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JOHN A. RILES DIES OF HEART ATTACK

John A. Riles, 46, pastor of First church, Jamestown, for five years, died following a heart attack.

Funeral services were held at the Jamestown church with George Phillips, pastor at Lexington, Ky., officiating. The body was moved to Cosmopolitan Funeral Home in Memphis, where services were held May 23 with Memphis pastors, D. M. Renick, LaBelle Haven church and Bernard Campbell, Georgian Hills church, officiating. Burial was in Memphis.

A native of and former pastor in Memphis, Riles came to Jamestown from Liberty church, Covington.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Helen Thomas Riles, of Jamestown.

COVER

Three photographs of the New Orleans area indicate some of the beautiful scenery messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention will have opportunity to view. They are:

Sails and Power on Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans.

Abandoned Fort Pike at the Rigolets, on U.S. Hwy. 90, east of New Orleans.

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Personally

By James A. Lester

This issue of the **Baptist And Reflector** has been printed "all over town." The first signature, or eight pages, were printed in the Curley Printing Company plant on Laurel street—**Baptist And Reflector** printing and mailing home for 10 years. The final eight pages were printed in the spacious new facilities of Curley Printing Company in East Nashville. (Story and editorial elsewhere in this issue.) Your news-journal is now lodged—print-wise—in one of the finest, most modern facilities in the country. We'll have, perhaps, a few more headaches in getting copy to and from the printer now. With the impending move in August of your state offices from the campus of Belmont college to Brentwood and the wonderful new building there, we'll be even further, about 20 miles across town. This poses no problems. We just thought you would be interested to know of the somewhat harried week for the folks who print, bind and mail our paper occasioned by the move.

Incidentally, your last issue of the paper was printed in entirety on Laurel street and carried uncut and unbound across town for assembly and distribution.

Pulpit To Pew

By Jim Griffith

This has been called "the age of the spectator."

So many are content to remain on the sidelines rather than getting out into the spiritual battle of life that we could say today's watchword is: "Watching."

And considering this, the motto for many would be: "Don't do something—just stand there."

Whereas many more used to sing, "Standing on the Promises, I Cannot Fall," they now sing:

"Standing on the sidelines, I will not work—

All my churchly duties I will gladly shirk.

And the crying need of all I will ignore,

Just myself is all that I am living for.

Standing, standing, standing on the sidelines as the Christians snore,—

Standing on the sidelines evermore!"

Devotional

STRONG IN THE LORD

By Norman O. Baker, Pastor
First Baptist Church, South Pittsburg

"Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might." Eph. 6:10b. Jesus had not promised an easy road. Paul knew nothing about an easy-going Christianity. Why then, should Christianity be portrayed as that which faces little or no opposition; that offers placid existence; that makes no real demands on her converts?



Baker

Ours is a day when international law is openly ignored. Ours is a day when moral standards have suffered abuse on

every hand. The guiding buoys of civilization have been torn from their moorings and are drifting out over dangerous shoals. Man is lost without faith; real, unfeigned faith in the very living God.

Not only is ours a day when a strong faith in God is a must, but likewise the unfeigned faith that the spiritual forces will come through. We need to recapture the spirit of John who in Revelation wrote, "Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth" (Rev. 19:6b).

Paul suggested that after having made what preparation needed, such as the helmet of salvation, the sword of the spirit and the breastplate of righteousness, then the Christian take his firm stand and stand against the wiles of the devil. Men of conviction. Men of faith. And men who are willing to combine the two in becoming that man who will truly be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might.

Mission Couples Needed For French West Africa

At least 11 couples are needed to strengthen existing Southern Baptist work in West Africa and to enter two more countries, according to reports presented at the second conference of Southern Baptist missionaries to French-speaking nations of West Africa, held recently in Abidjan, Ivory Coast.

A survey team recommended that Southern Baptists begin work in Dahomey immediately and in Upper Volta as soon as the work in Dahomey has been sufficiently staffed.

Missionary D. Edwin Pinkston, of Abidjan, a member of the team, said about 200 Protestant missionaries are now working among a population of more than 10,000,000 in Upper Volta, Niger, and Dahomey, all former French colonies. He noted that combined Protestant church affiliation in the three countries is about 70,000.

DISCIPLINE IN THE HOME

By T. B. Maston

Retired Professor of Christian Ethics
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

One of the most difficult and delicate tasks of parents is the discipline of their children. Some may be too severe, others may be entirely too lax or easy, while many and possibly most are inconsistent.

Unfortunately the father and mother frequently differ regarding the discipline of the children. If this is true they should work out their differences in private and not in the presence of the children.

An understanding of the purpose of discipline will help parents to know when and how to discipline their children. The purpose from the viewpoint of the child is that he may mature into a person who can discipline himself. If this is to be accomplished, the child must understand the purpose of the discipline and believe in its fairness.

Also, children cannot mature into well-discipline persons unless they are led increasingly to make their own decisions. The effective shifting of authority from parents to growing children is one of life's most significant achievements.

Another purpose of discipline is the maturing of law-abiding citizens. The home more than any other agency or institution will determine whether or not society has such citizens. Unless parents in the home teach respect for authority and for those who exercise that authority, society will not have citizens who respect the law and those who enforce the law.

There are a number of things that will help to make the discipline more effective than it would be otherwise. Fairness of the punishment has been mentioned. The child should be convinced that the discipline or punishment is not excessive for the particular violation.

The child should also understand the reason for the discipline. This ordinarily requires the parent to be calm and to talk the matter over with the child. Seldom is a parent justified in punishing a child when he is angry.

There are few things more important in discipline than consistency. Too frequently parents let how they feel determine whether or not they discipline a child. The effectiveness of punishment depends more on its consistency and the understanding of the child of the reason for the punishment than on its severity.

Where does physical punishment fit into the whole picture of discipline? Too many parents practically equate physical punishment and discipline. There are many other methods of discipline: talking to a child, withdrawal of privileges, restriction of activities, etc. The method used should be

Religion Around the World

WACO—Six bound volumes of the complete writings of Dr. J. Philip Hyatt, professor of Old Testament, Vanderbilt university, Nashville, Tenn., were given to Baylor university in a presentation ceremony Thursday, May 29, in the foyer of the Moody Memorial Library.

Dr. Hyatt, who was on the Baylor campus to receive an honorary doctor of laws degree during commencement exercises Friday, May 30, also preached the Baccalaureate sermon at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 29, in Waco hall.

Dr. Edward Dalglish, professor of religion at Baylor, has spent more than a year gathering and collecting the works of Dr. Hyatt.

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GRACEVILLE, Fla.—Dr. William G. Caldwell will begin as Professor of Religious Education at Baptist Bible institute, Aug. 1.

He won't be far from home, although he will resign as minister of education from Cliff Temple Baptist church, Dallas, Texas, to make the move.

He's a native of Atlanta, Ga., and Montgomery, Ala. His father is the Rev. George Caldwell, Training Union Secretary for the Alabama Baptist State Convention. He lives in Montgomery.

The younger Caldwell is 35 and married to the former Dianne Clemm of Fairfax, Ala. They have two children, Gerald 11, and Janis 9.

Seminary Offers Presidency To Lutheran P. R. Expert

ST. LOUIS—A public relations specialist has been asked to assume the presidency of Concordia seminary operated here by the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

The Rev. John H. Tietjen, 40, executive secretary of the division of public relations for the Lutheran Council in the U. S. A., will become the 6th president of the 130-year-old seminary if he accepts. (RNS)

adapted to the child as well as to the offense.

At least one or two additional words should be addressed to parents concerning the discipline of their children. They cannot expect to have well-disciplined children unless they themselves are well-disciplined. Also, when properly understood discipline includes much more than punishment.

The moral and spiritual principles and ideals that are built into the lives of growing children will be major factors in disciplining their lives. Also, the atmosphere of or the spirit in the home will make a major contribution.

The best discipline is largely unconscious, primarily caught rather than taught.

