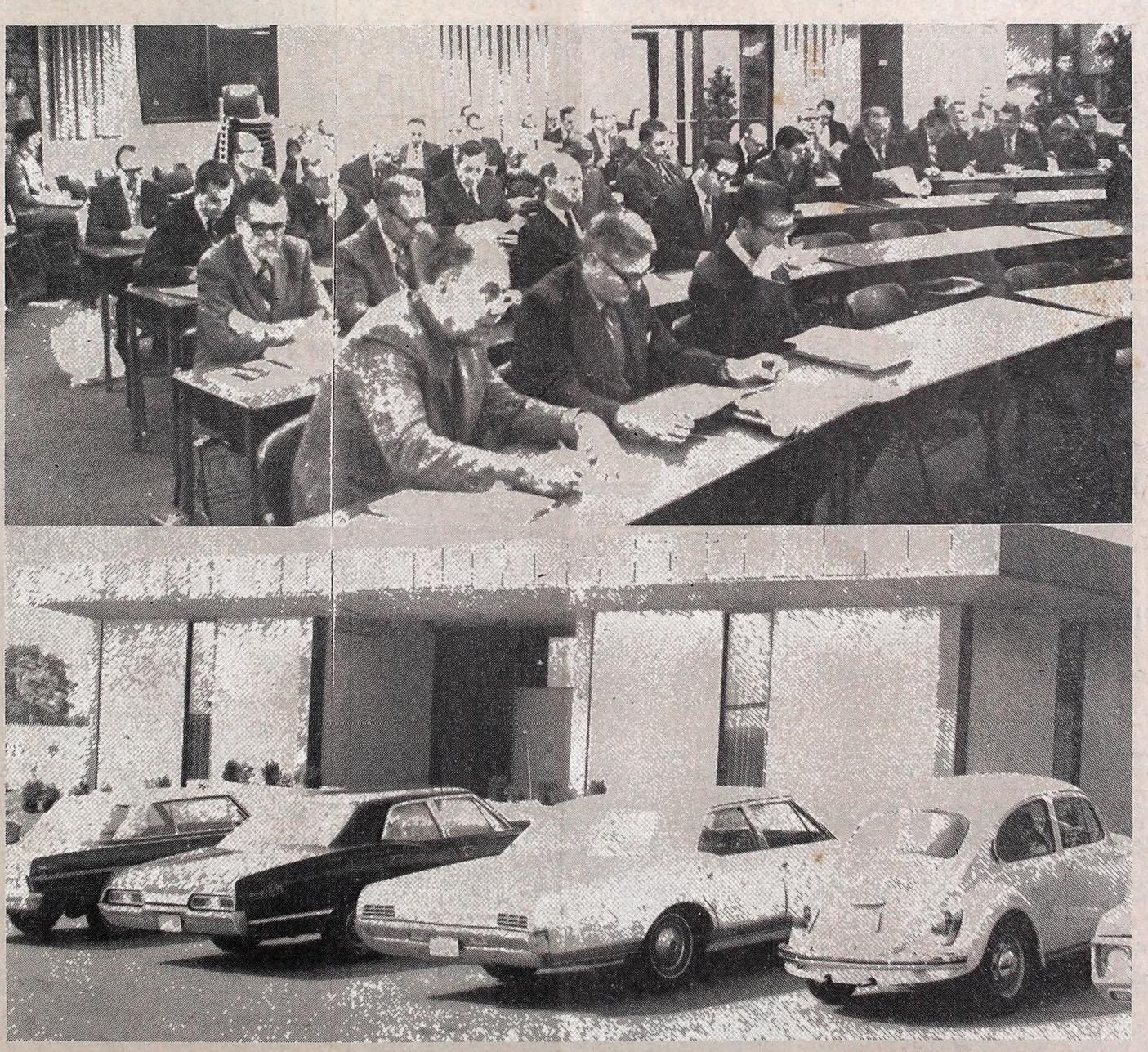
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Executive Committee in session Baptist Building, Brentwood, September 29. (Top) Baptist Student Center, Columbia State College, Columbia, dedicated recently.

TRANON IN 37087

AN INTERRUPTED SERMON

By Herschel H. Hobbs

"While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost [Spirit] fell on all them which heard the word"—Acts 10:44.

An examination of Acts 10:34-43 shows that Peter had finished his message, but he kept on speaking. For "spake" renders a present participle, keeping on speaking. Would you say that he was a typical preacher?

True he had called on his hearers to believe on Jesus that they might receive remission of sins. Note that at this point he said nothing about baptism (cf. Acts 2:38; 10:47f.). So evidently at that point his hearers responded in faith. And even though Peter kept on speaking, the Holy Spirit came upon them. Each time in Acts that the Holy Spirit is seen coming upon people, other than the church, it is in connection with the conversion experience (cf. John 14:17b; Eph. 1:13f.). So the Holy Spirit took up His abode in these who believed. He did not even wait for the invitation.

Peter had brought other Jews with him. He wanted Jewish witnesses to what he was doing (cf. Acts 11:1ff.). All these Jews marvelled that the Holy Spirit would come upon Gentiles (v. 45). "Tongues" may be regarded as an ecstatic utterance



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as these converted Gentiles praised God for His salvation. Robertson and Knowling call this "a Gentile Pentecost." The Holy Spirit's manifestation was necessary to show the Jews that it was truly a work of God.

Note that it was after they had been saved and had received the Holy Spirit that Peter baptized them. His words in Acts 2:38 certainly should be interpreted in the light of this. Baptism was the result, not a part of the cause of their being saved and receiving the Holy Spirit.

It was a glorious evangelistic service indeed. What preacher would not welcome having his sermon interrupted in such a manner?

Pulpit To Pew

By Jim Griffith

It is sad to hear, but so often someone will say, "I used to go to church regularly, but now I just stay home and listen to the radio or watch a service on television."

Except in case of necessity for the shut-ins, this practice of worshipping via radio comes out like the air -pretty thin.

The difference between listening to a radio sermon and going to church is something like the difference between calling your girl on the telephone and having an evening with her in person.

Furthermore, let it be said to all "radio worshippers" that although your radio pastor may stir you, he will not stand with you at the graveside, pray with you in the hospital, or be with you in time of trouble.

The radio pastor may come to you A.M. and F.M., but the good pastor of your church will come to your side A.M. and P.M..

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Devotional

Weep for Yourselves

Luke 23:28

By Maurice Coleman, Pastor First Baptist Church, Waverly

We are an angry people. Like the disciples, we often want to "call down fire from heaven" to destroy our adversaries. The hard-hats and radical youth adopt similar violent means to different objectives.



Coleman

ventions and rallies people respond to heckling and booing with boos and angry shouts. What is far more tragic than our anger is our at

A civic leader strikes a

youth and is publically

applauded by a national

law enforcement leader.

Even at Christian con-

tempts to identify God with our angry response. Following emotional outburst do we say, "They had it coming", or do we probe our conscience to question

where is the ethic of Jesus? The untired ethic of Jesus demands a radical course of action—turning the other cheek, loving one's enemies, returning good for evil. There is little to praise in returning boo for boo, slap for slap and angry word for angry word. To be holy is to be different. In our return to allegiance to Scripture, let us return to this Bible also.

How moving are the words of Jesus, "Weep not for me, but weep for yourselves and your children". (Luke 23:28). These words were spoken only minutes after he collapsed beneath the cross. The climax to a night and morning of spiritual, emotional and physical persecution was hastening to its awful conclusion. But Jesus refused to strike out at his enemies. He was securely fixed in the mainstream of God's redemption. No other course was acceptable.

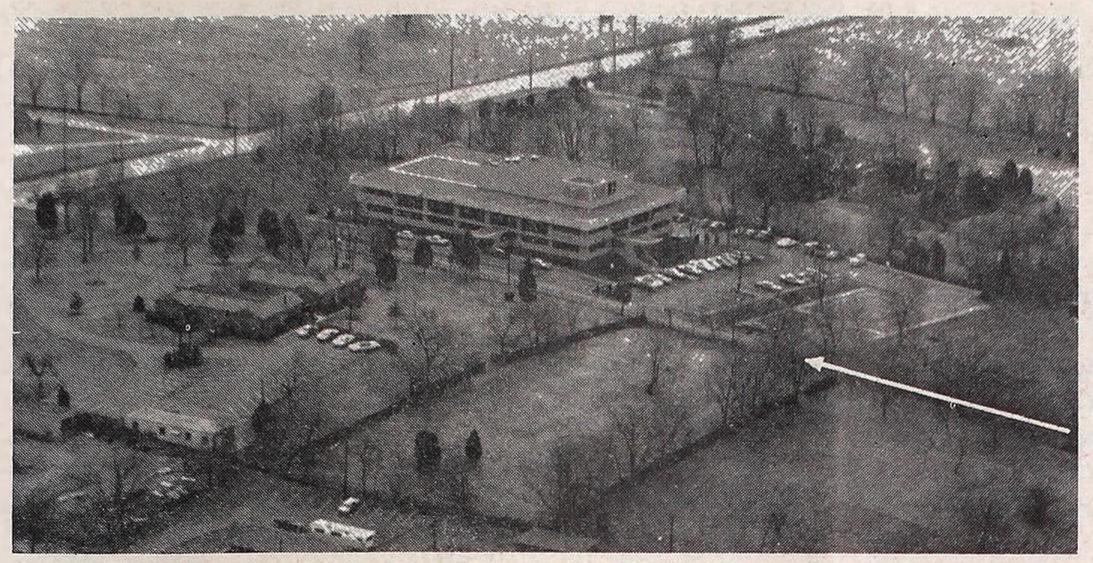
"Weep for yourselves!" Let weeping be prompted by repentance. Man is never redeemed by anger. Are not radical youth our youth? Is not the absence of value our failure to transmit value? Is the faith rejected because of the unattractive faith we offer? Is not repentance more in order than anger? A little day remains.

