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INTER-RACIAL STUDENT GROUP TO
BROADEN ORGANIZATION SCOPE

LOUISVILLE, Ky.--(BP)--The Convention-wide Conference of Baptist Theological Students will strive for more effective operation and set up a permanent office in the Baptist Fellowship Center in Louisville. Action was taken at the ninth annual meeting of the group in session at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary early this spring. The group also voted to change the name of the organization to the Fellowship of Baptist Theological Students.

John Harris, a second-year student at Southern Seminary, was elected executive director. Harris succeeds Victor T. Glass, dean, American Baptist Theological Seminary, Nashville, Tenn., who served as chairman of the steering committee of the Conference.

The 1955 meeting was set for March 23-24 at the American Baptist Seminary, Nashville, Tenn.

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LEAVE WHITE SHOES AT HOME
WHEN GOING TO SBC IN JUNE

ST. LOUIS, Mo.--(BP)--Men, leave your white shoes and panama hats at home when you go to St. Louis for the Southern Baptist Convention, else many a native will see you and say, "Look, there goes another man from the South." This is the warning of James T. Shirley, chairman of the local publicity committee for the Convention. He says that white shoes and straw hats are not worn much in St. Louis in early June.

About the only thing that you can be sure of as far as the weather is concerned is that it will be mild, about 70 degrees, with the nights somewhat cooler. Shirley suggests that you bring lightweight clothes and a raincoat. It rains about seven days out of each June and it just might be the seven days that the Convention is in session.

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DOCTOR, LAWYER, MERCHANT-CHIEF
SCHEDULED FOR BROTHERHOOD MEET

MEMPHIS, Tenn.--(BP)--A doctor, a ^{lawyer} lawyer, and a merchant-chief will help make up the Convention-wide Brotherhood-Foreign Mission Conference of Southern Baptists in Glorieta, N. Mex., July 1-7, 1954.

S. B. Platt, physician of Columbus, Miss., who studied for medical missions as a young man, will speak at a joint conference on the subjects "Men Who Dare" and "Men Can Witness." He spoke at the European Laymen's Conference held in Zurich, Switzerland in 1952.

Another equally popular speaker on the program is Zollie C. Steakley, Austin, Tex., attorney, Sunday school teacher, civic leader, and lay-leader in his church. This lawyer has served as Assistant Attorney General of Texas.

The merchant-chief scheduled on program is a businessman from Shawnee, Okla. He is engaged in a variety of businesses including a specialty house, land developing, and building contracting. He will fly to Glorieta in his own plane for his part on the conference program.

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NURSERY AVAILABLE
AT SBC IN ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS, La.--(BP)--Mothers, if you were wondering how and where your babies, three years old and younger, would be entertained while you attend sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, May 31-June 5, your worries are over. There will be a 100-bed nursery for them at the Convention. Ladies from St. Louis's Baptist churches will be in charge and there will not be a fee. However, you will have to make provisions for any food for the children while they are in the nursery.

Baby sitters can be employed from an organization in St. Louis to care for the older children. The fee varies from 75¢ to \$1.25 per hour.

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TEXAS CHURCH HELPS
CALIFORNIA COLLEGE

EL MONTE, Calif.--(BP)--Feeling that the pastors as well as the people of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California are making great sacrifices for California Baptist College, First Baptist Church, Vernon, Tex., gave \$2,500 to the college. E. S. James, pastor of the Texas church, after a recent visit to the college said, "I came home with the definite conviction that Southern Baptists have done right in entering that field. I came away feeling that the pastors as well as the people are making great sacrifices that God's kingdom may prosper in that state."

California Baptist College has an option on a building site near Los Angeles and is now in a campaign to raise \$100,000.

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AMERICAN BAPTISTS SCHEDULE
THEOLOGICAL MEET FOR SUMMER

GREEN LAKE, Wis.--(BP)--The need to "know what we believe" expressed by pastors, educators, and laymen alike prompted American Baptists in 1950 to vote to ask the Board of Education to arrange for a conference for the purpose of making "a more profound study of the historic doctrines of the Christian faith and the nature of our Baptist witness."

Plans for the conference to be held at the American Baptist Assembly, Green Lake, Wis., June 25-July 3, 1954, were announced recently by Wilbour E. Saunders, chairman of the Central Planning Committee.

"The purpose of the conference is to encourage studies and discussions of theological thought among Baptists for the enrichment of the faith and for the clarification of the distinctive heritage of Baptists," Saunders said.

Edwin T. Dahlberg, St. Louis, Mo., was selected to be the presiding officer. At the conference each paper will be scrutinized by a group of twenty and then by the entire group. At the end the papers will be reconstructed on the basis of the critical evaluation. The resultant documents will not be an "official" view of the American Baptist Convention, but will represent the careful thinking of 100 leading American Baptist scholars.

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PEOPLE AND THINGS :

.....Wade B. East, superintendent, Baptist Children's Home, Carmi, Ill., is the new president of the Carmi Rotary Club.

.....A western regional conference for Southern Baptist chaplains will be held at Golden Gate Seminary, Berkeley, Calif., May 4-5-6.

.....H. A. Zimmerman, formerly of Napa, Calif., has gone to North Pole, Alaska, (yes, North Pole is right) to serve as pastor of the First Baptist Church there.

.....Henry S. Bowling, technical engineer, Radio Commission, Atlanta, Ga., is now a member of the Board of Review of the Ampex Corporation, Redwood City, Calif. He will help pre-test new Ampex audio products.

.....A contract was signed with Family Films, Inc., Hollywood, Calif., for the first dramatic television film to be produced for the Radio Commission.

.....Robert L. Lee, assistant executive secretary of Louisiana Baptists, injured in an automobile wreck last November, is home from the hospital for a few days. He will return for bone surgery later in the spring.

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