Children's Homes

"MAKE IT ON MY OWN"

By James M. Gregg, Executive Director

One of the boys who was reared in our Home attended one year at Belmont college and was drafted into the Army, recently wrote me, "I shall be getting out of the Army in two months and I plan to continue my schooling on the G. I. Bill and by working part time. I appreciate the help you have rendered through the years. It has been most helpful but I now feel that it is up to me to make it on my own. I am forever thankful to the Home for bringing me up as you did. Now I hope I can make a good name for myself in return."

Tennessee Baptists, through their love, concern, prayers and support, have made it possible for your Children's Homes to help hundreds of deserving boys and girls like this one to reach the place where they can "make it on their own."

Thank you and God bless you, Tennessee Baptists.

Church Music

SUMMER SPECIALISTS

For the 14th consecutive year the Church Music department of Tennessee Baptist Convention is providing competent musicians to assist churches and associations in improving and expanding their programs of music.

Two experienced workers, Larry Smith of Belmont college, Nashville, and Kermit Whitten of Knoxville's Kingsbury Junior High school faculty, and eight "recruits"—three men and five women—make up the staff of 10 who began the thirteen-week '69 season June 1.

Five young women, Kay Price, Senior at Belmont; Marilyn Webb, Carson-Newman junior; Sharon Ramsey, a Southwestern Seminary student from Johnson City, Tennessee; and two sophomores from Carson-Newman, Faye Blue and Linda Gail Foster, will spend most of the summer in charge of music at our state and associational camps. Some weeks in their schedules, however, are still open for late-applying churches.

Three talented young men, David Humphreys and Rodger Morris, from Belmont college, and Dennis Jewett from Carson-Newman complete the staff.

This program, designed especially to meet the needs of smaller churches, has been consistently well received throughout the state, and has served the dual purpose of giving much needed experience and training to some of our finest young people, according to Frank G. Charton, state Music secretary. A few open dates are still available. Write the State Music department for information and possible dates.

EDITORIALS

PRAY FOR CONVENTION

The 112th session of the Southern Baptist Convention gets under way next week. It is our prayerful hope that this will be one of the best conventions ever held. There are, as always, many important matters to be considered at the convention, and many important reports to be heard.

Any attempt to forecast the course of events at any Baptist meeting is, we believe, a stab in the dark at best. It would appear that any extensive analysis of events before they occur is, at best, premature, and at worst, an attempt to condition psychologically, a group of messengers to a course of action. We doubt therefore the wisdom of trying to prognosticate turns of events at an annual session.

We do pray earnestly that spiritual depth will be evident; that sound and mature judgment will be evident also; and that the cause of Christ as expressed through our Missionary Baptist witness might be enhanced.

From an historic perspective, every generation demands from and of itself the best which the generation can offer. This is true in Christian witness especially.

The Convention has not met in The Crescent City since 1937. Messengers will find many, many changes in the tenor of New Orleans; the climate is unchanged—hot.

When the last sessions were held there, New Orleans was considered to be predominantly Catholic. This is no longer true. The Catholic heritage and traditions are still very much in evidence. However, the Evangelical witness is stronger than ever, and still growing.

Southern Baptists, as gracious and gentle guests, will profit not only from the Convention sessions proper, but from the Christian witness they express in the host city.

A final prayer—"God grant safe journey from our homes to this convention and return, and God bless our loved ones while we are apart. God bless us that we might report and interpret to our congregations accurately and adequately the ministries of a great, Christ-centered body of people called Baptist. Amen."

PRINTING PLANT MOVES

Our congratulations to Julius and Frances Curley and all the folk at Curley Printing Company upon the occasion of their move to a completely-new printing plant in East Nashville. Printing "home" for **Baptist And Reflector** for about 22 years, Curley Printing Company facilities in the new plant make this company one of the most modern and spacious plants in the country. Our thanks to this firm for faithful and dedicated assistance in presenting to our readers **Baptist And Reflector** each week, and again, our sincere congratulations and best wishes to Curley Printing Company in their new home.

IT'S WORTH NOTING!

Executive Secretary Dr. W. Fred Kendall reported to a recent meeting of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Executive Board that budgetary needs for the first half of the convention fiscal year had been met with a slight margin of \$4000. This sounds like a narrow margin—and it is.

We think it worthwhile to remind Tennessee Baptists, however, that the Convention budget for this year represents an increase in one year of about \$500,000.00. This was the largest increase ever for a single year. The fact that the budget has even been met is cause for thanksgiving.

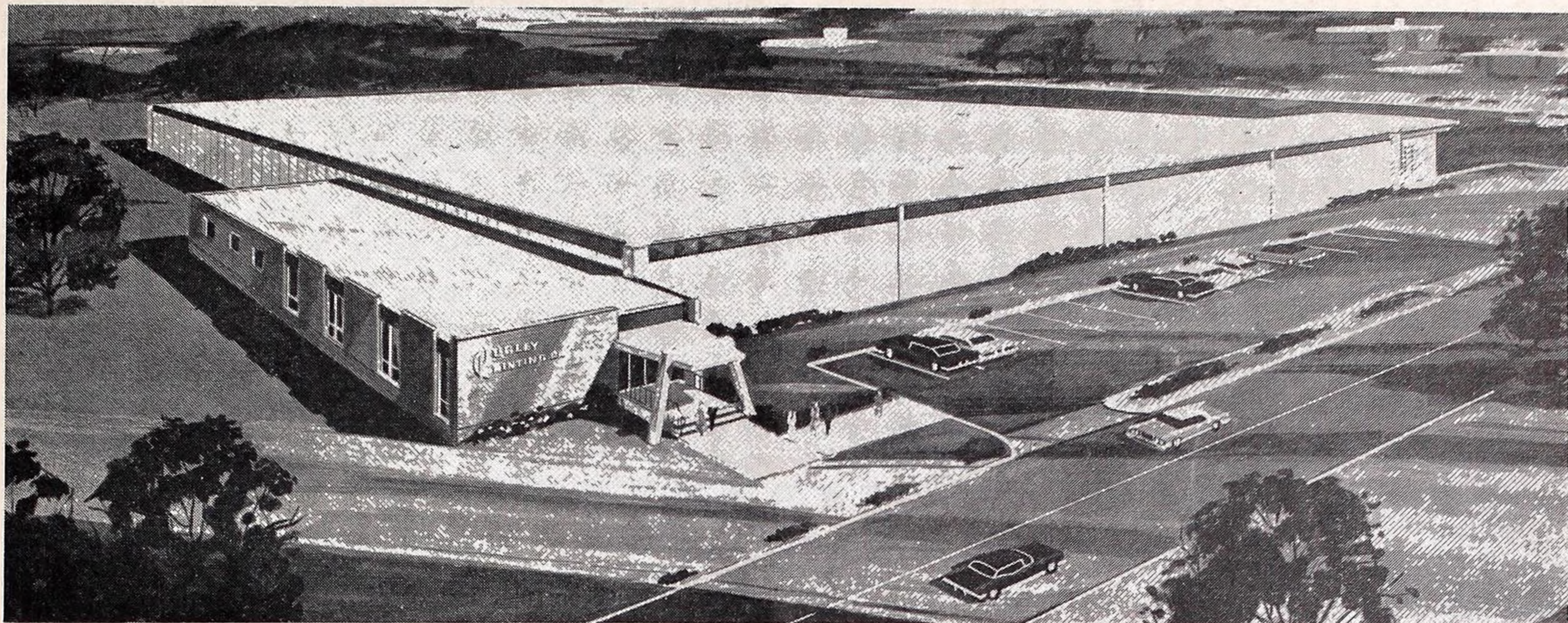
Nevertheless, churches are reminded that increased contributions through your Cooperative Program for the remainder of the year are necessary. The usual summer slump is at hand. Unusual diligence is needed for us to meet the challenging and necessary budget which is ours. We know the reminder is painful—we hear it so often—but inflation continues to erode the value of the dollar. Apparently, the cost of living for this year will increase about five per cent due to inflation.

Generous contributions for our local, state, and world-wide mission enterprises are needed. It appears a law of life that each year demands of us a bit more in every way than the year before. This includes Cooperative Program support also!

SITUATION OUT OF HAND OR IN HAND?