Kenya's Leader Reaffirms Freedom of Worship

NAIROBI, Kenya-Kenya's President Jomo Kenyatta reaffirmed that freedom of worship is "clearly entranched" in his nation's constitution as he addressed Independent Pentecostal and Anglican Church members here.

The president earlier had resolved a dispute between the two African churches by dividing a section of land in the Kianbu district.

He warned both groups to resolve their differences in order to strengthen Church unity in the African nation. (RNS)



Line extending from driveway of Tennessee Baptist Convention Building, Brentwood, indicates route proposed road will take to connect with a paved county road already paved through Maryland Farms.

Connecting Road Is Scheduled Along TBC Building Driveway

By James A. Lester, Editor, Baptist And Reflector

Burton Construction Company, Nashville, is apparent low bidder on a project to extend a road from Franklin Road, along the path of, and including the present driveway of the Tennessee Baptist Convention's Executive Board, to a point several hundred yards west of Board property. The proposed road will follow an old road bed to the Tennessee Thoroughbred Training Center, west of Brentwood, and join with a county road which provides access to Old Hickory boulevard.

According to Brentwood Mayor Emory Pewitt, the low bid of \$9496 was to have a first reading by the city council Oct. 5, with two other readings of a resolution to follow, and construction expected to start in the near future. "As far as I know," Pewitt said Monday, the way is clear for construction of the road.

Plans for the road adjacent to the building have been object of considerable speculation for several months. The road is scheduled to go eventually from Franklin Road to the River Oaks subdivision, near Hillsboro Road. According to Pewitt, and other highly placed sources, the road is to be built on an easement for a county road which embraces the space now used by the Convention for a main driveway.

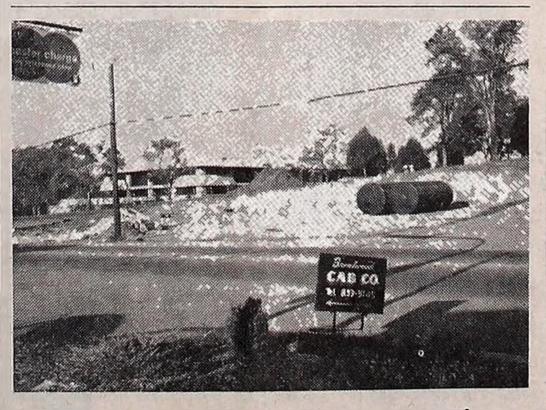
According to the mayor, the road easement is 32 feet in width, 16 feet being on State Convention property, and 16 feet on the property of Direct Oil Company, neighbor to the new building. Direct oil is currently constructing a service station on the corner of Franklin Road and what will be the new connecting road, across from convention property.

Construction of the road will be along an old road bed maintained by Williamson county in other years. According to the

mayor, the easement for the road appears in each deed for property now owned by the Executive Board since the early 1900's. A decision to reopen the old road bed apparently was made in the light of increased traffic flow and a desire on the part of the owners of the racing center to have additional highway access.

Reliable sources indicate that the current driveway for the convention's parking lot was constructed in such a manner that the present road will be the through road, with no additional incursion of road space on property owned by the board.

When the convention offices were constructed in 1968-69, the driveway was constructed in the path of the easement both on convention property as well as the Direct Oil property. This means that the driveway now used by the convention is on both convention and oil company easements. The inner line of the oil company property is marked now by a wooden fence.



A service station is under construction at the corner of Franklin Road and the driveway of the Tennessee Baptist Convention building, on the property where the home office of Direct Oil Company is located.

President Urges Prayer For Peace

WASHINGTON — President Richard Nixon has asked "all Americans to pray that the scourge of war be lifted from the earth, and that the anguish of those who have felt the horrors of war be eased."

The President made his plea to the nation as he proclaimed Wednesday, Oct. 21, as "National Day of Prayer, 1970."

An ancient prayer, "Lord, Make Me An Instrument of Thy Peace," was used as a text for the President's proclamation.

Commenting on the prayer, the President said, "The path to peace is through the hearts of men, and it seeks a particularly noble reward: The ability to examine one's own role in bringing harmony and tranquility to others."

At the same time the President proclaimed a national day of prayer, he also issued nine other proclamations for special events during October and November. (BP)

Michigan Court Upholds 'Aid' Law, Okays Referendum On School Issue

LANSING, Mich.—Michigan's state Supreme Court upheld as constitutional a law providing \$22 million in state funds for non-public school students.

The court, in a 4 to 3 ruling, found "no conflict" between the law authorizing state aid for 280,000 non-public school students in Michigan "and the existing provisions of the state and federal constitutions."

However, in a separate decision the supreme court opened the way for a statewide vote on a constitutional amendment that would prohibit any form of state aid, except bussing, for non-public school students. (RNS)

Mrs. Ruby Hastings, Editor's Mother, Dies

MARION, Ill.—Mrs. Ruby Hastings, mother of the "Illinois Baptist" Editor Robert J. Hastings of Carbondale, Ill., died here at the age of 77.

Mrs. Hastings was not only the mother of the current editor of the Baptist state paper, but was baptized and married by the first editor of the "Illinois Baptist", W. P. Throgmorton. (BP)

Registration Cards

Registration cards for messengers to the annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Jackson, Nov. 10-12 are available in the office of Wallace E. Anderson, Recording Secretary, P. O. Box 647, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027.

Liquor Store in Brentwood?

We understand from reliable sources that plans are in the works for a liquor store in the city of Brentwood. Tennessee Baptists have a considerable investment in the city of Brentwood by virtue of the \$1,700,000 Executive office building for the Convention located here. Tennessee Baptists chose Brentwood as a good location for the principal offices prior to incorporation of the community some months ago.

We believe that a liquor store, reportedly to be in sight several hundred feet down Franklin Road from the Convention building, would be an unfortunate addition to this community. The presence of the Convention offices in Brentwood and the motivation behind the establishment of these offices should serve, we believe, as a moral deterrent to the establishment of such a store if this is possible.

This building in Brentwood belongs to every Tennessee Baptist. Therefore, every Tennessee Baptist has a stake in anything that affects it. The community of Brentwood wanted this building erected here, so we understand. We believe therefore, there should be at least some sensitive response to our attitude and opinions.

The Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, meeting in Brentwood last week, expressed their disapproval of the plans for the store, and requested Executive Secretary W. Fred Kendall to convey their objections to Brentwood authorities.

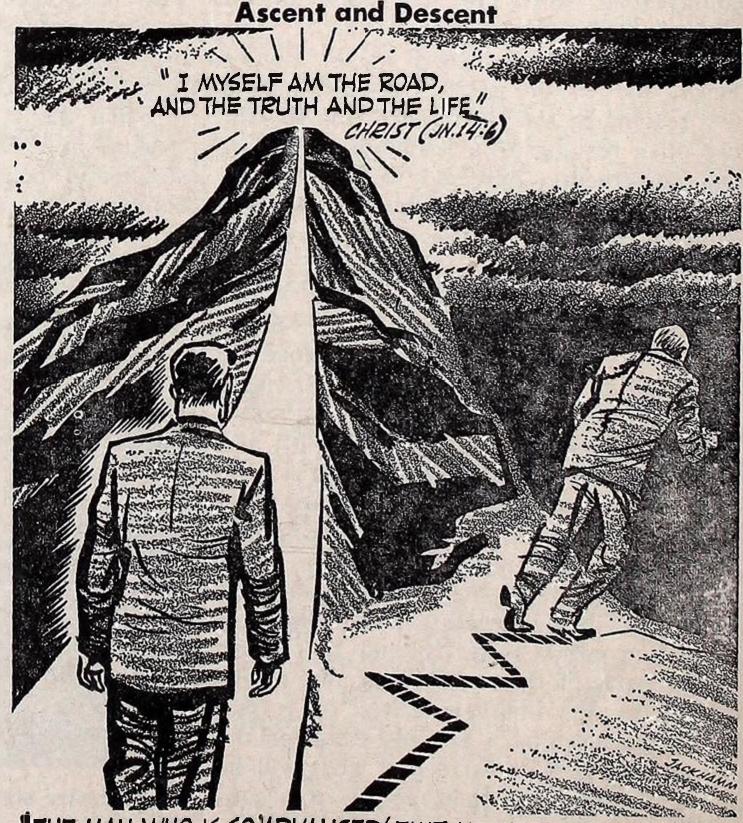
We understand that this store may not come before the first of the year. It is time now for Tennessee Baptists to express their opinion, if they have one, by writing: Mayor Emory Pewitt, Mayor, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027, on the subject.

