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New Mexican Board To Purchase Property

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.--(BP)--The mission board of the Baptist Convention of New Mexico has voted to buy new property adjacent to its office building here and also at New Mexico Highlands University, Las Vegas.

The board will spend \$46,000 for the property in Albuquerque. It will use the parking area on the lot immediately and will occupy the building in the near future, when the present occupant's lease expires.

Purchase of a building in Las Vegas will permit the state board to begin a chair of Bible program on the campus of New Mexico Highlands University. With the beginning of this chair of Bible, the convention will have chairs at all state universities except one.

The building and lot at Las Vegas cost \$8000.

Another \$2500 will be spent to enlarge facilities at a medical mission operated by New Mexico Baptists in the Chama valley 80 miles northwest of Santa Fe.

This medical mission, state convention leaders said, ministers to an area 70 miles from any other doctor. About 75,000 people, mostly Spanish-Americans, live in the area.

Dr. Robert Izard, who has been serving at the clinic, however, submitted his resignation to the board effective Sept. 1. The board asked him to reconsider.

Dr. Izard came to the center from serving with the Veterans Administration in a hospital at Big Spring, Tex. He said he planned to return to that hospital.

The state board approved a 1959 budget of \$745,954, about \$60,000 higher than the 1958 budget. The budget will be submitted to the state convention in annual session in November for approval.

About 30 per cent of the budget will support Southern Baptist Convention missionary, educational and agency work. The rest will be spent within the state convention.

Plans are being made, the state board was told, for New Mexico Baptists to observe their 50th anniversary in 1962. The Baptist Convention of New Mexico was formed in 1912, the year in which New Mexico was admitted to the Union.

Goals have been set in evangelism, church extension, religious education, and related fields, to be reached by 1962. State convention leaders said these goals will be tied in with the state's participation in the Baptist Jubilee Advance, beginning next year and continuing through 1964.

Baptists throughout the nation and Canada are taking part in the Advance, which celebrates the 150th anniversary of organized Baptist work at national level in North America.

Senatorial Candidates
Oppose Texas Gambling

DALLAS--(BP)--28 Texas state senatorial candidates have taken "definite stands" opposing legalized pari-mutuel gambling in Texas, the Baptist Standard, state denominational newspaper, said here.

The Baptist Standard published statements from 28 of 51 office-seekers---some incumbents, some hopefulls---queried about their views on the issue. Editor E. S. James polled the candidates two weeks ago with a statement that "many of the 1-1/2 million Texas Baptists insist that we ascertain which senatorial candidates are opposed to legalized pari-mutuel wagering in this state."

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Miss Howland New Dean
Of Women At Georgetown

GEORGETOWN, Ky.--(BP)--Miss Delpha Howland has been named dean of women at Georgetown College here. She began her duties July 14.

Miss Howland came to Georgetown College from Winston-Salem, N. C. She is a graduate of Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.; Miami-Jacobs College in Dayton, O., Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, and Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro.

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Southern Seminary Has
New Faculty Members

LOUISVILLE--(BP)--Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here has new faculty members in the departments of Old Testament and church history, President Duke K. McCall reported.

Joseph Atlee Callaway of Furman University, Greenville, S. C., will teach Old Testament and biblical archaeology. C. Allyn Russell of Attleboro, Mass., will teach church history courses.

The seminary has started rebuilding its school of theology faculty following the loss of 12 professors last month.

President McCall also pointed out that Dale Moody, professor of theology, returns in August from his sabbatical leave in Germany. With the return of Moody, McCall said, the seminary will have the same number of professors teaching theology that it had last year.

Other faculty additions, especially in departments of church history and New Testament, are expected to be announced shortly, according to McCall.

Callaway is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia, Ark., and Southern Seminary. While attending Southern, he was a teaching fellow in archaeology and an instructor in Old Testament Hebrew.

Russell expects to receive a Ph.D. degree in church history from Boston University next January. He will specialize in courses in American church history, "an emphasis we long have sought to provide in our church history department," McCall said.

Russell has been pastor of the Baptist church at Osbornville, N. J.; First Baptist Church, Northampton, Mass., and Fredonia (N. Y.) Baptist Church. He has been serving as interim pastor at First Baptist Church, Attleboro, and as a teaching fellow in Boston University's school of theology.

He is a graduate of Eastern Baptist Seminary, Philadelphia, and University of Buffalo.

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