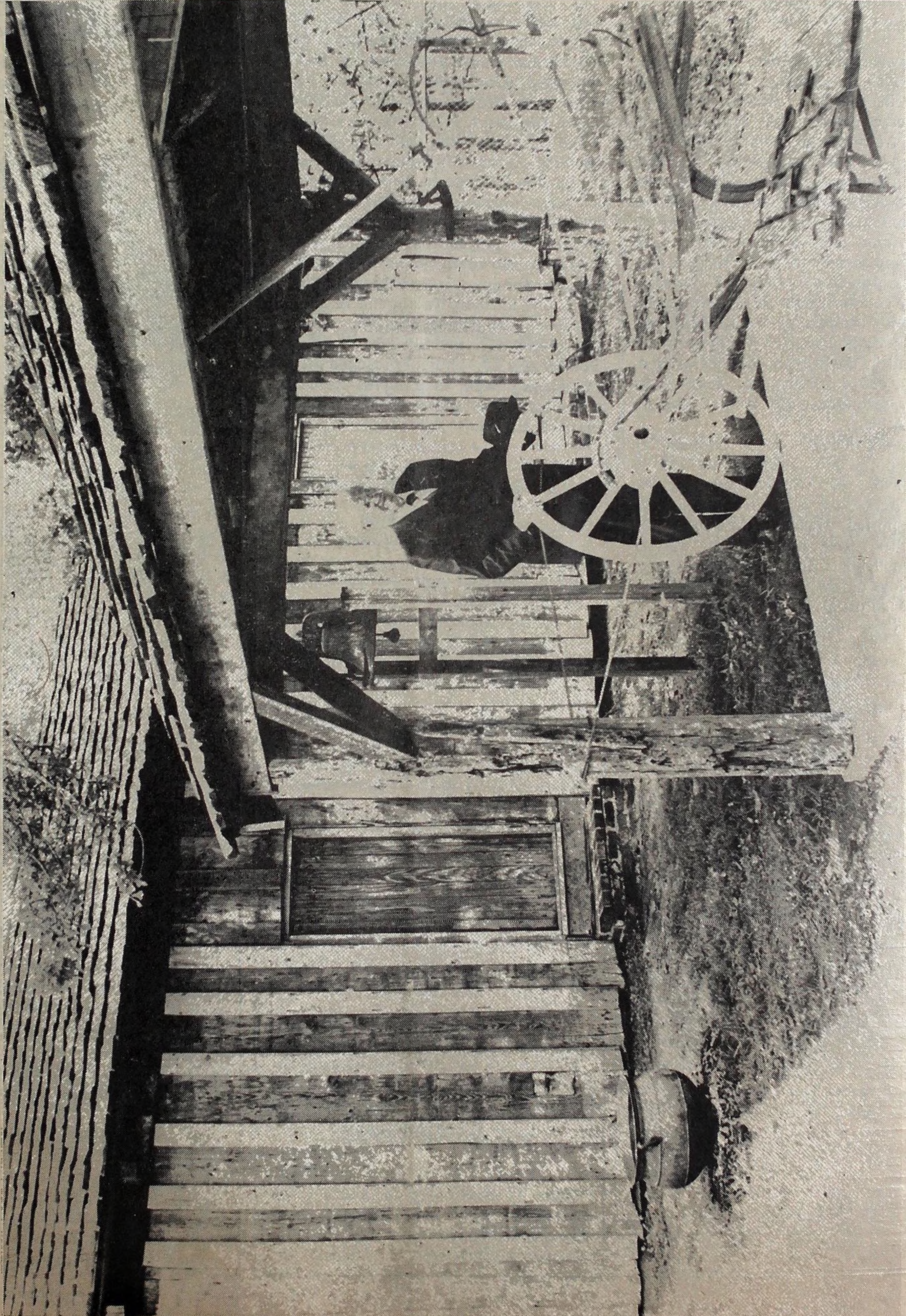


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Paul Comes To Corinth

By Herschel H. Hobbs

"And after these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth"—Acts 18:1.

Corinth was the commercial and political center of Achaia (Greece). Destroyed by Mummius in 146 B.C., it was rebuilt by Julius Caesar in 46 B.C. It was about fifty miles from Athens. The ruins of Corinth are now in process of being excavated.

As a commercial center it attracted people from over the ancient world, including many Jews. Its polyglot population made it one of the most sinful cities in the Roman empire. Temples were there for many pagan deities. The principal one was the temple of Aphrodite, goddess of sex. Located on the 1800 foot high Acrocorinthus (High Place of Corinth), it had 1000 priestesses (prostitutes) used in the worship of the sex goddess. As a city Corinth prided itself in its wisdom or second-rate philosophy as compared to Athens.

Corinth was located on an isthmus between the ports of Lechaum and Cenchreae. To avoid the stormy waters to the south of Greece, the cargoes of large ships were transported overland from one part to the other, then reloaded for further sailing. Small boats and their cargoes were rolled on logs across the isthmus. Today a canal runs across it.

All of these things contributed to the

city's importance, prosperity and its evil. They are reflected in Paul's Corinthian epistles. Romans was written from Corinth. Chapter 1 is an apt description of its moral condition. Like "sodomy" "to Corinthianize" became synonymous with the worst in immorality.

It is no wonder that Paul approached this city with fear and trembling (I Cor. 2:3). But he preached the same gospel there that he had preached elsewhere including Athens. From I Cor. 2:2 some see him changing his gospel from what he preached in Athens. However, "to know" translates a perfect infinitive which expresses what he had known in the past and still knew as the gospel—"Jesus Christ, and him crucified." This gospel is found in Paul's sermon in Athens (Acts 17:31). Paul preached the same gospel everywhere, adapting his presentation to the needs of his audience. And God blessed it always.

Pulpit To Pew

By Jim Griffith

A church in Winston-Salem, N.C., while renovating present sanctuary and educational units, has moved into a bank building.

At any rate, this is at least an attempt to bring all the people and their tithes into the storehouse.

Attendance records are kept in the bookkeeping department, although adding machines are not needed to total the Sunday evening crowd. Sheet music is filed in the loan department with the short-term, long-term, and overdue notes.

It is not known how the drive-in window service is working out, but, like all churches, this one has members who just drive by.

Of course, until the church moves back to the regular location, it will be difficult to answer that old criticism: "I would attend your church, but all you folks think about is money."

Still, it is comforting that the pastor can say: "This is one summer in which we've had increased 'interest' in our church."

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Devotional

The Relevant Gospel Versus Irrelevant Christians

Romans 1:16

By John J. Buell, Pastor

McCalla Avenue Baptist Church, Knoxville

The gospel is relevant to, pertinent to, and relates itself to every human need both temporal and spiritual. Those who add their



Buell

support to the "babel" of voices crying, "make the gospel relevant to our day" are missing the point. This statement confuses the issues before us. That our world is involved in revolution is evident. The question is shall the gospel be relevant to this social, moral, economic, and scientific revolution or shall this

revolution be relevant to the gospel? The answer is in the Gospel of Christ and not in the rational and often irrational minds of men.

God's answer reveals that the gospel is the "gospel of Christ." To talk of making the gospel relevant is to humanize both the gospel and God. It is to make the gospel in debt to man. The gospel would become a message in need of man's ability to adapt it to every age, instead of a message from God meeting man's need in every age. The gospel has in itself the power of relevancy in every generation because "it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth . . ." The power to relate man to Himself is God's unchanging plan in Christ. This is true in the new birth and in the Christian life that follows.

This means when Christians are rightly related to the gospel they will not only share the good news of Christ, but in a sense they will be good news as they witness to the irrelevant world.

Church Name Changed

A 111-year-old church in Memphis has begun anew with the changing of its name and a move to a new location.

Northview Baptist church, the new name of Seventh Street Baptist church, whose history dates to 1860, held its first Sunday worship services June 20 on the site of its former mission.

Three hundred attended the opening service and was served the Lord's Supper out of the original communion set the Chelsea Baptist church, original name of Seventh Street church, used in observing the Lord's Supper on June 20, 1860.

Bob Kendig is pastor of Northview.



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Two SBC Missionaries Slain In Dominican Republic

RICHMOND—Two Southern Baptist missionaries were found murdered in their residence in Santiago, Dominican Republic, on the morning of July 7, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board here learned.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Potter, 38 and 36, both natives of Marshfield, Mo., were discovered in bed by their children, Susan, 12, and Paul, 10. They had been beaten and stabbed to death.

While investigations were still under way, motive for their deaths was not known. Potter had reportedly cashed a large check the previous day in order to purchase a motorcycle for his work on the day he was killed. It was not immediately known if anything was stolen, however.

Missionary Howard Shoemake, who flew to the site of the tragedy from Santo Domingo, reported that there was no sign of a struggle and that the pair had apparently died without waking. The children, who were not harmed, were asleep during the assault.

Bodies were being flown to Marshfield, Mo., for burial later in the week. The children planned to return with Mrs. Potter's parents to Marshfield.

The murders were the first within the 2500-missionary Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board since a missionary doctor died in a Communist prison in China in 1951. A missionary was killed in the Taiping Rebellion in 1861, and another was killed in Mexico in 1880.

Baker J. Caughen, the board's executive secretary, said:

"Paul and Nancy Potter were deeply dedicated to Christ. They loved the people they served and were fruitful in their missionary labor. Even through their tragic death, they will continue to bear witness to our Lord who laid down his life for all mankind."

A field missionary stationed in Santiago, Potter was pastor of two churches and three mission points and worked with the country's radio and television ministry. Mrs. Potter assisted her husband in his preaching ministry.

Appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1965, Mr. and Mrs. Potter studied the Spanish language in San Jose, Costa Rica, for a year before going to the Dominican Republic.

He attended Southwest Baptist college Bolivar, Mo., and was graduated from Southwest Missouri State college, Springfield, with the bachelor of science degree and from Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky., with the bachelor of divinity degree. He was pastor of First Baptist church, Paris, Mo., for nearly five years before going overseas.

Mrs. Potter, the former Nancy Roper, attended Cottey college, Nevada, Mo.,

where she was selected by the faculty as the student who most nearly approached "the ideal of intellect and spirituality" and who had exerted "the most wholesome influence upon her associates." She was graduated from the University of Missouri, Columbia, with the bachelor of science in education degree.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Roper of 579 N. Clay St., Marshfield, Mo., flew to the Dominican Republic on learning of the tragedy. Potter's mother is Mrs. Roy H. Potter of Route 2, Marshfield.

