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Camping Experts Aid
Baptist Woman's Group

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.--(BP)--Suitable campsites and trained personnel were two major needs expressed by state Woman's Missionary Union youth leaders during a camping workshop here.

Meeting at Convention-wide W M U headquarters, the 43 Girls' Auxiliary, Young Woman's Auxiliary, and Sunbeam Band directors evaluated their present camping procedure and asked three experts to help them with future planning.

Mrs. Ladd Davies, Little Rock, Ark.; Woodrow Smith, Mablevale, Ark., minister, and Frank Black, Memphis, Tenn., were the three authorities on camping.

Mrs. Davies is former executive secretary for Little Rock Council of Girl Scouts of America. She has been active in W M U camp programs and participated in the White House Conference on Children and Youth last year.

Smith, pastor of the Mabelvale Methodist Church, is recognized by his denomination in the field of senior high camping. He attended the National Council of Churches training camp and is leadership training chairman for the tri-state section of the American Camping Association.

Black is assistant Royal Ambassador secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood Commission. He is president of tri-state section of American Camping Association and instructor of instructors for American Camping Association campcraft training program.

"Good counselors are a camp's most important equipment," Mrs. Davies said. In discussing the camp program she reminded directors, "The program is everything that happens to a child in camp. It is not something that is 'put on.'"

Keeping in mind the missionary emphasis in W M U camp, Mrs. Davies urged leaders to make fuller use of their missionary guests at camp. She stated that through camping skills and nature study the camper can identify more fully with the missionary's country.

In talking about spiritual values of camping, Smith told the group that these values cannot be measured in one day or one week at camp. The experiences gained by campers continue to enrich lives through years to come.

Black, who is author of "Royal Ambassador Campcraft," conducted the session on camp skills. He presented ways camp directors could use inexpensive and free materials to have meaningful and educational craft periods.

In evaluating the conference the youth directors indicated a trend toward decentralized camping and a less regimented schedule. They were unanimous in stating that missionary education will continue to be the central emphasis of all W M U camps.

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Folks & facts.....

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.....A program leading to a master of music education will be started this fall at Ouachita Baptist College, Ralph E. Kirkman, director of graduate studies, announced at Arkadelphia, Ark. "The program will be of major interest to public music teachers of both band and choir," he stressed. (BP)

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Baltimore Carver Also
Distinguished Servant

BALTIMORE--(BP)--The late great Professor W. O. Carver of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary has a brother of distinction living in Baltimore.

David J. Carver, 85, a layman with an earned doctorate, is a scholar, churchman, expert on Chinese art, philanthropist, and successful businessman.

Born in Hermitage, Tenn., Carver earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at Richmond College, Virginia, then went to China to teach in a government school. This led to a career as an importer of Chinese art. It also led to a life-long humanitarian interest in the Chinese people.

As a result Dr. Carver has created a scholarship fund at Baptist-related University of Richmond, with preference to Chinese students; he has given a gift to Hong Kong College, and he has created a scholarship fund at Johns Hopkins Medical School here.

Dr. Carver has been a member of the Eutaw Place Baptist Church, Baltimore, for 40 years, where he has taken a leading interest in the Chinese Sunday school operated by the church.

A notable event in Carver's life is that as a youth Carver served as a model for the "dying Confederate soldier" in one of Baltimore's Confederate monuments. The monument is a prominent landmark in the city today.

Carver was then a student at Johns Hopkins University, where he earned his doctor's degree in psychology.

The Baltimorean has a nephew and a niece, both children of the late W. O. Carver, who are in Baptist work. George A. Carver is on the staff of Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. W. Maxfield (Dorothy Carver) Garrott has been a missionary to Japan for 20 years.

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Convention Music
Performers Named

(1-20-61)

ST. LOUIS--(BP)--Earl Miller of Wayland College, Plainview, Tex., will serve as organist for the 1961 Southern Baptist Convention here. David P. Appleby of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, will be pianist.

They were appointed by W. H. Souther of New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary, director of music for Convention sessions.

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Vinegar Bend's Words
To Conference Sweet

(1-20-61)

DEDALIA, Mo.--(BP)--A world champion spoke to preachers attending the Missouri Baptist Evangelistic Conference here.

Wilmer (Vinegar Bend) Mizell, pitcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates baseball team, made a hit. Mizelle, a deacon in Florissant Baptist Church, near St. Louis, attracted not only the ministers but their junior-age boys, anxious to hear him and get his autograph.

Among those in line afterward for an autograph was Earl O. Harding of Jefferson City, executive secretary of Missouri Baptist Convention. Harding's 11-year-old son had extracted a promise from his dad that he'd bring back Mizell's signature.

The pitcher told his audience how to locate his home town of Vinegar Bend, Ala., near the Mississippi line. Then he gave them pointers on finding through Christ the way to eternal life.

