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OF PARAGOULD, ARKANSAS, OCTOBER
8th, 9th AND 10th, 1912.

PROCEEDINGS

Mt. Zion Baptist Association

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Sixtieth Annual Session

Held With First Baptist Church, Paragould, Arkansas,
October 5-7

Next Session Meets With The First Baptist Church, Harrisburg,
Arkansas, Tuesday, October 7, 1913.

Note Date of Meeting

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PROCEEDINGS

Paragould, Ark., October 5, 1912

The Sixtieth Annual Session of Mt. Zion Association of Missionary Baptists met this day and was called to order at 10:00 a. m. by P. C. Barton, Moderator.

2. The Association was led in prayer by T. V. Shoemaker of Osceola.

3. After singing "How Firm a Foundation," and "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," W. F. Dorris conducted a devotional exercise.

4. Upon motion of E. E. Dudley, Jonesboro, permanent organization was set for 2:00 p. m.

5. T. V. Shoemaker, of Osceola; M. W. DeLoach, of Memphis, Tenn.; C. S. Leavell, Little Rock; Dr. John Christian, Little Rock; A. F. Paterson of Tennessee, were introduced to the Association, and made suitable talks suitable to the occasion.

6. The Association then adjourned with prayer by J. B. Alexander of Blytheville.

Tuesday Afternoon

7. The Association met at 2:00 p. m., and was led in prayer by Dr. E. E. Dudley.

8. The following committees were announced by the chair: To read Letters—Lee Cox, Weiner; J. R. Gregson, Jonesboro; W. K. Neeley, Paragould; on Credentials—C. R. French, Harrisburg; C. T. Wilson, Jonesboro; J. W. Seay, Walcott.

9. Letters from churches named in tabulated sheet given at close of these proceedings, and their messengers seated by adoption of Report of Committee on Credentials.

REPRESENTATION.

- Bay—C. D. Threlkeld, Misses Myrtle Raines and Bertha Williams.
 Bardstown—Joe Aben.
 Bethabara—Henry Eaves, Henry Miller.
 Bethel—Letter.
 Bono—Mrs. B. B. Brinton, Miss Bessie Coleman, and Ben Groves.
 Boynton—Richard Sherrick.
 Cherry Valley—E. R. Lee.
 Chickasawba—E. G. Sevier.
 Earle—Letter.
 First Ch. Cardwell, Mo.—J. J. Glenney, J. T. Lockard, Mrs. Callie Gist.
 First Ch. Blytheville—J. B. Alexander, Miss Atchie Alexander.
 First Ch. Jonesboro—P. C. Barton, J. R. Gregson, W. B. Langford, Dr. E. E. Dudley, E. P. Minton, C. T. Wilson, F. M. Carter, J. F. Clark, S. M. Ferguson, A. J. Grady, Mandid Robinson, Mrs. E. E. Dudley, Mrs. J. M. Birdsong, Mrs. A. B. Jones, Mrs. J. L. Burns, Mrs. W. L. Yarbrough, S. M. Ferguson, Miss Parisade Barton, Miss Louise Barton, Haddon Dudley, E. E. Dudley, Jr., and Miss Sebella Barton.
 First Ch. Paragould—J. G. Hall, S. J. Crawford, Smith Long, H. H. Cole, J. R. Kirby, B. H. Parrish, W. K. Neeley, Albert Baine, B. M. Kitchens, W. C. Wood, J. M. Huddleston, C. A. Long, J. N. Robertson, Mrs. A. E. Ford, Mrs. J. R. Kirby, Mrs. B. H. Parrish.
 Harrisburg—Rev. W. S. Young, C. R. French, Mrs. W. S. Young.
 Hickory Ridge—Mrs. B. F. Greenwood.
 Hydrick—D. R. Parker, M. Pitts, Emma Hodges.
 Lepanto—D. A. McDaniel.
 Luxora—O. C. Wilcockson, J. M. Landrum, Mrs. J. M. Landrum, Mrs. Majors, S. E. Evans, Mrs. S. E. Evans.
 Manila—M. M. Hinsely, R. J. Hubbard, J. T. DeArmond.
 Marion—Letter.
 Marked Tree—Mrs. A. K. Blythe, Mrs. Udora McCroy.
 May's Chapel—Brethren Wizer and Keck.
 Monette—Letter.
 Mt. Pleasant—Henry Gray, John Covington.
 Mt. Zion—Ed Williams, Thomas Arnold, W. P. Brust, A. A. Ryan.
 Nettleton—Mrs. H. T. Applegate, Mrs. Elmer Frizelle, H. F. Wright, J. F. McLain.
 New Antioch—W. F. Limber, S. N. Johnston, Mrs. Burkeen, Mrs. W. F. Limber, Mrs. G. T. Hay, Miss Julia Crews, Mrs. M. J. Johnston.
 North Jonesboro—Mrs. Nary Wilkerson, Dr. J. H. Kitchens.
 Osceola—T. V. Shoemaker, Mrs. J. C. White, Mrs. Ed Teaford.

Pleasant Grove—Letter.

Sedgwick—Mrs. G. W. L. Brown, Mrs. Annie Spears.

Shiloh—Lonnie Wallace.

Stanford—Geo. Bryant.

Truman—E. C. Eskridge, W. G. Reaves.

Unity—May Wells, Cora Thomas.

Union Grove—L. B. Etter, R. C. Seffres.

Valley Home—Letter.

Vanndale—S. A. Gooch, W. Z. Campbell, Mrs. Nellie Parker.

Walcott—J. W. West, Nettie Seay, Maggie Seay, Mrs. Inman, J.

W. Seay, Mrs. J. W. Seay, Mrs. Ida Wilcockson.

Weiner—Lee Cox, G. R. Ritter.

Wynne—Mrs. R. Longest, Mrs. J. W. Weatherly, T. W. Crawford.

Members of Executive Board—P. C. Barton, W. B. Langford, J. R.

Gregson, J. H. Kitchens, T. B. Kitchens.

Ministers Present—J. B. Alexander, J. F. Clark, F. M. Carter, E.

E. Dudley, W. G. Mathis, E. P. Minton, O. C. Wilcockson, J.

T. DeArmond, W. C. Wood, J. N. Robertson, J. M. Huddleston,

W. S. Young, T. V. Shoemaker, R. J. Hubbard, C. T. Wilson,

C. A. Long, J. F. McLain, H. F. Wright, A. A. Ryan, J. W.

Seay, J. J. Glenny.

Representing State Work—J. T. Christian, Little Rock, State

Missions; J. S. Rogers, Arkadelphia, Ouachita College and

Ministerial Education; W. F. Dorris, Little Rock, State Sun-

day School and B. Y. P. U.; E. J. A. McKinney, Little Rock,

The Baptist Advance.

Visitors—J. J. Burton, Mrs. J. J. Burton, W. C. Burton, Mrs. W. C.

Burton, E. D. Cooper, J. T. Rogers, Mrs. J. T. Rogers, E. J.

Teague, Mrs. E. J. Teague, Chapel Rogers, Eld. H. S. Wil-

liams of Texas, G. D. Faulkner of Texas, Eld. A. F. Paterson of

Tennessee, M. W. DeLoach of Tennessee, Dr. E. E. Ellis of

Jonesboro.

10. Upon motion of W. G. Mathis, Jonesboro, the rules were suspended and the Clerk was ordered to cast the unanimous vote of the Association for P. C. Barton for Moderator. It was so done and P. C. Barton was declared re-elected to this office, this being his second term.

11. In like manner, T. B. Kitchens was elected Vice-Moderator.

12. For the office of Clerk, B. H. Parrish and J. R. Gregson were placed in nomination. The ballot resulted in the election of B. H. Parrish.

