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To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them.—Isaiah 8:20

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## Our 1961 Bible Conference Greatly Blessed Of God

By BOB L. ROSS

People from 19 states, Canada and Puerto Rico gathered in Ashland during September 1-4 for the third annual Bible Conference of Calvary Baptist Church. The Lord was present, blessing our hearts with the truth of His Word as preached by His servants.

The primary feature of our Conference is preaching. Not reports, figures, facts, faces, elections, officers, etc., but preaching. This year there were about two dozen preachers to bring messages. (A few of those on the original program could not make it due to various reasons). On the whole, we believe this year's program was more interesting and profitable than any conference thus far. One portion of the program which may account for this was the "short sermons" in the two afternoon sessions. In fact, several people commented about these messages and expressed their appreciation for them.

We've had rain practically all summer in this section, shattering all kinds of records and causing a great deal of damage to crops. But during the Conference there was very little rain; however, it was hot. In fact, some of

our hottest days were those during the Conference. This made the Conference a real "test of faith," what with all the preaching, singing, and traveling back and forth to eat and sleep. But the doctrine of security proved right, for no one fell out of grace—although there were a couple of close calls because of eating certain food that did not agree with the digestive organs at the time.

The messages of the Conference were recorded and will appear in TBE in coming issues. We feel that, generally speaking, the preachers this year put a little more preparation into their messages than in past conferences. This was evidenced by the amount of Scripture used, the well-arranged thought and presentation, and very little "rambling." When the messages appear in TBE, we believe they will give a "second blessing" to our readers.

During the Conference, our guests were asked to take the small "Impression Cards" and record their impressions of the Conference. Many of them did so and we are printing these in TBE. Also, Brother Gilpin asked that members of Calvary Baptist Church write their impressions. Many have complied and we are

## CALVARY BAPTISTS REACTIONS

TO THE 1961 CONFERENCE SPEAKERS, GUESTS AND FELLOWSHIP

As I sit and think of the many, many blessings I received this past week-end during our Labor Day week-end Bible Conference, I just thank God for His blessings throughout the entire Conference.

How good it is to look forward each year to a week-end of listening to God as He speaks through His preachers. How good it is to look forward to a week-end of meeting and fellowship with the choice people on the earth. My impression of the people who attended the Conference, from the time we met James Gassett (the first visitor to arrive Friday morning) at the airport until Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Murray left my apartment Tuesday morning, was that the people

who attended the Conference are of the finest in the world.

It is blessings such as I received in helping to prepare for this Conference and attending this Conference that make me remember to thank God that He saved me and tell Him I love Him.

Joyce Bourn

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My impressions of the Calvary Baptist Church Bible Conference:

1. The best one yet.
2. The best preaching.
3. Which means there should be another Bible Conference next year.

I think through taking part in the activity of our church, truth is learned. The people that visit us during the Conference are

splendid.

James L. Swindell

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It was a joy to assist in the registration and thus meet many of our friends who attended the Conference. I think we had a good Conference. The messages were excellent, and many expressed how much they had enjoyed the Conference, both from a physical and spiritual standpoint. I am looking forward to our Conference next year.

Florence Hutchinson

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Among the multiple blessings our Bible Conference has brought to me, I am rejoicing mostly for two:

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## How Some Preacher Friends Felt About Our Conference

Each believer seeks the fellowship of other believers. There is a single believer that has advanced far enough in the things of God that he can be independent. Therefore, our High Priest Jesus Christ has blessed us in this Conference with a season of fellowship around the bread of life. Psalms 126:3: "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Surely we can say, "The Lord hath done great things for us in this Conference." One great thing is the fellowship that we enjoy one with the other. Another great

thing that our Saviour has blessed us with is the great truths that our Lord has given to us through His ministers in this Conference—truths on which we feed day by day, week by week, and year by year. I also know somewhat of the time and effort of each speaker in bringing the messages of this Conference. I, for one, appreciate this effort by each speaker.

Austin Fields, Ohio.

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My object in attending the Conference was to meet sound Baptists and hear sound preaching. I WAS NOT DISAPPOINTED. It is refreshing to find some who have not kneeled before Baal. The subjects were well selected and the speakers did an excellent job of delivery. Personally I have returned home much richer spiritually because of it. Also our hats are off to the first class manner that Calvary Baptist Church did in preparing those wonderful meals and arrangements for those who stayed over. Mrs. McCrum and I wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. (Continued on page 8, column 1)

## GOING STRONG!



Even after a service closed, these brethren were still "at it," with the Word. Bro. Gassett (Florida) seems to be making some special point to Bro. Honaker (West Virginia) at his right and Bro. Pickett (Louisiana) at his left. Many similar seasons of fellowship and study were enjoyed by all.

## 'Impressions' Of Our Visitors Reveal Value Of Conference

Food for body, soul and spirit. Encouragement, comfort, and rebuke. Good singing, inspirational preaching, and an atmosphere of friendliness.

George Hipshire, Ky.

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I have greatly enjoyed the Conference.

1. It is such a joy to meet so many who hold these truths, since in our field we have such little fellowship in this way.

2. The preaching has been tremendous.

3. The fellowship has been sweet and wonderful.

4. The food is outstanding.

5. The short afternoon sermons were a real blessing to me. I was pleasantly surprised at these services.

Joe Wilson, N. C.

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I have profited greatly by having come this way. I feel like saying with Peter, "It is good to be here," but I would not go on with him to say, "Let us make tabernacles." I'm sure God wants us to take the bread that has been broken for us here back home and

share it with others. Some of the messages have been excellent indeed, others have been good. Some, of course, were below our expectation.

May God bountifully bless all of you.

Eld. E. G. Cook, Ala.

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I received a very warm welcome by the pastor and others of Calvary Baptist Church. Their promises to provide free meals and lodging were more than fulfilled. A variety of foods and beverages were served. (Continued on page 6, column 5)

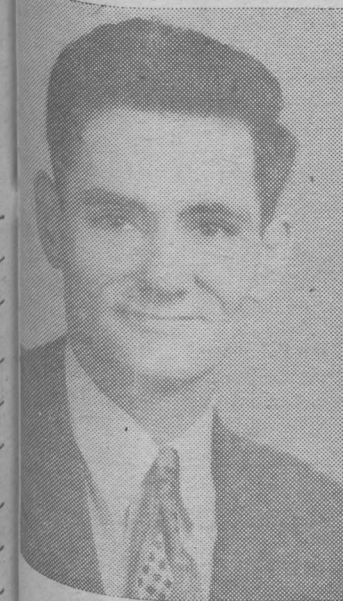
## THIS TEXAS PASTOR WAS AN INSPIRATION



ELD. BOB HOLBROOK  
Houston, Texas

"This was my first time to attend a Conference at Ashland, and I came with mingled hope and curiosity; I was curious to find out if it was all it should be, and hoping it would be. I can honestly say I was not disappointed; in fact it was more than I hoped for. I have never attended such a Conference where no mention was made of "promoting a program." The only person magnified at Ashland was the Lord Jesus Christ; the only organization spoken of was His Church. If the Lord will tarry His coming, and if it be in His providence, I shall be back in 1962."

## CONDUCTED THE MUSICAL PROGRAM



CARL ROMANS  
(Calvary's Song Leader)

Brother Romans, who has been assisting in the singing at Calvary Baptist Church for several months and also singing solos on our radio program, greatly assisted the musical part of the Conference this year. He did a good job leading the congregational singing and blessed our hearts by a number of solos. We are grateful for the service he rendered and thank the Lord for sending Bro. Romans our way. We hope he is able to help our church for many years to come, as he is one blessing for which we thank God fully 365 days of the year.

## The Baptist Examiner Pulpit

### "The Second Coming Of The Lord Jesus"

CONFERENCE SERMON BY PASTOR JOHN R. GILPIN, MECHANICALLY RECORDED

"Even so, come, Lord Jesus"—Rev. 22:20.

In Leviticus 16 we have the events of the great day of atonement recorded for us. I am sure that practically every preacher in this congregation has sometime or other used this chapter, the great day of atonement, in order to preach on the sacrificial work of Jesus Christ at Calvary. However, there is more than the first advent in store for us in Leviticus 16.

If you will go back, and read carefully in the Word of God, you will find the clothing that Aaron wore was spoken of as clothes or "garments for glory and beauty." (Exodus 28:2). You and I have never seen a preacher dressed in garments of glory and

beauty the equal of the garments of Brother Aaron, but on that day of atonement Aaron laid aside his garments of glory and beauty. In the early part of the day, he clothed himself in white linen clothes—spotlessly white linen coat and britches. He did his work as a priest. One goat was killed, typifying the sacrificial work of Jesus Christ. The other was sent out into the wilderness at the hands of a fit man, in order to typify the fact that our sins are carried away.