"WARN THEM THAT ARE UNRULY"—1 THESS. 5:14





Baptist and Reflector

Curley Printing Company Moves To New East Nashville Location

A new, \$500,000.00 building for Curley Printing Company has been completed and occupied at 411 Cowan street in East Nashville.

According to Julius Curley, president of the printing firm, final moving of all equipment and offices were completed June 2.

The building, designed by Terrill Hall &

Associates, and constructed by Kennon Const. Co., provides 45,000 square feet of floor space, making it one of Nashville's largest printing houses.

Begun in 1947 in a small plant located on 5th Ave., South in Nashville, then to Demonbreun street, the firm moved in 1958 to the then-new facilities on Laurel street.

The present facilities are much larger than the Laurel street plant.

With modern offices, a large paper storage area, as well as a completely modern plant facility, the new building is air-conditioned throughout, and provides a well-planned floor layout for easy handling of printing materials from start to completion.

The move to the new facility was occasioned not only by need for additional space for plant expansion, Curley noted, but by the necessity to evacuate the old plant. An expressway will go through the old plant site.

Curley Printing Company has printed **Baptist and Reflector** for more than 22 years, with E. T. Sparks, Jr., Curley vice president, as liaison with the paper.

\$100 MILLION-A-YEAR FUND ON BIRTH CONTROL URGED

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.—A \$100 million-a-year United Nations birth control fund was urged by the U.N. Association of the United States to meet "the grim and relentless process of population growth."

The proposal was made by a high-level national policy panel headed by John D. Rockefeller, 3rd, Chairman of the Board of the U.S. Population Council and the Rockefeller Foundation. (RNS)

ASSEMBLY UPHOLDS CHURCH'S SEX EDUCATION PROGRAM

SAN ANTONIO—The General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church overwhelmingly approved a report defending the use of explicit sexual terms in education materials aimed at youth.

Approval came after Dr. Purnell H. Benson, member of the denomination's Christian Education committee, rejected charges by a conservative group within the Church that school materials were "profane, blasphemous, immoral and otherwise objectionable." (RNS)

Vacation Bible School

"I Pledge Allegiance"

By Charles F. Treadway, Consultant,
General Sunday School Administration, BSSB

In a day of flag and draft card burning, an encouraging sound is the millions of boys and girls in Vacation Bible School pledging allegiance to the American and Christian flags and to the Bible. In the next three months over six million pupils and workers will attend Bible School in churches and missions of all kinds, sizes, and locations. Over half of these will be in churches and missions wearing the Southern Baptist label. Some will be under a brush arbor or in a rented store building. Others will be in trailer courts or city parks, while many will be in beautiful church buildings seating from one hundred to three thousand or more.

Very few of us really need to be convinced of the values of a Vacation Bible School. The happy faces of the pupils bear testimony of their worth. Lives are changed, with over fifty thousand each year won to faith in Christ. Another fifty to sixty thousand boys and girls dedicate their lives to church-related vocations or to being faithful Christians in whatever vocations they choose.

Many a missionary on foreign soil will look on a Bible School this summer as the beginning point of his serious interest in missions. Deacons, Sunday School teachers, and other dedicated church leaders will look back to this summer's Bible School as the time when a deep love for the Bible and Christian living was kindled in their hearts.

Surely no church can afford to go through this summer without having a Vacation Bible School. The same values available in past years, and even more, are waiting yet to be claimed.

New Planned Cities In USA Challenge Church Strategy

by W. Barry Garrett

WASHINGTON—Baptist missionary and church-state strategy will be tested to the limit within the next 30 years. This is at least one aspect of a projection for new cities in the United States by the end of this century.

The National Committee on Urban Growth Policy has projected 100 new cities of 100,000 population each, plus 10 cities of over a million each by the year 2000 A.D.

Even with this ambitious plan, such expansion will take care of only 20 per cent of the anticipated population growth in the next three decades, the committee said in a special report to the nation.

According to the committee's recommendations, new government agencies on all levels would be created, the new urban development would take place by orderly planning and a national policy of coordinating a wide range of programs for the cities would be developed.

Churches facing this unprecedented but well-planned urban growth cannot avoid difficult strategy questions. What new congregations will be started where and by whom? What emerging new ministries will the churches seek to offer? What new religiously based institutions will be developed, and how will these be related to public agencies?

Not the least dimension of church concern in the new national urban planning will be the question of interfaith relationships and interfaith planning. Those with experience in developing religious work in planned cities know that it will be exceedingly difficult for isolationist groups to be effective in the future.

If religion is to be given its proper perspective in the new urban America, church leaders in the denomination and in the states who are alert to the plans and who can participate in the planning should be developed.

The National Committee on Urban Growth Policy is headed by former Congressman Albert Rains of Alabama. He is a veteran leader in the formulation of national housing programs. The director of the New City Project is Lawrence Henderson.

The committee is bi-partisan in its membership, giving its report an additional thrust. Vice President Spiro T. Agnew in the introduction to the committee's report said:

"The concept of the new city offers us a chance to discover what we really want from an urban environment, and what we plan to bring to it. Unlike planning for a single aspect or urban

life, the planning for the new city involves fresh examination of nearly every concept we have taken for granted. It promises an intellectual undertaking as great as that of the space age itself."

The vice president further pointed out that "without cities of a new kind, cities which exist to serve human life and not detract from it, our complex civilizations cannot survive."

From its study of the problems of future urban growth, the committee concluded that "continuation of current trends will bring the country to a succession of one urban crisis after another which will tear at the very fabric of our society."

TIME FOR CHURCH CRITICS TO HELP HEAL, EDITORS TOLD

ATLANTA—Those valid but forceful critics of the church should now devote their energies to helping preserve the church, a church scholar told a group of religious journalists here.

Albert Outler, professor of theology at the Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist university in Dallas, was speaking before about 500 editors at the joint meeting of the Associated Church Press and the Catholic Press Association here.

"The most helpful role for at least some of us—now that what we fought against is pretty well discredited but what we are fighting for is in mounting jeopardy—would be to become the church's critical but loyal supporters," Outler said.

The prophets who berated Israel for her unrighteousness in relatively stable times, he said, had to "turn conservative" in the grim days of exile and restoration.

"There are times when prophets are called upon to heal, to help, to lend a hand in trying to hold the Church together in order that there may still be a church for mission and prophecy—of proclamation and service," he said. "I would argue that ours is just such a time."

The church should be seen and depicted as a conserving force in a chaotic society, he said, "a community of love and freedom but not lust and license, of justice and humanity but not violence and vengeance of hope but not Utopia."

Speaking on the crisis of authority in the church and in society, Outler said, however, that such loyal support should not be interpreted as unquestioning acceptance of status quo authority structures.

New patterns of authority, he said, must derive from a convergence of critical insight, human sensitivity and "un-self-right-

PHELPS TAKES POSITION WITH LITTLE ROCK BANK

ARCADELPHIA, Ark.—Ralph A. Phelps, president of Ouachita Baptist university here, for the past 16 years, has accepted a position as vice president and trust officer with the largest bank in Arkansas.

Effective June 1, Phelps will join the staff of The Little Rock Bank. He had resigned as president of the Baptist school on March 13, and was named president emeritus by the board of trustees.

At the time of his resignation, Phelps said that there were too many ultra-conservatives in the Arkansas Baptist Convention who wanted to make Ouachita into a Bible institute, and that furthermore the convention would not give the school enough support, financial and otherwise.

In announcing his decision to take the banking position, Phelps said that "the fact that I am going to make my living at 'tent making' for a while will not, I hope, mean that I am less involved in church work. (BP)

eous love."

"This notion of authority as the convergence of insight and love in the atmosphere of freedom holds all the hope I have for the recovery of vital community in our churches," Outler observed.

Such a concept of authority, he said, would stress persuasive insights rather than enforceable systems and lead back to the scripture as the source of Christian revelation and insight.

Most leaders in Protestant churches, he said, are eager for reform, "provided only that their status quo isn't changed too drastically."

A Catholic scholar, Walter J. Burghardt, paralleled Outler's thoughts and added insight into the crisis of authority in all churches when he predicted an increasing sense of personal responsibility among Catholics.

The new look of authority compels personal decision-making, he said, and frees individual Christians for responsible action.

