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.....E. W. Hunke, Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Vernal, Utah, is a new general missionary of the Baptist General Convention of Arizona and the Home Mission Board.

.....D. C. Applegate, pastor, First Baptist Church, Seminole, Okla., has accepted the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Starkville, Miss.

.....The Golden Gate, Golden Gate Seminary's publication, is now being published ten months of the year instead of the previous quarterly issues.

.....J. Marse Grant, editor of Charity and Children, Thomasville, N. C., will represent that paper at the Baptist World Alliance in London, next year.

.....Miss Ruth Provence, executive secretary of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Union, has accepted the same position with South Carolina Baptists.

.....J. Ellis Sammons, former president of the Georgia Baptist Convention and active in the ministry for fifty-two years, died in Macon, Ga., in late November.

.....John W. Salzman, pastor of First Baptist Church, Muskogee, Okla., has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Galveston, Tex.

.....A. B. Pierce, pastor of Crestwood Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., has accepted the pastorate of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Tucson, Ariz.

.....G. R. Naylor, Ada, Okla., 85, pioneer preacher in Oklahoma died in mid-November. He was the father of Robert G. Naylor, pastor, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.

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CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION TO
SPONSOR CONFERENCE ON AGING

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--The Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention will sponsor a Conference on Aging, December 20, in Nashville.

Scheduled to appear on program are: Wayne E. Oates and Gaines S. Dobbins, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; Martin Bradley, Ralph Longshore, Porter Routh, Hollis Johnson, Joe W. Burton, W. L. Howse, Howard P. Colson, J. E. Lambdin, J. N. Barnette, Raymond Rigdon, Mrs. Will S. McCraw, R. Orin Cornett, James L. Sullivan, Clifton J. Allen, Homer L. Grice, and Robert S. Cook, all from Nashville.

"We will seek to broaden our ministry with the increasing number of people in our population who are growing old. Our society, and much of our church activity, is geared to the young and active. We must even change our psychology toward the older people and seek to lead them to feel that even in retirement they are not on a shelf. No civilization has ever lived very long who has not had the proper respect for their aging people. We must rebuild our whole conception on this vital and important matter," A. C. Miller, executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission, said in announcing the conference.

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WASH-ORE. BAPTISTS
REPORT GAIN

PORTLAND, Ore.--(BP)--Washington-Oregon Baptists are growing. Signs of that growth were seen at the annual convention. In October, 1954, the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington reported twenty-five new churches since the meeting of the Convention in October, 1953. This brings the total churches now to ninety-four and twenty-two missions, a gain of 36 per cent.

Two of the churches are located in British Columbia and one in Alberta, Canada.

The Sunday schools have also been growing. As of August 31, 1954, enrolment was 15,383, an increase of 53 per cent over August 31, 1953, when 10,023 was reported.

Training Union enrolment has grown from 3,754 in 1953 to 5,735 in 1954. Total membership shows a 32 per cent increase from 7,735 to 10,216.

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DO'S FOR BWA GOERS

JERUSALEM, Israel--(BP)--If you are planning to visit the Holy Land next summer in connection with the Baptist World Alliance meeting in London, please do not keep it to yourself. The Baptist Convention in Israel would like very much to know who you are, when you are coming, and how long your party will visit in the country.

"We are anxious to know the itineraries of all such parties visiting the Holy Land so that we will be able to be of service to them. We would like to meet personally as many of our Baptist visitors as we possibly can, and would like to show them some of the things Baptists are trying to do here," R. L. Lindsey, pastor of Jerusalem Baptist Church, said.

Do let him hear from you if you plan a trip to the Holy Land. Write: R. L. Lindsey, Baptist Convention in Israel, P. O. Box 154, Jerusalem, Israel. Rest assured, your trip will be much better by having done so.

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HILL NAMED MANAGER OF
LOUISVILLE BOOK STORE

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Davis C. Hill has been named manager of the Baptist Book Store, Louisville, Ky., James L. Sullivan, executive secretary, Baptist Sunday School Board, announced recently.

Hill, employed for the past five years in the Louisville downtown and seminary book stores, is assistant to the manager, Miss Christiaa Stokmann, who is retiring December 31.

A native of Texas, Hill attended the University of Texas and received the B.D. and Th.D. degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Other recent Baptist Sunday School Board personnel changes announced by Sullivan are: Richard E. Kormmeyer transferred from the audio-visual aids department to the Board's Merchandise Selection Department. He will be supervisor of the books and Bible section.

Ralph Longshore, secretary of co-operative field promotion in the Board's Sunday school department, has been appointed superintendent of adult work in the same department.

E. Stanley Williamson, superintendent of Intermediate Sunday school work, succeeds Longshore.

James Yarborough promoted from the position of copywriter to promotion of supervisor in the Board's advertising department.

Miss Hannah Brummit, director of religious education, First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, N. C., superintendent of Cradle work to succeed Mrs. W. L. Blankenship.

A.B.C. TO HELP
LOCATE 1,000 REFUGEES

NEW YORK, N. Y.--(BP)--The American Baptist Convention, New York, N. Y., will make an effort to secure 1,000 assurances to resettle refugees during the next year.

Under the refugee act, 209,000 refugees will be admitted to the United States if they have the necessary assurance and a visa by December 31, 1956.

The law under which refugees are now being resettled requires assurance that he will have work and a place to live, and that he will not become a public charge.

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TEXAN CHOSEN HEAD OF
NORTHERN CALIF. BAPTISTS

CHICAGO, Ill.--(BP)--Mack McCray, Jr., a native of Texas and Oklahoma Baptist University alumnus, Chicago, Ill., has been elected executive secretary of the Northern California Baptist State Convention. McCray has been director of Christian Education for the Chicago Baptist Association since 1947.

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BILLBOARDS BOOST
CHURCH ATTENDANCE

NEW YORK, N. Y.--(BP)--"He restoreth your soul...Worship together this week" and a picture of a family entering a church appeared on 5,000 outdoor billboards during November to boost church attendance. Religion in American Life, an inter-denominational movement in which the American Baptist Convention co-operates, sponsored the project.

This is 1,500 more billboards than are used by major advertisers such as Ford Motor Company in nation-wide advertising, according to one advertising official of the agency.

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BAPTIST PRESS CORRECTION

(1) In the BAPTIST PRESS dated November 24, 1954, there is one correction that should be made. In the article entitled "Record Crowd Attends N. C. Baptist Convention," paragraph No. (2) "Heard a report from Wake Forest College trustees saying that it would be mid-1955 before the college will move to Winston-Salem," mid-1955 should be changed to read mid-1956.

(2) In the tentative schedule of Nashville December meetings, dated November 22, under "Day and Hour," first line, Wednesday, Dec. 9, should be changed to read "Thursday Dec. 9" and "Thursday Dec. 10" should be changed to read "Friday Dec. 10".

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