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Seminary Names Many
Family Repeaters

LOUISVILLE (BP)--Family tradition runs strong among students at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here. Thirty-four of them have had fathers, mothers, grandfathers, brothers, uncles, aunts and cousins precede them as students.

Tim L. Townsend of Charlotte, N. C. tops everyone for the variety of family and relatives who have come before him to the seminary.

His grandfather--Webb Brame of Yazoo City, Miss.; his father--the late Carl M. Townsend; his stepfather--C. C. Warren of Charlotte; and his father-in-law, Wilfred C. Tyler of Blue Mountain, Miss., all received doctor's degrees from Southern.

Tim's mother-in-law is a 1931 alumna of Woman's Missionary Union Training School. This school became later known as Carver School and a few years ago merged with Southern Seminary.

Student Richard L. Bowen of Greensboro, N. C., has more relatives who attended Southern than does any other student.

Bowen's father, Claud B. Bowen of Greensboro, graduated here in 1938. Others in the family include his grandfather, seven great uncles and an unknown number of cousins. Many of the relatives who've attended Southern come from the Leavell family of Oxford, Miss., which has been well-known in Southern Baptist circles.

S. Wesley Bratcher, a native of Louisville, was to become the eighth of his family to graduate from Southern Seminary. He was among graduation candidates for January, 1965. Bratcher has been preceded by two uncles and five cousins.

Students William A. Curl of Lexington, Ky., and J. Thomas Meigs of Jacksonville, Fla., do almost as well.

Curl's family tree at the seminary includes his father, W. H. Curl of Corbin, Ky.; his father-in-law, George W. Redding of Georgetown, Ky., and his grandfather.

On Meigs' list are his father, Paul A. Meigs of Jacksonville; his father-in-law, L. C. Pinnix of Highlands, N. C., and his mother-in-law, another Training School alumna.

The name of John E. Barnes runs across three generations in seminary attendance beginning with John E. Barnes Sr. and extending to the present day with John E. Barnes III. John E. Barnes Sr. graduated in 1910; John E. Barnes Jr., the long-time pastor in Hattiesburg, Miss., in 1937.

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Vacation Confronts
Family With Missions

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ATLANTA (BP)--A newly released filmstrip by the Southern Baptist Home mission board tells how a family's vacation trip in the United States confronts them with home missions.

"Home Missions Face to Face" takes 49 frames to show how these vacation experiences inspired the family to investigate the mission needs around their own church.

The 35mm color filmstrip, which is sold for \$3.50 through the Baptist Book Stores, was produced by the promotion department of the Home Mission Board.

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Summer Missions
Deadline Nears

ATLANTA (BP)--Students planning to serve in 1965 as one of the 650 summer missionaries with the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board have only until Jan. 15 to submit their applications.

Student missionaries will serve in all 50 states, plus Panama and Puerto Rico.

"This is the first year for students to go to Puerto Rico, where mission workers have requested two men," announced Miss Beverly Hammack of Atlanta, who is secretary of student summer missions for the mission agency.

Qualifications for student summer missionaries include a minimum age of 18, two years of college, good health and experience and training in a Baptist church.

Those accepted will serve in Baptist centers, in new missions, camps, vacation Bible schools, with language groups, in surveys and in other mission areas.

"Couples are especially needed for good will centers and in pioneer areas," Miss Hammack said.

All normal expenses are provided during the 10 weeks of service from June 14 through Aug. 20, and in addition, the students receive \$25 a week. Couples receive \$45 a week.

Applications should be sent to Student Summer Missions, SBC Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St. N. W., Atlanta, Ga. 30303.

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Wrong Number

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NASHVILLE (BP)--The person who addressed a letter to the Southern Baptist Convention Building here was a trifle confused on doctrine--the way Baptists believe people are called into the ministry. It was addressed to the Selective Service Board of the SBC.

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Baptists Build
San Blas Clinic

12-12-64

BALBOA, Canal Zone (BP)--Helping hands from Baptists here in the Canal Zone and in the United States have reached out to bring promise of a revolution in medical care for the San Blas Indians.

More than \$15,000, including \$2,000 from the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, has been contributed to build a small, modern clinic on Ailigandi Island, one of the 50 inhabited coral atolls which ring the wild Caribbean coast of Panama.

When completed, the clinic will handle operations and dental work, and will provide beds and care for patients who need hospitalization. It will have X-ray equipment and a daily schedule for sick calls. Nurses will staff the facility.

Doctors will visit on a regular schedule. The mission agency may employ a mission doctor to serve all three of the Indian groups of Panama--the San Blas, the Guaymi, and the Choco. If so, he will supervise the clinic.

A prime mover behind this activity is the First Baptist Church of Balboa Heights in the Canal Zone. Pastor William H. Beeby has led church members to furnish volunteer labor, which, combined with a main effort of the Cuna Indians, built the structure over a period of several months.

A look inside reveals guest rooms, a kitchen, dining room, two private rooms and a poured concrete floor to provide expansion of the second floor.

