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Indiana Board Calls  
New Area Missionary

INDIANAPOLIS (BP)--Thomas E. Sykes of Marion, Ind., has been called to serve as missionary to the east central Indiana area for the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana.

Sykes was elected at the convention executive board meeting here. His election must be confirmed by the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board, which jointly maintains the area missionary.

Sykes is the pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Marion. No date of change was reported.

The executive board also set a five-year program of advance. One goal is to have 368 churches by 1968. This means doubling the present number of churches. The latest count showed 188 churches cooperating with the Indiana convention.

Executive Secretary E. Harmon Moore told the board the convention's 1963 Cooperative Program budget goal was exceeded by \$544. The goal was \$153,000. It was passed on Dec. 31, the final day of the budget and calendar year.

Cooperative Program receipts for 1962 totaled \$137,454, Moore said, making a comparison.

Board members observed the convention board's new building here, recently dedicated. It has 12,000 square feet and is located near an expressway. The former offices were at Plainfield, a community east of Indianapolis.

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Evangelists Announce  
Atlantic City Meeting

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By the Baptist Press

The conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists has announced its ninth annual meeting will be held May 20 in Atlantic City, N. J., prior to opening of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The place is the Holiday Room of Midtown Motor Inn. The hours are 7 to 9:30 a.m. Robert G. Lee of Memphis is president. Lee, former SBC president, and Wayne Dehoney, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn., will bring the two messages of the morning.

Breakfast will be served during the meeting. While the meeting is primarily for those who are in full time in evangelistic work as preachers or singers, the conference has invited Baptist pastors to attend.

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Segler Recuperates  
From Heart Attack

(2-29-64)

FORT WORTH (BP)--Franklin M. Segler, professor of pastoral ministry at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here, has returned home from the hospital, where he spent four weeks after suffering a heart attack. Physicians report he is making "excellent progress."

Before coming to Southwestern Seminary in 1951, Segler was pastor of Baptist churches in Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana. He is author of a new book, *The Christian Layman*, scheduled for release in March by Broadman Press.

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Eddleman Says Camp  
Property Under Study

NEW ORLEANS (BP)--Trustees of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary discussed here actions to recondition buildings on the campus, or to relocate the seminary.

Seminary officials have been authorized to talk with the New Orleans Levee Board about the future disposition of an Army camp on Lake Pontchartrain, two miles north of the present seminary site on Gentilly Rd. The Levee Board controls the property.

The Army is expected to vacate the camp in the summer.

"Camp Leroy Johnson is still under consideration as a possible live option," Seminary President H. Leo Eddleman reported after the annual trustee meeting.

The trustee meeting came a week after the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention drafted a capital needs budget which includes \$1.6 million to recondition the campus or to finance relocation of the seminary. The budget is subject to SBC approval.

The Executive Committee reported relocation of the seminary was not up to the Committee but was an action for the trustees to decide on. The seminary had asked the Executive Committee for \$5 million to build a new campus, or \$3.6 million for reconditioning.

The Camp Leroy Johnson site covers about 155 acres. The present seminary site occupies 75 acres.

Trustees also elected officers, adopted a record budget, promoted one professor and approved sabbatical leaves.

J. Thomas Gurney, Orlando, Fla., was elected president of the trustees, succeeding T. Odus Winn, New Orleans, whose term on the board expires at the time of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in May. Gurney was previously vice-president.

A total of \$1,264,000, which tops the current budget by \$147,500, was voted for the 1964-65 fiscal year.

Claude L. Howe of the church history department was promoted from assistant to associate professor. Professors granted sabbatical leaves for 1964-65 are Thomas J. Delaughter and R. E. Glaze, school of theology; Miss Margaret Leverett, school of religious education, and Genter L. Stephens, school of church music.

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Christians Lack Faith  
Of Communists: Judd

(2-29-64)

WACO, Tex. (BP)--Christians don't care as passionately about their faith as do the Communists, said former Minnesota Congressman Walter H. Judd in a lecture at Baylor University (Baptist) here.

