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Brooks Hays Honored
At Little Rock Dinner

LITTLE ROCK (BP)--Brooks Hays, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, was described here as a religious man who did not surrender to the temptation to stand apart from public life, afraid of its contamination.

The speaker was Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy (D., Minn.) who addressed more than 1,000 people who paid \$25 a plate to attend the dinner honoring Hays, a former Congressman from Arkansas and national chairman of Brotherhood week, a project of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The theme of the sellout banquet, made up mostly in tributes to Hays, was brotherhood--between religious groups, between the races, between nations--and the equality of all men.

Three speakers--Hays, Senator McCarthy and Lewis Webster Jones, National Conference president--talked about the racial issue.

Hays played a key role in the desegregation crisis in 1957 at Central High School here, appealing for moderation when Gov. Orval E. Faubus was defying the federal government. His position cost him his seat in the House of Representatives in 1958, when Dr. Dale Alford, a physician supported by Faubus, defeated him in a write-in campaign.

Faubus was on the platform with Hays. Other prominent guests included Winthrop Rockefeller, recently announced Republican candidate for governor of Arkansas, and Mitch Miller, the television musician and a friend of Hays, who led the crowd and an integrated student chorus in singing three songs.

Senator McCarthy said Hays had been "willing to put aside those things that are temporary...those things of the passing scene and to ask for more than those things that mankind has that it might be expected to hold."

"The movement of history," he said, "must be toward a better life for all. We must reaffirm our belief in the dignity of every man."

Hays, introduced by his pastor, Dale Cowling of Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, said there is no conflict in loyalty to Baptist principles and the purpose of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Jones, describing the goals of the group, said it sought to have people "conduct our public life in the spirit of the moral laws that derive from the Judaeo-Christian tradition, and to create a new norm of decency and value in the conduct of our public life," and "to build a climate where good politics can get things done."

Telegrams praising Hays came from President Lyndon B. Johnson, Secretary of State Dean Rusk, former President Harry S. Truman, Evangelist Billy Graham, Norman Vincent Peale, and Richard Cardinal Cushing of Boston.

Formerly a special assistant to President John F. Kennedy, Hays is now a lecturer at Rutgers University and a White House consultant.

Hays told reporters he was "deeply moved by this evidence of good will and friendship. I realize that the meeting is more than a personal tribute, but a sign that the state approves my efforts to marshal our resources of faith and good will in a period when national unity is needed."

Mitch Miller, a Jew, astounded two Sunday school classes at Second Baptist Church on the day preceding the dinner when he showed up to lead their singing. One was a group of Intermediate boys and girls. The other was the Brooks Hays Bible class.

New Stewardship
Materials Published

NASHVILLE (BP)--Four new sets of printed material are available to churches to help in stewardship activities, according to the Southern Baptist Convention Stewardship Commission here.

A folder of new year-round stewardship material presents a church stewardship development program in its total outlook, the commission said. It contains suggestions for the pastor, church council, and other church organizations and leaders.

This folder costs 75 cents, the commission said.

Mrs. Dorothy Russell Murphree of Maryville, Tenn., has edited another new folder of material--"Presenting Stewardship Through Drama." This \$1.25 folder includes stewardship skits and dramas. There are eight dramatic presentations with a stewardship message.

Mrs. Murphree is an approved church drama consultant.

A stewardship development turnover chart is available for \$1.25, the commission also announced. It does not require an easel, and can be taken into homes when visitors from the church make stewardship calls. It may also be used as a teaching aid in the church.

Robert J. Hastings of Middletown, stewardship director for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, prepared the turnover chart.

Available free of charge are stewardship assembly programs for Adults, Young People, Intermediates and Juniors. There is a leaflet for each age group, and there are two programs in each leaflet.

Both sale and free materials are furnished through S. B. C. Stewardship Services, 127 Ninth Ave., No., Nashville 37219.

