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Truett, Mallory Names  
Given Seminary Halls

MILL VALLEY, Calif.--(BP)--Two late Southern Baptist leaders were honored in having two buildings on the new campus of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary here named in their memory.

The seminary's board of trustees approved a proposal by the faculty that the dormitory for men be named the George W. Truett Residence Hall and the dormitory for women the Kathleen Mallory Residence Hall.

George W. Truett was the beloved Southern Baptist president and Dallas pastor. Kathleen Mallory, as executive secretary of Woman's Missionary Union of Southern Baptists, led Baptist women into a deeper interest in and dedication to missions.

Coincidentally, the hostess of Mallory Hall is Mrs. Florine Schwartz, a close friend of the Mallory family who worked for Miss Mallory's father and lawyer brother for many years in Selma, Ala.

The two residence halls are the latest of some 28 structures to be named on the 126-acre campus of Golden Gate Seminary at Strawberry Point, Mill Valley, Calif.

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Brotherhood Presents  
New \$260,000 Building

MEMPHIS, Tenn.--(BP)--The new \$260,000 headquarters building of the Brotherhood Commission was presented in ceremonies here as a monument of faith of Southern Baptists in their Commission.

Porter Routh, Nashville, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee, "received" the two-story brick and marble structure. He said it represented a response by Southern Baptists to the concern and requirement that men and boys be "enlisted, challenged, encouraged, motivated, and inspired in every phase of kingdom advance."

Routh represented Ramsey Pollard, Knoxville, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, at the ceremonies. Pollard was beginning a trip around the world.

Reminiscing about the early history of the new Brotherhood building, Routh said he remembered those days and nights when a case was made before the Executive Committee for funds to build.

"I have visited with families from Maryland to Oregon whose stewardship was a matter of prayer and real dedication. I have seen churches where the Cooperative Program represented not only a sacrifice on the part of the individual, but the church as well.

"This building represents a response by Southern Baptists to the concern and requirement that men and boys be enlisted, challenged, encouraged, motivated, and inspired in every area of kingdom advance," Routh said.

"The Southern Baptist Convention is dedicated to the proposition that our responsibility as Christians is to bring men--all men--to God through Jesus Christ.

"It is recognized that a building is made of brick, stone, mortar, wood, and steel, but inside this building there will be a heartbeat. May it ever beat that the world may know him," he continued.

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The building, composed of almost 15,000 square feet, "passed" through two pairs of hands. It was presented by E. M. McCance, chairman of the building committee, to Congressman Eugene Siler of Williamsburg, Ky., who represented the Brotherhood Commission, and finally to Routh.

Others taking part in the ceremonies were J. S. Dudley of Bluefield, Va., member of the Brotherhood Commission; Paul Phelps, of Lenoir City, president of the Tennessee Brotherhood Association; George Wheeler of Carbondale, Ill., state Brotherhood secretary; Charles Slover, a Memphis Royal Ambassador, and Earl Holloway, minister of music at First Baptist Church, Memphis.

A banquet preceded the dedication ceremony where the 52-year-old history of the Brotherhood movement was reviewed. Since 1937 the organization has grown from about 8,000 men to a current enrolment of more than 600,000 men and boys.

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#### Streamlined Program Adopted For Laymen

MEMPHIS, Tenn.--(BP)--A new streamlined organizational plan reducing the number of officers and committee chairmen in a church Brotherhood from 13 to 7 was approved here by the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission in its annual meeting.

Target date for use of the new Brotherhood organization in the churches and associations across the Southern Baptist Convention is Oct. 1, 1960. Pilot projects using the new organizational plan will begin in certain Brotherhoods in January.

The new plan provides for four committees instead of the six standing committees currently set up. Through the new committees will be channled activities in the major areas of evangelism, Cooperative Program, Royal Ambassadors, and stewardship. Names of the new committees will be christian witness, Royal Ambassadors, personal stewardship, and world missions.

Each of the committee heads will be known as leader, instead of as chairman as the present program provides. Each leader will have the responsibility of executing programs and directing the activities of his committee.

Under the new arrangement, the Brotherhood executive committee will become the planning committee composed of the pastor, educational director, president, vice-president, secretary, the four leaders, and any special committee chairmen.

Associational officers will direct promotion, training, and service opportunities in the new program instead of just taking part in activities.

Edward Hurt, Jr., Memphis director of Royal Ambassador work for the Brotherhood Commission, reported on the enlarged Royal Ambassador program which will provide for three age groups instead of the traditional two.

The new Royal Ambassador program providing missionary education for boys is planned for church use by Oct. 1, 1961. It is designed to develop programs more suitable to the needs and interests of boys.

The new plan will be used by selected Royal Ambassador chapters in certain states in 1960 for testing purposes.

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#### Lay Agency Outlines Program Until 1961

MEMPHIS, Tenn.--(BP)--R. L. Sherrick, Memphis executive, was re-elected chairman of the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention at the annual meeting here of the agency.

Playford Davis, investments counselor of Effingham, Ill., was re-elected vice-chairman, and J. Hilliard Felton, tractor dealer of Russellville, Ala., secretary.

