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OFFICERS.

F. E. Teague, Moderator.
M. Rountree, Clerk.
B. P. Thrash, Treasurer.

PROCEEDINGS.

At 10 o'clock, October 3, the moderator being absent, M. Rountree, clerk, called the body together and Brother Frank Thomasson conducted devotional services, reading Psalm 7, and after devotional service Brother F. E. Teague was elected moderator pro tem.

At 11 o'clock Brother W. M. Patterson took the stand and preached the introductory sermon, using as a foundation, Heb. 11-26. After preaching service the body adjourned until

1:30 p. m.

Friday Afternoon Session.

The moderator pro tem at 1:30 p. m. read from Proverbs 4, and the meeting was called to prayer byBrother Dew. The association was declared open and church letters were called for and the following churches were represented:

Salem, of Clark, W. A. Dunlap, J. C. Garner, Robt. Jones. Union, by letter; Bethel, Gaylord Tucker, R. A. Tucker. Midway, J. L. Harvey, A. J. Partridge; Amity, F. M. Thamasson, John Ward, Mrs. John Ward; Shawmut, O. H. Bryant, Grover Gatliff, J. R. Trout; Caney Valley, O. P. Adams, J. H. Bankston, Mrs. O. P. Adams; Salem, T. J. Parsons, Mrs. John Echols; Center Ridge, S.A. Fuller, W. B. Canley, G. W. Fulsom; Pike City, L. E. Henderson, Luna Henderson; Rosboro, by letter; Liberty Hill, J. T. May, J. T. Steed, M. Rountree; Murfreesboro, O. A. Featherston, J. B. Thomas.

The above was the basis of organization and the body was permanently organized by electing F. E. Teague moderator, M. Rountree, clerk and B. P. Thrash, treasurer.

Petitionary letters were called for and letters from Rock Creek church were read and the church was upon motion received into full fellowship of the association. Visiting brethren were invited to seats in council and Brother Dew was seated as a visitor, and made a short talk of appreciation.

The following were appointed as a committee on Divine services:

J. T. Parsons, F. M. Thomasson, J. T. May and J. T. Steed.

Reports of Brothers Teague and Compere as visitors to Caddo Valley association and Brother Compere from Caddo River association.

The following corresponding messengers to other associations were appointed:

Howard County, R. A. Tucker, Grover Gatliff; Caddo Valley, W. L. Compere, F. E. Teague; Caddo River, O. H. Bryant, W. L. Compere; Red River, F. M. Thomasson.

The moderator announced the appointment of the several committees:

Finance: W. A. Dunlap, L. E. Henderson.

Home and Foreign Missions: W. L. Compere, J. T. May. State and Associational Missions: Wm. Patterson, F. M. Thomason.

Orphan's Home: J. T. Parsons, J. T. Steed. Temperance: Grover Gatliff, J. L.Harvey.

Christian Education, R. A. Tucker, J. A. Bankston.

Woman's Work: Mrs. John Ward and Mrs. O. P. Adams.

Obituaries: John Ward, S. A. Fuller.

Nominations: O. H. Bryant, N. B. Canley.

Sunday School Work: F. M. Thomasson, J. C. Garner.

Young People's Work: W. L. Compere, J. R. Trout.

Brothers Dew, Patterson and Tucker made short and interesting talks upon missionary needs, after which the committee on Divine service reported that Brother Dew preach Friday night and Brother Pucker Saturday morning.

The body at 4 o'clock adjourned the business session until

8:30 Saturday morning.

Brother A. McPherson, at request of Brother Dew, preached an able sermon Friday night.

Saturday Monring Session.

At 8:40 the meeting was called together by song and prayer service, after which the association was opened for business and Prof. J. G. Lyle, of Ouachita College and Brother A. McPherson, representative of State Missions were seated as visitors.

Reports of committees were called for and the committee on Young People's Work, which was adopted after discussion, (See appendix "A").

The committee on Nominations made their report, which was adopted, that the next session of the association be held with Caney Valley church and that Brother I. F. Welch preach the introductory sermon with Brother F. E. Teague alternate.

The report on Orphan's Home was read and after discussion was adopted, (See appendix "B").

The report of Home and Foreign Missions was read and was spoken to by Brother J. G. Lyle and preaching hour having arrived the association at 11 o'clock adjourned business and Brother W. L. Compere preached from Mat. 6:9-12, after which recess was taken until 1:30 p. m.

Saturday Afternoon Session.

At 1:30 p. m. the meeting was called together by song and Brother McPherson read Rev. 4, and after prayer the report on Home and Foreign Missions was taken up and after further discussion was adopted. (See appendix "C").

