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**Missions Reorganization  
Emphasizes Association**

ATLANTA (BP)--A minor reorganization of the missions division of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board brought promotions or new responsibilities for a number of the division's staff members.

The moves, according to Missions Director Hugo Culpepper of Atlanta, should strengthen the division's work with Baptist associations. All the changes take effect on Jan. 1.

A new position, that of associate director to Culpepper, was created and given to veteran missions leader, Loyd Corder of Atlanta, now secretary of the language department.

Culpepper said that while Corder would assist in all of the work of the division, he would major in coordinating mission work through Baptist associations.

Three departments of the division--metropolitan, pioneer, and rural-urban--all work with Baptist associations.

Corder, a native of New Mexico and with the mission agency since 1940, will coordinate the board's programs of establishing new churches and church-type missions and associational administration as implemented by these departments.

The department of associational administrative services and church extension was discontinued. M. Wendell Below of Atlanta, secretary of this department, was made a co-secretary of the pioneer missions department. He will serve during 1966 with A. B. Cash, also of Atlanta, who retires Dec. 31, 1966.

To fill the vacancy created by Corder's promotion, the board asked Gerald B. Palmer of Atlanta, to become secretary of the language missions department.

Palmer, a native of Minneapolis, Minn., has been associate secretary of the department for six years and had served with the mission agency in New Mexico for 15 years before coming to Atlanta.

Also promoted was C. Wilson Brumley, a native of Many, La., now serving in Atlanta as the associate secretary of the rural-urban department.

Brumley, a pastor in Texas before coming to the board in 1964, becomes secretary of the rural-urban department. He fills the vacancy created with Lewis Newman's taking the position of director of the division of administrative services.

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**Annuity Board Wins  
Art Award on Report**

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DALLAS (BP)--The Southern Baptist Annuity Board's 47th annual report has been selected as one of the 10 best examples of creative work in the 13th annual Dallas Advertising Artist Association Exhibit.

It is the second straight year that the Annuity Board has received the award.

Award certificates will be presented on Dec. 15, to John Bloskas, director of the publication and communication department for the Annuity Board, and artist Harland Wright of the Hearne-Wright Studios who designed the 1965 winning report.

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**Markham Takes Missions  
Properties Office**

ATLANTA (BP)--The state missions secretary for Kansas Southern Baptists has accepted the task of managing the more than \$10 million in missions property for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here.

The mission agency created the office and elected Meeler Markham, a native of Fort Worth, to fill the position during its annual meeting here.

Markham, a pastor and worker in the denomination for more than 20 years, has been secretary of the department of missions in Kansas since 1961.

Markham's responsibilities will include the procuring, selling, constructing, and maintaining missions properties, as well as keeping current and accurate records.

"He is especially well qualified for this position because of his training in business management, building construction, and maintenance practices," said Lewis W. Newman of Atlanta, director of the board's administrative services division.

The new office brings together records on leases, property, taxes, and funds earmarked for future purchases from many departments.

Markham's experience before starting his religious work include working with the Soil Conservation Service and with the quartermaster corps of the U. S. Army.

Before coming to Kansas, Markham was superintendent of missions with the Lower Rio Grande Baptist Association in Harlingen, Tex. He had also served as pastor of churches in Somerset, Carrizo Springs, and Mercedes in Texas.

He was educated at Howard Payne College (Baptist) in Brownwood, Tex., the University of Texas in Austin, and at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth where he received his bachelor of arts degree. He also attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

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**Woolf Of Georgia Tech  
To Head Summer Missions**

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ATLANTA (BP)--The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board made a department of its special mission ministries and asked the Baptist student director at Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta to head it.

He is E. Warren Woolf, a native of Piedmont, Ala., who has been at Georgia Tech for the past 15 years.

Primary emphasis of the new department is the student summer missions ministry, which each year places more than 600 college students in mission tasks for ten weeks.

The mission agency began a new emphasis on the use of lay personnel this year with the creation of the Christian Service Corps, which places mature adults in mission work at their own expenses.

Woolf will also direct this ministry and the Board's participation in Woman's Missionary Union work in pioneer areas.

