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BRANCH COLLEGES FOR  
LARGE CITIES PROPOSED

NASHVILLE--(BP)--R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Education Commission here, suggests that existing Baptist colleges establish branch campuses to meet educational needs in large cities.

He makes his proposal in an article "Are We Neglecting the Cities?" in the April issue of the Southern Baptist Educator.

Those engaged in long-range planning for Christian higher education, according to Cornett, are realizing that Southern Baptists can't do the job they should without providing for such large cities as Atlanta, Memphis, St. Louis, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth and others.

None of the cities mentioned has a Baptist college although a seminary is in Fort Worth. Atlanta, Ga., and Louisville, Ky., Baptists have discussed locating Baptist colleges in their cities.

Cornett believes the branch campus plan will eliminate most of the problems and disadvantages connected with establishing an altogether new school.

"Branch campuses have been tried with success by other denominations and by state universities," he declares.

Metropolitan centers "loom as potential centers of Baptist leadership which we can not afford to neglect longer," he says. "Failure to take care of the need for Christian higher education in the metropolitan areas is to fail to provide it where it can be furnished at smaller cost to the denomination."

## Advantages of Plan

Advantages of a branch campus plan over establishing totally new colleges are described by Cornett as:

1. More economical. They will attract more "day students" in large cities. "Day students" live at home while attending school, thus don't require dormitory accommodations. Cost of dormitory construction is a big factor in educational expense of denomination. Too, branch campuses justify only smaller appropriations from state conventions while new school justifies larger outlay.
2. Immediate accreditation. The branch college receives reputation of parent college, doesn't undergo years of non-accredited status.
3. Modest beginning. A branch school can start modestly and grow to meet demand.
4. Doesn't jeopardize already-existing Baptist colleges. Founding a totally new college stirs opposition from existing colleges "since it imposes a threat of decrease in support through diversion of funds to the new institution."

BAPTISTS TAKE PART IN  
AIR FORCE CONFERENCES

WASHINGTON--(BP)--The U. S. Air Force has announced it will hold two spiritual life conferences for Protestant personnel and their families.

One will be at Ridgecrest, N. C., Baptist Assembly Aug. 31-Sept. 4. The other is scheduled for July 9-13 at Estes Park, Colo.

Speakers at the Ridgecrest conference include Henry Edward Russell, Montgomery, Ala.; John H. Haldeman, Miami minister who has been vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and Dow Kirkpatrick, Athens, Ga.

One of the speakers at the Estes Park conference is Luther Holcomb, Southern Baptist minister in Dallas, Tex.

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\$16,000 FIRE DAMAGE  
AT CAMPBELL COLLEGE

BUIES CREEK, N. C.--(BP)--It will cost about \$16,000 to repair damages to Kivett building at Campbell College here caused by a recent fire.

The Baptist junior college plans to repair and redecorate the building, housing its business and science departments, this summer.

Meanwhile, the college planned to open bids on construction of an addition to its library.

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BROTHERHOOD SECRETARY

NORFOLK, Va.--(BP)--George L. Euting, pastor of Burrows Memorial Baptist Church here, has accepted the position of state Brotherhood secretary for the Baptist General Association of Virginia, with offices in Richmond.

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PLEASE LET THEM KNOW  
IF YOU WANT HOUSING

KANSAS CITY, Mo.--(BP)--If you're going to Kansas City for the Convention, expecting to stay in a private home, please check to see if you've made reservations in advance.

William H. Bolick, local committeeman in charge of home assignments, needs advance notice of intentions to stay in private homes. His address is 9623 Independence Ave., Kansas City, 22, Mo.

"To date I have received only about 100 requests for lodging in private homes," he said. "I have been informed that there will be several thousand to be housed in homes."

The home arrangements committee expects a large number of these to be housed in homes to be messengers unable to secure hotel or motel reservations during the Convention.

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**MISSOURIANS ACQUIRE  
KANSAS CITY HOSPITAL**

KANSAS CITY, Mo.--(BP)--Baptist Memorial Hospital here has become property of the Missouri Baptist General Association.

Amendments to the charter of the hospital, which is only partially constructed at present, provide that members of the hospital board be elected by the state association. Under previous charter provisions, the board was self-perpetuating.

Earl Harding, state executive secretary, reported that hospital trustees have been instructed to proceed with a \$600,000 fund-raising program. The state association's executive committee will submit recommendations for providing the remaining \$1,200,000 necessary to put the hospital into operation.

Al Land, chairman of the hospital board, said plans are to add three complete floors to the existing structure. This will provide a hospital of 150-175 beds.

The recent action, taken at a general association executive board meeting in Jefferson City, Mo., follows action by the association at its annual meeting in Joplin last fall.

Two basement floors have been completed on the local hospital, located on a 23-acre tract at 66th and Rockhill Rd., and over \$1 million spent already for the site and construction by Kansas City Baptists.

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**300 OKLAHOMANS VISIT  
BAPTIST HISTORY SITES**

OKLAHOMA CITY--(BP)--300 Oklahoma Baptists combined history and recreation in a two-day state Baptist golden jubilee tour recently.

The pilgrimage, which originated here, carried them to places identified with the beginnings of Baptist denominational life in Oklahoma.

The itinerary was principally in eastern Oklahoma, including Muskogee, Shawnee, Tahlequah, and the assembly grounds at Talihina.

