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## SOUTH AMERICAN CITY IN SIMULTANEOUS CRUSADE

RECIFE, Brazil--(BP)--A completely modern, well-organized revival campaign was recently conducted in this South American city of one-half million, according to Joseph Underwood, Southern Baptist missionary here. The campaign featured one week simultaneous revival meetings in the local 38 Baptist churches. The meetings followed a week of prayer services and an intensive visitation.

More than 200,000 invitations were distributed by the city's 6,000 Baptists. A constant patrol of the market places by cars equipped with public address systems kept the revival before the city's populace. At least 25,000 different people visited the churches during the period.

Wide use was made of radio and newspaper advertising. Daily street meetings downtown Recife attracted as many as 2,000 in a single service. Ten thousand attended an open air mass service held on the Brazilian Independence Day. A total of 500 people professed Christ as Saviour.

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## PROFESSOR TO LEAD PARTY TO PALESTINE

NEW ORLEANS, La.--(BP)--Dr. Roy Beaman, associate professor Biblical introduction at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will lead a study group in a two-month's tour of Bible lands during May and June. The group will travel by air from New York, and while overseas will use three station wagons that are being shipped over for land travel.

The tour will include study and travel in Jerusalem, Ur of the Chaldees, Tarsus, Ephesus, Corinth, Athens, and Rome. The professor will lecture each morning before beginning the day's tour.

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## GREAT NORTHWEST BAPTISTS PLAN SIMULTANEOUS REVIVAL

PORTLAND, Ore.--(BP)--Three hundred people attended a two-day evangelistic conference held January 11-12 in the First Southern Baptist Church here. They came from all areas of Washington and Oregon to plan for a bi-state simultaneous revival to be held September 9-19. Rev. Bob Hite, superintendent of evangelism for the area, announced that Dr. Robert G. Lee will be the principal speaker in the pre-revival rally to be held August 14-15.

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ILLINOIS BAPTISTS ELECT  
NEW CHICAGO MISSIONARY

CHICAGO, Ill.--(BP)--According to an announcement by Religious News Service, there are two million un-churched people in Chicago, 415 thousand of them under fourteen years of age and 391 thousand more between fourteen and nineteen years. Southern Baptists in Illinois are endeavoring to do something about this.

They have employed A. G. Rednour to serve as missionary in the area. He will live in a home purchased by a group of eleven Chicago Baptist churches. The effort is a part of the movement of the Illinois Baptist Association to organize congregations in all of the state's 355 towns and cities which have no Baptist church of any description. They hope to continue the growth that started in 1910 with 226 churches and that today has 600 churches, more than any other Baptist body in the state.

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CHARLES WELLBORN  
IN NEW YORK CITY

NEW YORK, N. Y.--(BP)--This metropolitan city had a taste of Southern preaching when Charles Wellborn, Southern Baptist radio preacher, supplied the pulpit of Calvary Baptist church here on the recent New Year's week end. He was well received according to Rev. John S. Wimbish, pastor of the church.

Wellborn said of the experience, "I found myself standing before an auditorium filled to capacity with people from every section of New York City. They stayed, singing hymns, fellowshiping, worshipping until they saw the New Year in with prayer!"

John S. Wimbish, formerly of South Carolina has been pastor of the church since June 1, 1950.

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GEORGIA PREACHER  
SERVES 201 YEARS

NORCROSS, Ga.--(BP)--Rev. M. J. Bruce, pastor of five rural churches in the Georgia Baptist Association for a total of 201 years in the five, has retired from the ministry because of his advancing years.

Oldest of Mr. Bruce's pastorates was the William's Creek church where he had served continuously for 49 years. His youngest pastorate was at Raytown where he had served for 30 years.

Mr. Bruce was born within the Georgia Association and spent his entire ministry there.

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