

October 8, 1961

Ohio Tackles Budget,
Building, Newspaper

COLUMBUS, Ohio (BP)--Arthur L. Walker of Buffalo, N. Y., has been called as superintendent of missions for the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio (Southern Baptist).

He is expected to come Dec. 1, succeeding Darty F. Stowe, whose resignation took effect in October.

Walker has been area missionary serving western New York state, whose work is under sponsorship of Ohio convention.

The call came from the convention's Executive Board meeting here. The board also adopted a proposed 1962 convention budget, subject to final approval by the convention itself.

Including supplements for joint work from Southern Baptist Convention agencies, the Ohio budget for the coming year is \$455,015. It is a \$15,000 increase over the previous year.

Anticipated Cooperative Program receipts from the cooperating churches are \$292,752. The Ohio convention will forward 25 per cent to the SBC for national and worldwide work. Last year, the SBC share was only 23 per cent; another increase is expected next year.

The Executive Board planned to make the state paper, Ohio Baptist Messenger, a weekly newspaper sometime in 1962 if income makes the increased frequency possible. The paper now comes out twice a month.

R. G. Puckett of Columbus, who has been serving both as editor and as state Baptist student secretary, has resigned. No successor has been elected.

When and if the paper becomes a weekly, the student work would be separated from the editorship.

A board survey committee has recommended that state Woman's Missionary Union become a department of the convention. It presently is an auxiliary.

The executive committee of the woman's group already has approved a recommendation for the change. It will be voted on at the state Woman's Missionary Union Convention next March.

The redesigned Baptist Building, housing convention offices here, will be dedicated during the session of the convention in November. Extensive remodeling was done of the existing building.

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John Lowell Hill
Wins Cash Award

(10-8-61)

BIRMINGHAM (BP)--John Lowell Hill, graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, is the recipient of the 1961 Elizabeth Lowndes Award.

It is given each year by Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The \$200 cash award is presented to the graduating Margaret Fund senior who during his college years has distinguished himself for scholarship, leadership and character and has maintained at least a "B" grade average. Children of home and foreign missionaries receive Margaret Fund scholarships.

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Hill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene L. Hill, former missionaries to China and Malaya. At present, Hill is secretary of missionary education and promotion for the SBC Foreign Mission Board at Richmond.

A history major, Hill attained the highest student scholastic average at Oklahoma Baptist University. At present he is doing graduate work at Duke University, Durham, N. C., on a Woodrow Wilson Foundation fellowship.

Hill is married to the former Karen Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emit O. Ray, missionaries to the Bahamas.

The couple, mission volunteers, plans to attend seminary before applying for foreign mission appointment.

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Southern Baptists Found
3 Near Harrisburg, Pa.

(10-8-61)

HARRISBURG, Pa. (BP)--Southern Baptists have organized three churches in the Harrisburg area, bringing to four their number of churches near the Pennsylvania capital.

The three new churches are Emmanuel, at Elizabethtown; Carlisle, at Carlisle, and Country and Town, at Camp Hill.

Valley Baptist Church, Middletown, Md., sponsored the Elizabethtown and Camp Hill Missions before they became churches. Oak View Baptist Church, Spring Grove, Pa., sponsored Carlisle as a mission.

Country and Town Baptist Church had the largest charter membership--75. Emmanuel had 35 charter members, and Carlisle, 34.

Work in this area of Pennsylvania is affiliated with the Baptist Convention of Maryland.

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C O R R E C T I O N

(10-8-61)

The Baptist Press of 10-6-61, Nashville, inadvertently referred to Baylor University as a member of the Southeast Conference. (See "Baylor, Furman Teams/Remain Undefeated," pgh 2, line 2.) Please change this, of course, to Southwest Conference. Thank you.

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