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Baptist Honored
In College Choice

DENVER, Colo.--(BP)--For the second time in four years, a Southern Baptist college president has been honored with a top office in the Association of American Colleges.

At its session here, the association elected George M. Modlin of the University of Richmond as vice-president. The University of Richmond is an institution of the Baptist General Association of Virginia.

Under the practice of the Association of American Colleges, the vice-president becomes the association's president the following year.

For the past six years, Modlin served as treasurer of the association.

J. Ollie Edmunds, president of Baptist-related Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., served as president of the association two years ago.

The association includes over 1200 colleges, both state and private. The schools of many denominations are members also. Belmont College, Nashville, a Tennessee Baptist college, was admitted as a new member this year.

The association is not an accrediting organization but is a fellowship and study group of educators.

Nineteen Baptist educators had an informal meeting during their time here. Evan A. Reiff, president of the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools, presided. He is president of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex.

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Columbia Hospital Asks
\$5 Million Addition

(1-20-61)

COLUMBIA, S. C.--(BP)--Plans for a \$5 million addition to the South Carolina Baptist Hospital's Columbia plant were laid before the general board of the South Carolina Baptist Convention here.

The 226-bed addition would replace two old units and add 101 beds to the overall capacity of the 310-bed hospital.

State Baptists will be asked to supply roughly 50 per cent of the cost. The balance will be sought from foundations and private donors.

Final authorization of the project will be sought at the Fall meeting of the general board.

Meanwhile, hospital authorities have been given permission to employ an architect and develop specifications and a definite proposal for financing the project.

Charles F. Sims, general secretary-treasurer of the general board, reported a 3.5 per cent increase in state Cooperative Program receipts for 1960 compared with 1959.

A committee was appointed to nominate a successor for Sims who plans to retire after this year.

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Baylor Hikes Tuition, Slates Admission Tests

WACO, Tex.--(BP)--Baylor University trustees have approved a three-point policy change aimed at improving the scholastic quality of the world's largest Baptist university.

The trustees (1) raised Baylor's tuition rate from \$16.50 to \$20 per semester hour, (2) tightened admission rules to accept only high school graduates ranking in the top half of their graduating class who can pass an admission test, and (3) cut the number of available scholarships setting up a new "merit and need" standard.

The action was in keeping with a trend among institutions of higher learning concerned with boosting academic standards, the trustees said.

The tuition hike will raise average costs of \$495 a year to \$600 per year. The increase will be effective in September of 1961.

Baylor surveyed tuition at other private universities and reported that the current tuition rate is the lowest in its class size.

"Even this increase leaves us in the same tuition class as similar schools," said Roy J. McKnight, Baylor's financial vice-president. "We understand some of them are contemplating increases, and the comparison is using their present rate," he said.

The trustees cited as reasons for the policy changes: extreme mushrooming of education costs, and increasing competition for academic excellence between denominational schools and state-supported schools.

The admissions tests, which become effective in September of 1961, will be designed to improve the quality of students enrolled in the school.

Other Baptist schools in Texas may adopt similar admissions tests within the next few years, some observers said.

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Seminary Slates Church Administration Meeting

(1-20-61)

FORT WORTH--(BP)--Problems which confront church administrators will be analyzed and their solutions sought at the Church Administration Conference at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, March 6-8.

Sponsored by the Seminary's church administration department, the Conference will feature church administration leaders from throughout the Southern Baptist Convention and Southwestern Seminary faculty members.

The group will delve into such topics as "Psychological Factors in the Administrative Process," "Deacons: Ministers and Administrators," "A Theology of Church Administration," "The Church Office: the Administration and Public Relations Center," and related subjects.

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Program personnel include James Landes, president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and Wichita Falls, Tex., pastor; Robert Naylor of Fort Worth, Southwestern Seminary president; Gomer R. Lesch, public relations consultant for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board; Merrill D. Moore executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Stewardship Commission; W. L. Howse, secretary of the education division, Baptist Sunday School Board, all of Nashville, and others.

The sessions will be held in Price Hall on the Seminary campus.

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Looney To Represent
Annuity Board In West

(1-20-61)

DALLAS--(BP)--Floyd Looney, editor of the California Southern Baptist, has been named field representative for the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in six western states.

He will direct the Annuity Board's program of education and promotion of Baptist retirement plans in the state conventions of Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Washington and Oregon.

Looney will assume his new duties Feb. 15, said Floyd B. Chaffin, associate secretary of the Annuity Board.

He was elected editor of the California Baptist paper in 1944. During his term as editor, the paper grew from an eight-page monthly with a circulation of less than 1,000 to a 12-page weekly with a circulation of 23,000.

Looney has been vice president and field representative of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, historical secretary for California Baptists, and served for six years on the Southern Baptist Convention's Historical Commission.

Born in 1906 in Broad Camp, Ark., Looney was licensed to preach at the age of 16. He attended Mount Ida Baptist Academy in Mt. Ida, Ark., and Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla.

