

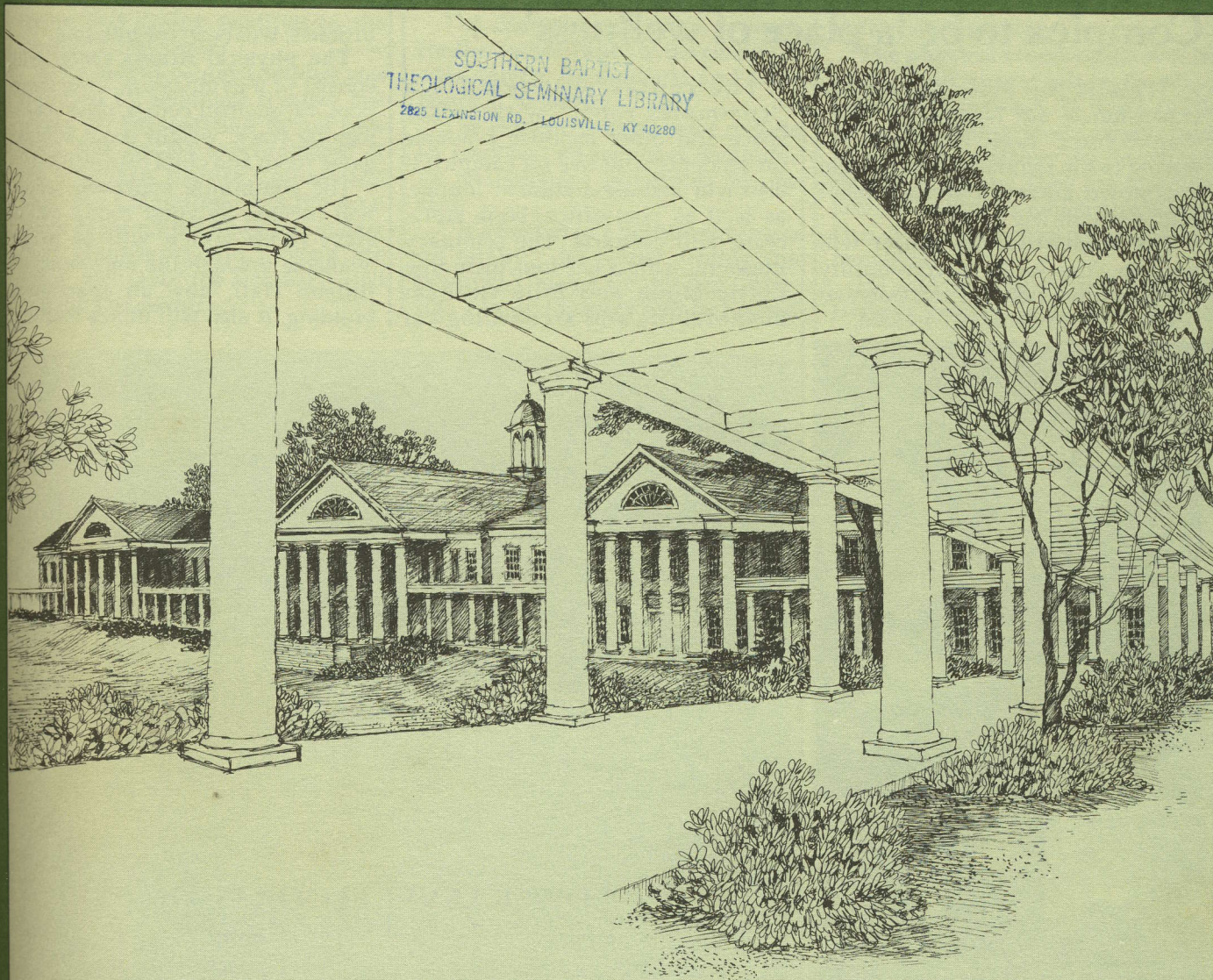
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THE TIE



Seminary launches \$12 million program to build student center/fitness complex

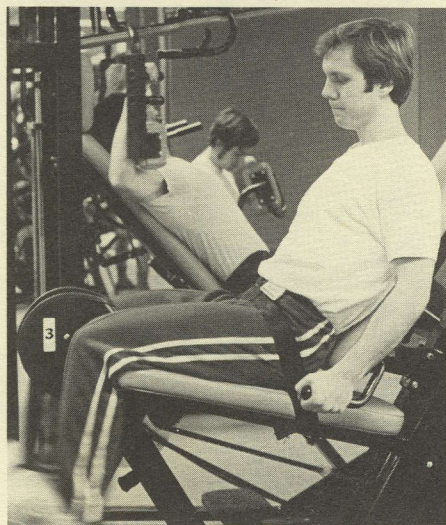
A \$12 million capital development program to raise funds for constructing a student center complex on the Southern Seminary campus has been launched by president Roy L. Honeycutt and the board of trustees.

The complex will be comprised of three major components — centers for student/family life, physical fitness and continuing education.

Complex to be 'a place of wellness'

"This is the most significant expansion of our facilities in more than 55 years," noted Honeycutt, referring to the seminary's move from downtown Louisville to its present campus in the late 1920s.

The student/family center will become "the focus of community life which provides for the essential needs of students today," he said.



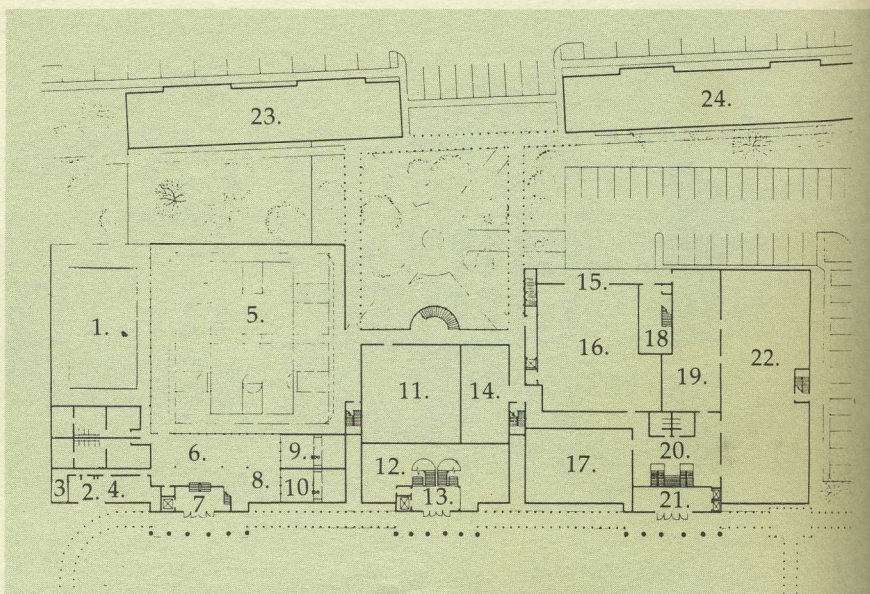
DEVELOPING PLACE—The Student Center Complex will house recreation facilities, including a Nautilus weight room. The cafeteria will be there, too.

The center will feature a "commuter room" with locker space and other facilities available for students who live off campus. It also will include a student lounge, as well as post office, book store, clinic and cafeteria. The seminary museum, with collections including Lottie Moon and Billy Graham memorabilia and archaeological

artifacts, will be in the building.

The physical fitness center will consist of a gymnasium, swimming pool, racquetball courts, class space, jogging track, weight room, offices, game room and child care facilities.

The continuing education center will include 35 guest rooms and a class room which will be made available through the renovation of Judson Hall, now an apartment building. It also will utilize meeting



LOWER LEVEL FLOOR PLAN

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| 1. Swimming Area | 13. Entry |
| 2. Locker Rooms | 14. Snack Bar/Lounge |
| 3. Offices | 15. Loading Dock |
| 4. Child Care | 16. Post Office |
| 5. Basketball Court | 17. Clinic |
| 6. Control Desk | 18. Kitchen Storage |
| 7. Entry | 19. Book Storage |
| 8. Game Room/Vending Area | 20. Lobby |
| 9. Racquetball | 21. Entry |
| 10. Racquetball | 22. Bookstore |
| 11. Utilities | 23. Rice Hall |
| 12. Administrative Office | 24. Judson Hall |

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rooms and dining facilities in the student/family center.