Thank God, beloved, the day a man sees the truth that Jesus Christ has died for his sins, those sins are completely carried away. All the Arminians in the world can't bring them back and put them on us.

After the fit man returned from his journey in the wilderness to tell how he had seen that scapegoat gamboling out of sight, going over the horizon, carrying the sins of Israel away for another twelve months' time, Aaron took off his white linen clothes. He laid aside these clothes that he had been wearing only on that particular day and put back upon himself his robes of beauty and glory as described in Exodus 28:2. He then went out, and appeared before the waiting congregation.

Beloved, my Jesus came to this world and laid aside His glory of Heaven. I recognize the fact that He was still God when He came to earth, but He was likewise a man as well. I am sure that those (Continued on page 2, column 1)



**"The Second Coming"**

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angels must have looked in wonder and amazement at Him, on the day that He unloosed His golden sandals and announced to them, "I do not disdain the womb of a virgin." On that day that He came down to this world, the glory that He had had throughout all the ages was laid aside.

You say He was still God? Yes, but you don't see much of God in that stable, as He was cradled in the manger, and as He with His foster father and His mother were there within that barn. You don't see much of the glory of God, as He lived among Jewish peasants in those early days of His earthly ministry.

One day, some thirty years later, the Lord Jesus Christ finished His earthly ministry within this world and went back to the Father to "change His clothes." The last time He was seen within this world the disciples looked at Him on the Mount of Olivet. As He began to lift Himself up, they saw Him as He went into the skies dressed in the robes of humanity, just as they had known Him for thirty-three years. Beloved, as the high priest Aaron changed his garments and came forth to meet that waiting congregation, some of these days the Lord Jesus Christ is coming back—not like a man as He went away, but as a God of glory and beauty, and as He was throughout all the ages of eternity past.

Beloved, I tell you, He has to come. Believe me when I say that He must come. You can't read this Bible without the fullest realization that Jesus Christ has to come back to this world. He has gone now to "change His clothes," but He must come back.

I.

**HE MUST COME TO FULFILL OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY.**

Beloved, the Lord Jesus Christ has to come to fulfill Old Testament prophecy that never yet has been fulfilled. Listen:

"And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."—Genesis 3:15.

Jesus Christ is to bruise the head of the serpent. That head is the seat and source of power. The Lord Jesus Christ is to depose Satan and to reduce him to helplessness. That hasn't come to pass. That Scripture has to be fulfilled, and it wasn't fulfilled when the Son of God made His first advent.

We read:

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder."—Isaiah 9:6.

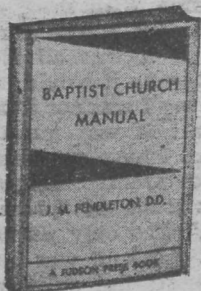
Beloved, this wasn't fulfilled at the time of His first advent. Instead of the government being upon His shoulder then, He was subject to the government, as He Himself paid tribute unto Caesar.

He said:

"Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee."—Matthew 17:27.

Notice again:

"Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no

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end."—Isaiah 9:7.

Beloved, at His first advent He did not inaugurate peace. He did not set up a reign of universal peace. He Himself said:

"Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword."—Matthew 10:34.

That time of peace that is spoken of in Isaiah 9:7 hasn't come to pass. I grant you that God's Word tells us about the time when the nations are going to beat their swords into plowshares, and are going to be molded and remade. Listen:

"And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."—Micah 4:3.

I grant you that there will be a time when the world is not going to learn war any more, but that wasn't fulfilled when Jesus came the first time. I say He has to come back, for if He doesn't, then Isaiah 9:6, 7 shall remain unfulfilled, and the Scripture shall be broken.

Listen again:

"Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King SHALL REIGN AND PROSPER, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely; and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, the Lord liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land."—Jer. 23:5-8.

Beloved, this wasn't fulfilled when Jesus came the first time. The Jews didn't accept Him as a king. This tells us that the king shall reign and prosper, but Jesus didn't reign as a king when He came the first time. Rather, the Jews rejected Him as a king.

We read:

"But they cried out. Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar."—John 19:15.

I tell you, beloved, these Old Testament prophecies haven't been fulfilled. The Lord Jesus Christ is waiting until He "changes His clothes," to come, and fulfill, and complete His ministry.

II.

**JESUS MUST COME TO FULFILL HIS OWN PREDICTIONS.**

Jesus said:

"For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh."—Matthew 24:27, 30, 44.

Do you see any mourning in the world today? Do you see anybody mourning because of sin? I ask you, preacher brethren, how long has it been since in your church services you saw an individual make a profession of faith who even showed a tear within the eye? I grant you that the majority of folk who make professions of faith today come with dry eyes, and I fear many times and in many instances, with unbroken hearts.

I say, beloved, He hasn't fulfilled this Scripture. He hasn't come to reign. He'll have to come again to fulfill this Scripture.

Notice again:

"And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him."

**NEIGHBORING PASTOR HELPS US GREATLY**

ELD. JIM EVERMAN

Pastor of King's Addition Baptist Church (the mother church of Calvary Baptist Church) and one of the very best friends we have, Bro. Everman is a real helper in every Bible Conference.

Truly we thank God for Bro. Everman and the church of which he is pastor. Their assistance and help in putting on our Conference is most deeply appreciated.

—Matthew 25:6.

Is there a man or woman who believes that the Lord Jesus Christ has already come back to this world? I ask you, did you go out to meet Him?

I recognize the fact that at every midnight hour things take place that should cause us to bow our heads in shame. Our nation spends thousands of dollars for alcoholic beverages for Khrushchev and the ambassadors of Godless nations in an effort to appease them. There is much clamor and commotion on the part of the unsaved every midnight at such gatherings. I'll grant you that many things are taking place

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at midnight that you and I know nothing at all about, but when that great midnight hour comes, when our Lord has changed His clothes, He is coming back to this world to receive His own.

He also said when He was here:

"When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats."—Matthew 25:31, 32.

Do you see any signs of separation? Most churches today want a pastor who is supposed to be a good mixer. Actually, beloved, what the churches need, though they don't know it, and don't realize it, is a good separator. They need somebody who is able to separate the sheep from the goats.

Beloved, there is a day coming when there is going to be a glorious separation, when the sheep are definitely going to be separated from the goats. That hasn't taken place yet. He must come in order to fulfill His own predictions.

He likewise said:

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also."—John 14:1-3.

Beloved, He went away. He has to come back to fulfill this prediction.

III.

**HE MUST COME TO FULFILL THE PSALMIST'S STATEMENTS.**

We read:

"All the ENDS OF THE WORLD SHALL REMEMBER AND TURN unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the NATIONS SHALL WORSHIP before thee. For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he is the governor among the nations."—Psalm 22:27, 28.

I am ready to grant you that this Twenty-second Psalm, in the main, is, as you know, a photograph of our Lord's saddest and darkest hours. In the main, it is a picture that was completely fulfilled at His first advent. But, beloved, the majority of us stop with that portion of the Scripture that talks about the suffering and the sacrifice of the Son of God without realizing that the last verses tell us that the ends of the world shall remember and shall turn unto the Lord.

That didn't take place when He came the first time. He descended then into the depths of humiliation. He was born in a stable, and was cradled in a manger. The beasts of the field were His first companions when He was born into this world. He had no crib such as you put your child in at birth, but rather He had a bed of straw for a cradle. He lived as a Jewish peasant all the

days of His life while He was here upon this earth. He spent His young manhood at a carpenter's bench. There was no hospitality ever shown Him, as recorded in the Word of God, other than at the home of Mary and Martha and Lazarus. Instead, He was despised, and was rejected, and was ridiculed by the Jews. The Pharisees treated Him with the utmost of contempt. Life seemingly ended in complete failure. They even treated him as a criminal.

Beloved, I read Psalm 22:27, 28, and I look at Him who seemingly ended His life in failure, who died seemingly as a criminal, and I ask this question, is this the only sight this earth is ever to have of the Lord of Glory? Oh, no, beloved, there must be a sequel. He must come back that the world may see Him in His glory. He is getting ready to come.

Notice again:

"Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto thee, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven."—Matthew 26:64.

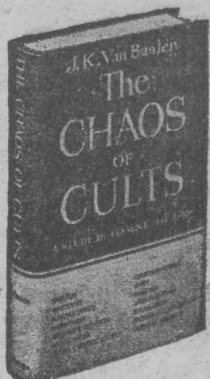
Beloved, this world is going to see a Christ of power. You can talk about your lowly Nazarene, but He is not all you want to, but He is all you need. He was a lowly Nazarene when He was here within this world in the days of His flesh, but when I look upon Him a second time, He is going to be a lordly Nazarene. I say, He has to come. He must come to fulfill the Psalmist's statements.

