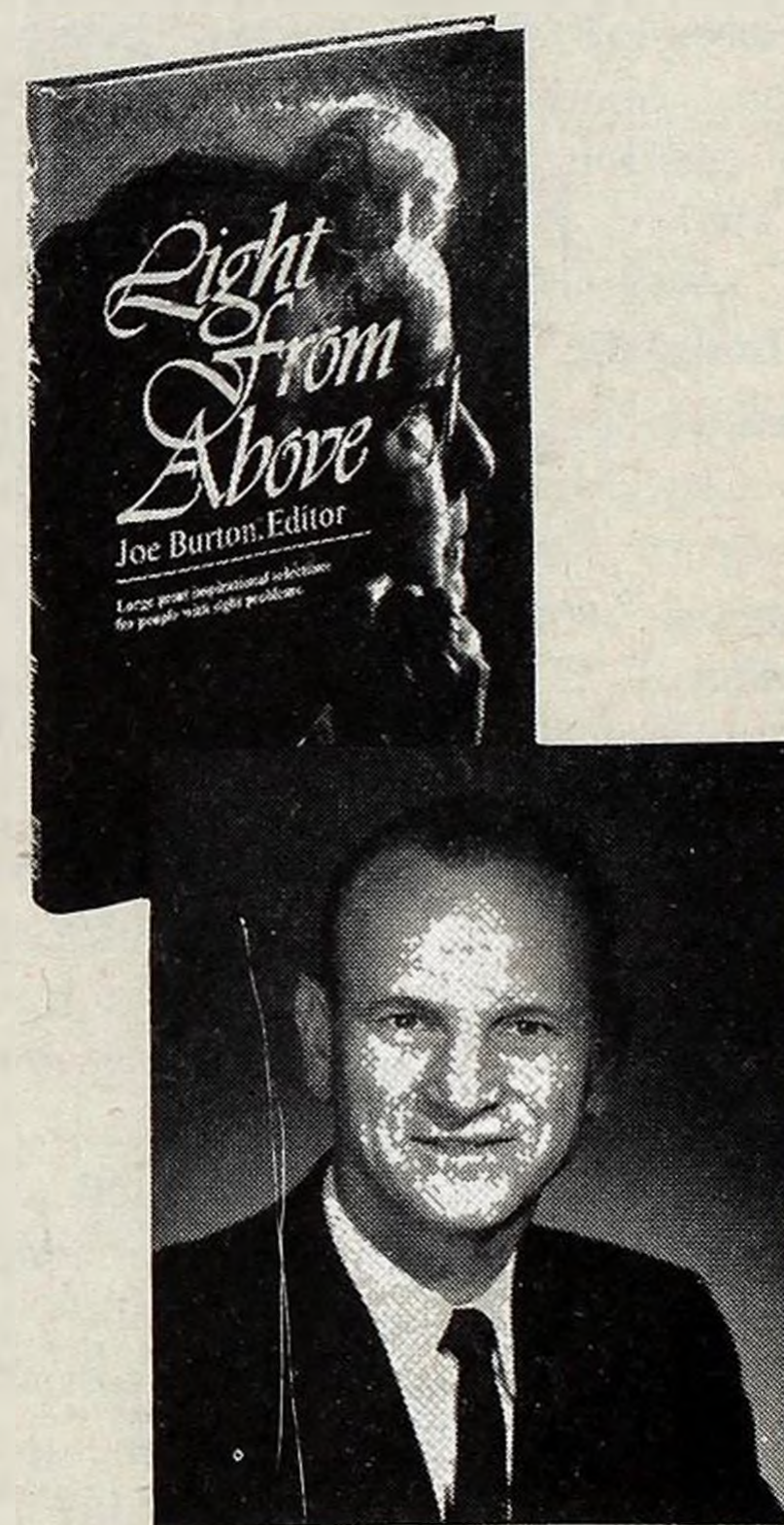
**Tommy Crocker**, son of E. Gordon Crocker, superintendent of missions for Shelby Association, has been licensed to preach by the Frayser Baptist church in Memphis.

Rosedale church ordained **David Foster** as deacon. Everett Hooper is pastor.

**Southside Church**, Martin, is completing a new educational unit and is installing central heat and air-conditioning throughout. **J. Gary Hines** is pastor.

**Thomas A. Rose**, Fulton, Ky., is serving as interim pastor at Central church, Martin.

## Home Life Editor has new book



Dr. Joe Burton, editor of **Home Life** magazine, has a new book published by Broadman Press this month.

**LIGHT FROM ABOVE** contains inspirational articles of varying lengths selected from **Home Life** magazine. In twenty-five true stories, the author of each shares some of his experiences with the reader and tells ways he faced various problems in life.

Printed in larger-than-usual type, the separate stories can easily be read by anyone with sight problems. Ideal for gift giving, **LIGHT FROM ABOVE** is available from your Baptist Book Store for \$2.75.



**BROADMAN PRESS  
NASHVILLE,  
TENNESSEE**

BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR



## Union Trustees Take Option on New 270-Acre Campus Site

**JACKSON**—The Union university Board of Trustees voted last week to take an option on a new 270-acre campus site located on the Highway 45 Bypass, north of the Interstate 40 Interchange near Jackson.

The tracts of property under option by the Baptist-supported institution are owned by Mr. and Mrs. T. Lamar Spragins and J. Randall Vann of Jackson.

Union University President Robert E. Craig stressed strongly that when the property is purchased it will be part of a long-range plan of development. It is anticipated that professional campus planners will be called upon to consult and work with college officials on the planning and designing of a future campus that will meet contemporary educational needs.

"We believe that the Christian college is based on an excellent liberal arts and sciences curriculum, is committed to motivate students toward service to the churches and to human good, is of a small, residential nature, and is able to furnish the student a climate of moral seriousness," Craid said.

He also said, "All of these things are a part of our program to continue the development of Union university into one of the finest colleges of its type anywhere, and this acquisition of property is one of the first major steps."

The Union president pointed out that, "In the meantime we will operate as usual at the present site, buildings will be kept in the finest state of repair, and we will continue to upgrade our facilities in keeping with the continuous demands of education."

As to the possible disposition of the present campus, Dr. Craig stated emphatically, "There are no plans at present for the disposition of the campus, and we are not negotiating with any prospective buyers."

## Center Is Scheduled Near New Building

Construction of a new, \$18-\$20 million shopping center directly across Franklin Pike from the site of the new Tennessee Baptist Convention building in Brentwood was announced this week.

To be known as Brentwood Mall, the center will be constructed on 67 acres of land, including property now occupied by the Brentwood Methodist church, which is directly across the highway from the Baptist building.

Businesses occupying nearly one million square feet of floor space are planned for the mall, according to press releases.