The student center complex was approved by seminary trustees last spring for presentation to the program and budget subcommittee of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee. It is the final phase of the school's campus master plan, Honeycutt said, noting the action will carry the seminary well into the 21st century.

The complex indicates a concern for the "wholeness" of the seminary community, its students and their families, he added.

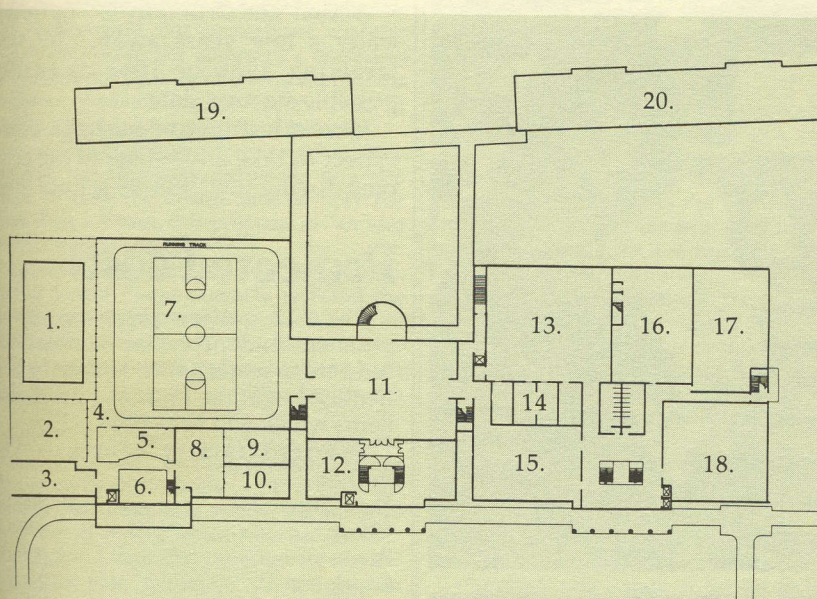
The student/family center reflects an emphasis on seminary community relationships and family life, he said.

"It's part of our holistic emphasis on family," he added, noting the planned Gheens Center for Christian Family Ministry will be housed

in the new structure.

The physical fitness center will be more than just a place to play, Honeycutt insisted. "I don't think physical fitness is a luxury, and apparently neither do Southern Baptist churches. They are building family life centers which minister to the physical needs of their members."

He said Southern's new physical fitness center will enable the



UPPER LEVEL FLOOR PLAN

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| 1. Swimming Area Below | 11. Reception |
| 2. Multi Purpose Room | 12. Center for Christian Family Ministry |
| 3. Laundry/Storage | 13. Conference/Banquet |
| 4. Running Track | 14. Dining Rooms |
| 5. Game Room Below | 15. Student Lounge |
| 6. Lobby Below | 16. Kitchen |
| 7. Basketball Court Below | 17. Cafeteria |
| 8. Weight Room | 18. Museum - Billy Graham Room |
| 9. Racquetball Below | - Lottie Moon |
| 10. Racquetball Below | - WMU Heritage |
| | 19. Rice Hall |
| | 20. Judson Hall |



MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY—The complex will include two racquetball courts and also the post office.

seminary to more effectively train persons in church recreation ministry and the management of family life centers.

The continuing education center will "provide an entirely new configuration" for helping ministers update their educations, he added. The facility will be home for the

seminary's Conference Center.

Honeycutt characterized the new complex as a "place of wellness" for the seminary community — both while students and their families are at Southern and as they return for more education.

The Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee has provided

\$2.8 million from the denomination's Cooperative Program as "seed money" for the student center complex, according to the SBC Business and Financial Plan. The money was provided with the understanding that the seminary will raise the remainder of the funds from individuals and foundations.

Honeycutt said he hopes some operational endowment can be secured in addition to construction costs.

Actual construction is "optimistically a few years away," he said, targeting 1986 or 1987 as earliest possible starting dates.

He said students perhaps could expect to take advantage of the complex during the 1988-89 school year.

Projected costs

The \$12 million price tag for the planned student center complex will fund three major units. Following is an itemization of the units and the components which will be housed in them.

Student/family center — \$6.8 million:

Post Office	\$ 500,000
Clinic	450,000
Bookstore	1,000,000
Snack Bar	250,000
Dining Rooms (Each)	50,000
Conference/Banquet Hall ..	500,000
Student Lounge	1,000,000
Cafeteria	1,000,000
Kitchen	250,000
Reception Area	500,000
(Cost of furnishings not included.)	

Physical fitness center — \$4.2 million:

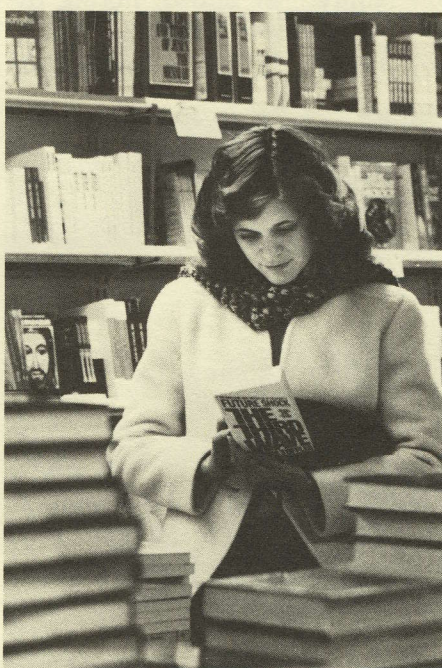
Gymnasium	\$2,000,000
Racquetball Courts	100,000
Swimming Pool	1,000,000
Classroom	100,000
Track	200,000
Nautilus Weight Room	85,000
(Cost of furnishings not included.)	

Continuing education center — \$1 million:

35 Guest Rooms @ \$28,500 ..	\$997,500
Classroom	45,000
(Cost of furnishings included.)	



COMMUNITY PLACE—The proposed Student Center Complex will be a place where family life is stressed. It also will house the bookstore.



GAME TIME—The Physical Fitness Center will have a complete gymnasium and other recreation facilities.

PRESIDENT'S JOURNAL

An idea whose time has come

Viewing an architectural model of the campus center complex, an alumnus visiting the campus turned to me. He smiled as he said, "When you dream at Southern Seminary, you dream big, don't you!"

The proposed campus facilities are a magnificent dream. It is captivating to dream of thousands of persons living enriched lives because you and I will provide these exciting, state-of-the-art buildings.

Families will be strengthened because of new programs. Churches will have effectively prepared ministers to serve in a diverse and needy world. For generations, students will benefit from the seminary's emphases on personal and family life nurtured in these facilities. Body, mind and spirit will be enriched for service in Christian ministry.

As your imagination soars when you examine the architect's proposals, you also begin to share the dream, do you not? For more than a dream, this proposal is "an idea whose time has come."

Answering the question, why people give, author Jerold Panas recently rejected the common assumption that persons give to meet institutional needs. "Countless thousands of organizations and institutions have great needs," Panas writes. "But donors run away from 'needs.' They hide from the institution that is not financially stable. Large donors give to heroic, exciting programs rather than to needy institutions . . . It is trite, but true: an institution must exhibit the audacity and power of an idea whose time has come."

June and I recently reflected on Panas' assumption that "megagifts" do not come in response to institutional needs. We questioned some of his conclusions. Our experience suggests that committed Christians are motivated by something more dynamic than just the excitement of an audacious and powerful idea whose time has come. Whether for our local congregation or the most far-flung mission outpost, most of us give our money when authentic needs are counterbalanced by a compelling, divine imperative.

Audacity alone will not generate Christian giving. Nor will we as Christians give merely because needs exist. Responsible Christian stewardship demands a broader perspective. It is the impelling vision of God's purposes for our lives and his world that captures our commitment to give. Ancient biblical counsel remains appropriate for modern Christian giving: "Yet I will show you a still more excellent way." (1 Cor. 12:31)

I am convinced we will achieve the dreams embodied in the architect's prospectus. This is true not merely because the needs are authentic and the opportunities are challeng-

ing. We will achieve God's dream for us and our desires for Him and Southern Seminary through the impelling power of our unique commitments to these realities:

● **Spiritual Commitment.** Christian giving is a spiritual discipline conceived and nurtured by dynamic commitment to God through Jesus Christ as the Lord of life. One may fantasize a scene in which a total stranger to the seminary emerges with a contribution to build an entire building. While we will seek to discover such a person, reality suggests that funds for this bold venture of faith will be given by persons with sensitive spiritual commitment to the mission which God has for Southern Seminary.