IV.

**HE MUST COME TO FULFILL SCRIPTURES CONCERNING THE DESTRUCTION OF SATAN.**

I am afraid we don't realize what a powerful creature and adversary we have in Satan. You'll notice I used the word "creature." I didn't say "a powerful being." He is not a being. God only is a being; Satan is a creature. Beloved, he is the most powerful creature in all the universe. Listen:

"And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom" (Continued on page 3, column 2)

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BRUCE R. McMILLIN  
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This will be a letter of thanks and some of my observations of the '61 Bible Conference to which I was invited, and was blessed to be able to attend.

Thanks to you personally, to Bob L. Ross and family, to the capable chef John R. Gilpin, Jr., and his assistants, and to your church and to the TBE ministry which contributed to it a great deal, I am sure.

Having never attended a Bible Camp or Week-end Conference such as this, I have nothing direct with which to compare it; however, I'm sure there are no others very nearly like it.

The apparent seeking after Scripturality in all things of the church impressed me greatly, especially the Saturday and Sunday afternoon forums.

The sermons were all a blessing from the first through the last, and maintained a high plane.

Provision, planning and hospitality were well and thoughtfully attended to; no doubt you have earned much from former meetings.

The best music, in my judgment, was the solo and testimony by Pastor William Crofts. I do hope that might be available on the tapes.

I was surprised to find some non-Baptist visitors there (one from Pennsylvania), some not fully 5 point Calvinists (by your description), and some apparently not so premillennial as I thought. The tone of the messages was altogether Calvinistic, Baptist, and premillennial, so the visitors were witnessed to of TBE's convictions on these subjects.

My testimony of TBE and of the Conference is that it has reinforced my conviction that the tension between Jonah 2:9, "Salvation is of the Lord," and I Cor. 13:1, "He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord," is just room enough for a thoroughly Calvinistic interpretation of the Gospel. (Sovereign Grace as you say). Your paper has a singular position among those calling themselves Baptists in this field.

My appreciation again for your ministry to me in person, in letters, and in TBE. May TBE read your support you with many subs. Thank you for now and goodbye for awhile.—B. R. McMILLIN.

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dom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night."—Rev. 12:10.

This is talking about the Devil. Notice it says that he is the accuser of the brethren. I am sure the Devil accused you last night when you were asleep, of your hypocrisy and extravagance in spending your money coming here to a Bible Conference. After you had enjoyed the services of the day, Satan was still bringing accusations against you. Beloved, up yonder in the Gloryland when Satan stood up accusing you, our Lord Jesus watched over you. Night and day for six thousand years Satan has accused the saints of God. As a prosecutor he has no equal. In all ages, from the day of Adam down to this, he has accused us. Someday he'll be destroyed. Now, though, he is a powerful creature.

Let's notice his power again: "And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, showed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it."—Luke 4:5,6.

This tells us about the Devil taking the Lord Jesus Christ up into an high mountain and showing Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. Beloved, did you ever read this to realize that the Lord Jesus Christ never repudiated nor challenged the claim of the Devil? There was a reason: it was the truth. Beloved, Satan is giving that power to the nations of the world today. Lots of these world-wide leaders and rulers have their power today just because the Devil has made the deal with them that he proposed to the Lord Jesus Christ. Beloved, he is powerful.

Listen again: "Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, DURST NOT BRING AGAINST HIM A RAILING ACCUSATION, but said, The Lord rebuke thee."—Jude 1:9.

Even Michael, the archangel, didn't dare to rebuke Satan. Don't tell me that the Devil isn't a creature of power. Even Michael recognized him as such.

Notice again: "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the PRINCE OF THIS WORLD be cast out."—John 12:31.

Even Jesus said that he was the prince of the world, and Paul referred to him as the "god of this world."

"In whom the GOD OF THIS WORLD hath blinded the minds of them which believeth not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."—II Cor. 4:4.

Paul said: "But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils."—I Cor. 10:20.

Listen, beloved, the Devil is the director, the organizer, and the perpetrator of all the false religions of the world, and in turn he is the object that is worshipped. He has been man's enemy for six thousand years. I ask you, is he to have free reign forever? Is he going on forever making trades with the rulers of this world? Is he going on forever as the prince of this world? Is he going on forever as the god of this world? Is he going on forever perpetrating the false religions that he has offered unto the world?

Beloved, humanity is helpless before him. Man is unable to chain him, and has been unable to for six thousand years. The church, for two thousand years, has not been able to dethrone him. Legislation has not been able to make him powerless. As I have often said, man has tried,

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His singing contributed to the blessings of the Conference.

but man can't reform the Devil out of the world. The church can't preach the Devil out of the world, and the government can't legislate the Devil out of the world. The only hope we have, and the only one who can destroy him, is the Lord Jesus Christ.

I rejoice when I read: "And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years. And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season."—Rev. 20:2, 3.

Thank God, some day the greater than Satan, the stronger than the strong man, is coming and is going to arrest this almost all-powerful creature, who is so powerful that even the archangel did not dare rebuke him, and is going to cast him down to Hell. Then we can say, "To Hell with the Devil forever." Beloved, Jesus has to come to put an end to Satan.

V.

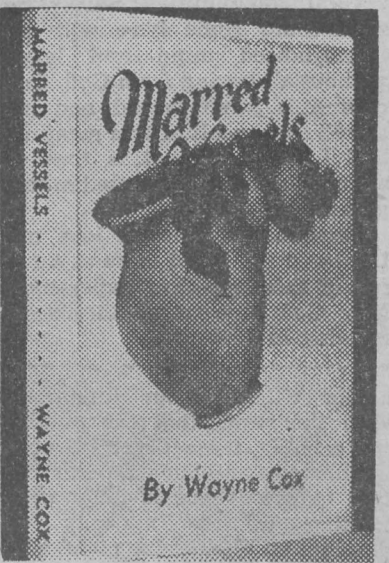
## HE MUST COME TO FULFILL SCRIPTURES CONCERNING THE JEW.

I am not a Jew hater; neither am I a Jew baiter. I love God's Book. The Jews are revealed in the Bible as God's peculiar people who are honored above all nations. Notice:

"And the Lord hath avouched thee this day to be his PECULIAR PEOPLE, as he hath promised

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thee, and that thou shouldest keep all his commandments; And to make thee high ABOVE ALL NATIONS which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the Lord thy God, as he hath spoken."—Deut. 26:18, 19.

Is this true today? Ten tribes are lost to the eye of man, and even the other two tribes are hated and despised. Beloved, God's purposes for the Jews certainly have not been fulfilled.

Listen:

"For the Lord will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and SET THEM IN THEIR OWN LAND: and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob. And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the Lord FOR SERVANTS and HANDMAIDS: and THEY SHALL TAKE THEM CAPTIVES, WHOSE CAPTIVES THEY WERE: and they shall rule over their oppressors."—Isaiah 14:1, 2.

Have you seen this fulfilled? Have you seen Jews ruling over Gentiles today? No, no, beloved, but there is the prophecy that someday the Gentiles shall be captive unto the Jews, and the Jews shall rule over them. This is still definitely not fulfilled.

Notice again:

"Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that it shall be no more said, The Lord liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, the Lord liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their LAND that I gave unto their fathers."—Jer. 16:14, 15.

When we come to the New Testament, we find in Acts 15 when they had that great Bible Conference, they discussed the matter of salvation. That was all that they met for in that first Jerusalem Conference — to discuss salvation. We read that James said:

"Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name."—Acts 15:14.

Beloved, that is what God is doing today. He is visiting Gentiles to take out of them a people for His name. Every once in a while some heretical preacher will write, saying, "I thought God was trying to save the world." Beloved, God isn't "trying" to do anything. He is doing exactly what He wants to do. He isn't trying to save anybody. He is taking out of the Gentiles a people for His name.

James goes on to say:

"After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up."—Acts 15:16.

Beloved, when God gets through picking up a handful of Gentiles, God is going to save a nation. We read:

"And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob."—Rom. 11:26.

When is it going to come to pass? When my Lord Jesus Christ returns. Beloved, He is coming back.

VI

## HE MUST COME TO FULFILL PREDICTIONS AS TO THIS WORLD.

Whether you believe it or not, this old world is in an awful mess. Man has tried to make it a better place in which to live, but every attempt that man has made has failed. The whole world is out of joint.

Look at the educational world. It is controlled today by agnostics. In the educational world, primarily the Bible is an idle superstition and an outgrown religious garment that has been laid aside by the leaders of education.

## OHIO PREACHER



BRO. B. F. SCALF  
Hamilton, Ohio

Look at the economic world. Greed and dishonesty are giving rise to commercial instability, the like of which you and I are not aware of in this hour. You used to hear a lot said about capital. Beloved, I tell you, it is pathetic to think about the things that the labor leaders, and the labor racketeers are guilty of in this hour. The capitalists of fifty years ago, with all their greed and slave-driving methods, never thought about stooping so low and doing the things that are being done today in the name of organized labor.