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Wake Forest Awards
Grid Aid To Negro

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WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. (BP)--Wake Forest College here has awarded an athletic scholarship to a Negro for the first time in the Baptist college's history, according to the Winston-Salem Journal.

He is Kenneth (Butch) Henry. The 17-year-old Greensboro, N. C., athlete played quarterback in high school. Wake Forest Coach Bill Tate told the Winston-Salem newspaper that Henry "fulfilled the regulations set down by the school and our coaching staff. We feel he'll make a great contribution to our football squad."

Wake Forest College sought to recruit a Negro player from South Carolina last year, but the boy was unable to pass the academic requirements to be admitted as a student.

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Some Space Open Yet
For 1964 Messengers

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ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (BP)--Many hotel and motel rooms are still available here if you want to come to the Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist Third Jubilee Celebration next month.

That's the latest word from the SBC Housing Bureau here.

Sold out are hotels and motels in the lowest price range or nearest Convention Hall, site of the SBC and Jubilee sessions.

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Jitney transportation on Pacific Ave., paralleling Boardwalk, will bring messengers at more distant motels and hotels--where space is still available--within a 20-cent ride of Convention Hall.

George N. Bagwell, local contact for accommodations, said there are other hotels and motels in the area. Since these are not registered with the Housing Bureau, there's no way to know the quality of service they provide.

The SBC Housing Bureau, 16 Central Pier, Atlantic City, can supply interested persons with rates and names of hotels and motels on its list which still have space to reserve.

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American Ministers
Invite Southerners

(4-10-64)

By the Baptist Press

The Ministers Council of the American Baptist Convention has invited Southern Baptist pastors to attend the council's meeting Friday, May 22, in Atlantic City, N.J.

The time is 2:45 p.m. The place--Trimble Hall of the Claridge Hotel.

After a business session, Gordon Cosby, minister of The Church of the Saviour, Washington, D. C., will tell the story of this church.

According to Fred Erion, Valley Forge, Pa., executive director of the Ministers Council, Cosby will tell how the church "minimizes sheer numbers and the lavish church edifice concept (and instead) requires genuine personal commitment involving a rigorous course of Christian studies for membership."

A question period will follow Cosby's address.

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SING ALONG--Television music director Mitch Miller (right) leads Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy (D., Minn.) and Brooks Hays (center), former Arkansas Congressman and former Southern Baptist Convention president, in a tune up. The occasion was a Brotherhood Week dinner honoring Hays, chairman of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

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(Picture accompanies Baptist Press news item)

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Appointees Raise Home Mission Force to 2,299

ATLANTA (BP)--The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has commissioned six additional missionaries to various ministries across the United States.

The recent appointments make a total of 2,299 missionaries now serving under this agency. Most of the missionaries, and all of these new appointees, serve in cooperation with state mission boards.

Language missionaries to work in California are Miss Clara A. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Russell Marble, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mendez. Miss Lucy Lee McLaughlin, also a language missionary, will serve in North Carolina.

Pastoral missionaries appointed for Illinois and Kansas are Carl R. Watkins and George L. Foster. Miss Dora Mae Moss was commissioned to serve as a good will center worker in Florida.

Miss Lane, a native of Mullins, S. C., was appointed as a general language missionary in California. She attended Coker College, Hartsville, S. C., and received degrees from the University of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C., and Carver School of Missions, Louisville. Her past experience includes intermittent work in the South Carolina Woman's Missionary Union, Woman's Missionary Union director in California, and as an associate language missionary in California.

Mrs. Marble (Elizabeth) was appointed along with her husband as a language international missionary to Richmond, California. Mrs. Marble, a native of Shantung, China, is a graduate of Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss.

Mendez, a native of Juarez, Mexico, has been appointed as a missionary to the Spanish-speaking in Fresno, California. This appointment came after serving as an associate missionary. He attended the Missionary Bible Institute in Arkansas and Dallas Vocational School, Dallas, Tex. He is a graduate of Grand Canyon College, Phoenix, Arizona, and Golden Gate Seminary. He has served as a pastor in Saguache, Colorado; student pastor in Phoenix, Arizona; mission pastor in Phoenix; and student mission pastor in Fresno, California.