"Communism is a faith," Judd said. "The conflict between Christianity and communism is a conflict between two sets of values, two philosophies of life, and two faiths."

Speaking at the W. R. White lecture series, Judd chided Christians in America because they "are not trying to change the world, but just to enjoy it...They don't really want peace, but only to live in peace."

A former Methodist medical missionary to China, Judd said Christians in America need to recapture their faith and rediscover their principles.

"We are to 'seek ye first the kingdom of God' and not seek first peace, prosperity, security or democracy," Judd said. "The latter things are by-products. We are to seek first God's right relations," he said.

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The former Congressman and missionary compared the conflict between America and communism to a football game, stating that America is too interested in promoting better public relations between the teams, while the Communists are more interested in winning the ball game.

Judd emphasized America was founded by men who believed in God as the Creator who endowed men with certain rights. But the Communists say there is no God---no creator.

"We call their tactics devious and deceptive, but from their point of view, their tactics are proper," he said.

About 1,000 Baylor students attended.

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1964 State Budgets  
Total \$58,814,778

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By the Baptist Press

If state Baptist conventions meet their Cooperative Program budget goals for the fiscal year 1964, they will receive from cooperating churches \$58,814,778.

The states would keep \$36,570,370 to support colleges, children's homes, hospitals, state missions and other work carried out within each individual state.

Another \$1,453,667 would be "preferred items," generally used as promotion funds in the five states having these items in their budgets. There are 28 state conventions.

John H. Williams of Nashville, who compiled these figures from a survey of state convention offices, said the Southern Baptist Convention agencies' share of Cooperative Program funds for 1964 would be a record \$20,790,741, if all budgets in the states were reached.

Williams is financial planning secretary for the SBC Executive Committee.

The SBC Cooperative Program budget for 1964 (the calendar year and fiscal year for the SBC are the same) is \$19,187,355 to meet operating and capital needs. Some capital needs carried over from 1963 would have to be completed also.

However, SBC leaders expect to have \$750,000 to one million dollars during 1964 to distribute as advance funds to home and foreign missions. The advance funds are all receipts after the \$19,187,355 is collected. The advance is a sort of bonus for foreign missions, which get 75 per cent, and for home missions, which get 25 per cent of advance funds.

The fiscal years coincide with the calendar years in some states.

In others, the 1964 fiscal year began as early as September or October, 1963. The \$58.8 million total is based on the fiscal years of the states reporting.

Williams' survey showed Florida, Oklahoma, Georgia, South Carolina and Maryland to be sharing the heaviest percentage of their Cooperative Program receipts with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Florida and Oklahoma both divide their collections 58 per cent for the state and 42 per cent for the Southern Baptist Convention. Georgia and South Carolina divide theirs 50-50, but first subtract "preferred items" of promotion. Still, 40 per cent of more of Georgia's and South Carolina's receipts are forwarded to the SBC when you compare the SBC allocation against the total year's budget. Maryland has a 60-40 distribution, weighted in favor of state causes.

Smallest percentages are shared by Kansas and Colorado. Kansas operates on a 86.6 per cent, 13.4 per cent distribution. Colorado forwards 15 per cent to the SBC.

Slightly more than one-third of the \$58.8 million total for all 28 states goes to the Southern Baptist Convention.

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Mrs. Gresham Dies  
At 48 Of Cancer

BALTIMORE (BP)--Nearly three years ago, Mrs. Roy D. Gresham underwent the first of several operations which she hoped would cure the cancer the doctors diagnosed.

Despite her valiant fight, the wife of the executive secretary of Maryland Baptists died in a hospital here Feb. 28. She was 48 years old.

For several months before her death, Mrs. Gresham was under heavy sedation as her suffering grew increasingly intense. Despite it, she was conscious and peaceful to the time of death.

