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COUNTRY PREACHER NAMED
PRESIDENT OF OKLA. BAPTISTS

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.--(BP)--The Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma in annual session in Oklahoma City recently elected W. A. (Bill) Evans, pastor of Blackburn Chapel Baptist Church, a country church near Shawnee, president for 1955.

Other action taken includes:

Adopted record \$1,800,000 Cooperative Program goal for 1955 to go 50 per cent to Southern Baptist causes and 50 per cent to state causes.

Approved a \$350,000 loan for a "Margaret Kerr" women's dormitory to be built at Oklahoma Baptist University and to add to a gift of \$250,000 from Senator Robert S. Kerr.

Heard announcement that Senator Kerr will give \$250,000 to Oklahoma Baptist University endowment over a five-year period.

Voted to match dollar for dollar up to one million amount raised in Oklahoma City by citizens to build a Baptist hospital there.

Authorized committee to study plans for home for aged.

Approved construction of a new cottage at Oklahoma Baptist Orphans Home valued at \$85,000 to \$100,000.

Registered 1,318 messengers, 821 visitors for a total of 2, 138 present.

Voted to meet in Tulsa, Okla., November 8-10, 1955.

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HUEY TO HEAD TENN.
BAPTIST FOUNDATION

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Henry J. Huey, president of the executive board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention for the past eight years, has been elected executive secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation. Huey pastor of First Baptist Church, Milan, Tenn., succeeds Norris Gilliam.

A trustee of Union University for twenty-seven years, Huey, attended Union and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Union honored him with the D.D. degree in 1936.

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BAPTIST CHURCH SERVICE TO BE
TELEVISED EVERY SUNDAY

ALBUQUERQUE, N. Mex.--(BP)--Six businessmen of the First Baptist Church, Albuquerque, N. Mex., have agreed to pay for the complete televising of the church's 11:00 o'clock service each Sunday.

"We believe this is the first time in the history of television for a single church to initiate regular weekly telecasts of its entire service," Ted Snyder, manager of KOAT-TV, said.

W. D. Wyatt is pastor of the church.

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KANSAS BAPTISTS UP
MISSION GIFT GOAL

HUTCHINSON, Kan.--(BP)--Kansas Baptists at the annual convention here voted to raise the 1955 Cooperative Program goal to \$72,000 to be divided 80 per cent to state causes and 20 per cent to Convention-wide causes.

Recommendation adopted by the convention concerning prospective transfer of the Royal Ambassadors from the WMU to the Brotherhood called for the following:

A joint committee, composed of the president and executive secretary of each organization and two members from each of the two organizations, be set up to secure an RA secretary and direct the program of RA work for three years or until the transfer has been completed beginning with the present.

It was reported to the Baptists that during 1954 the convention deficit was removed and anticipating further increases in state Cooperative Program gifts, action was taken to empower the executive board to alter the budget as the opportunity and need may arise in 1955.

Howard Whatley, pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Hutchinson, Kans., will be the new president calling the convention to order when the group meets in Bethel, Kans., November 8-10, 1955.

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STATE EDITOR NEW PREXY
OF SOUTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS

GREENVILLE, S. C.--(BP)--S. H. Jones, editor of The Baptist Courier, has been elected president of the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina. Election came at the annual meeting of the group in Greenville recently. He succeeds Wallace R. Rogers, pastor, Citadel Square Baptist Church, Charleston.

A total Cooperative Program goal of \$2,500,000 for 1955 was adopted. The budget will be divided equally between the state and Southern Baptist Convention.

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TENN. BAPTISTS ADOPT
\$2,225,000 MISSION GOAL

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Tennessee Baptists in annual session in Nashville recently adopted a Cooperative Program goal of \$2,225,000 for 1955. The budget will go 58 per cent to state causes and 42 per cent to Southern Baptist Convention causes.

Action taken by the Baptists included:

Urged Congress to pass laws prohibiting alcohol beverage advertising by radio, television and publications.

Authorized board of managers of Tennessee Baptist Children's Home to accept and operate the Min Tom Orphanage for colored children in Chattanooga until such time as Negro Baptists can take and operate it. At the present the orphanage is a project of Hamilton County Baptists.

Authorized a committee to study needs of the convention's schools and the advisability of incorporating capital needs in the Cooperative Program.

Elected Fred W. Kendall, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn., president for 1955.

Voted to meet in Memphis, Tenn., November 8-10, 1955.

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