Mrs. Mendez (Beatrice) was named along with her husband as a Spanish language missionary. Mrs. Mendez, a native of Jansen, Colorado, attended Grand Canyon College.

Miss McLaughlin, a native of Fort Worth, was appointed to work at Cherokee, N. C., conducting a weekday program among the churches on the Cherokee Indian Reservation. She attended East Texas State College, Commerce, Texas, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Watkins, appointed as a pastoral missionary to the Grace Baptist Chapel in Macomb, Ill., was born in Carmi, Ill. He received degrees from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill., and Southwestern Seminary.

He has held pastorates in Elizabethtown, Ill., Fort Worth, Texas, and Ridgeway, Ill.

Foster was commissioned as a pastoral missionary to Sixth Street Baptist Mission, Dodge City, Kansas. A native of LaCygne, Kan., attended Southwestern Seminary. He is a graduate of Southwest Missouri State, Springfield, Mo. Prior to this appointment he did pastoral work in Missouri and Oklahoma.

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Miss Moss, a native of Gregg County, Tex, was appointed as a good will center worker in Miami, Fla. She attended Bishop College, Marshall, Tex.; University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill., and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Previous Experience includes serving as a student summer missionary and youth director in a weekday Bible school.

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Maryland Employs First
Staffer for College

(4-10-64)

BALTIMORE (BP)--The proposed Baptist college in Maryland has employed its first staff member, a director of development.

John R. Cummins of Baltimore, a former builder and engineer, assumed the duties immediately.

Although the initial trustees have been busy looking at prospective sites, they emphasized a full-time director of development would be needed to get the project under way.

In 1962, the Baptist convention of Maryland approved starting the college when enough money is available. The 1963 convention session approved a charter for the school, okayed a fund-raising drive in the churches, and set the terms for buying a campus.

Cummins was elected with the understanding he will continue as a staff member of the college after it comes into being, "although a change of title may be made," according to the trustees.

Cummins has served as chairman of the Hong Kong Baptist College fund-raising committee. He is a member of the directors of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Foundation.

He helped Robert S. (Bob) Denny, of Washington, promote Baptist youth conferences in Tokyo and Beirut. Denny is associate secretary of the Baptist World Alliance.

Cummins' son, John Robert Jr., is pastor of a Baptist church in Damascus, Md.

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Hudson Valley Tour
Announced for May 25

(4-10-64)

NEW YORK (BP)--Southern Baptists will not lack for guided tours of the Northeast when they journey to Atlantic City for their convention and other meetings May 18-24.

Paul James, first vice president of the SBC and missions director of Southern Baptist work in metropolitan New York, announced plans for a bus tour up the Hudson Valley for May 25.

The tour, sponsored by the Metropolitan New York Association, is the third offered visitors to the Northeast. Previous tours announced include one of the Philadelphia area for May 22, and one into New England for May 25-26.

James said the Hudson Valley tour will leave from the Manhattan Baptist Church and visit pioneer Baptist churches and historical sites in the valley, including the home of Washington Irving, West Point Military Academy, the Roosevelt home in Hyde Park, the Vanderbilt mansion, as well as passing other points.

Tickets, costing \$7.50 will be on sale at the Northeastern area booth in the exhibit hall during the Southern Baptist Convention.

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Hungarian Leader Tells
Baylor of Commie Split

WACO, Tex. (BP)--The man who served as Hungarian prime minister before the Communist take-over in Hungary told Baylor University students here that the split between Red China and the Soviet Union is more serious than many persons believe.

Former Hungarian Prime Minister Forenc Nagy said in a lecture at the Baptist school that the rift between the two leading Communist nations is based on the sharply opposing interests of the two nations rather than a difference in ideology.

One of the main differences, he said, is that Khrushchev hopes to take over the world for Communism by peaceful means, while the Red Chinese believe that a revolution or war is necessary for Communist domination.

