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Hurt Chosen President
At Baptist Press Meet

WASHINGTON--(BP)--John Hurt, Atlanta, editor of the Christian Index, Georgia Baptist weekly newspaper, has been elected president of the Southern Baptist Press Association.

E. S. James, Dallas, editor of the Baptist Standard, largest state weekly newspaper in the Southern Baptist Convention, was elected vice-president at the Association's annual mid-winter meeting here.

Hoyt S. Gibson, Wichita, editor of the Kansas weekly, Baptist Digest, will continue to serve as secretary-treasurer.

Hurt succeeds H. H. McGinty, Jefferson City, Mo., editor of the Word and Way, published by Missouri Baptists.

The editors, who meet jointly with the organization of executive secretaries of state Baptist conventions, will hold their next meeting in Albuquerque, N. M., in February, 1958.

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Lackey Elected Head
Of State Secretaries

WASHINGTON--(BP)--T. B. Lackey, Oklahoma City, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, is the new president of the organization of Southern Baptist state executive secretaries.

He succeeds A. H. Reid, Montgomery, executive secretary of the Alabama Baptist Convention.

The state secretaries organization meets jointly with Baptist state editors for a mid-winter session each year.

Other officers of the state executive secretaries group include Lucius M. Polhill, Richmond, executive secretary of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, vice-president, and Earl Harding, Jefferson City, executive secretary of Missouri Baptist General Association, secretary.

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Baptist Press Group
Addressed By Hays

WASHINGTON--(BP)--It is not only the goals that are set but the means by which those goals are reached that are important, Rep. Brooks Hays (D., Ark.) declared to Southern Baptist editors, meeting here.

The Southern Baptist Press Association, composed of editors of the denomination's 25 state newspapers and editors of other Baptist journals, held its annual mid-winter meeting in Washington.

Rep. Hays, a Baptist layman who serves as chairman of the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, was one of the principal speakers.

In his address, "The Commonwealth -- a Christian Workshop," Hays said there is a "continuing necessity for applying moral judgments to society."

He said "you can distinguish democracy from totalitarianism through their procedures. We need to be concerned with procedures as well as with goals."

Hays said he does not "equate political success with the ability to get more votes at the polls than anyone else." Many have lost at the polls yet have contributed to the nation's political life, he added.

"The best man will not always be elected and the perfect law will not always be made at the moment," according to the Congressman.

In a brief reference to the race question, Hays declared "The South need not fan its own complacency merely because the North is wrong on some extreme remedy. That does not mean that there is no remedy needed at all," he said.

The editors voted to hold their next mid-winter meeting in Albuquerque, N. M., in February, 1958.

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Gardner-Webb College
Seeking New Mascot

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C.--(BP)--If you know what it's like to lose your pet dog, then you can offer your sympathy to Gardner-Webb College.

Dutch, the Baptist school's registered English bulldog mascot, died of old age three years ago. Several efforts to find a dog to take Dutch's place have met no success.

But the college is making new effort to find another mascot. He must be in the tradition of Dutch, whom thousands of Gardner-Webb alumni remember as the pride of the school.

Dutch was a gentleman of character, and many a former student insists he had personality. For 10 years, beginning in 1944, Dutch basked in the limelight of campus popularity. He realized his responsibility to the college as a whole, and while

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he accepted everyone's affection, he never had a favorite.

Pet peeve of the big bulldog was any show of authority. Never would he give way to anybody; regularly choosing a busy hallway as the logical place for a nap. And woe to the unlearned freshman who tried to push him aside!

Former students cannot recall exactly when Gardner-Webb athletic teams took the name "Bulldogs." They were thus called as early as 1922, and the football uniforms of the 1929 state champion team bore the Bulldog emblem.

In his older years Butch derived pleasure from being a nuisance. His temper wore thin and his patience was easily exhausted. He insisted on being fed indoors during winter months, and vicious growls would send everyone scampering if he did not get his way.

Although he usually stayed in any of the college dormitories, Butch always had a place he could call "home." Until 1952 he lived with Coach Wayne Bradburn. After the coach moved away Butch had his choice among the faculty in choosing a new abode.

Being a canine of distinction he settled for nothing less than the dean. He became closely attached to Dean J. O. Terrell, and two years later died in his home.