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## Late Times' Editor To Be Inducted Into UT Hall Of Fame



Macon County Times



A pioneer East Tennessee newspaperman, a long-time Midstate publisher and minister, and one of the first women to publish a newspaper in the state have been named to the Tennessee Newspaper Hall of Fame.

Nominees were announced Saturday, July 11 at the conclusion of the Tennessee Press Association summer meeting in Memphis. They will be inducted in October ceremonies at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

The trio are Elder Calvin Gregory, former editor and publisher of the Macon County Times; Frederick S. Heiskell, founder of the Knoxville Register, termed one of the most powerful papers in its times; and Mrs. Edith O'Keefe Susong, publisher of the Greenville Sun from 1920 to 1974.

Gregory, born in 1891, bought a half interest in the Macon County Times in 1930 and assumed full control in 1937. He was also a Baptist minister and during his tenure had pastored more than 50 churches in Middle Tennessee and Southern Kentucky. At one time, he was actively engaged in pastoring seven churches at once, the churches setting their meeting hours to fit his busy schedule.

In addition to his newspaper and church work he was a member of the Macon County Quarterly Court, was the first president of North Central Telephone Cooperative, and



### ELDER CALVIN GREGORY

was a correspondent for the Nashville Banner and Tennessean for many years. He died in 1957.

Elder Gregory was recognized as a genealogical expert in Middle Tennessee and wrote a popular column on the topic. His genealogical column was so popular that at one time the late U.S. Senator Joe McCarthy, of Wisconsin, contacted Elder Gregory asking if he could take time off from his work to travel with the Senator overseas in an attempt to trace the McCarthy family history back to its origin, which Elder Gregory politely declined. Under Gregory, the Macon County Times had the third largest circulation of any

weekly newspaper in the state, more than 4,000.

His newspaper plant burned twice. Despite having no insurance, Gregory never missed an issue and rebuilt both times.

The three new Hall of Fame members were selected by a committee of past leaders of the Tennessee Press Association. Honorees will be inducted October 10 in a ceremony to be held in conjunction with the fall meeting of the TPA Board of Directors. Portraits of the new members will join those of 24 others in a place of honor in the Communications Building of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

## He Took My Whipping For Me

A. C. Dixon, the great Baptist preacher who was born in the mountains of Virginia, relates the following:

Years ago there was a certain school in this section which no teacher could handle. The boys were so rough that the teachers resigned.

A young, grey-eyed teacher applied, and the old director scanned him, then said, "Young man, do you know what you are asking? An awful beating! Every teacher we have had for years has had to take it."

He replied, "I'll risk it."

Finally, he appeared for duty.

One big fellow, Tom, whispered, "I won't need any help, I can lick him myself!"

The teacher said, "Good morning, boys! We have come to conduct school, but I confess I do not know how unless you help me. Suppose we have a few rules. You tell me and I will write them on the blackboard"

One fellow yelled, "No stealing!" Another yelled, "On time." Finally, ten rules appeared.

"Now," said the teacher, "a law is no good unless there is a penalty attached. What shall we do with the one who breaks

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## TENNESSEE STATE GOSPEL SINGING CONVENTION

The 48th annual Tennessee State Gospel Singing Convention is to be held with Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, 5208 Nolensville Rd., Nashville, Tenn. on September 12-13, 1981. On Saturday, September 12, the singing is to begin at 7:00 P.M. On Sunday, September 13, the all-day singing is to begin at 10:00 A.M. Lunch will be served at the noon hour.

This convention is supported by freewill offerings. Those who wish to donate to this cause, those who would like to have a brochure on the singing, or would like to have other information including rooms while visiting in Nashville for the convention may call Key Dillard, Pres. at (615) 890-0288, or one of the five vice-presidents, Dormon Grubbs (615) 883-4229; Oliver Jennings (615) 847-3884; Wayne Scott (615) 824-5929; Eldie Roberts (615) 623-6278; Danny Patterson (615) 666-3438.

Elder J. H. Smith is pastor of the host church. All who love and are concerned about good gospel singing are invited to make plans to attend this singing convention.

## BETHEL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO CONVENE

The Bethel Missionary Baptist Association is to convene in its 24th annual session with Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 222 East Epler Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana on September 18, 19, 20. The opening service is to begin on Friday evening at 7:00 P.M.

