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**Baptist Relief Efforts Wane
 As Eastern Nigeria Recovers**

OWERRI, Nigeria (BP)--Baptist relief work in Nigeria's East Central State can soon be reduced as inhabitants recover from the war that ravaged the area for two and a half years.

East Central State is a part of the former eastern region which seceded and proclaimed itself Biafra in 1967. The rebel forces capitulated to the federal Nigerian government Jan. 12, 1970.

Relief funds made available by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, along with a contribution from the Nigerian Baptist Convention, have provided medicine and high-protein food for Kwashiorkor patients in nine centers in the Owerri area.

Through local Baptist churches, 2,719 such patients were treated from July through November, according to Southern Baptist missionary Russell L. Locke. More than half this number have been discharged, 114 have died, and most of the remaining 1,116 will be ready for discharge in the near future, he said.

Among the churches which were begun during the war there has been some loss in membership, but Locke attributes this to a postwar exodus to the cities and former places of employment.

He finds church members "eager for Bible study." Fifty-eight enrolled in a Bible school in Owerri which ran for about three months this fall.

"We plan a longer session next year," Locke said, "but we cannot possibly take half of the new applicants."

Over 300 Bibles in the Ibo language and 300 in English have been purchased by church members in the area, the missionary reported.

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Louis Moore Named Religion
 Editor, Houston Chronicle

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LOUISVILLE (BP)--Louis A. Moore, news director of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for the past two-and-one-half years, resigned effective Dec. 31 to assume the position of religion editor of the Houston (Tex.) Chronicle.

He will join the staff of the afternoon daily on Feb. 7 after he completes his master of divinity degree from Southern Seminary the latter part of January.

In his new capacity, Moore will write and edit the newspaper's weekly church supplement as well as cover religion on a daily basis.

His wife, the former Kay Wheeler of Garland, Tex., will also be on the newspaper's staff as a general assignments reporter.

Born in Houston and reared in Oklahoma City, Okla., Moore received his bachelor's degree in journalism and did graduate study in religion at Baylor University in Waco, Tex. He has worked on the editorial staff of the Waco (Tex.) News Tribune, as press representative for the SBC Sunday School Board at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in North Carolina, and as a news writer in Baylor's Public Relations Office.

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During college he was a staff writer and eventually editor of the Baylor Lariat, campus daily newspaper.

Mrs. Moore received her bachelor's degree in journalism from Baylor University also. She has worked for the past two years as a reporter for United Press International. She has also worked for the Dallas (Tex.) Morning News and was a summer intern for the Baptist Standard in Texas.

During college she was a staff writer for The Lariat, and also worked as a newswriter for Baylor's Public Relations Office. She also attended Southern Seminary.

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W. F. Albright Library
Goes to Southern Seminary

12/22/71

LOUISVILLE (BP)-- The personal library of the late William F. Albright, a noted Biblical archaeologist and professor at Johns Hopkins University, has been added to the library of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Described as one of the best private Near Eastern collections anywhere, the library contains basic books on languages, literature and archaeology of the Middle East.

There are more than 5,000 volumes in the collection, including about 900 volumes of periodicals. Also in the library are more than 6,000 reprints of articles on all subjects pertaining to the Middle East from 1920 through 1970.

The seminary purchased the private collection from Albright in 1960, but under a special agreement he kept the library until his death in September 1971.

Albright was known for his work with ancient languages and archaeological excavations, and as a teacher of many prominent biblical scholars.

A prolific writer, Albright wrote more than 800 articles, pamphlets, and books. Since 1956 he served as senior editor of the "Anchor Bible," and co-authored the series' commentary on the "Gospel According to Matthew." All of these works are included in the collection at Southern.

Albright was probably best known publicly for his involvement in verifying the authenticity of the Dead Sea Scrolls. He was the first expert outside Israel to call the scrolls genuine.

Instrumental in securing the private library for Southern Seminary were Professors E. Jerry Vardaman and Joseph A. Callaway in the department of biblical archaeology. Callaway supervised the moving of the collection from Baltimore to Louisville.

About the addition to the seminary library, Callaway said, "It will strengthen our library resources for both graduate and undergraduate research because there are materials here that Southern Seminary would never have obtained otherwise."

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