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### Work With National Baptists Expands

MEMPHIS, Tenn.--(BP)--Southern Baptist work with National (Negro) Baptists will expand in 1961 into two states in addition to the 15 where they are now co-operating.

Victor Glass of Atlanta, Ga., associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's department of National Baptist work, made the announcement following the annual conference of workers here.

Guy Bellamy of Oklahoma City is director of the conference and secretary of the National Baptist department for the mission board.

During 1960 there were 68 workers employed in co-operation with Southern Baptist state conventions, schools, and with the National Baptist Conventions.

Glass said that funds have been appropriated for work in New Mexico and Kansas. Kindergarten work was started in 1960 in North Carolina, Louisiana, and Oklahoma, and extension classes were established in western and northeastern states.

The Memphis conference is an annual review of work, at which personnel explore new techniques, improvements of methods, and brief new personnel. This year 125 attended from 14 states.

Those at the conference viewed the first showing of the filmstrip, "Co-operating with National Baptists." The filmstrip was produced by the division of education and promotion of the Home Mission Board.

The reaction of National Baptist workers to the conference was summed up by Frederick L. Brown, Jackson, academic dean of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary, "This conference has stimulated my thinking on the nature and goals of missions. City and language missions will have great influence in winning and saving our cities for Christ and the cause of Christianity and establishing better human relationships."

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### Oklahoma To Transfer Nursing School Site

(12-14-60)

OKLAHOMA CITY--(BP)--Directors of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma voted here to transfer the school of nursing from Muskogee to Enid, Okla., or Oklahoma City.

It has been associated with Oklahoma Baptist Hospital at Muskogee. The Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma also operates hospitals in the other two cities.

Two other hospital matters occupied the board's time. It decided to consider accepting a new hospital. It also left to the hospital's governing board a decision about doctors' privileges at Baptist Memorial Hospital here.

The Muskogee 32-student nursing school, which has been in continuous operation since 1909, will probably be moved some time in 1961. It will become affiliated either with the Enid School of Nursing or the new local Baptist Memorial Hospital.

Robert S. Bazzell, administrator of the Muskogee institution, said the move became inevitable after the National League of Nursing placed a limitation of six months on the amount of time a nurse can spend in other hospitals while in training.

Students from Muskogee now spend nine months, a situation that could not be changed without considerable expansion of the hospital, Bazzell said. The hospital was the smallest in the state still operating a school.

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In other action, the board voted to expand the tabernacle at Falls Creek Baptist Assembly grounds in the Arbuckle Mountains, and to accept funds for a new chapel and music building. Possibility of a motel-type building is being checked by the Falls Creek committee.

Decision on the operation of a hospital which was offered to state Baptists in October rests with the committee on hospitals and golden age homes, given power to act by the board. The hospital, now under construction at Sayre, would bring to 11 the number operated by the state convention.

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New Orleans Receives  
M. E. Dodd Collection

(12-14-60)

NEW ORLEANS--(BP)--A selection of books, pamphlets, manuscripts, and letters of the late Dr. M. E. Dodd have been given to a Baptist seminary here.

The Dodd family are donors. Dr. Dodd, who died in 1952, was pastor of First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La. He was president of the Southern Baptist Convention for two years, 1934-35.

He also was a trustee of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, to whom the collection has been given. The family will present private papers, sermon outlines, and other manuscripts later.

Miss Nelle Davidson, seminary librarian, said the collection has important historical value since it portrays the life of the seminary. The papers show how the seminary developed, as seen by Dr. Dodd and his associates.

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Katherine Bryan New  
Associate For Girls

(12-14-60)

BIRMINGHAM--(BP)--Miss Katherine Bryan has been elected promotion associate in the Girls' Auxiliary department of Woman's Missionary Union here. The announcement was made by Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention auxiliary.

Miss Bryan will join the Birmingham staff in May, 1961, after receiving a master of religious education degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.

A native of Nashville, Tenn., Miss Bryan graduated from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn. She served as field worker for the state Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee for two years prior to entering the seminary.

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Alabama Authorizes  
Larger Building Fund

(12-14-60)

MONTGOMERY--(BP)--The executive board of Alabama Baptist State Convention has authorized more money for its office building fund.

It voted to put aside another \$180,000 for the new building here, bringing the total to \$657,000. The new building, scheduled to go up within two years, will house state convention office staff.

Cost of the building will be about \$800,000, according to A. W. Reid, Montgomery, Alabama Baptist executive secretary. He said the building will be paid for by the time it's completed.

The board paid tribute to Collis Cunningham of Montgomery who was to retire Dec. 31 as secretary of the department of work with Negro Baptists. Cunningham has been with the convention staff for 15 years, including time served as an associational missionary.

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