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SEMINARY LIBRARY The first session of summer school 1980 has a record enrollment. Last summer the first session enrollment was 336. SUMMER This year the enrollment is 438 - a 30.4% increase. An appealing group of new courses have SCHOOL been offered this term. Several visiting faculty

have supplemented regular Southeastern faculty members in teaching.

Dr. Claude Stewart, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology, has completed the work on his DR. CLAUDE STEWART Ph.D. degree from the Divinity School, Harvard University. The diploma was awarded June 5. Dr. Stewart and his family attended commencement exercises.

Renovation of historic Lea Lab is well underway. Wallace Looper, construction supervisor, reports that exterior LEA LAB work will be completed within six weeks. Interior design planning has been completed. This muchneeded space will house Formation in Ministry and Communications as well as provide a large multi-purpose meeting room for faculty, trustees, and others.

The completion of the seminary subdivision (Heritage Woods) consisting of 23 building lots for faculty and staff is scheduled for September, 1980. As SUBDIVISION a part of the same project Central Builders will construct a warehouse onto the Plant Services building. This space will provide storage for the materials now stored in Binkley Chapel (first floor) and Gore Gym.

Plans are complete for the establishment of a Housing Office, August 1. O. L. Cross will assume part-HOUSING OFFICE time duties as Director of Housing. Evelyn Ward will become Housing Secretary. The Housing Office will be located on the second floor of Mackie Hall. Procedures are being established which should streamline assignment, inspection, regulation, and maintenance of all seminary housing. The addition of the 100 new townhouses increases the total number of seminary housing units (exclusive of dormitories) to more than 250.

The annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, June 10-12, resulted in the following actions having direct reference to Southeastern Seminary: ST. LOUIS

- Adoption of a \$90,000,000 Cooperative Program Operating Budget for 1980-81. Southeastern will receive \$2,549,205 plus a portion of Phase 2 of the challenge budget.
- Adoption of the 1980-81 Capital Needs Budget which allocates \$582,444 to Southeastern for Faculty offices.
- Election of six trustees: John E. Roberts (MD), Henry T. Finch (SC), W. E. Speed (Northwest), Bill Bruster (TN), John Hicks (NC), and Jesse P. Chapman (NC).
- Adoption of Resolutions on "Doctrinal Integrity" and "On Giving To Mission Causes.'