The governmental world is in a terrible condition. Do you realize that everything from an absolute monarchy to absolute socialism has been tried? We have had theocracy, we have had democracy, and now we have mobocracy. The theocracy was under God, when God led the Jews through the wilderness. Democracy is such as we have in this nation. Mobocracy is such as they have in Russia. All these have been tried, and yet the world, after having tried them, stands today certainly as no utopia. Whenever you use the word "civilization," you are using a high sounding word that is as empty as a tinkling cymbal. There is no meaning in it. The governmental world is a failure.

Look at the moral world. You will agree with me, I am sure, that putrefaction has set in and that morals are a thing of the past. Crime reached an all-time high in the United States during 1960 — with an astounding 98 per cent increase over 1950 while the population rise during this decade was only 18 per cent.

Criminal elements are growing. For every 100,000 population there were 3,640 arrests in 1960. Arrests of juveniles have more than doubled since 1950.

Beloved, we are going down hill on a toboggan slide at a fast pace. The nations are headed for Sodom and Gomorrah, at a fast pace. I almost hesitate to mention Sodom and Gomorrah, even to a supposed-to-be religious audience or even at a Bible Conference, for I am afraid somebody will want to know if there are any empty houses over there for rent.

We read:  
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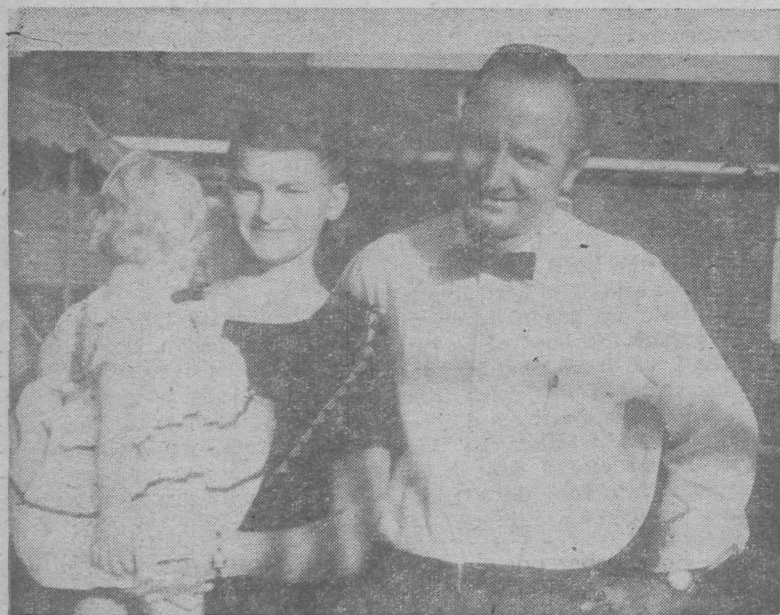
### COUPLE FROM VIRGINIA



BRO. AND MRS. W. V. MURRAY, Bristol, Virginia

"Thank the Lord for fellowship and food and the blessed Truth expounded. May God bless this special effort, and may it grow for God's glory, every day sweeter than the day before, and may God's richest blessing abide with you and your cooperative workers is my prayer. In Jesus' name, may He be glorified and highly exalted in every move."

### "HOOSIER" FRIENDS



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Clermont, Indiana

"I have never experienced such hospitality before and would like to thank the church and the family that took my wife, daughter and me into their homes."

### "TAR-HEEL" BRETHERN



BRO. CLETUS SNYDER AND ELDER JOE WILSON  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

### BRETHREN FROM TENNESSEE



BRO. JAMES ROYSTON, BRO. OSCAR MANUEL, JR.  
AND OSCAR MANUEL, SR.  
Bristol, Tennessee

### "The Second Coming"

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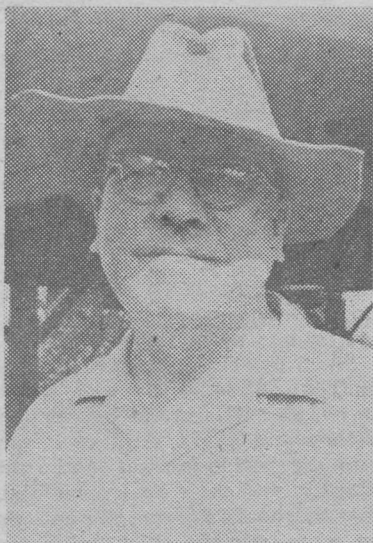
"For whosoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together." — Mt. 24:28.

The word for "eagle" is the same as our buzzard. When you see an old buzzard flying about in the air above, you know something is dead. Well, this old world morally and spiritually is fast becoming more and more like a rotting carcass.

Look at the religious world. You know by this time, beloved, that I am not a post-millennialist. I am not seeing things getting one bit better in this old world.

Look, I say, at the religious world. Seminaries are filled with near-infidels. There is plenty of

### BAREFOOT KENTUCKY HILLBILLY



PASTOR JOHN R. GILPIN

It was the thought of the great Bible Conference God had given us that made him happy when this picture was taken.

Our third annual Labor Day Bible Conference has just come to a close and as I review the events of the past few days, my heart overflows with gratitude to God.

The speakers were at their very best. I've heard lots of preaching through the years but none superior to that to which I listened in this Conference. All the messages were excellent, and a few were virtually masterpieces.

Our guests were wonderful. From nineteen states, as well as Canada and Puerto Rico they came. We fellowshiped together around the Word of God and at meal-time, and I am convinced we had with us some of the real "salt of the earth."

The Conference, I am sure, was a blessing to both visiting preachers and laymen. I know it was a blessing to our church, even though our members, due to caring for our guests, did not get to attend all the services. Many of our guests said they were going home with a spiritual "shot in the arm," rejuvenated and encouraged to stand for the Truth in their several communities. Surely no man could come here with an unprejudiced mind and leave without a blessing from God. Our church is strengthened and inspired as a result of this meeting, and I am sure that is true of many churches represented in this gathering.

Personally, I know I love my Lord and His Word more as a result of this four-days' experience. May God give us another such meeting in 1962!

higher criticism in our seminaries, with the result that the pulpits are echoing these God-dishonoring heresies and our churches are half empty. There is no prayer meeting in the majority of churches on Wednesday night, and the Lord's Day is desecrated. They used to call the Lord's Day a Holy Day; now it is a fun day. It used to be thought of as a time of worship, and now it is thought of as a time for recreation.

Beloved, I tell you, conditions will get worse. Still darker hours await this world, and I don't expect the seminaries and churches to help this world one particle.

Look at the physical world. The physical world has suffered too. (Continued on page 5, column 1)

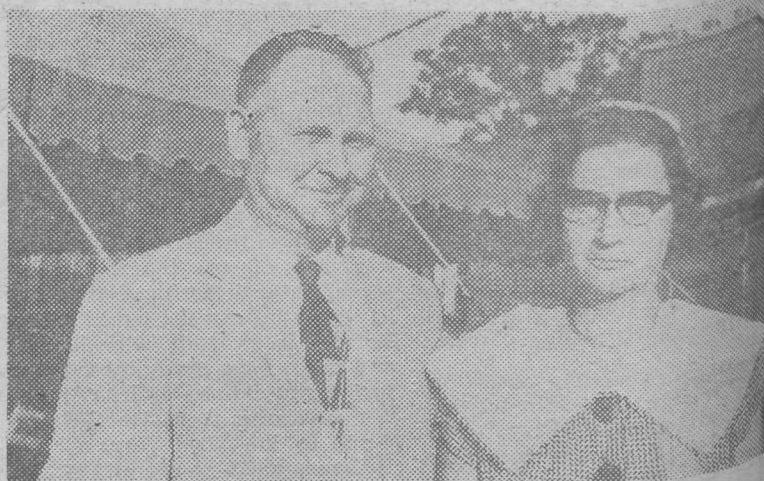
### FRIENDS FROM TEXAS



MR. AND MRS. CECIL THOMAS, Houston, Texas

"Our souls were fed each time a brother spoke, and a lot of truth was revealed to us in the fifteen minute talks. Over all, the time was too short for each speaker, but we know it has to be that way. We trust the desire will be greater on our part to be present next year. It was a privilege to be brought together with our brothers and sisters in Christ for these few days. However, when He comes we can be together forever for His glory. May God bless each of your efforts for His glory."

### INDIANA PASTOR AND WIFE



ELDER AND MRS. R. C. VARBLE, Carlisle, Indiana

"The fellowship of members of Calvary Baptist Church and Conference visitors was wonderful. The entertainment was great. The food was very good. The preaching was excellent. Everything connected with the Conference was wonderful. This was our first time to attend, but we hope to be able to attend next year."