Degree Changes Coming?

The American Association of Theological Schools, at a recent meeting, has adopted a revised report of the Committee on the Professional Doctorate as a First Theological Degree with several significant amendments. In the monthly newsletter published by this association, information indicates that a change in the status of theological degrees is imminent. Indications now are that the Bachelor of Divinity degree, long the old "stand-by" is "no longer appropriate and will be discontinued." The report assumes also that the Master of Divinity degree is "an appropriate recognized degree for candidates for ministry."

The full weight of this association has been placed now behind moves toward a "professional thrust in theological education" which sees a degree entitled Doctor of Ministries as an appropriate professional doctorate representing a level of competence higher than the Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent.

If we interpret properly the move under way, the time could be in the foreseeable future when graduate work at the seminary level would be rewarded by a recognized doctorate. As we indicated some months ago in an editorial, it is our feeling that a move of this nature might be long overdue. It has always seemed to us a bit unreasonable to require a Bachelor of Arts degree in order that a person then might study for a minimum of three years to acquire another bachelor's degree. Granted that the effectiveness of ministry is not determined by the kind of degree, yet we feel that a move to afford proper accreditation with appropriate titles for work done in the area of theology would be quite valid. We shall await with interest further developments in this area. Appropriate steps to make retroactive titles for the same work done would not, at that time, be out of order.



THE MAN WHO IS SO 'ADVANCED' THAT HE IS NOT CONTENT WITH WHAT CHRIST TAUGHT, HAS IN FACT NO GOD. THE MAN WHO BASES HIS LIFE ON CHRIST'S TEACHING, HOWEVER, HAS BOTH THE FATHER AND THE SON..."

[JOHN 9 (PHILTES.)

Annual Meeting Of Tenn. WMU Slated For November 9-10, Jackson

The 82nd annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Tennessee Baptist Convention, will be held Nov. 9-10 at First church, Jackson, according to Miss Mary Jane Nethery, executive secretary-treasurer, Woman's Missionary Union, Tennessee Baptist Convention. Mrs.

D. Isbell, of Chattanooga, state WMU president, will preside over the sessions which will be held on Monday afternoon, 1:45-3:45 p.m., Monday evening 7:30-9:15 p.m., and Tuesday morning from 9:15 to 12 noon. Between 750-1000 persons are expected to attend.

Henderson

The two-day meeting precedes the 96th annu-

al session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, scheduled for Nov. 10-12 at West Jackson church, Jackson.



Williams

Following the theme, "For the Living of These Days," the meeting will hear from: Miss Eula Mae Henderson, executive secretary-treasurer, Woman's Missionary Union in Texas for the past 23 years, who will present a period of meditation at the beginning of each session featuring new children and young people's organizations—

Monday afternoon, Mission Friends, Monday evening, Girls in Action, and Tuesday



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morning, Acteens; Benton Williams, missionary to Thailand, presently working with the Student department of the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, speaking Monday afternoon on "These Days . . . in Thailand," and Tuesday morning on the subject, "Working with Internationals."

Also appearing on the program will be Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond, Va., speaking Monday evening on "These Days Around the World," and W. Fred Kendall, executive secretary-treasurer, Tennessee Baptist Convention, speaking Tuesday morning on "Missions in Tennessee."

Student Suspensions Upheld By C-N

The suspension of seven Carson-Newman college student following their arrest on charges of possession of marijuana, was upheld Monday, Oct. 5, by college president Dr. John A. Fincher, and other top college administrators.

The suspension for the remainder of the Fall term was upheld although the seven were released in General Sessions court in Dandridge last Friday. They were freed on the grounds that their constitutional rights were violated in that evidence submitted against them was secured without a search warrant.

Charges of possession of marijuana came following their arrest Sept. 26 by an off-duty officer, target practicing near the city limits.

Those suspended by the college are: Frank D. Hardin, 20, Brevard, N. C.; Raymond Dotson, 18, Maryville; Lowell R. Stephens, 19, Cleveland, Ohio; Judy Venable, 19 Jefferson City; Fordyce C. Stone Jr., 20, Richmond, Va.; James L. Goldfinch, 18, San Joe, Costa Rica; David Owens, Rockville, Md.

Fincher declared Monday that the college would not permit the use of drugs on the campus and that college officials would use all possible means to prevent such use. The college head pointed out that in the case of the seven, the charges were possession.

Baptist Worker's Son Killed Playing With Hand Grenade

RIVERSIDE, Calif.—The 11-year-old son of a Baptist associational missions worker was killed along with two companions when a hand grenade the boys were playing with exploded.

David Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crawford, died four days after the explosion. His two companions, Ricky Leamon and Bobby Ewing, both 13, were killed instantly.

Crawford is associational superintendent of missions for the Calvary-Arrowhead Baptist Association here. (BP)



Officers of Truett Association are (from left) Mrs. Robert England, clerk; Maurice Coleman, moderator; William Fox (right) vice moderator. Bill Sherman, second from right, pastor of Woodmont Baptist church Nashville, was inspirational speaker.

WMU Plans First House Party October 23-25, Montgomery Bell



Kirk

Kirk



Hammack



Sadler

Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Miss Mary Jane Nethery, executive secretarytreasurer, has planned the first Baptist Young Women (single, ages 18-29), House Party for Oct. 23-25 at Montgomery Bell State Park, according to Miss Beulah Peoples, state director of Baptist Young Women and Baptist Women. The meeting will begin on Friday evening at 8 p.m. and will close Sunday morning.

Geared to the interest and needs of young adults, the program will include Baptist

Young Women methods, missionary messages and information, and a depth study of the Bible, led by Ray Sadler, associate pastor, Park Avenue church, Nashville.

Other program personalities include James P. Kirk, Southern Baptist missionary to Brazil, and Mrs. Kirk, as well as Beverly Hammack, Christian Social Ministries, Jacksonville, Fla.

Reservations should be sent to Woman's Missionary Union, P. O. Box 647, Brentwood, Tenn. 37027, by Oct. 16,

Report Of Committee On Boards

The Committee on Boards of the Tennessee Baptist Convention presents the following nominations. All nominations for terms expiring 1973 are being made by the Committee on Boards. Other nominations to fill the unexpired terms of men who have left the state, resigned, passed away, or moved from one grand division to another are indicated with one asterisk. Two asterisks indicates a special nomination.

> Gaye McGlothlen, Chairman D. M. Renick Earl Wilson Carl Allen Al Royer Robert Orr Hayward Highfill O. M. Dangeau

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- Charles D. Earl, Bluff City—E
- O. C. Rainwater, Loudon—E
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- Clarence Stewart, Pulaski—C
- Harold White, McMinnville—C
- 11. William E. Crook, Nashville—C
- Robert Capra, Nashville—C
- 13. Al Royer, Shelbyville—C
- Tom Madden, Tullahoma—C
- James Owen, Lewisburg—C
- Bill Powell, Monterey—C 16.
- 17. George Hill, Springfield—C
- Robert Orr, Dyersburg—W
- 19. Bill Bates, Martin-W
- H rbert Higdon, Dyer-W
- Carroll Owen, Paris—W
- Tom Pope, Somerville—W
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- P. O. Davidson, Frazier—W
- R. Paul Caudill, Memphis-W

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- J. William Harbin, Maryville—E
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- Henry Preston, Chattanooga—E*
- Raymond Lloyd, Chattanooga—E
- Anderson McCulley, Sweetwater—E
- Hayward Highfill, Clinton—E
- Bob M. Polk, Elizabethton—E 15.
- John W. Outland, Bristol—E*
- James Jennings, Woodbury—C
- James Harney, Lawrenceburg—C
- Joseph T. Nickell, Crossville—C
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- O. Wyndell Jones, Trenton-W
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- E. E. Deusner, Lexington-W
- Robert E. Brown, Jr., Alamo—W
- Hollis D. Jordan, Memphis---W
- Marvin T. Robertson, Bolivar-W
- Richard Patton, Portland—C
- James K. Simmons, Cross Plains—C
- Gaye McGlothlen, Nashville—C*
- Joe Stacker, Concord—E
- 13. A. Bruce Coyle, Rogersville—E
- Robert Sanders, Knoxville—E
- 15. Ralph Norton, Chattanooga—E
- 16. Lewis Bratcher, Kingsport—E
- Gordon Greenwell, Knoxville—E
- 18. Carroll Hubbard, Oak Ridge-E
- Don Mauldin, Nashville—C
- 20. Courtney Wilson, Hendersonville-C
- 21. Jim Henry, Donelson—C
- 22. Ernest Moench, Jr., Nashville—C
- 23. H. K. Sorrell, Brownsville—W
- 24. Winfield Rich, Memphis—W
- 25. Jerry Smith, Henderson—W