The Finance committee made the following report:

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For State Missions \$	4.00
For Foreign Missions	2.25
For Associational Missions	29.16
For Home Missions	
For Orphan's Home, Monticello,	4.50
For Orphan's Home, Texarkana,	26.50
For Minutes and Clerk	36.40

Total......\$103.06

The above report was adopted.

The report on Associational Missions was read and adopted, after discussion. (See appendix "D").

The following persons pledged to give in the name of their respective churches, \$10 each: W. L. Compere, F. E. Teague, R. A. Tucker, Wm. Patterson, Grover Gatliff, L. E. Henderson, J. R. Brashears, M. Rountree, J. T. Pollard, J. R. Trout.

Motion was carried that the moderator appoint a committee of five as an executive board for Association Missions.

The committee on Temperance made their report, which was adopted after discussion. (See appendix "E").

The report on Woman's Work was read and adopted after discussion. (See appendix "F").

The report on Christian Education was read and after discussion was adopted. (See appendix "G").

The committee on Obituaries reported the following deaths of members in the association:

Our Dead.

1. Alpine, Brother Roberson.

1 Pike City, Lila Stingley.

3 Liberty Hill, Ola Cross, Jennie McCarter.

3 Murfreesboro, Mrs. Mollie Watson, Mrs. Geo. Ballard, Mr. Nick Thomas.

1 Center Ridge, Bertie Calley.

- 2 Rosboro, Tom Fagan, Claud Garrett.
- 3 Salem, H. C. Harvey, Ola Ligon, Gertie Ligon.

1 Caney Valley, Mattie Bankston.

1 Bethlehem, W. H. Hickey.

2 Amilty, Leona Chamber, Edna Bishop.

1 Salem of Clark, Brother Robbs.

The report of the committee on Sunday School work was read and upon motion discussion was postponed until 10 a.m. Sunday morning.

Motion was carried that collection be taken for Orphan's Homes immediately after preaching service Saturday night.

Motion was carried that the clerk be instructed to print 300 minutes and that he be paid \$10 for his services.

The body at 4:30 adjourned business until 10 a.m. Sunday morning.

Saturday night Brother R. A. Tucker preached from Rev. 6, after which collection was taken for Orphan's Homes, amounting to \$50.20.

Sunday Morning Session.

At 9:30 devotional services were conducted by Brother W. L. Compere and the moderator called the meeting to order and the report on Sunday School work was opened for discussion and after being spoken to by Brother Compere, was adopted as read. (See appendix "H").

The moderator announced the appointment of the following committee chairmen for the next convention of the association:

Home and Foreign Missions, W. L. Compere. State and Associational Missions, R. A. Tucker. Orphan's Home, Wm Patterson.
Temperance, D. W. Cornish.
Christian Education, O. A. Featherston.
Woman's Work, Mrs. John Ward.
Sunday School Work, F. M. Thomasson.
Young People's Work, A. S. Anderson.

Motion was carried that the association select Brother R. A. Tucker to preach on Missions at the next fifth Sunday meeting, after which the moderator announced the appointment of the following committee on Associational Missions:

Wm. Patterson, L. E. Henderson, J. P. Avery, Grover Gatliff and Frank Thomasson.

The following resolution of thanks was read by Brother W. L. Compere:

"Resolved that we sincerely appreciate the entertainment and fellowship we have enjoyed in the church and homes of this community, and that we tender our thanks to this good people. We especially appreciate the serving of dinner and supper on the ground.

Motion was carried that the association adjourn to meet with Caney Valley church at 10 o'clock a. m., Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1920.

At 11 o'clock Brother F. E. Teague preached from Eph. 1.

Report on B. Y. P. U. Appendix A.

A company of young peolpe banded together to study and work together to prepare themselves in the Lord's work—this is a Baptist Young People's Union. It is designed to reach and train young Baptists to do the things they will need to do as active church members. The world is calling for men and women who can do things. The course of Christ is calling for laborers, men and women who can do things. The B. Y. P. U. is the place for young Baptists to learn how to do the things they will need to do as laborers for Christ.

We recommend the B. Y. P. U. work to our churches.

W. L. Compere. J. R. Grant.

Appendix B.

We, your committee on Orpahn's Homes make the following report: We learn that the Orphans at Texarkana is in destitute circumstances. Probably gave away some of the chiddren during the past summer; also Monticello's home needs help at once. We recommend that our sister churches donate liberally to the Orphan's Home cause.