The Potters only recently returned to the Dominican Republic in June after a furlough in the United States. (BP)

Church In Inner City Dissolves; Gives Scholarship To Aid Area

LOUISVILLE—Virginia Avenue Baptist church here is dead, but its ministry to the troubled West End of Louisville will live on during years to come.

Forced to abandon its own ministry to the inner city by radical shifts in urban development, members of the church voted to sell the property, and congregational status, and set up a scholarship fund to aid a seminary student assigned to Christian ministries in the area the church once served.

Members of the congregation voted to give \$15,000 to Southern Baptist Theological seminary as an endowed scholarship to aid a student assigned to minister in West Louisville.

The scholarship recipient, to be selected by the seminary's director of field education will report to the field education director on the ministry the recipient gives to the area.

In addition to the endowed scholarship, the church also made smaller grants to other Baptist agencies in the area. (BP)

Journeyman Training Previews Fall Campus Evangelism

Evangelism training of the Foreign Mission Board's 1971 journeymen is a preview of a Southern Baptist evangelism strategy to be used this fall on more than 100 college campuses across the country.

Currently, 71 Baptist men and women no older than 26 are in a seven-week course at Meredith College, Raleigh, N.C., preparing for two years of work overseas with career missionaries. They will be commissioned by the board in Richmond, Va., Aug. 1.

This is the first time this intensive evangelism training has been offered by Southern Baptists especially for young adults, said Nathan Porter, associate director of the Home Mission Board's division of evangelism.

Mandarin Baptist Church Los Angeles Dream Come True

A dream which began in 1960 is now becoming a reality with the construction of a new building for the Mandarin (Chinese-speaking) Baptist Church in Los Angeles. Y. K. Chang, a native of China, is pastor.

The Changs came to Los Angeles in 1960 to do evangelistic work among students. They dreamed of a Mandarin-speaking church.

The church has become one of varied ministries. The church is divided into districts which conduct Bible study in homes each week. One district meeting, started by a UCLA student, has developed to the point of becoming a mission under the leadership of Pablo Lin from Korea. Lin will also attend Golden Gate Seminary.

The church also has a ministry to Chinese seamen. A tour of the city, worship services aboard ship and fellowship in the homes are regular features of the work.

The Changs studied at Southwestern Seminary where he earned a ThD and Mrs. Chang received her D.R.E. degree.

Soren Announces Retirement As Brazil Seminary Head

Joao F. Soren, Brazilian Baptist leader and ex-president of the Baptist World Alliance, is resigning effective Nov. 27, 1971, as interim president of the South Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary in Rio de Janeiro. Soren announced his decision to the seminary board in its called meeting on June 17. He has served as interim president of the seminary since November 1967. Seminary enrolment has reached an all-time high of 195 during Soren's tenure. Soren, seven times president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, continues as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Rio, Brazilian Baptists' largest church.



Corinth church, Loudon County association, has established a mission in Loudon and constructed a building at a cost of \$12,000, not including furnishings. First services began with a revival on June 20 with Virgil Turbyfill, pastor of the sponsoring church, serving as evangelist. The six members of the mission joined during the revival. Sunday School attendance is approximately 26.

EDITORIALS

Missionaries' Deaths Deplored

The murder of two Southern Baptist missionaries in the Dominican Republic on the night of Tuesday, July 6, is lamented. Tennessee Baptists join in expressions of sympathy to the families of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Potter—both in their thirties—and to the Foreign Mission Board.

These deaths bring to four the number of persons killed in service with the Foreign Board during the life of that Board. Murdered in their sleep, bodies mutilated, the missionaries' remains were found by their young children.

This is yet another reminder that those who serve our Lord in distant lands face dangers which we seldom recognize in the relative comfort and security of our own little world. Nationals throughout the world are not too happy with the American people. And, American missionaries are recipients of some of the abuse and some of the violence which reflects the "Yankee Go Home" attitude in many nations today.

The Potters had returned to their duty station just last month after furlough in the United States. Their ministry is ended. It is our hope that in death, the impact of their ministry will continue to be felt in the Dominican Republic, and even enhanced.

Hospitals Need Support

We don't hear enough in Tennessee about the ministries of our three Baptist hospitals. Representing one of the larger investments on the part of Tennessee Baptists over the years, the three hospitals, at Memphis, Nashville and Knoxville, continue to perform a healing ministry for our Lord, and in the name of Tennessee Baptists.

It is time for us to learn more about these hospitals, their relationship to the convention, and the impressive amount of work, of highest quality, which is performed. If we don't know much about our hospitals, we don't care, usually, what happens to them.

Figures in the 1970 Minutes of the Tennessee Baptist Convention indicate that charity service performed at these hospitals amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars annually.

With a modest appropriation from the Cooperative Program of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, these institutions render a tremendous service. They deserve our support in prayer and interest.

Save Time For The Association

Between July and the end of October, all 69 of the District Associations in fellowship with the Tennessee Baptist Convention will meet. They will meet to present reports of their work, plan activities for the next year, and for a time of fellowship.

If recent attendance at the associations by Tennessee Baptists is any indication of their deep concern for and interest in their association, then the associations are alive, but not well. If these associations are as important as we have been saying they are, surely this year we will, with renewed vigor, support these annual meetings with our attendance.

The very heart of our work together as Baptists—at the organizational level,—is the association. Our interest, or lack of interest, in the life in our associations is reflected in our interest in cooperative work together at the State Convention level, and at the Southern Convention level.

We urge, as strongly as we know how, that Baptists in the churches make plans to attend, and participate in, their district association meetings this Fall. We believe the extra effort will be rewarding.

LIGHT AT A MOTHER'S KNEE



Cooperative Program Gifts Shows Gain; 5.5 Per Cent For Six Months

NASHVILLE—Southern Baptists gave more than \$36.8 million to world mission causes during the first half of 1971, including \$15 million through the denomination's Cooperative Program unified budget.

Cooperative Program contributions, which benefit 19 agencies in the denomination, increased 5.49 per cent, or \$783,387 compared to gifts for the same period last year.

The \$38.8 million total also includes \$21.8 million given to support specific designated mission causes in the SBC. Designations were up 6.15 per cent, or \$1,263,990.

The combined total gifts to SBC causes from January through June was an increase of \$2,047,378, or 5.88 per cent.

Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee which prepared the financial report, expressed gratitude that Cooperative Program receipts for the first half of the year were up 5.49 per cent, but pointed out the increase was still not quite enough to meet budget needs.

"We will need a 7.72 per cent increase for the year to pay the 1971 operating budget and the balance due on the 1970 capital needs," Routh said. "We will need a 11.48 per cent increase to pay the 1971 operating, and both the 1970 and 1971 capital funds," he added.

The report indicated that during the month of June, Cooperative Program receipts totalled \$2,245,101, an increase of 4.85 per cent compared to June of 1970. In addition during June of 1971, \$1,468,603

was given to designated mission causes.

Of the \$36.8 million total, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, has received \$24.5 million (\$16.8 million in designated gifts, \$7.6 million through the Cooperative Program).

The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, also received \$7.6 million, including \$4.8 million in designated offerings and \$2.7 million through the Cooperative Program.

The amounts included in the report reflect only gifts to nation-wide Southern Baptist causes and do not include contributions to local and state Baptist mission efforts. (BP)

Vicar Says 'Next Canterbury' Has Already Been Designated

LONDON—The next Archbishop of Canterbury to succeed Dr. Michael Ramsey has already been chosen, according to the Rev. Christopher Wansey, controversial vicar of Roydon in Essex, who has long campaigned against "indiscriminate infant baptism" and "state-chosen" bishops.

He made the claim in a letter circularized to all 43 Anglican diocesan bishops.

The vicar reiterated his longstanding call for revision of the present process of episcopal appointments—nomination by the Monarch on the advice of the Prime Minister. (RNS)

Two Named To Faculty, Staff Of Southwestern Seminary

FORT WORTH—The trustees of Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary here have elected a new faculty member, at almost the same time seminary president Robert Naylor announced the appointment of a coordinator for use of the seminary's media equipment.

Elected assistant professor of childhood education was Hazel M. Morris, director of children's work for First Baptist church, Jackson, Miss.

Appointed to the newly-created position of media coordinator was Bill C. Langford, a recent graduate of the seminary. Langford will be responsible for maintaining and supervising the use of all media equipment used by the seminary.

A graduate of Eastern Kentucky university, Miss Morris earned the master of religious education degree from Southwestern seminary. She taught in Ohio public schools for five years, and was director of a day nursery program in Louisville before joining the Jackson church staff. (BP)

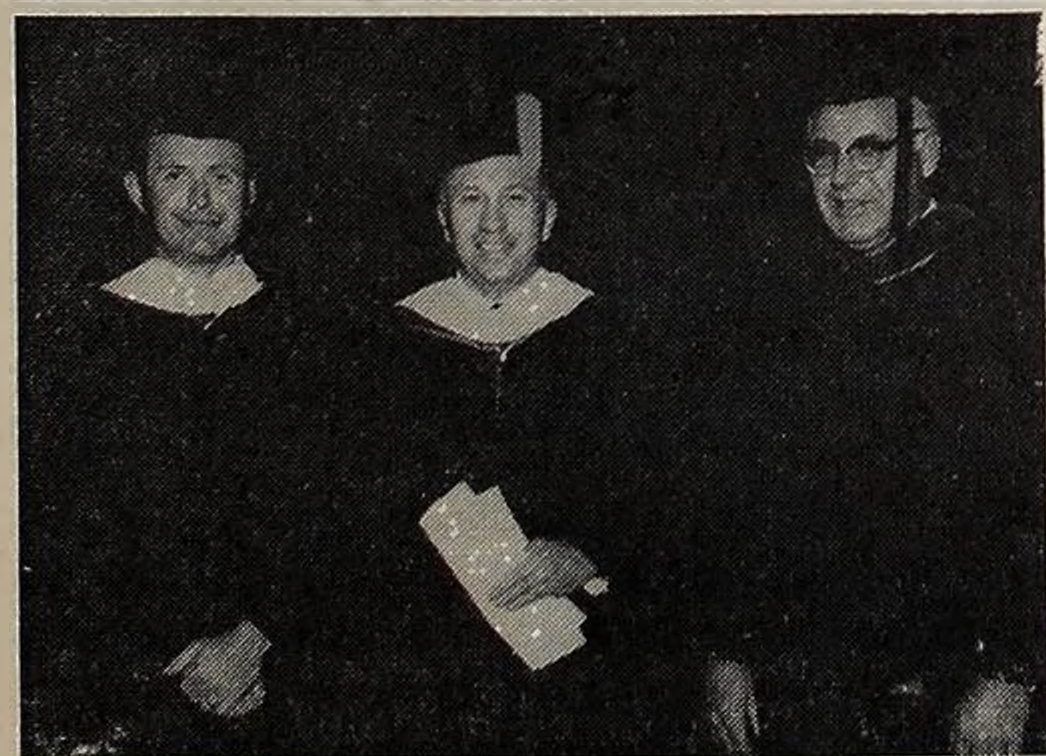
Missionary Educator Dies At 89; Founded 13 Schools For Blacks

SNOW HILL, Ala.—A Lutheran educator who founded 13 mission schools for blacks in Alabama died here at the age of 89.