13. Upon motion of B. H. Parrish, rules were again suspended and Dr. E. E. Dudley was requested to cast the unanimous vote of the body for T. B. Kitchens as Treasurer. It was so done.

14. As Committee on Program, the chair announced W. C. Wood,

Paragould; W. B. Langford, Jonesboro, and J. N. Robertson, Paragould.

15. A petitionary letter was presented from Marion Baptist Church, and after taking the regular course, was admitted to full membership in this Association.

16. The Association adjourned to 7:30; benediction by W. F. Dorris.

Tuesday Evening

17. The Association was called to order and the following committees were announced:

B. Y. P. U.—W. B. Langford, B. M. Kitchens, Lee Cox, Mrs. B. B. Parker.

Sunday School—B. H. Parrish, J. R. Gregson, J. T. Lockard.

Literature—W. S. Young, A. A. Ryan, J. T. DeArmond.

Temperance—C. R. French, J. W. Seay, F. M. Carter.

Orphans' Home—O. C. Wilcockson, J. N. Robertson, J. J. Glenn.

Woman's Work—W. G. Mathis, Mrs. J. L. Burns, Mrs. G. W. L. Brown, Mrs. R. Longest, Mrs. T. B. Kitchens, Mrs. W. S. Young.

State Missions—J. B. Alexander, C. T. Wilson, Dr. J. H. Kitchens, M. Pitts.

Home Missions—W. C. Wood, S. M. Thompson, C. A. Long, D. A. McDaniel.

Foreign Missions—T. V. Shoemaker, T. J. Crawford, Smith Long, A. J. Grady.

Obituaries—E. P. Minton, J. M. Huddleston, Henry Eaves, W. G. Reaves.

Nominations—T. B. Kitchens, J. M. Landrum, J. R. Gregson, W. J. Limber, C. D. Threlkeld.

18. The report on B. Y. P. U. was presented by W. B. Langford and after making a short talk on the report, yielded his time to C. S. Leavell, State Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary of the State Convention. Bro. Leavell made an interesting and instructive address on the report. Adopted.

B. Y. P. U. Report.

In giving a report of the work of the Baptist Young People's Unions of this Association, we are constrained to say that it has been an exceedingly difficult work.

We are pleased to report, however, that some progress has been made and two unions formed during the year.

The District Transportation Leader, W. B. Langford, of Jonesboro, has written to many of the churches, visited a number of oth-

ers, and made house to house canvass with a view to organizing unions. During the coming year he would be glad to aid any church in organizing a union. It is earnestly desired that in every church where it can be done a union shall be organized within the next few months. This will make possible a large representation at the B. Y. P. U. Summer Assembly at Arkadelphia. We most earnestly urge every union within the bounds of the Association to send at least one representative to this gathering of young people next July

W. B. LANGFORD,
MRS. B. V. PARKER,
LEE COX.

19. Upon motion of E. E. Dudley of Jonesboro the preaching of the Annual Sermon was set for second day, in order that Dr. J. T. Christian of Little Rock, State Missionary Secretary, might be heard on State Missions.

20. An address was now delivered to the Association, by Dr. J. T. Christian on State Missions, presenting the needs of the field, and on the outlook in general. Many of the messengers and visitors pledged their co-operation in the matter of presenting the work and collecting funds to meet the needs of the field.

21. The Association then adjourned to 8:30 Wednesday. Announcements. Benediction by J. T. Christian.

Wednesday Morning

22. A devotional service was conducted by E. P. Minton.

23. The report on Sunday Schools was read and spoken to by B. H. Parrish. The report was ably discussed by C. S. Leavell, E. E. Dudley, M. W. DeLoach, J. R. Gregson, F. M. Carter, E. P. Minton, W. G. Mathis, T. V. Shoemaker, E. J. A. McKinney. Adopted

Sunday Schools.

The letters from the various churches show some increase in Sunday School interest and attendance. Out of 40 churches we find 26 show an enrollment of about 2,500; 14 churches report no Sunday School.

There has never been a time in our history when our opportunities were so good as now. There has been a general advance in the educational qualifications of our church membership. The churches have a larger number who possess well-laid foundations for preparing themselves for teaching Sunday School classes.

There are comparatively few who have given Bible-teaching any real attention. We seem to have taken the Sunday School as a SLIGHT affair, and to have regarded our time as being too precious

to spend in preparation for Sunday School—Bible-teaching.

The wonderful improvement in educational equipment and facilities, the excellent training of the teachers for our common schools, and the consequent interest and attractiveness of the secular school work, has rendered the work of the average Sunday school dull and uninteresting.

The older members may not know the difference, but the children do know. There is a remedy; we must appropriate it.

The REMEDY: Co-operation with the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the use of their talented, well-trained, consecrated secretaries. This board offers the very best of literature, and it is an easy matter to obtain up-to-date equipment at a low cost.

We recommend the holding of Sunday School Institutes; regular weekly meetings for the teachers of the Sunday School for study and preparation of the lesson; that the churches conduct Sunday School Teacher Training Classes that shall contain as many as possible of members of the church.

In order that we may carry out these recommendations, we ask that this Association appoint a committee of three whose duty it shall be to organize a Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday School Convention, the purpose of which shall be to co-operate with the State Secretary of the Sunday School Board, and other Baptist agencies, looking to the organization, development, and general efficiency of our Baptist Sunday Schools.

B. H. PARRISH,

J. R. GREGSON,

J. T. LOCKARD.

24. Upon motion of E. E. Dudley, the regular order of business was suspended in order that the report of Board of Trustees of Woodland College might be read.

25. The report of the Board of Trustees of Woodland College was then read, and upon motion was referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the chair, the committee being under instruction to report as what disposition shall be made of Woodland College. Chair appointed J. B. Alexander, J. M. Landrum and J. W. Seay on the committee.

26.

Report of Committee on Literature.

Your Committee on Literature believes that the reading of good books, magazines and papers constitute good literature which is both educational and helpful to our Baptist people, and that Missionary Baptists are awake to this fact. But what we wish to speak of in this

report more especially is the careful and prayerful reading and study of our own denominational literature.

The Bible stands first. It is THE Book of all Books with us, and we cannot therefore urge the study of it with too much emphasis.

The Baptist Advance stands first in the list of our papers. It is the organ of our communication. It is a sixteen page weekly, being strongly edited by our own beloved E. J. A. McKinney, and comes now at \$1.50 per year. Your committee recommends that we put forth more effort to give the Advance a wider circulation within the bounds of our Association.

We also make special mention of our Southern Baptist Sunday School literature published at Nashville, Tenn.

Then we, of course, must take and read the Foreign Mission Journal published at Richmond, Va., and the Home Field published at Atlanta, Ga.

We may also read with much profit other Baptist papers. Last but not least comes our song books. Brethren, we have been too indifferent as to what song books have been, and are now being used in some of our churches and Sunday Schools. Such song books only as are worthy of their place in our churches can be had from our own publishing houses, and we therefore urge that all of our churches look well to this.

W. S. YOUNG,
J. T. DeARMOND,
A. A. RYAN.

The report was spoken to by W. S. Young, and E. J. A. McKinney, and adopted as given above.

27. Adjournment was now taken to 2:00 p. m. Benediction.

Wednesday Afternoon

28. After singing "Amazing Grace," prayer was offered by Dr. J. H. Kitchens.

29. A devotional service was conducted by A. F. Paterson of Tennessee.

30. The following telegram was read:

"Mt. Zion Association, care P. C. Barton. Greetings to all. I had hoped to be with you. Conditions are such I cannot. Closed meeting last night in which there were forty-six additions. God's richest blessings on you all. J. T. Fowlkes, Hamburg, Ark."

