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.....The Georgia Woman's Missionary Union has elected Mrs. C. O. Smith of Moultrie, Ga., as its president. She succeeds Mrs. J. I. Alford, of Covington, Ga., who had been president for five years. W. M. U. presidents in Georgia, though elected annually, customarily serve five terms.

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.....Ernest B. Coon, former pastor of First Baptist Church, Stanton, Tex., has become pastor of Bethsaida Baptist Church, Dublin, Ga.

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.....Heslip M. Lee, a graduate of Mercer University, Macon, Ga., now completing his studies at Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, N. Y., will serve as director of religious activities at Mercer next year during the absence of Ray Brewster.

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.....Lester O. Probst has resigned pastorate of Second Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Mo., to accept a call from Willow Drive Chapel, a mission of the Baptist church at Lake Jackson, Tex.

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.....R. P. Mahon, 91, dean emeritus of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Ky., died Mar. 21 after an extended illness.

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.....Mrs. W. K. McGee, of Winston-Salem, N. C., has been re-elected president of the Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina.

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Young People Sought In
Church-Related Fields

NASHVILLE--(BP)--Southern Baptists will seek for more than 30,000 young people to dedicate themselves to life service in church-related vocations during worship services June 16.

W. L. Howse, Nashville, said the Sunday has been set aside by the Southern Baptist Convention as "Church-Related Vocations Day." The goal is for an average of one young person to dedicate his or her life to this service in each of the 30,800 churches affiliated with the SBC.

Howse, director of the education division for the Baptist Sunday School Board, is chairman of a special committee on church-related vocations set up by the Inter-Agency Council of the Convention.

"The emphasis on church-related vocations is part of Southern Baptists' observance of World Missions Year during 1957," he said. This is the first year such a special Sunday has been observed.

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, acting for the Inter-Agency Council, will send out materials to pastors of all Southern Baptist churches and missionaries serving associations of churches.

This material will include suggested outlines for either morning or evening worship services on June 16, Howse added. The day's emphasis is especially directed at the 13 through 24-year-old age groups, from which most of the dedications would come.

"We hope the day will show Southern Baptist churches the needs of our denomination for additional workers in many vocational fields," Howse said.

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"Baby Sitter" Service
At Convention Costly

CHICAGO--(BP)--There will be no arrangements for a nursery at the site of the 1957 Southern Baptist Convention here.

Groups in charge of arrangements said hotels in the city provide "baby sitter" service for parents but that the rates for such service are "very high."

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Fuller To Fill Post
For Texas Baptists

DALLAS--(BP)--J. Woodrow Fuller has been appointed to fill the newly-created position of administrative associate executive secretary with the Baptist General Convention of Texas here.

Fuller, who has been with the Texas convention for several years, previously held the title as director of the direct missions department and associate executive secretary.

"Instead of being responsible for both the duties of the director and those of the associate secretary, Fuller will now devote most of his time to the convention's administrative functions and to Latin-American mission work," Executive Secretary Forrest Feezor reported.

Part of Fuller's former duties have been assumed by Arthur B. Rutledge, who resigned as pastor of First Baptist Church, Marshall, Tex., to take a position with the convention.

Rutledge will serve as secretary of direct missions and stewardship. In addition to handling some duties formerly done by Fuller, Rutledge will also be responsible for city and rural extension work of the convention. He will also work with the new Forward Program of Church Finance of Southern Baptists.

In addition to being pastor of the Marshall church, Rutledge was chairman of the executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas at the time he accepted his new position here.

A new chairman of the board will be elected in June.

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Georgetown To Offer
Graduate Degree Work

GEORGETOWN, Ky.--(BP)--Georgetown College, senior college of Kentucky's Southern Baptists, plans to offer in the near future its first graduate-level courses since 1929.

President H. Leo Eddleman announced the master's degree will be offered only in the field of education. The work is offered, he said, in response to "an increasing demand for graduate study" from teachers in the state.

Eddleman appointed Romie D. Judd to be dean of graduate study.

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