Dr. Rosa Jinsey Young began teaching in Alabama in 1909. When she organized a private school for Negro children in Rosebud, Ala., she was urged by Booker T. Washington to seek help from the Lutheran Church. (RNS)

ABOUT THE COVER

R. G. Lee, pastor emeritus of Bellevue Baptist church, Memphis, stands in front of the two-room shack in which he was born near Fort Hill, S.C., (Nov. 11, 1886). Two years ago, members of Bellevue decided to have the cabin moved to Shelby association's Camp Cordova just outside of Memphis. The cabin was given to them by the present landowners, was dismantled, moved and reassembled at Cordova.



Robert Craig, center, president of Union university, Jackson, was a commencement speaker at Southern Baptist college. Walnut Ridge, Ark. Jerol Swaim, left and Daniel Harrison, professors at the school, are graduates of Union.

A Woman's View

"Man Cannot Complete His Own Life"

By Virginia Zubl

Apart from God, man cannot find fulfilment, neither can he completely discover a full and meaningful existence, even though he may deceive himself into thinking that within his own self he holds the key to his existence. How many of us are living out the minutes, the hours, the days, with the certainty that we have the final say-so of where we are going in this life and what we will do? Quite often we even extend that to the end say-so over what others should do, particularly in our family living.

But stop to consider for a moment — — should we infringe on another human being's personal freedom by trying to impose upon them what we want them to do, particularly within a family structure? It certainly can create much friction and discord between husband and wife, parents and children.

God certainly doesn't impose a determined order upon us. We are endowed with that wonderful gift—free will, perhaps the most valuable and the most devastating of the forces man could possess. Is God's gift to man not sufficient so that others, in the human realm, must impose their will upon their fellow-man?

We should all realize the importance of discipline and discretion in the display of our free will. But we should also recognize the importance of the fact that God is working with each man's life. Our faith in the knowledge that He can complete that life is our assurance that we don't have to decide what a person should or should not do. Should we?

OEO Grants More Funds To Study Voucher Plan

WASHINGTON—The Office of Economic Opportunity has announced additional funding for its controversial school voucher experiments. According to OEO Director, Frank Carlucci, funds totaling \$159,307 will be given to two school districts on the west coast to continue studying the feasibility of the voucher system.

The school district of Seattle, Wash., will receive \$106,542 for the second phase of its study of the program. Alum Rock, Calif., will get \$52,765 in additional funds.

The announcement of more grants for the tuition voucher experiment, by which parents could purchase their children's education in either private or public schools, came the same week that the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that certain aid to private and parochial schools is unconstitutional. Apparently the administration thinks the court's historic ruling does not affect the principles of the voucher plan.

A number of national educational and religious groups, including the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs and the Southern Baptist Convention, have expressed opposition to the use of public funds to purchase tuition in private and parochial schools.

In addition to the possible violation of proper church-state relations, opponents of the voucher experiment say the program would threaten the public school system, encourage racial segregation and widen the gap between rich and poor families. OEO officials say their guidelines would prevent such abuses.

The OEO planners want to test the program in school districts with social, economic and racial variety and with some private as well as public schools. According to the proposals, the voucher experiment would run at least five years and will cost as much as \$6 million annually in federal funding. Present plans call for launching the program in September 1972.

The designers of the program claim that the voucher system would give parents a better choice between competing schools. This, they claim, would stimulate educational innovations and the establishment of wholly new schools. (BP)

Gwen Crawley Speakers Tourney Winner; Robin Howard In Top Bible Drill



Participants in the Youth Speakers' tournament include from left to right: Toni Hamilton, Gwen Crawley, Frank Webb, Libby Whitesides, Beverly Brown, Debbie Goodner, Judy Collake, and Rodney Hughes Barnes.

Robin Howard of Highland Heights church, Memphis, and Gwen Crawley of First church, Dyersburg, were winners of the Youth Bible Drill and Youth Speakers' Tournament, respectively, which was held on July 6 at the Executive Board Building of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Brentwood.

Debbie Tyler of Manley church, Morristown, was named alternate in the Bible Drill competition.

Miss Howard will represent Tennessee in the Southern Baptist Convention finals at Ridgecrest (N.C.) assembly on July 17. Herbert C. Gabhart, president, Belmont college, Nashville, presented Miss Crawley a \$200 scholarship. She plans to enter Memphis State university this fall, and will also represent Tennessee at Ridgecrest during Church Training Week, July 16-21.

Regional winners participating in the Bible Drill included: Teresa Gregory of Emmanuel church, Humboldt; Jo Gipson of First church, Lewisburg; Teresa Loftis of First church, Baxter; Debbie Ross of Brainerd church, Chattanooga; and Debra Simerly of Central church, Bearden.

Rodney Hughes Barnes of First Baptist church, Tazewell, won second place in the Speakers' Tournament. Other speakers and regional winners who were presented \$100 scholarships were: Toni Hamilton of West Jackson church, Jackson; Frank Webb of First church, Lewisburg; Libby Whitesides of First church, Donelson; Beverly Brown of First church, Cookeville; Debbie Goodner of Ridgedale church, Chattanooga; and Judy Collake of Calvary church, Morristown.

A total of 15 regional winners participated in the annual event which is spon-



Miss Mary Anderson, left, Director of Youth Speakers' Tournament congratulates state speaker winner Gwen Crawley of First church, Dyersburg.


sored by the Church Training department of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Charles L. Norton, secretary.

'Southern Baptist Forest' Dedicated Near Nazareth

More than 400 persons gathered on a hillside near Nazareth for the dedication of the "Southern Baptist Forest" June 14. W. A. Criswell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Dallas, who first proposed the idea for the Baptist forest, led the ceremony. He was assisted by representatives of the Baptist Convention in Israel (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries), officials of the Israeli ministry of tourism, the mayor of Upper Nazareth and the vice mayor of Lower Nazareth.

Criswell and eight Baptist ministers who were traveling with him planted evergreen trees in a plot overlooking the Plain of Esdraelon and Mount Tabor. The group later moved to another hillside for groundbreaking ceremonies for the Baptist Friendship House.

This building, the gift of Jewish friends of Baptists in Dallas, is to be used by Baptist tourists as well as for local Baptist activities, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Smith, Southern Baptist missionary, reported.



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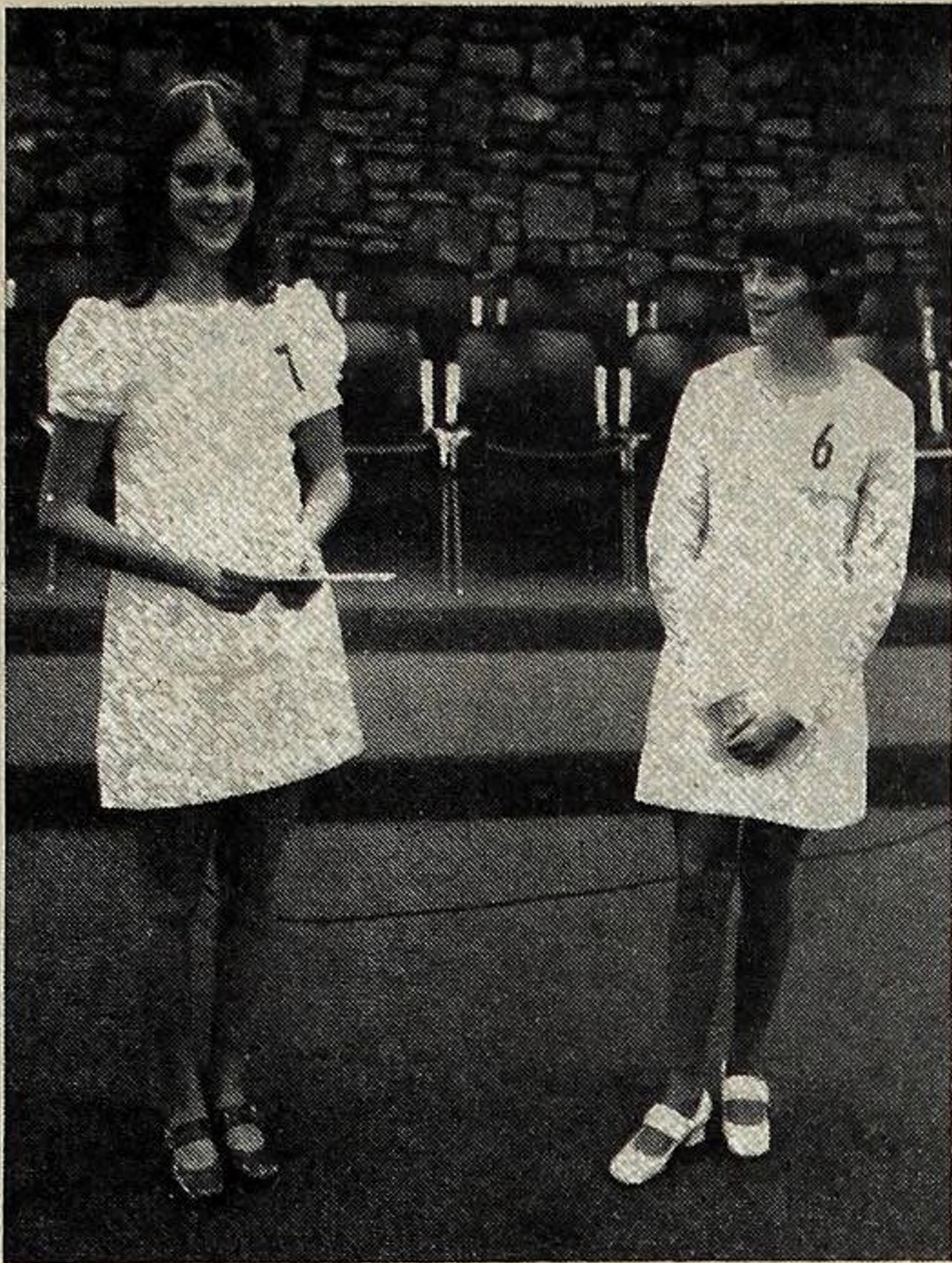
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Youth Bible drill winner Robin Howard, left, of Highland Heights church, Memphis, talks with alternate Debbie Tyler of Manley church, Morristown.