● **Belief in the Ministry.** Persons who believe in the Christian ministry as a vocation of congregational leadership will provide the resources for realizing seminary dreams. Many of you believe in the ministry and in ministers. It will be through your hope for a continuing and effective ministry that you support Southern Seminary.

● **Concern for Persons.** At the center of the proposed campus expansion is a determined concern for persons. It is difficult to believe that in 125 years Southern Seminary has never had a student center building where fundamental student needs could be provided. For example, not until we entered this program did it really begin to trouble me that we make no provision for commuting students to have such elemental facilities as locker space for coats and books, to say nothing of other needed resources. Levering Gymnasium was a state-of-the-art facility 50 years ago. Now it meets the full needs for neither family enrichment, individual physical discipline nor the educational needs of our programs to prepare persons in youth and family ministries. Individuals who care for persons will make possible the campus center.

● **Participative Cooperation.** It is idealistic to presuppose the total participation of everyone who receives *The Tie*. The "law of thirds" prevails in fund raising: one third of the funds will come from 10 major gifts, another third from 100 to 150 persons, and a third from all other sources. Yet if no other individuals than those who read this publication cooperate in this venture of faith, our goal could be achieved within the year. When one considers the potential of trustees, friends of the seminary, alumni, as well as students, faculty and staff, we have the ability to achieve God's purposes for Southern Seminary. The fundamental issue is not "how much" but "how many" — how many individuals will contribute money in direct

relationship to God's blessings and our commitment to His purposes for Southern Seminary?

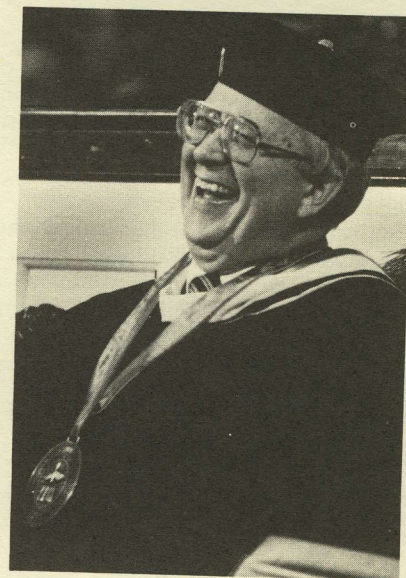
Not since the campus was rebuilt on Lexington Road 55 years ago has the seminary proposed such a challenging forward thrust into the future. To participate in this expansion of the seminary's second century of ministry is one of life's more significant opportunities. Considering your gift, remember that we hold the keys to the accomplishment of this vision. As a wealthy West Coast builder, Alex Spanos, identified why he gives, "I never give because I think there is a need. There are lots of needs. I give because it's a program I'm interested in and I think I can make a real difference."

You and I are interested in Southern Seminary, and we will make the difference for "an idea whose time has come." To make this difference I ask you to take three actions required for this vision to become a reality:

● **Pray** for God's leadership as together we seek both to know and to do His will.

● **Give** as a disciplined, committed Christian who believes that the size of your gift should be determined by the potential God has placed at your disposal.

● **Enlist** others to join you in receiving information and contributing to the success of this venture in faith.



Roy L. Honeycutt

Roy L. Honeycutt, President

TEACHING MINISTERS

'Ethics' spelled a-c-t-i-o-n for Stassen

Ethics and action go hand-in-hand for Glen Stassen.

The professor of Christian ethics doesn't leave his special subject in the classrooms and on the bookshelves of Southern Seminary. Instead, he takes his message of faith out into the world:

- **When he's not** home on weekends, Stassen often is speaking to churches about peace. Many times he helps them start their own peacemaker groups, like the two in his own church.

- **Last summer** he led a group of Baptist peacemakers to Washington to participate in the 20th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s march there.

- **On his sabbatical** in Germany, he wrote *Journey into Peacemaking* for the SBC Brotherhood Commission, to help with the lay renewal study of peacemaking and to start peacemaker groups in churches.

But he doesn't just act; he also thinks and has the respect of his professional colleagues. He edited the issue of the *Journal of Religious Ethics* on method in ethics, the all-time best selling issue.

His colleagues elected him chairman of the religious social ethics group of the American Academy of Religion, executive board member of the American Society of Christian Ethics and ASCE representative to the Council on the Study of Religion.

Stassen turned down the road of ethical involvement while still a college student. He recalls, "I read T.S. Eliot's *The Wasteland*, which describes the barren-

ness and sterility of life without a deeply-grounded sense of meaning. I clearly felt that barrenness was true of the hollow half of my life and very many fellow students."

He committed himself to "communicate the depth of the meaning of the gospel" for students and others in a way better than it was being communicated on the university campus.

Stassen considered specializing in New Testament and then in philosophy of religion before focusing on ethics.

"It seems to me that people want to know what difference the gospel makes in their lives," he explains. "They make their commitment to Christ to a large extent in terms of what Christ means for the living of life. So, for me, that means Christian ethics."

As an ethicist, Stassen has channelled much of his energy into peacemaking. It is a need he realized even as a child.

"When the first atom bomb exploded over Hiroshima, it made a vivid impression on me," he remembers. "Even then, it was obvious that nuclear weapons would be a radical threat to humankind."

Later, when he had earned a degree in nuclear physics and was working in the Naval Research Laboratory, he found he "never could look away" from the threat of nuclear escalation.

As a young peace advocate working for the Navy, Stassen didn't debate the validity of his employment but rather the usefulness of his work toward get-

ting the nuclear situation under control.

"What I've tried to do on peacemaking is move from the question of participation in war to the more practical, preventive question of what can be done to stop nuclear cataclysm." Stassen has found the answer in an "ethic of transforming initiative."

He says the first model for such transforming initiative is "God's delivering action in Christ," noting "Christ shows us the nature of God—compassionate, delivering love, even for his enemies."

Another model comes from the teachings of Jesus, he adds. For example, Jesus' commands to "talk to your brother who has something against you" and "give to him who begs" were designed not as negative teachings but as surprising initiatives to bring about repentance and reconciliation.

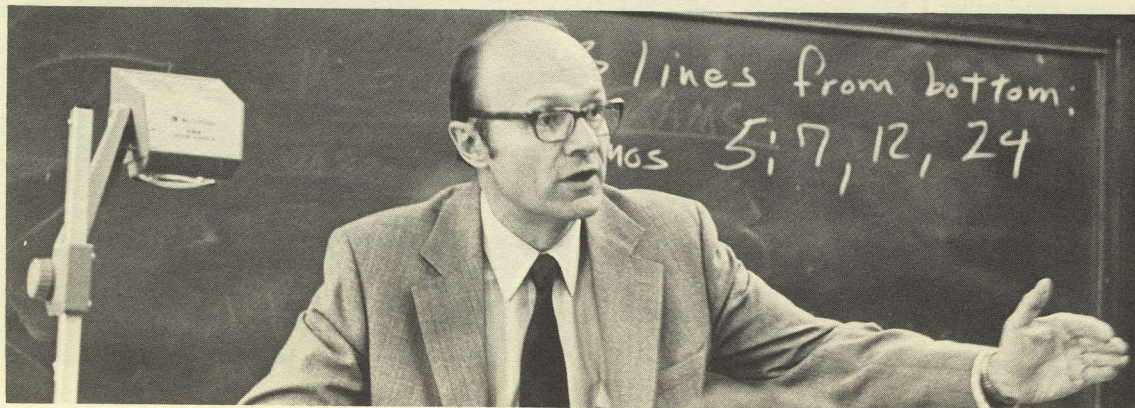
Jesus' examples bring about peace because they take into account the "valid interests of the enemy" and seek ways to affirm common interests.

Transforming initiatives, then, are those which seek justice, human rights and meaningful negotiations, he says. They can bring peace by eliminating the insecurities and deprivations which push nations to war.

Stassen feels now is the "fundamental historical turning point" for peacemaking. "All the negotiations have broken down," he notes. "Huge numbers of nuclear weapons that are likely to start an uncontrolled nuclear escalation are being produced. All the governments are offering is rhetoric."

