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J. O. WILLIAMS DIES

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Jerome O. Williams, 68, secretary of the Division of Education and Promotion of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., passed away November 26, at his home in Nashville. He had been in ill health for more than a year. Funeral services were conducted at Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville.

Dr. Williams served as secretary of the Division of Education and Promotion since 1943. Prior to that he served as business manager of the Board from 1934 to 1943.

A native of Alabama, he was graduated from Howard College, Birmingham. He received the Th.M. degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He was honored with a Doctor of Divinity degree by Howard College in 1925.

Dr. Williams served as pastor of First Baptist Church, Athens, Ala.; First Baptist Church, Bessemer, Ala.; Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.; First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky.; and a church in Sylacauga, Ala.

He was author of a number of books among them, "The Gospel of Christ," "Definite Decisions for New Church Members," "Sermons in Outline," and "Seed for Sermons."

Survivors include his wife, the former Miss Ethel Hudson, a daughter, a son, and three grandchildren.

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ROBERT LEE INJURED

ALEXANDRIA, La.--(BP)--Robert L. Lee, assistant executive secretary and director of promotion and missions, Louisiana Baptist Convention, was critically injured recently in an automobile accident near Alexandria, La.

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ALVA L. COX ELECTED TO
SBC RADIO COMMISSION

VANDALIA, Ill.--(BP)--Alva L. Cox, pastor, First Baptist Church, Vandalia, Ill., was elected director in charge of station relations and distribution of the Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Ga., recently. He will assume his duties December 7.

For several years, Cox served as chairman of the Radio Commission of Illinois and the Illinois member of the Southern Baptist Convention Radio Commission.

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BROTHERHOOD SECRETARIES
PLAN NASHVILLE MEETING

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--The State Brotherhood Secretaries Conference will meet in Nashville, December 17-18, according to A. S. Newman, Alexandria, La., president.

Plans for the Brotherhood's part in the campaign for "A Million More in 54" will be discussed, and a review of 1953's work will be made. Also, goals and plans for 1954 will be set.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. CHURCH HOLDS
GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES

WASHINGTON, D.C.--(BP)--Ground breaking ceremonies for the new \$2,000,000 church to be constructed by the First Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., were held early in November.

Members of the church on program included Arnold T. Ohrn, secretary of the Baptist World Alliance; Joseph M. Dawson, director of Public Relations for Baptists in the United States; General Ivan L. Bennett, chief of chaplains, United States Army, and Edward Hughes Pruden, pastor of the church.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. BAPTISTS
TO BUILD NEW HOME FOR AGED

WASHINGTON, D.C.--(BP)--District of Columbia Baptists will build a \$400,000 Home for Aged. Final action was taken at the annual convention of the Baptists recently.

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Four new churches were admitted to the convention bringing the total number to forty-three. There are twelve other chapels and missions that will become churches as they develop. The forty-three churches have 32,368 members, reported 1,565 baptisms for the year, and 4,063 total additions with a net gain of 768.

In ten years Washington, D.C. Baptist churches have acquired additional land valued at \$762,195, with \$4,807,482 being spent on new construction and \$515,242 to remodel old buildings. They have spent \$390,912 on missions and chapels bringing the total amount spent to \$6,453,232. There is a debt of \$2,744,774.

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SCHEDULE OF NASHVILLE DECEMBER MEETINGS

<u>DAY AND HOUR</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
<u>Monday Dec. 14</u>			
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Sec.	J. N. Barnette	Chapel--BSSB
9:00 a.m.	Inter-Seminary Conf.	R. Q. Leavell	3rd fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:30 a.m.	Training Union Sec.	J. E. Lambdin	11th fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:30 a.m.	Evangelistic Conference	C. E. Matthews	Jarman Chapel, FBC.
9:30 a.m.	Church Music Sec.	W. Hines Sims	Rm. 1 11th fl. Adm. Bldg.
10:00 a.m.	Rural Church Conference (Program Committee)	S. F. Dowis	3rd fl. Adm. Bldg.
7:30 p.m.	Sou. Bapt. Ency. Comm.	Norman Cox	10th Fl.--Adm. Bldg.
7:30 p.m.	United Meeting St. Sec. and BSSB Div. of Edu. & Pro.	J. L. Sullivan	Chapel
<u>Tuesday, Dec. 15</u>			
7:30 a.m.	Press and Publicity Rep.	Joe Abrams	Sam Davis Hotel
9:00 a.m.	Finance Committee of Ex. Com.	Louie D. Newton	3rd fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:00 a.m.	Church Music Sec.	W. Hines Sims	11th fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:00 a.m.	Training Union Sec.	J. E. Lambdin	11th fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:00 a.m.	Seminary Extension Com.	Lee Gallman	10th fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:00 a.m.	St. Foundation Sec.	Auguie Henry	Hermitage Hotel
9:00 a.m.	Comm. to Study R.A. Work	Robert E. Naylor	Hight C Moore Rm. FBC
9:00 a.m.	B.S.U. Secretaries	Kearnie Keegan	Sam Davis Hotel
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School Sec.	J. N. Barnette	Chapel--BSSB
3:00 p.m.	Com. on Order of Business	Dale Cowling	Rm. 308 3rd fl. Adm. Bldg.
5:30 p.m.	Theological Education Comm.	Louie D. Newton	Sam Davis Hotel
7:30 p.m.	Executive Session, BSSB	W. F. Powell	3rd Fl.--Adm. Bldg.
7:30 p.m.	Promotion Conference of S.B.C.	J. Norris Palmer	Chapel--BSSB
<u>Wednesday, Dec. 16</u>			
7:00 a.m.	Southern Baptist Press Assoc.	W. Barry Garrett	Sam Davis Hotel
9:00 a.m.	Church Music Sec.	W. Hines Sims	11th fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Board	W. F. Powell	3rd fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:00 a.m.	Training Union Sec.	J. E. Lambdin	11th fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:00 a.m.	B.S.U. Sec.	Kearnie Keegan	Sam Davis Hotel
9:30 a.m.	Executive Committee of S.B.C.	C. C. Warren	Chapel--BSSB
2:00 p.m.	Promotion Conf. of S.B.C.	J. Norris Palmer	Chapel--BSSB
5:15 p.m.	Com. on Denominational Cal.	Albert McClellan	Sam Davis Hotel
7:30 p.m.	Executive Com. of S.B.C.	C. C. Warren	Chapel--BSSB
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School Sec.	J. N. Barnette	10th fl.--Adm. Bldg.
<u>Thursday, Dec. 17</u>			
9:30 a.m.	Executive Committee	C. C. Warren	Chapel--BSSB
9:30 a.m.	St. Brotherhood Sec. Conf.	A. S. Newman	11th fl. Adm. Bldg.
7:30 p.m.	Inter-Agency Council	C. J. Allen	3rd fl.--Adm. Bldg.
<u>Friday, Dec. 18</u>			
9:00 a.m.	Inter-Agency Council	C. J. Allen	3rd fl.--Adm. Bldg.
9:30 a.m.	St. Brotherhood Sec. Conf.	A. S. Newman	11th fl. Adm. Bldg.