Youth Bible drill participants from left to right: Jo Gipson, Teresa Gregory, Debbie Ross, Debra Simerly, Teresa Loftis, Debbie Tyler, and Robin Howard.

Editor Says Court Denied Catholics Participation In Democratic Process

NEW YORK—A Roman Catholic editor has charged that the U.S. Supreme Court ruling against Rhode Island and Pennsylvania aid proposals to parochial schools, in effect, denied Catholics the right to participate fully in the democratic process.

"In case there was any doubt in your mind, the U.S. Supreme Court formerly arrayed in the solemn robes of its high office, announced that you are a second class citizen," declared Don Zirkel of the "Tablet," newsweekly of the Diocese of Brooklyn.

Writing in his signed column, Zirkel asserted that "justice peeked out from under her blindfold and noticing that you are a Catholic decided this nation would be better off if you did not fully participate in the democratic process." (RNS)

North Pole Church Burns To Ground, Loss At \$250,000

NORTH POLE, Alaska—First Baptist church of North Pole burned to the ground here, with total losses estimated at about \$270,000.

The building was valued at \$250,000. Other losses included furniture and contents valued at \$150,000 and the pastor's personal library valued at \$4000.

Just one week before the fire, the church had installed \$400 worth of new nursery furniture. One day before the fire, the church librarian and pastor's son were setting up a new church library.

Bill Duncan, president of the Alaska Baptist Convention, is pastor of the church. He and his family had gone on a picnic on the day of the fire, and learned of the tragedy on the radio.

Insurance may cover about a third of the cost of replacing the building, Duncan said. The auditorium was built in 1957 adjacent to a log building constructed in 1953.

The church had previously planned to construct a new building, and the day after the fire about 25 laymen worked at the new site.

The following day, Sunday, 212 persons gathered at the North Pole school for worship.

Duncan said he hopes the church can complete construction of the new building by Oct. 1 before winter sets in and the building season is over for another year. (BP)

Caring For Eternity

**By James M. Gregg,
Executive Director-Treasurer**

I receive complimentary the quarterly publication, "N.B.A. FAMILY TALK," published by The National Benevolent Association of the Christian Church, (Disciples of Christ). Like our Texas Baptists, they operate their Children's Homes and Homes for the aged under one board.

In the Summer 1971 issue is the following wonderful story, "In February 1971 The National Benevolent Association received from the estate of Mrs. Margaret S. Parmly, 6.068 shares of IBM stock, valued at today's market in excess of \$2 million. Mrs. Parmly, of New York City, a Presbyterian lay woman, said she enjoyed reading NBA Family Talk—she received this publication at the request of her dear friend, Miss Eugenia Whitmore, of Omaha, Nebraska.

Through reading of the work being done for homeless children and the aged, God laid this on this good Christian woman's heart and she included it in her will. Thus she was caring for eternity.

We have some Tennessee Baptists who could also leave \$2 million in their wills for one or more of our institutions, but all of us can include something for Jesus and His work in our wills. Thank you Tennessee Baptists,

New Books

Echoes of a Passing Era by J. Harold Stephens. The 144-page paper book which sells for \$2 is filled with stories reminiscing of country people about the old-fashioned home, church and school. The book may be ordered from Stephens, a former Tennessean, at 1320 Honeysuckle Drive, Fairborn, Ohio 45324.

Teen Sense by David Edens, Warner, 112 pp., paper. Written by a clinically-trained psychotherapist the book provides practical, everyday help for young persons in areas of moral codes, understanding physical and mental makeup of teens, guidance for choosing friends and future marriage partners.

Studying Adult Life and Work Lessons (October-December, 1971) by Herschel H. Hobbs, Convention, 128 pp., paper. Among other things, Greek and Hebrew words are explained, the central teaching of the lesson is clarified, and its truth applied to life.

Money Off My Back by Jack Brown, Zondervan, 150 pp., paper, \$1.95. An ex-convict and addict relates his discovery of personal freedom.

Communication for the Church by Raymond McLaughlin, Zondervan, 228 pp., \$2.95. The author attempts to provide means to break through frozen attitudes, to release new and exciting meanings in religious symbolism and to help overcome confusions and misvaluations to which religious symbolism is prone.

The Untapped Generation by David and Don Wilkerson, Zondervan, 256 pp., \$1.95, paper. More than an analysis of the modern generation, it is a plea for involvement—a call for counselors to meet the challenge of the addict, the homosexual, the alcoholic, teen runaway, prostitute, sex addict and those caught in the ghetto.

A Study of Job by H. L. Ellison, Zondervan, 127 pp., \$1.95, paper. The author treats the problem of suffering in a uniquely encouraging manner and enlightens the reader on passages that have consistently hindered man's concept of a loving God.

Courage to Answer, by Flo Bingham Stapleton, Home Mission Board, 90 pp., paper. The story of mission workers in Georgia and Texas.

Threescore and Ten—WOW!, by Agnes D. Pylant, Broadman Press, 45 pp., paper. Guide for carefree living at age 70 and beyond.

Messages from First-century Christians, by William B. Coble, Convention Press, 219 pp. Bible survey series number eight.

Sharing Times Seven, by John and Frances Carter, Home Mission Board, 85 pp., paper. The extracurricular activities of home missionaries.

Tennessee News Briefs

First church, Smyrna, has called **Bucky Phillips**, a student at Belmont college, Nashville, as director of Music and Youth.

Brown Springs church, Nolachucky association, has paid off the debt on their educational building.

Alpha church, Nolachucky association, has purchased a church bus.

Remodeling, which has included new class rooms, carpeting, brick-veneering, and rest rooms, is nearing completion at Mt. Zion church, Nolachucky association.

Calvue church, Morristown, has brick-veneered its church building.

Wall-to-wall carpeting has been installed at Concord church, Nolachucky association.

Brunelle F. Phillips, Jr. has been ordained to the ministry by First church, Morristown.

First church, Donelson, has ordained **Eddie Barham, Kenneth Hayes, Ben Musgrove**, and **Robert Rego** as deacons. **W. L. Baker** is pastor.

First church, Tullahoma, is the recipient of a \$500 check, earmarked through the estate of the late **Mrs. Elizabeth Shaw. Tom Madden** is pastor.

College Street church, Duck River association, held a note burning ceremony recently.

"Standifer Day" was held at First church, Winchester, in honor of the **Jim Standifers**, interim minister of Music and Youth, and **Rev. and Mrs. H. D. Standifer** for 15 years of service in the Duck River association.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Hugh Wassom has been selected interim music director at First church, Tullahoma. **Tom Madden** is pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Covington have joined the church staff of McLean church, Memphis. **Covington** will be associate minister to youth, while his wife will be director of church education. **Covington** graduated in May from Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, with a Master of Divinity degree. **Mrs. Covington**, the former **Betty Whaley**, is a May graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, Fort Worth, with a Master of Religious Education degree. The **Covingtons** are natives of Little Rock, Ark.

Eugene Wright, former pastor of Oakwood church, Milan, is the new pastor of Enon church, Batesville, Miss.

Ray Kitts, former dean of Stewart Dormitory for boys at Harrison-Chilhowee academy, Seymour, has become pastor of New Era church, Sevier County association.

James Barry is serving as interim pastor at First church, Manchester.

Richard Root of Goodlettsville has been called as full-time minister of Music and Youth at First church, Winchester.

Pat O'Kain is the new pastor at Beech Grove church, Duck River association.

Ray F. Cleek, minister of evangelism at Walnut Street church, Louisville, Ky., and pastor for the past two years of Long Run church, Vevay, Ind., has been named associate minister at Ridgedale church, Chattanooga. **Cleek** is a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, and Union university, Jackson. His wife is the former **Gail Stewart** of Athens.

David Bolton, 16-year-old son of **John Bolton**, pastor of Grace church, Springfield, is in intensive care unit of Baptist hospital, Nashville, after an accident while hauling hay.

Mrs. Devonnia Crouse and **Mrs. Chettie Kelly** are retiring from the guidance and counseling staff at Belmont college, Nashville. **Mrs. Sheryl Belote Holbrook** will assume duties as secretary in the department.

Howard S. Kolb, pastor of Audubon Park church, Memphis, was honored by the church with a 10th anniversary dinner July 3. The **Kolbs** were presented a gift of money from the church and a Key to the City of Memphis by **Mayor Henry Loeb**. The **Kolb's** children, **Becky** and **David**, were present for the occasion.

Ron Lowery, student government president at Belmont college, Nashville, is working with the summer youth program at First church, Hendersonville.

Duke Endowment Aid To Methodists Cited

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—The Duke Endowment, a private foundation, gave United Methodism in North Carolina more than \$1,100,000 in 1970 for retired clergy support and for the construction and operation of rural churches.

This sum was in addition to \$7,800,000 given to Duke University, a United Methodist-related institution.

Total outlay of the foundation in 1970, according to the annual report issued here, was \$20,140,000. (RNS)

California Church Tops Glorieta Attendance

GLORIETA, N.M.—"Glorieta is one of the most meaningful events in the life of our church each year. It is the best training for our leadership that I know of anywhere," said **William Davenport**.

As pastor of the Capistrano Valley Southern Baptist church, San Juan Capistrano, Calif., **Davenport** observed that "Glorieta will do as much for our teachers and workers as all the rest of their training during the entire church year."

To prove that his words are not empty, **Davenport** brought with him more than 90 church members to the Teaching and Training Leadership Conference this year. That's almost one-fourth of the church, and they plan on bringing more back with them next year.