## Missions Conference

Beech River Baptist Association plans a World Missions Conference the week of Oct. 20-25, according to J. K. Sparkman, Lexington, missionary.

The conference includes an afternoon rally Oct. 20 at Calvary Baptist church, Parsons. Six foreign, six home and several state missionaries are scheduled to participate.

## Northern Plains Student Programs

**RAPID CITY, S.D.**—After 6000 miles of travel and 55 days of work on 11 campuses, four new student programs have been established in Southern Baptists' newest convention, the Northern Plains Baptist Convention with offices here.

Carrol W. Smith, director of Baptist student work at the University of Wyoming, Laramie, and three Texas college students traveled throughout Wyoming, Montana, North and South Dakota this summer seeking possibilities for starting student work.

Before the project began, only the University of Wyoming and Montana State University, Bozeman, Mont., among 47 colleges and universities in the Northern Plains Convention territory, had Baptist student programs.


As a result of the summer enlistment project, the University of Montana, Missoula, Mont.; Eastern Montana State College, Billings, Mont.; Casper Junior College, Casper, Wyo.; and Northwest Community College, Powell, Wyo., were added to the student work program of the Northern Plains Convention.

The project was sponsored by the Texas Baptist Student Union summer missions program, the student department of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Northern Plains Baptist Convention. (BP)

## 1817 Students Enroled At Carson-Newman

A record enrolment of 1817 students at Carson-Newman college is reported by Paul W. Roden, registrar and director of admissions.

Included in the total are 1770 full-time day students, a six per cent increase over last year. Roden noted that with 408 seniors, this was the largest senior class in history. A breakdown of other classes includes 455 juniors, 370 sophomores and 584 freshmen, a 15 per cent increase over the 1967-68 freshman class.

**LEARN DRAFTING AT HOME**

U.S. Labor Dept. says "42% more Draftsmen needed next 10 years." Send for FREE "DRAFTING CAREER KIT." No salesman will call.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**NORTH AMERICAN SCHOOL OF DRAFTING, Dept. 2860**

Accredited National Home Study Council 4500 Campus Dr., Newport, Calif. 92660

## National Crisis Seminar Slated

**CHICAGO**—Solutions, rather than problems, related to the national crisis will be explored in depth in a special seminar sponsored by the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention here early in 1969.

The seminar, which will seek to give Baptist businessmen a first-hand look at problems of the inner city and emphasize solutions, is slated for March 24-26, 1969.

Members of the Christian Life Commission's advisory committee meeting in Nashville recently approved general plans for the meeting.

In an effort to get more laymen involved, the committee decided that any pastor attending the seminar would be asked to bring one or two laymen to participate.

Foy Valentine, executive secretary-treasurer of the commission, explained that scheduling of the seminar broke a long-standing commission practice of conducting a conference on national issues every other year, saying "the seriousness of the hour and the need for practical solutions made it necessary" to have seminars two years in a row.

Valentine added that the meeting was scheduled as a part of the commission's response to the recent "Statement Concerning the Crisis In Our Nation" adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston last June.

Emphasizing the seminar significance Valentine said, "This is not a meeting to talk about sociological problems, it is rather a conference designed to help Southern Baptists find Christian answers to such critical problems affecting human lives as violence, unemployment, underemployment, poor housing, and substandard education." (BP)

**WOLFE BROS. & CO.**  
**PINEY FLATS, TENN.**  
Manufacturers of **DISTINCTIVE**  
**CHURCH FURNITURE**  
Since 1888. Write for free estimate.

**CHURCH FURNITURE**  
At a price  
**Any Church Can Afford**  
Write or call  
**WAGONER BROS.**  
**MFG. CO.**  
Phone: OR 5-2468  
**Booneville, Arkansas**





# If you DON'T DRINK

*special/multi-peril*

## HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE PROTECTION

*AT LOWER COST than  
standard Homeowners  
or Fire Insurance.*

## All this protection in ONE POLICY

**YOUR HOME** — Protected against damage by Fire, Lightning, Wind or Hail, Explosions, Smoke, Riot, Aircraft or Vehicle, Water-Ice-Snow. Garage and other structures included.

**PERSONAL PROPERTY** — Protected against damage by causes listed above — **AND** — protected against **THEFT** — **BURGLARY** — **ROBBERY** whether at home or away.

**FINANCIAL ASSETS** — (Family Liability Insurance) Protects you and your family against loss from legal liability for Bodily Injuries, including Death, or Damage to Property of others. Includes Medical Expenses and Costs of Lawsuit. Covers acts of children or pets. Find your Preferred Risk agent in the Yellow Pages

*Preferred Risk*

MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
AUTO / HOME / CHURCH / LIFE

6000 Grand Ave.  
Des Moines, Iowa 50304



MK (missionary kid) Julie Ingouf, who was born in Indonesia, seems to be casting a vote at the recent annual meeting of the Indonesian Baptist Mission (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries), while her friends, Susan Jones (center) and Joy Beevers, observe quietly, as befits newcomers who arrived in Indonesia within the past year. Julie is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John E. Ingouf, Susan, of Rev. and Mrs. Bobby L. Jones, and Joy, of Rev. and Mrs. Ernest B. Beevers. Susan is two; the other little girls are "going on two."

### '69 SBC Convention Theme Is Selected

NASHVILLE—"Christ in Faith and Work" will be the theme for the 1969 Southern Baptist Convention when it meets in New Orleans, June 10-13.

The theme was selected here during a meeting of the Committee on Order of Business, which outlines the program for the convention. Richard Kay, director of the church services division for the Southern Baptist General Convention of California, Fresno, is chairman.

The committee also named Lee Roy Till, minister of music for the First Baptist Church of Dallas where SBC President W. A. Criswell is pastor, as director of music for the New Orleans meeting. Till was also director of music for the 1964 convention in Atlantic City. (BP)

**TWO LADIES WANTED:** One to work in central kitchen and dining room; one houseparent to care for small girls, ages three through eight. Contact L. W. Hart, Supt., Baptist Children's Home, Franklin, Tenn. 37064. Phone 794-6648.

### For Sale

Twenty church pews 10 ft. long, ten pews, 9 ft. long, twelve pews ranging from 5 to 14 ft. long for choir; pulpit with two chairs and communion table. These were manufactured by Wolfe Brothers, and condition is fair to good in medium oak finish. Price \$500.00. Contact Pinecrest Baptist Church, Rt. 2, Johnson City, Tenn. Telephone 926-9394.

### California Plans

FRESNO, Calif.—The Executive Board of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California has approved a program of work for the next five years, and voted to recommend a record budget of nearly \$2½ million for 1969.

