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The Leisure Crisis:
A Role For The Church?

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ATLANTA (BP)--Do Southern Baptists need to develop a theology of leisure?

"Definitely", Southern Baptist Seminary Professor G. Willis Bennett said before about 35 church and denominational leaders here.

The hazard of our day, he said, is not knowing how to use time constructively, and the church must respond to this growing challenge.

"We do well to recognize that the problem of leisure is related to the ultimate concern of life itself; it runs throughout the search for meaning," said Bennett, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville.

"If contemporary man has problems of fear, anxiety, boredom, these may be related to his alienation from God and from his fellowman. The depth of this alienation may show nowhere as much as it does in the use he makes of his unstructured hours; here is where true despair and lack of creativity will show first and in greatest depth."

Bennett was speaking at a two-day Southern Baptist Home Mission Board conference sponsored by the rural-urban missions department, the first brainstorming session of its kind of a new dimension in Southern Baptist ministries: resort missions.

"No adequate theology will brand leisure and pleasure as sinful within themselves," he said. "We need to make it quite clear that work and leisure are not antithetical to each other in the realm of moral values."

In fact, he said, the command to rest is included in the Ten Commandments.

Bennett called for a reassessment of our work ethic, which has viewed idle time as sinful and is based on good stewardship of time and do's and don'ts about activities on the Sabbath.

"The legalistic approach which tends to ignore or misinterpret Jesus' saying that the Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath, may establish many restrictions as to what is allowed," Bennett said.

"An extremist at this point, mixing his theology with Protestant American culture, would exercise a list of prohibitions for himself, and might even have difficulty in endorsing a program of ministries to those who use their Sundays primarily for play."

He said that a Christian theology must move in the direction of greater freedom, recognizing that internal rather than external values are the guidelines for moral conduct.

"Emancipation from a system without emancipation from the Lordship of Christ is what is desired," he said.

The church can help people to see how to use free time, he said, suggesting volunteer work in social agencies, hospitals, and other community-related projects.

Most churches, he said, only offer two or three choices of service--leadership work in an organization, visitation, or "limited and frequently meaningless service on a committee.

"The especially talented may sing in the choir," he said, "but many Christians who feel themselves incapable of some of these roles would gladly serve in other ways out in the community if the church would structure the positions."

Many professional people, such as doctors, lawyers, preachers, and so on, find creative involvement in their work, thus having leisure in their work, Bennett said.

But, he said, "so many jobs contribute to the depersonalization of the human that leisure time then provides the only opportunity for personhood to be realized."

Leisure is related to the concept of vocation and calling, Bennett said.

"If a man sees his vocation as an opportunity to respond to the call of God, then he may find within it considerable fulfillment. If, on the other hand, one's work leads to depersonalization and it becomes only a job to do solely for materialistic motives, he will seldom be able to approach it in such a way as to find true self-realization.

"This person, then, may look to the leisure time hours for such satisfactions," Bennett said.

Unemployment, retirement, shorter work weeks for wage earners, and conveniences for home makers provide a sort of enforced leisure, Bennett said, and create a gap that the church can fill.

"The churches need ministries to those away from home (such as resort ministries), and enlarged ministries such as weekday programs to those at home," he said.

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Resort Mission Meet
Focuses on Leisure

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ATLANTA (BP)--A two-day session on resort missions here focused the attention of 35 Southern Baptist leaders on the current crisis in leisure and the challenge of the nation's burgeoning resort communities.

This was the first meeting of its kind, culminating four years of pilot work on the part of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's department of rural-urban missions, headed by C. Wilson Brumley.

Small brainstorming sessions produced ideas ranging from roadside refreshment stands near national parks and counseling centers to the broader realm of educating Baptist churches as to the needs and exploring possibilities of cooperating with other denominations.

G. Willis Bennett, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, set the scene with a depiction of just what the church was faced with in the leisure revolution. (see separate story)

"We do well to recognize that the problem of leisure is related to the ultimate concern of life itself; it runs throughout the search for meaning," he said.