Nagy said the danger of Communist world revolution is not entirely eliminated now, but neither is such a war very imminent.

He urged Western powers to unite and make NATO (North American Treaty Organization) a stronger alliance in order to strengthen the Western position in face of the economic failures of Communism and the conflict between Russia and China.

Nagy spoke twice at Baylor, the world's largest Southern Baptist school, and also at Howard Payne College, (Baptist) Brownwood, Tex., for a Democracy-In-Action week program.

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Baptist Radio Beams
Into Red Territory

(4-10-64)

FORT WORTH (BP)--Two Southern Baptist radio programs produced here are reaching across the Iron and Bamboo Curtains each week to provide a different kind of hope and peace to listeners in Soviet Russia and Red China.

A program called "Voice of Hope" is beamed into China through radio stations in Okinawa; in Taipei, Formosa; in Manila, Philippines; and in Inchon, Korea.

The Manila and Inchon stations carry the Russian program, "Voice of Peace." Radio station HCJB in Quito, Ecuador, also broadcasts the "Voice of Peace" into Russia.

Both programs are produced here by the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The "Voice of Hope" features Victor Tan of Singapore as speaker and Miss Tammy Kung of Formosa, a Texas Christian University student, Fort Worth, Tex., as announcer. Many of the radio announcers in China are women. Miss Shirley Yang, a student at Baylor University, Waco, Tex., is soloist.

Daniel Jasko, pastor of the First Russian Baptist Church in New York City, speaks to the Russian people on "Voice of Peace." The choir from his church sings on each program.

Both "Voice of Peace" and "Voice of Hope" are 15-minute devotional programs featuring an evangelistic message and music.

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Hawaii Baptists
To Hold Revivals

HONOLULU (BP)--Seventeen pastors and music directors will lead 15 Southern Baptist churches in Hawaii in Baptist Jubilee Revivals.

Churches in six Baptist associations on the islands of Hawaii, Kauai, Maui, Molokai, and Oahu are participating.

Eual F. Lawson, an associate in the division of evangelism of the denomination's Home Mission Board, is directing the two-week evangelistic effort.

Fourteen of the 17 who will take part in the crusade are pastors or denominational workers from nine states on the mainland; one is an Hawaii Baptist pastor; the other two are muscians from Texas.

Those participating, by states, are:

Arizona: W. D. Lawes, state Baptist Brotherhood secretary, Phoenix.

California: W. B. Timberlake, pastor of White Avenue Baptist Church, Pomona.

Hawaii: Richard Uejo, pastor of Kaumana Drive Baptist Church, Hilo.

Illinois: Howard "Todd" Taylor, pastor of Calvary Southern Baptist Church, Alton; and C. R. Walker, pastor of First Baptist Church, Marion.

Kentucky: J. Chester Badgett, pastor of Campbellsville Baptist Church, Campbellsville.

Oklahoma: Thomas J. Spence, superintendent of Missions of Southwest Baptist Association, Mangum.

South Carolina: Harold E. Lindsey, state Baptist secretary of evangelism, Columbia.

Tennessee: F. M. Dowell Jr., State Baptist secretary of evangelism, Nashville.

Texas: William B. Williams, pastor of First Baptist Church, Bay City; Eual F. Lawson, Dallas; Glenn Hayden, pastor of First Baptist Church, Farmers Branch; Joe W. Atchison, pastor of Haltom Road Baptist Church, Fort Worth; Charles Stevenson, Minister of Education of First Baptist Church, Irving; John Shipp, minister of music of First Baptist Church, Shallowater; and Charles M. Killough, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Tyler.

Virginia: M. Jackson White, pastor of First Baptist Church of Clarenton, Arlington.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: Dates for these revivals are April 19-May 3.

Baptists Left Homeless
By Tornado Praise God

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WICHITA FALLS, TEX. (BP)--Two little girls, ages four and five, huddled on the floor while their baby sitter prayed.