The board also voted to advance the current department of stewardship education and promotion from a half-time basis, to a full-time department, effective Jan. 1, 1969; to combine the current half-time Brotherhood and church music departments into one full-time department; and to make the position of associate in the Training Union department a full-time job, all effective Jan. 1, 1969.

A 1969 state convention budget totalling \$2,497,131 was adopted for recommendation to the state convention in November. The budget includes a Cooperative Program goal of \$1.3 million, with 26 per cent going to Southern Baptist Convention world mission causes. (BP)

### INFORMATION NEEDED

Anxious for "given" name a Baptist preacher Morrison; Eng. born, served as Amer. soldier Rev. or 1812; preached in Monroe County, Tenn. circa 1820; may have gone into N.C. or Ga. Oldest son, Thomas Jefferson, born 1820 Monroe Co.; another son John; daughter Elizabeth born 1827, married Wm. G. Thrasher—had several sons. T. J. later lived in Ga. & Ala. Reward for authentic information on name.  
GAY MORRISON, Sr., PO Box 55, Hot Springs, Ark. 71901





Keller



Drake



Yates



Ketchum



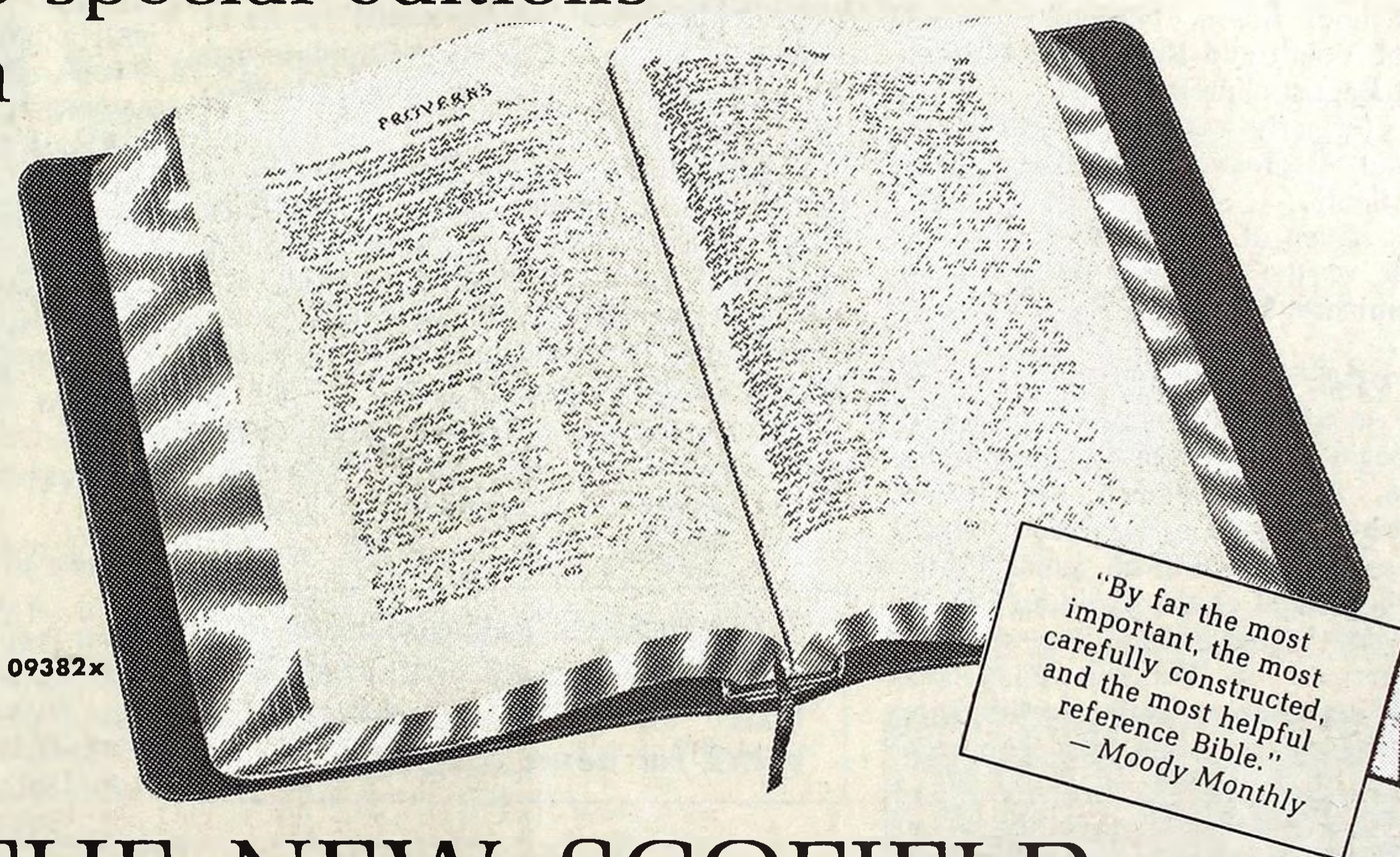
Gallaher



Kinamon

Six Tennessee college students are recipients of the 1968-69 Woman's Missionary Union scholarships. The grants are made possible by the **Golden State Missions** offering. Mary Northington Scholarships of \$400 each are awarded to one young woman at each Tennessee Baptist College. Mrs. A. O. Buck, Nashville, announces recipients as follows: Northington—Phyllis Carol Gallaher, Waynesboro; Elaine Keller, Maryville; Martha Ellen Ketchum, Dyersburg; Belmont endowed scholarship for \$300—Sandra Kay Kinamon, Chattanooga; and Medical scholarships—Linda Drake, Springfield; and Ronda Joyce Yates, Maryville.

Now—two special editions  
with extra  
space  
for your  
own  
notes



## THE NEW SCOFIELD

REFERENCE BIBLE WITH CONCORDANCE

### Looseleaf Edition

Ideal for student, teacher, and minister, this special NEW SCOFIELD edition features a looseleaf binding with a simple mechanism that permits the easy insertion and removal of pages.

The King James Version text is printed on writing-quality Oxford India paper. Ample margins and 192 pages of ruled bond paper provide space for personal notes. The edition includes Concise Concordance and 16 pages of New Oxford Bible Maps with Index.

1,808 pages, 6¾ x 9½ x 1⅜"

- |   |                |         |
|---|----------------|---------|
| Black Moroccoette.  | <b>09382x.</b> | \$29.50 |
| Black Pin Grain Morocco, leather lined.                       | <b>09385x.</b> | \$39.50 |
| Refills of ruled or unruled bond paper. 48 sheets (96 pages). |                | \$2.50  |

### Wide Margin Edition

Generous margins and a 32-page section of ruled bond paper for personal notes make this New Scofield edition particularly valuable for reference and study.