"I am reasonably confident that the contemporary crisis of authority can prove creative and need not be destructive," Burghardt said.

"I am not blind to the many tragedies which the authority-freedom conflict has occasioned, but neither am I blind to the calamities which an exclusively vertical approach to authority has generated over the centuries," he said.

"The new vision of authority, with its stress on personal dignity and service to community, is profoundly insightful, basically biblical, splendidly Christian," Burghardt added.

As guidelines for implementing such a concept of authority, Burghardt suggested "as much freedom as possible, and only as much restriction as necessary."

Generation Gap Probed At Student Consultation

FORT WORTH—About 25 students who took part in a National Consultation on Baptist Student Work here came away with the impression that Southern Baptist leaders are "real people" who can communicate and perhaps even bridge the generation gap.

This was the opinion of Jack Maguire, a 22-year-old student from Georgia Southern university, Statesboro, Ga., who was a vocal spokesman for student reaction to their four and one-half days of elbow-rubbing with 250 adult leaders from all echelons of Southern Baptist life.

The occasion was a nation-wide dialogue session as part of a Southern Baptist depth study of Baptist student work. The study, being conducted by a special committee appointed by the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, will make specific recommendations when the study is completed in time for a report to the 1970 Southern Baptist Convention in Denver.

Maguire, a past Baptist Student Union (BSU) president and future US-2 Missions volunteer, said, "At first, we couldn't figure out what we were doing here. Then we began to realize that these men were people we could communicate with—people who accepted our ideas seriously and thoughtfully."

Consultation participants probed and brainstormed seven basic areas, which have already been the subject of 180 interviews, five research projects and 12 study papers.

Further winnowing of workbooks full of material will be continued by a 39-member subcommittee of the SBC Executive Committee in meetings in Nashville in June and November of this year. Final recommendations will be made by the Executive Committee itself for presentation to the 1970 SBC.

The seven areas under consideration are the Christian college student; basic assumptions for conducting Baptist student work at campus, state and national levels; basic understanding of work on these three levels; campus problems; state problems; and national problems.

Since the consultation results are subject to change and refinement, they could not be reported with finality—only from the standpoint of the general direction they took, according to Albert McClellan of Nashville, program planning secretary for the SBC Executive Committee and staff coordinator for the study.

Participants recognized student work leadership problems on all three levels and suggested possible solutions. The problems included lack of staff, continuing education of workers and, on the national level at least, "indistinct and uncertain" leadership which "has failed to secure adequate attention for BSU" and has lacked "quantity and quality sufficient to give state and campus programs proper support."

Other problems touched on finance, present structure and location of the national BSU office, failure to adequately communicate the story of Baptist student work, and lack of currency and relevancy of program content.

Recognizing that incoming college freshmen are often ill prepared, consultation members explored ways student workers on the campus, state and national levels can orient high school students.

In profiling the Christian college student, the consultation participants said: "The student needs an arena to express himself and yet be loved. Let him try new ideas, even at the risk of failure."

Work groups studying special problems faced by Baptist and Christian college students decided that students often are unprepared by their churches and religious experiences to confront the secular and scientific mood of the college campus.

One consultation study group concluded that the Christian student runs squarely into religious insecurity—a result of the anti-religion element on campus which challenges the student's lack of biblical orientation by churches in pre-college days.

Underlying the consultation was a con-

cern that relevant ways be found to communicate the Christian gospel to the entire academic community in a way which will pierce the defenses of the changing world.

Several questions, left open-ended, indicate the magnitude of the problems for future student work meetings: "How can we lead our churches to accept and understand the changing patterns of today's college generation?" "How can we overcome the communication gap between students, pastors and other church youth leaders?" "Why has the present generation of college students taken a critical stance toward ministries?"

Answers to these and other questions concerning SBC student work will be eagerly awaited by those who wish to hone their ministries to reach effectively the church and community leaders of the future.

The conference participants returned to their homes realizing that the study may not provide all the answers, but it is a big step in the right direction.

The nation-wide study of student work by the SBC Executive Committee was requested by action of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, which currently coordinates the Southern Baptist student work program. (BP)

TENNESSEANS FINISH SOUTHEASTERN STUDY

WAKE FOREST—Degrees and certificates have been conferred on 126 men and women at Southeastern Baptist Theological seminary.



Among these were two Tennessee students, Peggy Claunch of Chattanooga and Jack Monroe Lewis of Knoxville. Both received the Master of Divinity degree.

Since its founding in 1951, Southeastern seminary has granted 1,918 Master of Divinity degrees (B.D. prior to 1968); 166 Master of Theology degrees; 2 Master of Religious Education and 262 Certificates in Theology.

ACP Lists 190 Publications; Probes Circulation Decline

ATLANTA—Ten publications were accepted as members of the Associated Church Press at its annual meeting here, bringing the total membership in the organization to 190 periodicals. Combined circulation was



Pharmacist **Joe Autry** (left), missionary journeyman from Dallas, Tex., helps prepare intravenous solutions at the Wallace Memorial Baptist hospital, Pusan, Korea. In addition to helping meet the physical needs of the patients, he uses his daily contacts with Koreans to witness for Christ.

reported at 21.6 million—a 1.4 million drop from last year's figure.

The publications were admitted to ACP membership at a separate business session of the ACP which met jointly with the Catholic Press Association.

The magazine with the largest circulation joining the ACP during its convention here is The Alabama Baptist, official organ of the Alabama Baptist State Convention. Published in Birmingham, The Alabama Baptist has a circulation of 145,700. (RNS)

Tennessee News Briefs

Dr. Frank S. Groner, administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, has been awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree from Baylor university, Waco, Tex. The honor was bestowed upon Groner in recognition of his outstanding leadership in the health field. The citation was read by **Boone Powell**, vice president of Baylor and director of Baylor Medical Center.



Groner

Virgil R. Peters, pastor of Saturn Drive church, Nashville, for four and one-half years, has been called as pastor of First church, Franklin. A graduate of Samford university, Birmingham, Ala., and Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky., he has formerly served as pastor of Falling Water church, Chattanooga, Central church, Athens and First church, Dayton.

William M. Parks, Sr., father of **Mrs. L. Darrell Mullins**, Southern Baptist missionary to Indonesia, died May 22 in Newport. Mrs. Mullins may be addressed at Box 6, Kediri, Java, Indonesia.

Ralph L. Murray has resigned after 21 years as pastor of Smithwood church, Knoxville. An author of four books and European traveler, he is a native of Iowa, where he attended the State Teachers college. He is a graduate of Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City, and Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky., with the bachelor of divinity and master of theology degrees. In 1967 Murray was awarded an honorary doctor's degree from Carson-Newman.

First church, Elizabethton, has called **Donald E. Farmer** as minister of education and music. He formerly served in a similar position at First church, Manchester. A graduate of Georgetown college in Kentucky and Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., with the bachelor of church music and master of religious education degrees, he is married to the former **Edna Mae Smith** of Athens. They have one child, **Melody**, 18 months.

Forest Hill church, Maryville, recently ordained **Clarence Sexton** to the gospel ministry. **Dillard Hagan** is pastor.

Harold Ogle, pastor, Calvary church, Heiskell, was a member of this year's graduating class at Clear Creek Baptist school, Pineville, Ky.

James Edward Harris, Jr., a student at Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky., has been called as minister of education and youth at Olive Springs Baptist church, Marietta, Ga. Harris, his wife, the former **Mary Lou Stewart** of Nashville, and son, **Jeffrey**, plan to move to Marietta upon his graduation May 30 from the seminary.

Latham Chapel church, Gibson association, has ordained **Jerry Boswell** into the gospel ministry. He is presently pastor of New Hope church, same association.

Caney Fork church, Stone association, has added two rooms, vestibule and porch on the front of the church, a choir loft and baptistry.

Northside church, McMinnville, has called **Harold Hunter** as pastor. He formerly served as pastor of Cedar Hill church, Stone association.

Bill E. Anderson, minister of music, Central church, Johnson City, has resigned to enter the field of music evangelism.

