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J. W. Storer, Retired
Foundation Head Dies

NASHVILLE (BP)--J. W. Storer, retired executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, died at a Nashville hospital after a long illness on Sunday evening, April 12.

He was 85.

Dr. Storer had been executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Foundation here from 1956-67 when he retired.

He was president of the Southern Baptist Convention from 1953-55, and previously had been president of the SBC Executive Committee.

Funeral services were scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, at the First Baptist Church of Nashville where Storer was a member.

Scheduled to take part in the service were H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of the church; Porter R. Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, and Kermit Schmidt, assistant pastor at First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.

The family requested that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the American Cancer Society.

For nearly 25 years, Storer was pastor of First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla. Previously, he was pastor of Baptist churches in Richmond, Va., Greenwood, Miss., Pauls Valley Okla., and Paris and Ripley, Tenn.

While pastor in Tennessee and Oklahoma, he was president of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, and vice president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

On his retirement in 1967 as executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation, the SBC Executive Committee paid tribute to Storer in a special feature honoring him as both denominational leader and "Baptist wit."

At the time, Southern Baptist Convention President H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of the Nashville church where Storer was a member, called him "a Christian gentleman, a Baptist statesman, a very outstanding pastor, and a loyal and effective denominational leader."

"He is a man full of fun, full of faith, and full of fire," Paschall said. "He is a wit, a whole wit and a humorist par excellence."

Born in Burlington, Kan., on Dec. 1, 1884, Storer was reared in Tacoma, Wash., and Baker, Ore. He was a graduate of Kansas University and William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. Three Baptist schools had awarded him honorary doctorates--William Jewell, Union University, in Jackson, Tenn., and Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee. He was president of the board of trustees for Oklahoma Baptist University from 1941-56.

He was chairman of the committee on theological education of the Southern Baptist Convention which recommended sites for two of the denomination's six seminaries. He had lectured at all six of the Southern Baptist Convention seminaries.

Active in numerous civic and historical organizations, he was a 32nd degree Mason. He had written five books--Truth Enters Lowly Doors, By-Ways to Highways, Major Messages of the Minor Prophets, These Historic Scriptures and The Preacher: His Belief and Behavior.

He is survived by his wife, Nora Isobel Wilbanks. They had no children.

Dallas Lee, Ed Taylor
Leave Home Mission Board

ATLANTA (BP)--The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board meeting here accepted the resignation of one staff member and transferred another to field work.

Dallas M. Lee, news editor and associate editor of Home Missions Magazine, resigned to complete a book.

J. Ed Taylor, assistant secretary in the board's department of Christian social ministries will return to field work as a missionary.

Lee resigned to complete a book concerning the life and work of the late Clarence Jordan, founder of the Koinonia Farm, an interracial settlement in Americus, Ga. He earlier had been granted a leave of absence to work on the book, but found that the project will take longer than anticipated.

During two of his four years in the department of editorial services at the board, Lee was closely associated with Koinonia Farms, and was chairman of the board of trustees for Koinonia Partners, Inc.

One of the board's youngest staff members, Lee came to the board from McGraw-Hill Inc., where he was Philadelphia News Bureau Chief for a McGraw Hill publication called Purchasing Week.

A native of Graham, Tex., he is a Baylor University graduate. He wrote the 1970 Home Mission Study Book for Intermediates. Assignment: Boston.

Walker Knight, editor of Home Mission, said of Lee's departure: "Dallas Lee brought a professional competence and a Christian commitment to his work which enabled Home Mission to pioneer in the reporting of both the context in which mission takes place and in the response of faith within that context. He aided in establishing a new direction for the magazine which we hope to continue in the future."

Taylor, who has been responsible for the national program of missions since his appointment in 1966, has served as a home missionary since 1957. He worked with migrant laborers in Texas, Oklahoma, Georgia, Florida, North and South Carolina, served as superintendent of missions for the Savannah River Baptist Association in South Carolina. He was also pastor of churches in his native South Carolina for 11 years.

Taylor transfers May 1 from the Atlanta staff to the Atlantic Coast states, extending from Georgia to Delaware, as a field missionary.

Ed Carter, head of the department of Christian social ministries commended Taylor as an able leader.