Minister of education **Richard Gruen** observed that the Capistrano church has drawn much of its growth from new Christians and persons with other denominational backgrounds.

"We have found Glorieta to be the best means to help our people understand Southern Baptist principles," said **Gruen**. "And our people consider a week at Glorieta to be absolutely the best investment of their vacation time. They start planning to go a whole year ahead of time each year."

Planning to the Capistrano church members is much more than just talk. Each year after the Glorieta trip, a slide presentation and testimony service is given to encourage others to attend the next year. Following the service, members begin to sign up, and by December all the money is collected for the group. Reservations are made promptly on Jan. 1.

Court In New Jersey Upholds Atheists' Right To Adopt Child

TRENTON, N.J.—In a unanimous decision, the New Jersey Supreme Court has ruled that a couple cannot be denied the right to adopt a child simply because they are atheists.

The court overturned a ruling by Essex County Superior Court Judge **William K. Camarata** who had ordered **Mr. and Mrs. John Burke** to return their two-year-old daughter, **Eleanor**, to the Children's Aid and Adoption Center.

Judge **Camarata** contended that the state constitution guaranteed everyone the right to worship "almighty God in a manner agreeable to the dictates of his own conscience." He held that the **Burke's** atheism would hinder that right of their daughter.

The **Burkes**, who have one other adopted child and waged a similar battle for custody of that child, were described by the adoption agency as "persons of high ethical and moral standards." (RNS)

Memorial Service Held For Slain Missionaries

(Earlier Story On Page 3)

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic—Several top officials of the Dominican Republic government were among sympathizers attending a memorial service here for Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Potter, Southern Baptist missionaries, who were found beaten and stabbed to death in their home in Santiago on July 7.



Rev. and Mrs. Paul E. Potter, Southern Baptist missionaries slain in the Dominican Republic (story on page three).

Also attending the memorial service here were the Roman Catholic Archbishop and personnel of the U. S. Embassy in the Dominican Republic.

Mr. and Mrs. Potter were found dead in their bed in Santiago by their 10-year-old son, David, after their maid noticed a door had been forced open during the night. David reportedly fainted when he saw the bloody scene.

The Potters had lived with their two children, Susan, 12, and David, in Santiago since opening Baptist work there in October, 1966.

Mrs. Potter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Roper of Marshfield, Mo., who flew to the Dominican Republic, were to return to Marshfield with Susan and David on Saturday afternoon, July 10.

Police Are Investigating

The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Potter were to be flown to Missouri earlier.

Potter's mother, Mrs. Roy H. Potter, also lives in Marshfield.

Dominican police are continuing their investigation and trying to establish a motive for the slaying of the Missionaries, according to missionary Howard Shoemake who has stayed close to the situation and fed information to officials of the SBC Foreign Mission Board in Richmond.

Shoemake said that since the money from a check Potter cashed the day before he was killed had not been accounted for, robbery could not be ruled out as a motive for the killings.

Shoemake neither confirmed nor denied press reports that anti-American slogans had been written on the Potters' car. He said the Dominican Republic Mission (organization of Southern Baptist Missionaries) would submit a more detailed written report as

soon as possible. Shoemake said he saw nothing written on the car as he walked past it.

The Associated Press had reported earlier that the words, "Death to the foreign traitors," and "Yankees get out," were written on their car outside the house.

Dominican officials "from the President on down" are working to find the person or persons responsible for the crime, said Shoemake, who had talked with President Joaquin Balaguer about the murders.

A number of government and church officials were among the crowd that "packed" the funeral home for the memorial service, Shoemake said. Sympathizers contributed money for a memorial fund for Susan and David in lieu of giving flowers.

Missionaries Assist

Shoemake was notified of the Potters' deaths by a phone call from Susan after the bodies were discovered in bed by David early Wednesday morning.

All four missionary couples remaining in the Dominican Republic went from Santo Domingo to Santiago to assist the children and the investigating authorities.

The Potter family had returned to the Dominican Republic in late June after completing furlough in the states.

While living in Marshfield during furlough they called themselves "Missouri Dominicans" and wrote in a newsletter:

"As we tell about our experiences on the mission field and share slides of the work there, we often reflect about why we want to go back to the Dominican Republic. We have seen God's power at work and human lives changed, and nothing can be more thrilling."

A field missionary stationed in Santiago, Potter worked with the Baptist radio and television ministry and was pastor of two churches and three mission churches. Mrs. Potter, the former Nancy Roper, assisted her husband in his evangelistic work in the churches. They were appointed missionaries in 1965 by the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

Funeral services were scheduled for the Potters in their hometown, Marshfield, Mo., on Monday, July 12, with a second memorial service slated later that day at First Baptist church, Paris, Mo., where Potter was pastor for five years. (BP)

Vatican Closes Its Bakery

VATICAN CITY—Vatican City's sole bakery shop has closed down permanently after 40 years of uninterrupted service, and its only surviving butcher shop is earmarked to go out of business shortly.

Italian Radio speculated that Pope Paul VI was anxious to eliminate all commercial activities from the papal enclave.

Closure of the food stores means that Vatican City residents will have to pay between 20 and 30 per cent for food items in the City of Rome. (RNS)

Murder Case Reveals Activities Of 'Satan Cult' In New Jersey

VINELAND, N.J.—Vineland—population 48,000—has been shaken to its social roots by reports of a drug-using high school "satan cult" which allegedly resulted in the murder of a 20-year-old.

According to at least two clergymen, devil worship has caught on in the "drug culture." The Rev. Joseph Donchez of First Presbyterian church estimates that 80 to 90 local participants are involved in the "satan cult."

The phenomena came to light after the bizarre death of Patrick Michael Newell, 20, who was found drowned in a sand-pit in nearby Millville. His hands and feet were bound with tape.

Richard Williams, 18, and Wayne Sweikert, 17, recent graduates of Vineland High, are held without bail, charged with murdering Newell.

An attorney for Richard Williams said the death was "suicide with assistance." (RNS)

Closer Cooperation Explored By Two Baptist Bodies

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Two Baptist denominations are exploring ways of achieving closer cooperation, but a merger of the two does not appear imminent, it was reported here.

The denominations are the Baptist General Conference, which has a Swedish background, and the North American Baptist Conference, which has a German background.

A report to the Baptist General Conference's annual meeting here said, "There is no great pressure for merger from either side but there is a growing sense of compatibility that may or may not result in merger." (RNS)

Sunday Liquor Sales Win Support Of Legislature

HARRISBURG, Pa.—The Pennsylvania Senate, by a vote of 27-18, has approved and sent to Gov. Milton J. Shapp a House-passed bill to legalize Sunday liquor sales in taverns and hotels throughout the state.

At present, only hotels in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and private clubs statewide, are permitted to sell alcoholic beverages on Sunday.

Under terms of the bill, bars, restaurants and hotels that have a food and non-alcoholic beverage income of 40 per cent or more of their gross sales, may obtain special permits from the Liquor Control Board at \$200 a year, to operate between the hours of 1 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Sunday.

While church groups opposed the bill, the strongest opposition came from organized fraternal and social clubs. The measure passed the House on June 10 by a vote of 103 to 93—one vote more than the constitutional majority of 102 needed to pass legislation. (RNS)

God, The Christian, And Civil Law

By Howard S. Kolb, Pastor

Audubon Park Baptist Church, Memphis

Bible Study Passages: Acts 4:13-20; I Peter 2:13-17

Under how many civil authorities do you live? Some live under more civil authorities than do others. It is possible for an American to live under four civil authorities—county government, city government, state government, and the government of the United States of America.

What is the Christian's relationship to the civil laws under which he lives? Is his primary responsibility to the civil authority and civil laws or to God? The memory selection, the memory verse answers the question: "We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29).

What does the lesson this week teach about God, the Christian, and Civil Law?

I. Submission To Civil Authority Is Impossible When One Is Commanded To Disobey God (Acts 4:13-18).

Peter and John had healed a lame man who was begging at the gate of the Temple (Acts 3:1-8). The following day they were brought before the Sanhedrin to explain how they were able to heal the lame man (Acts 4:7). Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, answered: "Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole" (Acts 4:10).

"When they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled; and they took knowledge, that they had been with Jesus" (Acts 4:13). Peter and John were without technical training in the professional schools of Hillel or Shammai, the Jewish schools. They were without official standing as religious teachers. The fact that they had been in the school of Jesus explained their conduct.

The fact that "ignorant" men, men not skilled in the schools of the day, had been instruments in God's hand in healing the lame man could not be refuted. The most embarrassing fact to the rulers was the presence of the healed man. A conference became necessary. It was necessary for them to compare notes, to take stock of the predicament. They wanted to check the movement because nothing worthy of punishment was found. After the conference they commanded them not to speak one word, not to make a sound in Jesus' name. The enemies knew the cause of Christ would fail if His followers could be silenced. Would they submit to civil authority? It was a desperate moment for the future of the gospel.

II. Submission To Civil Authority Is Impossible When It Would Hinder One's Witnessing (Acts 4:19-20).

The Sanhedrin, a religious court acting in the name of God, asked the disciples not to speak about God's Son. Inner compulsion compelled them to speak the things they had seen and heard. Defiance of civil and ecclesiastical authorities was justified because the authorities stepped in between the conscience and God. Peter and John were willing to pay the price of this defiance with their lives.

A Christian cannot remain silent when it comes to witnessing unless he is a dead Christian. "For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20).

III. Submission To Civil Authority Should Be For the Lord's Sake (I Peter 2:13-14).

It has been often said that Christians are citizens to two worlds—heaven and earth. Peter told the Christians of his day "to submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake" (I Pet. 2:13). The word "submit" means "to arrange in military fashion under the command of a leader." The word "ordinance" refers to human institutions, such as the laws of the land. Christians are to do this for the sake of Jesus.

Peter's admonition is still applicable. Today in America the Christian has the opportunity to prove himself a good citizen and to participate in government. The one who neglects his civic responsibilities is in conflict with scriptural teachings and God's will for his life.

East Tennessee Institutions Host Baptist Public Relations Meeting

Three days of conferences, business, and recreation will highlight the 1971 Tennessee Baptist Public Relations—Development conferences to be held at Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City, Aug. 4-6. Co-hosting the event with Carson-Newman, is Harrison-Chilhowee Academy and East Tennessee Baptist hospital.

