THE KINSMEN, one of Kentucky's finest gospel groups, provided the entertainment for the annual meeting of the Farmer's Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, held on July 23 at the Hart County High School parking lot. The Kinsmen were very well received by the audience. This was their second appearance at the annual meeting as they returned by "popular demand."

Servants Return To Virginia

The Servants, of Campbellsville, Ky., will be returning to Virginia on Saturday night August 31, 1974. They will be appearing at the Central Elementary School, near Palmyra, Virginia, on Route 15.

This trip was preceded by a tour of Virginia which they made during the first two weeks in June this year. The Servants reported that the trip was very successful and rewarding, as they made many new friends, and were received very well there. Gary Polston, lead singer and pianist, stated that the Servants were very anxious to return to the area and are looking forward to seeing many of their friends there.

For further details contact: Rev. John S. Leek, Route 2, Box 136, Scottsville, Va. 24590 - phone: 804-286-3807.

McCubbins Family Plans New Album

The McCubbins Family has made plans to make a new album this fall. This will be the third album they have recorded.

They plan to include some old song as well as some new ones on this recording. Be watching Gospel Reaching Out for further information on their new recording and the date they schedule their recording session.

Donna Stanton Attends Music Camp

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Donna at the last-night banquet at the school.

By Donna Stanton

Each morning, Charles Novell opened devotions at the Stamps-Blackwood Summer Music Camp by proclaiming to 250 sleepy-eyed students, "Today is gonna be the best day yet!" And Charles was usually right.

People from all over the country came to learn all they could about the thing they loved most - gospel music. Age, professional, or geographic boundaries didn't seem to matter much. Everybody Continued on page 8.
From The Editor

Since gospel music deals with a power which has no limit, it is strange that so many people want to place limits on gospel music. The limits that I speak of include places that gospel music can be sung, its musical style, and the purpose of gospel music.

The point of view is often expressed that gospel music should only be sung in churches. Although it is unfortunate, a large majority of people never attend church. By limiting gospel music to churches you have automatically eliminated over half of the United States’ public from the potential audience for gospel music.

Many people feel that gospel music should only be performed in one musical style or another. Tastes differ and the music that an elderly businessman likes is probably not what appeals to a high school student. In the same way it is unlikely that the high school student will prefer the same style of music as a construction worker. People are different and by only directing gospel music to one group you fail to offer anything to still another segment of the public.

It is commonly thought that there should be only one purpose for gospel music. But gospel music has a number of purposes such as worship, entertainment, and evangelism. To say that any one thing should be the reason for gospel music places still another limit on the audience.

If the limitations which we have mentioned were placed on gospel music this is the kind of situation that might develop. You could listen to Gospel Group (there would only be one) sing songs with a bass lead (one style remember) during a revival at the First Fundamental Church (you know a lot of churches don’t care for gospel music).

But it seems to me that gospel music deserves more than this. It needs to reach out and touch as many people in as many ways as it can. Then it can become a vital part of the lives of everyone.

Letter From A Reader

By Dave Kerr

The Peacemakers are and have been, “telling it like it is,” no matter where we are, singing and testifying of the love of our God and our Saviour.

As Jesus said to Nicodemus, “Verily, verily I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” In the past months we have seen many enter into God’s family by being born again, the only way.

It seems that many of our churches are really having a hard battle with our worst enemy, Satan. Jealousy between members, hypocrisy among some of the members, is the old double standard, “I’ll live for the Lord on Sunday, but watch out Monday morning.”

I have testified many times that the only thing that is keeping our church doors open now are the few born again Christians who are trying to live for Jesus and their prayers. I can honestly and happily say that the Peacemakers and I are counted in that number. I’ve heard tales that we aren’t, but I assure you that we are, and are seeing the wonderful miracles of God happening everywhere we go.

On Sunday June 2, 1974 Brother Mike’s youngest, Boots, and little John Lush were both wonderfully and miraculously saved. On Sunday, June 16, Father’s Day, Mike had the honor of baptizing his son. What a wonderful Father’s day present that was.