In the last session the association elected Elder Calvin Perrigo, moderator; Bro. Jeff Moran, clerk and Elder Carlos Gammon, treasurer.

On Friday night Bro. Tim Binion is to preach the Introductory Sermon. Elder Billy Moran is to deliver the Memorial Sermon on Saturday, and on Sunday the Doctrinal Sermon is to be preached by Elder Calvin Perrigo.

Subjects of interest and concern to Missionary Baptist Churches will be discussed during the seating of this 24th annual session. Everyone who can is invited to attend.

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## EDITORIAL NOTE

By

H. C. Vanderpool

You will notice on page 1 the announcement of the Tennessee State Gospel Singing Convention. I am personally acquainted with the president and all the vice-presidents and they are faithful Christians and are very concerned about good sound, clean gospel singing. I would like to endorse what these brethren, and hundreds of others, are doing to promote this type singing. Let all our churches and pastors do all possible to attend and to enjoy the singing.

### WINE

"Wine is a mocker,  
strong drink is raging;  
and whosoever is deceived  
thereby is not wise"  
(Proverbs 20:1).

"Look not upon the  
wine when it is red, when  
it giveth his colour in the  
cup, when it moveth  
itself aright. At last it  
biteth like a serpent, and  
stingeth like an adder"  
(Proverbs 23:31, 32).

## Treasures

By H. C. Vanderpool

TEXT: For where your treasure is,  
there will your heart be also. Matt. 6:21.

From the study of God's word and from the experience of life, we know there are worldly treasures and also heavenly treasures. The scriptures teach us that world treasures will decay and slip from our grasp, leaving one empty handed; or the one possessing them will move out of this world into eternity, leaving them behind. See Luke 12:20-21.

In contrast to the insecurity of the above mentioned treasures, we turn our

# BIBLE WINES OR THE LAWS OF FERMENTATION

By

William Patton

BAPTIST BANNER  
EDITOR'S NOTE: (The following article, and those which will be later in other issues, on this subject, are taken from an old republished book which was first written in the last century by William Patton and entitled "Bible Wines or Laws of Fermentation." The old book was found in a second-hand bookstore by a Baptist minister, Pastor M. L. Moser, and following are his own words in the Foreword of the republished edition.) HCV

"It is in the interest of truth that we send this volume forth. For many years I did not know where I stood in regard to the use of wine in the observance of the Lord's Supper. I had friends on both sides of the question. I read everything I could get on the subject but still was not satisfied. Since every church that I had pastored used pure grape juice before I became pastor, I continued such use, but the question remained.

"One day while visiting a second-hand bookstore, I saw an old book entitled "Bible Wines." I purchased the book and read it. I read it once, twice, three times. Every question that I had in my mind was completely answered. The book convinced me that the wine used in the observance of the Lord's Supper was unfermented wine.

"Because there may be, and I am convinced that there are, many in the same condition that I was before I read this book, we



have republished it in the interest of Bible truth. May it be a blessing to you, the reader, as it was to me." - M. L. Moser, Baptist Pastor, Little Rock, Arkansas.

### HISTORY

My interest in the cause of temperance was awakened by the evidence which crowded upon me, as a pastor in the city of New York, of the abounding of intemperance. The use of alcoholic drinks was then universal. Liquor was sold by the glass at almost every corner. It stood on every sideboard, and was abounded at all social gatherings. It found a conspicuous place at nearly every funeral.

It ruled in every workshop. Many merchants, mechanics, and laborers, fell by this destroyer. These and other facts so impressed my mind that I determined to make them the subject of a sermon. Accordingly, on the Sabbath evening of September 17, 1820, I preached on the subject from Romans 12:2: "Be not conformed to this world." etc. After a statement of the facts which proved the great prevalence of intemperance, I branded distilled spirits as a poison because of their effects upon the human constitution; I urged that therefore the selling of them should be dropped.

The sermon stated that, "whilst the drunkard is a guilty person, the retail seller is more guilty, the wholesaler dealer

still more guilty, and the distiller who converts the staff of life, the benevolent gift of God, into the arrows of death, is the most guilty." Then followed an appeal to professors of religion engaged in the traffic to abandon it.

These positions were treated with scorn and derision. A portion of the retail dealers threatened personal violence if I dared again to speak on this subject.

