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SOUTHERN BAPTIST
SCOUTERS ORGANIZE

WASHINGTON, D.C.--(BP)--A group meeting here May 27 organized an Association of Southern Baptist Scouters. Sixteen men with an average of twenty years experience in scouting were present. Most of them were Southern Baptists.

Gerald E. Williams, Austin, Tex., who was elected interim executive secretary, reported, "We polled our information about scouting among Southern Baptists and found a growing interest. Significant evidence supporting this growth in interest was the revelation of official approval of scouting that is pending in several state Baptist conventions."

A steering committee of six members was appointed to enlarge the membership of the Association by creating state associations; to draw up a statement of purpose and objectives and; to arrange for financing the work of the central office of the Association. Joe C. Carrington, Austin, Tex., was elected chairman and W. L. Schwantes, Austin, Tex., treasurer. Other members are W. Emmett Sampson, Houston, Tex.; Howard M. Collier, Griffin, Ga.; Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, Miss.; and Ernest E. Dickey, Bristol, Va.

The steering committee adopted a tentative list of eight functions and objectives for consideration and further refinement:

1. To stimulate the sponsorship of scout units by Southern Baptist churches.
2. To assist Southern Baptist churches already sponsoring scout units to enrich their scout program with the potential and inherent spiritual values of scouting.
3. To serve as a clearing house between scouting and Southern Baptists to make the program and objectives of each understood by the other.
4. To work toward the eventual composition of standard requirements for the God and Country Award to be used by scouts who are Southern Baptists working toward this award.
5. To stimulate more Southern Baptists boys and Southern Baptist pastors to work together toward the acquisition of the God and Country Award.
6. To present the evangelistic and missionary values of scouting to Southern Baptist pastors and churches.
7. To devise and make available recognitions to those interested in honoring Southern Baptist scouters who have made outstanding contributions to Southern Baptist boys through scouting.
8. To emphasize at every opportunity the means by which Southern Baptist churches can "own" scout units without giving up the principle of autonomy or control.

Attending the meeting were: Walter E. Sailor, DeRidder, La.; Ira H. Massie, Columbus, Miss.; Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, Miss.; W. C. Hennessee, Sylva, N.C.; Joe E. Eagles, Macclesfield, N.C.; Willim W. Noel, Henderson, N.C.; Judge Ben Allen, Elizabethton, Tenn.; Ernest H. Dickey, Bristol, Va.; Senator Price Daniel, Washington and Texas; S. P. Gaskin, Raleigh, N.C.; A. C. Gaskin, Buffalo, N.Y.; A. E. Iverson, H. L. Gaskin, Austin, Tex.; Carlyle Marney, Austin, Tex.; and Gerald E. Williams, Austin, Tex.

LAUNCH MOVE TO RELOCATE
RADIO COMMISSION IN HOUSTON

HOUSTON, Tex.--(BP)--A move to relocate the Southern Baptist Convention's Radio Commission here has been initiated by the Houston Baptist Pastors' Conference. The Commission is now located in Atlanta, Ga.

The ministers' group named Stanley Wilkes, pastor of Houston's Baptist Temple, as chairman of a committee to confer with chamber of commerce and other officials who might be interested in inviting the Commission here.

Wilkes will meet with them about making an offer to induce the Commission to move here. It was understood that such an offer would have to include real estate, a building, about \$25,000 for moving expenses and free radio and television time on local stations.

The conference also heard a report that a survey on the possibility of locating a Baptist college here will be ready the latter part of the month or early in July.

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MISSISSIPPIAN ELECTED TO
KENTUCKY BIBLE SCHOOL

PINEVILLE, Ky.--(BP)--Martin V. McKinster, Flora, Miss., has been elected dean of instruction at Clear Creek Springs Mountain Preachers Bible School, Pineville, Ky. He assumed his duties June 15.

The school owned and controlled by the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, offers courses in Bible to 160 Baptist ministers and their wives.

McKinster, a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, has served as dean of instruction at Clarke College, Newton, Miss., and as first vice-president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

D. M. Aldridge, Mountain Valley, Ky., is the new president of the school.

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FAMILY LIFE WORKSHOP SET
FOR NASHVILLE IN SEPT.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--The second annual Southern Baptist Family Life Workshop sponsored by the Christian Life Commission, Education Commission, and Home Curriculum Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board will be held in Nashville, Tenn., September 3-4.

Among those scheduled to appear on program are H. C. Brearley, Peabody College, Nashville, who will speak on "The South and the Changing Family," and Ralph Herring, First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C., who will serve as devotional leader.

Purpose of the workshop is to plan together an integrated, comprehensive Southern Baptist program of family life education.

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PROFESSIONAL FUND-RAISERS
POSING CHURCH PROBLEMS

TORONTO--(BP)--A yearning among churches in North America for financial success is playing into the hands of professional fund-raisers and posing a soul damaging evil, A. Neill Miller told the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Miller is secretary of the denomination's stewardship and budget committee.

He said that profit-making fund promoters were shaping the church's moral and spiritual life.

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FRANK TRIPP TO LEAD
HOSPITAL ASSOC. PROGRAM

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Recognizing the imperative need for united action in recruiting student nurses and in obtaining substantial discounts for quantity purchases, the Convention-wide Baptist Hospital Association has asked Frank Tripp, executive secretary of the hospital board of the Southern Baptist Convention, to serve as the first executive secretary of the Association in addition to his present duties.

Tripp will serve without pay and has already begun an intensive public relations program in the denominational publications to place the advantages of nurse education in Baptist institutions before the young ladies of the country, according to Wilson Turner, president of the Association and administrator of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital, who announced Tripp's election.

In accepting the added responsibilities, Tripp stressed the fact that an education in a Christian institution should be the goal of every parent for his children, and "if it is important that we have Christian businessmen, teachers, engineers, etc., it is equally important that we have Christian nurses who recognize Christ as the Great Physician."

"Our Baptist hospitals offer technical teaching facilities equal to those of any state, county or other hospital and in addition can give that 'extra something' called Christian emphasis which is essential to the development of Christian nurses," Tripp continued.

Ministers, vocational counselors and parents will do well to recommend a nursing education in one of our Baptist hospital schools of nursing to young ladies about to finish high school, not only because nursing offers an attractive,

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rewarding career, but because communities where the young girls settle as graduate nurses will benefit by having their skilled medical services available in time of need," Tripp asserted.

"As a hospital administrator with many years experience, I know that nurses are needed all over the country, in all fields of service and that they can just about pick the shift they want to work. As a former pastor, I know that ministers can exert a great influence on their young people in helping them to chose a school to prepare for their life's work," Tripp said in appealing to pastors and young people's leaders to encourage girls to enter Baptist schools of nursing.

It is suggested that high school seniors write now for information on classes starting in September. A limited number of scholarships are available. High school juniors who so request will be placed on mailing lists for periodic information on nursing as a creer.

To be eligible for admission as a student nurse, young ladies must be 17 years of age or over, a graduate of an accredited high school, single, of good moral character and have the desire to be a nurse.

Substantial savings through quantity purchases of standard hospital supplies are possible, Tripp believes. He has already received indications from several suppliers that they would be willing to "sharpen their pencils" in bidding on "super orders."