"Taylor has given several years of excellent leadership to migrant work," Carter said. "Under his direction we now have dozens of local Baptist churches ministering to migrants throughout the United States.

"The area where we will serve has thousands of migrants each year, and we look forward to a great impact on the lives of these people by the Taylors," Carter said.

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Hastings Accepts Position
With Home Mission Board

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ATLANTA (BP)--Carroll Brownlow Hastings of Dallas, was appointed assistant secretary of the department of work related to nonevangelicals in recent action by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Hastings will major on Catholicism, doing research and writing in the area of Catholic life and thought. He will join the mission board staff in June, after serving as minister of Christian education at Park Cities Baptist Church in Dallas since 1960. He has also been director and teacher of the extension division of Baylor University.

Joseph R. Estes, secretary of the nonevangelicals department, said of Hastings: "He comes with extensive denominational experience and should be well-received in our Home Mission Board work."

The Texas native is a Baylor University graduate and holds a master's degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, and a doctorate from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

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Indiana Baptist Board
Votes Salary Increase

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (BP)--A plan to raise the salaries of employees of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana was approved by the convention's Executive Board here.

The plan, which came as a recommendation from the board's executive committee after a five-month study, will grant an increase of 10 per cent in the base salary for 1971 and suggest a 10 per cent increase in each of the years 1972 and 1973.

In his quarterly report to the board, Executive Secretary E. Harmon Moore noted that March had been the highest month in Cooperative Program (unified budget) giving in the 11 year history of the state convention.

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Home Mission Board Names
11 New U. S. Missionaries

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ATLANTA (BP)--The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here recently approved the appointment of five new missionary couples and a chaplain to full-time missionary service.

The new missionaries are James and Mary Allison of Lockney, Tex.; Jess and Joyce Canafax of Phoenix, Ariz.; Russell and Bernice Kauffman of Orlando, Fla.; Gene and Friscilla Tunnell of Fort Worth; Terrell and Carolyn Moore of Ohio; and Joseph Watterson of Raleigh, N.C.

Allison leaves the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Lockney, Tex., for full-time missionary appointment at a place yet to be determined by the board.

A native Texan, he is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. He has been pastor of several churches in Texas.

Mrs. Allison also attended Hardin-Simmons but graduated from Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, Tex. She has been a teacher in the Lockney public schools.

Canafax, associate state missions director and state Sunday School secretary for the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention, transfers to the board's department of metropolitan missions to become superintendent of missions for the Central Baptist Association, Phoenix. He will direct Southern Baptist mission efforts in the Phoenix area.

The Oklahoma native is a graduate of East Central State College of Oklahoma and attended Southwestern Seminary. He has been a pastor in Oklahoma and Arizona.

Mrs. Canafax has been a kindergarten teacher at North Phoenix Baptist Church. She is also a native of Oklahoma and has attended two Arizona colleges.

Kauffman is now director of migrant missions for the Wekiwa Baptist Association in Florida and has been missionary associate since 1967. He will retain his present position but is being promoted to career missionary. He is responsible for directing mission work with the thousands of migrant laborers who come to Florida each year.

A native of St. Joseph, Mich., Kauffman attended Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., and is a graduate of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He has been a pastor in several Florida churches and the Suburban Baptist Church of New Orleans. For five years he was a teacher in the public schools of Vero Beach, Fla.

Mrs. Kauffman, a native of Florida, has been a kindergarten teacher in New Orleans and Florida.

Another Stetson University graduate, Tunnell now serves the Tarrant Baptist Association of Fort Worth as a consultant at Southwestern Seminary recruiting students in Christian social ministries. He will be adjunct professor in Southwestern's social work department.

Tunnell is a native of St. Louis, and is a graduate of Southwestern Seminary.

Mrs. Tunnell has been a kindergarten and choral instructor at Fort Worth's Broadway Baptist Church Center. She also graduated from Stetson and is a native of Atlanta.

Moore has been a pastor since 1950, serving churches in Texas and Ohio. He became a missionary associate in 1968 in Morgan and Noble County, Ohio. He is now a pastoral missionary to Calvary Baptist Chapel in Ohio.

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The Baylor University graduate holds two degrees from Southwestern Seminary. Both he and his wife are Texans, he from Lampasas and she from Port Arthur, Tex.