Bennett said the church must step in to help people use leisure time constructively.

Warren Ost of New York City, a leisure specialist at the National Council of Churches, outlined suggestions in performing a ministry in a resort area:

- * "Know what's going on in your area.
- * "Know projected developments of the government and private agencies.
- * "Use laymen. This is the clue to providing more effective ministries in these areas. You'll be shocked to find out how many people already know more than you do, and are professionals in dealing with leisure.
- * "Discover what it really means to offer hospitality to strangers. A lot of the old fashion things you think you're doing because they are Southern are possibilities in the world of leisure because they are Christian. In the motel morality, which is characteristic of a resort community, hospitality to strangers may be a sacrament, even though you don't believe in sacraments.
- * "Do well what you already are doing. The bright bushy-tailed seminarians who think preaching isn't relevant are the guys who can't preach. The creative guys on the far out fringe who are successful are the guys who can do the things the church does well, well."
- * "Discover what the best use of church camps are. Are your camp programs really helping people to prepare for leisure, understanding the gospel or are they just spiritual hyperdermics? Maybe it isn't the best creative use to take junior high kids out for a spiritual uplift."
- * "Minister in, not to, the resort community."

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Golden Gate Seminary
First President Dies

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SAN LEANDRO, Calif. (BP)--Isam B. Hodges, co-founder and first president of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in Mill Valley-Strawberry Point, Calif., died here at a local hospital following a brief illness. He was 72.

Funeral services were conducted in Berkeley, Calif., on March 7, with Wayne Swindall, pastor of Second Baptist Church, San Leandro and Elmer Ibsen, officiating. Ibsen was one of Hodges' first students at the seminary.

A native of Arkansas, Hodges was a graduate of Mountain Home Baptist College, and Ouachita Baptist College (now University) in Arkansas, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

He also earned the master of arts degree from Berkeley Baptist Divinity School in Berkeley, Calif., and became pastor of the Golden Gate Baptist Church, Oakland, in 1937 and served there for six years.

In founding Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in 1944, Hodges enlisted the help of Golden Gate Baptist Church, and the help of G. Dallas Faulkner of the First Southern Baptist Church of San Francisco.

Hodges served as president of the Baptist seminary from 1944-46 when the California Southern Baptist Convention assumed administration of the seminary.

He continued his ministry as pastor of Baptist churches until 1960, serving last as pastor of First Baptist Church of San Lorenzo, Calif.

Survivors include his wife and five children.

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ABC Concerned About Crusade,
Tiller Tells Fellowship Group

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WASHINGTON (BP)--The president of the American Baptist Convention (ABC) told the North American Baptist Fellowship steering committee here that American Baptists will be vitally concerned about the success of the Crusade of Americas even though the ABC will not officially participate.

Carl W. Tiller, president of the convention, said here that American Baptists "will have the crusade in our prayers and will be concerned that it will be helpful in winning large numbers of people to Christ."

Tiller reported that at least four state conventions within the ABC and an uncounted number of city associations and individual churches have made plans regionally to cooperate with the hemisphere-wide evangelistic effort in 1969.

The Crusade of the Americas was initiated by Brazilian Baptists as a means for concentrated evangelistic effort in South, Central and North America during 1969.

The General Council of the American Baptist Convention decided in November it could not actively participate in the crusade on a national scale because of prior commitments to a Christian Faith and Work Plan for 1969-71, but it suggested that its local churches and Latin American missions would be encouraged to participate if they so desire on a regional basis.

Chester J. Jump, executive secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Societies, told the North American Baptist Fellowship group, "we were already committed to another program, and too much planning and expense was involved to change plans when the Crusade of the Americas idea was introduced."

The meeting of the Fellowship committee was the first since the ABC General Council rejected participation in the crusade.

The Fellowship had earlier endorsed the crusade as a worthy cooperative venture for all Baptists on the continent.