Printed on writing-quality Oxford India paper, the King James Version text is accompanied by Concise Concordance and 16 pages of New Oxford Bible Maps with Index.

1,648 pages, 6⅞ x 9½ x 1¼"

Black Natural Grain Morocco, leather lined.

**09379x.** \$35.00

#### Other popular New Scofield styles

Each with Concise Concordance. 1,600 pages; 16 pages of New Oxford Bible Maps with Index. Oxford India Paper editions—5¾ x 8⅝, only ⅞" thick.

- |  |                |         |
|--|----------------|---------|
| French Morocco. BLACK, BLUE, or RED.   | <b>09173x.</b> | \$19.50 |
| Cowhide, leather lined. With Family Record. BLACK, BLUE, or RED.             | <b>09178x.</b> | \$23.75 |
| Genuine Morocco, leather lined. BLACK, BLUE, or RED.                         | <b>09179x.</b> | \$27.50 |
| NEW! Hand Grained Morocco, leather lined. BLACK, BLUE, RED, BROWN, or GREEN. | <b>09187x.</b> | \$30.00 |

Thumb indexing available.



Order from Your Baptist Book Store  
**OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS**  
New York



## BSU Center Dedicated At Memphis State

Dedication of the new Baptist Student Center at Memphis State university was held Sunday, Sept. 22, with Dr. W. Fred Kendall, Nashville, executive secretary-treasurer of the Tennessee Baptist Convention as featured speaker.

The center, was constructed as a joint project of the Tennessee Convention and the Shelby County Baptist Association, at a cost of \$170,000.

Purchase of the property upon which the building was constructed has taken place over a 13-year period, at a cost of \$79,000

### Youth Director

Joe Mason, a consultant in the Recreation Department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, became director of Youth and Recreation at Nashville First Baptist church Oct. 1.

Mason formerly served as director of Youth and Recreation at First Baptist church, Atlanta.

He is a native of Hopkinsville, Ky., and a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

### Brentwood Mission

A new mission in Brentwood is scheduled to begin a full program of services on October 6. As yet unnamed, the mission, sponsored by Nashville's Woodmont Baptist church, has been meeting on Sunday afternoon in the chapel of the Children's Home at Brentwood. The mission has property near Brentwood on Franklin Pike upon which it plans to erect facilities. Bill Sherman is pastor of the sponsoring church.

### Scripture Passages

NASHVILLE—Printed Scripture passages will be returned to two Sunday School quarterlies beginning with the July-September, 1969, issues, the executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board announced here.

The decision followed evaluation of a test period during which the printed texts were omitted from four quarterlies, said James L. Sullivan, the board's top executive.

"It is evident," said Sullivan, "from the response we have received that the users of this material want the Scripture lesson printed." The text had been omitted from the young people's quarterlies in the Uniform Lesson Series and in the Life and Work Curriculum since the third quarter, 1968.

Because of publishing schedules, the third quarter of 1969 is the earliest date possible for the change. (BP)

according to Charles M. Rozelle, Nashville, Secretary of the Department of Student Work.

The new center includes space for recreation, meetings and Bible teaching. There is a library, prayer room, offices and a kitchen. There are approximately 4,000 Baptist students at Memphis State. Jerry Buckner is BSU director, and Gerald Martin, pastor of the Poplar Avenue Baptist church, Memphis, is chairman of the Shelby County Baptist Student Committee.

### Methodist "Reminder"

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The staff of the United Methodist Board of Christian Social Concerns here issued a "reminder" to its 11 million members and to other Churches that the denomination supports family planning and birth control.

Coming in the midst of the controversy in the Roman Catholic Church over Pope Paul's encyclical affirming traditional Church opposition to artificial birth control, the statement expressed "a deep concern for the maintenance of brotherly relations with our Roman Catholic friends . . ."

The hope was also voiced that the statement might "in the long run . . . contribute to the growth of ecumenicity on a sound basis." (RNS)

**Attendance and additions is not being carried this week in order to provide additional space for news coverage.**

## Opposition Noted To Death Penalty

HOUSTON—The National Council of Churches has placed itself in official opposition to capital punishment.

The action—taken in the form of a policy statement by the Council's General Board in Fall business sessions here—called for abolition of the death penalty under both federal and state law throughout the United States. (RNS)

## Luncheon Honors Retiring Editor

Personnel of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Executive Board, and friends have honored Dr. and Mrs. Richard N. Owen with a luncheon upon the occasion of Dr. Owen's retirement as editor of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR.

About 85 staff members attended the luncheon, and heard tributes paid by friends of the Owens including Convention Executive Secretary, Dr. W. Fred Kendall; Dr. Franklin Paschall, pastor, First Baptist church, Nashville; and E. T. Sparks, Jr., of Curley Printing Co., Nashville.

Owen was presented several gifts. He retired Oct. 1 after 18 years as editor of the Convention Journal.

\* \* \*

We live in a world of such amazing portent . . . a scientific friend of mine told me not long ago that "science is at the point where it can take man apart. But who," he asked, "is going to tell us in what way to put him back together again?"—Lowell R. Ditzen, *National Review*.

## DOES YOUR CHURCH NEED BUILDING MONEY?

*It's now available for*  
**CHURCHES AND CHURCH INSTITUTIONS**

- LONG TERM FINANCING
- CONSTRUCTION FUNDS
- REFINANCING
- REINVESTMENT OF BUILDING FUNDS

**Guaranty BOND**

AND SECURITIES CORPORATION

2312 WEST END AVENUE — NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37203 — TELEPHONE 615 — 291-4660

... specializing in First Mortgage Church and Institutional Financing; also we guarantee the complete sale of Bond Issues

**MAIL COUPON TODAY**

as low as  
**6%**

CURRENT INTEREST RATE

GUARANTY BOND AND SECURITIES CORPORATION  
P. O. BOX 603, NASHVILLE, TENN. 37202 — 615 — 291-4660

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ TEL. \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
MINISTER \_\_\_\_\_  
AMOUNT NEEDED \_\_\_\_\_ WHEN \_\_\_\_\_  
No obligation for information

## FIBERGLASS SPIRES

Large variety of sizes and prices of spires and crosses. Easily Installed. Light Weight. Maintenance free. Also, gas and electric hot water heaters and fiberglass baptistries.

