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SBC Periodical Index
Publication Scheduled

NASHVILLE (BP)---The Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention will publish this spring an index of articles appearing in more than 20 periodicals produced by Southern Baptist agencies during 1965.

It will mark the first time that a comprehensive listing of articles appearing in all Southern Baptist agency periodicals has been available in one volume.

The index will list the articles by author and subject and should be available sometime this spring, according to Davis C. Wooley, executive secretary of the SBC Historical Commission here.

Editors of periodicals representing each of the Southern Baptist agencies cooperated in the venture coordinated by the Historical Commission.

Each editor is responsible for indexing articles appearing in his or her publication. The Historical Commission is collating the indexes into one comprehensive list for the year.

The cooperative venture is the result of a pilot project conducted by the commission and the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in jointly preparing an index of seven general periodicals of the board for the years 1962 through 1964.

At the request of the Inter-Agency Council of the SBC, the commission enlisted the participation of other agencies of the convention for the broader indexing project.

Beginning with the 1965 index, the commission will publish a similar volume each year listing the articles in SBC periodicals. Index cards will be collated from succeeding years in a master file at the Dargar-Carver Library here as a cumulative index.

In the future, each editor will index articles in his or her publication and forward their index cards to the commission at the end of each year.

Copies of the annual index will be made available by the Historical Commission to the participating agencies, to libraries, historical societies, denominational personnel and others interested in this comprehensive index. The cost of copies will be disclosed later, said Wooley.

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North Carolina Man
Named Baylor Prof

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WACO, Tex. (BP)--Bruce C. Cresson, instructor in Old Testament and Hebrew at Duke University, Durham, N. C., for the past four years, will become a member of the Baylor University department of religion faculty here next fall.

Cresson will specialize in Biblical languages, interpretation and archaeology, according to Ray Summers, chairman of the Baptist school's religion department.

For three years, Cresson taught at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., and served as pastor of Baptist churches in North Carolina for seven years.

He is a graduate of Wake Forest College (Baptist), Winston-Salem, N. C., and Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C. He earned the doctor of philosophy degree in Biblical studies from Duke University.

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Air Force Chaplain
Chief Leaves Service

WASHINGTON (BP)--The chief of chaplains for the United States Air Force, Chaplain Robert Preston Taylor, plans to return to the civilian ministry after completing 26 years as a chaplain in the armed forces, the Air Force has announced.

Chaplain Taylor, a Major General and the top-ranking chaplain in the Air Force, is a Southern Baptist.

Chaplain Taylor, 59, did not announce specific plans as to where he might serve after leaving the Air Force on Aug. 31, 1966. Sources in the Pentagon indicated his plans were still indefinite.

The Air Force gave no indication who would be Chaplain Taylor's successor, but the new chief of chaplains probably will not be a Southern Baptist.

Prior to entering military service in September of 1940, Chaplain Taylor was pastor of the South Fort Worth Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.

He is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Tex, (Baptist) and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, where he earned the doctor of theology degree.

Baylor University conferred an honorary doctor of divinity degree upon Chaplain Taylor in 1963. Three other colleges and universities have also given him honorary doctoral degrees.

During World War II, Chaplain Taylor was cited for bravery and awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action during the Battle of Bataan. After the surrender of American forces there, he spent 14 weeks in solitary confinement for smuggling food and medicine to patients in a Japanese hospital. He ministered to more than 10,000 patients in the hospital.

Chaplain Taylor and his wife, the former Mildred Good of Carrollton, Tex., have one son, Robert P. Taylor Jr., 14. They live at 3604 Lido Place, Mantua Hills, Fairfax, Va.

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BP Photo being mailed to state Baptist paper editors.

700 Attend Golden Gate
6th Missions Conference

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MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP)--Record crowds of more than 700 persons attended the sixth annual missions conference at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Principal speakers for the missions emphasis meeting were Winston Crawley, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board secretary for the Orient; Hugo Culpepper, missions division director for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board; and John Killinger, professor at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

Culpepper told of the growth of his Christian maturity during three years as a Japanese war prisoner, and challenged the young people to consider their own lives in view of the Christian mission.