A variety of conference topics, ranging from "Photography" to "Communicating with the Constituency", will be led by public relations men, administrators, and pastors from across the state.

A feature of the conference will be the main address by Fritz McDuffie, director of the information division at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, at the Thursday evening banquet.

Letter

To the Editor:

I have been so impressed with the letter written you by Mrs. Annie Lee Knoch several months ago. I don't quite understand why the other churches have a program for their aged, and the Baptists have more money than any other denomination and we forget our old folks. I know the Trevecca Towers owned by the Nazarenes have 100 Baptists living over there. I wish you would go over there and visit and see how happy those people are that live there. They have their own apartments but they enjoy each other. That is what we need in our last years, a place of our own that we can call home, but stand on our own two feet. I belong to Judson Memorial Church and I have enclosed a letter signed by a number of our members pleading for a place for our aged. I think if you will print this there will be many more to write you.

Sincerely,
Mrs. J. B. (Sadie) Jones
2108 Grantland Ave.
Nashville, Tennessee 37204

IV. Submission To Civil Authority Is The Will Of God (I Pet. 2:15-17).

Loyalty to civil authority is the will of God and the best way to silence slander. Foolish men, men who lacked knowledge and understanding, of Peter's day felt the Christians were rebels against civil authority. They are rebels when asked to act contrary to God's will and way. They are to judge at times whether government is lawful and worthy of support. The Christian's customary manner of life should lead to obedience and cooperation with civil laws and civil authorities. Some in Peter's day thought the Christians were plotting to overthrow the Roman Empire, the dethronement of Caesar in favor of Jesus (Acts 17:7).

In verse seventeen we find four areas outside of the home in which the Christian is admonished to conduct himself responsibly—mankind at large, the Christian fellowship, God, and the state. This is God's will for His people.

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Baptist Pro Quarterback Helps Prevent Plane Mishap

LUBBOCK, Tex.—Terry Bradshaw, quarterback for the Pittsburgh Steelers professional football team, used his strength to force down an airplane's landing gear and saved himself and fellow passengers from a possible crash landing here.

Bradshaw, a Baptist, and Debbie Patton, Miss Teenage America of 1970, were being flown in a private plane to Hereford, Tex., to speak in an evangelistic crusade called "Encounter '71". Miss Patton, whom Bradshaw dates, is a Baptist from Odessa.

When the plane's engine started sputtering near Lubbock, Pilot James Gentry, a Baptist layman from Hereford, barely had time to alert the Lubbock Municipal airport for a possible crash landing when the radio went dead. Gentry was unable to lower the landing gear.

While Miss Patton and Mrs. Gentry prayed, Bradshaw wrestled the landing gear loose and manually lowered it into position. (BP)

Little Rock Church Pledges \$250,000 To Baptist Colleges

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Immanuel Baptist church here pledged to raise \$250,000, an amount equal to 52 per cent of its annual church budget, as part of a special fund campaign during the next three years for two Baptist colleges in Arkansas.

W. O. Vaught Jr., pastor of the church, is chairman of the statewide fund campaign to raise \$4 million for Ouachita Baptist university, Arkadelphia, and Southern Baptist college, Walnut Ridge, Ark.

Vaught and his committee had decided earlier to propose that each Baptist church in Arkansas with operating budgets over \$50,000 accept as campaign goal 20 per cent of the amount of their annual budget.

Instead of a goal of \$93,500, 20 per cent of the church's budget, Vaught and a group of the church's leaders proposed to the deacons that the goal be set at \$150,000.

"Pastor, that's not enough," one of the deacons said when the goal was presented for discussion to the deacons.

He proposed that the goal be set at \$250,000 "out of appreciation for our pastor, who heads this campaign; and because of the great need and worthy cause of our Baptist colleges; and also, in gratitude for God's rich blessings upon us."

The goal was unanimously adopted both by the deacons and the church in business conference.

The \$4 million fund campaign among Arkansas Baptist churches seeks to raise \$3 million for Ouachita Baptist university, and \$1 million for Southern Baptist college. (BP)

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Bottom row (left to right): Kenneth Wayne Howard, Tony G. Latham, Landis H. Litchfield, Fred W. Vantrease, Jr., Larry G. Ware.

Golden Gate Seminary Receives Accreditation From Association

MILL VALLEY, Calif.—Golden Gate Baptist Theological seminary here has received accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, the accrediting agency for educational institutions in California, Hawaii and Guam.

Accreditation came after an examination team from the association visited the seminary last March, and after the seminary faculty had completed a year-long self-study under the direction of Dean Elmer L. Gray

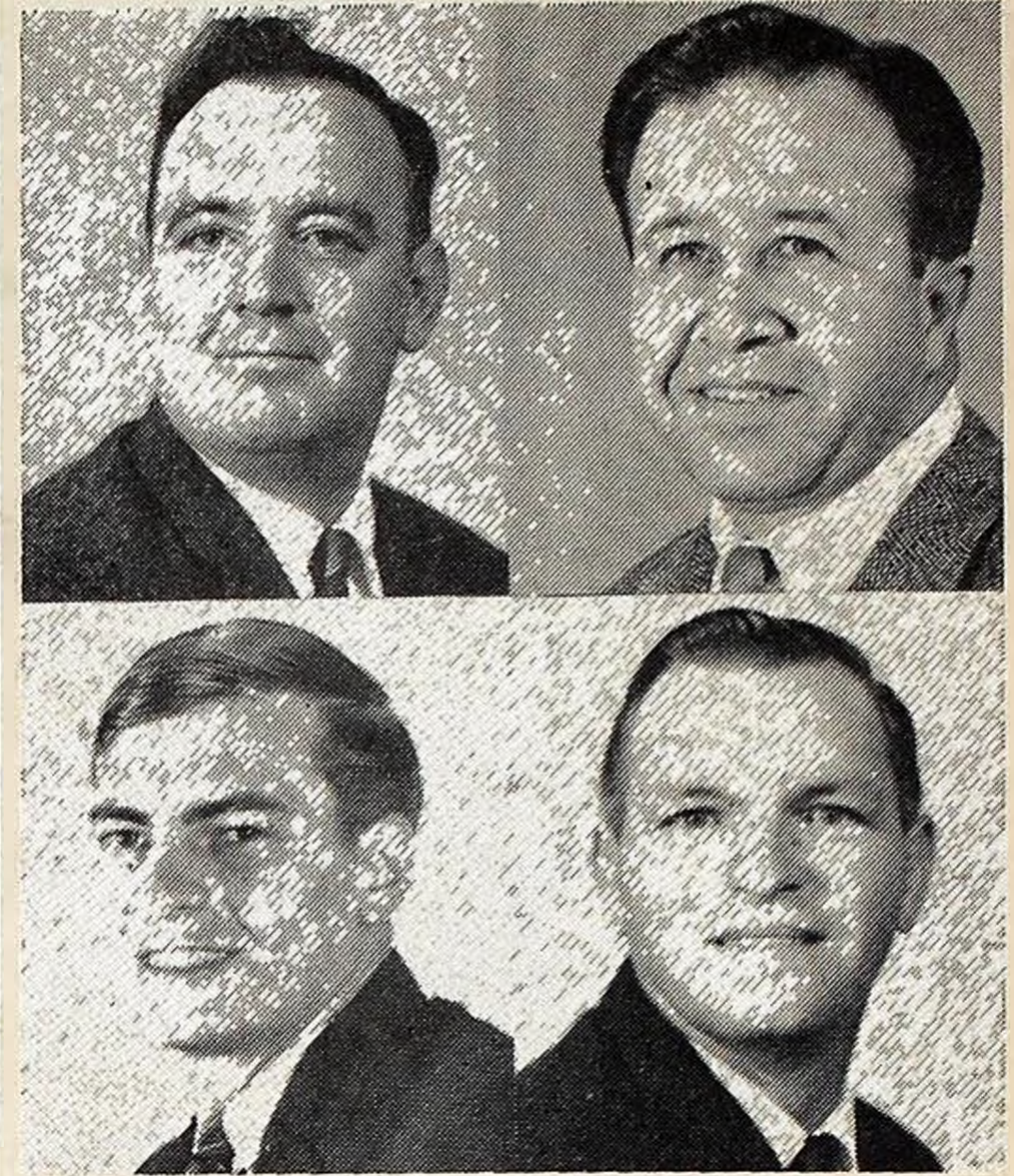
and Professor W. A. Carleton.

Golden Gate previously had been accredited by the American Association of Theological Schools.

President Harold K. Graves said the seminary's relationships with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges had been "most profitable," especially in helping the seminary determine higher goals for learning.

The additional accreditation will mean appropriate recognition for alumni who serve in the dual roles of public school teacher and preacher in pioneer areas, Graves added. (BP)

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary



Top row (left to right): Thomas C. Bigger, Everett A. Kiester.

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Confusion Over Translations Noted On Literature

NASHVILLE—Recent mail to the Sunday School department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board has indicated some confusion concerning translations used in Sunday School periodicals.

The trend was noted by A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School department. He said many letters received recently by the department concerning adult periodicals mentioned the problem.

Washburn said some churches prefer the King James Version while others prefer contemporary translations. He also indicated that the different series of quarterly publications of the board use different translations.

The printed lesson passage of Convention Uniform Series literature is from the King James Version. The Life and Work Series uses both the King James translation and/or a contemporary translation. The Forefront Series does not quote a specific version as a printed passage and any translation can be used as a reference in studying the materials as long as it is true to the original language.

The Foundation Series, in which all pre-school and children's materials appear, use the King James translation as a basic text for content development.

Washburn added that churches should keep Bible translation preferences in mind when choosing literature for the new church year.

Baptist Leaders Above National Average On Book-Reading Audit

NASHVILLE—Southern Baptist pastors and Sunday School teachers read books all the way through much more frequently than does the U.S. adult population, a recent survey conducted by the Baptist VIEWpoll has indicated.

The representative panel of pastors and teachers were polled on this question: "When, as nearly as you can recall, did you last read any kind of book all the way through—either a hard cover or a paper-bound book?" Four response alternatives accompanied the question—"in past month," "one month to one year ago," "longer than one year ago," and "never finished a book."

The majority of the pastors (61.6 per cent) and 49.5 per cent of the teachers report having read a book all the way through in the "past month."