### THE DEERSLAYER



MR. AND MRS. DEWEY HOLMES, Charleston, W. Va.

Bro. Holmes read in TBE last fall that we hoped for a deer to help feed our Bible Conference crowd this year. When he went hunting, he succeeded in killing one, which he brought to us. We dressed it and put it in our deep freeze, where it was kept until Bible Conference time.

Many were the expressions of appreciation on the part of our guests who ate dinner with us on Monday during our Conference. We truly thank Bro. Holmes for his contribution to the Conference.

P. S.—I hope somebody kills a bear for us for next year, or another deer. We'll surely use either, or both, for God's glory.



## The Second Coming

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read:  
Wherefore, as by one man sin  
ed into the world, and death  
came, and so death passed upon  
men, for that all have sinned."  
Rom. 5:12.  
You will study this carefully,  
and you will find that it is  
not about the physical world  
as well as the spiritual. Oh, how  
the physical world is suffering

today because of sin!

We read:

"How do the beasts groan! the  
herds of cattle are perplexed, be-  
cause they have no pasture; yea,  
the FLOCKS OF SHEEP ARE  
MADE DESOLATE." — Joel 1:18.

"How long shall the LAND  
MOURN, and the herbs of every  
field wither, for the wickedness  
of them that dwell therein? the  
beasts are consumed, and the  
birds; because they said, He shall

not see our last end" — Jer. 12:4.

"For we know that the whole  
CREATION GROANETH and  
travailleth in pain together until  
now." — Rom. 8:22.

That corruption of the physical  
world began in the day of Adam.  
Listen:

"And unto Adam he said, Be-  
cause thou has hearkened unto  
the voice of thy wife, and hast  
eaten of the tree, of which I com-  
manded thee, saying, Thou shalt  
not eat of it: CURSED is the  
ground for thy sake; IN SORROW  
shalt thou eat of it all the days of  
thy life; Thorns also and thistles  
shall it bring forth to thee; and  
thou shalt eat the herb of the  
field." — Gen. 3:17, 18.

Thank God, someday all will  
be changed. There will be a per-  
fect world. The Utopia will come.  
Listen:

"Say to them that are of a fear-  
ful heart, Be strong, fear not: be-  
hold, your God will come with  
vengeance, even God with a re-  
compence; he will come and  
save you. Then the eyes of the  
blind shall be opened, and the  
ears of the deaf shall be unstop-

## CHIEF CHEF



JOHN R. GILPIN, Jr.

For the past three years, John,  
Jr. has been our main cook, as-  
sisted of course by a number of  
other faithful helpers.

If you don't think it requires  
some long hours and lots of work,  
then some morning just try pre-  
paring pan cakes and sausage for  
200, and then the same day, bar-  
becue chicken to feed 500 at the  
evening hour.

Doubtless John Jr. carries the  
heaviest work load of anyone dur-  
ing the actual Conference, but he  
is glad to do so. If anyone went  
home hungry, it wasn't his fault,  
nor the fault of any of his help-  
ers.

ped. Then shall the lame man  
leap as an hart, and the tongue of  
the dumb sing: for in the wild-  
erness shall WATERS BREAK  
OUT, and streams in the desert.  
And the parched ground shall be-  
come a pool, and the thirsty land  
springs of water: in the habita-  
tion of dragons, where each lay,  
shall be grass with reeds and  
rushes. And an highway shall be  
there, and a way, and it shall be  
called The way of holiness; the  
unclean shall not pass over it; but  
it shall be for those: the wayfar-  
ing men, though fools, shall not  
err therein. No lion shall be  
there, NOR ANY RAVENOUS  
BEAST shall go up thereon, it  
shall not be found there; but the  
redeemed shall walk there: And  
the ransomed of the Lord shall  
return, and come to Zion with  
songs and everlasting joy upon  
their heads: they shall obtain joy  
and gladness, and sorrow and  
sighing shall flee away." — Isa.  
35:4-10.

Listen, beloved, only the crea-  
tion's Creator can change the  
creation's corruption. The only  
hope we have is the coming again  
of Him who has gone away to  
"change His clothes." Beloved, I  
say He must come.

## VII

HE MUST COME TO FULFILL  
THE HOPE OF THE DEAD.

## OUR CONFERENCE PIANIST



GEORGE HIPSHIRE, Newport, Ky.

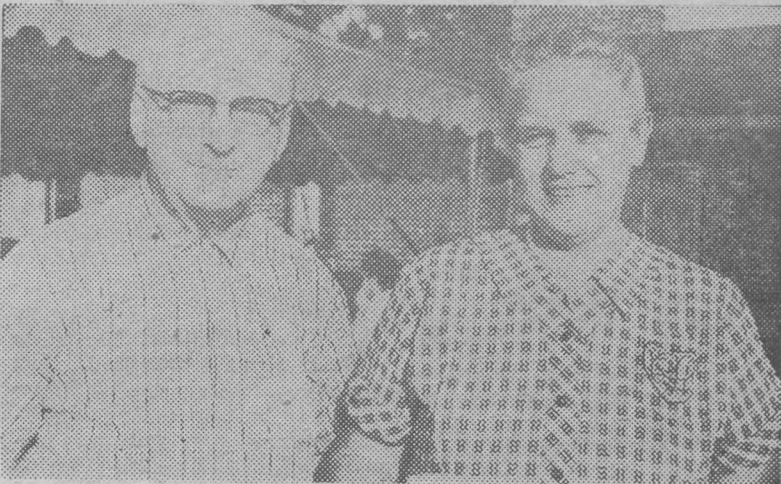
For the past two years, this brother in Christ of long stand-  
ing, has been our pianist, and for him we are most grateful.

He has been a personal friend since he was a wee lad —  
for over 40 years, in fact. Of the blessing he has been to  
your editor through the years, even the superlatives of the  
English language could not describe properly.

He endeared himself to so many of our guests during the  
Conference, and for their information, I sadly chronicle the  
fact that he is fast becoming blind. The doctors say it is only  
a few months until his sight will be completely gone. Even  
this year, most of his playing was by memory and ear. It  
was truly remarkable the way God blessed him to aid us this  
year.

God willing, he'll be with us next year to be a blessing  
to us again — although doubtless blind.

## ILLINOIS PASTOR AND WIFE



PASTOR AND MRS. ARTHUR J. CORCORAN  
Cottage Hills, Ill.

Bro. Corcoran's message at the Conference was very much appre-  
ciated and fellowship with him as always was sweet.

"The short messages were very helpful. The appearance of  
the hall was noticeable. The P.A. system was so much bet-  
ter than last year. The whole Conference was a real lift to  
us. In the future as now, it will turn into an oasis in the  
desert. Keep it up!"

"And not only they, but our-  
selves also, which have the first  
fruits of the Spirit, even we our-  
selves GROAN within ourselves,  
waiting for the adoption, to wit,  
the REDEMPTION OF OUR  
BODY." — Rom. 8:23.

The old body hasn't been re-  
deemed yet. Paul wrote to the  
church at Corinth, saying:

"For we know that if our  
earthly house of this tabernacle  
were dissolved, we have a build-  
ing of God, an house not made  
with hands, eternal in the hea-  
vens. For in this we GROAN,

EARNESTLY DESIRING TO BE  
CLOTHED UPON WITH OUR  
HOUSE WHICH IS FROM HEA-  
VEN: If so be that being clothed  
we shall not be found naked. For  
we that are in this tabernacle do  
groan, being burdened: not for  
that we would be unclothed, but  
clothed upon, that mortality might  
be swallowed up of life." —  
II Cor. 5:1-4.

Yes, beloved, the dead — your  
dead and my dead are in a dis-  
embodied state now. They are un-  
rewarded. Paul, great man of God  
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## PATIO BUILDER AND HIS WIFE



BRO. AND MRS. ROY WOOD, Bethalto, Illinois

Bro. Wood built our patio, where we do all our cooking for the  
Conference, in 1959. He came back this year maybe to see if we were  
using his labor of love in our behalf).

"The most inspiring service in the Lord I have ever at-  
tended. I know for certain I have found the right spiritual  
food. I have never been so thrilled. It has been a real bless-  
ing to me."

## OUR GUESTS FOR THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS



BRO. AND MRS. DAN PHILLIPS AND SON  
Bristol, Tennessee

"I've enjoyed the Bible Conference for three years now.  
I said last year that it was the best yet, but this year I en-  
joyed it even more. I've enjoyed the variety of messages on  
God's Word. I've been blessed greatly by the preach-  
ing and fellowship of God's people. I appreciate Calvary  
Church and its undertaking of this Conference. May  
God bless this church and its pastor, and may we have a  
great Conference, if possible, next year. I have learned  
much from God's Word by being here."