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V. Carney Hargroves of Philadelphia, chairman of the Fellowship and presiding officer at the meeting, reported "many signs of cooperative efforts and fellowship" between Baptists in varying conventions and conferences on the continent. He said that ministers are crossing convention and racial lines for dialogue discussions and that city-wide Baptist rallies have been held in Philadelphia, Pa., Dover, De., Kenoska, Wisc., and elsewhere.

Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, said that Baptists in Central and South America are entering into the Crusade plans "with zeal and imperative." He urged all North American Baptists to support the crusade plans with "an undergirding of prayer."

Harold Stassen of Philadelphia, past president of the American Baptist Convention and a national political leader, spoke in behalf of "a mighty reconciling action among all Baptists of the Americas," placing emphasis on both evangelism as it applies to individuals and the social application of the gospel message.

The former governor of Minnesota and one-time candidate for United States president urged also that the Fellowship committee project programs that will lead to understanding, harmony and cooperation among all Baptists on the continent.

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Asian Baptists Propose
21 Country Fellowship

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WASHINGTON (BP)--The Baptist World Alliance Administrative Committee meeting here heard plans for possible organization of an Asian Baptist Fellowship and discussed the possibility of establishing an Asian office of the Baptist World Alliance (BWA).

Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the world-wide Baptist organization, reported that Baptist leaders from Asian countries will meet in Hong Kong April 8 to discuss the possibility of organizing a fellowship group for 21 Asian and Southwest Pacific countries.

If approved by the Asian Baptist leaders, the association would link the Baptist bodies in these countries in a fellowship similar to the European Baptist Federation and the North American Baptist Fellowship.

There are more than 1 million Baptists in the 21 countries, according to BWA records. The total includes a 1941 figure of 123,000 Baptists in Mainland China. No membership figures have been available from the China mainland since missionaries were forced out in 1941, and no one knows how many Baptists are still in the China mainland.

The Hong Kong meeting has been called by Shuichi Matsumura of Tokyo, a vice president of the Baptist World Alliance.

The BWA Administrative Committee discussed the possibility of setting up a regional office, perhaps in Hong Kong, comparable with the BWA regional office in London for the European secretary of the Alliance and the European Baptist Federation.

Nordenhaug said that establishment of such an Asian office would depend largely on the initiative of Asian Baptists and their support.

Plans were outlined for two future BWA-sponsored meetings, and reports were presented on a recent Asian Baptist Youth Conference at Iloilo, Philippines.

The chairman of the BWA youth committee, Gunnar Hoglund of Chicago, reported that 215 youths from 17 countries in Asia attended the Iloilo conference, the third such Asian youth fellowship meeting since 1956.

A cable from Matsumura in Tokyo assured the BWA group that the Budokan, an auditorium seating 16,000, is available for the 12th Baptist World Congress in Tokyo, July, 1970.

The administrative committee authorized Robert S. Denny, associate secretary of the Alliance, to meet with the Tokyo committee to complete negotiations with auditorium officials and the Tokyo hotel association, and to bring a report to the BWA Executive Committee when it meets in Nashville, Tenn., July 31-Aug. 1.

Plans for a Baptist Youth World Conference in Berne, Switzerland, July 22-28, 1968, were presented, with indications that housing facilities in the Swiss capital will be filled to capacity, said Hoglund.

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In another report, the relief coordinator for the Alliance, Adolfs Klaupiks, said that \$112,000 in relief funds were channeled to refugees and other needy persons on five continents during the last 12 months.

Klaupiks indicated special needs exist currently in hurricane-smashed Haiti and in drought-stricken India.

Two sub-committees were named to bring reports to the BWA Executive Committee meeting in Nashville. One was charged to bring a resolution "expressing our concern for world peace and urging prayers for peace." The other will nominate a program committee for the 1970 Congress in Tokyo.

The move toward the proposed resolution on world peace was prompted by correspondence from many parts of the world expressing concern about the war in Vietnam and other points of tension, said Nordenhaug.