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- Franklin Paschall, Nashville
- Sam Ridley, Smyrna
- 9. Thomas Bryan, Nashville

Term Expiring 1972

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- 2. Elmer Woolard, Lebanon
- Tom Madden, Tullahoma
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- Orville L. Vaughn, Nashville
- John Gifford, Nashville
- Lem B. Stevens, Nashville
- Claude Garrett, Goodlettsville Stirton Oman, Sr., Brentwood

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- Lewis Moore, Nashville
- Robert Taylor, Nashville
- Hobart Ford, Nashville
- Waldon Smith, Clarksville
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- William A. Fortune, Knoxville
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- Charles Bond, Knoxville
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- John Churchman, Morristown
- 8. Leonard Rogers, Knoxville
- Bruce Edwards, Knoxville

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- McKnight Fite, Knoxville

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- 2. M. F. Strunk, Alcoa
- 3. Edwin Alexander, Rutherford

Term Expiring 1971

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- Roy Babb, Nashville, Temporary Chairman
- 3. W. A. Foote, Memphis

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- Mrs. Albert McClellan, Nashville
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Two Years

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- 2. Eugene Cotey, Murfreesboro, Temporary Chair-
- man 3. Ralph Norton, Chattanooga
 - One Year
- 1. Jack Prince, Knoxville
- Bob Norman, Nashville Michael Champlin, Memphis

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- James Harney, Lawrenceburg William W. Cope, Pigeon Forge
 - Two Years Keith Wilson, Grand Junction

William C. Stockton, Mt. Juliet 3. J. C. Parrish, Clinton

- One Year
- Bernard Campbell, Cleveland
- Archie King, Murfreesboro
- John Churchman, Morristown, Temporary Chairman

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Three Years

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- Dudley H. Johnson, Murfreesboro
 - William E. Cropper, Cleveland

Two Years

- John D. Freeman, Nashville
- Tom Pope, Somerville, Temporary Chairman M. K. Cobble, Andersonville
- One Year

- Richard Lucas, Nashville Norman Baker, South Pittsburg
- Paul Clark, Jackson
- (Continued on page 12)

Tennessee News Briefs

William "Sonny" Melton, a 1962 music graduate of Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City, has completed his master's thesis, entitled, "A History of the Music Department at Carson-Newman college." He received the master of science degree from the University of Tennessee in August.

Mrs. Margaret Louise Smith, wife of Loyd Smith, pastor, Elkins Avenue church, Nashville, has been nominated by the executive committee of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for the position of manager of the Belmont college (Nashville) book store. The nomination comes as a result of a contract between the college and the board under which the board will provide management services and inventory for the book store. Mrs. Smith is a native of Montgomery County, Iowa, and attended schools in Yorktown and College Springs.

Robert L. Lee, executive secretary of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, Mrs. Lee and daughter were guests of First church, Rockwood on Sunday, Sept. 20. Lee, father of Mrs. Bob Brian, church organist, and father-in-law of Bob Brian, minister of music and youth, spoke during the morning service on "State Missions." Robert W. Campbell is pastor.

First church, Cleveland, has ordained John Cantrell and Jack Whitson as deacons. William Cropper is pastor.

East Walland mission, Walland, sponsored by Forest Hill church, Chilhowee association, was organized as a church on Sunday, Oct. 4. Horace L. Gennoe, superintendent of missions, Chilhowee association, delivered the message. Kenneth Sullivan serves as pastor at East Walland and Dillard Hagan is pastor at Forest Hill. The mission was formerly owned and operated by the Presbyterian church.

Beech Grove church, Chilhowee association, has dedicated their new sanctuary and renovated the educational building. Robert McCullough is pastor.

First church, Chilhowee, has ordained **Bobby Schultz** and **Beecher Barker** as deacons.

Manley church, Morristown, John R. Churchman, pastor, observed open house for their new pastorium recently. The new home is part of a \$450,000 building program which includes a new 800-seat auditorium scheduled for completion in January, 1971.

First church, Chattanooga, W. Eugene Spears, Jr., pastor, has ordained Ray Gladish, Jr., Charles Megahee, Jr., and Hubert Turner, Jr., as deacons.

Calvary Hill church, Dyersburg, has purchased a small van bus for use in the outreach ministry of the church, as well as in the recreational program with the youth. Bill H. Smith is pastor.

Approximately 50 decisions were made during the recent performance of the Christian folk musical "Life," presented by the youth choir of First church, Alcoa, during a Sunday evening service. Hugh Livingston, Jr., directed the musical.

Long Island church, Kingsport, has dedicated their new baptistry. Other construction included a new choir loft and a secretary's office and enclosed panelled platforms for instruments.

Grant L. Jones, pastor, First church, Sevierville, and Mrs. Jones, were honored recently on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary. The church presented the Jones' a silver coffee and tea service, as well as giving a reception in their honor.

McCalla Avenue church, Knoxville, has ordained Marshall Kooch, Richard Eason, and Jon Roach as deacons. John J. Buell is pastor.

Services were held for Rev. Charles Homer Robinson, 70, of Route 1, Whites Creek, Tenn., on Sept. 14. He had served as pastor of numerous churches across the state, and retired Nov. 1, 1964 when he was pastor of New Hope Baptist church of Hermitage. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Annie B. Robinson; three sons, Charles Burke, Dallas, Earl Joe, San Antonio, and John Paul Robinson, Knoxville.

Upper Helton church, Alexandria, has ordained Billy H. Curtis into the gospel ministry. A native of Alexandria, he attended Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla. He has been called as pastor of Ramah church near Watertown. Mrs. Curtis is the former Bobbie Dow Mathis of Doweltown. They have four children.

Leadership Changes

Lincoya Hills church, Nashville, Richard L. Wakefield, pastor, has called Frank Thompson as music and youth minister. Thompson is a junior at Belmont college, Nashville.

Dixie Lee church, Lenoir City, has called E. M. Shearwood as pastor. He formerly served as pastor of First church, Benton.

Centenary church, Chilhowee association, has called Sanders Whaley as pastor. Whaley will be ordained into the gospel ministry by Madison Avenue church, same association, Glenn Grubb, pastor, on Oct. 11. Centenary recently installed a new baptistry.

Stock Creek church, Chilhowee association, has called James Lauderback as pastor. He formerly served as pastor of Calvary church in the same association for six and one-half years. During his ministry at Calvary, mission gifts increased and a new pastorium was built and the sanctuary remodeled. Stock Creek has redecorated the interior of the pastorium.

Carson Island church, Chilhowee association, has called Calloway Nichols, of Sweetwater, as pastor.

Earl Taylor has resigned as pastor of Bethel church, Chilhowee association.

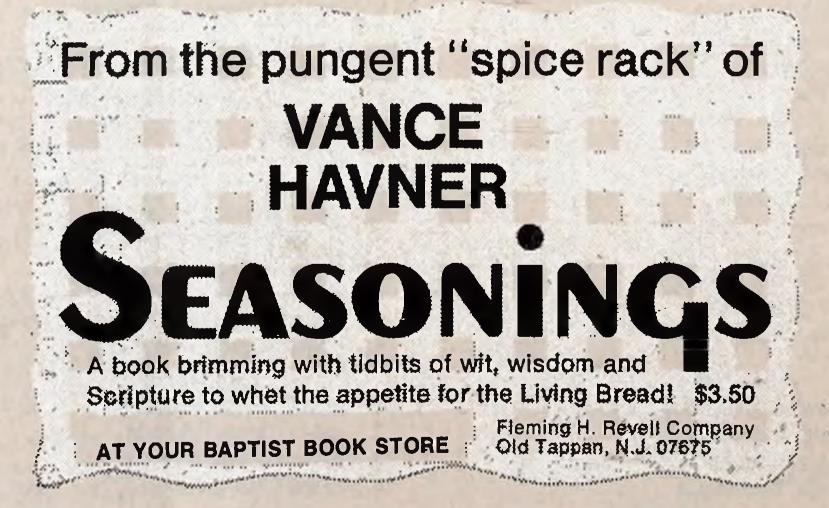
Hopewell church, Chilhowee association, has called George R. Macht as pastor. Macht is a former pastor of the Ellejoy church, same association.

Lester Anderson has resigned after a sixyear ministry as pastor of Old Chilhowee church, Chilhowee association.

Mount Carmel church, Chilhowee association, has called Ralph Lee as pastor. Lee is an engineer with the Alcoa Aluminum Company.

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Pastor, Youth Minister Resign at Birmingham

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—The pastor and the minister of youth activities of the First Baptist church here resigned after the Southern Baptist congregation refused to accept a Negro woman and her daughter into membership.

Church action on the resignations of Dr. J. Herbert Gilmore and Miss Betty Bock was deferred.