During the week, a merchant who had found one of his clerks in haunts of vice, in a short paragraph in a daily paper, exhorted merchants and master-mechanics to look into Walnut Street, Corlaer's Hook, if they would know where their clerks and apprentices spent Saturday nights. This publication determined me, in company with some dozen resolute Christian men, to explore that sink of iniquity. This we did on Saturday night, September 23, 1820.

We walked that short street for two hours from ten to twelve o'clock. On our return to my study, we compared notes, and became satisfied of the following facts. On one side of Walnut Street, there were thirty houses, and each one was a drinking-place with an open bar. There were eleven ball-rooms, in which the music and dancing were constant.

We counted on one side two hundred and ten females, and at the same time on the other side eighty-seven, in all, two hundred and ninety-seven. Their ages varied from fourteen to forty. The men far outnumbered the women, being a mixture of sailors and landmen, and of diverse nations. Many of them, both men and women, were fearfully drunk, and all were more or less under the influence of liquor.

We were deeply pained at the sight of so many young men, evidently clerks or apprentices. The scenes of that night made a permanent impression on my mind. They confirmed my purpose to do all in my power to save my fellow-men from the terrific influences of intoxicating drinks. I began promptly, and incorporated in a sermon the above and other alarming

statistics of that exploration, which I preached on the evening of Sabbath, September 24, 1820, notice having been given of the subject. The text was Isaiah 58:1 "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet," etc. My first topic was the duty of ministers fearlessly to cry out against prevailing evils.

The second topic was the sins of the day, particularly Sabbath desecration and drunkenness, with their accessories. After a statement of facts and other arguments, my appeal was made to the Scriptures, which are decided and outspoken against intemperance. The house was crowded with very attentive listeners. No disturbance took place. A fearless honest expression of sentiments, if made in the spirit of love and without exasperating denunciations, will so far propitiate and audience as to induce them to hear the argument of appeal.

I soon found that the concession so generally made, even by ministers, that the Bible sanctions the use of intoxicating drinks, was the most impregnable citadel into which all drinkers, all apologists for drinking, and all venders of the article, fled. This compelled me, thus early, to study the Bible patiently and carefully, to know for myself its exact teachings. I collated every passage, and found that they would range under three heads: 1. Where wine was mentioned with nothing to denote character. 2. Where it was spoken of as the cause of misery, and as the emblem of punishment and of eternal wrath. 3. Where it was mentioned as a blessing, with corn and bread and oil, as the emblem of spiritual mercies and of eternal happiness. These results deeply impressed me, and forced upon me the question, Must there not have been two kinds of wine?

So novel to my mind was this thought, and finding no confirmation of it in the commentaries to which I had access, I did not feel at liberty to give such publicity to it, I held it therefore in abeyance, hoping

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thoughts to the heavenly treasures. Jesus spoke the following words in Matt. 6:19-21: Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

God wants people to have the things in life that are needed. He created them for us, but not to take all our attention and interest to the extent that we would overlook the real treasures which come to us through His Son that died to save our souls from eternal night. I would like

to pass on to the readers the following information that I received some time ago.

In 1923, a very important meeting was held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago. Attending this meeting were nine of the world's most successful financiers. Those present were: the president of the largest independent steel company; the president of the largest utility company; the president of the largest gas company; the greatest wheat speculator, the president of the New York Stock Exchange; a member of the president's cabinet; the greatest "bear" in Wall Street; Head of the world's greatest monopoly; president of the Bank of International Settlements.

Certainly we must admit that here were gathered a group of the world's most successful men. At least men who had found the secret of making money.

Twenty-five years later let's see where these men are:

The president of the largest independent steel company—Charles Schwab—died a bankrupt and lived on borrowed money for five years before his death.

The president of the greatest utility company—Samuel Insull—died a fugitive from justice and penniless in a foreign land.

The president of the largest gas company—Howard Hopson—was insane.

The greatest wheat speculator—Arthur

Cutton—died abroad, insolvent.

The president of the New York Stock Exchange—Richard Whitney—was released from Sing Sing Penitentiary.

The member of the president's cabinet—Albert Fall—was pardoned from prison so he could die at home.

The greatest "bear" in Wall Street—Jesse Livermore—died a suicide.

