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**Searcy Garrison  
Leads Secretaries**

PHOENIX, Ariz. (BP)--A Georgia Baptist leader is the new president of the state executive secretaries group within the Southern Baptist Convention.

He is Searcy S. Garrison of Atlanta, executive secretary of the Georgia Baptist Convention. Garrison, elected at the group's mid-winter meeting here, succeeds M. Chandler Stith of Washington, D. C.

Charles L. McKay of Phoenix, whose Baptist state convention was host to the meeting, is the new vice-president. Ray E. Roberts, Columbus, Ohio, continues as secretary.

Roberts is executive secretary, State Convention of Baptists in Ohio.

McKay, executive secretary of Arizona Southern Baptist Convention, described Baptist opportunities in the West.

He said a large percentage of the population of rapidly growing Phoenix, the capital of Arizona, is unchurched.

The executive secretaries and editors of state Baptist newspapers hold concurrent meetings in the same city. They will meet again Feb. 11, 1963 in Williamsburg, Va.

The executive secretaries group has no formal tie with the Southern Baptist Convention or any state convention.

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**Southeastern Trustees  
Set Faculty Procedures**

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WAKE FOREST, N. C. (BP)--The Board of Trustees of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary has adopted an organizational manual, guiding administrative procedures for both staff and faculty. The preparation of this manual is in keeping with a general trend among Southern Baptist institutions and agencies and is a result of two years of study by a special committee.

The trustees held their annual meeting in connection with a Founder's Day celebration. Founder's Day speaker was Earl Edington, pastor of the First Baptist Church at St. Petersburg, Fla., and one of the 30 trustees.

Reelected chairman of the Board of Trustees was Associate Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, E. B. Denny. Other officers elected were J. Glenn Blackburn, pastor of the Wake Forest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N. C., vice-chairman; Parry Crouch, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Asheville, N. C., secretary; William L. Wyatt Sr., Raleigh, N. C., businessman, treasurer.

The Board of Trustees unanimously adopted a joint report made by the Committee on Instruction and the Executive Committee. This report dealt with problems of doctrine and teaching methods.

Although certain members of the faculty will be required to re-examine their instruction methods and doctrinal presuppositions in the perspective of the school's Abstract of Principles, no formal charge was made against any member of the instructional staff.

The Board of Trustees also directed the president of the Board of Trustees, the chairman of the Committee on Instructions, the president of the Seminary, and the dean of the faculty to continue to study questions concerning theological issues and faculty morale with utmost care, and to report their findings to the Committee on Instructions prior to the next annual meeting of the Board of Trustees.

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In another Board action, three professors, Luther Copeland, Elmo Scoggins, and Thomas Bland were granted sabbatical leaves of one year beginning in September. Ben S. Johnson, professor of music was granted a leave of absence for one year. It was also announced that Dr. Scoggins had been made recipient of a \$3,000 grant from the American Association of Theological Schools for special study and research.

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