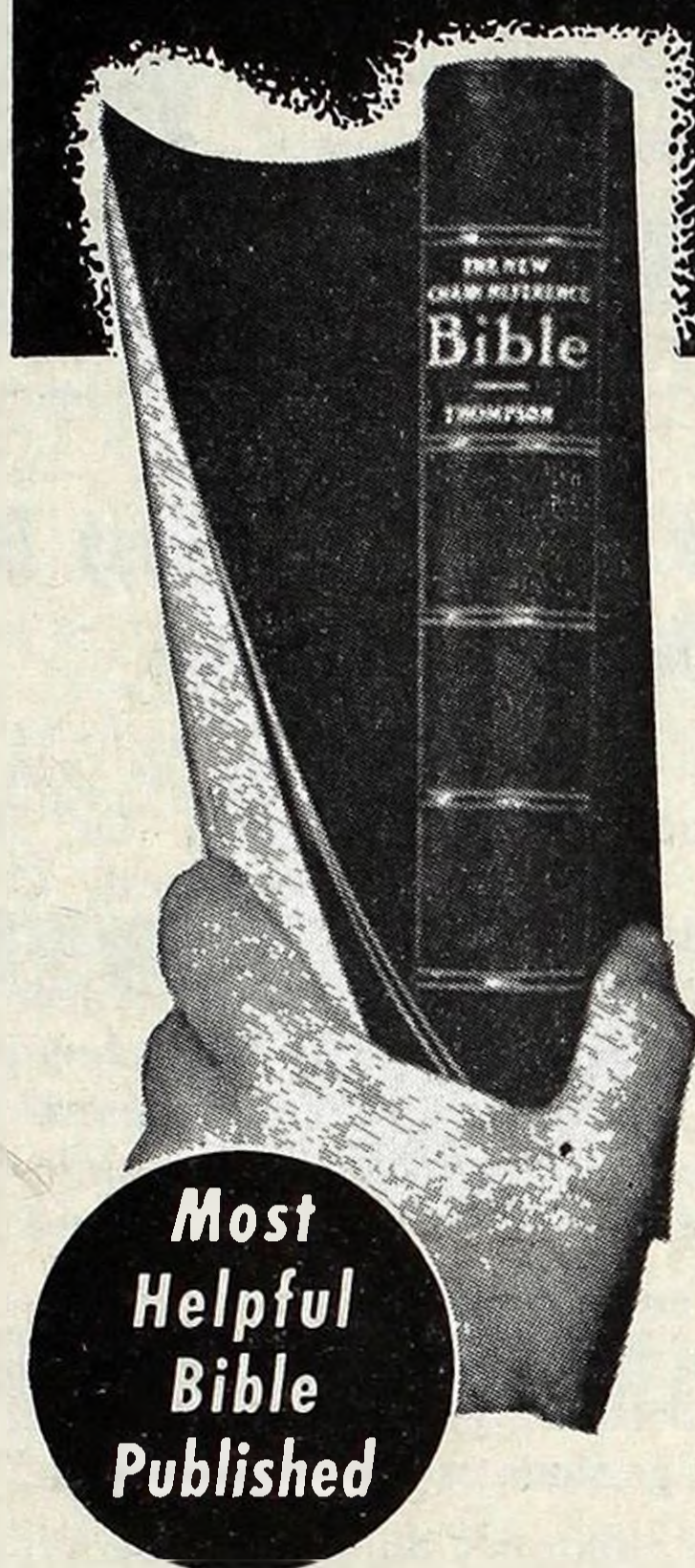


**LITTLE GIANT MANUFACTURING CO.**  
P. O. BOX 518 / 907 SEVENTH STREET / ORANGE, TEXAS 77630



# THE BIBLE *that will Surprise You!*

**Reveals Spiritual Meaning of Verses  
Gives Desired Information More Quickly**



57 FEATURES . . . 8 GREAT DEPARTMENTS MAKE—

## THE NEW CHAIN-REFERENCE BIBLE FOURTH IMPROVED EDITION

**Truly a Bible PLUS a Biblical Library in ONE Volume**

EDITED BY REV. F. C. THOMPSON, D.D., Ph.D.

### READ WHAT OTHERS SAY:

**Dr. Robert G. Lee:** "This is to testify that I have used the Thompson Chain Reference Bible for several years in my study of the Bible. I believe that it is the very best on the market today. I commend it most heartily. I wish that every reader of the Bible and every student of the Bible had a copy of this unusually helpful Bible." **Dr. W. R. White:** "The most satisfactory Bible for all 'round purposes I have ever examined or used. Here the Bible student can command the finest helps which scholarship is able to provide." **Dr. Joe T. Odle:** "I believe that this is one of the finest reference Bibles on the market today. It has more helps for Bible study than any other reference Bible I know, and while it is of special value to the preacher, it is of even greater usefulness to the laymen." **The Late Dr. F. M. McConnell:** "I firmly believe that a boy in the 7th grade can get more information from this Bible in two days than a preacher can get from an ordinary

Bible in a week." **The Late Dr. B. W. Spillman:** "I use it constantly and find it the most useful volume in my library. When it is known that my library has in it about five thousand volumes and not ten per cent of the books are in the realm of fiction, you can see how I prize this volume. To Bible students, it has a value which cannot be counted in money." **Dr. Duke K. McCall:** "The New Chain Reference Bible not only provides a wealth of useful helps in Bible study, but also provides them in a form which makes them accessible to the user. I bought a Chain Reference Bible during my first pastorate and have never ceased to use it. For the most useable and time-saving helps I suggest that one carefully examine this Bible before buying any other." **Dr. T. C. Gardner:** "I wish that every preacher, every Sunday School teacher and every Christian in this great nation of ours possessed one of these Bibles."

## Rapidly Replacing Other Bibles—Has So Many More New Helps!

1. Unique chart showing Origin and Growth of the English Bible.
2. The Outline Studies of Bible Periods, comparing Biblical History with Contemporary Secular History.
3. The Analysis of the Bible as a Whole.
4. The Analysis of each of the 66 Books of the Bible.
5. The Analysis of every Chapter of the New Testament.
6. The Analysis of the Verses of the entire Bible.
7. The Numerical Chain Reference System.
8. Special Analysis of the Important Bible Characters.
9. Contrast between the Old and New Testaments.
10. The Topical Treasury. New Topics for Prayer Meetings, Men's, Women's, Young People's Meetings, etc.
11. Special Bible Readings for private devotions and public services. New and different subjects.
12. Bible Harmonies of the Lives of Moses and Paul.
13. Special Portraits of Jesus.
14. Chart of the Messianic Stars.
15. Chart showing cause of the Babylonian Captivity.
16. Chart of the Temple of Truth, illustrating the Sermon on the Mount.
17. Chart of Jesus' Hours on the Cross.
18. The Christian Workers' Outfit. Of special value to soul winners.
19. All Prominent Bible Characters Classified, listing the Patriarchs, Leaders in Early Hebrew History, etc.
20. Golden Chapters of the Bible.
21. A Complete General Index of over seven thousand topics, names, and places.
22. Special Memory Verses selected from each Book of the Bible.
23. Chart showing Seven Editions of Divine Law.
24. Graph of the Prodigal Son.
25. Bible Mnemonics, or how to memorize.
26. The Principles and Best Methods of Bible study.
27. Pictorial Illustration of the River of Inspiration.
28. Bible Markings, Explaining best methods of marking one's Bible.
29. Concordance.
30. Atlas of 12 colored maps with index.