Representatives from many nations, both East and West, are expected to attend the Nashville meeting.

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Baptists Discuss Guides
On Religion in Schools

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WASHINGTON (BP)--A Baptist agency tackled the problem of religion in public schools during its semi-annual meeting here.

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs took no official action on the complex problem, but discussed factors to be included in a study guide on the religion in public schools issue.

At the October meeting of the Baptist Joint Committee, guidelines prepared as a result of these discussions will be presented as a proposed position.

The committee members agreed that public schools have no responsibility to promote worship or religious commitment.

The committee recognized, however, that the schools do have a role of teaching about religion as it is related to culture and the life of society.

It was also agreed that a proposed constitutional prayer amendment by Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen (R. Ill.) is not needed and could cause complications in the free exercise of religion.

The Baptist group felt that the First Amendment to the Constitution is adequate for safeguarding religious freedom. Hence, they said that it needs neither alteration nor amplifying by constitutional changes.

The First Amendment reads in part: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." This provision is extended to the states by the Fourteenth Amendment.

The Joint Committee, an agency sponsored by eight national Baptist bodies, took steps toward a study guide which will be offered to the churches as a printed brochure in the near future.

A study paper offering suggested guidelines on the problem will be circulated among Baptist leaders within the next few months.

In another action the Baptist committee instructed its staff to explore its role in interfaith dialogue on religious freedom. It also asked the staff to send information to its sponsoring denominations on proposed changes in Social Security laws affecting ministers and to survey the problem of special privileges for clergymen.

The issue of religious liberty in the chaplaincy program of the military was discussed. The staff was asked to study the problem, identify the sensitive areas and report to the Baptist Joint Committee at a future meeting.

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The Baptist Joint Committee is composed of members elected by the Southern Baptist Convention, American Baptist Convention, Baptist General Conference, North American Baptist General Conference, Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, National Baptist Convention of America, National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., and the Baptist Federation of Canada. C. Emanuel Carlson is the executive director.

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SBC Hospital Plans
\$20 million Building

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (BP)--Baptist Memorial Hospital here has announced a \$27 million expansion program, including construction of a new 16-story medical and surgical tower.

The Southern Baptist Convention-owned hospital will have a total of 778 beds with value of the medical center in excess of \$39 million when the project is completed, said Judge Marion W. Gooding, president of Baptist Hospital of Jacksonville, Inc., the original development organization for the hospital.

The plan calls for extensive changes and renovation of the present buildings, and the construction of a 16-story tower on the banks of the St. Johns River west of the present buildings.

The lower level and first nine floors of the tower are expected to be completed and in operation some time in 1970, the hospital announced.

The upper seven floors will be "shelled-in" to be completed in later phases of the project as community hospital needs increase, according to the announcement.

Financing plans for the \$20 million first phase will include a \$5½ million fund-raising goal, with the balance of \$14½ million coming from long-term financing and bequests. The hospital already has \$1.3 million in hand, Judge Gooding said.

Gooding said the fund drive would begin in April, and that groundbreaking for the new building would be held in September.

Tentative plans call for the first nine floors of the tower to include a 200-seat auditorium, a data processing center, a medical museum, radiation therapy section, an inhalation therapy department, 12 operating rooms, hospital kitchens, a cafeteria, four floors for patients' rooms, and many other departments of work.

Completely separate from the tower and present buildings, but connected to them, will be a chapel seating about 50 persons for religious services and meditation.

Also to be constructed will be a power plant separate from the main hospital buildings, and a new multi-level parking complex.

Also included in the first phase plan is a sewage treatment plan to prevent additional river pollution.

Future phases in the total \$27 million master plan will include construction of a companion building to the existing Marshall Taylor Doctors' Building to house additional offices for doctors; housing facilities for interns and residents and their families; and a self-care building for patients who can meet their own needs and who are at the medical center primarily for diagnosis or treatment.