"At the same time, we have a real chance to achieve a mutual halt in the nuclear arms race," he adds. "We're either about to move into chaos or repent and turn the nuclear arms race around for the first time."

"We can't do both," Stassen insists. "It's one or the other. And we'll have to decide in the next two years."



TAKING INITIATIVE—Ethics professor Glen Stassen teaches that "transforming initiative" is the key to Christian peacemaking.

BEYOND THE BEECHES

Couple fears God more than Lebanon

Karl and Thelma Weathers are new Southern Baptist missionaries going to one of the most dangerous places in the world—Beirut, Lebanon.

Yet the Weathers are convinced that "the most dangerous place to be is outside God's will."

They were special students at Southern Seminary when they were appointed by the SBC Foreign Mission Board last fall. They will be assigned to the Beirut Baptist School, where he will be assistant school administrator and she a home and church worker with teaching as a future possibility.

"We were open to going where there was a need," Weathers explained. "We prayed and felt it was the place to go."

The appointment to war-torn Lebanon concludes a lengthy wait.

"We first felt called to missions 13 years ago but were told we needed more

education," said Mrs. Weathers.

As they pursued master's degrees, the Weathers maintained teaching careers in her hometown of Earle, Ark.

The possibility of missions, which had taken a back seat in the meantime, was reactivated last year.

After the Foreign Mission Board contacted them about the administrator position, the Weathers resigned their jobs and moved to Louisville to enroll at Southern Seminary.

After completing the necessary educational requirements at Southern, the couple moved with their family to Washington, D.C., for Arabic language training before going to Lebanon.

Friends and family have been "overwhelmed" by the decision, yet supportive, the Weathers said. Contact with missionaries now in Lebanon also has been reassuring. "There's turmoil, but

it's leading to an openness."

"**The people** are most receptive to Baptists since the school has remained open there," Mrs. Weathers explained. "We (Baptists) need to be there now during the crisis."

Despite such conviction, the Weathers are not blind to the risks involved.

"We're anxious once in a while," said Mrs. Weathers. "When we first told our children (11-year-old Karl Edgar and 10-year-old Karla) where we were going, Karl Edgar said, 'That's where people were killed today.'"

"But they're open," she added. "We've explained to them there's been terrorism in our own country. You can't live in fear all your life. Besides, the most dangerous place you can be is outside God's will."



MISSIONARIES TO LEBANON—Thelma and Karl Weathers studied at Southern Seminary before their recent assignment as Southern Baptist missionaries to Lebanon. Despite the danger of serving in that country, the couple feels "the most dangerous place to be is outside God's will."



Alumni join missions

Six Southern Seminary alumni joined the ranks of Southern Baptist missionaries in the United States and around the world recently.

Howard (M.Div. '83) and Sandi ('83) Anders are serving in St. Albans, W. Va., where he is an evangelism intern with the West Virginia Convention of Southern Baptists. She is scheduled to complete her M.Div. degree at Southern this spring.

William (M.Div. '78) and Joyce Burkhalter have been assigned to serve in Bangladesh, where he will be a general evangelist and she will be a church and home worker.

Robert (D.Min. '80) and Anna Dunn will serve in Cincinnati, Ohio. He will be an associational director of missions.

Ronald (B.D. '61) and Shirley Hanie will work in France, where he will be an English-language pastor and she will be a church and home worker.

Clarence (M.R.E. '61) and Carolyn Jackson will live in Trinidad. He will be a general evangelist, and she will be a church and home worker.

STUDENT CONCERN

Coffeehouse takes gospel to streets

Every Friday night after sundown, a small group of Southern Seminary students head for one of Louisville's rougher neighborhoods. It's a place of alcoholics, prostitutes and street kids.

But unlike some of the ruffians who frequent the area, the students aren't out looking for a good time. They're there to share the gospel of Christ.

Led by Frank Hickman, Jim Stallings and Sean Wright, the students operate Harvest House, a coffeehouse for local clientele.

Harvest House is the Friday night effort of Seventh Street Chapel, a mission of Bashford Manor Baptist Church.

On Fridays, the chapel offers musical entertainment and refreshments, with plenty of opportunities for mixing seminary students and locals. On Sunday afternoon, the format switches to a more structured form of worship and Bible study.

"We're really down there just to lead people to the Lord," says Bill Blanchard, pastor of the sponsoring Bashford Manor church, which provides the facilities, pays utilities and helps with supplies.

Winning people to Christ isn't the easiest task to accomplish operating from a building which once housed a massage parlor.

"The people didn't know who we were when we first came around," recalls Hickman, a theology major from Paris, Tenn. "Some thought we were undercover agents, using the coffeehouse as a stakeout."

But a consistent program of Friday and Sunday meetings, Bible studies and visitations have begun to convince skeptics. The chapel/coffeehouse has produced an average of one new Christian per month since it was started early last fall.

Yet the seminarians do not have designs on starting a new church through their ministry.

"Our purpose is to see the people we're dealing with be so disciplined that they would be able to fit into a regular congregation," explains Wright, a theology student and native of Tampa, Fla. He notes that most people who

come to the chapel are from low income and educational backgrounds and don't feel comfortable moving immediately into most churches, where the majority of people are from different situations.

In addition to the spiritual needs of the community, the young ministers from the coffeehouse/chapel also try to meet some practical, everyday needs.

"One of the first problems we saw when we got down there was the physical, human need. We went to visit one man's house, and the only food he had at all was a raw onion and some instant coffee," says Stallings, a church music major from Springfield, Va.

So, as far as resources allow, the seminarians try to meet needs they can.

They receive aid through Bold Mission Grants provided by Southern Seminary. The grants are supported by the seminary's Alumni Fund and other endowment, explains Walter Jackson, director of supervised experience in ministry.

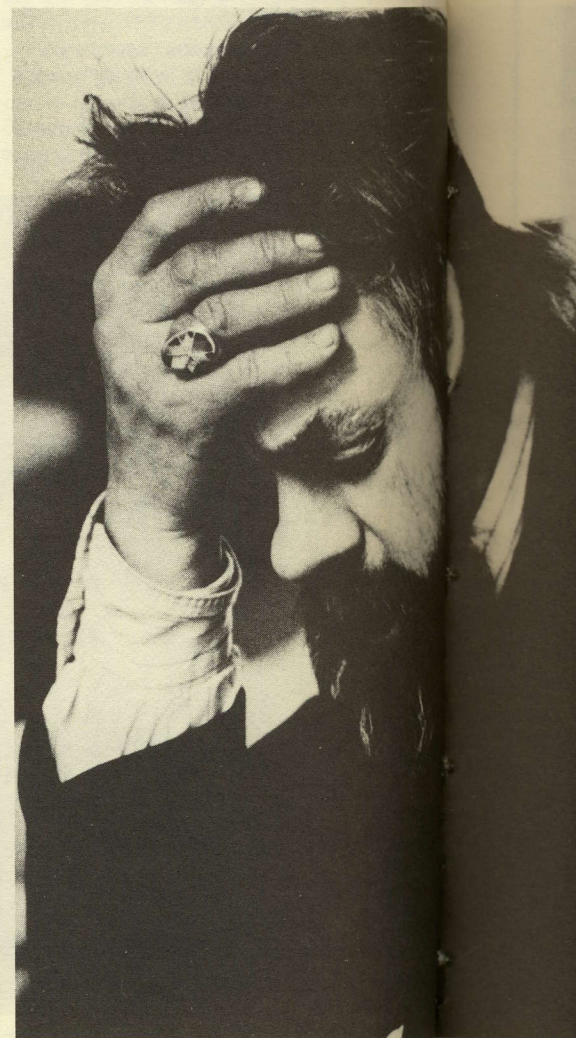
The grants are "designed to provide expense money for students in any ministry for which there is inadequate fi-

nancial backing," he notes.

Jackson explains Seventh Street Chapel is "the kind of innovative, evangelistic effort Southern Seminary always has supported." He adds the Bold Mission Grants "are some of the best missions money our denomination spends. All the money we get goes directly to students, who do an enormous amount of ministry."

He also thinks the coffeehouse/chapel is indicative of the ministerial spirit of Southern Seminary students.