Under the church's by-laws, a two-thirds vote was required for acceptance of Mrs. Winifred Bryant and her 11-year-old daughter, Twila, since some members objected to accepting their membership applications when they were first presented.

After the vote at the Sunday morning service and the reading of the prepared letters of resignation, some 250 members of the church walked out of the service.

An exact count of the standing vote was not taken.

The group of those sympathetic to Dr. Gilmore were led by a Birmingham physician, Dr. Byrn Williamson, who has made several visits to Southern Baptist mission fields for short-term service.

After meeting in another part of the church building, the group later had lunch together.

Controversy over the membership applications of the two blacks had kept the 98-year-old congregation in a state of controversy throughout the Summer.

In August, following seven and a half hours of debate and parliamentary maneuver, the congregation voted by a majority of only 241 to 237 not to fire Dr. Gilmore.

Opposition to the pastor, who came to Birmingham two years ago from Chevy Chase, Md., was led by Ollie Bland, an attorney, who charged Dr. Gilmore with "theological liberalism."

Early in September, the congregation rejected, 240-217, a resolution that would have specifically prohibited racial bars to membership.

During a period of racial crisis in 1963, the church received national attention as one of the few churches in the city to accept Negro worshippers.

In subsequent years, it began a ministry to blacks living in the surrounding area on the edge of the downtown business district. Mrs. Bryant and her daughter became involved in church activities through that program. (RNS)

Phelps V-P at Dallas Baptist

DALLAS—Ralph A. Phelps, dean of administration at Dallas Baptist college since Aug. 1, has been promoted to vice president by the school's board of trustees.

As Dallas Baptist college's only vice president, Phelps, former president of Ouachita Baptist university, Arkadelphia, Ark., will work directly for the college's president Charles Pitts.

Revival Results

Avondale church, Chattanooga, reports four professions of faith, two additions by letter and 16 rededications during their recent revival. Joe Shaver, of Memphis, was the evangelist and Elmer Bailey, associate pastor, Bellevue church, Memphis, was in charge of the music. James H. Walker is pastor.

Hillhurst church, Nashville, received 15 additions and 41 rededications during their recent revival. Jerry Songer, pastor, Central Baptist church, Waycross, Ga., was the evangelist.

First church, Rutherford, reports 17 additions for baptism, eight by letter, and 10 other professions of faith (joining other churches) and numerous rededications during their recent revival. Jerry L. Glisson, pastor, Leawood church, Memphis, and president, Tennessee Baptist Convention, was the evangelist. Ed Crawley, music director at First church, Dyersburg, was in charge of the music. Thirty-nine young people from Leawood came by bus to give their testimonies and sing. The closing Sunday of the meeting saw all records broken in Sunday School (247) and Church Training with 186. Edwin R. Alexander is pastor at Rutherford.

First church, Bruceton, reports 27 professions of faith, eight additions by letter and more than 100 rededications during their recent revival. Two young people surrendered for special service. George M. Horton, pastor, Second church, Union City, was the evangelist. Noel A. Edwards is pastor. The church will occupy its new \$250,000 building in the near future.

Baptist Spanish Publishing House Names Hill New Director

EL PASO, Tex.—Thomas W. Hill, a Southern Baptist missionary, has been inaugurated during ceremonies here as the third director of the Spanish Baptist Publishing House.

Hill, who has served as a book editor at the publishing house since 1964, succeeds Frank W. Patterson as director. Patterson has headed the publishing house for 27 years.

During the inauguration ceremonies, tribute was paid to Patterson, who is leaving to accept a special literature promotion lassignment for Spanish-speaking Latin: America. (BP)

The projected educational attainment for persons in their middle and late teens today is as follows: More than three-fourths (about 77 per cent) will graduate from high school; 45 per cent will enter a college or university; 22 per cent will earn a bachelor's degree; seven per cent, a master's degree; and one per cent, a doctorate.

Langley Elected New Leader Of D.C. Baptist Convention

WASHINGTON—James A. Langley, pastor of the Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist church here, has been elected executive secretary of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention.



Langley

Langley, 45, succeeds M. Chandler Stith who has been in this position for the past 28 years. The new executive secretary will assume his responsibilities Nov. 1.

The District of Columbia Baptist Convention, made up of 59 churches, is affiliated with both the Southern and the American Baptist Convention.

A native of Alabama, Langley is a graduate of Baylor university, Waco, Tex., and Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary in Fort Worth. Langley holds the bachelor of divinity and doctor of theology degrees from Southwestern seminary and the master of theology degree from Princeton Theological seminary in Princeton, N.J. (BP)

Brotherhood

Progress In Clinton

By Roy Gilleland

Our state goal for churches with Baptist Men and Royal Ambassadors is 60 per cent. The Clinton Associational Brother-hood under the leadership of John Myers Brotherhood Director, is within sight their goal with a percentage of 57 per cent H. P. Barrington is the Superintendent of Missions.

Just a few of the activities of the Clinton Associational Brotherhood which have helped are the organization of Royal Ambassador softball and basketball teams; participation in Mission Weeks of Prayer for Home, Foreign, Associational and State Missions; work with prisoners; and work with the Friendship Center at Briceville.

John Myers has set a goal of 80 per cent of the churches in the Clinton Baptist Association with Baptist Men and Royal Ambassador organizations.

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1:55 Message Dr. Robert Hamblin, Pastor,
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"The Pastor's Preparation—Knowledge"
Vocal Solo Bill Morris

2:25 Welcome By Host Pastor Dr. David Q. Byrd
Announcements
Hymn

2:35 Message Rev. David Walker "His Motivation—A Compassionate Heart" Vocal Duet R. L. and Beth Sigrest Hymn

3:10 Message
"His Source Of Power—The Holy Spirit"
Rev. George Capps
Vocal Solo Cary Bates

3:40 Hymn
Announcements
Offering

3:50 Message Dr. Jonas Stewart

"His Proclamation—The Cross"

Vocal Solo Anne Criswell, Jackson
Benediction

Monday Evening Session
D. William Dodson, Jr., Presiding
Harry Hampsher, Music Director

"THEME

"THE PREACHER—CALLED TO CHALLENGE A
LOST WORLD"

6:40 Hymn
Scripture and Prayer
Vocal Music Concert
R. L. and Beth Sigrest
Anne Criswell Jackson

7:00 Message Dr. Robert Hamblin "The Pastor's Preparation—Health" Vocal Solo Mrs. Robert Norman

7:30 Vocal Solo Announcements Hymn

7:40 Message Rev. O. Wyndell Jones First, Trenton

"You Have Been Chosen"
Vocal Solo Miss Phyllis Bailey

Hymn
8:15 Message Dr. C. Burnell Lewis,
Evangelist, from Pal, St. Louis
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"The New Testament Church Message"
Vocal Solo Anne Criswell Jackson
Hymn

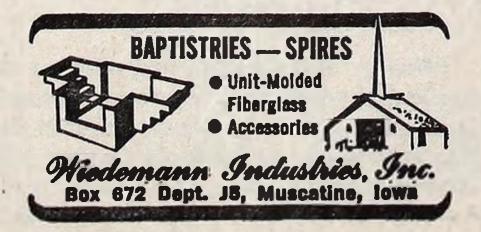
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"THE PREACHER—PROCLAIMING GREAT DOCTRINES"
8:50 Hymn

Scripture and Prayer Rev. John Buell Vocal Music Concert R. L. and Beth Sigrest Dr. Robert Hamblin

"The Pastor's Preparation—Commitment"
Vocal Solo Aubrey Edwards

9:40 Hymn
Announcements
Report of Nominating Committee

9:50 Message Rev. O. M. Dangeau First, McKenzie "A Great Book—The Scriptures"

Vocal Duet R. L. and Beth Sigrest

10:20 Hymn Offering

10:30 Message Dr. Lewis Ferrell Whitehaven, Memphis

"A Divine Act—Repentance and Rebirth"
Vocal Duet Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Tatum
11:00 Message Dr. Hayward Highfill
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"A New Relationship—The Lordship of Christ"
Vocal Duet Elmer Bailey and Tommy Lane

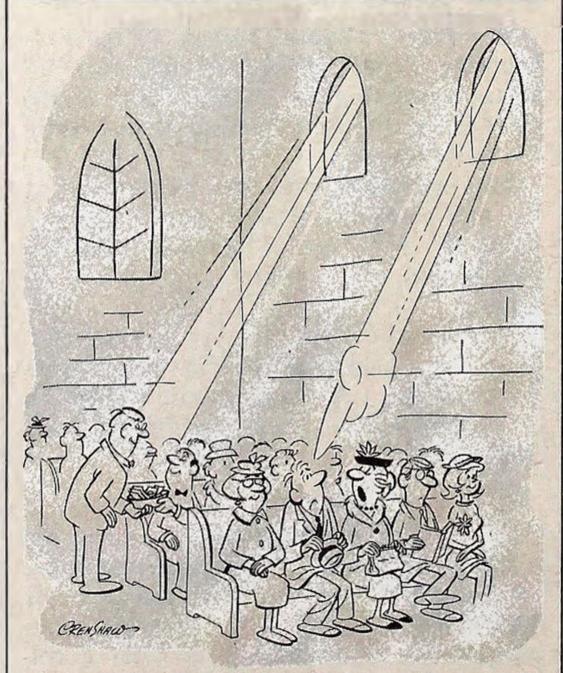
11:30 Recognition of New Officers
Hymn

11:40 Message Dr. Hugh Van Eaton First, Lake Charles, La. "A Great Day—The Return Of Christ"