31. This greeting from Dr. J. F. Love of the Home Board was also read: "I am disappointed in not being with you in the Association, as I expected. Give Home Missions a large place and do all you can for this cause. Give my love to all the brethren." J. F. Lov

32. J. B. Alexander, Blytheville, read the following report on State Missions and made a short address:

State Missions.

By "State Missions" we refer to that effort that is being made within our state to execute the command of our Lord, by teaching and evangelizing the lost of our state, and teaching, and training for more and more of efficiency for work in the years to come.

Searching the history of Missions, we have been unable to find where any very great success has attended the evangelical effort on the part of the churches of any state, until some such agency as our State Board was employed, through which the aggregated strength of the churches could be focalized on the destitutions and utilized to telling effect.

By "destitutions" we do not mean merely the sections of the country where there are no churches, and where outlawry is prevalent. We mean that, but we mean more than that. We mean by it, all phases of destitution. We mean pastor destitution, Baptist Advance destitution, Sunday School teacher destitution, B. Y. P. U. destitution, W. M. U. destitution, educational destitution, and when we speak of "religious destitution" we have spelled all of the above things, in the largest Capital Letters. And to these we may add Orphans' Home destitution, Baptist Hospital destitution—and all the rest.

To break the fetters and set at liberty all these agencies, and to supply them with the needed strength for their several duties, is

THE ONE HUGE TASK, and PRIME PURPOSE of our State Board.

BAPTIST ADVANCE DESTITUTION.

We verily believe that the larger part of our embarrassment would be overcome if the Baptist Advance could have the liberty of walking unhampered into every Baptist home in our territory, once every week, with its message of love, and stock of information.

We would recommend that our State Board render any and all aid to our paper that their wise judgment elects; and that every pastor in this great state voluntarily become an agent for the paper.

We heartily approve our State Board's action in placing an efficient field worker in our state, on B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School work, and earnestly urge a hearty co-operation with said field worker on the part of all our churches in our Mt. Zion Association.

Because our State Board stands for all that makes for our denominational life and growth; because it is a helper and a friend to pastors; because it has proven to be a dutiful and an efficient servant of the churches; because it is an educator of the people; because it touches and blesses every nook and corner of the state with the

churches' message; because it helps us to reach across the borderlines of our state and be a blessing in regions beyond,—

We would urge a most hearty co-operation in the magnificent privilege now before us—that of gathering up the \$25,000 of the Lord's money to pay for the great work done by our missionary-pastors during this year.

We would recommend that our Associational Mission Board maintain the closest possible co-operative relationship with our State Board of Missions, looking to the development of the great destitutions in our Association, as well as throughout the state.

We deplore the fact that our State Mission Board is forced to report 400 churches in the state without pastors. We regret the fact that about 20 of that number are in our own Association, and would heartily recommend that our active pastors (after much prayer for "more laborers in the vineyard") will visit churches and urge them to take part in the work of raising money necessary to our being able to go to Hot Springs on November 14th, out of debt.

J. B. ALEXANDER,
C. T. WILSON,
M. PITTS,
J. H. KITCHENS.

33. C. R. French, Harrisburg, read the report of the Committee on Temperance. This report was spoken to by C. R. French and E. J. A. McKinney, and adopted as follows:

Report on Temperance.

It is with extreme regret that unlike the committee who made the report on this question two years ago, we cannot congratulate ourselves on the steady growth of the sentiment in favor of temperance for the past two years.

The result of the recent state election, revealing the fact that more than twice as many counties in our state voted to legalize the sale of intoxicants than in 1910, there voting license in 1912 twenty-six counties against eleven counties in 1910.

And the cause of the retrogression is not hard to find—indifference, apathy and an unwillingness on our part to spend our time and money combatting the strong forces arrayed on the side of the liquor interests.

However, we think Mt. Zion Association has cause for congratulation, there being only one county in this Association voting for license. And no matter what our friends and neighbors may do, we urgently request the Baptists of this Association to use every effort to forever banish the cursed traffic from our Association, teaching especially by example the great lesson of temperance. Realizing that the whiskey forces are ever wide-awake, tireless and unceasing in their

efforts to retake territory that they have lost and anxiously willing to add new fields for their nefarious practice.

We, your committee, earnestly urge that every Baptist in this Association use every effort to eliminate this great destroying evil from our respective counties, our state and our nation.

C. R. FRENCH,

J. W. SEAY,

F. M. CARTER.

34. E. P. Minton, Jonesboro, read the report on Obituaries.* This report was spoken to by E. P. Minton, W. C. Wood, S. A. Gooch, P. C. Barton, E. J. A. McKinney, C. T. Wilson, J. H. Kitchens, C. R. French, T. B. Kitchens, E. E. Dudley, J. S. Rogers, W. S. Young, and in these short addresses loving tributes were paid to the memory and good works of our beloved dead.

Report on Obituaries.

Your Committee on Obituaries find on looking through the letters, that forty-five of our brethren and sisters have been called from labor to reward. We mourn not as others who have no hope, for if only in this life we have hope, we are, of all men, most miserable. "The wicked shall be driven away in wickedness, but the righteous hath hope in his death."

We are sad because of their departure; but, while we are sad, they are happy. They cannot come back to us, but we can go to them.

We recommend that a page of this minute be dedicated to their memory, the page to contain the names of the departed, and the churches of which they were members.

E. P. MINTON,

W. G. REAVES,

J. M. HUDDLESTON.

35. Adjournment with benediction by J. W. Seay.

Second Day--Evening Session

36. The Association reasssembled at 7:15 and a devotional service was led by J. R. Gregson of Jonesboro.

37. W. G. Mathis, Jonesboro, read the report on Woman's Work, and the discussion of this report was set for Thursday afternoon.

38. The Annual Sermon was preached by J. B. Alexander of Blytheville, using as his text I Cor. 8:9.

39. J. N. Robertson, Paragould, read the report on Orphans' Home and the floor was yielded by him to W. F. Dorris, Monticello, who addressed the Association on this report, after which it was adopted. Pledges to be paid in cash were made, amounting to \$114.00.

Orphans' Home Report.

The Monticello Baptist Orphans' Home is doing the greatest work in its history. 155 motherless and fatherless children are now in this institution, and admission is being asked for many others who cannot be admitted for the want of room.

The supreme need of this home is enlargement. Every department is now filled to overflowing, and every building on the campus is inadequate to meet present needs, to say nothing about the calls from all parts of the state.

There is now great need of a dormitory for the larger boys, a laundry building, a hospital, and a study hall for the school. Your committee thinks that there should be a special fund raised to supply these needs, or this crowded condition will continue, as the amounts now contributed are not sufficient to cover the cost of enlargement and support the Home.

Your committee would recommend that special offerings be taken in all of our churches and societies in Mt. Zion Association during the coming Holidays, as a building fund for the Monticello Orphans' Home.

Your committee discovers that about one-third of the total number of children in the Home are from this Association, while about two-thirds of the money being contributed for their support comes from the southern part of the state. Brethren, this ought not so to be.

We therefore recommend that all pastors, Sunday School superintendents, and all officers of our B. Y. P. U. and Woman's M. U. present this matter to their respective bodies for immediate action, and that a collection in cash and pledges be taken in this body for present needs.

It seems to us that we have been playing at this matter too long already. "GO FORWARD" is God's command.

O. C. WILCOCKSON,

J. N. ROBERTSON.

40. Pledges payable to the Orphans' Home during the year were recorded as follows:

Cardwell, Mo.	\$ 5.00	Manila	10.00
Paragould, Collection.		Marked Tree, Collection.	
First Cr. Jonesboro	300.00	Mt. Zion, Collection.	
Blytheville	75.00	Vanndale	10.00
Harrisburg, Collection.		Sedgwick, Collection.	
Antioch, Collection.		Stanford	5.00
Lepanto	10.00	Walcott, Collection.	
Osceola, Try Pledges	100.00	Wynne	50.00

41. Motion made by T. V. Shoemaker, That it is the sense of this

body that the Annual Sermon delivered by J. B. Alexander is worthy of publication, that Editor E. J. A. McKinney be requested to publish same when convenient. Carried and so ordered.

