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Texas Executive Board
Names 5 New Employees

DALLAS--(BP)--Five Baptist leaders have been elected to key administrative posts within the Baptist General Convention of Texas by the convention's 191-member executive board.

The board named E. N. Jones, dean of instruction and graduate studies at Midwestern University in Wichita Falls, Tex., as the secretary of the Christian Education Commission.

James Basden, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Brownwood, Tex., was elected secretary of the Texas Baptist Human Welfare Commission.

As education secretary, Jones will co-ordinate the institutional programs of eight Texas Baptist colleges and universities, one academy, and will offer administrative assistance in directing the Baptist student union program in Texas. Jones is the former president of Texas Tech in Lubbock, Tex., and Texas College of Arts and Industries in Kingsville, Tex.

Basden will co-ordinate the benevolent work of eight Texas Baptist hospitals, four children's homes, two homes for the aged, and a home for unwed mothers.

The board also elected Jimmy Allen, pastor of Cockrell Hill Baptist Church of Dallas, as director of the denomination's Christian Life Commission. He succeeds Foy Valentine, newly-elected director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission.

W. R. "Bill" Bumpas, minister of education for the First Baptist Church of Midland, Tex., was elected secretary of the state Sunday school department, succeeding the late Andrew Q. Allen.

Named as secretary of the language missions department was Dallas P. Lee of San Antonio, Texas Baptist District Six missions secretary for the past seven years. Lee follows L. D. Wood who is now superintendent of missions for the Southern Baptist home mission work in the Panama area.

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Folks & facts.

.David P. Appleby of Mill Valley, Calif., has been named professor of church music at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. Appleby has served as assistant professor of church music at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Berkely, Calif., and will join the Southwestern music school August 1.

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Billy Graham To Speak
At SW Seminary Meeting

FORT WORTH--(BP)--Billy Graham has accepted an invitation to conduct a two-day emphasis on evangelism during the fall semester at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

"We are delighted," said Seminary President Robert Naylor, "that Graham will be with us to give added emphasis to evangelism, the thing that makes our school unique."

Graham will speak to the seminary students and their families each morning and evening during the conference.

The famed evangelist will also preach during the morning worship service Dec. 11 at the First Baptist Church of Dallas where he has his membership.

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Judge Will Get Baptist
Elder Statesman Award

INDEPENDENCE, Tex.,--(BP)--T. M. Kennerly, 86, retired Federal judge for Texas' Southern District, will receive the second annual Texas Baptist "Elder Statesman Award" at the Independence Homecoming Association's anniversary June 12.

The award is jointly sponsored by the Baptist General Convention of Texas and the Independence Homecoming Association. Last year's award went to J. M. Dawson of Austin, retired Baptist minister, editor and denominational worker.

A longtime leader in Texas Baptist work in the Houston area, Kennerly helped establish the Baptist Temple Church and Memorial Baptist Hospital, both in Houston. He taught a men's Bible class in Houston's Second Baptist Church for 25 years before illness forced his retirement from active service two years ago.

Last week President Eisenhower named Kennerly's son, Thomas E. Kennerly of Houston, as Federal Judge for the Southern District of Texas, the post the elder Kennerly held since 1931.

The Independence Church was established in 1839. Within a quarter of a mile of the church are the founding sites of Baylor University and Mary Hardin-Baylor College.

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Alabama Pastor To Speak
On July 10 TV Program

FORT WORTH--(BP)--Edgar M. Arendall, pastor of Dawson Memorial Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala., will speak on the nation-wide Columbia Broadcasting System television network program "Church of the Air" on July 10.

Speaking on the subject, "An Untroubled Heart in a Troubled World," Arendall will represent the Southern Baptist Convention. Music for the program will be presented by the Baptist Hour Choir, Miss Joe Ann Shelton, director.

The program will be produced jointly by the Southern Baptist Radio-Television Commission and CBS.

Arendall, the chairman of the Radio-TV Commission, has served in his present pastorate for the past 12 years. He is a graduate of the University of Richmond and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

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NBC To Televis 1960
Baptist World Congress

FORT WORTH--(BP)--The National Broadcasting Corporation will televise highlights of the Baptist World Congress in Rio De Janerio during the network's regular religious TV program, "Frontiers of Faith" on Sunday, July 24, at 1:30 through 12 p.m. CST.

Working in co-operation with the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, NBC will send its religious program unit to Rio de Janerio to cover the meeting of Baptists from virtually every nation in the world, June 26-July 3.

Doris Ann, manager of religious programs for NBC television, will be executive producer of the program. Paul M. Stevens, who heads the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, will represent Southern Baptists in the production.

Four radio programs will be taped by the Radio and Television Commission for broadcast on the NBC radio network's "Faith in Action" program on Sundays July 10, 17, 24, and 31 from 6:05-6:30 a.m. CST.

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Southwestern Seminary
To Offer Literacy Course

FORT WORTH--(BP)--Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here will offer a basic literacy course in the 1960 fall semester, announced Joe Heacock, dean of the school of religious education.

The study will include successful literacy materials and methods for teaching reading and writing in both English and Spanish. Harvey Hatcher, Southwestern speech professor, will teach the course.

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Missions Leader Dies
Following Heart Attack

AUSTIN, Tex.,--(BP)--D. H. Bonner, newly appointed missions secretary here for District 15 of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, died June 7 following a heart attack.

Funeral services were held June 8 in the First Baptist Church of Gilmer, the east Texas town where Bonner was born 52 years ago. J. I. Cartlidge, pastor of the Gilmer Church, presided and H. D. Bruce, president of East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Tex., brought the message.

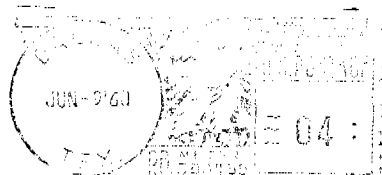
Bonner had taken office as missions secretary June 1 after resigning recently as pastor of Austin's Congress Avenue Baptist Church where he had served for more than six years.

Survivors include his wife, the former Winnie Jean Spencer, and a daughter, Mrs. Frank C. Lyon of Magnolia, Ark.

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