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## Calls For World Opinion On Persecution in Spain

WASHINGTON--(BP)--The Washington Post-Times Herald, prominent daily newspaper here, has called for the pressure of world opinion to lift the heavy hand of persecution of Protestants in Spain.

The editorial in the Post took account of the recent trial of Pastor Jose Nunez, pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Madrid. He was charged with the offense of breaking into his own church after it had been sealed shut by the police. With the passage of time the seal on the church doors was loosened and torn so the doors were no longer sealed, whereupon the pastor took the liberty of entering his church. He was later arrested and has stood trial for entering a church that was closed by the police.

"This is typical," the Post editorial said, "of the kind of harassment which various Protestant sects have undergone in Spain, where the laws make it difficult for religious dissenters to conduct their own services."

The Post pointed out "a wry twist" to the current incident. Since Moscow has opened the doors slightly to the Baptist minority in Russia, the Post asked pointedly, "Can it be that the Baptists can operate more freely under communism than in Franco Spain?"

Asserting that "world opinion has played some part in affording a little more protection to minority beliefs in Moscow," the Post said, "perhaps it can do the same in Spain -- or, for that matter, in any country where religious bigotry leaves its scars."

It is estimated that there are some 3,000 Baptists among the approximately 30,000 Protestants in Spain. Of the 42 Baptist churches and missions in Spain, there reportedly are now 8 that cannot meet in their own buildings because they have been closed by the police.

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## Air Force Bands Not Available For Sectarian Purposes

WASHINGTON--(BP--United States Air Force bands are not to be used in sectarian affairs according to a ruling from the Department of the Air Force. The ruling applies to all volunteer units.

In a decision to be used as a guide by installation commanders for the use of Air Force bands it is declared that "fund drives of a local party, sect, or similar group whether for charitable or other purposes, are not considered appropriate occasions for the use of Air Force bands."

The ruling gives permission for the use of Air Force bands for many public, civic and non-competitive occasions that do not conflict with the military objectives, which involve no cost to the Government and which do not interfere with the regular activities of the band members.

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Unity In Christ Is Seen  
In International Service

WASHINGTON--(BP)--Unity in Christ, regardless of race or nation, was experienced in a recent Lord's Supper service at the National Baptist Memorial Church here.

In his sermon on "How Big Is Your World?" Lee Shane, the pastor, said that the Lord's Supper presents a "world fellowship as extensive as every believer, a fellowship that does not end with a race or a nation or an iron curtain or a bamboo curtain." Christian fellowship, he concluded, "does not end at the white community or the respectable community or the American community or the capitalistic community."

Representatives of 22 nations regularly worship as part of the National congregation. This group along with a display of flags from their native lands formed the background for the living demonstration of international fellowship in Christ around the Lord's table.

Assisting with the service were: Changsoon Kim, executive secretary of the Korean Baptist Promotion Headquarters; A. Klaupiks, Latvian refugee, and coordinator of the relief department of the Baptist World Alliance; Corpus Ortigoza, M. D., a Filipino, educated in Baptist schools and now doing his intern work at the D. C. General Hospital; Francis A. Dennis, an active Baptist deacon in the Mount Galilee Baptist Church, Caresburg, Liberia, and presently first secretary and counsel of the Embassy of Liberia in Washington; Tin Hlaing from Rangoon, Burma, now associated with the Burman Embassy in Washington; and Daniel Kim, Korean Baptist minister in Washington.

The National congregation read Ephesians 2:13,14 from the King James Version, and each of the nationals on the program read the same in his native tongue.

The Biblical passage says: "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us."

In harmony with the international flavor of the service the National choir sang in German Bach's "Jesu, Der Du Meine Seele."

The National church regularly conducts a Chinese Bible class as part of its Sunday school. In addition a Korean congregation meets in another part of the building each Sunday morning, and Latvian Baptists in Washington meet in the church once a month on Sunday afternoons for services conducted by A. Klaupiks. All of these groups participated in the international Lord's Supper service.

A portion of the National Baptist Memorial Church building was built by funds contributed by the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Convention to establish a memorial in the Nation's Capital dedicated to the cause of religious liberty. Each convention contributed \$175,000. The building was dedicated May 23, 1933, when both conventions met in Washington for their annual conventions.

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D. C. Baptists Deny Need  
For War Reparations

WASHINGTON--(BP)--With a sly grin M. Chandler Stith, executive secretary of the D. C. Baptist Convention, says that no need for war reparations claims exists in the Baptist churches of the District of Columbia. "And we hope that such a situation never arises," he added.

The denial came as a result of an editorial in the Baptist Standard of Texas in which it was reported that 70 Baptist churches in the District of Columbia had filed claims for war reparations. The editorial, entitled "FOAU Is Consistent," commended Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State for condemning war reparations claims from Baptist churches as well as Catholic churches. FOAU reproduced the editorial and gave it further circulation.