#### Other Features in Text Cyclopedia

31. Topical Study of the Bible. Correlated Scriptures printed out in full under 2467 topics and sub-topics. Three times as many as in any other Bible.
32. Contrast Study of Great Truths of the Bible. Enables you to study the Constructive and Destructive Forces of Life with the Bible verses printed out in full.

33. Life studies, such as Business Life, Home Life, etc.
34. Bible Stories for Children. A list of 56 stories to be read from the Bible itself.
35. Miracles of both the Old and New Testaments.
36. Parables of the Old Testament. Parables of the New Testament, each Gospel.
37. Titles and names of Christ; of the Holy Spirit; of God the Father; and of Satan.
38. General Bible Prophecies.
39. A list of the Prophets of the Bible.
40. List of the Judges of Israel and Judah.
41. List of the Notable Women of the Bible.
42. Mountains and Hills referred to in Bible.
43. Dictionary Material.
44. Tables of Time, Money, Weights and Measures.

#### More Unusual Features in the Helps

45. The Historical Bridge, covering interval between the Old and New Testaments.
46. Chart showing the History of the Apostles.
47. Harmony of the Gospels, citing references in different Gospels where events are given.
48. Calendar of the Christian Era.
49. The Post-Resurrection Appearances of Jesus, illustrated with well-known paintings.
50. Chart of the Seven Churches of Asia, described by John.
51. An Outline History of the Evangelistic and Missionary Work of the Early Church.
52. The Prophecies Concerning Jesus and their Fulfillment, arranged Chronologically, with principal verses printed out in full.
53. Map Showing Approximate Distances from Jerusalem to Various Historical Points.
54. Chart Showing the Interior Arrangement of the Temple at Jerusalem.
55. Nineteen Special Illustrated Maps Showing the Journeys of Abraham, Children of Israel, Joshua, Gideon, Samuel, Saul, David, Solomon, Jesus, Paul and Peter. These are separate maps, mind you—not several crowded together on one page.
56. Places of Religious Worship, Hebrew Times, Festivals and Religious Officials.

#### New in the Fourth Improved Edition

57. Archaeological Supplement. Over 100 illustrated accounts of discoveries in Bible lands linked by number with the Bible text.

The Revised Version is given in the wide margin opposite the verses, wherever an important difference in meaning occurs.

### Be Fair to Yourself!

See this special Bible with its unequalled practical helps before you buy any Bible—or you may regret it as others have. Ask your pastor about it. No other Bible is so highly praised by so many renowned Bible Students.

**SEND NOW  
for this  
big FREE  
descriptive  
BOOK**



### Agents Wanted

B. B. KIRKBRIDLE BIBLE CO., INC.  
Dept. R-2910 39 East Ohio  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

☐ Without cost or obligation to me, send a copy of the big illustrated book, "A New Bible for a New Day," and full particulars concerning the Fourth Improved Edition of your New Chain Reference Bible.

☐ Send your special terms to Representatives.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**B. B. Kirkbride BIBLE CO., INC.**

DEPT. R-2910 39 EAST OHIO  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204



## GOOD NEWS FROM GOD

**Basic Passage: Galatians 1**

**Focal Passage: Galatians 1:6-17**

This is the best term for the gospel: "Good News From God." This is the only scriptural gospel there is. Good tidings out of heaven from God is the basic hope of the world. It is not good advice, needed reform or a political ideology.

It is good news in the sense that God is in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself. This implies that God has accepted the work of Christ for the reconciling of the alienated sinner to Himself. Thus God restores him to fellowship with Himself through his union with Christ. Sin is not only forgiven but man's nature is changed along with his status before God.

To obey the gospel is to accept the good news on God's terms. What commandment are we to obey in order to fulfill God's condition of acceptance? It is to repent and believe the gospel. "He that believeth on him hath everlasting life but he that believeth not on him shall not see life." John 3:36. The phrase, "but he that believeth not," is better translated, "he that obeyeth not." Yet this is the negative to, "he that believeth," and is very similar in the Greek. In other words, it means disobeying in the sense of refusing to believe.

### A Perverted

**Gospel Galatians 1:6-7**

Paul rebukes the Galatians for being led astray from the true gospel and for being upset by another gospel. The Pharisees who had come to recognize Jesus as the Christ were still clinging to the law particularly the ceremonial part like circumcision. They wanted to mix the works of the law with the new faith for salvation.

There are those today who would supplement the finished work of Christ with their own efforts of merit. This is perverting the gospel into something that is no gospel. Some would add observing the high standards of The Sermon on the Mount. Neither natural nor carnal man can keep the law as interpreted by Jesus much less the principles of The Sermon on the Mount.

### Certainty of Pure Gospel

**Galatians 1:8-12, 16-17**

Paul is absolutely and unconditionally sure about the true gospel. Even if some influence should cause him to come up with another gospel or some angelic being should proclaim another, each is to be anathema.

Why is Paul so positive about the gospel? He who had relied so heavily on keeping the law completely reversed his belief by a great experience with Christ. He knew that it had come about in spite of his fixed attitude or anticipation. It was a radical reevaluation in his life.

There was one thing certain. It did not come from man, not even an apostle. He had not conferred with flesh or blood. He had gone into the desert for a substantial period after conversion. Alone with God with plenty of time for reflection helped him to confirm his new faith. It was his own seminary. He never wavered nor deviated. He was not only intellectually convinced but he was experientially confirmed.

### His Confirming Experience Galatians 1:13-15

There was never any Jew more set in the mould of his background in the Hebrew faith. He had been not only conditioned to it by skillful training in his tender young childhood, but he had been thoroughly schooled in its intellectual polemics by the greatest teacher of Judaism of his day.

He had advanced in the positions of confidence, honor, and respect in the leadership of his religion. In fact he had become one of its most brilliant and zealous leaders.

A mighty upheaval hit his complacent smugness in his faith. A marvelous work of grace and revelation with a highly specialized call to service, contrary to every deeply rooted prejudice, came to him. He responded immediately to God's will. He was to witness to the heathen, Gentile world.

There was no high degree of probability or fairly convincing experience to him. It was a reality so overwhelming that no doubt remained or ever reappeared in his experience. "I know," became the big word in his new vocabulary of faith.