## TWO OHIO COUPLES WHO HAVE ENDEARED THEMSELVES TO US



BRO. AND MRS. STANLEY CARR and  
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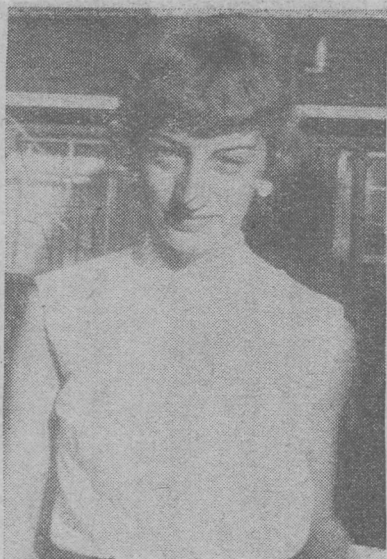
# IT WAS A BLESSING TO MEET THESE TWO FINE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

## YOUNG KANSAN



JOHN ALBERS  
Hutchinson, Kansas

## YOUNG MISSOURIAN



JULIE HAWKINS  
Springfield, Mo.

### "The Second Coming"

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that he was, hasn't gotten a reward yet. Notice:

"For the Son of man SHALL COME in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then HE SHALL REWARD every man according to his works." — Mt. 16:

"And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be RECOMPENSED AT THE RESURRECTION OF THE JUST." — Luke 14:14.

Every once in a while I will read in a newspaper where it says that some one has been called to his reward. I have even heard preachers at a funeral, say that the individual had been called to his reward. No, no, beloved, the dearest child of God that ever lived hasn't gotten one particle of his reward yet.

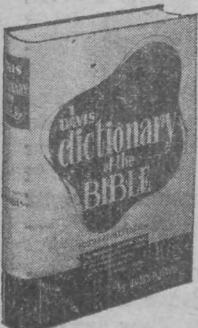
### WE ARE SORRY!

Some of the pictures made at the Conference were of no value. Then, too, the company that develops and prints all our pictures unfortunately ruined eight of them. Our apologies to many friends, whose pictures we don't have, but whose memory is precious to us.

I say, beloved, your dead and my dead are disembodied and unrewarded. Do you mean to tell me that my God is going to allow our dead to go on forever disembodied and unrewarded? Beloved, He has to come to fulfill the hope of the dead. Must the dead go on eternally waiting for a time to come when they shall be embodied and when they shall be rewarded? If that be true, their hope is only a idle dream, for Paul says:

"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first." — I Thess. 4:14-16.

Our aged Brother Crofts beautifully sang this morning, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." He has sung it more than fifty times at my request over the years, and always to thrill my



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soul as it did this morning. Just a few days ago a brother of his over in England, whom I know, and with whom I have visited, was called home. He is now gone to be with God. He loved the truth of sovereign grace. He loved the message of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, but in spite of his love for the truth, in God's time He took him home. Go stand beside that brother's grave this morning and look down and say, "Is this the best that God can do?"

I go over to the cemetery most often and I stand beside a little grave that means much to me. As I look at a little grave that marks the resting place of a little disembodied, unrewarded soldier of the Lord Jesus, I say, "Is this the best that God can do?" Oh, no, beloved, someday disembodied, unrewarded souls are going to be embodied again and rewarded. When? At the coming of Jesus Christ. Beloved, He must come to fulfill the hope of the dead, or else their hope means nothing.

### CONCLUSION

What is our business here? — Jesus said: "Occupy till I come." — Luke 19:13.

In verse 12 He talks about going away into a "far country." Verse 15 says, "When he was returned." Now look at it. Verse 12 speaks of a "far country." Verse 15 speaks of the time of His return. Verse 13 (in between verses 12 and 13) says, "Occupy till I come."

Beloved, that is our business—we are to occupy. Are we to retire? Are we to quit? Beloved, I have quit the ministry I suspect a hundred times, but I always got back in before time to preach the next Sunday. I have quit printing THE BAPTIST EXAMINER more times than once, but the next issue always came out. What are we going to do? Going to give up? No, it is our business to "occupy." Listen:

"And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately. BLESSED ARE THOSE SERVANTS, WHOM THE LORD WHEN HE COMETH SHALL FIND WATCHING; verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them." — Luke 12:36, 37.

I go back and read the story of Joseph, loved by his father, yet hated by his brethren, sorely tempted, yet he sinned not. What a marvelous type of the Lord Jesus Christ was Joseph. He too was loved by His Father. He too was hated by His own brethren, the Jews. He was sorely tempted and yet it says concerning Him:

"For such an high priest became us, who is HOLY, HARMLESS, UNDEFILED, SEPARATE FROM SINNERS, and MADE HIGHER THAN THE HEAVENS." — Heb. 7:26.

They put Joseph in prison, which is a place of shame. There he met the butler and the baker.

To one he gave a message of cheer and to the other a sentence of death. Our Lord Jesus Christ went to Calvary, which was likewise a place of shame. There He met a thief on one hand and a thief on the other. To one He gave a message of cheer, for He said, "Today wilt thou be with me in Paradise." To the other, there was an unspoken, silent message of doom, in that he went into eternity unsaved.

Later on, Joseph was exalted to Egypt's throne. The sovereignty that he enjoyed when he was exalted to the throne of Egypt had been foretold years before by his dreams. Finally, that which he had dreamed, and that which he had spoken to his father and brothers about, was gloriously fulfilled when they bowed the knee, and publicly recognized him. When all Egypt bowed before his chariot, his dreams were fulfilled. One day, beloved, from the East, and from the West, and from the North, and the South, and from the isles of the sea and from the depths of the ocean, every creature in Heaven and every creature on earth and every creature in the depths of the sea shall bow before the Lord Jesus Christ to recognize Him as King of kings and Lord of lords. He has to come. I say He must come.

Oh, what a day of rejoicing that will be! Out yonder some of God's elect of Asia will sing "One Lord;" others of God's elect on this continent will sing "One Faith;" and some of God's elect in the isles of the sea will sing "One Baptism." All together we will bow before Him in one hallelujah chorus to sing, "One Lord, One Faith, and One Baptism." To whom shall we be singing our praise? To the Christ who is coming again to fulfill all these Scriptures relating to Him.

I remember the day when the disciples started to cross the Sea of Galilee in their little boat. Jesus had retired to a mountain. The wind blew. They rowed hard

for about 25 or 30 furlongs, but they didn't make any progress. It looked like the ship might go down, but they kept at the oars. Then Jesus came. I often read this story in John 6:15-21 for it is a precious story to me.

I go back to think how that Jesus has gone away from us. As the disciples started to cross that little sea Jesus went up into the mountain to pray. Where is my Lord today? He is praying, beloved. Among other things He is interceding for you and for me.

"For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us." — Heb. 9:24.

As those disciples were crossing that little body of water, suddenly a storm swooped down upon them and the wind blew. Beloved, the Devil, who is the prince of the power of the air, stirred up those waves. He still stirs the waves every once in a while to destroy God's own.

That restless sea pictures the world's opposition to the Lord Jesus Christ. The ship that those individuals were in represents the church. It was in the sea but not a part of it. Of course in this Twentieth Century things have changed considerably. With baseball teams and basketball teams and bowling teams in most of our churches, our churches are pretty well tied down in the sea, but in Jesus' day the ship was in the sea, but was not a part of it.

You will notice, beloved, there was just one ship. Then wasn't any squadron. There wasn't any fleet. There was just one ship. You can believe if you want to that the Campbellites and the Methodists and the Holy Rollers and all the rest of that crowd are churches of the Lord Jesus Christ, but I fall back on this fact, there was just one ship that these disciples were in. I am going to stick to the end in the good old Baptist ship that I believe is going to persevere and safely anchor on the other side.

That wind and the storm, prefigures the attacks of Satan, who is the prince of the power of the air. You will notice that the disciples inside this vessel pulled at the oars, but they couldn't still the storm.

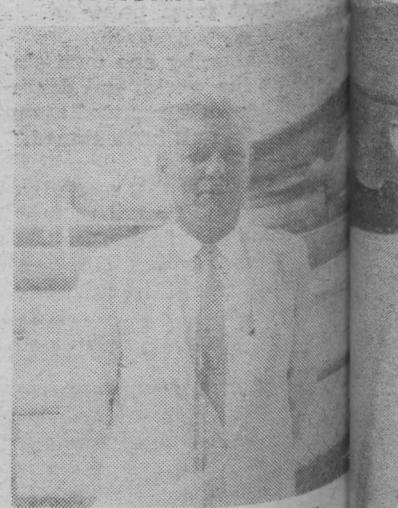
I ask you, beloved, what have you done in your community to stop the raging of the Devil? After two thousand years of the history of this world since Jesus Christ went back to Heaven, I ask you, if it isn't true that this world today is still just like a restless sea? They couldn't stop the storm. But I'll tell you what they did do. They pulled at the oars. I say to you, beloved, in your community, you can't stop the raging of the Devil, yet each of us can be a faithful man of God, believing His Word, when He said, "Occupy till I come."