42. The Association then adjourned with prayer by J. T. DeArmond.

Thursday-Morning Session

43. The Association having reassembled, a devotional service was conducted by A. A. Ryan, Walcott.

44. The Journal was read and approved, and the Roll of Messengers was read, corrected, and approved.

45. Upon request of W. C. Wood, Paragould, a special prayer was offered for Bro. C. S. Leavell who was called away by telegram announcing the serious illness of his mother. J. S. Rogers of Ouachita College led in prayer.

46. W. C. Wood now read the report on Home Missions. This report was spoken to by W. C. Wood, E. J. A. McKinney, and J. B. Alexander, and after minor amendments was adopted as given herewith.

Home Mission Report.

In recent years there has been a great and gratifying advance among Southern Baptists in Home Mission conviction, giving and results.

In 1902 the receipts of our Home Board were \$88,874; in 1912 they were \$366,050, and the apportionment ordered by the Southern Baptist Convention for the present fiscal year ending May 1, 1913, is \$412,000. So great and pressing are the needs that the Board appropriated the whole \$412,000, except \$87, at its meeting in July.

The results show a corresponding increase during the same period. In 1902 the Board employed 674 missionary workers, who reported 8,150 baptisms and total additions to the churches of 17,201. They reported 231 churches constituted and 674 Sunday Schools organized. In 1912 the Board employed 1,209 missionary workers, who report 26,899 baptisms and total additions to the churches of 47,728. Six hundred and eighty-three churches were constituted and 754 Sunday Schools organized. Many of these workers were maintained wholly by the Home Board, though a still larger number worked in co-operation with other missionary organizations.

It is declared that the meeting of the Home Board last July was the most representative it has ever had. We learn that thirteen of the State Vice-Presidents were present and participated in making up the budget for the year and planning the work. Evidently the Vice-Presidents contributed much to the occasion and it was the en-

thusiastic conviction of those present that to supply the urgent demands for help that came up from all over the South the Board could not do less than it was empowered to do, and then put its faith in the brethren everywhere that they will come up to the help of this great cause and raise every dollar of the apportionment, remembering that the work is not the work of the Home Board but of Baptist brethren throughout the South.

The watchword of the Home Board is Forward! and it has planned a distinctly aggressive campaign for the present year. Besides the regular work steps forward were taken in two ways:

The first was in conformity to the instructions of the Southern Baptist Convention that the Board at once should take steps to raise a \$1,000,000 Church Building Loan Fund. It was decided to complete the raising of this fund within three years and to employ special workers for this purpose at the earliest possible moment. There are 3,000 or more houseless Baptist churches in our territory and in hundreds of these the establishment of strong centers for Christ and His truth only awaits some aid in erecting church houses.

The second large step taken was in response to repeated reports of the Board to the Southern Baptist Convention and repeated committee reports before that body calling for the Home Board to put forth larger efforts to help in training and enlisting backward churches. This note, first sounded in recent years by the lamented Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, has become stronger and stronger until now several of the State Boards have made requests of the Home Board for aid in this work. At its July meeting the Board ordered the establishment of a Department of Enlistment and Co-operation and provided for the election of a special representative to labor in this Department.

We believe that in this movement there are prospective blessings for Southern Baptists and their usefulness that are almost beyond our conception. It looks to "teaching them to observe all things" as well as to saving the lost and baptizing the converted. It will provide for helping to train the churches more fully in all the ways of the Lord as well as enlisting them in larger giving.

Our Board is leading Southern Baptists in a worthy way in the great and fundamental work of saving the South. Your committee warmly commends it and its work to the prayers and enthusiastic and liberal support of the churches in our Association. In 1911 sixteen churches in Mt. Zion gave \$900 to Home Missions. In 1912 sixteen churches gave \$826.65. We believe the churches of our Association should give \$1,250.00 the coming year.

We recommend:

1. That clubs of subscribers be raised in every church for The Home Field, the splendid monthly of the Board. Price 35c, single copies, or 25c in clubs of five or more.

2. That pastors and workers secure and read the Board's instructive new book, "The Home Mission Task." Price 50c in cloth, 10c extra for postage; 35c in paper, 7c extra for postage.

3. That large use be made of the varied and helpful tracts of the Board, which are mailed free on application.

4. That all of our pastors be requested to preach upon this great cause at least once during the year. The Board will gladly furnish material for special study of pastors on request.

The address of the Home Mission Board is 1002 Third National Bank Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. Requests for the magazine, tracts, the book or other printed matter, should be addressed to the Publicity Department.

W. C. WOOD,
C. A. LONG,
D. A. DeARMOND,
S. M. FERGUSON.

47. The report of the Committee on Christian Education was read by E. E. Dudley, Jonesboro. The report was spoken to by E. E. Dudley, E. J. A. McKinney, J. B. Alexander, J. S. Rogers, B. H. Parrish, and P. C. Barton. It was adopted.

Christian Education.

It is not so much the value of education in general that we wish to give in this report. This is conceded by all. It is rather a question of the kind of education that Baptists should provide for their children. The state schools, offering free education are pressing well to the front, and are doing much excellent work. It is a source of gratification to know that many a poor boy and girl, who otherwise could never have enjoyed the benefits of an education, are now being trained at our state schools. But do these offer the religious environment, the spiritual atmosphere desired by Baptist parents for their children? We think not. Above all things, we should consider the collegiate atmosphere into which our children shall have to enter at this or that school.

Are Baptist principles worth anything? Is a teacher who believes in these great principles almost sure to impart some of this belief to his pupil during a term of nine months, or perhaps during a three or four years course? Many a pupil has been made skeptical or worldly by the example or suggestion of a rationalistic teacher.

Here we see plainly the necessity for the Denominational School. Baptists should get their eyes open to the great necessity for Christian Education, and should be willing to make repeated sacrifices for their schools.

Our Baptist Schools, Woodland, Central, and Ouachita Colleges should be especially dear to our hearts. They have been doing mag-

nificant work, even though the denomination has failed to give to them the financial support justly due them.

Beyond question, Woodland College had the best faculty and did the best work during the past session, in her history. She had a great educator in the person of President C. E. Dicken, who was also a mighty factor in our Associational endeavors. It is a source of deep regret that the Board of Trustees, under the financial pressure of the school, could not effect an arrangement by which Brother Dicken might be retained and the work of the school continued.

Central College, our great Baptist School for Women, at Conway, has been revolutionized by the magic touch of President J. W. Conger. At present there is not room for the young women who are knocking at her doors, but about \$10,000 has been raised for an addition to the dormitory, and by another session the boarding facilities will be largely increased.

The report comes from Ouachita College that they have enrolled a large number of students for this term. Her standing indebtedness has been arranged for and it is now imperative that the Baptists of Arkansas raise an endowment of \$250,000.00. In this effort we hope every church within the bounds of this Association will do her full part.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

But as we think of Ouachita College, we naturally think of the education of young men for the ministry. God bless them and the institution in which they are being trained. Let us remember them in our prayers, but more, let no church fail to make a contribution to the cause of ministerial education.

Only seven churches within the bounds of this Association have given anything to help educate our young ministers. Our country churches are begging for well equipped ministers, and yet not one country church has reported one cent for the cause of ministerial education. All this in the face of the fact, that many of the most prominent and useful ministers throughout the state were trained at Ouachita and aided by the Board of Ministerial Education.

Yes, brethren, in closing this report we wish again to emphasize the absolute essentiality of the Denominational School, not only for the training of our ministers, but for the proper and best development of every Baptist boy and girl. Yes, ask it again, "What KIND of an education do we desire for our children?"

