The fifty-sixth annual national Baptist convention, to be held here during the week of September 3, will be one of the biggest New York has seen. The plans of the city and state rangemen's committee do not mislead. Twenty-five thousand Baptist preachers and laymen are expected to flock to town for the big event.

The mammoth Bronx Coliseum in 177th street has been chosen as convention hall, following a heated debate between the Rev. Dr. Thomas S. Harten, pastor of Holy Trinity of Brooklyn, and the Rev. W. Abner Brown of Metropolitan Baptist Church of Tarrytown. Dr. Harten contended that the 177th street hall would hold only about 4,000 delegates. His motion to take the convention to the Coliseum was carried by a vote of 64 to 13.

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