The Word of God says that they rowed about 25 or 30 furlongs. Now my Lord is omniscient. He knew exactly how far they were going to row. He knows exactly how far His church is going to "row," but he didn't tell us. He said that they rowed between 25 and 30 furlongs. Do you know why? If He had said that they rowed 27 1/2 furlongs or 28 furlongs until He came, some smart fellow would have figured out the distance of a furlong and would have set a date for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore the Son of God just said that they rowed between 25 and 30 furlongs. We don't know when He is coming, but, beloved, I beg you to keep on pulling at the oars until Jesus Christ comes.

Then notice this Scripture: "And immediately the ship was at the land whither they went." — John 6:21.

Beloved, the rowing was over when Jesus came. Thank God, all the trials and all the burdens and all the heartaches that Baptist preachers and Baptist laymen and Baptist laywomen, who try to stand for Jesus Christ may ever have, will all be over when Jesus comes. What are we to do while

# HE FLEW IN FROM FLORIDA



JAMES L. GASSETT

This picture was taken at the airport just after Bro. Gasset had de-planed. The commercial plane in the background is the one in which he had traveled.

He was blest, and was a blessing to the Conference.

we are waiting? We are to "occupy."

There is one other thing that strikes me so forcibly about this. When Jesus came, He didn't upbraid his disciples because they couldn't still the storm. He didn't say, "You ought to have done better." He didn't say, "Why didn't you try harder?"

Beloved, I thank God, someday He is coming, and when He comes He is not going to upbraid us. He is not going to fuss at us. Rather, He is going to receive us.

May God help you to "occupy" till He comes.

### Impressions

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erages were well prepared and cheerfully served. A variety of subject-messages covered many church truth and answered many questions. Hearing so many Baptist preachers in one weekend is a rare blessing to me. Many thanks for again demonstrating your Christian love to my family of five.

Roy Sutherland, Pa.

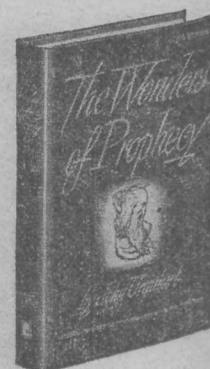
### WONDERFUL.

Frank Johnson, N. C.

This being our first time at the Conference, we never realized the blessings in store for us. We think there has been good fellowship among the brethren which we have especially enjoyed. The messages have been wonderful. We certainly appreciate what Calvary Baptist Church has done to bring this about. We definitely plan to attend next year. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Howard, Ohio.

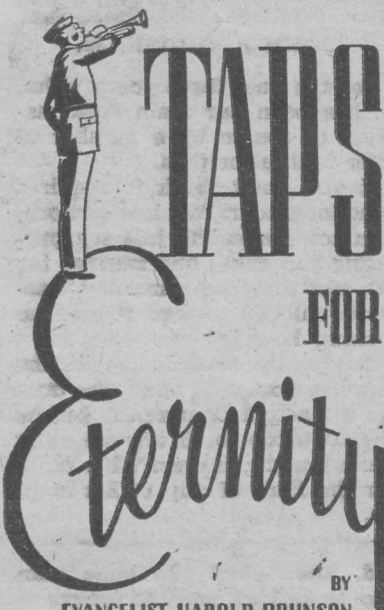
It has been a wonderful time of fellowship of the saints of like faith, and such was the testimony of all I talked with. The food was so abundant and good, and the servers were all so happy and (Continued on page 7, column 3)

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Bro. Nelson brought an exceptionally good message at the Conference, which was truly blessed of God.

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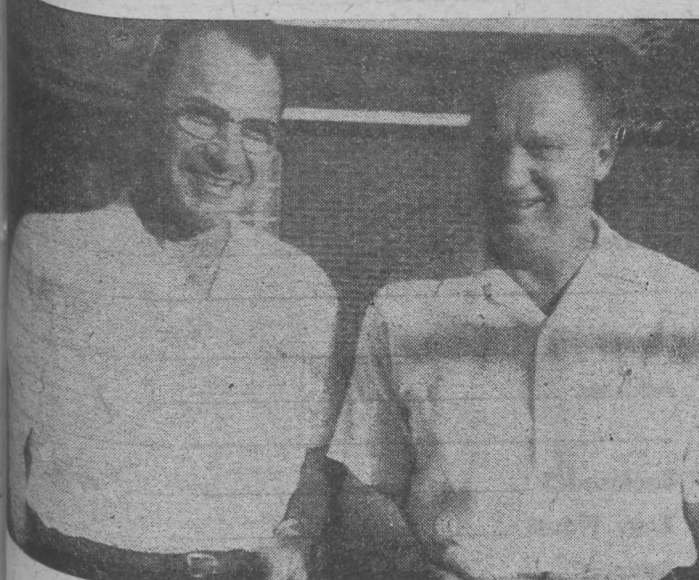
Bro. McCrum's message on the "Mourner's Bench" was very helpful. It was really an expose of error.

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Bonita Springs, Fla.

LAYMEN FROM MISSOURI



BRO. PERRY LAMB AND BRO. LEE HAWKINS  
Springfield, Mo.

Impressions

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friendly, but it did grieve me to see the cooks and workers slave so just to take care of us. Thanks.  
Charles Schwab, Mich.

Each year as I attend the Bible Conference at Calvary Baptist Church, I see anew the promise of God, that the gates of hell shall not prevail against His church. I know of no place on earth where the pattern is more closely manifest of our first churches.  
Alvin H. Harrell, Ky.

As a whole, I think this has been the best Conference I have attended. It has been a great blessing to me. I have truly been blessed with all of the subjects that have been preached and taught. I personally think that all of the children of God should start now planning to make the Conference next year even greater for the glory of God.  
B. F. Scalf, Ohio.

We enjoyed the Conference tremendously. The spiritual blessings certainly filled our souls—and the physical fellowship was

FATHER AND SON FROM TENNESSEE



ROY WORLEY AND SON

The Bible says to "Train up a child in the way he should go," so Bro. Worley brought this son with him to the Conference. In fact, no better training could be had for either father or son than the study of the Bible which God gave us.

well worth the trip. We pray that God will bless this church and TBE and grant us the pleasure again next year to be with you.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. Chapman, Ill.

As a whole, I've received a blessing from the Conference, being able to meet some of the brethren and fellowship with those whom I've not seen for some time; and hearing some excellent messages. Perhaps some of the brethren (this is my personal, fallible opinion) could have evidenced more love and compassion while expounding the glorious riches of God's grace. The Saviour, fulfilling the law in every point, loved (in this sense only) his neighbor. May the Lord bless the sponsors of this Conference.  
Eddie Johnston, Ky.

Certainly enjoyed the Conference—the hospitality and fellowship of Calvary Baptist Church and of the pastor also. Have been enriched by the great truths of God's Word by the speakers.  
Marion Scalf, Mich.

The fact that the messages were Christ centered, exalting His wonderful grace, with church sponsored missions stressed, was wonderfully refreshing unto my soul. Thanks to God for the wonderful

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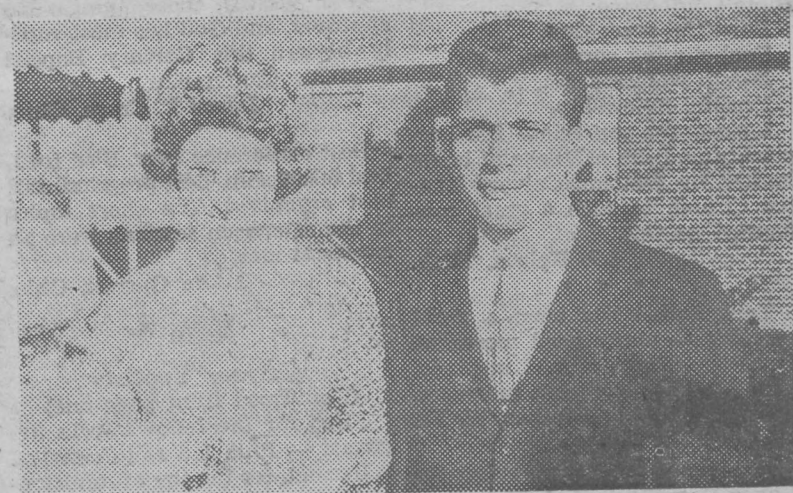
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(Bro. Gilpin visited this lady over 20 years ago when she was ill in a hospital in Grand Rapids. She was unsaved then. TBE has been a blessing to her ever since).