Mrs. Moore is a graduate of Mary Hardin-Baylor College in Belton, Tex., and attended Southwestern Seminary. She has been a public school teacher for several years.

For 18 years Watterson was a chaplain in the United States Army. The North Carolina native is now director of chaplaincy ministries for Southern Baptists in his home state.

He has been a pastor, associational field secretary for the New South River Baptist Association, and is now team leader at North Carolina's Research Triangle Institute.

A Wake Forest College graduate, Watterson also holds a bachelor's degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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Culpepper Will Return to Seminary;
Trustees Name New Dean, Woman Prof

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LOUISVILLE (BP)--Hugo H. Culpepper, for five years a key executive of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta, will return this fall to his former post as W. O. Carver Professor of Christian Missions and World Religions at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

He held the endowed chair from 1963 to 1965 prior to becoming director of missions for the board. His service on the seminary faculty began in 1959 after 19 years as a missionary in China, the Philippines, Argentina and Chile under appointment by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Culpepper's reappointment to the faculty was a highlight of the annual meeting of the Southern Seminary board of trustees April 7-8.

In other action the trustees elected Ernest J. Loessner to the post of dean of the School of Religious Education, effective immediately. A member of the faculty since 1953, Loessner had been serving as acting dean since August 1, 1969, when Allen W. Graves was shifted to Administrative Dean.

Loessner has been minister of education at Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock, Ark., South Main Baptist Church in Houston, Tex., and First Baptist Church in Amarillo, Tex.

When he joined the faculty, he became the only man in history to teach at Southern Seminary before earning a college or seminary degree. He subsequently completed work at Georgetown College (Baptist), the University of Louisville, and Indiana University, with post-doctoral studies at the University of California and Pacific School of Religion.

The trustees named Miss Cora Anne Davis, a social worker at the Portland-Bridge Mission Center in Louisville, to the faculty as assistant professor of social work. She has been active in inner-city ministries in the Louisville area for the past 10 years and is the former executive director of the Baptist Community Center in Lexington, Ky.

Miss Davis, who becomes the second woman currently serving on the seminary faculty, is a graduate of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work and will receive a master's degree from the University of Louisville Kent School of Social Work this year.

The board also appointed G. Willis Bennett to the William Walker Brookes Chair of Church and Community, an endowed professorship occupied on a visiting basis in recent years by Home Mission Board executives Arthur B. Rutledge and H. Wendell Belew. Bennett will continue to serve as director of field education and placement in addition to his teaching duties. He joined the faculty in 1959, coming from a North Carolina pastorate.

Trustees named the seminary's new church music school building for V. V. Cooke, Sr., a long-time trustee of the seminary and a well-known Louisville businessman and philanthropist. He gave the seminary its first music school building, a structure now used as the official home for the seminary president.

The board also named the new building's 250-seat recital hall for Dean Forrest H. Heeren, who came to the seminary as director of the department of church music in 1952 and was named dean in 1954 when the seminary's three schools were established.

In other actions, the board promoted Associate Professor D. Sean Haworth to professor of psychology of religion, granted tenure to Richard R. Lin, associate professor of church music, and approved sabbatical leaves for professors Wayne E. Ward, Findley B. Edge, Hugh T. McElrath and J. Phillip Landgrave.

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The trustees re-elected Howard Spell, professor at Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., as chairman of the board.

Other officers elected were Douglas A. Aldrich, pastor, First Baptist Church, Gastonia, N.C., as first vice chairman and chairman of the trustee executive committee; Harry J. Chavanne of Houston, second vice chairman; and Frank Ellis Jr., of Louisville, as secretary.

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Protestants, Catholics, Jews
Drawing Closer, Congress Told

CHICAGO (BP)--An international, interfaith Religious Communication Congress sponsored by 40 different organizations, including two Baptist groups, ended here with a Jewish leader predicting that Protestants, Catholics and Jews would move closer together than ever before during the decade of the 1970s.

In the major closing session address, Marc H. Tanenbaum, director of Interreligious Affairs for the American Jewish Committee in New York, said that already a community of fellowship has begun to develop among scholars and those involved in interfaith dialogue.

