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**McCullough Says Emphasis
 Needed on Vocation Choice**

NEW ORLEANS (BP)--"The decreasing number of young people going into church-related vocations reflects a need for greater emphasis on God's will in choosing a vocation," a missions leader told the first Southern Baptist Evangelists' Conference at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Glendon McCullough, personnel director of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta, issued an appeal for the evangelists to "call out the call" during the meeting.

"Surely God is calling men and women to fill the positions necessary for the continuing and expanding work of the church," McCullough said. "Evangelists and pastors can challenge Christians to make this major step in their lives."

Evangelists from 14 states attended the three-day conference at the seminary. The program consisted of panel discussions, New Testament studies led by Seminary Professor Clark Pinnock, and addresses by several denominational officials and evangelists.

In a workshop on "Preparing the Evangelistic Message," New Orleans Seminary Professor V. L. Stanfield advised shorter sermons, saying brief messages are more effective for the 20th century man.

An evangelistic program at First Baptist Church in Dallas aimed at enlisting 2,000 church members to visit in the homes of 2,000 unchurched Dallas citizens was outlined by Ralph Neighbor, associate in the Texas Baptist evangelism division.

The conference was the first major program of the newly established evangelism conference and research center at New Orleans seminary.

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**Cooper Named Tarheel
 Baptist Negro Worker**

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RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)--Corbin L. Cooper, pastor of First Baptist Church in Morehead City, N. C., has been named new secretary of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's department of interracial cooperation.

Cooper, 34, succeeds W. R. Grigg, who is now doing similar work with National (Negro) Baptists for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

A native of Leaksville, N. C., Cooper has been pastor of the Morehead City church since 1959. He is a graduate of Mars Hill College (Baptist), Mars Hill, N. C.; Wake Forest College, (Baptist), Winston-Salem, N. C.; and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.

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Crash Kills Howard Payne
Dean, Injures President

BROWNWOOD, Tex. (BP)--A headon car-pickup truck crash near here killed the academic dean of Howard Payne College and critically injured the Baptist school's president.

Forrest Jack Agee, dean of the school since 1963, died of injuries the day following the crash.

President Guy Newman of Howard Payne and Mrs. Agee were in critical condition at a Brownwood hospital for 36 hours following the crash when they were removed from the hospital's "critical" list. Both are still in serious condition, however.

Newman received serious internal injuries and Mrs. Agee received numerous fractures.

The two Agee sons, Forrest Jack Agee Jr., age 24, and Thomas Lee Agee, 16, were also injured. Both were released from the hospital within 24 hours.

The accident occurred as the group was returning from a Saturday night championship high school football game in central Texas.

Funeral services were to be held for Agee on Dec. 23 at the First Baptist Church of Brownwood.

Agee, a graduate of Tarleton State College in Stephenville, Tex., and Howard Payne College here, received his masters degree from the University of Texas, Austin, and the doctor of philosophy degree from Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

Before coming to Howard Payne in 1963, he had been on the faculty of The Citadel, Military College of South Carolina in Charleston.

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New Orleans Professor
Slates Harvard Lectures

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NEW ORLEANS (BP)--Clark H. Pinnock, assistant professor of New Testament studies at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary here, will deliver the Christian Contemporary Thought lectures on "Is Humanism Possible" at Harvard University, Boston for the purpose of stimulating debate and discussion within the academic community on contemporary issues.

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Furman Gets Educational
Grant from Duke Endowment

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GREENVILLE, S. C. (BP)--Furman University here has received a grant of \$275,000 for specific educational purposes from the Duke Endowment.

The funds were appropriated to the Baptist school for augmenting faculty compensation, faculty recognition and encouragement; strengthening the library; special academic and cultural projects, student scholarships, special instructional equipment, equipment for the new science building, and campus physical improvements.

The grant is in addition to funds annually awarded Furman for operating expenses by the Duke Endowment, which has contributed approximately \$9.6 million to Furman since 1924. Duke Endowment grants supplied most of the funds for construction of the James Buchanan Library at Furman.

Furman President Gordon W. Blackwell said that, except for student fees, the Duke Endowment has provided the largest part in Furman's annual income.

The Duke Endowment is one of the nation's largest philanthropic foundations, Furman reported. With assets valued at about \$594 million, the Duke Endowment was founded as a perpetual trust by the late James Buchanan Duke "to make provision in some measure for the needs of mankind along physical, mental and spiritual lines."

Duke Endowment philanthropies include the fields of higher education, hospital and child care, and religion. In education, Duke University is the principal beneficiary. Other colleges receiving Duke Endowment funds include Furman University, Davidson College in Davidson, N. C., and Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, N. C.

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Stetson Gets Two
Grants For \$3,000

DeLAND, Fla. (BP)--Stetson University (Baptist) here has received two grants recently totaling \$3,000.

Included was an unrestricted gift of \$2,500 from the Esso Education Foundation, and a \$500 grant from the American Can Co., for the purchase of a reflectance-measuring instrument for use in the chemistry department.

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