E. E. DUDLEY,

J. W. WEST,

C. R. FRENCH,

G. R. RITTER.

Thursday--Afternoon Session

49. The Association was called to order by Vice-Moderator, and led in prayer by A. A. Ryan.

50. T. V. Shoemaker, Osceola, read the report of Committee on Foreign Missions. The report was spoken to by T. V. Shoemaker, and E. E. Dudley, and adopted as follows:

Foreign Missions.

From "Facts and Figures" sent out by the Foreign Mission Board, we render the following report:

"The Fields.—Seven in number and strategic in location: Argentina with seven millions, a country rich and growing rapidly, ready for the gospel and the work has extended into Uruguay; Brazil, with twenty millions, one of the ripest harvest fields in the world; Mexico, with thirteen millions, our sister republic on the south who greatly needs our help; Italy, with thirty-four millions, the fountain head of Romanism, where the work has extended into Northern Africa and up into the continent of Europe; Africa, in Southern Nigeria, with six millions, the gateway to all the central part of the Dark Continent, the battle ground between Islam and Christianity; China, where in four great sections we are in touch with 156 millions, with hundreds of millions more untouched, the most marvelous opportunity of all the ages; Japan, with twenty millions, the leader of the Orient, with a marked reaction just now in favor of the gospel; these are our fields, great and ripe, calling, calling for laborers and equipment.

"The Forces.—During last year five noble workers passed to their reward, five others resigned, and for financial reasons only four new missionaries could be appointed, thus reducing the number of missionaries to 271. On the other hand, the native workers were increased to 577, making a total force of 848. The 342 native churches are growing in self-support and in missionary efforts. The 422 Sunday Schools are doing aggressive work. Nine Women's Training Schools have 312 students and ten theological schools have 245 students. These with the other 208 schools of all grades have 6,156 pupils. In six hospitals and thirteen dispensaries, thirteen medical missionaries treat 51,796 patients during the year. Four publishing plants are sending out millions of pages of religious literature.

"China.—141 missionaries, 305 native workers, 172 out stations, 9,990 members, 1,534 baptisms, 146 Sunday Schools, 5,776 scholars, 175 schools, 3,906 students, 14 hospitals and dispensaries, 41,744 patients.

"Africa.—11 missionaries, 32 native workers, 17 churches, 13 out stations, 663 members, 107 baptisms, 18 Sunday Schools, 310 scholars, 13 schools, 396 students, 3 hospitals and dispensaries, 7,318 patients.

“Japan.—18 missionaries, 21 native workers, 10 churches, 17 out stations, 535 members, 68 baptisms, 25 Sunday Schools, 865 scholars, 2 schools, 73 students.

“Italy.—6 missionaries, 49 native workers, 37 churches, 67 out stations, 1,103 members, 80 baptisms, 32 Sunday Schools, 969 scholars, 6 schools, 306 students.

“Mexico.—33 missionaries, 44 native workers, 54 churches, 2,081 members, 230 baptisms, 50 Sunday Schools, 1,569 scholars, 15 schools, 597 students, 2 hospitals and dispensaries, 2,704 patients.

“Brazil.—46 missionaries, 117 native workers, 142 churches, 497 out stations, 9,939 members, 2,169 baptisms, 138 Sunday Schools, 4,438 scholars, 15 schools, 879 students.

“Argentina.—16 missionaries, 9 native workers, 9 churches, 8 out stations, 378 members, 112 baptisms, 13 Sunday Schools, 636 scholars, 1 school, 9 students.

“Totals for all friends.—271 missionaries, 577 native workers, 342 churches, 826 out stations, 24,689 members, 4,300 baptisms, 422 Sunday Schools, 14,562 scholars, 227 schools, 6,156 students, 19 hospitals and dispensaries, 51,766 patients.”

5. Recommendations.—We recommend that the pastors organize Mission Study Classes in their churches; that they secure every member possible as a member of this class; that they put the Foreign Mission Journal and Baptist Advance into every home, where possible; that by appointment of committees for a man-to-man canvass, they endeavor to secure contributions for Foreign Missions from every member.

5. We further recommend that in addition to our regular contributions, we, the Baptists of this Association, raise the amount asked of us for the Judson Memorial Fund.

T. V. SHOEMAKER,
A. J. GRADY,
T. W. CRAWFORD,
M. M. HINSELY.

51. The report of the special Committee on Woodland College was made at this time. The report of the Board of Trustees is as follows:

Report of Board of Trustees of Woodland College.

We, your Board of Trustees, beg to report that the school term for the year 1911-12, which opened just before the meeting of our last Association, was the best in the history of our College, turning out a full A. B. graduate in the person of Miss Alma Barton, and a B. S. graduate in the person of Earl Smith. We did not have the patronage from the brethren throughout the Association that we should have had, but we are glad to say that the attendance was larger than the

previous session. It is unnecessary to speak of the splendid faculty, as this was discussed in our last report.

We are sorry to say that our President resigned after we had arranged, as we understood it, for him to be with us another year. The presence of large numbers of flood refugees and the expense incident thereto, prevented the Board of Trustees from consummating a financial arrangement, whereby the necessary amount of money would have been raised, at this time, by the citizens of Jonesboro, to pay deficit, interest, and expense of campaign for students.

We did not feel justified, under the circumstances, in trying to secure an untried man to take up the work. For this reason, we have no school and the property is now idle.

Our Treasurer's report last year showed the liabilities to be \$9,-450, which was afterwards found to be incorrect, his having left out a note of \$1,250 and interest. The Treasurer's report attached hereto shows a total indebtedness of \$14,265.13, and sundry assets amounting to \$2,486.49, which consists of accounts, notes, and pledges, all of which are past due.

Your Board has made proper demands for payment of all of these, but through lack of interest, the brethren have either neglected or refused to pay.

Your Board of Trustees request instructions as to whether they shall take legal steps to make these collections, and proceed to have suits filed on the same. We would further call the attention of the Association to the fact that the interest on our present indebtedness will amount to about \$1,150.00, or \$4.00 per day, for each working day. It is important that some arrangement be made, at once, to take care of this indebtedness, either by raising the money and paying it off or selling the property and closing our school work. The terms of G. W. Puryear, P. C. Barton and J. R. Gregson expire this meeting, and we recommend that they be re-elected.

In compliance with the recommendations of the report of last year, to employ a man, we employed Brother J. W. Watkins of Black Oak, Ark., who began work about the 15th of October, 1911. After some effort, he found the people so indifferent, that he became discouraged and resigned. The total amount of expense and salary paid him was \$53.00.

We desire to call attention to the pledges recorded on page 14 of the 1911 Minutes, only three of which have been paid in full.

P. C. BARTON,
C. R. FRENCH,
J. H. KITCHENS,
J. R. GREGSON,
W. B. LANGFORD,
T. B. KITCHENS.

Report of Special Committee on Woodland College.

We, your committee, appointed to recommend some feasible way for taking care of, or making disposition of Woodland College, and its indebtedness, would recommend:

1. That this Association, now in session at Paragould, Ark., elect a committee of three, fully instructed and empowered to proceed at once to collect all outstanding bills, notes, and accounts due to said College or its Board of Trustees.

2. That this committee is hereby authorized, and empowered to dispose of all the property of Woodland College, to best advantage, unless within ninety days the Baptists shall arrange for the indebtedness and save the College, and make a report of same at the next meeting of this body.

J. B. ALEXANDER,

J. M. LANDRUM,

J. W. SEAY.

The foregoing reports were discussed by E. E. Dudley, J. B. Alexander, J. H. Kitchens, the adopted report being an amended report of the committee.