Fred Martin has resigned as pastor of Dungan Chapel church, Watauga association. During his ministry there have been 31 conversions in the church; the debt has been paid on a new building; a new Hammond organ was purchased; the new parsonage and educational building were dedicated; Brotherhood, R.A.'s and G.A.'s were organized; gifts to the Cooperative Program increased from five percent to 10 percent; the sanctuary was carpeted and the parking area was increased and paved.

'CHRISTIAN MINISTRY' WILL REPLACE 'PULPIT' MAGAZINE

CHICAGO—A new magazine called *Christian Ministry* will replace the 40-year-old *Pulpit*, a companion periodical of ecumenical weekly *Christian Century* published here.

The first issue of the new journal will coincide with the anniversary of the *Pulpit* next Fall.

Editors of the *Century* explained that the change is planned "because we are convinced that the crisis in contemporary homiletics must be viewed in the changing context of all of the communications roles of the professional ministry." (RNS)

First Baptist, Chattanooga, Calls William Eugene Spears

Dr. William Eugene Spears, Jr., pastor of the Emerywood Baptist church, High Point, N. C., has been called as pastor of First Baptist church, Chattanooga, according to Drew Haskins, Jr., chairman, board of deacons of First Baptist church.

Spears succeeds Luther Joe Thompson who resigned last October to become pastor of First Baptist church, Richmond, Va.

A native of South Carolina, Spears graduated from the University of South Carolina with the A.B. degree, Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky., with the bachelor of divinity degree, has studied at Oxford university, Cambridge university, the Southern Baptist seminary at Zurich, Switzerland, and the University of Edinburgh. He holds the distinction of being the youngest man ever to receive an earned Ph.D. degree in theology from Edinburgh.



Spears

He has served as pastor of the First Baptist church, Mooresville, N. C., First Baptist church, North Augusta, S. C., and has been at Emerywood since 1964.

While in college, he was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, a leadership fraternity, was listed as one of 18 "most outstanding students", his biography appears in *Who's Who in the South and Southwest* and will appear in the 1969 edition of the *Dictionary of International Biography*.

Mrs. Spears is a magna cum laude graduate of Winthrop college. They have two children, Sally, 14, and William Eugene, III, 12.

N.H. Bill Would Permit Colleges to Sell Beer

CONCORD, N.H.—Colleges and universities would be permitted to sell beer on campus under a bill introduced in the New Hampshire legislature here by Sen. Alf. E. Jacobson of New London.

He said his measure was designed to help control the problem of under-age drinking and was based on a British law, making the college or university responsible for policing the students.

Sen. Jacobson pointed out that 18-year-olds are permitted to drink at military bases where the minimum age is 21, but a student would be violating the New Hampshire law by taking beverages off campus if under 21. (RNS)

Americans United Won't Appeal IRS Ruling 'At This Time'

WASHINGTON—Americans and Others United for Separation of Church and State, which was notified in April that it had lost its Internal Revenue tax-exempt status, said it will not appeal the ruling "at this time."

But it was sharply critical of the action being taken against it and not against agencies representing organized church interests.

E. Stanley Lowell, speaking in behalf of Americans United, said the way the IRS regulations are written "... they can leave us with the status or take it away ... The law is so nebulous at this point and can go either way. It is really up to administrative discretion."

He said the ruling is "unjust" when Churches, through agencies like the National Council of Churches, the National Association of Evangelicals and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops can voice their opinions on legislative issues "at random and we cannot."

Internal Revenue Service had cited the organization for going beyond the accepted norms of educating and disseminating information on issues, in effect labeling it an activist group.

"We reject this notion entirely," Mr. Lowell said. "Those concerned with defending and upholding the Constitution should have equal rights with those tearing it down."

He said IRS had taken the status away from Americans United on the same basis that it had granted it 18 years earlier. He referred to a "manifesto," cited by IRS, which declared in 1951 that the organization would attempt to keep the public informed on what it felt are encroachments on the separation of church and state, particularly in public financing of essentially ecclesiastical institutions and programs.

The IRS statement to Americans United said:

"By advocating your position to others, thereby attempting to secure general acceptance of your beliefs by engaging in general legislative acts to implement your views; and by urging the enactment or defeat of proposed legislation which you believe inimical to your principles, you have ceased to function exclusively in the educators' role of informant in that your advocacy is not merely to increase the knowledge of your audience but to secure acceptance of, and action on, your views concerning legislative proposals, thereby encroaching upon the prescribed legislative area."

Americans United has appeared numerous times before Congressional hearings to represent its point of view, and as a litigant in test cases. But Mr. Lowell commented, "I have never been in a Congressman's office."

"In fact," he added, "we have sought

assiduously to avoid that particular thing—especially since a warning from IRS a few years ago. Since then we feel we have been meticulously careful about this sort of thing."

Lowell defended his organization for "taking a position" when it disseminates information, a point in which IRS indicated the group was in violation. He said:

"In other words, education is an anemic, no-stand function. It means we simply must accumulate and disseminate information. I say this type approach doesn't educate unless it emanates from some stance.

The organization said that currently it does not plan to appeal the ruling. "After all, tax exemption is not an unmixed blessing," Lowell commented.

He said the group probably will organize those functions which have not been criticized by IRS under a tax-exempt foundation and put the education aspect under a C-4 classification. This would mean Americans United could function in much the same way, but with fewer restrictions, because the latter phase would not be tax-exempt.

"We'll go ahead and be what the IRS says we are," Mr. Lowell said.

The action was taken by IRS on April 20, but Americans United made no official statement on the matter until it could consult with IRS officials and with its own governing board. (RNS)

CHICAGO OFFICE CLOSED BY AMERICANS UNITED

CHICAGO—Americans and Others United for Separation of Church and State has closed its Chicago Midwest regional office, at least temporarily, because of budget shifts forced by the national agency's loss of its tax-exempt status.

Dr. Wendell Phillips Berwick, United Methodist minister who has been director of the regional office for six years, said his services have been terminated effective Aug. 31. He plans to enrol at a law school in September.

Internal Revenue Service ruled April 28 that Americans United no longer could enjoy the tax-exempt status it had held 18 years.

"We get mostly \$5 gifts, but a good portion comes from large donors, and this will hurt us because some of the large donors expect the deduction from their tax," said Dr. Berwick. "I didn't even go to the last hearing in Springfield on state aid to parochial schools because of this restriction on 'lobbying.' I did help form another committee, the Committee of Concerned Citizens for the Preservation of the Public Schools." (RNS)

W. E. Chadwick Honored By Eva Congregation

During Youth Week observances held recently at Eva church, Eva, a resolution was written and adopted by the membership, praising the ministry of their resigning pastor, W. E. Chadwick. Many young people signed the resolution.



Chadwick

Pastor of Eva church for the past four years, he has been preaching for over 50 years. Other places of service include Arkansas and Missouri.

During his ministry at Eva, the membership has grown, financial obligations have been met, and building improvements have been made.

Chadwick is an avid promoter of the Co-operative Program and holds the distinction of having led every church he ever pastored to include the state Baptist paper in their budgets, claiming that a well-informed congregation is a working congregation, one to which it is easy to preach.

Included among the many people he has won to the Lord is a Tennessee associational missionary and a Southern Baptist seminary professor.

The Chadwicks plan to make their home in Dresden.

West German Baptists Refuse Recognition of Infant Baptism

BOCHUM, West Germany—Some 700 delegates attending the Assembly of the West German Baptists here agreed it is impossible to give any recognition to infant baptisms.

However, they could not reach a unified agreement on the attitude to be taken to those seeking Baptist membership who were baptized in other denominations by methods other than immersion. (RNS)

10,000 RING CITY'S DOORBELLS WITH GRAHAM CRUSADE BIDS

NEW YORK—An estimated 10,000 volunteers will knock on the doors of some 500,000 apartments and houses in the Greater New York area to offer personal invitations to attend the Billy Graham New York Crusade.

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By May 25, ten volunteers from Michigan and South Carolina already were on their way to flood-stricken city, and the Home Mission Board and Brotherhood Commission were contacting superintendents of missions to assist in recruiting some 40 more building tradesmen.

