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## SEMINARY ANNOUNCES THREE GIFTS

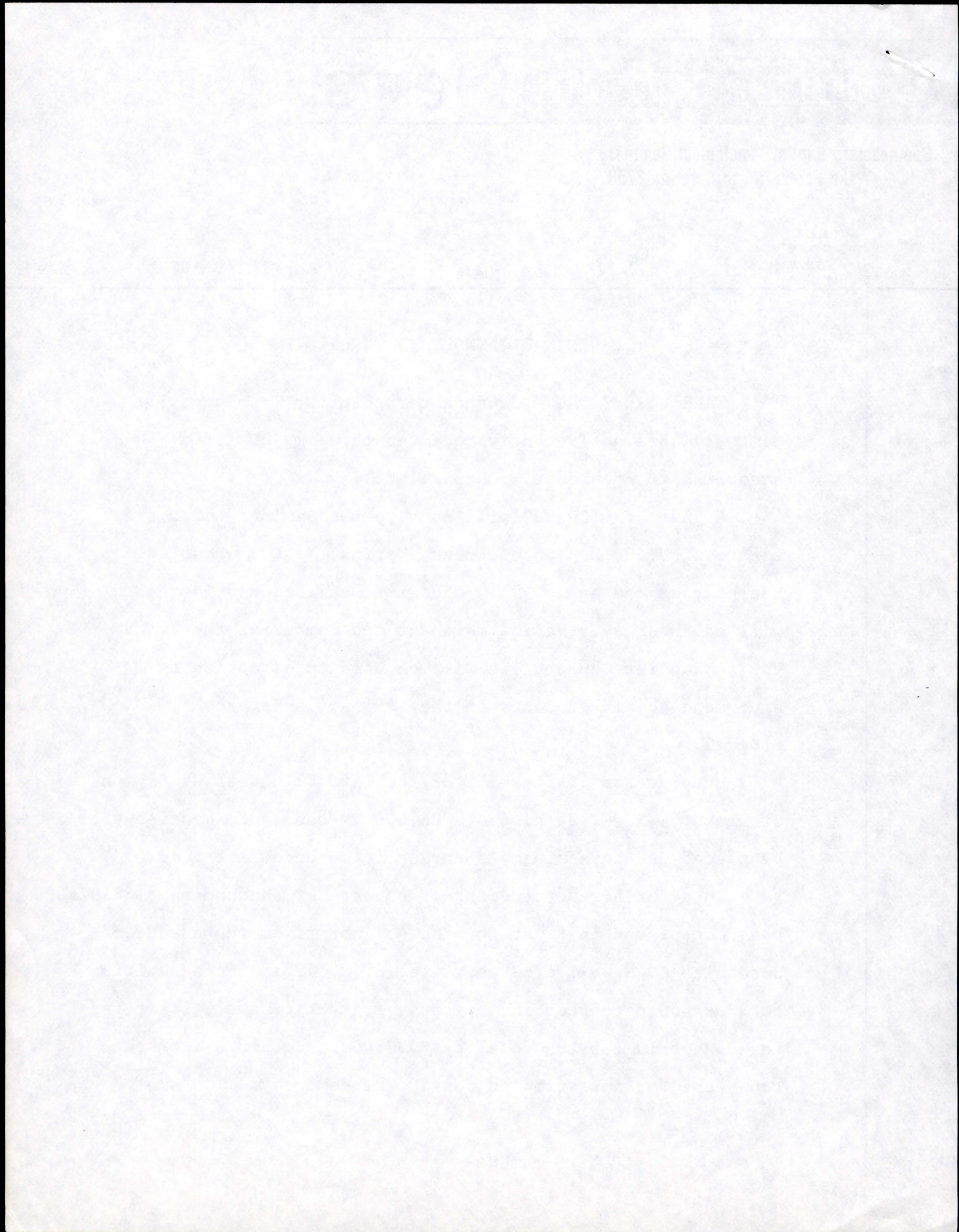
WAKE FOREST, NC - Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary here has recently received three major gifts, according to President W. Randall Lolley.

A gift of \$100,000 will come to the seminary from the estate of N. H. Hopson of Fuquay-Varina, N. C., who died recently at the age of 91. The gift was included in the will of the Fuquay-Varina merchant and member of the Fuquay-Varina Baptist Church. It will be used to establish an endowment to aid students in the seminary's internship program.

Under terms of the will of the late Elizabeth W. Sigmon of Hickory, N. C., a gift of \$36,000 in cash and securities will be placed in the seminary's unrestricted endowment fund.

In a further development of an earlier announcement, \$197,000 has been placed in trust for the seminary from the estate of Josephine C. Newell of Greenville, S. C. This is in addition to \$300,000 deposited in the trust from Mrs. Newell's estate in 1982, bringing the total to \$497,000. Earnings from the trust are for unrestricted use by the seminary.

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In commenting on the gifts, Lolley praised the foresight of the donors in placing the seminary in their wills and said that "these are some of the finest examples of Christian stewardship that I know. These friends' gifts will help us immeasurably to prepare God-called men and women for the Christian ministry."

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