We deem it necessary to look after our orphans at all times.

T. J. Parsons.
J. T. Steed.
Committee.

Report on Home and Foreign Missions. Appendix C.

We are told to pray for the kingdom of God to come and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven, that God may be king over the whole earth and lovingly obeyed as in Heaven. To bring this about, we are not only to pray, but are to preach the gospel to every creature.

Home Missions is work to make Christ king in the home land. Foreign Misions is what we ar edoing to make Him king over the whole earth. Has not the time come to present Christ to the whole world as saviour and king? If the time has not come, will it ever come? What are we waiting for?

Every nation on earth will receive the ambassadors of our king. Heathen communities are begging for christian teachers to be sent to them. A great host of consecrated young men and women are ready to go anywhere in the service of our king. Modern inventions have solved the problem of travel and transportation. Heathen languages have been studied and reduced to writing, and parts of the Bible translated into nearly every language and dialect of the world. And as for money to pay traveling and living expenses of those who go, we have become so rich that God's tenth of our income will furnish all the money needed. Besides all these things, it looks now like we must speedily enthrone Christ as king in all the world, or our civilization will be destroyed and we will be headed for another cycle of dark ages.

An appeal has come forth caling every Southern Baptist soldier to the colors to fight to make Christ king over the whole world. It is called the Baptist 75 Million Campaign. We recommend that every loyal soldier throw himself heartily into the campaign.

W. L. Compere. J. G. May.

Appendix D.

We, as your committee on Associational Missions, of Pike

County Association, make the following report: We find several destitute places herein mentioned—Daisy, Langley, Bolo, Highland, Spring Hill—with others too numerous to mention. Now we recommend after investigation that our association put out a man now and get behind him with three hundred dollars, with which he might be able to collect in his field, asking him to use Saturday night. Sunday and Sunday night and through the summer months all time. We especially urge that this missionary keep regular work with the weak pastorless churches. We ask the delegation to urge their churches to be liberal in their contributions. We recommend Brother Tucker as a man well fitted for the place.

F. M. Thomasson. Wm. Patterson.

Report on Prohibition. Appendix E.

We your committee on Prohibition recommend the following: Since we have State and Nation-wide prohibition, we need to educate our people along the line of law enforcement. We need to stand by our officials in enforcing the laws on prohibition and have our preachers to speak on prohibition often. We need to aid our officers in stopping boot-legging and illicit distilling of whisky. Our churches should take a firm stand against drunkenness and revelling of any kind that grows out of the use of intoxicating drinks. We further recommend that our pastors call attention and insist that our churches take a strong stand for law enforcement.

Grover Gatliff.
J. L. Harvey.

Report on Woman's Work. Appendix F.

Women are frequently mentioned in the new testament as being actively engaged in religious work. Note especially, Luke 8:1-3; Mat. 27:55; Acts 2:17-18; Acts 21:9; Romans 16: 1-4. We should encourage our women to take a more active

part in religious work. It is well for them to meet at times and places which suit their convenience and pray together, to study God's word together, and to talk together over the work of the kingdom. Whatever increases the religious intelligence and interest of our women will help forward the cause of Christ.

We recommend that the women in each church band themselves together into a society for the study of God's word missionary interature. Mrs. J. G. Jackson, corresponding secretary of the Arkanas Woman's Missionary Union will be glad to give all possible help to women who wish to organize a society. Write to her at Donnalley Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

We have no regular report from any of our societies this year, but mention was made in the letters of the work by amity and Murfreesboro societies. We hope more societies will be organized during the coming year, and that we will have full reports of the work done.

Mrs. John Ward. Mrs. Oll Adams.

Appendix G.

We your committee on Christian Education make the following report: We, the Baptists of Arkansas, have for many years been the advocates and supporters of christian education and have enjoyed and maintained several Baptist colleges. These institutions have done much in strengthening and upbuilding all of our denominational interest. They are doing a great work. We recommend that each of our young preachers attend these schools and prepare himself for his work of the ministry. We also recommend that the Baptists of Arkansas fill their homes with good Eaptist books and periodicals.

R. A. Tucker.

J. H. Bankston.

Sunday School Work. Appendix H.

Sunday School is one of the best places we know, where children, young people and older people can go each Sunday morning to spend an hour together in song, in prayer and in the study of Christ's teaching. We venture to say that Sunday School is too much neglected. Parents should train their children to observe the sabbath and there is no better way than to go with them each Sunday morning to Sunday School. Everybody is going to study or read some kind of literature, so we should keep Sunday School literature, as well as plenty other religious literature, in our homes and study with our children.

