

February 28, 1957

Chicago, Illinois---"God's Man in Today's World" is the theme for the 27th annual Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference to be held here May 27-28. Among the featured program personalities are United States Representative Brooks Hays (Democrat, Arkansas), and F. Townley Lord, London, England, past president of the Baptist World Alliance.

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Chicago, Illinois---Dr. C. C. Warren, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will deliver the opening address at the annual meeting of the Convention here. Also highlighting the first session on May 28 will be a joint presentation of the Woman's Missionary Union and the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

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Washington, D. C.---The Southern Baptist Press Association, composed of editors of Baptist papers and magazines, held its annual meeting here. The group elected John J. Hurt, Atlanta, editor of the Christian Index, Georgia Baptist weekly newspaper, president.

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Washington, D. C.---T. B. Lackey, Oklahoma City, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, is the new president of the organization of Southern Baptist state executive secretaries. He succeeds A. H. Reid, Montgomery, executive secretary of the Alabama Baptist Convention.

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Richmond, Virginia---Horace L. Ford, pastor of Broadus Memorial Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia, has received an invitation from the German Federal Government to spend four weeks on a study tour of West Germany and Berlin, beginning May 5. Ford will be one of eight religious leaders who will make the tour. The study tour will afford opportunities to become familiar with conditions in West Germany in general and in their own spheres of interest in particular.

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Washington, D. C.---The number of Hungarian refugees who have entered America falls far short of satisfying the more than 400 offers of help that have come from Baptist families, churches, and schools across America. According to A. Klaupiks, co-ordinator of the Baptist World Alliance's relief committee and refugee resettlement program, "there are not enough refugees to satisfy all the requests."

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Nashville, Tennessee---Southern Baptists initiated their observance of World Missions Year with contributions of \$2,241,253 to work of their Foreign Mission Board. According to Convention Treasurer Porter Routh, the total represents the largest single disbursement to an agency of the Convention in the Convention's history.

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Honolulu, Hawaii---Olivet Baptist Church here, with 1100 members, is the second Southern Baptist church in Hawaii to become entirely self-supporting. At present the church pays the salaries of all its workers, and in addition is completely financing its newly-completed, \$240,000 education building. Olivet also gives \$280 a month to the Hawaii Baptist Convention Cooperative Program.

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Dallas, Texas---Homer B. Reynolds, pastor of Ross Ave. Baptist Church here, has always wanted to be a missionary. At last he and his wife are going to Maracaibo, Venezuela, to take charge of a 32-member church they started there last year. He has resigned his 1435-member church here to undertake the new venture.

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