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Tracing down the source of the error it was discovered that a Baptist attorney in Washington represents 70 Baptist churches in the Philippines that have made claims for war reparations. In an apology to the D. C. Baptists the editor of the Baptist Standard expressed disapproval of the claims of the Philippine Baptists.

In his statement Stith pointed out that the City of Washington has been invaded only once and that was by the British during the war of 1812. Two Baptist churches then existed in the City, the First and Second churches. The building of the Second church was set on fire, but the congregation did not sue to recover as a result of war damage.

Columbian College, a Baptist institution at that time and now George Washington University, was occupied by the Government during the Civil War as a hospital for disabled troops. The buildings were put back in condition by the Government, but the college itself restored the grounds to good condition.

Commenting on the false report about the D. C. churches, Editor James O. Duncan of the Capital Baptist, says, "'Tis true we may show some battle scars caused by the rapid transit of people through our city, but we have never asked the Government for help."

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#### D. C. Baptists Plan For 83rd Annual Session

WASHINGTON--(BP)--Increased giving to missions, a full time editor and promotion person, a new Baptist home for elderly persons, and a survey committee report are in the offing for the Baptists of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention. M. Chandler Stith is the executive secretary.

At a pre-convention meeting of the D. C. convention's executive board a budget of \$259,376 for 1960 was approved for recommendation to the 83rd annual session of the convention that meets Nov. 16-17 at the Congress Heights Baptist Church. This is an increase of \$15,000 over the current budget.

Included in the recommendations is the proposal for a full time editor for the Capital Baptist, weekly publication of the convention, whose duties will also include promotion work under the direction of the executive secretary. James O. Duncan, pastor of the Hillandale Baptist Church, is now employed part time as the editor for the convention, but the work has developed to such an extent that a person is needed full time for editing and promoting.

The D. C. convention is now in a campaign to raise \$350,000 with which to begin building on a new \$1 million Baptist home for elderly persons. Other assets looking toward the completion of the project are available. The building will be of contemporary design, 3 stories and a basement, housing 60 guests in private rooms with individual lavatories. Complete facilities will be incorporated for the physical and spiritual care of the guests in the home.

The D. C. convention has a survey committee of 15 persons which is making a thorough study of the program and operation of the convention. This committee will report to the annual meeting of the convention.

Dually aligned with both the American Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, the D. C. convention divides the missionary contributions of its churches by deducting administration and promotion priority items and then dividing the remainder 70 per cent for the District of Columbia and 30 per cent for the two national conventions. The American Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention share equally in the 30 per cent portion. In addition the D. C. convention has a system of designations practiced by some of the churches whereby specific amounts are designated to the D. C. convention or the American convention or the Southern convention.

The D. C. convention reports 56 churches and six chapels, with a total membership of 34,431.

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Plans Advance For Monument  
To Christ In South Dakota

WASHINGTON--(BP)--A move for the erection of a "Christ On The Mountain" monument in the Black Hills National Forest in South Dakota has been given impetus by an action of the Bureau of Land Management of the Department of the Interior. The Bureau has withdrawn from all forms of appropriation 224.21 acres as the site for the monument.

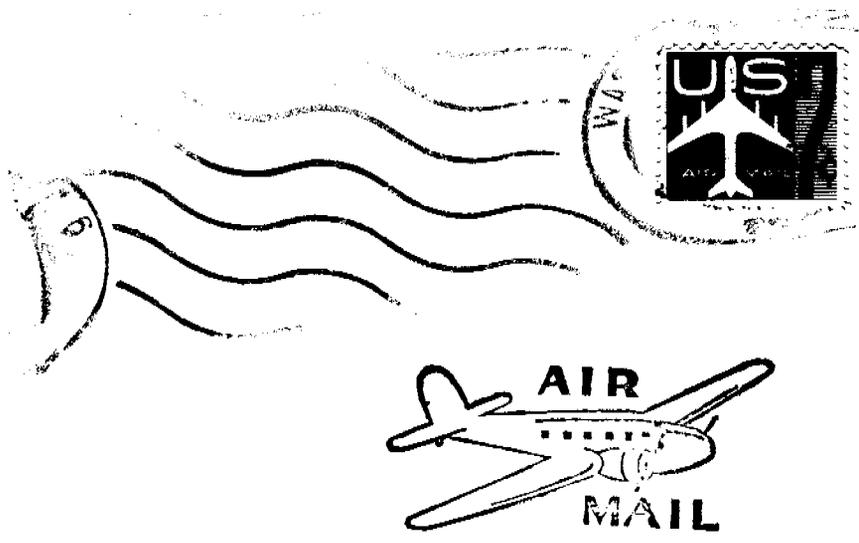
The movement for the erection of the "Christ On The Mountain" monument is headed by Sen. Francis Case (R., S.D.) and a private group in Spearfish, S. D. While on Government business in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, last year, Sen. Case saw the statue of "Christ the Redeemer" and upon his return thought that such a monument would be appropriate in America.

A non-sectarian venture, the statue of Christ will stand on a pedestal upon which will be engraved quotes from the Sermon on the Mount.

Private funds are being solicited for the venture. It is stated by Sen. Case's office that no Federal funds will be used.

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