"Baptist Memorial Hospital's new medical center, plus the other area hospital expansions in various stages of development, will make available the best possible facilities to challenge the great talents of our medical community," said Jewell A. Davis, president of the hospital's board of trustees.

Baptist Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville is a subsidiary of the Southern Baptist Hospitals, which also owns the Southern Baptist Hospital of New Orleans, the only two hospitals owned by the Southern Baptist Convention.

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SBC HOSPITAL EXPANSION PLANNED: Baptist Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla., an institution of the Southern Baptist Convention, has announced plans for a \$27 million expansion program, including construction of this 21 story surgical and medical tower. It is one of two hospitals owned by the Southern Baptist Convention. (BP PHOTO).



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SBC Pastors' Conference
To Feature 21 Speakers

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MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (BP)--Twenty-one major speakers will deliver addresses and sermons to the 1967 Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference when it meets here May 29-30.

The program for the two-day Pastors' Conference, held just prior to the annual Southern Baptist Convention here May 30-June 2, was announced by C. A. Roberts, president of the Pastors' Conference and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Fla.

For the first time, the Pastors' Conference will conclude with a dinner-dialogue on the subject, "The Church--Its Present Status and Future Prospect."

Scheduled at the Carillon Hotel, the dinner-dialogue will feature a panel composed of SBC Christian Life Commission Secretary Foy Valentine of Nashville, University of Tennessee Chemistry Professor George Schweitzer of Knoxville, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Professor Kenneth Chafin of Louisville.

Following brief statements by each panel member, Baptist pastors attending the dinner-dialogue will raise questions and give their own observations, said Roberts. Advance reservations, and a registration fee of \$10, are required for the pastors' dinner-dialogue.

All other sessions of the Pastors' Conference will be held at the Miami Beach Convention Hall.

Theme for the Pastors' Conference will be "Mandate to Minister," the same theme used by the Southern Baptist Convention following the pastors' meeting.

Roberts said that the program will center around the different worlds to which the pastor must minister, including the worlds of the church, the working man, the student, religion, the entertainment world, the world of athletics, the world of government, the world of human relations, the world of foreign missions and others.

Representing the world of entertainment will be Anita Bryant, actress and recording star, who will both sing and tell the pastors what being a Christian means to her.

Golfer Gary Player, one of the few persons ever to win the four major world golf tournaments, will receive an award jointly from the Pastors' Conference and from the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Player will be honored for "his contribution to wholesome athletics in the past decade," said Roberts.

Immediately following presentation of the award to Player, the executive secretary of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, James Jeffrey of Kansas City, Mo., will address the pastors.

Florida State Senator Mallory Horne of Tallahassee will address the pastors on "...The World of Government," and Samuel Proctor, president of the Institute for Services to Education in Washington, will speak on human relations. Proctor, a Negro, is a former Peace Corps executive and former War on Poverty assistant in the Office of Economic Opportunity.

The Pastors' Conference will open Monday morning, May 29, with the annual presidential address by Roberts, and with addresses by Mrs. Gert Behanna, author and lecturer from Kerville, Tex.; John Wood, pastor, First Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky., and W. Fred Swank, pastor, Sagamore Hill Baptist Church, Fort Worth.

Other opening day speakers are C. E. Garrison, pastor, First Baptist Church, Altus, Okla.; Benny Bray, postal supervisor in Dallas, Tex.; Charles Wellborn, chaplain at Florida State University, Tallahassee; Jess Moody, pastor, First Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Buckner Fanning, pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, San Antonio, Tex.; Howard Butt, grocery chain executive, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Miss Bryant and Jeffrey.

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Speakers on the closing day include Ed Crow, pastor, First Baptist Church, Brownsville, Tex.; William Hendricks, professor, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth; Philip Harris, Training Union secretary for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; W. Wayne Dehoney, pastor, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville; Paul Bellington, SBC missionary to Brazil; Schweitzer, Horne, and Proctor.

