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Pastor Internship At
Baylor Termed Success

WACO, Texas (BP)--College professors have been known to resort to unusual means to test their students during final exams, but few have gone as far as J. W. Ousley at Baylor University.

Ousley, professor of pastoral training in Baylor's department of religion, is in Hillcrest Baptist Hospital here recovering from gall bladder surgery.

It is only coincidental that Ousley's hospitalization came during final exam time at Baylor, but it is giving him an opportunity to test the results of a pastoral training program he has just guided through its first year at the University.

Religion 137, "The Church in the Performance of Its Ministries," was added to the requirements for graduation last September for all students on Ministerial scholarships at Baylor. The course, in addition to the usual time spent in lectures requires students to serve a semester in a local church or other facility where they can gain pastoral experience.

Two of Ousley's students this spring, Donald Reams of Windermere, Fla., and Sam Young of Salisbury, N. C., already had pastoral experience. Instead of being placed in churches, they were sent to Hillcrest Baptist Hospital to assist Chaplain Roy E. Cooper. Ousley is now getting the opportunity to assess their progress and the value of the course.

Ousley said the first year of the program has been an unqualified success.

Most of the "Pastors-In-Training" were placed in Waco churches. Some of the larger churches took two--one working with the pastor and the other with the assistant pastor or educational director.

The interns were instructed to join the churches where they served and participate in as many activities as possible. They taught classes, gave devotionals and led in prayer and read scripture passages in worship services.

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Paschall Gives Emphases
As New SBC President

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)--When H. Franklin Paschall outlined what he expected to emphasize during his term as the new president of the Southern Baptist Convention, he had three points--but no poem.

Speaking to his congregation, First Baptist Church, Nashville, he described his objectives:

- (1) To do whatever he could to assist in the Crusade of Americas which was launched at the closing session of the 1966 Southern Baptist Convention in Detroit.
- (2) To emphasize the Bible as the Word of God and to stress its relevancy to life today.
- (3) To seek recovery of the meaning and the ministry of the local church.

Paschall reserved the right to add to these emphases later.

The Crusade of Americas is a hemispheric evangelistic crusade to be conducted in 1969 by Baptists in North and South America. The new Convention president promised to lend his voice in speaking in behalf of this event.

Regarding the emphasis on the local church, he said that he was opposed to organizational union of Baptists with other denominations. At the same time he noted there are values and blessings to be recognized in the ecumenical movement.

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But, Paschall said, much more will be accomplished when churches do what God intends for them to do as local fellowships than can be brought about by a union of church organizations.

Dr. and Mrs. Paschall were greeted at the Nashville airport on their return from the Convention in Detroit by approximately fifty deacons and their wives, and other friends and church members.

The Paschalls left the following day on a previously scheduled trip to speak to mission meetings in Japan, the Phillipines, and Hong Kong. There was a possibility the Paschall's at the request of the Foreign Mission Board, would extend their trip to visit other mission fields before returning home.

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Heilman Named President Of Meredith College

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)--E. Bruce Heilman, administrative vice president of Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee, has been elected president of Meredith College, a Baptist-related school for women here.

Announcement of the election was made by M. L. Massey of Zebulon, N. C., chairman of the Meredith board of trustees.

C. B. Deane of Meredith's presidential selection committee recommended the 39-year-old educator to the board at its May 30 meeting.

Heilman will assume his new duties Sept. 1.

He has been with Peabody College since 1963. Previously he was professor of education, vice president and dean of the new Kentucky Southern College, also a Baptist-related school, in Louisville.

Meredith, a liberal arts college, has approximately 1,000 students on a 225 acre campus.

In Nashville Heilman also taught in the city schools, and served as a member of the business faculty at Belmont (Baptist) College. He was a member of the advisory committees of the Baptist Hospital and the Nashville General Hospital. He was a deacon in the Belmont Heights Baptist Church.

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