52. The report of Special Committee on Woodland College calling for the election of committee to handle the matter of settlement or disposition of the college, upon motion of J. B. Alexander, the names of P. C. Barton, J. R. Gregson, and T. B. Kitchens were placed in nomination for this special committee. The rules were then suspended, and they were elected, by acclamation, to constitute the committee.

53. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That after a full discussion of the subject of Woodland College, and the unpaid pledges, notes and accounts due the College, That it is the unqualified and unanimous belief of this body that it is the imperative duty of all those in arrears on these notes, accounts and pledges, to at once settle same, or make satisfactory arrangement for their speedy settlement, with the Special Committee elected and instructed to collect them.

J. B. ALEXANDER.

54. The report on Woman's Work was now called up at this time and after being spoken to by J. B. Alexander and P. C. Barton, it was adopted as given below. Attention is called to tabulated sheet giving officers, and amounts of money raised during the year:

Woman's Work.

We, your Committee on Woman's Work, beg to report as follows: We realize that there has been an unrest among our best Christians in our great denomination. Some of our best-trained talent has for so long laid dormant that its silent voice has retarded the progress

of our Zion, and we now feel it with telling effect. In this way much of our efficiency has been wasted, but we are now beginning to recognize the loss and trying to correct the mistake.

The women of our churches are doing a great work through their organizations. During the past year our women have raised several thousand dollars for the different departments of our denominational work, the aggregate amounts as given in tabulated sheet being \$2,167.59. This amount has been raised in various ways, such as bazaars, entertainments, dinners, workings, autograph quilts, and other honest means.

The attendance at these places of activity has averaged more than half of the membership, which shows that the organizations become real training forces for work in our churches. We rejoice that these workers come together in the spirit of love, and that they labor diligently and show such gratifying results.

But their financial help is only one feature of their work. They are studying the Bible; they are informing themselves as to the needs of great mission fields of the world; they are inspiring the men to larger and greater things for the denomination.

We believe their work is growing stronger and better, and that they are on the eve of greater achievement. We endorse, encourage, and pray for them.

W. G. MATHIS,
MRS. J. L. BURNS,
MRS. G. W. L. BROWN,
MRS. R. LONGEST,
MRS. T. B. KITCHENS,
MRS. W. S. YOUNG.

55. The following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that there should be a Fifth Sunday Meeting held every Fifth Sunday during the year, program to be arranged by Executive Board of this Association.

E. P. MITON.

56. J. R. Gregson, Jonesboro, read the report of the Executive Board, and T. B. Kitchens made his report as Treasurer of Board. The report was spoken to by J. R. Gregson, W. S. Young, J. T. DeArmond, E. P. Minton, S. A. Gooch, M. W. DeLoach, E. E. Dudley, S. T. Estes, and F. M. Carter. Adopted as read. Young Bro. Richard Sherrick was introduced to the Association as being the youngest messenger present. He represented Boynton church.

Report of Executive Board.

It has been the policy of your Board during the past year, to employ, for all of his time, a general evangelist who would devote the

greater part of his time to holding revival meetings in destitute places. Under the efforts of these missionaries a number of good meetings were held and churches organized with most encouraging outlook, but for lack of trained workers and pastors, these churches have not maintained the high standard of work that we had hoped for them. In some instances the members have grown so cold and indifferent that services of all kinds have been abandoned and the organizations practically lost. Others have lost in membership and fervency very largely. Hence, in order to strengthen these weak and struggling churches, your Board decided that it would be better policy to assist these churches in securing and maintaining pastors. Acting upon this conviction, we have supplemented the salaries of pastors of the following churches, to-wit:

F. M. Carter, Boyton and Truman.....	\$144.00
W. G. Mathis, Bono, Brookland, Sedgwick and Lepanto.....	116.15
E. P. Minton, Weiner and Vannale.....	105.00
A. J. Lincoln, Mt. Pleasant.....	25.00
J. T. Fowlkes, Earle.....	116.00
E. N. Calhoun, 2nd church Jonesboro.....	120.00
J. T. DeArmond, Lake City and Hickory Ridge.....	106.05
J. F. McLain, Union Grove.....	27.50
M. W. DeLoach, Parkin.....	33.33

We feel now that this course was a wise one and that much and lasting good has been done and that these churches have been made much stronger than they were before.

We employed Rev. G. L. Hayes as a general evangelist for the revival season, and he served us for 102 days for which we paid him \$60.00 per month, or a total amount of \$202.00 for the entire time. He conducted several meetings, doing honest, faithful work, preaching sound gospel sermons, and strange to say, reported only five conversions and three baptisms. However, we do not believe that this small showing was due to any lack of ability or effort on his part, but was largely due to causes over which he had no control. He also visited and strengthened several weak churches.

Your Board also employed Rev. W. S. Young of Harrisburg to do some evangelistic service. He conducted a meeting at Pleasant Hill, with 3 conversions and 3 baptisms; a meeting at Indian Mound church, with 2 conversions and 2 additions to the church; a meeting at May's Chapel, with 1 conversion; a meeting at Manila, with 2 conversions, baptized 7, and 4 were added to the church by letter.

For his most faithful services we paid him the sum of \$119.70, the amount of \$39.30 having been collected by him on the field; leaving the net cost to the Board of \$80.34.

We have received from the State Board, aid to the amount of

\$500.00 and in return have taken care of the work at Earle and Second church, Jonesboro, heretofore aided by the State Board.

We are glad to report that under the preaching of these Godly men 239 souls have been brought into God's Kingdom; 172 of these have been buried with Christ in baptism; 88 additions by letter or restoration, making a total number of additions for the year 260.

Mt. Zion Association is a great field for missionary endeavor. It is growing in population and wealth very rapidly and if God's cause is to keep pace, we must largely increase our efforts and this can be done only by largely increased offerings. The field is ripe unto the harvest but the reapers are few. May we all pray that the Lord will send more laborers into this field.

J. R. GREGSON,
T. B. KITCHENS,
P. C. BARTON,
J. H. KITCHENS.

Report of Treasurer T. B. Kitchens.

Receipts.		Disbursements.	
J. J. Mardis, Harrisburg..\$	5.00	T. R. Stroupe by Mt. Zion Church	\$ 10.00
Albert Horner, Earle.....	5.00	T. R. Stroupe by Association	95.00
First Church, Jonesboro, P. C. Barton.....	3.00	M. L. Jones, last year balance	45.00
Cash	1.00	F. M. Carter, last year balance	35.00
Wynne Church	45.00	E. I. Minton, last year balance	55.00
Mt. Zion Church, Pd. to Stroupe	10.00	J. T. DeArmond, last year balance	10.00
Earle Sunday School....	6.32	W. D. Cobb, printing.....	2.50
Borrowed at Jonesboro..	200.00	J. T. Fowlkes.....	112.66
Borrowed from Mrs. Wyse, Paragould	200.00	E. N. Calhoun.....	124.65
Collection, Fifth Sunday Meeting, Weiner	13.82	I. M. Carter, \$40.00; \$89.00; \$27.00	156.00
Cash from State Board, May 27, '12.....	235.00	J. T. DeArmond, \$70.00; \$30.00	106.00
State Board draft, less discount, Aug. 21, '12.	256.90	W. G. Mathis, \$116.15; \$36.00	152.26
W. M. U., Luxora, June 4, '12	4.25	J. F. McLain, \$25.00; \$2.50	27.50
Earle Sunday School....	5.34	G. L. Hayes, cash \$149.40; on field \$52.60.....	202.00
Crawfordsville Church ..	2.00	A. J. Lincoln, \$20.00; \$5.00	25.00
W. M. U., Luxora, Oct. 9, '12	5.00		
Walcott Church	12.00		

Receipts—Con.

