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STATES ALREADY WORKING TOWARD ENLARGED BUDGETS

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Two southwestern states are engaged in fast-moving stewardship campaigns to boost their fall stewardship drives.

Texas, according to Dr. J. Howard Williams, state secretary, has 17 teams in the field teaching stewardship to Baptist leaders, meeting in one-day sessions in 85 different churches. Dr. Floyd Chaffin, associate secretary, is in charge of the drive.

Oklahoma, according to Dr. Andrew Potter, state secretary, has one special team conducting district leadership luncheons in five cities. Rev. Thomas B. Lackey, associate secretary, is heading the Oklahoma campaign.

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PARAGUAY TO GET \$100,000 HOSPITAL

RICHMOND, Va.--(BP)--Paraguay will soon have a new \$100,000 Baptist hospital, the first and only evangelical Christian hospital in the country, according to the Little Commission, Foreign Mission Board publication. The institution will be built under the supervision of Franklin T. Fowler, M.D., on property purchased in Asuncion by the Board last December.

The hospital had its beginning under the shade of a tree on the banks of the Paraguay River when Miriam Willis, a Southern Baptist missionary nurse, opened a clinic as a Christian ministry to impoverished mothers and children.

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WORLD NEEDS LIFTERS,
SAYS DR. JOHNSON

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--The world is not just a globe, but humanity that always needs a lift, Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, president of the Baptist World Alliance, told the Peabody College graduating class here this summer. "Your training should have equipped you to be a lifter in this hour when winning or losing depends on it."

"As you go out among the members of other classes," he warned the seniors, "you will find many people and ideologies -- Communists, Socialists, economists, militarists, and others claiming to have the lift that will lead the world into a better way of life."

Citing education as one of the greatest lifts, Dr. Johnson said, "All mankind-- Christianity itself -- is indebted to the Man of Nazareth who gave the world a teacher -- the greatest it ever had."

Dr. Johnson, a native of Anderson County, Tennessee, is pastor of the Third Baptist Church, Saint Louis, Missouri.

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STUDENTS LAUNCH
MISSION PROJECTS

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--There will be at least 15 European mission projects launched on 13 Southern Baptist college campuses this autumn as a result of a summer mission tour by 20 young people, according to Dr. William Hall Preston, associate secretary of the Baptist Student Union Department of the Sunday School Board.

One group will raise money to buy 50 complete clothing outfits for 25 young men coming from destitute countries to study in the new Baptist seminary at Zurich, Switzerland. Another campus will send money for a washing machine to be placed in the Baptist orphanage at Rome, Italy. Others will supply T-shirts and short trousers for the boys of the orphanage.

Other projects include two cows for the orphanage, typewriters for the seminary, a piano for the missionary training school in Rome and scholarships for young ministerial students.

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