According to the Gallup Poll only 26 per cent of the U.S. adult population read a book all the way through during approximately the same one-month period (mid-December to mid-January).

Almost one-third (31.6 per cent) of the pastors and 33 per cent of the teachers reported having read a book all the way through during a period "one month to one year ago."

Sixteen per cent of the teachers and 5.1 per cent of the pastors report that it has been "longer than one year ago" since they have read a book all the way through.

Only 1.3 per cent of the pastors and 1.5 per cent of the teachers indicated they have never finished reading a book all the way through.

All of the teachers on the panel responded to the question, and only 0.4 per cent of the pastors failed to do so.

Data for this report is based on a 91 per cent response from the Baptist VIEWpoll panel, composed of approximately 300 pastors and 300 Sunday School teachers selected to represent a cross section of persons holding those leadership positions in the Southern Baptist Convention. (BP)

Americans United Announces New Parochial Challenges

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Americans United for Separation of Church and State announced at a press conference in Washington recently that it will greatly expand its legal attacks on parochial in the wake of the Supreme Court's June 28 ruling against tax aid for church schools. The text of the press conference statement by Americans United Executive Director Glenn L. Archer follows:

"The Supreme Court's historic ruling against the Pennsylvania and Rhode Island Parochial laws is the decision we have been working toward for a quarter of a century. We are proud to have been a primary sponsor of the Pennsylvania suit. The ruling shores up the constitutional wall of separation between church and state and provides powerful protection for religious freedom, democratic public education, and the independence of church institutions. It will save taxpayers billions of dollars and protect citizens from coerced support of sectarian separatism. The ruling insures our winning the court challenges to parochial which we are presently sponsoring. We plan also to file new suits in the several states whose legislatures have recently given in to sectarian pressures for tax aid for church schools.

"We will shortly file suits to knock out

newly passed parochial laws in New York, Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio, and Vermont in cooperation with other organizations which share our interest in defending religious freedom and church-state separation.

"We are also planning a court test of state aid to sectarian colleges, since the Supreme Court's June 28 federal college aid ruling definitely opens the door for such challenges.

"At the present time we are before a three-judge federal court in Ohio testing the constitutionality of federal aid to church school libraries under the 1965 Elementary and Secondary Education Act. In Kentucky and Michigan we are involved in challenges to the practice of sending public school personnel to teach in parochial schools. Our suit against the 1970 New Jersey parochial law will undoubtedly be won in the wake of the Supreme Court's ruling, as will our challenge to the Ohio auxiliary services act, now before the Ohio Supreme Court.

"Advocates of tax support for parochial schools are reported now to be pinning their hopes on various tuition grant or voucher plans. They will surely be disappointed, as the Supreme Court's rulings in **Lemon, Walz, Schempp**, and earlier cases leave little doubt that voucher plans would have the effect of providing a tax subsidy to sectarian schools and being an excessive en-

1975 Baptist World Congress May Be Held In Europe

Düsseldorf, Germany, or Stockholm, Sweden, may be selected as the meeting place for the 1975 Baptist World Congress. Both cities will be considered when the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee and Study Commissions meet August 2-6 in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, in Canada's Atlantic Provinces.

Held every five years, the last congress of the BWA to convene in Europe was in 1955, in London.

The international headquarters of the Alliance is in Washington, D.C., with Robert S. Denny as general secretary. Its European office is in London, with C. Ronald Goulding as associate secretary.

A report from Washington says about 200 persons from 21 countries are expected to participate in the meetings in Wolfville.

A preliminary planning committee on "World Mission of Reconciliation through Jesus Christ" will be held before the meetings of the Executive Committee and the Study Commissions.

In addition to the regular annual meeting of the Executive Committee, five study groups will deal with doctrine, Christian nurture and training, evangelism and missions, religious liberty and human rights, and cooperative Christianity.

The Baptist World Alliance is a fellowship of 89 Baptist conventions and unions in 71 countries. The combined membership includes 27 million of the world's 31 million Baptists. (EBPS)

tanglement of government with religion. We intend to fight the full subsidy voucher plan being promoted by the present administration in Washington and all smaller tuition grant or voucher plans wherever they may be proposed.

"In cooperation with other groups, we have just successfully petitioned to referendum a parochial voucher plan passed by the Maryland legislature this year. Since the Maryland law is now suspended until the November 1972 referendum, no court action is necessary there. We expect to win the Maryland referendum just as we won similar referenda last fall in Michigan and Nebraska and in 1967 in New York, all by overwhelming majorities." (C/SNS)



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WAYS TO HELP

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Basic Passages: Deuteronomy 24:10-22; Isaiah 58:3-7; Ephesians 4:28

Focal Passages: Deuteronomy 24:10-15, 17-18; Isaiah 58:6-7; Ephesians 4:28

In the Old Testament God sought to create a very close bond between the Israelites. He included guests or strangers in their midst in so many of the same provisions.

There should be a much closer bond between real Christians than exists in most cases. Some religious groups take care of their own poor in a remarkable way. As they have opportunity, they do good to all men but especially to those of the household of faith.

The best thing we can do today is to really love all men, including the poor especially. That is love them deeply in the heart and express it in a way that will do them the most good.

Sometimes it is a gift without interest. Sometimes it is a gift with reasonable interest. At other times it means to be a brother in encouraging fellowship and personal cultivation. Find out how to help him help himself.

We were reared by a widowed grandmother who inspired and motivated. She taught the practice of integrity, the habit of hard work and careful management. She maintained that one could go as high as his determination, persistence, zealous activity and utilized ability could carry him. We believed her.

A few business men took interest in us, sometimes warning, at other times commending; at all times manifesting confidence. We resolved never to let them down for we greatly admired them and appreciated their obviously sincere interest.

SHOW COMPASSION AND RESPECT

Deut. 24:10-15

They could take the outer cloak of the poor as security. However, the privacy of his home could not be invaded to take it. He was not to be deprived of it during the night if it should be very cold. He was to return it to the lender when the warmth of daylight came.

There was never to be any oppression of a poor brother or a stranger within the gates. The meager wages prevalent should be paid the hired servant at the end of each day because of his need. Do not cause him to have to cry to God against you.

CONSISTENT WORSHIP

Isa. 58:6-7

All kinds of wicked treatment toward the poor and defenseless must stop before God

will countenance your worship, much less be pleased with your fasting and praying.

Every fetter must be shattered and every yoke broken. You are not to turn the other way when you see any form of destitution. You are to lovingly care for every actual need.

REFORMATION IS NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE Eph. 4:22

The one who steals is to steal no more. Whether he is a thief or a deliberate parasite, he is to change. On the other hand he is to go to work making a living and more that he might share with others less fortunate. That means that he is to cease from being a deliberate burden to society and become a burden bearer.

We have witnessed converts in the slum areas change from both petty thieving and wilful dependence into productive citizens. We are told that this frequently happens.

We are in the throes of a desperately ghastly situation in America and in the world. There is a frightful maladjustment.

Condemning society or a system without distributing personal guilt and developing individual compassion will not solve our problems. We must see and feel the true situation. Then there must be a general consensus as to the real causes of the situation.

Temporary expedients and superficial treatments may improve things for a while but this will ultimately fail and augment the perplexity of the problem of a real solution.

We must get down to the roots of the situation and apply some very painful surgery. The cure will not be easy or pleasant, but the consequences will be very rewarding and lasting. No, it will never be perfect in this age.

Are we Christians concerned enough and courageous enough to lead the way? America may not be willing to pay the price for a real solution. A senseless revolution may stem from unadulterated selfishness. We are so spoiled and soft. An orderly solution according to our constitutional processes can get the job done.

During 1970, 6500 people were killed as a result of driving off the roadway, according to an annual survey by The Travelers Insurance Companies. Reasons for this type of accident are tired motorists, unsafe cars, and those under the influence of alcohol.

Foundation

He Waited Too Long

By Jonas L. Stewart
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

He intended to get his will prepared. It had been discussed between him and his wife several times. They had clipped a Foundation column from the **Baptist And Reflector** and expressed their purpose to write for information. The article is still in their Bible.

A coronary suddenly took his life. She will still prepare the will—but without his help. It disturbs her that they waited too long. She wanted him to be in on their planning. She wants to set up a memorial trust fund to continue their Christian witness at her death. She longs to know the Cause to which he would like the income from it to be paid. It's too late now. She has to decide all alone—a Tennessee Baptist college, children's homes, seminary, foreign missions? She hesitates to make a choice. Her cry is, "Why did we wait?"

This may or may not happen to others who read this, but you don't know that it won't. You can be sure by immediately writing our office for information or help in preparing a Christian Will. You do not obligate yourself by writing. There are no charges for our services. We want to help because it also strengthens the Lord's work. Don't wait too late!

Write or call for information on preparing a Christian Will to Tennessee Baptist Foundation, Dr. Jonas L. Stewart, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 647, Brentwood, Tennessee, Phone 833-4220.

Religion Around The World

President-elect and vice president of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, Godfrey Clive Robinson, 57, died unexpectedly at his London home June 17.

Robinson, who was ordained in 1941, spent most of his service in pastoral ministry in London and from 1947-52 served as Young People's Secretary of the British Baptist Missionary society.

More than 650 professions of faith resulted from a two-week nationwide Baptist evangelism crusade in Portugal. Eight of the 39 participating churches and missions had not reported their decisions, thus making the number of decisions incomplete.

"One of the most important things," a report said, was the audience a group of Baptist leaders had with the president of Portugal, Admiral Americo Tomas. Among the Baptists were four Portuguese, two guest preachers from Brazil, a Portuguese missionary to Mozambique, and two missionaries from the Southern Baptist Convention.

From the Executive Secretary

By W. Fred Kendall

On the first of the month I wrote a column on the importance of the anniversary of our nation. Today I want to come back to the theme of freedom and think about the stewardship of freedom or the responsibility that freedom involves. Since World War II we have heard more about freedom than for many years. New freedoms have been discovered for many of the masses of mankind in the new nations and in the areas where colonialism once



Kendall

held them in subjection to the great empires. Much that has been written about freedom in our country has been good and there have been many expansions of our freedoms. At the same time there have been threats to freedom by the very complexity of modern life and by the bigness of everything. Frustrations have brought about rebellion and some irrational demands. Some have demanded their rights and this has become a substitute for freedom—"my rights".