Crawley interpreted the conference theme, "One World One Mission," saying that the Christian mission is a major doctrine composed of many areas of missions with God calling persons to serve in different capacities.

Killinger stressed the need for the present-day church to find ways of reaching people caught up in what he described as an "urbanized society."

Most of the young people attending the missions conference were college students from surrounding areas and states.

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Alaska Pastor Dies
During Revival Meet

TOCOMA, Wash. (BP)--John R. Canning, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Anchorage, Alaska died unexpectedly of a heart attack here while serving as evangelist during a revival meeting.

He had apparently been in good health without previous indication of heart trouble, friends said.

Canning went to Alaska several years ago after having served in Oregon and Washington as pastor, denominational worker, and president of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington.

A native of Missouri, he was pastor of Baptist churches in Norborne and Harrisonville, Mo., before going to the Oregon-Washington area.

Funeral services were held Feb. 7 at the First Baptist Church of Hale, Mo., with burial in Avalon, Mo.

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Hester to Write
College History

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LIBERTY, Mo. (BP)--H. I. Hester, recently retired vice president of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Mo., has been commissioned to write a complete history of William Jewell College here by the Baptist school's board of trustees.

Hester had served William Jewell for 35 years before joining the Midwestern Seminary staff. From 1921 to 1961 he served in varying capacities such as chairman of the religion department, vice president, and interim president.

His comprehensive history of the Baptist school when completed will be the school's first such document since 1893, when James G. Clark wrote the last and only history of the college.

Plans call for the book to be ready for distribution in June of 1967.

Hester is the author of nine books, including two widely used as biblical textbooks--The Heart of Hebrew History, and The Heart of the New Testament.

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College Approves
Science Building

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CLINTON, Miss. (BP)--Trustees of Mississippi College here authorized plans for construction of a new science building which will house all of the sciences under one roof for the first time.

The four-story brick building will include 48,000 square feet of space divided between the Baptist school's chemistry, biology, physics and mathematics departments.

Construction will begin in May, with completion expected in time for occupancy in September of 1967.

Features of the building will include elevated lecture rooms, museum space, special dark rooms, conference rooms, office space, and a complete chemical library.

The new building will have space and facilities to accommodate a student body of 3,000 with sufficient adjacent land for further expansion. Current enrollment of the Baptist school is approximately 2,000.

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Man Falls to Death
In Elevator Shaft

DALLAS (BP)--Doyle Berry, 33, plunged 13-floors to his death when he fell from the top of an elevator while performing routine elevator maintenance in the 511 North Akard Building, home of the Southern Baptist Annuity Board.

Berry and co-worker C. B. Covington, 32, both employees of the Hunter-Hayes Elevator Company, were shortening cables on the elevator at the 15th floor level when the mishap occurred.

The elevator, its six hoisting cables removed for shortening, snapped an anchoring chain holding it, and dropped less than two floors, a company official said.

D. J. Nemitz, general service manager for Hunter-Hayes, said the automatic safety devices stopped the car after the short fall from the 15th floor after the chain snapped.

Nemitz said that during the time the car was going down, Berry was on top of it, either lost his balance or was hit by the chain and hoisting mechanism, causing him to fall the remaining distance to the elevator pit.

Nemitz said the job required the men to take the car to the top level, remove the tension on the cables by means of a chain hoist so the cables could be removed for shortening.

Covington said he had stepped from the elevator moments before and was talking with office workers on the 15th floor hallway when he heard a snap.

He turned to see Berry and the elevator disappear.

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Midwestern Seminary Adds
Theology Degree

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)--The master's degree in theology will be offered for the first time by Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in the fall term of 1966 in what the school described as the first step toward a full graduate program in theology.

Requirements for admission will include a B.A. or equivalent degree from an accredited college or university; a B.D. or equivalent degree from an accredited theological school with a grade point average of 1.5 and a satisfactory score on the Miller Analogy examination.

A candidate may choose from three main fields of study: biblical, historical-theological, and practical.

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