The Peacemaker’s pretty, little pianist Cavaline Wright was married to Bud Russell on June 28. What a sight it was to see Bud’s dad, Garnett in a tuxedo.

The Peacemakers are singing and working for one reason, one big reason. To see the lost come to Jesus before God gets tired of all the sinfulness and says it’s over, destroy it. Work for the day is soon coming when we will not have the opportunity to openly worship God. To openly tell others of Jesus. We don’t have the time to stop and rest. We don’t have the time to slow down and try to straighten out idle gossip and sinful lies. Jesus said, “Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness’ sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

May God bless each and everyone of you today!!
Sesac Inc. has announced the appointment of Jim Black as gospel music coordinator, Nashville office, effective immediately. Mr. Black will headquarter at the SESAC Nashville office and will work closely with gospel artists, writers and publishers in the promotion and further exposure of the SESAC repertory in this important area of sacred music.

Black brings to his SESAC assignment an extensive background in the gospel music field. Formerly a disc jockey and program director of WWGM, Nashville, he also hosts the nationally-syndicated gospel radio show, "From Nashville... It's Gospel Country". A gospel singer, he has performed with the Chuck Wagon Gang and, most recently, with the Concords.

Black is on the Board of Directors of the Gospel Music Association, a member of the Gospel Disc Jockey Club of America, and has served on the Steering Committee for the annual Gospel Radio Seminar.

A great time of inspirational music is in store for all who attend "an evening with the Lower Lights Quartet" scheduled for August 2, at 7:30 P.M. at the Horse Cave Christian Church.

The Lower Lights Quartet is a nationally known gospel quartet traveling extensively throughout the country holding one night concerts and week long crusades in churches, auditoriums and schools.

Two members of the group were formerly involved in the drug culture having used and sold drugs in the Minneapolis - St. Paul area of Minnesota. By the power of God they were changed and now use their talents to praise Him.

Dennis Davenport, evangelist, lead singer and manager stresses that their program is geared to the tastes of the entire family.

The public is cordially invited to attend this inspirational service of gospel music. A special invitation is issued to all "young people."

Cooks To Sing
At Rowletts

There will be a gospel singing on Saturday night, August 3, at the Rowletts Baptist Church, Rowletts, Ky. The Cook Family Singers are the scheduled guest singers to appear on the program which is to begin at 7:30 P.M. Bro. Don Cottrell is the pastor.

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Rowletts, Ky. 7:30 P.M.
4...Renfro Valley.
10...Louisville, Ky. Host — Revelettes.
11...First Baptist Church,
Pekin, Ind. 7:00 P.M.
13...Southern States Meeting,
Hart County High School,
Munfordville, Ky.

THE FAITH SINGERS
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Bowling Green, Ky. 42101
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3...Andrew Mission Baptist Church.
Bowling Green, Ky. 7:00 P.M.
11...Pentacostal Church, Louisville,
Ky. 7:00 P.M.
17...Clifton Baptist Church, Allen County.
7:00 P.M.

THE GOSPEL JETS
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1...Monroe County Fair, Bloomington,
Indiana. 7:30 P.M.
4...Grace Baptist Church. Springville,
Indiana. 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

THE GOSPEL VOICES
Horse Cave,
Ky. 42749
Phone 786-2777 or 786-2465

4...Cosby United Methodist. 7:30 P.M.
9...Leitchfield, Ky. 8:30 P.M.
10...Ladies Chapel Methodist Church,
Monroe, Ky. 8:00 P.M.
18...Dorsey's Chapel Homecoming.
Cub Run, Ky. 1:30 P.M.
20...Kentucky State Fair. 7:00 P.M.
East Wing of Exposition Center,
Louisville, Kentucky.
25...Oak Grove Baptist Church. 1:30 P.M.
Fairdale, Kentucky.
31...Lincoln Jamboree Show Barn,
Hodgenville, Ky. 8:30 P.M.