The demand for rights has often been good and many have benefitted from this modern concern with people's rights. But one of the problems which has been created is the lack of the restraining power of the responsibility which must be assumed with freedom and rights. When one is free he then becomes responsible for his actions. He is to be held responsible for the consequences.

Too many have forgotten that freedom is a gift of God and that man is made to be free. But they also forget that freedom has a purpose and a real objective. It is to enable man to reach his highest potential. It is to enable him to be creative and to achieve. This means that he must have some ideals and some sets of values and purposes to achieve. Life has a real meaning and a real objective. Man is to become something as well as to achieve something. His life is also related to a social order in which lives his fellow men.

During World War II, President Roosevelt and Winston Churchill made the "Four Freedoms" the great ideal for which men were fighting during that war. There are probably many of you who do not even remember what those four freedoms were. Many have grown up since that time and never had the occasion to know them. They are: freedom of speech and expression; freedom of worship; freedom from want; and freedom from fear.

Responsibility for freedom is seen in the present use and abuse of many of the great freedoms we enjoy. Freedom of speech and

On Matters of

Family Living

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A Modicum Of Conflict Can Go A Long Way

It's easier to be lax with children than strict with ourselves but a no "no" policy makes it harder for youngsters to grow up, a psychiatrist warns parents.

Children raised free of early conflict (the kind of conflict provided by a "no" when it's needed) will instinctively seek conflict at puberty, said Dr. Rene Spitz. As adolescents, their belated search for conflict may have serious consequences, he indicated.

Providing the young child with the conflict and resistance he needs to mature is one of parenthood's important tasks, but providing conflict does **not** mean treating him with violence, Spitz stressed.

He reminded that child-rearing methods run in cycles and pointed out that a little historical perspective can help parents maintain their balance when the undertows of current attitudes and approaches threaten to submerge their common sense.

"The Western culture has a tendency to go to extremes," he observed. "In the 18th century, school teachers used to carry a big stick and hit the boys and girls. Now the boys and girls are hitting the school teacher."

expression can be used for the overthrow of the government and for the incitement to revolt and rebellion. It can be used to destroy the very source of the freedom to engage in such activity.

Freedom to worship is the great open door to find the spiritual meaning of life and worship God. When this freedom goes unused and when men turn from the places of worship to the places of pleasure and commerce and trade they let this freedom die in a secularized world which denies God and takes away the freedom to worship Him.

Freedom from want carries with it the responsibility to work and to prepare one's self for doing his best. It also carries the responsibility of good management of one's earnings and the wise use of them. So much poverty is caused by gambling, alcohol, and the wasting of the very resources God has blessed us with.

Freedom from fear carries with it the responsibility for law and order. Law must set forth the guidelines for living in a social order. It must protect the weak and defend all against the degenerate man who has become a thief and a murderer. Fear is the

Historically:

From the files

50 YEARS AGO

C. C. McDearman, 87, died at his home in Ore Springs following an illness of a few days. He served as pastor in Weakley County association, serving his home church, New Hope, for 51 years. The church had elected him pastor for life.

In the United States there were 514 colleges and universities, 620 academies, and 200 theological schools operated under the auspices of denominational bodies.

20 YEARS AGO

First church, Humboldt, Hayward Highfill, pastor, established a mission known as Baptist chapel.

Charles Orr became education director at First church, Paris. O. E. Turner served as pastor.

Harry S. Truman, president of the United States, joined other Washington (D.C.) Baptists in celebrating the 150th anniversary of the first preaching service conducted by a Baptist minister in the nation's capital.

10 YEARS AGO

M. W. Bodlien, a graduate of Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City, and pastor of First church, Lake City for 12 years, resigned to become pastor of First Baptist church, Vandalia, Ohio.

T. N. Hale, a former pastor of First church, Dresden, marked the beginning of his 60th year in the ministry.

Southern Baptist State papers adopted a circulation goal of 1,750,000, to be reached by 1964.

result of the dangers coming from those who do not fear God nor man.

It is not enough to talk about freedom and to idealize it. It must be supported by men and women of real character and who have a real purpose in life. This comes to one through a personal knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Freedom cannot long be sustained in a world which does not know nor respect God. Our task is that of evangelizing and christianizing a secularized world.

Baptist Leader's Son Turns Off Drugs, On To Jesus

FORT WORTH—The teenage son of the president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas told 14,000 young people here that before he turned off drugs and on to Jesus, he rode a roller coaster of despair that led him twice to attempt suicide.

Seventeen-year-old Skip Allen of San Antonio said he now gets his highs from Jesus instead of from marijuana, mescaline, and LSD.

The 14,000 young people from throughout Texas attending the Texas Baptist Youth Evangelism Conference here rose to their feet, cheering and applauding as Allen said: "I blew off of LSD and turned on to Jesus."

Sitting behind the teenager on the platform was his father, Jimmy R. Allen, pastor of First Baptist church of San Antonio, and president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Youth Loved LSD

"I loved LSD," the youth admitted. "I was happy as long as I was stoned—and I was stoned a lot."

But depressions followed the drug-induced highs. He said he had difficulty getting along with people at school and deliberately broke the rules. He tried to kill himself by an overdose of tranquilizers.

"I was afraid of the world and everything around it, and I didn't want to die because I was afraid of death too."

After his second attempt at suicide, Allen said, "I was placed in a school with pregnant girls and dope addicts."

During a Barry Wood crusade in San Antonio, young Allen was deeply moved by a talk with Justin Tyne, a former drug addict who operates a Christian coffee house in Los Angeles.

"I'm tired of running," he told his father, and he "turned it over to Jesus who caused an amazing transformation in my life."

Old-Time Revival Resulted

Often the meeting here turned into a spontaneous old-time revival in modern garb as both long-and short-haired youth praised Jesus pep rally style: "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus," they yelled, one finger pointing skyward to signify "one way in Christ."

In two decision services, 655 youth made decisions for Christ. Included were 158 professions of faith, 40 special service volunteers, 404 rededications and 53 other commitments.

Former Cleveland Browns football star, Bill Glass, told the youth that Skip Allen earlier had "put his finger on the problem when he said, 'Sin is pleasurable.'"

"The Bible says the sinner may have pleasure for a season, but sin, like a boom-erang, will come back swift and unseen, and

it'll clobber you," Glass said.

"In the middle of one of the most tremendous spiritual awakenings I've ever seen are some of the most heinous sins I've ever seen" Glass said.

He noted that Joe Namath, famed quarterback of the New York Jets, says free love is all right. "But that's just your problem, Joe Namath. You just don't see at all. You're blind," Glass declared.

"Love is neither free nor love, if it's free love," the ex-Cleveland star said.

Another Christian athlete, Terry Bradshaw, quarterback of the Pittsburgh Steelers, told the young people that he would take Jesus with him as he returned to training camp in July.

Youth Told To Learn Who Jesus Is

Bradshaw, one of three Pittsburgh players who reportedly read their Bibles regularly and witness, told the young people, "You'll have no real joy, no real excitement 'till you really learn who Jesus Christ is."

The former all-American star at Louisiana tech told the young people that he gave his life to Jesus as a high school senior and gave Christ the credit for his success as a professional athlete.

"I realize that my right arm and all the talents I have were given to me by God, but let me tell you something else. He can take them away as quickly as he can give them," Bradshaw said.

"I might never throw another pass, but no one is going to stop loving Jesus Christ for this. It's not going to change me one bit," he added.

The conference soloist, Myrtle Hall of the Billy Graham evangelistic team, told the youth, "my love for Jesus grows deeper and deeper. He's given me an opportunity to communicate with people and to go out and sing my love for him," the Negro soloist added.

Special music, in both traditional and Christian folk style were presented by youth choirs of First Baptist church, Dallas, which will tour Canada this summer, and by Trinity Baptist church, San Antonio, which will tour the Soviet Union.

The youth choir of First Baptist church, San Antonio, presented a new folk musical, "Real," written by Bob Oldenburg and Lanny Allen of the church's staff.

Another speaker, Peter McLeod, pastor of First Baptist church, Waco, Tex., said most people make Jesus "a passenger in their lives instead of the captain."

He urged the youth to let the spirit of God dwell in them.

About 10,000 young people from 450 churches took part in a spiritual "blitz" of Fort Worth, singing and telling about Jesus over a wide area of the city. (BP)

Sentences Revoked, Probation Set In Church Bond Fraud Case

NEW ORLEANS—Prison sentences of two men who pleaded no contest to federal conspiracy and fraud charges in the sale of \$4 million in church bonds have been revoked by a federal judge who placed them on probation for five years.

U.S. District Judge Lansing Mitchell accepted motions presented for Paul D. McMillan, a Houston church bond broker, and Jesse M. Ray, bond director of Mid-City Baptist church of New Orleans.

McMillan had been sentenced to four years and Ray to two years following a hearing before Judge Mitchell in May. A similar motion is pending for Clyde Rabon, a Houston church bond broker who drew a four-year sentence in connection with the case.

The defendants were charged with diverting proceeds from the bond sale and issuing new bonds when they knew the church would not be able to pay them off. (RNS)

NFL Pros Dedicate Lives To Christ At Conference

DALLAS—Forty leading players of the National Football League met here for the first "Pro Players Christian Leadership Conference."

"It was an opportunity for 'actors' like me to rededicate our lives to Christ and learn how to share our faith with others," said Billy Truax of the Dallas Cowboys.

The conference was sponsored by Sports World Chaplaincy, Inc., the evangelical organization of Dr. Ira Eshleman, a retired minister who is known as pro-football's "non-sectarian chaplain." (RNS)

Oppression In USSR Draws Believers Together, Mrs. Alexandrovich Says

NEW YORK—Mrs. Rivka Alexandrovich, whose daughter Ruth has been imprisoned for "anti-state" activities in Riga, Latvia, addressed a group here on problems facing her fellow Jews and all religious people in the Soviet Union.

In remarks that were largely off the record, she noted that in Russia, as in various countries during World War II, people of differing religious persuasions have drawn together in their common belief in God.

Among the groups she mentioned as facing state opposition were the "dissident Baptists," so-called dissidents because they refuse to bow to the government's demand to "register" as a sect and comply with restrictive laws.

Mrs. Alexandrovich's appearance here was made before a regular meeting of the Advisory Committee of Religion in Communist Dominated Areas, a publication which has for 10 years, covered church-state developments in Eastern Europe. (RNS)