First Church, Cardwell, Mo.	16.50
First Church, Weiner....	6.50
Truman Church	5.00
Mt. Pleasant	5.00
New Antioch	5.25
Lepanto, (Pd. Missionary, 16.00; sent \$5.00)	21.00
Bethabara	10.00
Pleasant Grove	4.78
First Church, Jonesboro.	440.67
Beulah Church, Luxora...	25.00
Bethel83
Osceola Church	35.00
Osceola W. M. U.....	10.00
Harrisburg	30.00
Stanford	5.00
Union Grove	1.25
First Church, Blytheville	39.60
Cherry Valley	5.00
Mt. Zion	12.00
Hickory Ridge	5.00
Earle, Oct. 9, '12.....	5.00
Vanndale, (18.00, 2.50, \$4.50	25.00
Manila (To missionary)..	21.91
First Church, Paragould.	125.00
Nettleton Church	2.30
May's Chapel	25.00
Sedgwick, Pd. to W. G. Mathis	3.04
A. F. Paterson.....	1.30
First Church, Weiner, Pd. to E. P. Minton.....	2.00
Valley Home	5.00
G. H. Hayes, collected on field	52.60

Total\$1961.16

Disbursements—Con.

W. M. DeLoach	33.33
Daily Tribune	7.00
Jonesboro Sun	1.50
W. S. Young, cash \$80.34; Col. \$39.36.....	119.70
Borrowed fund, Jonesboro, and interest	215.00
Borrowed fund, Mrs. Wyse and interest	210.00
A. F. Paterson.....	10.00
W. G. Mathis, collection on field	19.04
E. P. Minton.....	92.50

Total\$1867.64

Balance on hand.....\$94.52

57. The Committee on Nominations made the following report which was adopted without discussion:

Nominations.

We, your Committee on Nominations, recommend—

1. That the next session of this body be held with Harrisburg Baptist Church, on Tuesday before the second Sunday in October, 1913.

2. That E. E. Dudley preach the Annual Sermon; T. V. Shoemaker, Alternate.

3. That P. C. Barton, W. B. Langford, J. H. Kitchens, J. R. Gregson, and T. B. Kitchens constitute the Executive Board.

4. That T. W. Crawford and J. W. Williams represent this body at Mt. Vernon Association; and that W. C. Wood, B. H. Parrish, and T. B. Kitchens represent this body at the Gainesville Association; and that A. J. Lincoln represent this body at the Spring River Association.

5. That P. C. Barton be a member of the State Board.

6. That W. S. Young, J. B. Alexander and W. C. Wood constitute the Ministerial Board.

7. That J. W. Seay represent this body at the Southern Baptist Convention; E. E. Dudley, Alternate.

8. That W. C. Wood serve as Home Mission Vice President, and E. E. Dudley Foreign Mission Vice President for this Association.

T. B. KITCHENS,
C. D. THRELKELD,
J. R. GREGSON,
J. M. LANDRUM,
W. J. LIMBER.

58. The following resolution was adopted by a most hearty vote:

Resolution of Thanks.

Resolved, that we, the messengers and visitors to Mt. Zion Association, appreciate, and do hereby extend our thanks to the good people of Paragould church, and to the entire city for their kind hospitality and entertainment. You have treated us most royally, and we pray God's richest blessings upon you.

T. V. SHOEMAKER.

59 By a vote of the body, it was ordered that the Clerk be paid \$10 for his services in getting up the record of this meeting, and that the rest of the money provided for this purpose, be expended in getting out the record and carefully sending copies to all the churches in this Association.

60. The business of the session now being finished a motion was made that the body stand adjourned. A precious hour was spent in prayer, and many of the brethren made short talks. A tribute of love,

and respect was made to Brethren E. P. Minton, P. C. Barton, T. B. Kitchens, and J. H. Kitchens, for their long and faithful service to the Association. The parting hand was given, and E. P. Minton pronounced the benediction.

P. C. BARTON, Moderator.
B. H. PARRISH, Clerk.

Woman's Missionary Union

The Woman's Missionary Union of Mt. Zion Association convened in the First Methodist Church of Paragould, Ark., Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 9th, at 2:30 o'clock. Exercises were opened by singing, "He Leadeth Me." The subject of the Scripture lesson was, "The Christian Walk," each member responding with a verse of Scripture bearing on the same. Mrs. Rodery of Paragould led in a short prayer.

Bro. Dorris of the Orphans' Home made a talk on that work, basing his remarks on Jas. 1-27, emphasizing the needs of the orphans and their appreciation of our interest and help.

Minutes of last meeting were then read and approved.

Mrs. H. M. Jackson of Paragould then gave a cordial address of welcome to the visitors in behalf of Paragould W. M. U., which was gracefully responded to by Mrs. Dudley of Jonesboro.

Mrs. Brown of Sedgwick then led in a Round Table discussion of "The Greatest Need in My Church," and was followed by Mrs. Birdsong, Jonesboro, Mrs. Parker of Vandale, Mrs. Gillison of Paragould, and Mrs. Blythe of Marked Tree. Special emphasis was placed on the need of consecration, leadership and special training.

The Children's Chorus sang, "Walking With Jesus," very sweetly.

Bro. Mathis then asked for the reports of the societies to report to the Association. The roll of churches was then called and only six of the societies responded with reports.

Misses McAuley and Parrish then sang, "At Evening Tide."

The Superintendent made her address, reporting four new societies organized,—at Wynne, Truman, Vandale and Second Church, Paragould, respectively—17 societies reached by correspondence and 90 letters written. She stated that 25 books had been donated to the Circulating Library and are now ready to be sent out.

Mrs. B. H. Parrish then took the chair, and the officers for the ensuing year were elected. Mrs. J. L. Burns of Jonesboro was re-elected Superintendent and Miss Kitchens of Paragould, Secretary.

Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Burns.

After adjournment Mrs. B. H. Parrish invited the visitors to her

home in behalf of Paragould W. M. U., where dainty refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour enjoyed.

MRS. J. L. BURNS, Supt.

MISS KITCHENS,

Sec. Pro Tem.

Contributoins Through Woman's Mission Union, Mt. Zion Association.

Union.	Secretary.	Amt. Raised.
Bay.....	Miss Myrtle Rains.....	\$ 76.77
Earle.....	Mrs. M. T. Boone.....	106.00
First Ch. Jonesboro....	Mrs. A. B. Jones.....	1,155.35
Second Ch. Jonesboro...	Mrs. Wilkerson.....	64.60
Marked Tree	Mrs. Briscoe	98.40
Luxora.....	Mrs. J. C. Spann	79.22
Osceola.....	Mrs. Ida Lucker	270.00
Paragould.....	Mrs. J. E. Childs.....	104.95
Wynne.....	Mrs. R. H. Waddell.....	250.00
Walcott.....	Mrs. Alice Willcox	85.56
Harrisburg.....	Mrs. Hallie Shuffler	180.98
Total		\$2,471.89