According to Minot Area Missionary J. T. Burdine, the volunteer work force will devote its time in homes of "the aged, the widowed and those unable to afford repairs." (BP)

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Churches Urged to Make Aid to Poor Equal Assets

ATLANTA—Farmer-theologian Clarence Jordan has dared churches to spend as much aiding the poor as they spend on themselves.

Speaking before about 500 religious journalists here at the joint meeting of the Associated Church Press and the Catholic Press Association, Jordan said:

"I would like to see churches begin immediately a crash program to invest in housing for the poor a sum equal to their assets in church buildings. We ought to spend at least as much building houses for our brothers whom we have seen as we do building houses for God whom we have not seen."

Jordan, the former Southern Baptist minister who founded and still directs the interracial efforts of Koinonia Farm near Americus, Ga., said such an investment would be only a beginning.

To keep the momentum, he suggested that churches calculate what their taxes would be were they not exempt and then continually pay that amount into a "fund for humanity" that would help produce housing and jobs for the disinherited.

The meeting marked the first time in American history for a Catholic and a Protestant organization to meet in a joint convention. Both organizations have member publications from the USA and Canada.

Other speakers included the Roman Catholic archbishops of Atlanta and New Orleans; Albert Outler, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist university; and Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr.

W. C. Fields, public relations secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee and editor of *The Baptist Program*, presided over some of the convention sessions and addressed the 500 delegates twice. He completed at the convention a two-year term as president of the Associated Church Press.

Succeeding Fields is Kenneth L. Wilson, a Baptist who is editor of *The Christian Herald*. Wilson predicted that such joint conventions will be regular events within a few years. (RNS)

Christian Life Commission Names Harry N. Hollis, Jr.

Dr. Harry N. Hollis, Jr., instructor in Christian ethics at Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky., and pastor of Finchville Baptist church, Finchville, Ky., has been elected as director of special moral concerns, Christian Life Commission, Southern Baptist Convention, according to Foy Valentine, executive secretary.



Hollis, Jr.

Hollis' doctoral dissertation, "Toward a Christian Interpretation of Sexuality in the Context of the Church," was completed in 1968. In his new position, he will deal specifically with alcohol and sex education for Southern Baptists.

A native of Memphis, Hollis is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and Southern seminary with the bachelor of divinity and doctor of theology degrees. Mrs. Hollis is the former Mary Fern Caudill of Memphis. They have two children, Mary Melissa, two and Harry Newcombe, one.

In 1966 Hollis was named national finalist in the White House Fellows Program in Washington, D.C. He has served as president of the University of Tennessee Baptist Student Union, president of the Tennessee State BSU and president of the student body at Southern seminary.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP IN U. S.—Church and synagogue membership in the United States reached a record high of 126,445,110 last year, according to the National Council of Churches; but it failed to keep pace with the population growth. The percentage of population belonging to a church or synagogue dropped from 64.4% in 1967 to 63.2% in 1968.

Roman Catholic membership was reported to be 47.5 million; synagogue membership was shown as 5.7 million; and the remaining 73.2 million church members were Protestant, Eastern Orthodox, and "other religious groups."

The Southern Baptist Convention, with slightly more than 11 million members, and the United Methodist Church, with just under 11 million, led all Protestant denominations. Following them in descending order, came the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., with 5.5 million; the Episcopal Church, with 3.4 million; the United Presbyterian Church, with 3.3 million; the Lutheran Church in America, with 3.1 million; and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, with 2.8 million.

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Santiago Area Crusade Brings 1380 Decisions

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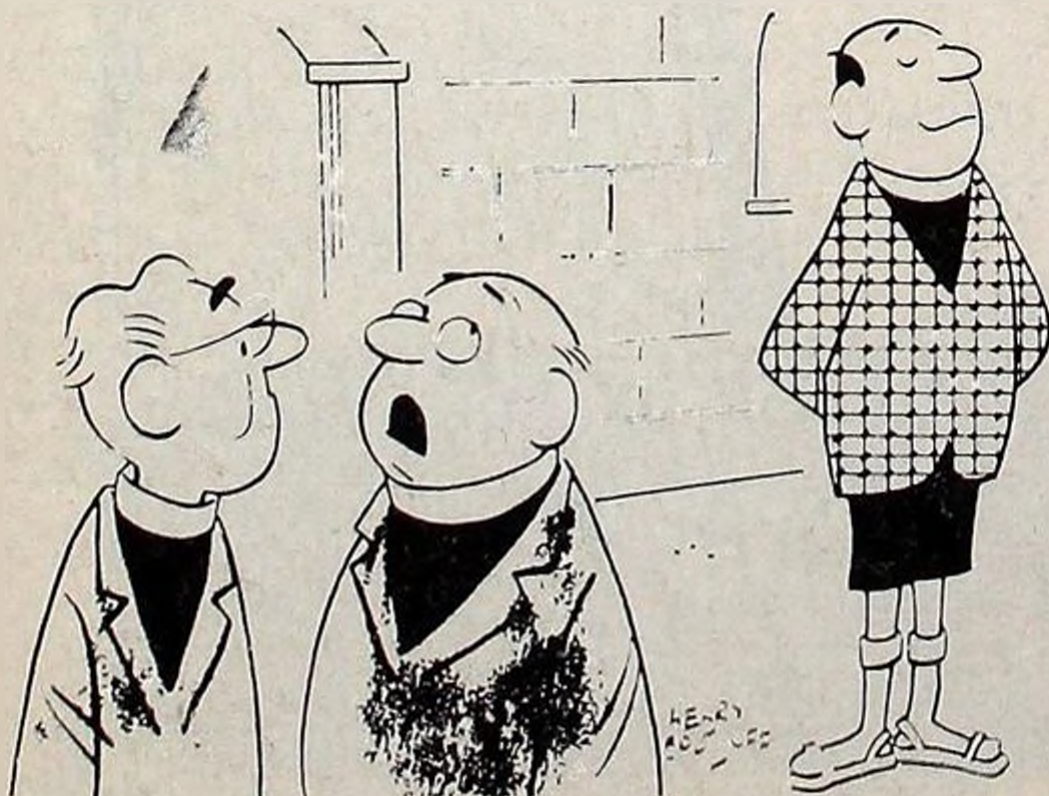
Evangelists from Chile, Argentina, and Venezuela joined with Southern Baptist missionaries in the crusade services.

New Books

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Spring Creek Baptist church, Cumberland association, has held dedication services and open house, May 18, for their new pastorium. **Jonas L. Stewart**, executive-secretary, Tennessee Baptist Foundation, Nashville, was the guest speaker. **James A. Williams** is pastor.



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112th Southern Baptist Convention Opens In New Orleans June 10

NEW ORLEANS—More than 15,000 Baptists are expected to attend the 112th annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention June 10-13. The session will convene at the new Rivergate Exhibition Center located near the Mississippi River at the foot of Canal street Tuesday evening and continue through Friday evening.

Major business items on the agenda include consideration of a record \$27,158,119 budget, reports from 21 different agencies and organizations of the convention, and election of officers.

Major reports will deal with results of a hemisphere-wide Baptist evangelistic effort this year called the Crusade of the Americas, and with efforts by each of the SBC agencies, especially the Home Mission Board, to implement "A Statement Concerning the Crisis in Our Nation" adopted by the convention last year in Houston.

New curriculum and denominational plans for the 1970's will be revealed, as will a new name for Training Union, the Sunday evening church training program of Baptist churches, as a part of another major report.

A total of five hours during the convention will be devoted to miscellaneous business, when any issue or question can be raised from the convention floor. Convention officials pointed out that there is no way to accurately predict what might come up during these miscellaneous business sessions.

A half-dozen pre-convention sessions are slated to deal with a broad range of issues, including such things as theological openness and freedom, racism, birth control, war and peace, ecumenical evangelism, poverty,

drug usage, and other issues. Any one of these could come up during the main convention later in the week.

A strongly-worded statement on extremism will be brought to the convention on Friday morning by the denomination's Christian Life Commission which hits out at extremism on both left and right.

The recommendations affirm "our deep conviction that extremism of whatever variety and wherever found does not communicate the spirit of Christ, and that we stand fast against any man or group who would subvert truth and corrupt justice through fear, suspicion, divisiveness and violence."