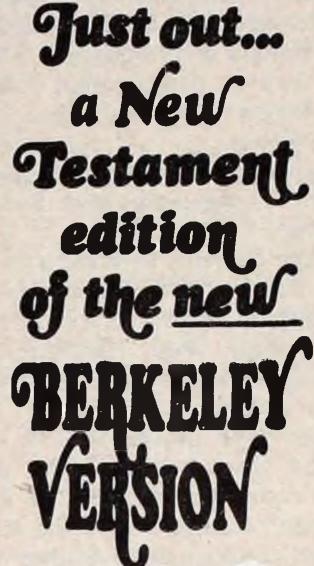
Vocal Solo Anne Criswell, Jackson Benediction

Americans United Dedicates New Offices

IWASHINGTON, D.C.—Dedication ceremonies for the new building and library of
Americans United for Separation of Church
and State were held on Sept. 24. The headquarters is located just beyond the District
of Columbia Line at 8120 Fenton Street in
Silver Spring, Md. Presiding at the ceremonies was Dr. Jimmy R. Allen, president
of Americans United and pastor of the
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By James M. Gregg, Executive Director

In the story of the good Samaritan which Jesus tells in Luke 10, there are three philosophies of life reflected. The first is that of the thieves. In modern terms it is expressed as follows: "The world owes me a living, and I'll get my share regardless of the damages involved."

The second is exemplified by the priest and the Levite. Their basic premise was: "What is mine is mine, and I'm going to keep it, no matter how much someone else needs it."

The third is displayed by the Samaritan whose principle was: "What is mine is thine, and we'll share it together"; or in the language of the Bible: "Such as I have give I thee." Acts 3:6. This sharing disposition will stoop to conquer and bend low to lift up.

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No Consensus of Baptist Leaders On Reorganizing Annual SBC Meeting

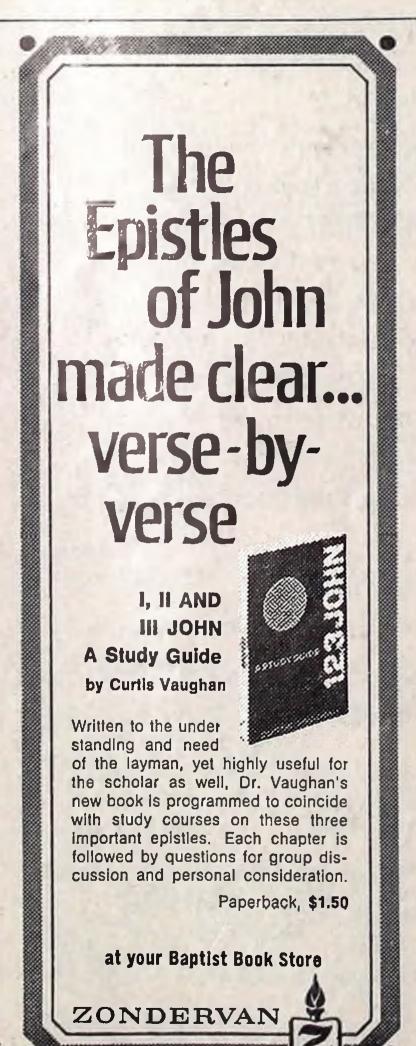
Martin Bradley, Director

NASHVILLE—In the Baptist VIEW-poll's latest survey, a representative panel of pastors and Sunday School teachers failed to agree on suggestions for reorganizing the Southern Baptist Convention's annual meeting.

Responding to indications that some are dissatisfied with the convention's annual meeting as it is now structured, VIEWpoll posed this question to the representative panel: "The suggestion has been made that the large annual Southern Baptist Convention meeting has become unworkable because of size and complexity. Several suggestions for reorganization have been offered. Please indicate the one suggestion... which seems most practical to you." Six alternatives were listed from which one choice was made.

The largest portion of pastors 31.0 per cent felt that "a further limiting of the number of messengers" was the best solution suggested but only 20.5 per cent of the teachers liked this suggestion.

The largest portion of teachers 32.9 per cent countered that the "election of representatives from various states to conduct



convention business" appealed most to them. However, only 8.0 per cent of the pastors liked this suggestion.

"A general meeting every other year" was found to be attractive to 12.9 per cent of the pastors and 10.7 per cent of the teachers.

The suggestion that "a convention of simultaneous state meetings connected by closed circuit television be held" had little appeal for 6.9 per cent of pastors and 8.9 per cent of teachers.

"None of the above suggestions seem practical" to 17.8 per cent of the pastors and 5.2 per cent of the Sunday School teachers.

The fact that 23.4 per cent of the pastors and 21.8 per cent of the teachers would express no opinion on the matter of reorganization would tend to indicate either a reluctance to reveal their true feelings, a lack of prior consideration of or desire for reorganization or inability to know how to constructively deal with the situation.

Write-in suggestions for reorganization included regional meetings only, regional meetings with periodic general conventions and seating of messengers only.

Current VIEWpoll findings are based on 92 per cent response of the panel members. (BP)

Nursing Schooling Given

Tabitha Foundation, a Baptist social service agency in the Netherlands, is providing training for nurses this year for the first time.

The nursing school is located on property adjoining Tabitha's nursing home for old people, now under construction in Amsterdam. The school, which has received government approval, has enroled seven young women and four young men as student nurses. They are between 17 and 25 years of age. (EBPS)

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One Year

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Two Years

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- 3. Horace Hamm, Knoxville

One Year

- 1. Wilson Lonas, Knoxville
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One Year

- 1. Al Royer, Shelbyville
- 2. Bob Orr, Dyersburg
- 3. Hayward Highfill, Clinton

LETTER

To The Editor:

We, the members of the First Baptist Church of Oregon, Ohio, would like to ask you to express our appreciation to the people in Tennessee that support the Pioneer Work, here in Northwest Ohio.

The Cooperative Program dollar has helped in many ways to share the gospel. It has helped pay a full time Pastors' salary and the local Church has been able to broaden its Mission efforts.

We especially would like to express our thanks to the Central Baptist Church, 5208 Hixson Pike, Hixson, Tennessee. April 1, 1970, this Church began sending 1% of their budget to help in the work here.

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Yours In Christ,
Charlotte A. Hart,
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Southern Baptist state paper editors and top officials of the Foreign Mission Board, meeting in Richmond, participate in a hats-off, no-holds-barred question and answer session concerning all aspects of the Board's ministry. The Board was host to the editors group following the September meeting of the SBC Executive Committee in Nashville.

Executive Board Approves Budget; Holds Executive Session

The Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention has approved a 1970-71 budget of \$5,675,000, for recommendation to the annual session of the Convention meeting in Jackson Nov. 8-10. The budget, presented by Howard Kolb, Memphis, chairman of the Program Committee, is the same as the current year, and represents the first time since 1961 that no budget increase has been approved.

In presenting budget information, Executive Secretary W. Fred Kendall estimated that income for the present budget, also \$5,675,000, will be approximately \$150,000 under needs at the end of the fiscal year Oct. 31.

The Board also approved extension of the Middle Tennessee campaign by the children's homes to March 31, 1971. The three-month extension was approved because of delays encountered by the home in getting the campaign under way this year.

A plaque was presented to J. E. Clark, long-time auditor with the firm of Ernst and Ernst, convention auditors. Clark retired Sept. 30.

The Board voiced opposition to location of a proposed liquor store in Brentwood, and authoried a study of the feasibility of

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building a new exit to Franklin Road on the south side of the convention building, and requesting that the proposed new road on the north side of the building be limited in use to light traffic.

The Executive Board was called into Executive Session upon request of Bruce Coyle, chairman of the Education Committee, and remained in closed session for approximately one hour.

NOBTS LUNCHEON ANNOUNCED

The alumni luncheon for New Orleans Baptist Theological seminary will be held Wednesday noon, Nov. 11, at the Hut restaurant, Jackson, according to Raymond Boston, pastor, First church, Humboldt, and Tennessee alumni president.

Announcements concerning the luncheon will be made during the course of the annual meeting of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, to be held at West Jackson church, Jackson, Nov. 10-12, Boston said.

Associational Minutes

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Evangelists Head List Of Missionaries Needed

RICHMOND — Evangelistic response and rapid church growth shaped priorities for new foreign missionaries in an annual session between area administrators and personnel secretaries at the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board here.