The head of the greatest monopoly—Ivan Krueger—died a suicide.

The president of the Bank of International Settlements—Leon Fraser—died a suicide.

All of these men learned well the art of making money, but not one of them learned how to live. Read Luke 12:16-21.

## EDITOR HAS TO DECLINE INVITATION TO ISRAEL



Elder Herbert C. Vanderpool

Editor H. C. Vanderpool was invited to Israel to participate in an archaeological project that has been under way for several weeks this summer. It was called, The City of David Archaeological Project, as the work was on Mt. Zion in Jerusalem.

The archaeological work and studies were under Dr. Yigal Shiloh, and credit from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem

would have been received. The editor regrets being unable to go due to pastoral and editorial duties at the time in addition to revivals. He looks forward to taking advantage of this opportunity in future years.

### Revival Reports

Madison Missionary Baptist Church, Madison, Tenn. Four additions to the church by baptism. Pastor Levie Smith was assisted by Elder Tom Armstrong.

Gateway Missionary Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. Two professions of faith with two additions to the church by baptism. Pastor Hilman Duncan was assisted by Elder Don Curtis.

Old Union Missionary Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. Nine professions of faith with fourteen additions to the church, thirteen by baptism. Pastor Paul W. Bryson was as-

## NEW CHURCH TO BE ORGANIZED IN MICHIGAN

On Sunday, September 6, a new Baptist Church is to be organized from the Providence Missionary Baptist Mission, 30177 Gratiot Ave., Roseville, Michigan. Elder Charles Moore is the mission pastor.

The work is an extended arm from Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, 1401 Lischey Ave., Nashville, Tenn. The charter members will be receiving their letters from the Nashville church. Services are to begin at 10:00 A.M. Lunch will be served at the noon hour. Elder Bobby G. Sutton is pastor of Bethlehem, the sponsoring church.

Assisted by Elder Bernard Skaggs.

Rocky Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Lebanon, Tenn. Two professions of faith with two additions to the church. Pastor Cordell Earps was assisted by Elder Edgar Copeland.

## TV VIEWER WRITES

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## BIBLE WINES

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for more light. More than thirty-five years since, when revising the study of Hebrew Professor Seixas, an eminent Hebrew teacher, I submitted to him the collation of texts which I had made, with the request that he would give me his deliberate opinion.

He took the manuscript, and, a few days after, returned it with the statement, "Your discriminations are just; they denote that there were two kinds of wine, and the Hebrew Scriptures justify this view."

(Continued Next Month: Subject "Fermentation.")



Again and again I have been tempted to give up the struggle, but always the figure of that strange man hanging upon the cross sends me back to my task again.

—George Tyrrell

## Revival

A revival is to begin on Sept. 28 and continue until Oct. 4, at the Fairgrounds Coliseum, Riverside Dr., Clarksville, TN. Services each night at 7 P.M. Elders Gayle Snoddy and Charlie Watts will be preaching. Everyone is invited.

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

A new Sunday school teacher had to iron out some problems with the Lord's Prayer. One child had to be corrected after repeating, "Howard be thy name." Another youngster prayed, "Lead us not into Penn Station." Still another surprised the teacher with, "Our Father, who art in heaven, how'd you know my name?"

## Thought FOR THE DAY.

"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." Pro. 4:23

Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. —Acts 4:12



Bob Mowrey, Baptist Pastor

## Liberal Theology Seen Missionary Zeal Destroyer

By W.A. REED

Tennessean Religion News Editor

Liberal theology in the Southern Baptist Convention will destroy all missionary zeal in the denomination eventually, the Rev. Bob Mowrey said yesterday.

A position paper yesterday by Mowrey, pastor of Park Avenue Baptist Church, 328 44th Ave., N., included a far-ranging attack on Baptist support of colleges and seminaries, as

opposed to more support for foreign missions, and on those in the denomination who oppose the concept of the "inerrancy" (freedom from error) of the Bible.

"ONCE PEOPLE quit believing in Satan, hell, the Judgment, and become universalists, believing that everyone is saved, missionary zeal dies both at home and abroad," Mowrey said.

He said he wanted to see Southern Baptists stand by the conviction that the Bible is "truth without any mixture of error for its matter."

Mowrey recalled statements by Southern Baptist seminarians that left him puzzled and upset.