For 14 years, he served as a Baptist pastor and missionary in Oklahoma. He organized the first Southern Baptist Church in Tulare, Calif., in 1943.

Looney is the author of a book and served as president of the Southern Baptist Press Association in 1958. He is currently a member of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

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Folks & facts.....

.....John Newport, professor of philosophy of religion at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, has been named speaker of commencement exercises at Texas A&M College, College Station, Tex., Newport is a former interim pastor of the First Baptist Church, College Station. (BP)

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Texas Honors Baptist
Juvenile Leader

HOUSTON--(BP)--Texas Governor Price Daniel has given honorary Texas citizenship to a Southern Baptist juvenile leader for his contributions to the state.

Honored was J. V. James of Atlanta, who has led in establishing juvenile rehabilitation work in more than 30 cities of the nation. James is assistant secretary of the city missions department for the denomination's Home Mission Board.

The presentation was made in Dallas while James was taking part on a juvenile work clinic for Texas Baptists. Texas has juvenile rehabilitation programs in Houston, Fort Worth, and Dallas. San Antonio is expected to start a program soon.

Charles W. Hawkes, juvenile worker for Houston and an officer of the denomination's organization of juvenile rehabilitation workers, wrote to officials of the Mission Board concerning James.

"James has made a most valuable contribution to our program to which we are eternally grateful," Hawkes wrote. "We do so appreciate the fine way in which he has given of himself so unselfishly to this program."

Last year James announced the employment of the first worker to direct juvenile rehabilitation for a state, Lincoln Newman in Mississippi. He also announced that four cities are starting new programs.

The juvenile workers, located in metropolitan areas, enlist sponsors in local churches for children who are in trouble, especially those who have been brought to court. The sponsor gives guidance to the child, ministers to the spiritual needs of the family, and seeks to enlist the entire family in a church program.

James has directed juvenile rehabilitation for four years, and was previously superintendent of city missions for Columbus, Ga.

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Baylor, Howard Payne
Slate Summer Programs

(1-20-61)

By the Baptist Press

Two Texas Baptist colleges have announced plans for summer institutes of science and mathematics for high school teachers.

Baylor University, Waco, Tex., will hold its annual summer institute for high school science teachers June 26--Aug. 19.

Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Tex., has been awarded a \$48,200 grant from the National Science Foundation to conduct the fourth annual summer science and mathematics institute scheduled June 6--July 14.

Fifty high school teachers are expected to attend the Howard Payne institut , to be directed by Leonard Daniel, chairman of the Howard Payne division of science and mathematics.

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Texas Movement Adds
676 Churches--Missions

(1-20-61)

DALLAS--(BP)--A total of 676 Baptist churches and missions have been organized in Texas since the Southern Baptist 30,000 Movement was begun in 1956.

The total is an estimated six percent of the number of new churches and missions established throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. By mid-year of 1960, 10,252 new churches and missions were organized, but the final figures for 1960 had not yet been tabulated.

During the past year, 66 new churches and 53 new missions were organized in Texas.

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Baptist Radio Show
Coverage Increased

FORT WORTH--(BP)--Four out of the nation's five largest population areas are now receiving the Southern Baptist Convention's radio show, "MasterControl".

A 50,000 watt radio station in New York City, WCBS, flagship station of the Columbia Broadcasting System, joined 180 other stations carrying the program recently.

"MasterControl"* is carried on stations in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Philadelphia. The program is produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth.

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Baptists To Continue
Italian Radio Program

(1-20-61)

FORT WORTH--(BP)--The Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission is continuing an Italian language radio broadcast even though the program's principal speaker has gone to Brazil as a Baptist missionary.

Things looked bleak for "Buona Novella," a 30-minute religious broadcast in Italian, when the program's preacher, Amelio Giannetta left the country to go to Brazil.

Giannetta, who was born in Italy and educated in the United States, left a backlog of tape-recorded messages for use on the program, carried presently on only one station in San Francisco.

The Radio-TV Commission, however, has decided to continue the program and has requested Giannetta to record other messages in Brazil.

Theodore Lott, radio consultant for the Baptist Radio-TV Commission, said that prospects of scheduling the program for broadcasting among 84 stations that currently carry Italian programs looks "encouraging."

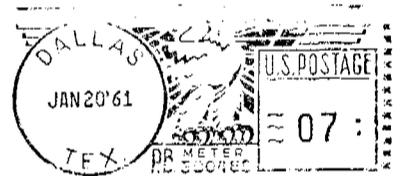
The Commission has added Lino Bartoli, violin and Italian instructor at Baylor University, Waco Tex., as announcer for "Buona Novella," which means "Good News" in English.

Music for the program comes from a choir of students and faculty members at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif. Mrs. Ornie Sufferns of the Golden Gate faculty is music director for the program.

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