We urge that the messengers of this association do their best to organize Sunday School in each church where there is no Sunday School, try to show to their people the importance of the Sunday School. Every member of the Sunday School ought to be impressed with the duty and privilege of winning others, and the teachers ought to do their best to get all of the teacher training they could be able to get, because it is through training of teachers that sets the minds of our children and young people, therefore every member of the church ought to be a member of the Sunday School. Please take notice that three-fourths of our membership comes from the Sunday School. The pulpit presents a great opportunity for reaching the membership of the church with diginfied appeal. Those who cannot be influenced so well by others or who will not read literature sent to them will hear the pastors. It is not necessary for him to use his preaching services altogether, but if his heart is afire for the study and teaching of the scriptures he will be glad to preach special sermons, using great texts of scripture and thus reach those who need to be stirred up to the importance of every member of the church to be active in Sunday School,

Rspectfully submitted, F. M. Thomasson. J. C. Garner.

Churches, Pastors and Clerks

Church	Pastor	Postoffice	Pastor	Postoffice		
Amity	F. E. Teague	Amity	J. R. Philips	Amity		
Alpine	A. W. Burchfield	Glenwood	W. R. McGehee	Alpine		
Bethel			C. S. Palmer	Glenwood		
Bethlehem	I. F. Welch	Glenwood	W. J. Taylor	Kirby		
Caney Fork	Wm. Patterson	Pike	J. W. Kelley	Shawmut		
Caney Valley	J. M. Moran	Amity	E. L. Duren	Amity		
Center Ridge	Wm. Patterson	Pike	N. B. Calley	Pike		
Gethsemine						
Glenwood						
Liberty Hill	Wm. Patterson	Pike	J. T. Steed	Delight		
Midway	Chas. Shakelford	Lottie	W. H. Harvey	Glenwood		
Murfreesboro	D. W. Cornish	Murfreesboro	P. H. Hinton	Murfreesboro		
Pike City	R. A. Tucker	Kirby	Mrs. L. N. Harris			
Pilgrim's Rest			W. H. White	Lodi		
Spring Hill	F. E. Teague	Amity	B. P. Thrash	Glenwood		
Salem	A. W. Burchfield	Glenwood	J. C. Garner	Amity		
Salem of Clark	1	GICH WOOD	J. C. Garner	Annty		
Rocboro	F. E. Teague	Amity	T. P. Iron	Rosboro		
Rock Creek	J. M. Moran	Amity	A. L. Butcher	G.enwood		

CHURCHES	Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Letter	Died	Excluded and Examined	Membership	Pastor's Salary	Association Mission	State Mission	Home Missions	Poreign Mission	Orphan's Home	Minutes and Clerk	Incidentals	Sunday School Enrollment
Amity	3	5		22	2	1	272	\$325		\$191.25	\$39.35	\$42.40		\$ 7.50	\$79.00	114
Murfreesboro	8	5		3	3		98						36.5	2.50	67.00	40
Rosboro	6	11		13	2		67	204			9.00	6.25		2.00	47.43	
Rock Creek	7	2				T	26	54					1.00	1.00		
Caney Fork	2	1	1				45	54	1.50	1.50				1.50	18.50	37
Salem		2		13	3		62							6.50		
Pike City	2	2		2	1	2	48	80	2.50				2.50	1.50	3.50	
Caney Valley	7	6	3		1	1	116						10.0	2.50		89
Salem of Clark	1	3			1	1	46					6.30	5.00	2.00	2.00	
Midway	9	2		8			84							1.55		
Union	1				1		48		.16		.25	.25	3.00			
Bethlehem		5	2	2	1		85							2.05		
Center Ridge	12	7		3	1		41		20.00				5.00	2.00	The same of the same of	
Liberty Hill	3	2	3	5	2	2	69		5.00	2.50		2.00	32.00	2.45	78.62	52
Total	60	53	6	71	18	6	1107		: \$29.16	\$195.25	\$54.90	\$57.90	\$76.20	\$36.40	\$294.05	332

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Devotional Exercises.
- 3. Temporary Organization.
- 4. Introductory Sermon.
- 5. Appointment of Reading Clerks.
- 6. Reading Church Letters.
- 7. Permanent Organization.
- 8. Call for Petitionay Letters.
- 9. Invitation to Visiting Brethren to Seats in Council.
- 10. Appointment of Committees.
- 11. Miscellaneous Business.
- 12. Reports of Committees.
- 13. Report of Treasurer.
- 14. Miscellaneous Business.



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