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**DEDICATED TO EDITOR**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.--(BP)--The May 3 issue of the Arkansas Baptist, state denominational weekly newspaper, was dedicated to its editor, B. H. Duncan, Little Rock. Duncan is observing his ninth anniversary in the editorship.

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ORGANIZATIONS OUTLINE  
KANSAS CITY FUNCTIONS

KANSAS CITY, Mo.--(BP)--Seminary groups, associations, and other denominational organizations plan to have meetings while the Southern Baptist Convention is in session here.

This is the schedule of events:

Tuesday, May 29

Association of Baptist Foundation Executives, luncheon. 12:30, Muehlebach Hotel.

The Christian Life Commission, dinner. 5:30 p.m., Muehlebach Hotel.

Southern Baptist Press Association, dinner. Muehlebach Hotel. Tea Room, 6:30.

Radio & Television Commission, luncheon. 12:15 noon. Muehlebach Hotel.

Wednesday, May 30

Southwestern Seminary Alumni Associational Promotional Committee, dinner. 5:00 p.m., Music Room, Muehlebach Hotel.

Southwestern Seminary Trustees, luncheon. 1:30 p.m., Muehlebach Hotel, Room Number Four.

Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the Southwestern Alumni Association, dinner. 5:00 p.m., Music Room, Muehlebach Hotel.

William Jewell College, luncheon. Grand Ballroom, Muehlebach Hotel.

New Orleans Seminary, luncheon. 1:30 p.m., Hotel Muehlebach.

Southern Baptist Seminary, luncheon. 1:00 p.m., Grand Ballroom, Muehlebach Hotel.

Carver School of Missions, dinner. 7:00 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Union University Alumni Association, dinner. 5:30 p.m., Tea Room, Muehlebach Hotel.

Carson-Newman Alumni, dinner. 5:30 p.m., Bretton's Restaurant, 1215 Baltimore. \$3.00 per person.

Golden Gate Seminary, breakfast. 7:00 a.m., Hotel Phillips.

Central Baptist Seminary, luncheon. 1:30, Central Baptist Seminary campus.

Thursday, May 31

Yale Fellowship, luncheon, following the morning session, Muehlebach Hotel.

Chaplain's Association, luncheon. Tentative 1:30 (Place not known).

Chaplain's Association, breakfast. 7:15, Hotel Phillips.

Southwestern Annual Alumni Association, breakfast. 7:00 a.m., Grand Ballroom, Muehlebach Hotel. \$2.00 per person.

Southeastern Alumni, breakfast. 7:30 a.m., Hotel Muehlebach.

Southeastern Seminary, breakfast. Muehlebach Hotel, Colonial Ballroom.

Ouachita Alumni, luncheon. 1:30 p.m., Wishbone Restaurant.

Baptist Public Relations Association, 4:30 p.m., Committee room, Auditorium.

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Friday, June 1

Foreign Mission Board, breakfast. 7:30 a.m., Aladdin Hotel.

Foreign Mission Board, Reception. 4:30 until 6:00 p.m., Little Theatre of the Municipal Auditorium.

Southern Association Baptist Colleges and Schools, breakfast, 7:30 a.m.

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folks & facts.....

.....Mr. and Mrs. Homer Covey, members of Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex., recently gave the church \$50,000 as the initial gift for a new youth-educational building at the church.

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.....The Methodist Church, in its general conference in Minneapolis, Minn., has approved location of a new seminary in the Missouri-Kansas-Nebraska area. Kansas City is mentioned as the likely site for it.

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.....Travis Otey, pastor of Cadiz, Ky., Baptist Church, has accepted a call to become pastor of Brook Hollow Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.

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# BAPTIST FEATURES

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## GIVING TO MISSIONS IS INTELLIGENT, SATISFYING

By Forrest C. Feezor  
For Baptist Press

The responsibility is clearly established by the Scriptures that each Christian is to spread the gospel to areas that do not have it.

From this responsibility there is no exemption. A point at which all can comply is to pray for missions. We are commanded "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest". Some can comply by going and giving the message.

A third channel open to nearly all, if not all, is giving money. Many are now giving. The question emerges "How can more money for missions be secured?"

There are three factors that determine whether an individual will give to an enterprise: (1) The reason for the gift must be intelligent. (2) The appeal must stir the emotion; it must touch the heart. (3) The appeal must disturb the conscience.

To secure more money for missions, these three factors must be put in operation. How? First, the people must be informed as to needs. Mission clinics, mission schools, mission conferences, world mission convocations will serve as channels of information, letting people know about the needs.

I know of a wealthy woman who is giving thousands of books to seminary libraries on foreign fields. She began when a missionary told her of the need.

Second, this information must be given in such a manner as to stir the heart. The greatest example of giving I know is recorded in Exodus 35:4-29. The circumstances were these: God told Moses He wanted a Tabernacle in which to meet the people. Moses convened the people and explained God's desire. The people went away to return with their gifts. They brought so much they had to be restrained from giving.

The record is in verse 21, "And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments."

Before more money is given for world missions, ways and means must be devised to have "stirred hearts and willing spirits." Nothing will do this like the message of the missionary fresh from the field of need. His appeal must be intelligent, emotional and directed to the conscience.

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CONVENTION PERSONALITIES----1956 Southern Baptist Convention personalities are top row, from left, Convention President C. C. Warren, Senior Secretary James W. Merritt, Secretary Joe W. Burton, Treasurer Porter Routh; bottom row, from left, Music Director W. Hines Sims, Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion, Executive Committee, Evangelist Billy Graham, Congressman Brooks Hays. --Baptist Press