"One of the first statements of my archaeological professor at Southern Seminary (Southern Baptist Theological Seminary) made to my class was this: 'Some of you here today think the Old Testament is without error. You have a rude awakening to await you in this class,'" Mowrey said.

MOWREY QUOTED a statement by David Moore, chairman of the department of religion at William Jewell College, in the *Kansas City Star* March 7, 1974:

"I argue that Satan as a separate being or spiritual reality does not exist. Evil in the universe is a result of personal choices we make as individuals, not as a result of demonic forces."

Mowrey also recalled another professor who taught church history at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and said in classes:

"I can have more fellowship with one who doesn't believe in the virgin birth of Christ and knows why he doesn't believe in it than I

can with one who believes the virgin birth and doesn't know why he believes it."

"Evidently," Mowrey said, "he had more respect for the clouded intelligence of the human mind than he did for the divine revelation of the Word of God."

"OUR OWN (Southern Baptist) schools are at fault, because for years they have been polarizing our denomination with their liberal teaching concerning the Word of God, and every year they turn out more and more men who no longer believe what Southern Baptists have believed historically about the Word of God."

Mowrey said he has difficulty in getting his "moderate friends" to state honestly what they believe.

"Many of our more liberal Baptists are no longer hiding under the term, 'interpretation,' and are plainly saying that the Bible is filled with errors. Others literally distort the truth," he said.

MOWREY SAID there "is a distortion of definition" by some Southern Baptists.

"For example," he said, "inerrancy does not mean that one takes the whole Bible literally. Inerrancy means that the original words of the Bible were 'God-breathed' as *II Timothy* 3:16 says they were, and 'cannot be broken' as *John* 10:35 says they cannot, and are 'truth' as *John* 17:17 says they are.

"At times the Bible may speak in poetry, in symbols, or literal language; nevertheless, it is true in all that it teaches, and every word there was breathed by God himself. The truth that it teaches is of God, and is true, because its words are the very words of God, and God cannot lie."

## Fairview Memorial Baptist Church

FAIRVIEW AVENUE

BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY



There is to be an all-day Homecoming service at Fairview Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, Fairview Avenue, Bowling Green, Ky. on Sunday, September 27. Elder W. T. Russell, the pastor, will preach at 10:50 A.M. Lunch will be served at the noon hour. There will be singing in the afternoon. In addition to congregational singing, there will

be special soloists, The Cockriel Family and the Southern Harmony Quartet. All former members are invited to attend. A member of the church said, "As you know, Bro. Russell will be leaving us in January. I hope all those who have been saved and strengthened under his preaching will be able to hear him preach that morning at 10:50 A.M."



### How About This, Parents?

THE BOTTLE—A young girl was crowned beauty queen in her high school. She and her date went out to celebrate. Late that night her father was awakened and called to the scene of an accident. In a ditch lay the dead body of his lovely daughter...pinned underneath the wreckage was the body of her companion. On the pavement lay a broken bottle and the smell of liquor filled the air. The father was seen wringing his hands together and was heard to say, "If I could just get my hands on the criminal who sold them that bottle, I'd wring his neck!"

After going home he decided he needed a "shot" to Booster his nerves, so he reached into his usual spot for his bottle of "tonic". The bottle was gone and this note was in its place: "Daddy, we wanted to celebrate so borrowed your bottle... sure you won't mind.

### Old Paths Homecoming

On Sunday, September 27, Old Paths Missionary Baptist Church, Watertown Rd., Lebanon, Tenn. will have all-day homecoming services. There will be Sunday School at 10 A.M. and worship at 11 A.M. with the pastor, Elder Edgar Copeland preaching. Lunch will be served at noon. There will be singing in the afternoon by the Beckwith Singers. Everyone is invited.



### Harmony Homecoming

Harmony Missionary Baptist Church, 1044 E. Trinity Lane, Nashville, Tenn. will be having all-day homecoming services on Sunday, September 27. Sunday School will be at 10 A.M. and church service at 11 A.M. Pastor Clay Grizzle will be preaching. Lunch is to be served at the noon hour. The afternoon will be given to singing. Everyone is welcome.



**Lord, send a REVIVAL, and let it begin in me.**



### MY WHIPPING

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"Beat him across the back ten times without his coat on." "That is pretty severe, boys. Are you ready to stand by it?" Another yelled, and the teacher said, School comes to order!"

