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Baptist Schools Miss  
National Finals Play

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)--Southern Baptist schools ran into some pairing difficulties and some hot shooting rivals in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics basketball tournament here. Out of five Baptist schools in the 32-team field, only one lasted as far as the quarter-finals.

Carson-Newman College of Jefferson City, Tenn., which tripped up Georgetown College of Kentucky, another Southern Baptist school in the opening round, succumbed in the quarter-finals to Western Illinois which shot a blistering 51 per cent from the field to roll up an easy 91 to 65 victory.

Georgetown had been a finalist last year.

The other three Baptist schools were Ouachita Baptist College of Arkadelphia, Ark., William Jewell College of Liberty, Mo., and Stetson University of DeLand, Fla.

Ouachita's fate was determined early when it bowed out in the first game of the tournament. Carrying a 15-13 won-lost record into the event, Ouachita tangled with Morris Harvey of West Virginia and came out second best by a one-sided margin, 95 to 70.

Some Baptist school had to lose in the final game of the opening night when Georgetown College, finalist last year and seeded No. 3, ran into a sister Baptist college, Carson-Newman, and was beaten 75 to 51.

William Jewell, almost playing in its own backyard, handled Central Connecticut, 57 to 52, in a game featured by cold shooting from both sides. The only difference was that the Easterners were colder from the floor than were the Cardinals.

The fifth Baptist team also met an early fate when Stetson fell to Orange State of Fullerton, Calif., 94 to 75.

In the second round, William Jewell ran into powerful Westminster, Pa., which prevailed by a convincing 82 to 65 margin. The Titans were top seeded in the tournament and rated the No. 1 small college team in the nation by the Associated Press.

Carson-Newman survived the second round by edging out, 67 to 65, Peru State of Nebraska. An ironic feature was that the winning basket was scored while coaches were frantically signalling from the sideline for the players to call time out.

This left only Carson-Newman carrying the Baptist honors in the round of eight quarter-finalists. Tournament-wise Western Illinois' Leathernecks have been in six national tournaments here and were seeded No. 7 for the tourney.

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New Association  
For New England

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BOSTON (BP)--A new district association of Southern Baptist churches and missions in New England will be organized at a meeting here May 19.

This was announced by Elmer Sizemore, New York City, area missionary for the Northeastern Baptist Association.

All of the churches and missions expected to affiliate with the new association are now affiliated with the Northeastern Association.

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The new association is expected to begin with six churches and 13 missions. Two of these missions are not now in being but will be started before May 19, Sizemore said.

The congregations expected to affiliate are located in Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. One church on the northeastern edge of New York state may join also.

Southern Baptist work in New England began with a mission at Portsmouth, N. H., in the fall of 1958. It was later constituted as Screven Memorial Baptist Church.

The second work was at Springfield, Mass., and it became Emmanuel Baptist Church.

A. B. Cash, Atlanta, secretary of pioneer missions of the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board, had a part in the beginning of these missions that later became churches.

The organizational meeting will be held at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, Boston. Cash and Roy D. Gresham, Baltimore, executive secretary of the Baptist Convention of Maryland, are to be principal speakers. The churches and missions of the proposed new group are all affiliated with the Maryland convention.

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2 Named To Assist  
At Carver Conference

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LOUISVILLE (BP)--A Virginia Baptist associational leader and a Washington, D. C., minister have accepted places on the program of the Church and Social Work Conference here.

The conference will meet at Carver School of Missions and Social Work, an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention. The dates: April 9-11.

Paul E. Crandall, executive secretary, Richmond Baptist Association will speak on "The Changing Profile of City Missions." S. Lewis Morgan Jr., pastor of Petworth-Montgomery Hills Baptist Church in the Capital, will lead a conference of pastors.

Theme of the conference is "New Dimensions in Christian Service."

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