Closing address to the full Pastors' Conference will be delivered by W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex., the largest church in the Southern Baptist Convention.

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Don't Make Gospel Religious
Medicare, Seminarians Warned

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NEW ORLEANS (BP)--Southern Baptists will die if they follow the route of other denominations which "have tossed aside the Bible as God's authority and made the gospel a religious medicare," students at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary were told here.

"We are moving today as if the Holy Spirit has gone out of business," said Roland L. Jarrard of Birmingham, Ala., during the annual Tharp lectures at New Orleans Seminary..

"What are we going to do?" asked Jarrard, pastor of Ruhama Baptist Church in Birmingham and former evangelism secretary for Alabama Baptists.

He urged Southern Baptists not to follow the example of some other denominations which, he said, have become sterile, status symbols; dried up and dead. He did not name the denominations.

"Today we must rethink our roles and our work and recognize God as our power," said Jarrard. "We must get rid of dull habits and replace them with a creative gospel related to modern man and his life."

"No matter how much we know, if we can not and do not communicate the gospel, we have failed," he said.

Active in denominational work, Jarrard served two years as administrative assistant in charge of evangelism and missionary education for the Alabama Baptist Convention before going to the Birmingham church.

He has been pastor of churches in both Florida and Alabama including the First Baptist Church of Selma, Ala.

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Kentucky Baptist School
Asks To Sever Baptist Ties

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LOUISVILLE (BP)--The trustees of Kentucky Southern College here, a Baptist school only seven years old, have requested that its ownership ties be severed with the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Kentucky Southern trustees made the request for release from the convention ownership in order to accept federal grants and federal loans, reported the Louisville Courier-Journal.

Soon after the trustees took the action, the chairman of the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Executive Board called a special session of the board to consider the request. The meeting was (is) scheduled March 10 at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Bagdad, Ky.

If the convention's Executive Board approves the proposed separation, Kentucky Southern will immediately apply for federal aid, the trustees said.

Kentucky Southern, located on a 232-acre campus here, was begun in 1960 and joined the Kentucky Baptist Convention in 1962. Current enrollment is about 800 students.

The trustees requested that the convention sever its ownership of the school on Aug. 31, 1967.

Trustees also requested an additional \$300,000 from the convention to pay accrued debts and operational expenses, and another \$200,000 by July 25 to pay current expenses.

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The convention was also requested to "obligate itself" for the balance of a \$850,000 loan made by the college Sept. 1, 1966.

The spiraling cost of higher education was cited as the reason for the move by the trustees to seek severance.

Kentucky Baptists have during the past year been sharply divided over whether their six educational institutions should be permitted to accept federal aid.

During a special convention to deal with the matter last June, both federal grants and federal loans were denied the four colleges and two secondary schools. In November, however, the convention approved a motion reaffirming a 1949 convention policy which leaves such administrative matters in the hands of each institutions' trustees.

Some Baptist leaders have interpreted the motion as giving the schools' trustees the power to decide for themselves on the federal aid question, while others argue that the convention has repeatedly declared itself opposed to federal aid and that the institutions would go against the majority opinion of the convention if the trustees accepted federal aid.

Additional financial assistance for Kentucky Southern was reportedly necessary to meet requirements for "full accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

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Pastors' Dinner-Dialogue
Slated During SBC Meeting

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MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (BP)--A dinner-dialogue for Baptist pastors from throughout the nation will be the closing feature of the 1967 Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference here May 29-30.

The president of the SBC Pastors' Conference, C. A. Roberts of Tallahassee, set up the dialogue session in response to a motion rejected by the Southern Baptist Convention last year in Detroit asking for the convention to schedule discussions on current theological, social and moral issues.

"I was present at the committee on order of business meeting when they regretfully could not find time to honor such a request," said Roberts, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tallahassee.

"As a result I have planned this as a 'first' in Southern Baptist Convention procedure," said Roberts in describing the pastor dinner-dialogue.