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2...Bearswallow United Methodist Ch.
Columbia, Ky. 7:30 P.M.
3...Red Banks Methodist. Albany, Ky.
7:30 P.M.
4...Providence Baptist. Louisville, Ky.
11:00 A.M.
4...Dickens Chapel Methodist.
7:00 P.M.
10...Russell Heights Baptist. 7:00 P.M.
Columbia, Ky.
11...Franklin, Indiana. 1:00 P.M.
11...Bear Creek Methodist. 7:30 P.M.
Albany, Ky.
17...Grace Union Baptist. Kettle, Ky.
7:00 P.M.
18...Oak Dale Baptist Homecoming.
Oak Dale, Tenn. 10:00 A.M.
18...Seminary Methodist Church.
Albany, Ky. 7:00 P.M.
24...Guthrie Chapel. Kettle, Ky.
7:00 P.M.
25...Bible Baptist Temple. 1:00 P.M.
Campbellsville, Ky.
25...Mannsville Separate Baptist.
Mannsville, Ky. 7:00 P.M.
31...Foundation Methodist Church,
Sulphur Wells, Ky. 7:30 P.M.

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18...Cedar Bluff Baptist Church.
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2:00 P.M.
11...Ashby Lane Missionary
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3...Leanord Oak, Butler County.
7:30 P.M.
9...Ashby Lane Baptist Church.
Ashby Lane, Louisville, 7:30 P.M.
10...Fairgrounds. Lawrenceburg, Tenn.
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17 &
18...Rodchester, Illinois.
25...Friendship Baptist Church. 10:00
A.M. Franklin, Ind. All Day.
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31...Brush Arbor, Williamsburg, Ky.

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3...Hart County Singing Convention.
Zion Baptist Church. 7:30 P.M.
18...Flener's Chapel United Methodist.
2:00 P.M.

THE TOMES FOUR
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4...Brownsville Missionary Baptist,
7:00 P.M.
10...Red Boiling Springs Gospel Sing.
Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee,
7:30 P.M.
11...Combs Lane United Baptist,
2:00 P.M. Close to Fountain Run.
11...Mount Union Methodist. 6:00 P.M.
On Rd. to Lafayette from Scottsville.
17...Oak Grove Baptist. 7:30 P.M.
3 mi. out of Red Boiling Springs.
18...Akersville Baptist. 2:00 P.M.
Akersville, Ky.
18...Trammel Fork Missionary Baptist.
7:30 P.M. (OH Bowling Green Rd.
Turn right at Graves Store)
24...Lonehill United Baptist. 7:30 P.M.
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24. . . . Owensboro, Ky.
25. . . . Owensboro, Ky.
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Sept. 1 . . . Virginia Tour

AREA CONVENTIONS

HART COUNTY
The Hart County Singing Convention will be held on Saturday night, August 3, at the Zion Baptist Church located at Rex. The guests will be the Regals from Scottsville and the time is 7:30 P.M.

WARREN COUNTY
The Warren County Singing Convention will be held on Sunday, August 25 at the Madison Avenue General Baptist Church in Bowling Green, at 2:00 P.M. Guest singers will be the Pierce Family from Glasgow.

Gospel Voices At State Fair

The Gospel Voices will appear at the Kentucky State Fair on Tuesday, August 20. The concert will take place in the East Wing of the Exposition Center and will begin at 7:00 P.M. The Lincolnaires are also tentatively scheduled to appear on the program. Other activities taking place in the East Wing include: 4-H and FFA craft exhibits; Kentucky State Fair Radio Network broadcasts; plus numerous other activities.

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... by spreading the message which can place eternal joy in your heart. We sing about love and we sing the gospel. This contribution can make the smiles real and bring the families together.