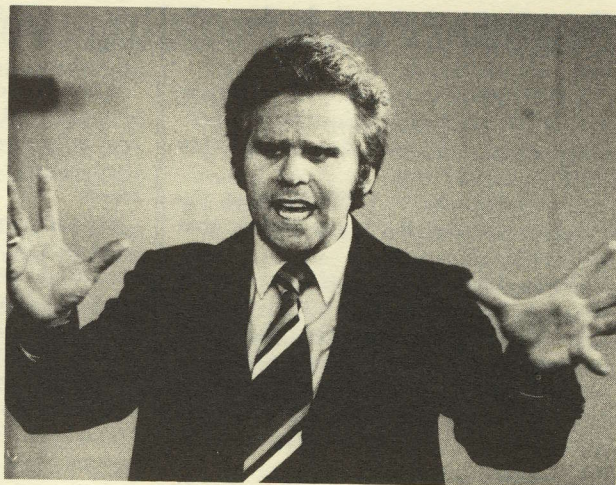
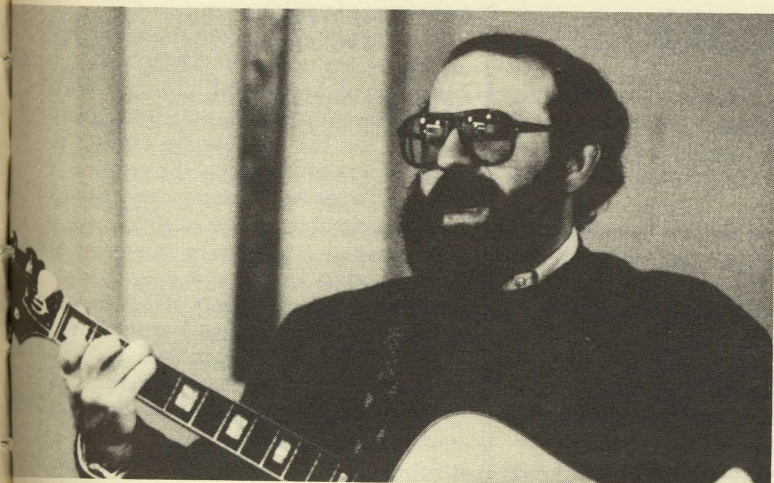
"I am constantly impressed with how our students can and will do ministry," Jackson reflects. "All they need is a place."



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STREET NEEDS—Southern Seminary students who operate Harvest House encounter a world of needs every week. Vagrant teens, alcoholics and "street people" are their parishioners, and they seek to minister in any way they can. They dispense songs, sermons, loving concern with equal fervor. The coffeehouse in a rough Louisville neighborhood is part of Seventh Street Chapel, a mission of Bashford Manor Baptist Church.

125th ANNIVERSARY

Seminary adds buildings and students

Enrollment increase and building construction marked Southern Seminary's third and fourth decades, 1880 to 1900.

Two advances in 1880 initiated the progress and set the stage for all that followed.

First, former Georgia governor Joseph Emerson Brown donated \$50,000, the seminary's first large gift from a single donor. Louisville Baptists were moved by this generosity, and led by layman George W. Norton, they launched a campaign to secure additional gifts.

Those actions propelled the seminary forward and moved it toward stability and permanence. Building construction throughout the period secured the trend.

By early in the '80s, rented classroom and dormitory space became too crowded, and the seminary began a push for construction on its downtown Louisville campus.

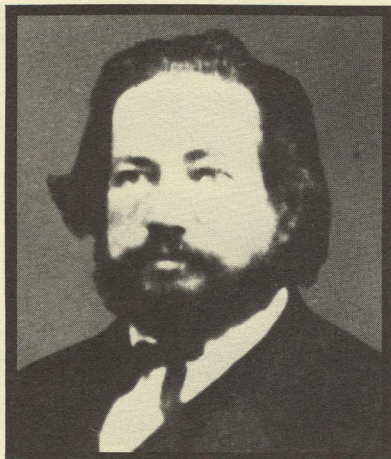
Industrialist John D. Rockefeller and his Northern Baptist brethren joined in the cause in 1886, when they donated \$60,000 to Southern. Construction began on New York Hall, the school's first

permanent facility.

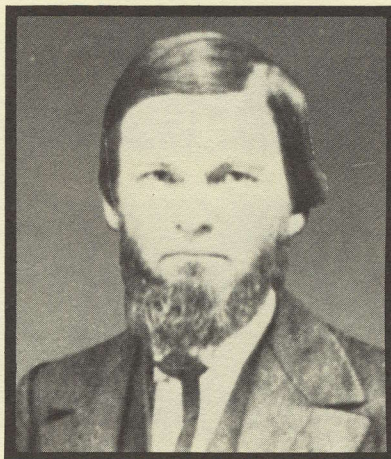
The building was completed in 1888 and was followed in 1891 with the opening of Memorial Library. Then came the completion of Norton Hall, named for the Louisville family, in 1893. It was followed by the erection of Joshua Levering Gymnasium, named for the longtime trustee, in 1896.

As Southern Seminary raised buildings, it also increased enrollment. Students numbered near 100 at the beginning of the era. Enrollment climbed to 120 in 1882, rose to 164 in 1888, reached 267 in 1894 and soared to 316 by 1895. By then it was one of the larger seminaries anywhere.

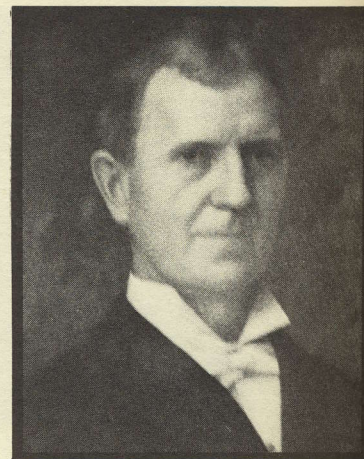
To keep pace with the demands of a



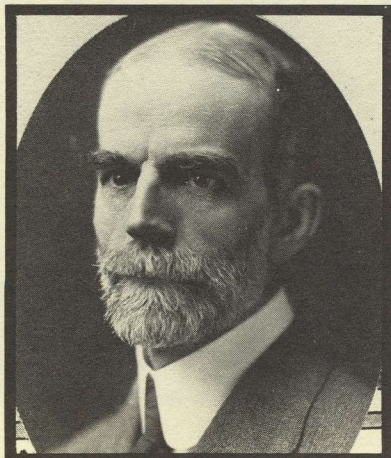
James P. Boyce, 1888



John A. Broadus, 1889-1895



William H. Whitsitt, 1895-1899



E. Y. Mullins, 1899-1928



EAGER CROWD—A. T. Robertson (front, center) joined the faculty in 1888.

growing student population, the seminary added some noteworthy faculty members.

● **1885**—John R. Sampey began his 57-year career as teacher of Old Testament and Hebrew.

● **1888**—Archibald Thomas Robertson inaugurated his 46-year career as teacher of New Testament and Greek.

● **1892**—C.E. Dargan joined the faculty in the department of homiletics.

● **1894**—William J. McGlothlin was elected to the faculty to teach Hebrew and Old Testament and later church history.

● **1895**—William Owen Carver began a career spanning approximately five decades, in which he pioneered in the

study of missions and world religions.

The seminary pioneered with more than new, innovative faculty members, however.

It projected a graduate program of theological studies in 1882 and conferred its first four Doctor of Theology degrees in 1892.

The Julius B. Gay Lectures were established in 1894 by his son, William David Gay.

The first seminary missions department was founded in 1900, with W.O. Carver as its director.

Four presidents led the seminary during this period:

● **James P. Boyce**, founder and chairman of the faculty, was formally made

president in 1888 during the Southern Baptist Convention in Richmond, Va.

Later that year, Boyce died in Pau, France.

● **John A. Broadus**, one of the founding four faculty members, was elected to succeed Boyce in 1889. He served until his death in 1895.