Tanenbaum specifically cited to the Congress the development of Baptist-Jewish dialogue, saying that Jewish scholars have begun to reevaluate their concept of the Messiah "as a result of a deep dialogue with Southern Baptist scholars."

"It is quite evident to me that extensively intensifying interplay is taking place in which we find the Catholic community becoming increasingly Protestant," especially in the area of the study of the scriptures; that Protestantism is becoming increasingly Catholic as it returns to more liturgical forms; and that Christians generally are becoming increasingly Jewish as they return to the biblical and Hebraic molds of self-understanding, he said.

Tanenbaum urged the 400 persons attending the three-day congress to use their skills as religious communicators to help hammer out a common agenda for interfaith activities in the 70s, adding that unfortunately, Catholics, Jews and Protestants seem to have their own separate agendas for interfaith dialogue.

One of the main items of concern should be the reordering of national priorities in joint efforts by Protestants, Catholics and Jews, Tanenbaum said. He cited the expenditure of \$80 billion annually for military and defense programs, and urged interreligious groups "to move on Washington" and seek at least \$20 billion of that amount for meeting human needs.

In an earlier major address, Will D. Campbell of Nashville, a former Southern Baptist from Mississippi who now heads the Committee of Southern Churchmen, a race relations group, charged that the church and the press are guilty of helping to establish what he called "the American tyranny" in the rapid move toward "the reality of a true police state in the U.S.A."

"The beginning of genocide is not ovens or concentration camps, but the expectation of majorities for minorities to become like themselves," Campbell said.

The publisher of *Katallagete--Be Reconciled*, Campbell charged that the press, with its cult of objectivity, is guilty of contributing to the "tyranny" because "it is not enough (to be objective) when we are sitting on top of a powder keg which could explode any minute."

"The church," he said, "is most guilty of all, for it calls for peace and harmony but does nothing more than perpetuate the institution. It assumes that which is good for the institution (the church) is good for the Kingdom of God."

Saying every religious body represented at the meeting "is afflicted with the cancerous cells of racism," Campbell claimed that liberalism in the church and society has failed, and that race relations today are worse than ever before.

He called for a new biblicism and a new fundamentalism that stresses what the Bible fundamentally says about human relations and the church. "There's a lot of baggage and garbage in our religious tradition" that the church needs to get rid of, he added.

"We don't need all those steeples, altars, pipe organs, etc.," he declared. "We could get rid of poverty if we got rid of the albatross around our neck," he said.

In another major address, William Kuhns, director of the Institute for Environmental Response in Chicago, said that television is taking over a lot of the functions in society that once belonged to religion.

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Another speaker, Jeffrey K. Hadden, professor at Tulane University and author of the book, *The Gathering Storm in the Churches*, said that "it is perhaps still a little too early to know whether religious institutions are about to go out of business or if they are in the midst of internal struggles from which they will not only adapt but also become dynamic and viable sources of leadership and direction amid social upheaval.

The meeting, the first of its kind held in the nation, was sponsored by more than 40 different organizations concerned with the broad field of religious communications. The Southern Baptist Press Association and the Baptist Public Relations Association were two of the cooperating groups.

Prior to the Religious Communications Congress, the Baptist Public Relations Association met for its annual sessions, as did the Religious Public Relations Council and the Associated Church Press, three of the major organizations involved in the congress.

W. C. Fields, public relations secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee and newly-elected president of Baptist Public Relations Association, presided at one of the Congress' general sessions and directed a workshop on public relations. Martin Bradley, secretary of the research and statistics department at the SBC Sunday School Board, led a workshop session on research.

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J. Winston Pearce Retires At Golden Gate Seminary

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP)--J. Winston Pearce, professor of preaching at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary here, has announced plans for an early retirement, effective June 15.

Pearce has been professor of preaching since 1961.

At the request of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, Pearce will journey to Switzerland to serve as professor of preaching at the Baptist seminary in Ruschlikon, near Zurich, for the 1970-71 academic year.

He and Mrs. Pearce plan to reside at Buies Creek, N.C. where Campbell College is located following their return from Switzerland.

A well-known author, Pearce plans to continue writing. His tenth book, *The Light on the Lord's Face* published by Broadman Press, will be released soon.

He is a graduate of the University of Chicago, Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C., and holds the honorary doctor of divinity degree from Wake Forest.

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