At the dialogue session, scheduled Tuesday May 30, 4:30 p.m., at the Carillon Hotel in Miami Beach, a panel of three Baptist leaders will open the dialogue with statements on "The Church--Its Present Status and Future Prospect."

Following the panel presentation, the floor will be thrown open for discussion by the Baptist pastors attending.

Panel members will be Foy Valentine, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, Nashville; George Schweitzer, professor, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; and Kenneth L. Chafin, professor, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. Roberts will be moderator.

Roberts said that pastors wishing to attend the dialogue-dinner must pre-register and pay a \$10 registration fee. He added he must know by about April 1 how many plan to attend in order to make necessary physical arrangements.

Already more than 200 denominational leaders and pastors have made reservations, said Roberts.

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SBC PASTORS' CONFERENCE
May 29-30, 1967

Convention Hall
Miami Beach, Florida

Theme: "Mandate to Minister"

MONDAY MORNING, May 29

- 9:30 Music
- 9:40 Invocation
- 9:45 President's Message - C. A. Roberts, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Fla.
- 9:55 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the Many Worlds About Us" - John Wood, pastor, First Baptist Church, Paducah, Kentucky
- 10:15 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of His Church" - W. Fred Swank, Sagamore Hill Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas
- 10:45 Offering
- 10:55 Music
- 11:00 "God Isn't Dead" - Gert Behanna, author and lecturer, Kerville, Texas

MONDAY AFTERNOON, May 29

- 1:30 Song Service
- 1:40 Prayer
- 1:45 Election of Officers
- 2:15 Music
- 2:20 "Multiplication Vs. Addition" - C. E. Garrison, pastor, First Baptist Church, Altus, Oklahoma
- 2:40 Offering
- Music
- 2:55 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of the Working Man" - Benny Bray, postal supervisor, Dallas, Texas
- 3:25 Testimony and Song - Miss Jackie Fain
- 3:35 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of the Student" - Charles Wellborn, chaplain, Florida State University, Tallahassee
- 4:05 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of the Home" - Jess Moody, pastor, First Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Florida

MONDAY NIGHT, May 29

- 7:00 Music
- 7:10 "The Strategy of Penetration" - Buckner Fanning, pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas
- Prayer
- Special Music
- 7:30 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of Religion" - Howard Butt, grocery chain executive, Corpus Christi, Texas
- 8:15 Offering
- 8:25 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of Entertainment" - Anita Bryant, actress and singer, Miami, Florida
- 9:00 Athletic Award to Golfer Gary Player
- 9:30 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of Athletics" - James Jeffrey, executive director, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Kansas City, Missouri

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TUESDAY MORNING, May 30

- 9:00 Song Service
Prayer
"It's All for Evangelism" - Ed Crow, pastor, First Baptist Church, Brownsville, Texas
- 9:30 "Christianity and World Issues" - George Schweitzer, professor, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 10:10 Offering
- 10:15 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of Religious Authority" - William Hendricks, professor, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas
- 10:35 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of Government" - Mallory Horne, state senator, Tallahassee, Florida
- 11:00 Music
- 11:05 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of Human Relations" - Samuel Procter, Institute for Services to Education, Washington, D. C.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, May 30

- 1:10 "The Training of the Witness" - Philip Harris, Training Union Secretary, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee
- 1:30 "Crusade of the Americas" - Wayne Dehoney, pastor, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky
- 1:55 "The Minister Addresses Himself...To the World of Foreign Missions" - Paul Bellington, Missionary to Brazil
- 2:25 Offering
Special Music
- 2:35 "A Heart to Care and a Spirit to Try" - W. A. Criswell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas

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- 4:30 Dinner-Dialogue, Carillon Hotel (May 1 deadline for reservations)

Panelists: George Schweitzer, professor, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Foy Valentine, executive secretary, Christian Life Commission SBC, Nashville, Tennessee
Kenneth Chafin, professor, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky