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McDonald Chosen Head
Of Arkansas BaptistDo not release before January 31.

LITTLE ROCK--(BP)--A former Arkansan, Erwin L. McDonald, is the new editor of Arkansas Baptist, weekly news magazine of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention published here.

Announcement of McDonald's election was made by B. L. Bridges, executive secretary-treasurer of the convention.

The new editor, now in denominational work in Louisville, Ky., succeeds B. H. Duncan who retired recently after nine years. McDonald is resigning as executive secretary of the christian education department of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, to begin his new duties Mar. 1.

A native of London, Ark., McDonald is a graduate of Arkansas Polytechnic College and Ouachita College. For a number of years he was a newspaperman in Arkansas, first as city editor of The Daily Courier-Democrat, Russellville, and, later, as editor of Southern Standard, Arkadelphia.

McDonald was ordained to the Baptist ministry in 1938 and has since held pastorates in Arkansas, Kentucky, and South Carolina. Following his graduation from the Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, in 1947 he was director of public relations for the seminary for several years.

For three years he was public relations director of Furman University, Baptist school in Greenville, S. C., before returning to Kentucky in 1954 to take his present work.

At Southern Baptist Seminary McDonald edited The Tie, a monthly publication, and at Furman University he established and edited The Furman University Magazine, published bi-monthly.

McDonald is a Mason and Rotarian, and is listed in "Who's Who in the South and Southwest."

The Arkansas Baptist has a circulation of 48,000.

Wayland Scholarships
Offered Three Refugees

PLAINVIEW, Tex.--(BP)--Wayland Baptist College has offered international student scholarships for three Hungarian refugee students in answer to an appeal from World University Service, a non-denominational organization.

Between 1300 and 1500 university students, largely men, are among the Hungarian escapees who have fled from their homeland. A conservative estimate has been made that 300 to 400 students will seek to continue their education in the United States with most of them wanting to study medicine, forestry, and engineering.

These refugee students are being screened at Camp Kilmer, N. J.

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Stetson Breaks Ground
For Library Building

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.--(BP)--Ground has been broken for the half-million dollar law library building at Stetson Law Center here.

Guest speaker was New York philanthropist Charles Anderson Dana who gave \$250,000 toward the library building fund on condition that Florida lawyers and businessmen match the amount.

Dana Law Library, as the new building will be known, is the first new unit of the Stetson Law Center.

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BP folks & facts

.....Grady Wilson, associate evangelist with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, will speak to the Baptist Public Relations Association workshop in Nashville Feb. 11-12 instead of Jerry Beavan. Beavan, public relations director for Graham's group, was originally scheduled to be on the program but in the meantime announced his resignation from the Graham team.

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.....Charter Day ceremonies observing the 112th anniversary of the founding of Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Tex., will be held Feb. 2.

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.....The Lewis Holland lectures at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., will be delivered Feb. 5-8 by Fred L. Fisher, professor of New Testament interpretation at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Berkeley, Calif.

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.....M. S. McLain has resigned as pastor of Pine Grove Baptist Church, Lugoff, S. C., to become pastor of Leland Baptist Church, Leland, N. C.

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