Field evangelists for Korea, where over 17,000 professions of faith have been recorded during the first nine months of the year, received top priority from the planners.

The field evangelist role calls for seminary-trained men with experience in evangelism and church development who will work in inner city, metropolitan and rural situations.

The organizations of missionaries in South America, where rapid church growth has characterized Baptist efforts in many countries, lodged nearly all their requests for new missionaries to the field evangelist category.

Work In Pakistan

An opportunity to place three field evangelists in Pakistan, where visas have been difficult to secure, garnered significant attention from the administrators, along with similar personnel to strengthen new work in West Africa.

Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Boardsaid "We desperately need dozens of youth seminary graduates to man the opportunities open to us at this time."

The staff group, which reviewed request lists from missions in 75 countries processed during recent weeks, was faced with the task of establishing priorities and introduced the task of establishing priorities and introduced during the coming year in information and promotion throughout Southern Baptist like. The SBC Foreign Mission Board send abroad a record 261 missionaries in 1969 and it had commissioned 136 new missionaries through August 1970.

590 Additional Requests

Louis R. Cobbs, the board's secretary for missionary personnel, noted that 590 requests for additional missionaries had been received by Sept. 15.

The work in the East Asia area was given top priority for field evangelists by Winston Crawley, director of the board's Overseas Division.

"Considering the lack of significant expansion in the missionary force in Korea, Japan and Taiwan during recent years and the strategic importance of these countries, East Asia has to be pushed to the top of a list in which every area includes critical needs," Crawley explained.

The annual meeting also featured a listing of specialists needed in many countries around the world.

Understanding and Defending Freedom

Basic Passage: Galatians 2:11 to 3:14 Focal Passage: Galatians 2:11-21

The understanding of real freedom is woefully lacking in the culture of the world today. In totalitarian countries it means liberation from other ideologies and forms of government. In democracies to a few it means liberation from all restraints except those imposed by the individual on himself, every man doing what is right or desirable in his own eyes. Some would have a slight measure of sound restraints. Still others want liberty under just laws, strictly enforced.

The ideas of dissent are vastly different among the people in free countries. Dissent with violence is clearly rebellion, not dissent. Some of the revolutionaries say that they mean to try to prevail with peaceful methods. Unless successful this way, they will resort to violence. In other words, if they cannot get a majority, then as a minority they will plot and scheme to overthrow the will of the majority by force.

To use the privileges of freedom to destroy freedom itself is an abortive freedom and is in no sense legitimate or justifiable dissent but is treason.

Even when dissent is kept in legitimate

Texas Group Honors SBC Social Concern Leaders

HOUSTON—The Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission, meeting at First Baptist church here for a workshop on moral issues, paused to review its 20-year history and honor two men who have played prominent roles to Christian social concerns in the Texas and Southern Baptist Conventions.

At a banquet, the Texas commission presented gifts to A. C. Miller and T. B. Maston and recognized others who contributed to its development.

Miller became first secretary of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission in 1950 and then served as secretary of the SBC Christian Life Commission, 1953-60. Maston, professor emeritus of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, Fort Worth, chaired a sevenman committee which recommended foundation of the Texas Christian Life Commission.

Also recognized were Foy Valentine, present SBC Christian Life Commission secretary, who succeeded Miller in Texas in 1953 and again on the SBC level in 1960; Jimmy Allen, San Antonio pastor, who was Texas Christian Life Secretary, 1960-68; and Herbert Howard, Dallas pastor, who served on the original committee.

channels it may be subject to criticism. It is perfectly in order to dissent with the contentions of the dissenters without denying either one the right to dissent. It may be a question of wisdom or judgment. There is nothing wrong with the use of discretion in dissent. To disagree with the dissenter establishes a dialogue.

It has been so well said: "There is no fault in a democracy that cannot be solved by more democracy." The ills of democracy cannot be solved soundly by either anarchy or totalitarianism.

In our lesson Paul sensed a betrayal of Christian freedom in the behavior of Peter. It was a species of religious legalism. In fact it was a very ancient form of racism between Jew and Gentile.

A DANGEROUS VACILLATION Gal. 2:11-14

The presence in Antioch of some vigorous leaders of Judaism from Jerusalem caused Peter to waiver badly in his treatment of Gentile Christians.

Peter's example was all the more hurtful because for some time he had been the leader of the Christian movement. While he was primarily an apostle to the circumcision, he had had considerable success with the Gentiles. He had given them the right hand of fellowship, even eating with them. Now he refuses to eat with them before these dignitaries who had had some association with James in Jerusalem.

Paul was not deterred by Peter's prominence or the presence of these gentlemen from Jerusalem. He confronted Peter in public and denounced his inconsistency in no uncertain terms. To him a great principle was at stake. God only knows how significant that act was to the future of Christianity.

Even Barnabas, a dear, good man, who had encouraged the Gentile Christians at the very beginning in Antioch, had been swept off his feet by Peter and this group.

EVEN THE JEWS KNEW LAW COULD NOT SAVE Gal. 2:15-16

Peter himself made it very clear in Acts 15:10-11, "Now why tempt God, to put a yoke on the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear? We believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved even as they."

The Judaizers believed that the whole law, both ceremonial and moral should be kept in order to be saved. Yet the real spiritual leaders had come to see that to keep those perfectly all the time was a literal impossibility.

Preliminary Annual Report

By Jonas L. Stewart Executive Secretary-Treasurer

In spite of financial conflicts, market confusions, and economic convulsions your Tennessee Baptist Foundation has had a good 12 months as of Aug. 31, the end of the year for computing our report to the Convention. The following report may well tend to allay the fears of some in regard to the financial abilities of your Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

In spite of unfavorable market conditions we have had \$206,000 capital gain for the year. Increase in assets from trusts, gifts, etc. totaled approximately \$161,000, or a total of \$367,000 added to permanent assets. These increases came through careful business planning by the office staff, wise choices of the investment committee, extensive promotion and almost constant travel that covered every area of the state.

One institution has placed \$515,000 with us for investment during the year. This came through a bequest and will ultimately be used by the institution for capital needs.

The total increase in assets for the year amount to \$882,000. Total value of all funds administered is now \$5,124,747.18.

We have distributed \$235,596 from earned income exclusive of any capital gain. This is over \$35,000 more than was earned and distributed during the 12 months ending Aug. 31, 1969. Participating in the distribution of income were 24 individuals, three associations, four churches, three colleges, one academy, Cooperative Program, Foreign and Home Mission Boards and other Christian Causes.

However, there were some leaders who had professed to embrace Christ but evidently had not been born again for the spiritual concept of the new way had eluded them. They did not have the spiritual discernment to see it.

THE DEATH OF CHRIST MADE USELESS Gal. 2:17-21

If faith in Jesus Christ is not efficacious apart from the law, then the whole matter is a hoax. Christ would most certainly not be a party to such a deceptive sin.

Paul saw himself dead to the law but alive to Christ. In fact he had been crucified but had come into a new life by faith in Christ. He no longer lived but Christ lived in him.

The truth of the whole matter is that if saving righteousness comes by the way of the law, the death of Christ was useless. He had as the perfect keeper of the law to die for all of us who have broken the law, that we might be saved. That is true of every one. All have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

From the Executive Secretary

By W. Fred Kendall

The new church year has already begun and churches are moving into the opportunities of these beautiful autumn days.



Kendall

Many changes have been made and there will be adjustments and more changes. It will take a few weeks to get used to the new names and the new literature and the new approach to organization. The response has been great so far and the challenge of this new year in this first year of a new decade is simply staggering.

The spiritual needs of America are too great to even comprehend. The churches have the gospel and the message of life and hope in Christ. They have the people and the resources to reach out and make a great impact on America. There is a great spiritual hunger in the hearts of many. They do not really know that is their need of God. The great unrest and the chaos is often caused by the spiritual void in lives where God is unknown and where He has been crowded out.

Many churches have been behind with their Cooperative Program giving. We are still behind with the budget requirements. We have just three more Sundays. Some of the churches have had financial problems because they are behind with their local budgets. Vacations, summer slumps, some economic problems have all brought some of this to pass. Now that it is autumn and the attendance is climbing and the interest has increased, every effort should be made to catch up with the Lord. We cannot be justified in putting off our obligation to our church until the last while we take care of everything else. This ought to have the first priority.

Think it over and if you are behind with your giving, pay up next Sunday. This will help your church to catch up. Don't make the Lord's work wait while the world marches on. Urge others to do likewise and through a real prayerful effort we will come nearer making our budget, even if we don't quite make it. We have the money and we have the people. Let us rally to the occasion and make it before Oct. 31.

October will also be the month of many revivals. We have had some reports of some very fine spiritual revivals. It seems that the pendulum has begun to swing back toward a real desire for spiritual renewal and for a recapturing of the high moral and ethical standards which only a right relationship to God through personal experience

On Matters of

Family Living

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Pre-School Experience Must Be Of Top Quality

Much of the current excitement over early chi'dhood education centers on the opportunity it offers to put more things into children in their formative years. "But those who work with young children know that these are years of vulnerability as well as opportunity," Dr. James L. Hymes, Jr., reminded members of the Southern Association on Children Under Six at their 21st annual conference. "Unless children are given pre-school experience of topflight quality, they can be badly hurt."