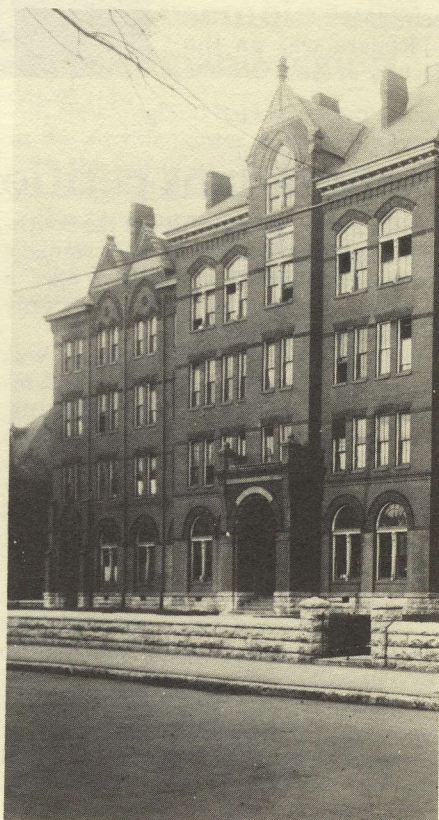
● **William H. Whitsitt** was elected president later that year. He gained notoriety and submerged Southern in controversy due to his published views concerning Baptist history. After three years of bitter controversy, Whitsitt was forced to relinquish his post.

● **E. Y. Mullins** was elected to succeed Whitsitt in 1899. Mullins led the seminary into a new century and one of its most creative eras.



OLD NORTON—Southern Seminary's first Norton Hall was dedicated in downtown Louisville in 1893. The building was named for the philanthropic Baptist family which provided generous support to the seminary in early years. Norton Hall was the classroom and administration building.

This is the second of a seven-part series commemorating the 125th anniversary of Southern Seminary.



FIRST BUILDING—New York Hall, built in 1886-1888, was Southern Seminary's first permanent building.

SOUTHERN ACCENT

Rogers selected to lead RE School

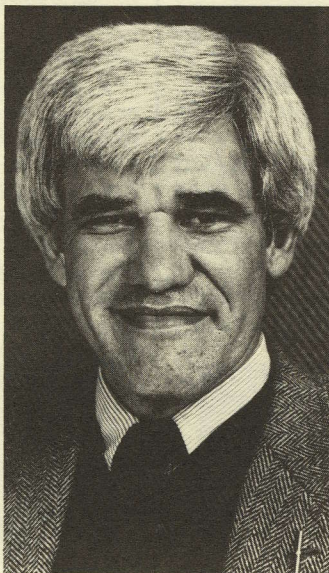
William B. Rogers Jr. has been named dean-elect of the School of Religious Education at Southern Seminary.

Rogers was appointed to the position by seminary president **Roy L. Honeycutt** effective Jan. 1. Seminary trustees will vote on the appointment at their regular meeting March 12-14.

The new dean was elected to the Southern Seminary faculty as professor of history and philosophy of education last spring. He was on sabbatical during the fall semester.

Rogers was on the faculty of New Orleans

Baptist Theological Seminary from 1974 to 1983. Previously he was associate minister and youth minister for churches in Texas and Virginia.



NEW DEAN—William Rogers

The Birmingham, Ala., native is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Seminary.

His wife is the former Luwilda McKaig. They have two children, Jason Benjamin and Melissa Alexandra.

Rogers succeeds **Jack H. McEwen**, religious education dean from 1980 to 1983, who now is professor of psychology and director of community development at Chattanooga (Tenn.) State Community College.

Seminarians petition churches for peace

More than 300 members of the Southern Seminary community have signed a "confession of faith in a nuclear age," a petition challenging churches to pray and work for peace.

The call to sign the petition was launched at a worship service which focused on peace and Christ's coming. The event was sponsored by two student groups, and the service was led by seminary pastor **J. Estill Jones**.

"We are at a turning point in history for the peoples of the world," the confession states.

"We fear, however, that our leaders and the peoples of the world are losing the historic opportunity now before us," he adds.

"**Now is the time** when we are called to let our light shine before the world, through our actions, so that the world may see God's guidance leading us from apocalypse to hope."

The statement listed several specific actions which signers requested of both the government and members of

churches.

It asked U.S. leaders "to press now for a bilateral and verifiable nuclear arms halt; and then to negotiate mutual arms reductions and a more stable nuclear balance."

It urged churches to "pray for peace and pray for our enemies," during advent and Christmas seasons, Memorial Day weekend and the first Sunday in August, which is the Day of Prayer for World Peace.

In addition, the petition called on churches to form Christian life committees and peacemaker groups.

The confession of faith was signed by about 300 Southern Seminary students and "almost all faculty and top administrators," reported **Glen Stassen**, professor of Christian ethics who helped students draft the statement.

Signers of the petition represented themselves alone, and the document was not intended to represent an official seminary policy on the issue, Stassen added.

Evangelism Congress gives revival formulas

Formulas for revival flooded Southern Seminary's second annual Congress on Evangelism in December.

Jesus Christ has the "great power" which must be tapped if the gospel is to be preached effectively, claimed **Leighton Ford**, associate evangelist and vice president of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

Ford said Christians must seek to minister to people who do not know Christ with this power in mind, adding that they must not rest until the world has heard the message of Jesus.

John Bisagno, pastor of First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, cautioned against an evangelistic presentation which is "only a caricature of what the New Testament says."

Bisagno specifically criticized religious TV programming which produces "hour after hour of charismatic theology" of the "name-it-and-claim-it" variety. "I'm not sure if that is the message of Christianity," he said. "I have had lots of people who tithed and got fired. I have prayed for people who got well, but I have prayed for many more who died."

Lewis Drummond, the Billy Graham professor of evangelism at Southern Seminary, told participants that prayer is the key to revival.

"**We talk** about revival, long for revival, have evangelism conferences and Continuing Witness Training. We have everything going it seems," Drummond said. "But until this nation is on its knees, there will be no revival."

Later, **Fred Wolfe**, pastor of Cottage Hill Baptist Church, Mobile, Ala., said there are three things in hell that the church needs today.

First is the "realization of the need for repentance," he said. Next is the "knowledge of the reality of the wrath of God," and third is a "burden for the souls of men."

The evangelism congress is made possible by the Lizette Kimbrough McCall Foundation for World Evangelism.

Collins inauguration has Southern flavor

Bagdad Baptist Church proved to be a gathering place for Southern Seminary affiliates last December when Kentucky's first woman governor, **Martha Layne Collins**, a seminary trustee, returned to her childhood church for her inaugural day worship service.

Delivering the address to Collins was former pastor and family friend **G. Allen West Jr.**, professor at Boyce Bible School. **David M. Hughes** is present pastor at the Bagdad, Ky., church.

West encouraged the governor to remember her resources of family, friends, colleagues and faith as well as to hold to her educational, cultural and spiritual roots.

Hughes presented a Bible on behalf of his congregation to Collins and expressed hope that she draw inspiration, aspiration, comfort and authority from scripture.

Collins has been a member of the seminary's board of trustees since 1982.



HISTORIC MOMENT—Southern Seminary trustee Martha Layne Collins became Kentucky's first woman governor in December. Joining her in worship were (l-r) David Hughes, Allen West and her husband, Bill.

West received his Th.M. and Th.D. degrees from Southern in 1936 and 1942, respectively. Hughes, a native of Danville, Ky., presently is a Ph.D. student at Southern.

Oldham picked to head communications office

Robin Oldham became director of communications at Southern Seminary effective Feb. 1.

Oldham joined the seminary staff after serving on the staff of Georgetown College in Georgetown, Ky., for more than 10 years. He was admissions counselor at the Baptist college 1970-71 and 1973-74; coordinator of communications, 1974-80; and assistant to the president, 1980-84.

The Georgetown native has earned B.A. and M.A. degrees from Georgetown College. He has had articles published in numerous Southern Baptist and secular publications.

Oldham is a member of and has served various professional public relations and educational associations, including Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, Baptist Public Relations Association and the public relations committee of the Council of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities.

He succeeds **David Wilkinson** and **Marv Knox**, who shared the position for the past two and one-half years. Wilkinson now is news director for the SBC Christian Life Commission, and Knox is associate editor of the *Baptist Message*, weekly newspaper for Baptists in Louisiana.

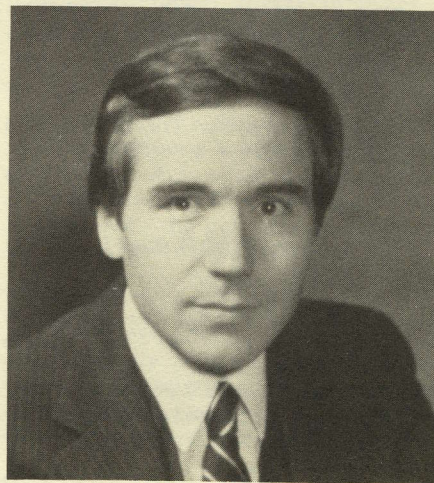
Oldham is married to the former Jeana Cook. They have one daughter.

