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The trustees met on campus March 14-16. Their meeting was extended one day to partictipate in a planning process on FOUNDERS' DAY "The Futures of Protestant Seminaries" sponsored by the Lilly Endowment and the Albans Institute. Among trustee actions:

- 1. Approved 1983-84 fiscal budget for \$5,201,276.82.
- 2. Elected Dr. Thomas R. McKibbens, Jr. to the faculty as Associate Professor of Preaching (a slot occasioned by Dr. Trotter's retirement in July, 1983).
- 3. Granted academic tenure to Dr. William P. Clemmons.
- 4. Approved sabbatical leave plans for Dr. Robert D. Dale, Dr. John I Durham, Dr. Ben S. Johnson, and Dr. Bruce P. Powers.
- 5. Approved plans/financing for the Ledford Student Center (estimated cost \$2,746,703.00).
- 6. Established George T. Noel III Memorial Endowment Fund; Charles Ray Rackley II Memorial Endowment Fund; Claud B. Bowen Endowment Fund.
- 7. Adopted an official seminary logo.

Dr. Claud Bowen, former pastor of First Baptist Church, Greensboro, North Carolina, and former trustee at Southeastern, delivered the Founders' Day address, March 15. He was surprised at the conclusion of his address by a gift of \$20,000. for an endowment fund at the seminary provided by friends in Greensboro. Mr. Mack E. Smith, Jr., layman from First Baptist Church, Greensboro, made the presentation.

The Spring Conference, focusing on religious education and music ministries, attracted fifty persons to campus March 22
CONFERENCE 25. Several hundred seminary students participated in conference

sessions. Dr. James Fowler, professor at Emory University, was the spring lecturer.

A late spring snowstorm forced cancellation of classes for $1\frac{1}{2}$ days March 24-25. This, coupled with the scheduled spring break, came as a welcome respite to students and staff.