On the ground floor are a pair of two-bed wards, a consultation room, examination room, surgical and delivery room, sterilization room, and medical storage room. The delivery room alone will save the Indian women many trips to hospitals in Panama.

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Patients will have a choice of sleeping in the native hammocks or on beds, according to the nature of their illness.

Known as the Marvel Iglesias Clinic, it will serve all of the 50 inhabited San Blas Islands. Medical needs in the islands have been served by small medicine dispensaries, with little equipment and almost no facilities to deal with emergencies or serious cases.

In fact, the near death of one of the Baptist mission workers from an acute attack of appendicitis provided the impetus for the erection of this clinic.

When completed, the clinic will be turned over to the Baptist Home Mission Board for operation. Indians from any of the 50 settlements along the island chain may use it, and the provision for extra floor space will undoubtedly be used before many months have passed.

A diesel generator will be installed for power. A huge tank must be built to catch rain water, the only pure water available. This will bring the first hot, running water to the island.

The Home Mission Board, under Panama Superintendent L. D. Wood, will take over the completed project and coordinate it into a working medical unit with a budget and efficient administration. Wood, whose office is in Balboa, foresees much work ahead, but with some 110 missions in the Republic of Panama under his responsibility, work is no stranger to his office on Balboa Road.

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2 pictures of the clinic were mailed to Baptist paper editors.

Discrimination Banned In Federal Programs

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WASHINGTON (BP)--Nondiscrimination requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 will be effective in federally assisted programs of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the National Science Foundation, according to announcement in the Federal Register here.

The regulations will make Title VI of the Civil Rights Law applicable to programs in existence prior to passage of that law. Title VI prohibits discrimination "on the ground of race, color, or national origin. . . under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

Among the programs included under the Department of Health, Education and Welfare are the National Defense Education Act, the Higher Education Facilities Act, Public Health, Service Act, Juvenile Delinquency and Youth Offenses Control Act, and the Vocational Education Act.

Affected by the regulations will be: loans for acquiring science, mathematics and foreign language equipment, student loans for higher education, training institutes for teachers, graduate fellowships, health research programs in hospitals and universities, construction of facilities for institutions of higher education, and nurse training programs.

National Science Foundation programs include: scientific research, equipment for undergraduate education, science education for undergraduate and secondary students, specialized projects, and institutes.

The "war on poverty" which became law after enactment of the civil rights bill is already subject to the nondiscriminatory regulations. Churches and church-related institutions have been encouraged to participate in the anti-poverty program.

Church-related institutions have been caught in the dilemma of whether participation in the various federally financed programs would be consistent with the principle of separation of church and state. A primary question has been whether institutions receiving public funds, even church-related institutions, would be subject to public policy.

A U. S. District Court ruling held that two private hospitals in North Carolina were subject to public policy after receiving Hill-Burton funds.

In the nondiscriminatory regulations outlined in the Federal Register, no distinction is made between public or private institutions.

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Assurances would be required from institutions seeking financial assistance that they would comply with the nondiscriminatory regulation. Elementary and secondary schools under court order to desegregate and presenting assurance of doing so, or presenting a plan for desegregation with assurances of following the plan, would be considered as meeting the requirements.

Institutions of higher education requesting assistance, whether for construction, research, special training project, student loan program, or any other purpose, would be required to give assurance of meeting the nondiscriminatory requirements. This would extend to admission practices and treatment of students.

Examples illustrating the application of the regulations were given:

1. Research, training, demonstration or other grants to universities at the graduate level--the prohibition would extend to the entire university unless it could show that other parts would not interfere with compliance at the graduate level.

2. Construction grants for hospitals--assurance of nondiscrimination would apply to patients, interns, residents, student nurses, other trainees, and to privilege of physicians and other professional persons to practice in the hospital.

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Advance Mission Funds
Meet Special Needs

12-12-64

By the Baptist Press

Development of new work and increased programming over radio and television have been made possible because of the first mission advance funds in four years available through the Southern Baptist Convention's Cooperative Program.

Executive Secretary Courts Redford of Atlanta said receipts for the Home Mission Board would "make possible special projects in Los Angeles and Cleveland where the need for new work is very urgent."

The Home Mission Board will get one-fourth of advance funds, which included all Cooperative Program funds sent to the SBC by state Baptist conventions during the final three weeks of December. The total advance was expected to range from \$800,000 to \$1.6 million.

Baker J. Cauthen, Richmond, Foreign Mission Board executive secretary, said \$500,000 of the 1964 advance funds would be used to provide operating expenses for ministries of evangelism, medical work, seminaries, radio, television and publications.

The remainder would be used for construction of churches, missionary residences and other urgently needed buildings, according to Cauthen. The Foreign Mission Board got 75 per cent of the total advance.

Redford said aid to rural and mountain missions, language instruction, foreign-language radio and TV broadcasts and scholarships for Negro youth "of special promise" would also come out of the home missions part of the advance.

