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SOUTHERN BAPTIST EDITORS HAVE MID-WINTER MEETING

MOBILE, Ala.--(BP)--Southern Baptist newspaper editors will meet here Feb. 7-9 to discuss common editorial problems, including their responsibility in the racial segregation-integration issue.

The newspapers editors will be joined by editors of a few other Baptist periodicals in the annual, mid-winter session of the Southern Baptist Press Association.

Reuben Alley, editor of the Religious Herald, newspaper of Virginia Baptists published in Richmond, will present a paper on "The Editor's Responsibility in the Segregation-Integration Issue."

Purser Hewitt, managing editor of the Clarion-Ledger, Jackson, Miss., and a Southern Baptist layman, will be special guest speaker four times during the association's meeting.

Other special program personalities include C. Penrose St. Amant, professor of church history, New Orleans Baptist Seminary, and Louie D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta.

New associational officers will be elected at the meeting.

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ILLINOIS PLANS WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE

DUQUOIN, Ill.--(BP)--The first world missions conference for Southern Baptists in Illinois is scheduled Feb. 27-29 at First Baptist Church here.

The conference will have six sub-conferences concentrating on special fields: local mission stations, Woman's Missionary Union community missions, city missions, associational missions, rural church work, and pioneer missions.

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DECATUR LIBRARY BEGUN

DECATUR, Tex.--(BP)--Decatur Baptist (Junior) College broke ground here Jan. 24 for Killian Library, the first in a series of new buildings. The building was donated to the college by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Killian, of St phenville, Tex., for whom it is named.

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AGENCY LOAN PERMITS
STETSON CONSTRUCTION

DELAND, Fla.--(BP)--Stetson University President J. Ollie Edmunds announced here that a government agency's loan will permit immediate construction of a million-dollar student union building on the campus.

The new building will replace the "Commons", which was destroyed by fire during the students' Christmas recess in 1954. It will provide modern and adequate dining room as well as recreation facilities, Edmunds said.

The Housing and Home Finance Agency approved a loan of \$790,000 for the building. The loan is self-liquidating and the first in the nation from this agency for a student union building under the amended housing act, according to the Stetson president.

The "Commons" served as the university's dining hall before it burned.

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WARREN URGES CHURCHES
RECOGNIZE GIRL SCOUTS

CHARLOTTE, N. C.--(BP)--That the Girl Scout program embodies "Christian ideals that should find sympathetic support" is the feeling of C. C. Warren, president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Girl Scouts observe their 44th anniversary Mar. 12. Warren, in a special message for this occasion, urged that Southern Baptist churches recognize Sunday Mar. 11, as Girl Scout Sunday.

The Charlotte minister's statement in full:

"I am pleased to recommend that our Southern Baptist churches take cognizance of the 44th birthday of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America and that they join heartily in the observance of this anniversary.

"The Girl Scout program, the Girl Scout promise, the Girl Scout laws, all embody Christian ideals that should find sympathetic support in the hearts of all good people everywhere.

"Sunday, Mar. 11 marks the opening of Girl Scout Week. It is my sincere hope that on this Lord's Day, Girl Scouts and their leaders will be invited to attend our worship services, where due recognition may be given them and when expressions of appreciation may be voiced for the splendid work they are doing."

The Girl Scout movement, including both girls and adults, has 2,642,000 members. About one-fourth of its 125,000 troops are associated with churches and other religious institutions.

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PORTLAND BANKER HEADS
NORTHWEST FOUNDATION

PORTLAND, Ore.--(BP)--The board of directors of the newly-constituted Northwest Baptist Foundation has elected J. Carey Moore, Portland banker, as its president.

Other officers include Emery P. Collins, pastor of Richland Baptist Church, Richland, Wash., vice-president.

On recommendation of the Foundation's directors, the executive board of the (Southern) Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington elected R. E. Milam, of Portland, as Foundation executive secretary. Milam is executive secretary of the state convention.

The immediate aim of the Foundation, which was organized at the meeting of the Oregon-Washington convention last fall, is to make funds available for church construction.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEES AID
JOINT EVANGELISM PLANS

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Four advisory committees appointed recently will help Southern Baptists plan their part of a cooperative evangelistic effort with other Baptist groups from 1959 to 1964.

The committees were named by C. C. Warren, pastor of First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C., and president of the Convention. Each committee has three members.

The advisory committees will meet in Nashville Mar. 15 to discuss ways in which the Southern Baptist Convention can take part in the six-year, soul-winning program.

The program is a joint venture of Southern Baptists and eight or nine other Baptist groups in the United States and Canada, according to Warren. It will climax in 1964, the third jubilee of organized Baptist work on a national scale.

Members of the advisory committees:

PURPOSE -- James L. Sullivan, executive secretary, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, chairman; Courts Redford, executive secretary, Home Mission Board, Atlanta; R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary, Education Commission, Nashville.

NAMES, THEMES, SLOGANS AND APPROACH---Albert McClellan, director of publications, Executive Committee, Nashville, chairman; Paul Stevens, director, Radio and Television Commission, Fort Worth; Duke K. McCall, president, Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville.

EMPHASIS AND GOALS---W. L. Howse, head of the division of education and promotion, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, chairman; Leonard Sanderson, secretary of evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dallas; Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion, Executive Committee, Nashville.

JUBILEE OBSERVANCE---Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, chairman; Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham; R. Alton Reed, executive secretary, Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas.

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.....A five-member Ouachita College historical committee has been appointed by President Ralph A. Phelps to preserve historical material relative to the college and to aid in writing a history of the Baptist school in Arkadelphia, Ark.

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.....Miss Mary M. Rooke, assistant to three executive secretaries of the Georgia Baptist Convention over a period of 33 years, retired Jan. 1. She served with the late Arch C. Cree, with James W. Merritt who retired last year, and with the present executive secretary, Searcy S. Garrison.

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.....Northern and Southern Presbyterians recently figured up the amounts which Ford Foundation says their colleges are eligible to receive. Three jointly controlled by both bodies may get \$392,700. A dozen Southern colleges can receive \$1,842,600, and 39 Presbyterian, U.S.A. (Northern) colleges, \$7,398,500. Including several other Presbyterian groups, the grand total is \$10,633,800.

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.....The second annual Oklahoma Baptist medical missions conference, sponsored by the Baptist Student Union of Oklahoma University schools of medicine and nursing, will be held in Oklahoma City Feb. 3-4.

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.....Alvin Dark, professional baseball player with the New York Giants, was guest speaker at a banquet starting Baylor University's annual religious focus week.

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.....Pastor and Mrs. R. G. Bennett, of First Baptist Church, Cayce, S. C., celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary recently.

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.....W. L. Warren resigned pastorate of First Baptist Church, Wiggins, Miss., to become pastor of Lexington Baptist Mission of Second Baptist Church, Corpus Christi, Tex.

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