In Memoriam

- Bay Church—Carl Smith.
Bethabara—Annie Stewart.
Boynton—Tim Powell.
Bethel—Dollie Settles.
Cherry Valley—Hiram Owen, Lillie Jennings, Zelma Henderson.
Chicksawba—C. E. Morris.
Earle—Dr. C. C. Dorum.
First Church, Blytheville—M. P. Carpenter.
First Church, Paragould—Deacon A. E. Ford, M. Gilson, Wilburn Warren, Mrs. Frank Stockdale.
First Church, Jonesboro—Dr. R. Joiner, Garrison Young, Julia Broadway, Alfred Watson.
First Church, Wynne—Kate Hammett, Mattie Jones, Myrtle Wood Collier.
Hydrick—J. J. Clements, Lucretia Hodges.
Lepanto—Mary Scarborough, T. W. Robertson, Henry Becker, S. E. Mullens.
Harrisburg—Mittie Lester, Mary Rodgers.
Luxora—J. B. Landrum, Amanda J. Haskins, Arthur Lynch, Chas. C. Forbes.
Mt. Zion—Mary Lamb, Martha Arnold.
Osceola—Deacon R. M. Fletcher, Sr. A. J. Jennings.
Pleasant Hill—J. P. Hill.
Stanford—Sr. Lee Tyner.
Union Grove—W. B. Neel, Sarah Johnson, Ollie Johnson.
Unity—Mayhil Camble.
Vandale—Lucy Sanders.
Walcott—L. H. Boozer, Geo. Grant.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	S. S. ENrollment	MEMBERSHIP						Pastor's Salary	S. S. Expenses	MISSIONS				Orphanage	College ^d and School	Other Objects	Minute Fund	Totals	Value
					Increase		Decrease						Associations	State	Home	Foreign						
					Baptism	Letter	Death	Exclusion	Letter	Present												
town.		J. L. Wroten	Bardstown	25	1	1				31								50.00	1.00	51.00	1000	
Barbara	J. F. McClain	J. F. Crocker	Cane Island	50	6	8	1	9	2	129	149.12	12.00	15.00	5.00		20.40	8.10		1.00	209.62	500	
Bay	T. R. Allen	T. V. Osborn	Bay	52	6	3	1	4		118	200.00	30.00				66.27		2.00	298.27	1000		
ol	J. F. Clark	T. E. Elzey	Harrisburg	40	2	3	1			59	50.42					83	66.27		1.15	52.40	500	
nton		O. G. Sherrick	Boynton	30	4		1			33	36.00	8.00										
	W. G. Mathis	B. B. Brinton	Bono	30	5	4				32	180.00	13.50	10.05	5.00				73.50	1.00	110.50		
Valley		J. A. Parker	Light							64								25.50	1.00	540.55	600	
y Vall y	J. H. Pennock	Mrs. I. H. Faulkner	Cherry Valley				3	44		40	58.00		5.00					8.45	1.00		50	
awba	W. F. Hudson	verdia Hatney	Chickasawba	30	2	10	1	1	2	31	150.00				4.00			121.60	2.25	277.85	600	
ordsville		S. O. Boone	Crawfordsville							30											1000	
age Home		Albert Horner	Earle	60		1	1			79	407.13	34.22	16.66	1.00	8.25	5.16	31.27	20.00		1.00	629.08	2100
Ch. Cardwell, Mo.		J. T. Lockard	Cardwell, Mo.	35				18	3	18	150.00	15.00	16.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	4.05		1.00	408.85	1600	
Ch. Jonesboro	F. E. Dudley, D. D.	E. A. Peterson	Jonesboro	619	15	12	6	68	20	627	2400.00		440.67	1200.00	502.40	631.85	150.00			11.00	7636.92	24000
Ch. Paragould	W. C. Wood	W. K. Neeley	Paragould	375	7	22	4	2	58	515	1200.00	135.78	125.00	300.00	200.00	221.00	113.33	80.00		7.50	20000	
Ch. Blytheville	J. B. Alexander	Mis Atchie Alexander	Blytheville	100	4	20	1		1	166	1485.00	45.00	42.70	80.00	45.00	67.16	112.62	5.00		2.50	2389.04	5000
Ch. Weiner		Bessie Lee Johnson	Weiner		8	6		3		25	185.45		14.00	13.00	7.50	7.50			1.00		271.43	
Ch.		W. H. Lloyd	Gosnell							91												1600
' Chapel		Barbara Wyley	wynne							42												500
burg	W. S. Young	L. E. Stancell	Harrisburg	75		10	2		4	121	400.00	45.00	30.00	5.00	22.87	22.88	50.98		190.00	3.00	773.06	6000
k.	C. C. Greer	D. R. Parker	White Hall	40			2	43		43	47.75	2.39							1.00	51.14	800	
y Ridge		W. A. Thompson	Hickory Ridge		3	3				27	48.00		5.00						.50	53.50		
City		Sid Bennett	Lake City							24												
o	W. G. Mathis	W. C. Dawson	Lepanto	108			5			105	23.50	39.60	21.00	25.00			25.00		1.75	129.35	2000	
o	O. C. Wilcockson	J. C. Spann	Luxora	60	6		4			39	720.00	37.00	30.00	56.89	4.25	18.28	27.48		2.00	1032.67	2000	
Chapel		F. K. Lashbrook	Marion		1					7	325.00											327.00
		Chas. E. Eagle	Kenton							47			25.00						2.00	27.00		
Tree	E. P. Minton	S. T. Hatfield	Manila	50	3	11		77	1	80	220.00	25.00	25.50		2.85	2.35			1.50	794.14	1800	
asant	A. J. Lincoln	C. P. Wiggington	Marked Tree	66				20	1	29	63.20	38.47									159.00	
on	E. N. Calhoun	E. Jones	Jonesboro (R. 3)		8	2			1	37	50.00		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00			1.00		55.00	
gah		B. F. oBwlin	Walcott	62	8	1	2	1	3	182	100.00	7.43	22.00		6.50	6.35		50.12			200.98	
		T. S. Akin	Cherry Valley							63												300
ope		I. M. Hammock	Monette	33					2	40	60.00	12.00									72.00	1200
ope	Craighead Co.									60												
on	Poinsett Co.									21												
on	A. J. Lincoln	Elmer Frizelle	Nettleton	65						81	32.00							27.00	1.00	95.00	1000	
atioch	A. A. Ryna	J. M. Fowler	Paragould (R. 1)	44	1	4			1	62	125.00	6.39	3.25	2.00	2.25	2.25	13.72		1.56	156.42	1000	
on		Willie Grant	Grubbs	65	8	10	1	3	8	83	133.25	65.00			5.00		5.00		139.35	1.56	333.80	
esboro	E. N. Calhoun	J. L. Jones	Jonesboro							31												
at Grove	T. V. Shoemaker	F. B. Hale	Osceola	88	1	5	2		2	136	300.00	47.64	45.00	119.00			100.00		796.00	5.00	1682.64	1000
ack	A. J. Lincoln	R. L. Carroll	Harrisburg	25	20		1			95	85.00	5.00		4.78					1.50	96.28	800	
ord	W. G. Mathis	J. M. Smelser	Sedgwick	57	10	3				36	21.00	34.65	4.79	10.00			7.00		1.00	171.72		
h	J. W. Seay	Geo. Bryant	Stanford	50	13	9	1	4		73	25.00	4.50	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.00			15.75	1.00	53.75	
man	A. C. Reaves	Lonnie Wallace	Harrisburg	5		1	1			40	8.50								.60	8.60	200	
Grove	F. M. Carter	Mrs. E. A. Terry	Truman	60	23	18		3	1	69	420.00	35.00	5.00				5.00		86.00	1.50	518.50	
	J. F. McClain	W. S. Pankey	Nettleton	59	2	2	3		3	34	75.00	5.68	1.25						1.65	.50	84.08	600
Home	J. F. Clark	R. N. Gray	Black Oak	90	20	12	1	4	1	71	93.75								50.00	.45	144.62	300
	J. H. Martin	J. E. Anderson	Cherry Valley		2					21	19.50	5.00							.50	25.00		
	E. P. Minton	W. Z. Campbell	Vandale	75	22	20	1	1	3	101		20.00	25.00		12.00	13.00	10.00		1.65	264.34	1200	
	P. J. Henry	W. C. Willcockson	Walcott	65	3	10	2		2	132	160.00	8.00	12.00	10.00		10.00	28.45		2.00		1000	
		R. L. Thompson	Wynne	100		2	3	8	3	188	30.00	51.00	50.00	10.00		4.50	162.00	10.00	3.50	929.75	12000	

not reported, membership about.

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