"The prospect of these advance funds cheers our hearts, not only because of the money that will make possible advance in so many areas of home mission work but also because they indicate a growing interest and concern of Southern Baptists for all of our work," Redford said.

Cauthen added, "This brings encouragement to missionaries all over the world and will enable us to press forward in a world task. May God bless all who give through the Cooperative Program." (BP)

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SBC Voting Charges
Rated Story of Year

By the Baptist Press

The investigation of alleged voting irregularities during the 1964 Southern Baptist Convention in Atlantic City, N. J., has been rated the top SBC news story of the year by denominational editors.

It received 11 first place votes on the 34 ballots which were cast. A first place vote counted as 10 points, second place vote as nine and tenth place vote as 1 point. Using this basis, the voting issue received 199 points.

It barely nosed out the second place story of the year--Southern Baptists stand behind present wording of the first amendment. The church-state issue won eight first place votes and 195 points.

It was a year when no story was a runaway winner of top honors. Four, in fact, rated well in point totals. Third place by a two-point margin was the new 16-year, 5000-missionary goal announced by the SBC Foreign Mission Board. It had four first places and 164 points.

On its heels with 162 points and also four first place selections was the celebration of the 150th anniversary of North American Baptists which followed sessions of the SBC in Atlantic City last May.

Action by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, turning down both federal aid to its colleges and a proposal to permit non-Baptist and out-of-state trustees for these colleges, was the consensus pick for fifth most important story of 1964.

The North Carolina episode, which could have an impact on Baptist decisions in other states, got only a single first place vote but enough seconds and thirds to come up with 129 points.

The position on the race issue taken by the 1964 SBC session in Atlantic City also drew heavily on second and third place ratings. Although getting just one first place marking, it ran up 121 points. This earned it sixth place among major stories of the year.

Seventh place--one **first place** choice and 110 points--went to another action related to Atlantic City. The North American Baptist Fellowship proposed there was deferred by the SBC for a year of further study of whether the SBC should join it. Nevertheless, five other Baptist bodies voted to belong, and the Fellowship came into existence without immediate SBC endorsement.

The promotion of Arthur B. Rutledge in the Home Mission Board staff to succeed Courts Redford as executive secretary was given eighth place among stories of 1964. Without a single first place on the ballots, its point total climbed to 100.

Ninth position was taken by the story that 896 laymen went to California, Oregon and Washington during the summer to lead a West Coast Evangelism Crusade in Southern Baptist churches. Its 90 points were compiled without any first place pickings.

Two firsts went to the news that the Cooperative Program budget at SBC level for the first time in four years entered its advance missions phase. Despite the two firsts, it picked up only 84 points.

Two stories outside the top 10 got first place markings--one each--by editors. In eleventh, with 81 points, was the story of the two mission boards offering new types of appointment--journeyman and US-2.

And in 15th spot with 58 points and one ballot for first place was the entry, Vatican Council maneuvers through its third session, covered by two Southern Baptist editors.

Balloting for the 10 top stories each year in the SBC is conducted by the Baptist Press, SBC news service. Eligible to vote are the editors of 28 Baptist state newspapers, staff members of the SBC Executive Committee at Nashville--the sponsor and main budgetary supporter of the Baptist Press, and regional editors of the news service in other cities.

Several editors failed to vote or did not send in their ballots in time to be counted.

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A release to the press by Joe W. Burton, Nashville, registration secretary at Atlantic City, first brought the alleged election irregularities to light.

A few months later, the SBC Executive Committee heard evidence of these allegations. Although there was no concrete evidence of any vote fraud, the Executive Committee enacted tighter registration and voting procedures as preventive steps at future convention sessions.

The year 1964 witnessed a major attack on the first amendment to the U. S. Constitution. This attack came to a focus in the so-called movement for the "Becker amendment." With Baptist editors in the forefront, the denomination generally opposed the Becker amendment and took the position that religion should be a voluntary response to God, free of government intrusion. (BP)

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(list of top 10 follows below)

Result-Top 10 Ballot of 1964

Points	Story	First Place Votes
199	Alleged SBC voting irregularities investigated	(11)
195	Southern Baptists stand behind present wording of first amendment	(8)
164	Foreign Mission Board calls for 5000 missionaries.	(4)
162	North America's Baptists celebrate Third Jubilee in Atlantic City	(4)
149	North Carolina defeats federal aid to colleges, and expanded trustee plan	(1)
121	Position on race taken by 1964 SBC in Atlantic City	(1)
110	North American Baptist Fellowship comes into being; SBC studies joining it	(1)
100	Home Mission Board elects Arthur B. Rutledge to succeed Redford	
90	896 laymen lead West Coast Evangelism Crusade	
84	Cooperative Program at SBC level once more reaches advance stage	(2)

81	Mission boards offer new type of appointment--journeyman and US-2	(1)
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58	Vatican Council maneuvers through 3rd session, covered by Baptist reporters	(1)

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