Many great critics have sought to discount his mighty witness, but none has been able to make any headway. One learned expert in legal evidence completely reversed himself in his study of Paul. He started with the idea of tearing his testimony to pieces. Millions have come to believe because of his witness.

We have good news from God in Christ. All we have to do is accept it and experience it to be certain of it. Nobody who does not believe it, however learned, knows enough to know that we are wrong in believing it. With unashamed certainty let us proclaim it to the ends of the earth.

We know that the gospel is both a fact and factor in experience. Its outworking only begins with conversion. "He that hath begun a good work in us will perfect it unto that day." Our New Testament has a pattern for living and serving to those who have been begotten by the gospel. The dynamic has been planted in us. It must have directed expression. This is in God's plan. "We who have been saved by grace are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works which God has before ordained that we should work in them."

### On Matters of FAMILY LIVING

By Dr. B. David Edens,

Director, Marriage and

Family Program

Stephens College

Columbia, Missouri 65201



## Sense Of Humor Must Be Instilled, Encouraged

Instill a sense of humor in your child and encourage its growth, Dr. Robert Heckel of University of South Carolina urges parents. "Most of children's humor develops in the interaction between them and their parents," says the psychology professor. "It reflects what is present in the home. Your children may not develop a sense of humor if you don't have one."

The ancient ritual of peek-a-boo usually provides baby with his first belly laugh. From there on, parents either encourage or discourage signs of humor.

Since children's humor is centered on the incongruous and nonsensical, at times adults may find pre-schoolers' and elementary schoolers' "funny-ness" almost too silly to be borne, but it is proof of a growing sense of fun and therefore should not be banned or severely squelched, says Dr. Heckel.

"Repetition plays a surprisingly prominent place in the humor of children," his long-term study of humor-development has shown. "When some character on a kid show repeats a line over and over, it drives an adult out of his skull, but it's funny to a child."

As children grow from stage to stage, their humor changes. "You can almost predict a child's age by his jokes and his response to the question 'what does funny mean?'," says Dr. Heckel, so if the current phase of funny gets to you, hang on to your patience. The youngster may yet ascend to the witty banter level.

Humor is also closely linked to the time and situation of occurrence, factors that make adult reaction to kids' "funnies" understandably erratic.

"We'll laugh when a 2-year-old does something but get upset at a 6-year-old who tries the same thing."

Still a sense of humor can and *must* be developed if a child is to be able to cope with life's ups and downs with some degree of perspective, stresses the psychologist. When youngsters see that their parents are able to laugh at daily difficulties, they grow up with built-in perspective themselves.



# Historically:

## From the files

### 50 YEARS AGO

Membership in Southern Baptist Churches totaled 2¾ million.

After much debate during the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Hot Springs, Ark. women were allowed to vote in succeeding conventions. The name was changed from the "brethren" to "messengers". 2,000 delegates and visitors registered.

### 20 YEARS AGO

The ninety-first session of the Southern Baptist Convention met in the Municipal Auditorium in Memphis, Tenn.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Richard N. Owen, Nashville, was re-elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Society.

Norman W. Cox, Nashville, retired as executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission after 7 years service.

## Counsellor Named

Paul Brown has assumed duties as recruitment counsellor for Union University for the Memphis and Shelby County area. He formerly served as pastor of Oakhaven Baptist Church, Memphis.

In his new position, Brown will be helping young people become familiar with the opportunities and advantages of attending the Jackson based Baptist school. His duties will also call for aiding students in seeking financial aid while in school at Union.

He, his wife and four children will continue to live in Memphis.

Electronic Tower Chimes  
Tapes Records

**ELECTRO MAC**

215A Highway 17-92

Longwood, Florida 32750

Phones (305) 831-1061 671-4219

Parts and Factory Service for  
Morton Tower Chimes

## Training Union Improvement Clinic

A second Tennessee Baptist Convention-wide Training Union Improvement Clinic will be held at Camp Linden, Linden, Sat., Oct. 19, according to Charles L. Norton, Convention Training Union secretary. A similar clinic was held at Camp Carson in September.

More than 200 Training Union leaders and members are expected to attend the session which gets under way at 9:30 a.m. on the 19th, and continues until 3 p.m.

Emphases for all age groups in the areas of purpose, material, and organization are planned.

In announcing the clinic, Norton indicated that participants would bring a picnic lunch, and that the Training Union department would pay one cent per mile for each leader attending, singly or several per car.

Clinic leaders include Don Trotter, Nashville, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board; Miss Alma Mae Scarborough, Nashville, Sunday School Board, Norton, and other leaders from the Tennessee Baptist Convention Training Union offices.

## Witness At Fair

For the second successive year, Wallace Memorial Baptist Church in Knoxville, has presented a Christian witness at the Tennessee Valley A. & I. Fair by showing Billy Graham's New York World's Fair film "Man in the Fifth Dimension." A second film, Sermons from Science's "Signpost Aloft" was also shown.

Over 10,000 people saw the two films in the eight days of the fair. One hundred and fifty members of the church participated in the presentations of the films serving as projectionists, office workers, ushers, hostesses and night watchmen.

"We were thrilled at the response of people to this approach of Christian witnessing," said James McCluskey, pastor of Wallace Memorial. . . . "We feel we must continue to find ways to share the good news of Christ outside the church buildings."

**LARGE PRINT  
MASTER  
VERSE REFERENCE®  
BIBLES**

*America's Oldest Bible Publisher*

**SEE THESE SUPERB  
HOLMAN  
BIBLES**

AT YOUR BAPTIST BOOK STORE

1010 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.  
706 S. Gay Street, Knoxville, Tenn.  
724 Cherry Street, Chattanooga, Tenn.  
24 N. Second Street, Memphis, Tenn.

## From the Executive Secretary

By W. Fred Kendall

Changes in leadership and personnel bring a period of transition and change in any phase of our work. This week we present a new editor of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. It is a privilege to present the Rev. James A. Lester to Tennessee Baptists. He



Dr. Kendall

comes with an excellent background of experience for this position. He has served as pastor and has a good understanding of the church life of our times. He has a splendid training in journalism and served one of our great daily newspapers. He has served many years in the field of promotion and public relations. He knows the life

and work of our denomination. He has a great concern for communicating the news to our people.

This column is the beginning of a new feature which will appear each week. It will give the Executive Secretary an opportunity to express his views on timely topics in the current scene. He keeps in touch with every phase of Southern Baptist and Tennessee Baptist life and activity. He has an opportunity to view all of the work from a perspective that is unique.

Mr. Lester has spent the last few weeks in orientation and in getting acquainted with our state and its leadership. He has moved into his new home near Brentwood near the location of the new office building. Mrs. Lester and their two sons are also making the adjustment to a new home in a new city.

