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COMMITTEE NAMED TO CONSIDER
NEW SBC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

NASHVILLE, Tenn. --(BP)-- Chairman of a committee named recently to consider the recommendation of a successor to Dr. Duke K. McCall as executive secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention is Dr. J.W. Storer, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The committee was named by George B. Fraser, Washington, D.C., president of the Executive Committee. The recommendation is expected to be presented at the September meeting of the Committee in Nashville.

Others serving on the committee are: Dr. R. Paul Caudill, First Church, Memphis, Tennessee; Dr. Louie D. Newton, Druid Hills Church, Atlanta, Georgia; Dr. J. Norris Palmer, First Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Dr. Henry W. Tiffany, Park Place Church, Norfolk, Virginia. Mr. Fraser will work with the committee also.

Dr. McCall, executive secretary for five years, will begin his duties as president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, September 15.

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SAN ANTONIO SECRETARY COMING
AS STUDENT DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATE

NASHVILLE, Tenn. --(BP)-- Miss Billie Russell, city-wide Baptist student secretary in San Antonio, Texas, will join the Department of Student Work of the Baptist Sunday School Board September 15, announces Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary of the Department.

As an Associate in the Department, Miss Russell will work with student nurses and business college groups throughout the Convention territory.

A graduate of Baylor University and a talented musician, Miss Russell worked for four summers as a member of youth revival teams under the direction of the Texas Student Department. An active member of the Baylor dramatic group, she later became instructor in speech at Wayland College, Plainview, Texas, where she also served as acting student secretary.

After a year at Wayland, Miss Russell attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, before beginning her work in San Antonio.

She will fill the position vacated by the former Miss Frances Barbour, now Mrs. William Gibson of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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HOUSTON LAND PURCHASED
FOR TEXAS BAPTIST HAVEN

HOUSTON, Texas --(BP)-- The purchase of a forty-five-acre site in Houston recently provides a long-sought location for Texas Baptist Haven, a home for the aged to be developed by Texas Baptists, according to Robert Cooke Buckner, general manager of Buckner Orphans Home, Dallas.

Dr. Ross E. Dillon, executive secretary of Union Association, Houston, will be responsible for much of the development of the new institution. He was recently appointed representative in Houston of Buckner Home and the several benevolent enterprises it conducts for Texas Baptists.

Texas Baptist Haven is the third in a series of benevolent institutions authorized at the centennial meeting of the Baptist General Convention of Texas in Houston in 1948. The other two are Buckner Boys Ranch, Burnet county, and Bethesda, a maternity home in San Antonio, both already in operation.

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ILLINOIS EVANGELISM SECRETARY
TO ASSUME BROTHERHOOD DUTIES

CARBONDALE, Ill. --(BP)-- S. Otho Williams, secretary in the department of evangelism for Illinois Baptists for two years, will begin his new work as secretary of the Brotherhood and Evangelism Department in September, announces Noel M. Taylor, executive secretary.

The two departments were combined under the direction of one secretary at a recent board of directors meeting of the Illinois Baptist State Association.

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NEW MEXICO SECRETARY
RESIGNS FOR PASTORATE

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. --(BP)-- The resignation of Charles Ashcraft, secretary of Brotherhood work in New Mexico for four and one-half years, was announced recently. Ashcraft has also served as secretary of the New Mexico Foundation since its establishment two years ago. He will begin his duties as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Los Alamos, September 1.

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DR. POTTER IMPROVES

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. --(BP)-- After being reported in a critical condition for several days, Dr. Andrew Potter, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, is slowly improving, according to the latest report from Dr. Thomas B. Lackey, assistant executive secretary.

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