In other faculty/staff news:

Darrell Monroe, theology student from Burna, Ky., has been named news director at the seminary. Monroe previously worked for the *Crittenden Press* in Marion, Ky., and the *Western Recorder*, newspaper for Baptists in Kentucky.

Gerald Borchert, professor of New

Testament interpretation, has been elected to the board of directors of the Institute of Holy Land Studies.



COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR—Robin Oldham

Vocal Ensemble tours New England region

If New England Baptists heard a song in the air this winter, it probably came from the lips of the Southern Seminary Vocal Ensemble.

The 23-member group toured the region in January, under the direction of Phillip Landgrave, professor of church music.

"Our purpose was to provide motivation, training, methods and materials for the development of music ministries in New England Baptist churches," Landgrave explained.

Besides performing as a group in centrally located churches, the ensemble divided up into teams of two to four members and worked in individual churches, helping choirs and music leaders with vocal training, conducting and congregational song leading, accompanying and service playing, worship leadership, age-graded choirs and solo/ensemble development. In addition, Landgrave also led two area choir workshop/reading sessions.

The group covered the entire region—Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont, and sang and worked in about 30 churches.

CLASS ACTS

Classes of 1900-49

Lewis W. Martin (1928) retired from Orchard Knob Baptist Church in Atlanta, Ga., on Dec. 31.

W. K. McGee (1930) died in Anderson, S.C.

Robert M. Schwyhart (1933) celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination Jan. 9. He has served as pastor of churches in Iowa and Kansas and was a chaplain in the U.S. Navy for 31 years.

Ollin J. Owens (1938) died Dec. 25 in Greenville, S.C.

Alice M. Griffin (1939) retired as secretary of the overseas division of American Baptist International Ministries last June. **Kenneth G. Hall** (1939) died Jan. 1. He received an Alumni of the Year Award in 1974.

William Latane Lumpkin (1940) is president of the Baptist General Association in Salem, Va.

Howard Dawkins Sr. (1941) was honored with the dedication of a new wing bearing his name at the Eastern Carolina Vocational Center. **Helen E. Falls** (1941), professor of missions emerita at New Orleans Seminary, is visiting professor of missions in the spring at Golden Gate Seminary. She has written the teacher's helps for the new biography, *Annie Armstrong: Dreamer in Action*.

Robert E. Clyde Sr. (1942) died Oct. 19. **Myron Madden** (1942) retired as director of pastoral care at Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans, La.

Howard G. McClain (1943) received the 1983 Edward A. McDowell Award for distinguished service at the South Carolina Baptist Convention.

Wade Armstrong (1946) has a new book *Evangelistic Growth in Acts 1 & 2*, published by Broadman Press. He is pastor of First Baptist Church, Ceredo, W. Va., and consultant in evangelism and stewardship for the West Virginia Convention of Southern Baptists. **J. Ray Dobbins** (1946) retired as director of the cooperative missions department of the Florida Baptist Convention Dec. 31. He is pastor of Lake Asbury Baptist Mission near Jacksonville, Fla.

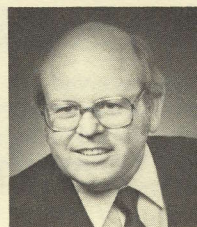
Charles L. Whaley (1947) is a professor in the seminary at Seinan University, Fukuoka, Japan.

Ervin Brown (1948) is first vice president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. **William Thomas Moore** (1948) is pastor of Gracey Avenue Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.

Robert W. Crapps (1949) is Reuben B. Pitts Professor of Religion at Furman University. **Frederick M.** (1949) and **Elvee Wasson Horton** (1949) retired Feb. 29 from active missionary life after 34 years service in Japan.



Tharpe '57



Chaney '58

Classes of 1950-59

Dewey Hobbs (1950) is first vice president of the North Carolina Baptist Convention.

Julius Mahon (1955) retired in December, 1983.

Gertrude Tharpe (1957) is president-elect of the Eastern Baptist Religious Education Association. **Otha Winningham** (1957) is executive director of the new Minnesota-Wisconsin Southern Baptist Convention.

Charles L. Chaney (1958) is 23rd president of Southwest Baptist University. **Robert H. Lauer** (1958) is dean of the School of Human Behavior at U.S. International University, San Diego, Calif.

Raymond Langlois (1959) is president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Classes of 1960-69

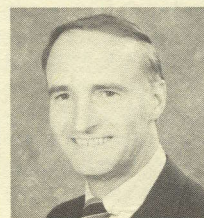
Fred B. Bentley (1960) president of Mars Hill College, is president of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Frank Adams (1962) pastor of First Baptist Church, Baldwinsville, N.Y., is director of treatment of Cayuga Home for Children, Auburn, N.Y.

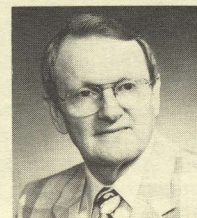
William H. Rogers (1964) is the director of the minister/church support division of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Jerry H. Crockett (1968) is director of alumni relations at Trinity University.

Jesse Hawkins (1968) and his wife, Margaret, have been appointed by the SBC Home Mission Board to Oregon, where he is missions director for Juniper and Klamath Associations. **Arthur J. Herron** (1968) is director



Bentley '60



Rogers '64

of the Baptist Student Union at Columbia State Community College, Columbia, Tenn.

Col. James R. Daniel (1969) commandant at National Guard Professional Education Center, Camp Robinson, North Little Rock, Ark., was selected for membership in the Infantry Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame. **Stan Hill** (1969) is video specialist at the SBC Woman's Missionary Union.

Classes of 1970-79

Jerry Chiles (1970) is president of the Eastern Baptist Religious Education Association.

Michael D. Halley (1970) is commander in the Navy Chaplain Corps at the naval station, Norfolk, Va. **Don McMurry** (1970) is pastor of First Baptist Church, Centralia, Mo.

Calbert Lee Bowden (1974) is director of computer and office services for the executive board of Alabama Baptist Convention. **James Bonner Hawkins III** (1974) was ordained by Cherokee Avenue Baptist Church, Gaffney, S.C. **Bill W. Holley Jr.** (1974) is director of capital giving at Oklahoma Baptist University.

Larry J. Austin (1975) is chaplain and supervisor of the clinical-pastoral education program at East Tennessee Baptist Hospital. **David Dean** (1975) is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Sudbury, Mass., and the first president of the Baptist Convention of New England. **Jerry B. Graham** (1975) is a vice president at the SBC Home Mission Board.

Jon M. Stubblefield (1975) is president of the Arkansas Baptist Convention. **Lois DeJong Wells** (1975) is director of children's choirs at University Baptist Church, Austin, Texas.

Bob Gillchrest (1976) pastor of Olivet Baptist Church, Lancaster, Calif., is a certified co-leader in MasterLife. **Frank Graves** (1976) is interim pastor of Elkton Baptist Church, Elkton, Tenn.

R. Hal Ritter Jr. (1976) is almost totally paralyzed because of damage done to his spinal cord in an auto accident. **Thomas J. Wilson** (1976) is minister of activities and youth at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Hueytown, Ala.

William C. Haskell (1977) is pastor of Christus Victor Parish Lutheran Church, Fayetteville, N.C. **Ernest Izard** (1977) is pastor of Berryhill Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C. **Ken Meyers** (1977) is vice president of the Eastern Baptist Religious Education Association. **Stephen Moore** (1977) is pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, Crooksville, Ohio. He and his wife, Jean, have a new son, John Mark, born Dec. 7.

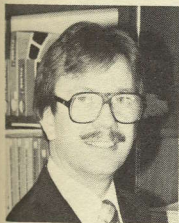
Don M. Aycok (1978) edited *Apathy in the Pew*. Two chapters were written by Southern Seminary professors Wade Rowatt and

Bryant Hicks. **Larry Michael** (1978) and his wife, Mary Ann, have a new son, Graham Judson Lee, born Oct. 24.

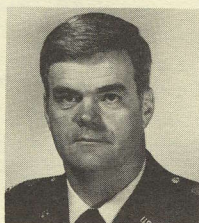
Susan Rhymer (1978) is a pastoral counselor at Virginia Institute of Pastoral Care in Richmond. **Tom Smith** (1978) is pastor of Bentonville (Ark.) Baptist Church.