Funeral services were held both in Baltimore and in her native home of Greenville, S. C., where she was born Virginia Gertrude Jones. G. W. Bullard, pastor of Gregory Memorial Baptist Church, officiated at both services. Men of the convention staff were pallbearers.

She is survived by her husband, executive secretary of the Baptist Convention of Maryland; three daughters ages 19, 13 and 10; her father, Guy W. Jones of Greenville, and three brothers and three sisters, all living in South Carolina.

Because of the family's deep concern for the establishment of a Baptist two-year college in Maryland, the family has requested that instead of flowers donations be made to the Maryland Baptist College fund.

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Baylor Medical College  
Dedicates 4 Buildings

(2-29-64)

HOUSTON (BP)--Baylor University college of medicine here dedicated four new nine-story research buildings valued at more than \$8.5 million.

The four new buildings, all completed within the last six months, are the M. D. Anderson basic science research building, the Jesse H. Jones building for clinical research, the Rayzor student-faculty center, and the Jewish Institute for medical research.

The new research buildings were built with gifts from the M. D. Anderson Foundation; the Houston Endowment, Inc.; the J. Newton Rayzor family; the Eyes of Texas, Inc., Sight Foundation; Health research facilities branch of the National Institute of Health, and individual contributions from the Jewish people of Houston.

In a dedication banquet as part of the ceremonies, Boisfeuillet Jones, special assistant to the U. S. secretary of health, education and welfare, praised individual and private foundations for supporting the new research centers.

More than 500 dignitaries attended the dedication ceremonies at the college's auditorium. The dedicatory address was brought by Lowell T. Coggeshall, vice president in charge of medical affairs at the University of Chicago.

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Dehoney To Preach  
On Radio Network

(2-29-64)

FORT WORTH (BP)--Wayne Dehoney, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn., will represent Southern Baptists March 15 when he preaches on the Columbia Broadcasting System's radio program, "Church of the Air."

Music for the nationwide network program will be provided by the Baptist Hour Choir sponsored by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission here.

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Alabama Missionary  
Wins Mountain Award

PINEVILLE, Ky. (BP)--Lee Gibbs, Henagar, Ala., has been chosen "Mountain Minister of the Year" and given a citation by Clear Creek Baptist School here.

Wendell Belew, Atlanta, secretary of associational administration services for the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, made the presentation and spoke at Missionary Day services.

Gibbs, who is the missionary in Sand Mountain Baptist Association, led churches there to have their first school of missions in the association last March. He has also led in providing Bible schools for Spanish-speaking migrant families for six weeks each summer and in promoting other denominational work.

He was formerly pastor of Pleasant Valley Baptist Church, Attalla; West Point Baptist Church, Jacksonville; and associational missionary in Calhoun County, all in Alabama.

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Baylor Hospital Gets  
\$100,000 Heart Lab

(2-29-64)

DALLAS (BP)--A new \$100,000 cardiac laboratory has been added at Baylor University Medical Center here to provide what hospital officials call "the finest equipment available and the most complete diagnostic laboratory service possible."

The laboratory, called the cardiac catheterization room in the radiology department, features a unique X-ray table for heart patients described as a "floating table."

Doctors have complete access to the patient from all sides of the unique table, which is electronically controlled and suspended on ball bearings so that doctors can move even a heavy man with just the touch of a finger.

All X-ray tubes and heavy equipment are suspended from steel girders in the ceiling rather than from the sides of the X-ray table as in conventional X-ray rooms.

During cardiac catheterization, a complicated technique in which long, narrow tubes are passed into the heart to measure pressures and blood flow, doctors can view the heart through an intensified fluoroscope, or on a specially-built television screen.

The list of highly technical equipment for the unique heart laboratory also includes a special 35mm motion picture camera, an automatic machine to inject fluids into the heart, several types of catheters with microphones so doctors can listen to the heart at any valve or location, and equipment for injecting radioactive gas into the heart to enable doctors to detect holes in the heart.

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