In a day or so, 'Big Tom' found his dinner was stolen. Upon inquiry the thief was located - a hungry little fellow, about ten. The next morning the teacher announced, "We have found the thief and he must be punished according to your rule - ten stripes across the back! Jim, come up here!"

The little fellow, trembling, came up slowly with a big coat fastened up to his neck and pleaded, "Teacher you can lick me as hard as you like, but please don't make me take my coat off."

"Take that coat off; you helped make the rules."

"Oh, teacher don't make me!" He began to unbutton, and what did the teacher behold! Lo, the lad had no shirt on, but strings for braces over his bony body.

"How can I whip this child," thought he. "But I must do something if I keep this school." Everything was quiet as death.

"How come you to be without a shirt, Jim?"

He replied, "My father died and mother is very poor. I have only one shirt to my name and she is washing that today, and I wore my brother's big coat to keep me warm."

The teacher with rod in hand hesitated. Just then 'Big Tom' jumped to his feet and said, "Teacher, if you don't object, I will take Jim's licking for him."

"Very well, there is a certain law that one can become a substitute for another. Are you all agreed?"

Off came Tom's coat and after five hard strokes the rod broke! The teacher bowed his head in his hands and thought, "How can I finish this awful task?"

Then he heard the entire school sobbing, and what did he see? Little Jim had reached up and caught Tom with both arms around his neck.

"Tim, I am sorry I stole your dinner, but I was awful hungry. Tom, I'll love you till I die for taking my licking for me. Yes, I'll love you forever!"

Sinner friend, you have broken every rule and deserve eternal punishment! But Jesus Christ took your scourging for you, died in your stead and now offers to clothe you with His garments of salvation.

## IRS REQUIRES HAND OR FOREHEAD NUMBER

During the months of July and August, 1980, the Internal Revenue Service made a mistake that it wishes could be reversed. Reports from several states such as Kentucky, Indiana, Maryland, and Virginia confirm this startling news item.

Scores of Social Security checks were accidentally mailed to recipients that required a special and unusual process for cashing. It was so unusual that banks "Refused" to even try to cash them. Are you ready for this? Here's what made them different.

As you know, government checks have a special printed paragraph on the back with instructions and requirements for cashing. Normally, it states that proper identification must be shown, with the check being endorsed at the time of cashing.

Well, that instructional paragraph on those checks was changed to read that the party cashing the check must have the proper identification "Mark in their Right Hand or Forehead"! Without it, the check could not be cashed.

Naturally, the banks as well as the receivers of the checks were surprised, confused and frustrated! In spite of all demands even threats) the banks refused to cash any of the checks.

The IRS was contacted in each case. After much confusion, denials and arguing, the IRS admitted the mistakes. The checks were valid Social Security checks. However, they were not usable at this time. In fact, the only problems with them was that they were sent too soon!

These government checks, requiring a "Mark" in a person's Right Hand or Forehead are not to be put into use until "1984"!

Need I say more? Thank God, it can't be long 'til Jesus comes! If you are going to be faithful, if you are going to reach your lost friends and loved ones, you had better do it NOW!

Contributed by George E. Johnson



A day is a wonderful thing. It is like a great doorway flung wide for you to pass through into all manner of adventures.

## Siloam Baptist Association To Convene

The Siloam Missionary Baptist Association is to convene in its 29th annual session with Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Franklin, Ky. on October 2-3. Services the first day are to begin at 10:00 A.M.

Officers elected at the last session were, Elder W. T. Russell, moderator; Elder Don Curtis, clerk and Bro. G. W. Hauskins, treasurer.

On Friday Elder Doug Curtis is to preach the Introductory Sermon. Elder Charles Patterson is to preach the Memorial Sermon during the Friday night's service. On Saturday the Doctrinal Sermon is to be preached by Elder Jerry Reynolds.

A number of subjects relative to our Missionary Baptist work will be discussed during the two-day, one-night session. All who can attend this association are invited to do so.

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them. ECC. 12:1

### ATTENTION

Any Missionary Baptist Church, minister, laymember, who has an announcement, article or report, is invited to send the same to the BANNER for publication. Get it to me by the 10th of the month previous to publication. - Editor



Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, JOEL 2:16