Students who picketed the convention last year will meet jointly with adults who have organized a group called the "E. Y. Mullins Fellowship," on Monday, and then split into separate meetings on Tuesday at St. Charles Avenue Baptist church.

A wide range of issues will be on the agenda for speeches in the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference at the New Orleans Municipal Auditorium, Monday and Tuesday. The issues include separation of church and state, birth control, situation ethics and the new morality, the radical pulpit, preaching on social issues, poverty, and Baptist doctrine.

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To be released in June by the Church's Division of Television, Radio and Film Communication (TRAFECO), the film is called "Hello Up There" and will be made available along with Columbia Pictures Corporation's "Run Wild, Run Free."

Columbia partially financed the seven-minute feature, which focuses on a sight-and-sound montage of original paintings and comments by eight and nine-year-old children. (RNS)

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There are narrow forms of attachment and warm admiration which are actually different phases of selfish possessiveness. It is often difficult to detect the difference between these and true love.

God is love. Therefore, He is the source of all true love. All wholesome impulses of affection either stem from God directly or have been implanted by Him in our breasts.

There is the love which God has for His wayward or rebellious creatures. There is a special parental affection which He has for His children who come to be His by the new birth. There is a very warm affection which He has for His children who are obedient and walk close to Him. God's love is beyond human comprehension and definition.

THE TESTS OF FALSE PROPHETS

I John 4:1-6

There were those who could not conceive a holy perfect God being contaminated by touching directly human flesh muchless being incarnated. They felt that only some distant emanation could afford to deal directly with so corrupt a thing as the flesh.

God had a real but specially provided human body prepared for His Son. Those who denied that Christ was come in the flesh were antichrists and false prophets. Those who believed that Christ had come into flesh were true prophets.

Those who are of God have overcome the world. They are not dominated by the spirit and concept of the world. One in them is greater than the one who is in and dominates the world. However, those who are of the world are heard and heeded by the world.

The apostles and inspired writers were of God. Those who knew God heard them. Those who did not know God would not believe them. This was and is the test of truth and error.

THE TEST OF LOVE

I John 4:7-11

We have an inborn love if we are born from above. I John 5:1. We are to develop and exercise that love toward one another. Thus we will have a continuing assurance that we are of God because we reflect His

nature. We cannot be sure of God if we do not love.

God demonstrated His love in sending His only begotten Son into the world to die that we might live. This is unselfish, outgoing love at its best.

The divine love took the initiative moving toward us before we could respond with love to Him. In fact He proved that love to the uttermost on Calvary.

In view of God's great love toward us we ought to love one another by sacrificial manifestations as needed.

It is so true that the world is dying for a little bit of love. Love is the greatest thing in the world. A mass demonstration of love like God showed in giving Christ and like Jesus did in giving Himself is our supreme need.

THE TEST OF PERFECT LOVE

I John 4:18-20

Perfect means complete. It can also mean mature.

One feature of perfect love is the absence of fear or the presence of relaxed confidence. Perfect love will expel all fear. Mothers have been known to fly into the very face of deadly danger for their precious children and that without a tremor. This is the adrenaline of profound love. Love for God and others can be so strong as to give unperturbed confidence.

Perfect or complete love for God will make hate for another absolutely incompatible. They cannot abide in the same heart. If we really love God whom we cannot see, we will certainly love our brother whom we see.

In Matthew 5:45-48, Jesus is discussing loving our enemies as well as our friends. He reminds us that the Father causes the sun to rise on the evil as well as the good. He observes further how He causes it to rain on the just and unjust. If we love only those who love us, we are just human and selfish like the world. If we are courteous to our brethren only we are no better than the publicans or despised tax gatherers for the Roman conqueror. He raises the question as to whether we are different from the godless world or sinners. Then He gives the right standard, "Be ye therefore perfect as your Father who is in heaven is perfect." God's love is complete. It embraces friend and foe. If we are to be His children we are to love enemies and friends. This inclusive love is a divine perfection in love. Fixed hate and real love cannot abide in the same heart. Perfect love will cast hate out.

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Is Happy Childhood Factor In Non-Belief?

Why are there more young atheists today? Basically and ironically because "childhood is happier today than ever before" and there is, therefore, less impulse to seek consolation in religion, a U. S. sociologist suggested to a symposium on "The Culture of Unbelief," jointly sponsored by the Vatican and the Univ. of California, Berkeley branch.

Happier childhoods have produced three sets of circumstances which apparently make religious belief less necessary to the young, observed Dr. Peter Berger of the New School for Social Research in New York.

The young person who "moves from the unbelievable happiness of childhood into confrontation with the less bliss-producing social structures of the adult world" is more likely to demand the humanization of the existing structures and the large institutions of society rather than lose himself in metaphysical concerns, it was proposed.

Secondly, reduced preoccupation with death (and happy, middle-class childhoods in western industrial civilizations are mostly sheltered from the realities of illness, old age and death) may also result in the "sealing up of metaphysical concerns."

Third, youngsters who have had comparatively happy childhoods may be more sensitive to suffering when they finally see that it exists, may be less likely to accept inhumanity and cruelty as man's lot and less likely to look heavenward for solace or solution.

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MINNEAPOLIS—An experiment in "teaching about religion" will begin next Fall at the University of Minnesota.

A three-quarter sequence on contemporary world religions will be offered in the humanities program of the college of liberal arts.

South and Southeast Asian religions (Buddhism and Hinduism) will be covered in the Fall quarter; East Asian religions (Confucianism and Shintoism) in the Winter quarter, and Mediterranean religions (Christianity, Islam and Judaism) in the Spring. (RNS)

From the Executive Secretary

By W. Fred Kendall

Next week the Southern Baptist Convention will meet in New Orleans. I attended my first Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans in 1937. It has not met there since that time. It will be very interesting to make comparisons between that convention and this one. We will be meeting in a new auditorium this time. The city has grown like all other cities of our nation. The headquarters hotel will be the Roosevelt. I stayed there in 1937.



Kendall

The Southern Baptist Convention has tremendous significance for all the churches and for the whole denomination. While its actions are not binding on the churches who send messengers, it reflects what the churches are doing and what they are thinking. Issues are brought before the convention with the purpose of getting something of a consensus of the churches through their messengers.

Each Convention is always influenced seriously by the current temper of the times. The condition of the social order in which we live is always of immediate concern to the Convention because it reflects the problems faced by the churches. We are also a vital part of the whole American scene. As one of the large denominations we bear heavy responsibilities in the national life.

There will be serious problems facing the Convention this year. There will be evidences of the growing theological differences within the Convention. There have been evidences that those who are more liberal in their thinking will attempt to greatly influence the Convention to steer it into a more liberal direction. A group of students and a group of professors will hold a pre-convention meeting in one of the large churches. They will have some men of liberal theological position addressing them. What they will seek to present to the Convention has not yet been made clear, but an article in *Newsweek* magazine has given the position of some of these men, and it is clear that they want to change the position of the Convention quite radically.

Another group which may come before the Convention to create serious problems is that made up of black radicals. Their spokesman appeared before the American Baptist Convention in Seattle. He demanded that the American Convention turn over all of its land holdings in the southern states

Billy Graham: The U. S. Needs 'Spiritual Bath'

MONTREAT, N. C.—Evangelist Billy Graham criticized militants who "have started invading the church," the U. S. Supreme Court for being too easy on criminals and purveyors of drugs and pornography, and "radicals" who have invaded college campuses to the point where they are "very dangerous to the security of the nation."

Mr. Graham said the U. S. Supreme Court has become too easy on criminals and those who peddle dope and pornography.

"The country," he said, "has got to have a moral and spiritual bath or we are living in the last days of America. We cannot survive as we are going. In our movie houses and on newsstands, in magazines, books and underground papers which are openly sold, you can see every type of filth, trash and pornography imaginable.

"The dope traffic is the same. Fifty to 60 percent of all university students are on dope and surveys show the reason it isn't higher is because of the limited supply of heroin."

He said, "It is unfortunate that speakers cannot speak free of disruption in this country. This infringes on freedom of speech, but the Supreme Court doesn't see it that way. . . .