Outside a tornado raged across this North Texas city, spreading destruction that killed seven, injured 67, and destroyed property valued at more than \$5 million.

The tornado demolished the house where the two little girls, Kristi and Kelli Brian, and Mrs. Buster Grimes sought refuge.

Only the walls and roof over one room were left standing. It was the room where Mrs. Grimes and the two children, the daughters of a Baptist pastor, were huddled. None were hurt.

"Mrs. Grimes prayed, and the Lord took the storm away from us," said five-year-old Kristi after the tornado had lifted.

Their father, Elton Brian, returned home to find his house across the street in a shamble, the walls and roof crumpled beneath the tornado's force.

Brian, pastor of Temple Baptist Church here, was only three blocks away when the tornado hit. He was frantically trying to reach his children after learning of the tornado while making hospital visits. Mrs. Brian was working at Shepherd Air Force Base Hospital nearby where many of the injured were later treated.

None of the Baptist churches here were damaged badly by the tornado, but the Temple Baptist Church where Brian is pastor suffered minor roof damage. The funnel passed within 150 yards of the church auditorium.

The homes of at least seven Baptist church members were completely destroyed, and an active church member, Mrs. Carl Hoeffliger of Eden Hills Baptist Church was killed. The church's pastor, Kenneth Emmerson, discovered Mrs. Hoeffliger's body amid the rubble that was her home.

Another Baptist pastor here, Dan Terry of View Baptist Church, said it was a miracle that only a few were killed. The miraculous escape of the Brian children was repeated several times, he said.

A member of City View church, Mrs. J. C. Kennedy, had a similar experience. She and the children she was keeping for friends huddled in the hallway while the tornado swept away the rest of the house. Only the walls of the hall were left standing. None were injured, however.

A member of Temple Baptist Church, Mrs. Orville Snyder, sought refuge under the kitchen table when the tornado struck. The roof and walls crumbled under the force of the winds, but the kitchen table and Mrs. Snyder survived without a scratch.

One family lost all their worldly possessions when their house was demolished. Mrs. Margie Bellar said during a testimony period at City View Baptist Church, "I lost all our worldly possessions, but I still have God whom I can never lose."

Temple Baptist church was holding revival services the week the tornado hit. That night, the services were devoted to prayers of thanksgiving and personal testimonies.

Later Mrs. Wanda Cole came forward on profession of faith. She said that she was in her closet when the tornado struck. "For several months I knew I needed the Lord," she said, "and while the winds raged outside, I trusted in God while kneeling on the closet floor."

Said Brian later, "One experience like this was worth all the loss and twice the damage, for the salvation of one soul is worth any price." He added that as a result of the tornado, the church had been brought closer together. "Our members have lost materially, but they have gained spiritually," he said.

Baptist Radio-TV Agency
To Salute Broadcasters

FORT WORTH (BP)--Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission her will salute the radio industry during May, national radio month, the commission's director Paul M. Stevens has announced.

A special radio tape recording with four separate tributes has been produced by the commission's special program section for members of the National Association of Broadcasters.

Art Linkletter and Billy Graham are featured on two of the public service segments of the tape.

Linkletter, a well-known broadcast host and a Baptist laymen, praises radio's ability to provide accurate news fast, and Graham describes radio as a successful medium to enlarge his ministry.

A third spot announcement on the tape emphasizes the desire of every radio broadcaster to choose a type of programming that will please listeners. The fourth section recalls the major role radio played during the crisis of Hurricane Carla which struck the Texas coast in 1961.

Each of the spots use a musical jingle, "Radio, Your Constant Companion" as background music, and last from three to four minutes in length.

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Churches Using Budget
Plans Reported Growing

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NASHVILLE (BP)--Growth in enrolment and in conversions is a byproduct of two stewardship programs developed through the Southern Baptist Convention stewardship commission here, according to a survey of the 4700 churches which ordered materials for the programs last year.