"The coming of Warren Woolf and the organization of these ministries into a department should strengthen our student summer missions work, which has become vital resource for missions outreach," said Hugo Culpepper, director of the missions division in which the new department was organized.

Miss Beverly Hammack of Atlanta, secretary of special missions ministries before becoming a department, will be an assistant to Woolf.

He graduated from Snead Junior College at Boaz, Ala., attended Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn (now Auburn University), and secured an engineering degree from Georgia Tech.

He has a graduate degree in psychology from Emory University in Atlanta and did graduate work at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla. when he was Baptist student director there from 1947 to 1950.

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Woolf served in the U. S. Navy from 1944 to 1946 and has continued in the Naval Reserve where he holds the rank of lieutenant commander.

He married Sue Barker of Atlanta, and they have a daughter and two sons.

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Lawes Takes Evangelism  
Task With Mission Agency

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ATLANTA (BP)--The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here has asked William D. Lawes of Phoenix to become an associate director of its division of evangelism.

Lawes, presently evangelism director for Baptists in Arizona, will do evangelism promotion among Southern Baptists, specializing in state evangelistic conferences, national goals, and the transfer of church membership by moving Baptists.

Lawes has served with the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention since 1954, when he was secretary of evangelism for a number of northern states affiliated with the Arizona Convention. In 1956 he took his present position as director of the state's evangelism department.

"W. D. Lawes has demonstrated his ability to lead Baptists in evangelism, both as a successful pastor and as a state director," said C. E. Autrey of Atlanta, director of the evangelism division, in announcing the appointment.

The new associate director fills a vacancy created by the retirement of C. Y. Dossey of Dallas on Dec. 31.

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Mission Board Hires  
Lee As News Editor

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ATLANTA (BP)--The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here has asked Dallas M. Lee of Philadelphia, Pa. to edit its news service.

Lee is presently news bureau chief for "Purchasing Week," a publication of McGraw-Hill Publishers.

The Graham, Tex. native will also serve as associate editor for the mission agency's publication, "Home Missions," and as the associate secretary of the department of editorial services.

Walker L. Knight of Atlanta, secretary of the editorial department, said that Lee's coming Jan. 1 should provide an improved service to news outlets concerning the appointment and work of the more than 2,500 missionaries of the agency.

The news editor is the son of a veteran missions worker, Dallas P. Lee of Dallas, Tex., who is secretary of the language missions department for the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

The younger Lee served as the assistant management editor in New York City for "Purchasing Week" before moving this year to Philadelphia. He has also worked for the "News-Tribune" in Waco, Tex.

He graduated from Baylor University (Baptist), in Waco, and took additional work from Temple University in Philadelphia.

He is married to Patricia Stevens of Fort Worth, and they have two sons.

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Baptists Asked To Be  
Creative In Missions

ATLANTA (BP)--A Baptist missions leader here challenged the agency he leads to a creative approach to contemporary missions.

Arthur B. Rutledge of Atlanta, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, said, "Rapid change requires that we reexamine constantly our insights and our procedures."

He called attention to currents affecting society, such as population, knowledge, racial injustice, international conflicts, secularism, and moral revolution.

The agency Rutledge heads employs more than 2,500 missionaries in cooperation with state Baptist mission boards and next year will spend more than \$8 million toward the goal, "Claiming the Land for Christ."

He indicated an increased emphasis would be given to research and special test projects, noting that present studies are underway.

The agency presently is studying a possible ministry to ex-prisoners, problems of churches located in transitional communities, and the downtown church and its ministry.

Test projects now are studying ministries to high-rise apartments, social ministries in mountain missions, and the use of newspaper advertising in evangelism.

Rutledge said that while new methods would be sought in an effort to stay current, the mission agency would continue its central emphasis on Christian evangelism.

"Our evangelism must magnify genuine conversion and commitment to Christ, to be followed by Baptism, church membership and Christian growth and service," he said.

He also said another primary emphasis would be establishing churches and church-type missions.

"If the present membership ratio is maintained to the expanding population, Southern Baptists must add 500 churches each year," he stated.

"Unreached areas and teeming cities provide challenges of the first magnitude for the beginning of needed churches," he added.

He also called for continued emphasis on ministering to all persons of special need, regardless of race or other characteristics.