

June 27, 1964

Dan Hall Accepts  
State Music Post

JACKSON, Miss. (BP)--Dan C. Hall, Nashville, has accepted the position of music secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention board here, effective July 15.

Hall, associational music extension consultant of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will succeed W. C. Morgan, who died after a heart attack several months ago.

Hall is a native of Wiggins, Miss. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in sacred music from Mississippi College (Baptist) in Clinton and the master of arts in sacred music degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He has taken additional graduate courses at Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville.

In Mississippi, he formerly served churches in Wiggins, Jackson and Hattiesburg.

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Long Run Ministers  
Voice Dissatisfaction

(6-27-64)

LOUISVILLE (BP)--Members of the Long Run Baptist Ministers Conference here say they "are disturbed by several recent developments in Southern Baptist Convention life." They have adopted resolutions stating their position.

Their dissatisfaction is over actions taken by the 1964 Convention in Atlantic City, N. J. Long Run Baptist Association, covering the Louisville area, is one of the 10 largest district associations in the SBC in church membership.

Long Run ministers objected to the SBC's turning down the race resolution offered by the SBC Christian Life Commission, and to the SBC not accepting immediately a recommendation to become part of the North American Baptist Fellowship.

The informal meeting in the Convention headquarters hotel in Atlantic City, at which strategy was developed to defeat the Christian Life Commission resolution, also drew criticism from the Kentuckians. This discussion in the local ministers conference stretched out over two meetings a week apart.

Some ministers were concerned about the way they felt the Convention, on the recommendation of its Executive Committee, restricted additional appropriations of funds to the Christian Life Commission for specific projects only. However, this was not included in the conference's resolutions.

The conference evidently had in mind the increase of \$15,000 in commission's 1965 operating budget from SBC Cooperative Program receipts. The Convention approved the Executive Committee's budget recommendation that the \$15,000 be used "for research into problems related to alcohol, gambling and narcotics."

Others at the Long Run ministers meeting explained SBC Cooperative Program funds are recommended by the Executive Committee for all the agencies on a program or project basis, and the commission is not an exception.

A special committee of the conference has been authorized to get further information on the structure and policies of the SBC Executive Committee, and to report back to the conference.

The ministers here said they "wholeheartedly endorse the Christian Life Commission's recommendation on race relations presented at the Atlantic City Convention." The Convention adopted a substitute race statement, considered by most messengers as much milder in tone than the commission's.

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The Louisvillians said also they "deplore the tactics and the attempts at intimidation used upon an agency head by a group from a few of the deep South states, whereby they were able to exclude a vital part of the Christian Life Commission's recommendations. . ."

This, in turn, they continued, brought "embarrassment to a large segment of our denomination to whom the . . . Christian Life Commission recommendations bear a true Christian witness to current issues which cannot be avoided."

The Atlantic City Convention voted to ask a committee to study the proposed North American Baptist Fellowship and the SBC's relationship to it. The committee will report in Dallas in 1965. Long Run ministers said they hope the study committee "will look with favor upon our participation in the . . . Fellowship."

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Southwestern Religious  
Educators Slate Meeting

(6-27-64)

FORT WORTH (BP)--The 44th annual meeting of the Southwestern Baptist Religious Education Association will be held here Aug. 25-27, carrying out the theme "Our Rewarding Past, Our Challenging Present, Our Challenging Future."

Sessions will be held on the campus of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Major addresses will be delivered by J. Earl Mead, retired minister of education, Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas; Henry Love, minister of education, First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La.; A. Donald Bell, professor at Southwestern Seminary here, and Leroy Ford, editor of Adult Training Union materials, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

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Thomas Hansen Dead;  
Once Florida President

(6-27-64)

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (BP)--A former president of the Florida Baptist State Convention, Dr. Thomas Hansen, 67, died in a medical center here June 22 after a brief illness.

Hansen retired in 1962 after 41 years as a pastor in Florida, including 22 years at Main Street Baptist Church, Jacksonville, and 14 years at First Baptist Church, Fort Lauderdale. He continued to live in Fort Lauderdale after retiring from the pastorate there.

A native of Denmark who came to the United States at the age of 16, Hansen was once a member of the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board and a trustee of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Edna P. Hansen of Fort Lauderdale, and two sons, Kenneth L., the present pastor of Main Street Church, Jacksonville, and Keith L. of DeLand, Fla., a professor at Stetson University (Baptist).

He was buried in Fort Lauderdale.

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3 States Select  
Annuity Secretary

(6-27-64)

DALLAS (BP)--Harold S. Bailey, 40, of Richmond, Va., has been elected annuity secretary for Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D. C.

Floyd B. Chaffin, associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Annuity Board, said Bailey will assume his new duties Sept. 1.

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Bailey, who is jointly employed by the Annuity Board and the three Baptist state groups, fills the position vacated May 1 by the retirement of Herbert R. Carlton, Chaffin said.

Chaffin added Bailey will work in cooperation with the leadership of these three states to promote the Annuity Board's retirement and protection programs.

Bailey, since 1948, has been associate secretary of the Training Union department of Baptist General Association of Virginia.

Before assuming the Training Union post, he served as pastor of churches in Alabama, Tennessee and Virginia.

A native of Alabama, Bailey attended Howard College (Baptist) in his home town, Birmingham. Bailey also holds degrees from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N. C. He attended the School of Pastoral Care, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Bailey is married and has two sons, five years, and 10 months. He will continue to make his home in Richmond.

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New Orleans Seminary  
Keeping Present Site

(6-27-64)

NEW ORLEANS (BP)--New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary here, faced with reconditioning its present campus or finding a new one, will remain where it is. This was confirmed in a statement to Baptist Press by President H. Leo Eddleman.

Two factors influenced the seminary decision. One, as reported by President Eddleman, "Immediately after the (Southern Baptist) Convention's allocation of \$1.6 million, it was obvious that efforts to relocate on the Camp Leroy Johnson site of 152 acres would be financially impossible."

Second, the Orleans Levee Board had meanwhile voted 3 to 2 a resolution to transfer the army camp site on Lake Pontchartrain here to Louisiana State University. The site had been considered by seminary trustees at their meeting last February as a "live option," since the army was expected to vacate it this summer.

The president expressed appreciation to the Atlantic City Convention for approving the Executive Committee's capital needs budget recommendation which included the \$1.6 million for renovating the present site or for possible relocation.

However, Eddleman said, "The amount allocated will bring temporary relief, but no new buildings or new equipment."

Reconditioning the present campus buildings became necessary because of water and termite damage. The seminary originally sought \$5 million for a new campus or \$3.6 million to recondition its present one.

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New Jersey Church  
Begins Spanish Mission

(6-27-64)

NEW YORK (BP)--The Baptist Temple, a mission for Spanish-speaking people, has been started in West New York.

Wayne Dehoney of Jackson, Tenn., president of the Southern Baptist Convention, preached the sermon at the service at which the mission was begun. Dehoney was in metropolitan New York for a brief visit to Southern Baptist work in the area.

Bergen Baptist Church, Westwood, N. J., is sponsoring the mission. R. Quinn Pugh, Bergen pastor, brought the dedicatory prayer at the service.

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