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FAMILY FROM "BUCKEYE" STATE



BRO. AND MRS. R. P. BROWNING AND CHILDREN  
Washington Court House, Ohio

feast in spiritual things. The refreshments for the body were appreciated.  
Carl Owen, Mich.

My impressions of the Bible Conference are these: Practically all speakers emphasized God's sovereignty. The fellowship with those of like precious faith is marvelous and very much appreciated. I approve of the fifteen minute "sermonettes," not because I like sermonettes, but the preaching is more varied—that is, more doctrine may be heard—also more preachers get an opportunity to speak.

As usual Calvary Baptist Church's hospitality was very gracious. Already I am looking forward to next year (if the Lord tarries) to once again fellowshiping with brethren of the Faith once for all delivered to the saints. I thank God for the Conference.  
Thomas Robinson, Ohio.

I enjoyed the teaching of God's Word while I was here. The food was great, and we rested fine! Sure hope to be back next time.  
James Royston, Tenn.



## GROUP FROM NORTH CAROLINA



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## 1961 Bible Conference

(Continued from page one) also printing these. We think you will find the remarks of our guests and the church to be interesting.

If the Lord is willing, we hope to have another Conference next year. Why not make plans now to attend?

## Preacher Friends

(Continued from page one) Royal Connally for inviting us to their home, for they truly treated us royally.

J. Frank McCrum, Mich.

Marvelous in its exaltation of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Harold Brunson, Texas.

These phrases describe the Bible Conference:

- Powerful preaching.
- Soul-stirring sermons.
- Mouth-watering meals.
- Fruitful fellowship.

I sincerely appreciate the hospitality and the privilege of being invited by Ashland Calvary Baptist Church to such a great conference as this.

Bob Nelson, Mich.

To me this has been a great meeting — many good messages. Those that have helped me most were the fifteen minute messages.

Elder C. M. Honaker, W. Va.

My impressions concerning the Labor Day Week-End Bible Conference at Calvary Baptist Church of Ashland, Ky., are these: wonderful fellowship, wonderful food from God's Word, and wonderful food from God's people. The sermons were of the Lord. May the Lord lead you to use Bro. Jim Everman more next year. May the Lord bless you and yours.

J. A. Frederick, Texas.

It is somewhat difficult to put our appreciation for the great blessings we have received at the Conference here in Ashland in writing. The favors of our Great

God and Saviour Jesus Christ have been manifest on every hand, and the fellowship among God's people has proved to be of the very best. Truly, we go home with a greater determination to be a greater witness for God's glory than ever before and to "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints." May the blessing of our dear Saviour abound upon the ministry of the Calvary Baptist Church, and our prayer to God is that we shall be able to meet next year, or better still, be translated to the presence of our Lord.

E. W. Parks, W. Va.

A good Bible Conference in every way. The best feature was that minor doctrines (so called non-essentials) were discussed as well as major doctrine. Thanks to Calvary Baptists for everything.

Elder Gerald B. Price, Tenn.

God blesses those things He approves, and God has most surely blessed this Calvary Baptist Church's Conference.

James F. Crace, Ohio.

Best conference ever. Best food, best fellowship, best program, and best organized. The short topics in the afternoon sessions were an excellent idea.

Eddie Garrett, Ohio.

## Calvary Baptists

(Continued from page one) First, for the fellowship in the gospel — Phil. 1:5 and John 1:7.

Second, for the joy of ministering to those whom God sent — II Cor. 8:4.

Mrs. John R. Gilpin, Sr.

As I think of our Bible Conference of 1961, and looking forward to the Conference of 1962, I pause and thank God again for His abundant blessings. It was a wonderful time of refreshing and renewing of Spirit to listen to preachers from various places all over the U.S.A. These preachers of precious like-faith proclaimed the blessed doctrines and magnified Christ fearlessly and without compromise.

The fellowship with many of the visitors and guests out at Bro. Gilpin's was interesting and inspiring. It is wonderful to meet and talk to people who love the Lord.

I think this praise and worship of our Lord and the fellowship with His people was just a foretaste of what Heaven will be like. May it please the Lord to give us another such Bible Conference in 1962!

Hazel Hutchinson

We think the Conference was very good. It is a joy to meet with God's people from far and near who believe in an all wise God who worketh all things after the counsel of His own will.

We thank God for the good fellowship and for the many good preachers who are true to His word.

We believe God was honored in it all, and that many went away

spiritually fed and strengthened in the faith.

It was a joy to have some of the people stay in our home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Patrick

I enjoyed the Bible Conference very much. First, I thank my Lord for His many blessings to me — wonderful fellowship and good preaching. I enjoyed meeting many new people, as well as renewing fellowship with ones that have been here before. I really had a wonderful time with God's people.

Alice Norris

It was a blessing to listen to the wonderful sermons of men

## BRO. CRIDER UNABLE TO BE PRESENT, BUT LONGED FOR US



WM. J. CRIDER

Greetings to The Calvary Baptist Church, the Editors of TBE, and the Bible Conference in Ashland, Kentucky.

I think I must feel as David felt when he longed for the water from a certain well; or possibly as Moses felt when he viewed the land of Canaan. He must have longed to be there. I long to be with you, I long for fellowship with the brethren there. It certainly is a little heaven on earth when we get together in a Bible Conference where all believe the same things, all preach the same things, all trust in the same Lord, and all believe in the Virgin Birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, His death on the cross, his resurrection, his ascension, and His return again to the earth.

May God's greatest blessings be on the conference, and may every speaker be filled with the Holy Spirit as he stands to proclaim the great doctrines and truths of God's Word. I love each and every one of you. I love your churches, and I love the things you stand for and believe. I pray that each one will be refreshed spiritually, and be given fresh heavenly bread to take home to break to their brethren.

Remember me in your prayers. May heaven's richest blessings be on you, on your families and your churches. May His blessings also be on the conference, and may souls be saved.

As ever, your brother in Christ, Wm. J. Crider, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.

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who stand for the word of God without compromise, and a joy to fellowship with the many people who came.

Blanche Meade

This was my first year to attend the Bible Conference, but I really enjoyed it very much. I have never attended any thing like it. There was some extra good preaching.

As for the people that came to the Conference they all were very nice, especially the couple that stayed with us. We really enjoyed their visit. I do hope that I have the privilege to attend many more Conferences like this one.

Sterling McPeck.

This was my first opportunity to attend the Conference, and I must say it was most gratifying. I have never heard the Word of God taught and expressed to any greater extent in fullness and in truth. It sure was a blessing, and I hope to have the opportunity to attend many more.

Robert R. Moyer

## YOUNG ILLINOIS PREACHER

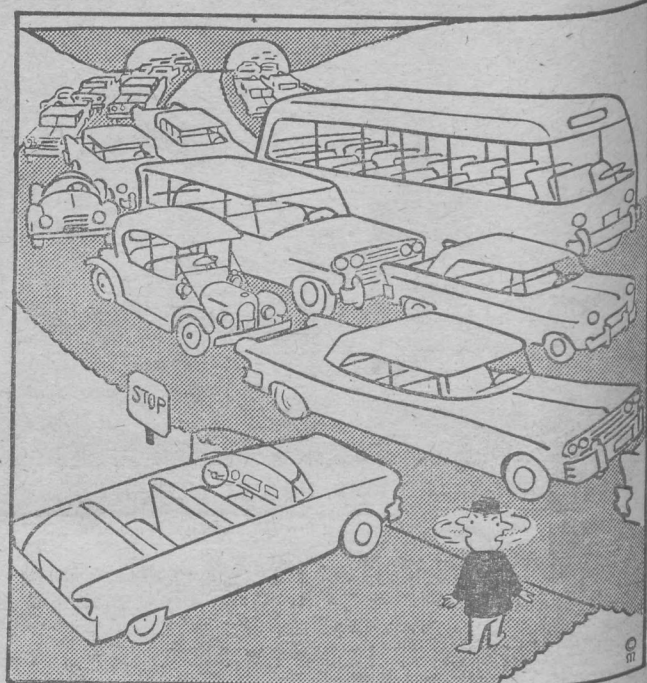


JEFFERY BRACKEEN Chicago, Illinois

Here is a lad who feels God has called him to the mission field. He hopes someday to join Bro. Hallman in New Guinea.

He spent the month of August with us, helping us get ready for our Conference. Blessings on him.

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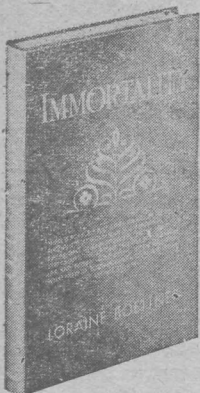
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