Several changes will need to be made in the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. Each editor makes an impact on the paper with his personality and creative ideas. This will begin a new era for the paper. There will be a constant effort to improve it and to make it one of the best papers in the Southern Baptist Convention. We hope to greatly increase the circulation. The paper ought to be in every Baptist home and every church ought to get it in its budget. It is a Baptist newspaper, but it is more than that. Through editorials and articles and other features it will seek to meet the spiritual needs of the homes and the churches.

Give your prayerful support to our new editor. We hope you will soon get to know him. Today he begins a ministry which we trust will continue for many years and which will bring great blessings to Tennessee Baptists.

**The Children's Page is not  
being carried this week in  
order to provide additional  
space for news coverage.**



## Historical Society

Rev. Glenn Toomey, associational missionary, Nolachucky Baptist Association, will discuss church and associational records of his area at the October 5 meeting of The East Tennessee Chapter, Tennessee Baptist Historical Society.

The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City.

During the meeting, a Constitution will be presented for adoption, and information concerning the microfilming of church records will be given.

## Concert Slated By Miss Criswell

Miss Ann Criswell, daughter of Southern Baptist Convention president W. A. Criswell, pastor, First Baptist church, Dallas, Texas, will present a concert October 4 in Massey auditorium, Belmont College, Nashville.

The piano to be used has not been played in one-hundred-seventeen years. The last person to perform with the instrument was famed soprano Jenny Lind.

One of Belmont College's prized possessions (a gift to old Ward Belmont) the piano, according to tradition, was locked after Miss Lind's 1851 concert at the old Adelphi Theatre in Nashville.

Miss Criswell, a Royalty records personality, majored in music at Southern Music Methodist University and has sung on nation-wide television with Billy Graham.

Sharing the program with Miss Criswell will be W. Porter Ware, registrar at the University of the South in Sewanee. He will discuss the Jenny Lind craze of the 1850s.

## Foundation Report

By Jonas L. Stewart  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

The Tennessee Baptist Foundation has recently received a check for \$10,000, a legacy from the will of the late R. B. Woolsey. A trust fund will be created as a memorial to his faith in our Lord. It will never be spent but the income from the earnings therefrom will be used for the Lord's work until Jesus comes to earth again.

One interesting feature about this legacy is that none of us connected with the Foundation were aware that we were included in the will until the check arrived. No one knows how many other Christian stewards have already made or would like to make provisions for such a testimony through their will.

The executive secretary of the Foundation would be pleased to counsel with anyone who is interested in such a lasting memorial. He may be contacted at 1812 Belmont Boulevard, Nashville.

## Interpretation

By Herschel H. Hobbs  
**Does the Holy Spirit  
Fill Your Mouth?**

"For the Holy Ghost [Spirit] shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say." Luke 12:12

Some people mistakenly take this promise to mean that a teacher or preacher does not need to study. The Holy Spirit will fill his mouth.

However, this promise was given within the context of persecution. "And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and unto the magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought [be not anxious] how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say" (v.11). "Say" renders the word whence comes "apologetics." It refers to what one shall say as his defence in court.

This was a promise given for that particular period, before the Christian doctrines had been fully wrought out. And it was fulfilled often as seen in Acts.

However, it should be noted that it had no reference simply to teaching or preaching the gospel. It dealt with an emergency situation. It is no excuse for lazy teachers or preachers. The Holy Spirit works through the mind and heart. Every Christian teacher and preacher knows the experience of some idea, better than any which he had planned to say, coming to him as he spoke. This is the work of the Holy Spirit. But it came after the human effort of preparation. Normally the Holy Spirit can work more effectively as one gives honest effort to preparation. He can speak to your mind and heart through prayerful study and meditation. Let Him do so during the week. And He will be more likely to do so in process of delivery.

As a boy I took corn to the grist mill. There I learned that if you want meal to come out, you must first put the corn in. This is true of teaching and preaching also.

When I do not prepare before trying to preach, I have noticed that my mouth is filled. But it is filled with noise and hot air. And that is not a filling by the Holy Spirit!

## Property Sale Approved

BALTIMORE—The Baptist Convention of Maryland, in its first called special session in history, voted overwhelmingly to sell the property originally slated for a Baptist college in Walkersville, Md., "as quickly as feasible."

It was also the shortest convention meeting in history, lasting a mere 46 minutes.

Disposal and sale of the property was placed in the hands of the State Mission Board of the convention and its executive committee.

Total assets of the property, including a 140-acre tract about 50 miles Northwest of Baltimore, reportedly are about \$750,000, while liabilities are listed at about \$575,000. (BP)

## New Books

**Simple Sermons on Prophetic Themes;** W. Herschel Ford, Zondervan, \$2.95; Twelve messages by the popular Baptist author and one-time Tennessee pastor; "Centered around one theme—the glorious return of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ". (author)

**Rozelle's Complete Lessons for 1969;** Brooks Ramsey, Zondervan, \$3.25; Another in the Rozell commentary series by the pastor of the Second Baptist Church in Memphis. A well written aid for Sunday School teacher and pupil.

**How to Marry A Minister;** Martha W. Hickman, Lippincott, \$3.95 ". . . Advice to young ladies . . . dating seminary students as a means of capturing a minister for a husband."

**Religious Identity;** Gibson Winter, MacMillan paperback, \$1.45; "The formal organization and informal power structure of the major faiths in the United States today".

**Sixteen Days On The Church Calendar;** Calvin Miller, Baker, \$2.95; Suggestions for promoting major emphases on calendars in most Baptist churches.

## Hooker Is Retiring After 48-Year Ministry

By David Keel

"Hooker" is retiring.

Forty-eight years to the month, Rev. Parker H. Hooker is retiring from the ministry. "Hooker", as he is known to his many friends, preached his first sermon in September, 1920, at the Cool Springs Baptist Church in Georgia. On September 28, 1968 he preached his last sermon as an active pastor at Zion Baptist church in Polk County, Tennessee.

Hooker was ordained to the ministry by the Boanerges Baptist Church in Polk County in May, 1925, and nine of his 14 pastorates have been in Polk County.

He has served as moderator of Polk County Association as well as sharing in other associational responsibilities.

Hooker has been faithful in attendance at various meetings in the state, including the Pastors' Retreat at Camp Carson and 27 annual returns to the Preachers' School at Carson-Newman college.

Friends are making donations in money and labor toward the construction of a home for the Hookers. The home is nearing completion, built on a lot, almost an acre, also donated.

Rev. and Mrs. Hooker (Nettie Pell) have two sons, Price, of Brogueville, Pa., and T. D., of Norris, and six grandchildren.

Officials of Polk County Baptist Association paid tribute to the Hookers at Zion Church.