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JACKSON TO HEAD
FOUNDATION MEN

DALLAS, Tex.--(BP)--Arthur Jackson, secretary of the Georgia Baptist Foundation, Atlanta, Ga., was elected president of the Southern Baptist Foundation Secretaries' Conference at their annual meeting here recently. Hebert C. Pettus, secretary of the Louisiana Baptist Foundation, Alexandria, La., was elected vice-president, and N. Lee Dunham, secretary of the Missouri Baptist Foundation, was re-elected secretary.

During the two-day meeting, the group heard addresses by J. Howard Williams, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; J. W. Reihm, Southern Methodist University; W. R. White, Baylor University; and Arthur A. Smith, Dallas, Tex.

The group voted to meet in Atlanta, Ga., February 22-23, 1955.

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64 GRADUATE AT
SOUTHERN SEMINARY

LOUISVILLE, Ky.--(BP)--Sixty-four students received degrees at Southern Seminary's largest mid-year Convocation at the end of the first semester.

These graduates were replaced by sixty-three new students, which brings the total enrolment for the year to 1,528.

Twenty-three members of the mid-year graduating class received the Doctor of Theology degree, three the Master of Theology, twenty-six the Bachelor of Divinity, one the Bachelor of Divinity in Religious Education, seven the Bachelor of Theology, three the Bachelor of Theology certificate, and one the Bachelor of Sacred Music degree.

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MEMPHIS HOSPITAL
LAUNCHES DRIVE

MEMPHIS, Tenn.--(BP)--Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., launched a drive to raise one and one-half million dollars to complete the new addition of the hospital. The addition will provide an additional 250 beds plus increased space for crowded departments such as surgery, x-ray, and laboratory.

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MISSIONARY RETURNS

DALLAS, Tex.--(BP)--Miss Mildred Crabtree, missionary to Nigeria, returned to the States on furlough and may be addressed at 416 East Sixth St., Dalhart, Tex. She is a native of Stratford.

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IT DOESN'T PAY TO SKIMP ON SOME THINGS

"Feed costs are higher than ever," said Farmer Skimp to his wife. "We'll just have to do something." So he mixed a bit of sawdust in with the grain he fed his cows, and a few wood chips in each serving of hay. Gradually he increased the amount of wood chips and sawdust when the cows weren't looking, until at last he was feeding mainly sawdust and wood chips.

It worked. He kept his feed bills down. His cows, too. They died.

It doesn't pay to skimp on some things.

Some congregations try to skimp on literature. They cut it down to a bare minimum. Their people get confused and misinformed. They are not inspired to give because they are ignorant of God's plan for their lives.

Other churches try to cut down costs at the expense of children, operating on the theory that children can struggle through Sunday school in a dingy, unattractive room just as well as they can in modern, appealing surroundings. But memories of Sunday school in a room like that sticks with the youngsters a long time and may well change their attitude toward Sunday school and the church in general.

When they find themselves without a pastor, some churches endeavor to save money by getting supplies for as little expense as possible and as long as possible, thus "saving money." Sometimes they might end up with one of these eager supplies as pastor--and they'll learn that it doesn't pay to skimp in this field either.

Some churches, and we are happy to say they are in the minority, try to skimp on just about everything that helps spread the Gospel--missions, benevolences, Christian education, etc. This keeps down expenses, to be sure, but these churches soon die--just like the cows of Farmer Skimp.