The early childhood education specialist and author urged those who care about children to press for certification of teachers of pre-school children, for training programs based on certification, and for high, strict state standards for pre-schools and day care centers. "We must see that all children get what has thus far been the privilege of a few."

The theme should be "more quality for more children in more of their lives," he emphasized. For educator this means participating in the battle for a better town, city, state, nation and world, as well as for better schools.

Dr. Hymes exhorted teachers to "fight those who are too future-oriented, too concerned with getting children 'ready,' as if they were nothing now." He advised his audience to resist "the invasion of pre-fab experience, the one you buy and bring to kids."

The single greatest key to quality early childhood education is still "small class size, a superb pupil-teacher ratio," he emphasized.

"If we give children good childhoods, if we let them live richly as children when they're under six, they'll be glad—and later, society will be glad," he promised.

can bring. Several times this year I have mentioned the need for a new era of prayer. This is the secret of real spiritual power. James advised us to draw near to God with the promise that He would draw near to us.

May these autumn days in all their beauty reflect the glory of their Creator and may they be days in which man, his highest creation will draw near to worship and serve Him.

Historically

From the files

50 YEARS AGO

Southern Baptist missionaries in various parts of the world were numbered: Twenty-two for 70,000,000 people in Japan; 21 for 150,000,000 people in Africa; two for 30,000,000 people in Italy; a few score for 400,000,000 people in China; and a few dozen for 75,000,000 people in Latin America. In countries of Europe and the Near East in which work is just beginning, native preachers were numbered as follows: Rumania, 12; Hungary, 42; Jugo-Slavia, nine; Spain, six; and Palestine and Syria, two.

20 YEARS AGO

Statistics revealed that the average city church west of the Mississippi River with a membership of less than 200 has more enrolled in Sunday School than it has church members.

Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City, topped all previous years' enrolment records with 918 students, despite the loss of some 40 upper-class students in the armed forces.

10 YEARS AGO

The Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention adopted a Cooperative Program budget goal of \$3,500,000, the first approved since reorganization of the work according to the survey adopted by the state convention the year before.

A prominent Baptist pledged \$35,-000 toward a student-center-cafeteria building at Harrison-Chilhowee academy, Seymour, total cost estimated at \$150,000.

Historical Society To Meet

The East Tennessee Chapter, Tennessee Baptist Historical Society will meet Saturday, Oct. 17, 10:00 a.m. at Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City. The meeting is opened to the public.

Charles E. Brown, Morristown, will be the guest speaker and will discuss "The Effect of the War Between the States on the Baptist Churches of East Tennessee." Roy G. Lillard of Cleveland State college is president of the chapter, and David Young of Carson-Newman college is secretary.

Why We're Going Back To Japan

By Robert H. Culpepper

On Columbus Day 20 years ago my wife and I were appointed as missionaries to Japan. Now, following an unanticipated emergency furlough in the States, we are looking forward to returning to Japan in November.

Every time we come back to the States there are those who ask questions like these: "Are you going back again?" Haven't you put in enough time over there?" "Aren't you ready to settle down over here now?" Recent personal experiences have caused us to face these questions with new seriousness. Briefly let me state why, God willing, we are returning to Japan.

First, we are returning to Japan because the need is still overwhelming. We are keenly aware that the field is the world, that America itself is a mission field, that there are anti-Christian forces at work in this nation that threaten to engulf it. Yet we can't take our eyes off the need in Japan. Here is a nation with half the population of the United States in which the professing Christians (Protestant and Catholic) still number a little less than one per cent. Always one is confronted with the masses, masses of people without Christ, but people for whom Christ died.

Progress Painfully Slow

To be sure, progress is painfully slow in light of the need, but it is to be remembered that the percentage of Christians has doubled in the postwar years. During the same period the number of Baptists related to the Japan Baptist Convention has jumped from 1600 to 20,000, a growth rate of 1250 per cent.

Boasting the highest economic growth rate of any nation in the world and holding the distinction of being the world's third largest industrial power, Japan, like the United States, is grappling with the problems of urbanization, materialism, secularism, depersonalization, air pollution, etc. How wonderful it would be if the Japanese people were brought to the foot of the Cross and then used their boundless energy and resourcefulness to bring the rest of the Orient and indeed the world to Christ!

Second, we are returning to Japan because the door is still open. The new constitution adopted at the close of the war guarantees separation of church and state and complete religious freedom. The one who seeks to propagate the gospel in Japan encounters indifference and the hostility of the Japanese family system and the new and old religions but no organized persecution.

Every means of mass communication and personal witness available in the 20th century are open to us, if we have the financial resources, the vision and the dedication to use them.

Still Say "Come, Help"

If there are strident voices crying "Missionary, go home!" there are still many others who in more subdued but no less sincere tones are calling out "Come over and help us!" Many churches in the Japan Baptist Convention have been crying for years for missionaries to help in the education program or the music program of the church or to help in opening a new mission.

Presently the whole program of the Japan Baptist Convention and convention-missionary relationships are being subjected to penetrating scrutiny. Still I believe that for years to come there will be a place of service for missionaries who have an unconditional commitment to Christ, a genuine love for the Japanese people, and a flexibility which makes them able to adapt the verities of the gospel to the changing scene.

During our time of service in Japan my wife and I have had a part in starting three new churches, and it has been my privilege to teach in the Japanese Baptist theological seminary about 70 per cent of the present pastors in the convention.

God's Call Still Clear

Third, we are returning to Japan because God's call to us still rings loud and clear. On Dec. 12, 1945, in a missionary day service in the chapel of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, I heard Dr. Maxfield Garrott read a letter from a Japanese Christian girl. The letter read in part: "The Japanese people are not an especially wicked people. They are a misguided people. . . . O, America, blessed nation, send us shepherds for the sheep." My response to that appeal, "I'll go," climaxed a period of earnest seeking for God's will concerning whether or not I should become a missionary.

Again and again God has called me back to this experience. He has given joy as we have sought to serve him in Japan. Each time I have been faced with opportunities of service over here, God has made me miserable inside until my vision has been reclarified and my commitment to the propagation of the gospel in Japan has been renewed.

Never have I found myself longing for opportunities equal to my gifts, but again and again I have had to pray for strength equal to my opportunities.

Joyfully we return. Thank you for making it possible for us to go.

Texas Baptists, Black and White, Consider Joint Meeting in '71

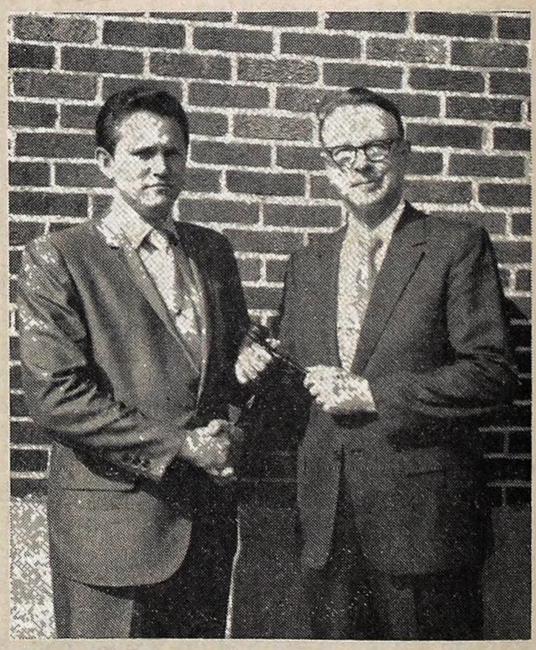
HOUSTON—Seven Texas Baptist groups may hold a joint convention for the first time next year.

If the Mexican-American, two white, and four black groups agree to the proposal, they would gather here Oct. 25-29, 1971, meeting separately for some sessions and holding joint sessions at the Astrodome.

It would mark the "first time in history that every Baptist organization of every ethnic group" met together in the Lone Star State, according to the Rev. Jimmy Allen of San Antonio, president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas (Southern Baptist).

Mr. Allen disclosed the proposal, which is yet to be voted on by the groups involved, at a social action seminar at First Baptist church here. Such a convention would bring an estimated 50,000 Texas Baptists to Houston.

The groups involved are the Texas Baptist Mission and Education Convention (black), Missionary Baptist General Convention (black), Texas Baptist Convention (black), American Baptist Convention in Texas (black), Baptist Missionary Association (white), Baptist General Convention of Texas (white), and the Mexican Baptist Departmental Convention. (RNS)



E. Donald Bowick, left, pastor, First church, Woodbury, has been elected moderator of Salem association, succeeding Cannie Leonard, pastor, Salem church, Liberty. The association held its 148th annual session recently with Mt. Herman and Mt. Zion churches.

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