Thirty-one per cent of the 422 churches replying reported increased Sunday School enrolment after using the Forward Program of Christian Stewardship or its companion for smaller churches, Growth in Christian Stewardship.

Two percent of the churches showed a loss in Sunday School enrolment. The remainder said the programs, designed to aid in Budget pledging, had no plus or minus effect on enrolment.

Nineteen per cent of the churches told the commission they increased in Training Union enrolment. Less than 1 per cent reported a loss, the majority saying there was no effect one way or the other.

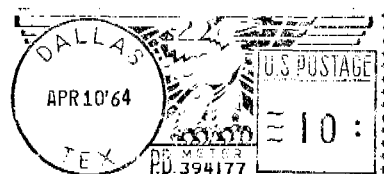
Thirty-six per cent of the churches said the stewardship emphasis increased evangelistic results. The other 64 per cent saw no measurable difference.

The 4700 churches polled are located in nearly all the states of the union, the commission said.

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Religion Issue Muddled
In Poverty Legislation

WASHINGTON (BP)--A series of government witnesses have testified that federal funds could be available to church agencies if present proposals in the "war on poverty" become law. Their testimony, however, indicates a confusion in the practical application of the proposed law.

Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, at hearings before a special subcommittee of the House Education and Labor Committee, gave testimony supporting the poverty legislation.

The bill, calling for \$962.5 million for the first year for combating poverty, contains church-state problems. Though educational programs would be administered through public agencies, a variety of aids would be provided for private nonprofit agencies. Church schools and agencies could develop parts of the program provided they do not involve "sectarian instruction and religious worship."

The Attorney General, questioned about the bill's limiting elementary and secondary education programs to public schools, said it was felt "inadvisable" to include parochial schools in this program.

The proposal requires that such education programs be administered by the public educational agency in the community but that they be open for all children to participate. Rep. David T. Martin (R., Neb.) called this "dodging" the religious issue.

"I think it is facing up to the issue that we did not want to include parochial schools," Kennedy said.

Other testimony by the Attorney General, and by earlier witnesses, indicated a number of aids possible for religious institutions, however.

Most of the controversy centers on Title II of the proposed legislation, the community action programs, where both public and private institutions could be aided.

Some members of the committee would extend the religious restrictions from Title I to this section also. In the work-training programs and the work-study programs of Title I, projects "involving the construction, operation or maintenance of any facility used or to be used for sectarian instruction or as a place for religious worship" would be prohibited.

Kennedy said he thought that restriction "could be applied to any part of the bill."

At earlier hearings W. Willard Wirtz, secretary of the Department of Labor, indicated that the administration is willing to tighten the language of this section. He said, however, that there is "a wide open invitation" to any group, public or private, that would bring forth a program of eliminating poverty.

Under the bill private groups could go directly to the director to make application, without going through a state agency. Wirtz stated that it was a "deliberate calculation to leave the way open" between the private organization and the director of the program.

Grants or contracts would be available for public and private organizations to cover part of the cost of the community action programs. It would also include "com-

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ponents" of these programs, providing services, assistance, and other activities in education, employment, job training and counseling, health, vocational rehabilitation, housing, home management, welfare and other fields.

Rep. Charles Goodell (R., N.Y.) said it seemed "you would want to bring in all charitable religious institutions as 'components,'" and asked if this would not bring grants to religious institutions.

The Attorney General said he thought this would be possible. Later, however, he said, "I cannot see a grant to a religious organization because it must come through the community action program, and the activities must be of a secular nature."

Rep. Roman Pucinski (D., Ill.) asked if the religious prohibition were extended to this section whether such groups as the Catholic Youth Organization, the YMCA, etc., would be eligible to receive funds if they carried on training programs that were not sectarian instruction or worship. Wirtz said they would.

Both Wirtz and Sargent Shriver, who will serve as director of the poverty program, indicated that the program would follow generally the guidelines set up in the National Defense Education Act, which allows aid to religious institutions for categorical type use.



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