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AID OF CHURCHES SOUGHT FOR NEGRO TRAINING CENTER

ATLANTA, Ga.--(BP)--Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has written pastors of all Convention churches urging their cooperation in the sale of Booker T. Washington Memorial half dollars.

Dr. Newton, pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church here, cites in his letter a resolution adopted recently by the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee endorsing the establishment of the Booker Washington Memorial in Virginia "to perpetuate the ideals and teachings" of the Negro educator.

The Memorial will serve as headquarters for a national program of trade and industrial training for Negroes of low educational status. It is being financed by sale of the memorial half-dollar for \$1, the premium going into the Memorial.

"It is my opinion that giving support to this program will not only be an evidence of Christian charity but it will be a means of building inter-racial good will," Dr. Newton wrote in the letter addressed to 25,500 Baptist ministers. "Then, too, using this opportunity to help our colored brethren to help themselves will mean a great deal to the well-being of our Southland and will prove to those of other sections that we are interested in their welfare."

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"WE SOUTHERN BAPTISTS" IS NEW VOLUME BY DR. DILLARD

NASHVILLE, Tenn. --(BP)--"We Southern Baptists," a valuable handbook detailing Baptist origin, history, and doctrines and the present program and future plans of Southern Baptists, has just been published by the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

The 64-page book is written by Dr. J. E. Dillard, who retired last summer after 11 years as director of promotion for the Executive Committee. He has served as pastor and denominational worker for 50 years.

"The book deals with the various phases of Southern Baptist life in such a comprehensive way as to deserve the study of every pastor and every other leader of the churches of the denomination," wrote Dr. Duke K. McCall in the foreword. "At the same time, the treatment is simple, readable, and understandable enough for this information to be placed in the hands of every new member of the churches."

The volume may be purchased through Baptist Book Stores at 35 cents.

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CONVENTION MESSENGERS
SECURE CARDS IN ADVANCE

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Messengers who will attend the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, May 19-23, should secure registration cards in advance from the secretary of their state Baptist convention, Dr. Joe W. Burton, secretary of the Southern Convention announced.

Burton said that "only those persons duly elected by churches cooperating in the work of the Southern Baptist Convention and who are properly certified as messengers can be received as messengers to the Convention."

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LONG-TIME SBC WORKER DIES

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Miss Edwina Wenz died April 19 after more than 25 years continuous service to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Miss Wenz was first employed June 22, 1922, as secretary to Mr. Frank E. Burkhalter in the Seventy-Five Million Campaign. Then with the organization of the Executive Committee she became secretary to Dr. Austin Crouch, where she served until her death.

Funeral services were conducted in Nashville April 20 with Dr. Duke K. McCall officiating.

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BAPTIST SERVICE HAS MOST LISTENERS

MEMPHIS, Tenn.--(BP)--The 11 a.m. preaching hour of the First Baptist Church of Memphis, where Dr. R. Paul Caudill is pastor, has the highest Hooper rating of any 11 a.m. Sunday program carried by Memphis' eight radio stations.

Announcement of the Hooper rating rank was made by the manager of WMPS, the station carrying the regular Sunday morning sermon by Dr. Caudill. He said that over a five month period, October 1947 through February 1948, the Baptist service had a rating of 6.5, and that the next highest ranking program rated 4.4.

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