Mark S. Abel (1979) is minister of music and education at Wellford (S.C.) Baptist Church. **Stephen C. Booth** (1979) is pastor of Fairfield Baptist Church in Rappahannock Association, Virginia. **Nina Belle Durr** (1979) is a private piano teacher and church pianist in Georgetown, Ky. She and her husband, Roger, have a new daughter, Tiffany Margaret born Aug. 21. **Norman** (1979) and **Susie** (1979) **Langston** have been appointed by the SBC Home Mission Board to Atlanta, Ga., where he is regional director for interfaith witness.

Jan McIlwain (1979) is director of preschool education at Bethlehem Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky. **Draa Thompson** (1979) is pastor of Stevens Memorial Baptist Church, Newport News, Va.



Hill '69



Daniel '69

Classes of 1980-83

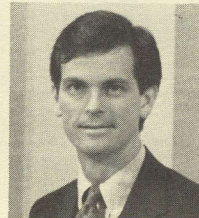
Wayne Causey (1980) minister of music of First Baptist Church, Princeton, Ky., and his wife, Carrie, have a new daughter, Joanna Stewart, born Oct. 7. **Danny J. Georges** (1980) is minister of education and youth at First Baptist Church, Sweetwater, Tenn.

Robby Wray Burke Jr. (1981) is chaplain on active duty in the U.S. Army at Fort Stewart, Ga. **Will Kopp** (1981) is recording secretary of the Eastern Baptist Religious Education Association. **Clyde McCants** (1981) is pastor of New Covenant Baptist Church, Rock Cave, W. Va. **Tom Wayne Willett** (1981) is pastor of Brownstown Baptist Church, Brownstown, Ind. He and his wife, **Karen** (1981) have a new son, Jonathan Wayne, born July 12.

Thomas E. Denham (1982) pastoral counselor-in-training at Baptist Medical Centers, Birmingham, Ala., married Melinda Lawrence April 23, 1983. **Cecil Campbell Gilliland** (1982) is pastor of First Baptist Church, Laager, Tenn.



Chiles '70



Meyers '77

Charles E. Quarles III (1982) is pastor of First Baptist Church, Willacoochee, Ga. **Gene L. Verlander** (1982) is minister of Christian life at First Baptist Church, Inman, S.C. He and his wife, Rose, have a new son, Matthew Vincent, born April 26, 1983.

Robert D. Bailey (1983) is pastor of Double Branch Baptist Church, Orangeburg, S.C. **Kenneth J. Barbee** (1983) is pastor of Calvary Heights Baptist Church, Alexander City, Ala.

Donald T. Burriss (1983) is pastor of Bush River Baptist Church, Newberry, S.C. **V. Allen Campbell** (1983) is minister of music and youth at Englewood Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, N.C. **Landon Hadley** (1983) is pastor of Laurel Baptist Church, Greenville, S.C.

Anthony Christopher Smith (1983) is pastor of Ward Road Baptist Church, Dundee, Scotland. **Mark A. Wyatt** (1983) is director of communications and public relations for the Southern Baptist General Convention of California.

Class Acts is about and for Southern Seminary alumni. Information about significant events such as births, deaths, marriages, outstanding honors and vocational changes should be sent to Alumni Affairs, Southern Seminary, 2825 Lexington Rd., Louisville, KY 40280. Only black and white photos can be accepted.



FREEZING TIME—Family and friends took photos of graduating students during commencement.

'Let God work in you,' Crouch advises grads

North Carolina pastor **William Henry Crouch** challenged graduates of Southern Seminary "to let God work in you and through you as his ministers" at the seminary's 152nd commencement.

"It is an awesome thing to be entrusted with the gospel," said Crouch, Southern Seminary alumnus and pastor of Providence Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C. "It is our task to share it."

Crouch specifically urged graduates to pledge themselves to deepening their personal devotional lives and to guard against family problems, against which "the minister's home is not immune." He warned against the "temptation . . . to build up egomania" and said that quarreling and jealousy among pastors "reflect our faith."

Crouch, a member of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, also asked graduates to "think about" service on mission fields. Ninety-five percent of the world's ministers minister to six percent of the world's population, he said, and currently there is one minister for every 12.5 million persons in Southeast Asia. Mission expenditures for that part of the world, he said, equal about two cents per human being.

After Crouch's address, 210 students received degrees from the deans of Southern's schools of theology, religious education and church music.

END NOTES

Seminary slates anniversary events

Southern Seminary's 125th anniversary will be highlighted in a variety of special events on and off the campus during 1984. Here is a brief summary of some of them:

March 13—During the annual meeting of the board of trustees, the public will be invited to attend two major events. The first is a convocation at 10 a.m., with special music by the seminary choir and orchestra and an address by James L. Sullivan, distinguished alumnus and emeritus president of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

That evening at 7 p.m. in Alumni

Chapel, a drama celebrating the seminary's history will feature a cast of students, faculty and staff under the direction of professor Raymond Bailey. A public reception in Broadus Lounge will follow.

May 7—The Woman's Committee of Southern Seminary will hold its spring meeting at 10 a.m. in Alumni Chapel and then dedicate the new Anniversary Garden, located directly in front of Norton Hall. May 7 is the actual founding date of the seminary.

May 8—A convocation in Alumni Chapel at 10 a.m. will focus on words and music from the eight presidential eras of seminary history. Later in the day, a historical plaque will be placed at Fifth and Broadway in downtown Louisville, marking the site of the original campus of the seminary in Louisville, 1880-1926.

June 13—The annual seminary luncheon at the Southern Baptist Convention, to be held at 1 p.m. in the ballroom of the Hyatt Regency in Kansas City, Mo., will focus on the seminary's heritage and its future opportunities. There also will be an anniversary presentation by the seminary to the plenary session of the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting that week in Bartle Hall in Kansas City.

In July, the anniversary will be commemorated in sessions of the Baptist World Alliance General Council in Berlin, Germany. Southern Seminary faculty members were instrumental in es-

tablishing the Alliance, and two seminary presidents have served as BWA president. Seminary chancellor Duke K. McCall is the current BWA president.

In **October**, the faculty theological journal, *Review and Expositor*, will devote the first of two quarterly issues to the anniversary.

Other events are being planned, and information on their dates and locations will be carried in future issues of *The Tie* as the anniversary year advances.

Calendar of events

MARCH

- 6 Faculty Voice Recital, Betty Bedsole, Heeren Hall, 8 p.m.
- 9 DMA Conducting Recital, William A. Mashbern, Alumni Chapel, 4:30 p.m.
- 13 Anniversary Drama Production, Alumni Chapel, 8 p.m.
- 16 DMA Piano Recital, Janelle Ganey, Heeren Hall, 4:30 p.m.
- 20 Seminary Choir, Alumni Chapel 8 p.m.
- 27 Seminary Orchestra Concert, Alumni Chapel, 8 p.m.
- 30 DMA Conducting Recital, Larry Mayo, Alumni Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

APRIL

- 2-4 Wayne E. Oates Festival, Contact person: Walter Jackson.
- 3 Seminary Winds Concert, Alumni Chapel, 8 p.m.
- 6 DMA Conducting Recital, Timothy Cierpke, Alumni Chapel, 4:30 p.m.
- 9-13 Spring Reading Days
- 17 Guest Faculty Recital, David Wingate, Heeren Hall, 8 p.m.
- 17-19 Pre-registration for Summer terms and Fall semester.
- 20 DMA Organ Recital, Wilma Jackson, Alumni Chapel, 4:30 p.m.
- DMA Conducting Recital, Joseph Borden, Heeren Hall, 4:30 p.m.
- 23 Brass Choir, Alumni Chapel, 3 p.m.
- 24 Oratorio Chorus Concert, Alumni Chapel, 8 p.m.

125th souvenir items available this spring

Two commemorative items which highlight the 125th anniversary of Southern Seminary now are available to alumni and friends.

An 18-month wall calendar filled with historical pictures from the first 125 years of the seminary's life may be obtained through the alumni affairs office. The calendars cost \$2.50 each.

Bulletin inserts which focus on the 125th anniversary and which are suitable for use in church worship services may be ordered through the communications office. The bulletin inserts are available in variable quantities free of charge.

To order, call these seminary offices toll-free, (800) 626-5525 (in Kentucky, (502) 897-4011).

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