Making a contribution to the world is important. We make one.
By Donna Stanton

"Anyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.
But how shall they ask him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?
And how will anyone go and tell them unless someone send him? That is what the Scriptures are talking about when they say, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Gospel of peace with God and bring glad tidings of other good things." In other words, how welcome are those who come preaching God's Good News!" (Romans 10:13-15)
The other night I heard a man say he wasn't too convinced of the sincerity of professional gospel singers. Now I've heard that before but as he said it, I thought back over some of the experiences I've had recently.
I saw Don Butler, a man restricted to two working hours a day because of his health, laboring from early morning until late at night because he was interested in teaching Christian young people to be professional gospel singers.
Gospel music pioneer, James Blackwood, told his students if they were going into professional gospel music just to become rich and famous, they might as well get out now.
I know professional gospel singers who would give you their last nickel if you needed it worse than they did.
Notice I keep emphasizing the word professional – people who sing for a living. That seems to be the word that throws people. Yet most denominations expect their pastors to quit their jobs and devote all their time to preaching. Gospel music is just another way for people to use their talents to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.
Of course, there are hypocrites in gospel music just as there are among church members, deacons, and ministers. I'm convinced now more than ever that the sincere outnumber the hypocrites in professional gospel music.
The world is hungering for the Gospel.

That's one of the reasons for the rising demand for gospel groups in places other than churches.
Millions of people are lost and gospel music can reach them. True, the entertainment factor gets their attention but the message in the songs can change their lives.
Stop sitting in your nice safe churches and saying you'd tell them if only they'd come. Get out and get busy -- before it's too late.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cottrell, Horse Cave, are the proud parents of a daughter, Amanda Glyn, born July 5, at the Bowling Green - Warren County Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 21” in length at birth. Amanda joins her twin brother and sister, Jasen and Marciee, each 6 years old.
Reports are that Amanda looks just like Don, except pretty!
Don and his wife Jackie are former members of The Good News Singers and The Voices of Faith. Don hosts the Gospel Reaching Out radio program broadcast each Sunday morning at 9:15 over WLOC in Munfordville, Ky. He is also the pastor of the Rowletts Baptist Church.
Gospel Reaching Out extends its congratulations to Don and Jackie.
THE SERVANTS QUARTET, pictured above, provided the entertainment for the annual R.E.C.C. Meeting of Taylor, Adair, Green and Casey counties. The meeting was held on Monday night, July 15. Approximately 600 people gathered early to hear the Servants present a 45 minute program.

One of the Servants commented, "We were surprised at how well this type crowd received gospel music. The smiles on their faces as well as their applause indicated that gospel music will be on their program again in 1975."

LEMAR TOMES LEAVES TOMES FOUR

Lemar Tomes, of the Tomes Four, has left the group and is going into the ministry. Lemar is the oldest of the Tomes brothers. His brother-in-law, Randall, will be taking his place although Lemar plans to make occasional appearances with the group.

Wayne Tomes commented on this change for the Tomes Four. "We are both sorry to inform the readers and glad too that Lemar has been called into the ministry. We started out trying to follow God in our singing, and we certainly want to help Lemar in any way possible."

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knew everybody and everybody liked everybody.

There was a time for working hard -- like in theory class. A time for having fun -- like Tom's impromptu softball game, the trip to Opryland, and the rained-on watermelon party. There were times of worship -- like Sunday services in the ping-pong room or when one was sick and the others prayed. There were even naughty times -- like the shaving cream raids. (Never a time for sleeping.) But through it all, these people with such varied backgrounds and beliefs were held together by their love for God and gospel music.

Many top professionals in the gospel field were on hand as teachers or appeared as guest lecturers. The students enjoyed concerts by the Blackwood Brothers and the Speer Family.

Since the school was held at Murray, students were able to attend all three nights of the Singing on the Lake. Talent contests were held with the winners in each category being allowed to sing on the programs at the lake.

Many top professional gospel groups sang during the three nights at the Gilbertsville airstrip. The Stamps were on tour with Elvis Presley and couldn't make it to the school. However, they did manage to sneak away and put in an appearance at the lake.

Each year, a semi-professional talent contest is held on the last night of the Singing on the Lake. This year's first place winners, the Children of Truth, and third place winners, a group called Charity, were made up of students from the Stamps-Blackwood Summer Music Camp. Both groups had been together only about two weeks.

Closing night of the Stamps-Blackwood Summer Music Camp was marked by a gala banquet. Dinner, presentation of certificates and awards, a talk by Don Butler, and it was time to say good-bye. Many were in tears at the thought of leaving the friends they'd grown to love. All were looking forward to next year.

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