"Now the militants have started invading the church, and this is getting out of hand. Whatever grievances may be, the use of coercion, force and violence to get their demands is something not tolerated in most countries.

"I think there is a trend in this country, a backlash of gigantic proportions building up against the radical and against coercion, force and violence. If it builds into a revolt, it could bring about a totalitarian state. We cannot keep democracy unless we have moral strength." (RNS)

to their organization. He also demanded sixty million dollars in "reparations" and asked the Convention to make available a list of all its financial holdings, with 60% of the revenue to be given annually to the Black Development Council. Similar demands or more will probably be made at the Southern Baptist Convention.

These are critical days in American life. Problems we never faced before are creating great tensions. Every church should make this Convention a very special object of prayer. We shall need the presence of the Holy Spirit to give wisdom and the spirit of Christ in our hearts as we face the dark problems which face America and the world.

Historically From the files

> 50 YEARS AGO <

Reports from the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Atlanta reveal a budget adopted in excess of \$75,000,000 for denominational work outside of local church budgets.

William Jennings Bryan spoke in Nashville on the subject of prohibition. While he recognized the strenuous efforts being made by the whiskey men to repeal or make ineffective the laws, Bryan expressed the opinion that Congress would not reverse its action.

> 20 YEARS AGO <

In its 104th year, the Southern Baptist Convention held its 92nd annual session in the municipal auditorium of Oklahoma City, Okla. Tennesseans were in prominence during the activities of the convention: Robert G. Lee, pastor, Bellevue church, Memphis, served as president; Maxey Jarman, Nashville businessman, served as vice president; Henry J. Huey, pastor, First church, Milan, conducted the opening devotions; Judge John W. McCall, also of Tennessee, and chairman of the Brotherhood of the South, brought the organization's report.

Brotherhood executive secretary Lawson H. Cooke, associate secretaries George W. Schroeder and Hugh F. Latimer, all of Tennessee, spoke briefly. Edwin S. Preston, president, Cumberland university, Lebanon, was also on the convention program.

> 10 YEARS AGO <

Ramsey Pollard, pastor, Broadway church, Knoxville, was elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention during the convention's 102nd annual session, which met in Freedom Hall, Louisville, Ky.

The centennial commencement exercises of the Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, was part of the convention program.

Wayne Dehoney, pastor, First church, Jackson, was elected vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention Pastors' Conference.

The Baptist Brain Drain

By **Duke K. McCall**

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There are three different kinds of brain drain which currently jeopardize the future of Southern Baptists.

► First, a certain number of "upwardly mobile" socially ambitious young Baptists move into other churches where they can make the right contacts without worrying about the problem of serving cocktails. Pastors of non-Baptist churches frequently kid me about their dependence on these former Baptists who are conditioned to be institutional activists—and generous contributors. Most of the devices currently used to keep these intelligent, attractive young people in the Baptist fold lose as much as they gain, so perhaps we ought to relax and send them happily on their way as evangelical missionaries.

► The second brain drain results from big talk about Baptist commitment to education—coupled with poor performance. The percentage of the collection plate dollar going into Christian education continues to decline—at least so far as theological education is concerned. Seminary-educated pastors, missionaries, and administrators are required, but somehow at budget time theological schools are seen as competitors rather than contributors.

The only hope is the individual Southern Baptist who cares enough about the quality of the ministry of tomorrow to include a theological seminary in his will. (The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, is our legal designation.) Today Southern Baptists are operating their six seminaries on the sacrifices of the faculty members and grinding up the seed corn of tomorrow in the process.

► Third, the newest brain drain is just ten years old and has come pretty close to paralyzing the Southern Baptist Convention. An excellent management study of the Southern Baptist Convention, adopted in Louisville in 1959, inaugurated an entirely new style of Southern Baptist work. The two primary characteristics were (1) long range planning and (2) inter-agency co-operation.

No one could fault these characteristics or devise better techniques for implementing them than those adopted.

But I, for one, am just now catching on to the price tag for this new style of Southern Baptist life. It ties up the sharpest management brains of Southern Baptist agencies in conference, after conference, after conference. The results thus far have included tremendously improved correlation of Southern Baptist programs and exquisite long-range plans.

What is the result? Check the statistics used to measure Southern Baptist progress. Every figure except money and music be-

gins with a minus sign. (That ought to produce a wisecrack about paying the piper; but he soon will be piping a dirge at this rate.)

Any simple analysis of the problem obviously will be inadequate, but there is one prime contributor to the problem. It is the preoccupation of the brainiest, most imaginative Southern Baptist leaders with working out plans for ten years from now. Nobody is minding the shop implementing the plans and programs heretofore devised for today.

Our denominational structures and budgets simply do not have the personnel to man the ten-year span of these elaborate programs.

Twenty-five years ago the agency administrator ad-libbed his plans and moved them directly from the drawing board to execution. It was challenging, exciting, hard work.

Now the agency administrator tends to be exhausted and bored with multiplied meetings which he is pressured to attend, innumerable studies that may—or may not—have any purpose, and a dreary sense that there simply is not enough time to get those marvelous plans to work.

What the management consultants did not make clear in 1959 was that if the Southern Baptist Convention adopted the style of General Motors and international banks, we would need a brain trust of planners and a big bunch of brainy vice-presidents to keep the show on the road. Most important would be a few chairmen of the board who would spend their time praying for God to guide the planners and bless the implementers.

As matters now stand our SBC brain power is focused on 1976-79; at the present rate of negative progress, we may not be in business by then.

Anybody for a study to see if this analysis is right?

REVIVAL RESULTS

Bethel church, Holston Valley association, reports one addition by baptism and nine rededications. **Clarence Arrington** is pastor.

Inskip church, Knoxville, **Robert A. Sanders**, pastor, reports 26 professions of faith and four by letter. **Jonas L. Stewart**, executive secretary-treasurer, Tennessee Baptist Convention Foundation and Church Loan, preached. **Jerry Reeves** led the music.

Hilldale church, Clarksville, reports 44 professions of faith and six by letter. **W. I. Thomas**, director of the Bible Time Evangelism association of Grand Saline, Tex., and former pastor of Trinity church, Whitehaven, Shelby County association, was the evangelist. **Clay Turner**, minister of music, White Oak church, Chattanooga, directed the music. **Ray Sadler** is pastor.

First church, Jonesboro, reports six professions of faith. **Edward Glover**, director of alumni affairs at Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City, was the evangelist. **Gary Arms**, of Johnson City, led the music. **B. Mack Canup** is interim pastor.

First church, Sevierville, **David C. Sharp**, pastor, reports 33 by baptism and eight by letter. **F. M. Dowell**, secretary, Department of Evangelism, Tennessee Baptist Convention, was the evangelist. **Don R. Campbell** led the singing.

First church, Celina, **Kent Copeland**, pastor, reports 25 professions of faith, 18 for baptism, one by letter and 20 rededications. Two surrendered for special service, one for missionary service, one for the gospel ministry. The pastor served as the evangelist.

Stone association: First, Algood, five by baptism; First, Baxter, three by baptism; Bangham Heights, four by baptism; Brotherton, four by baptism; Cane Creek, two by baptism; Caney Fork, three by baptism; First, Cookeville, 13 by baptism, 13 by letter; Dodson Branch, one by baptism, three by letter; Silver Point, two by baptism, 10 by letter; Gainesboro, one by baptism; Hampton Cross Roads, two by baptism; First, Monterey, nine by baptism; Poplar Grove, one by baptism; Rocky Point, five by baptism; Steven Street, seven by baptism, one by letter; West View, six by baptism, one by letter; Wilhite, two by baptism, three by letter and Washington Avenue, 19 by baptism and 20 by letter.

Presbyterians Ask 'Normal' Relations With Cuba

SAN ANTONIO—A call for re-establishment of "normal relations" between the United States and Cuba was issued here by the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church. In endorsing a recommendation of its standing committee on church and society, it also advocated "the lifting of the trade embargo" against the Communist country.

The resolution included a statement of opposition to the use of cultural programs to "camouflage" espionage activities in Latin America. It held that the "misuse of cultural activities and programs as a cover up for secret intelligence work should be scrupulously avoided." (RNS)