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ARKANSAS
BAPTIST
STATE
CONVENTION

*Fifty-Fifth Annual
Session*



LITTLE ROCK
Nineteen Hundred and Three

W. D. ...

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ARKANSAS

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Fifty-Fifth Annual Session

HELD AT

LITTLE ROCK

NOVEMBER 13-16, 1903

The next session will be held with the First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Friday before the third Sunday in November, 1904, at 10 a. m.

Convention Sermon: W. A. Freeman; Alternate, H. C. Roberts.

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LITTLE ROCK

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION

President—James P. Eagle.....	Little Rock, Ark.
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N. C. Denson.....	Warren, Ark.
Recording Secretaries—	
W. F. Dorris.....	Camden, Ark.
L. E. Finney.....	Van Buren, Ark.
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Auditor—W. W. Byrd.....	Pine Bluff, Ark.
Statistical Secretary—E. J. A. McKinney.....	Star City, Ark.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

MEMBERS AT LARGE.

T. W. O'Kelley,	S. A. Smith,	N. R. Townsend,
Ben Cox,	B. W. Reeves,	J. P. Exall,
S. B. Callaway,	O. J. Wade,	S. T. Bradford,
H. J. F. Garrett,	W. T. Amis,	W. H. Sledge,
James P. Eagle,	Loss Moore,	J. U. H. Wharton.

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Benton County	S. L. Holloway
Big Creek	W. H. Bowling
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Buckner	J. H. Byer
Caroline	A. C. Miller
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Columbia	H. F. Vermillion
Concord	J. C. Williamson
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Dardanelle	W. E. Kimbrough
Fayetteville	J. E. Denham
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Friendship	E. J. A. McKinney
Gainesville	E. D. Cooper
Greenbrier	J. M. C. Vaughter
Grand Prairie	A. H. Soekland
Howard County	C. W. Strickland
Independence	D. A. Allen

Judson	Giles C. Taylor
Liberty	R. A. Faulkner
Little Red River	W. B. Holland
Madison County	S. S. Graham
Miller County	C. T. Willson
Mount Vernon	T. M. Oldham
Mount Zion	A. B. Bohannon
Ouachita	W. L. Compere
Pee Dee	G. G. Perkins
Pine Bluff	C. B. Henderson
Red River	J. J. Haynes
Rocky Bayou	J. P. Lovelace
Russellville	W. M. Peeler
Saline	E. C. Ellis
Southwestern	J. T. Cowling
Spring River	C. T. Arnett
State Line	E. T. Lincoln
Trace Ridge	L. F. Thompson
Union No. 1	W. H. Riley
Union No. 2	Jacob King
United	B. G. White
White River	W. H. Douglas
White River Valley	A. D. Holland

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE

FORT SMITH.

John Ayers,	J. E. Denham,	R. L. Bernard,
J. W. O'Kelley,	F. F. Gibson,	L. E. Finney,
Geo. T. Williams,	R. A. Clarkson,	R. A. Rowe.
T. C. Price,	J. W. Meek,	

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ARKADELPHIA.

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F. D. Baars,	H. L. Winburne,
S. L. Rivers,	H. J. P. Horne,

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Mrs. Alice Reeves,	Mrs. J. L. Lee,	Mrs. J. J. Doyne,
Mrs. A. L. Smith,	Mrs. C. B. Davidson,	Mrs. W. E. Berthe.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ORPHANS' HOME

MONTICELLO.

Term Expires 1904.

John X. Smith,
John W. Kimbro,
Z. T. Wood.

Term Expires 1905.

A. L. Oslin,
W. A. Wood,
L. E. Morgan.

Term Expires 1906.

Walter Wilson,
N. C. Denson,
D. T. Hyatt.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF

LITTLE ROCK.

T. W. O'Kelley,

Ben Cox,

J. U. H. Wharton.

APPOINTMENTS

MESSENGERS TO THE AMERICAN BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY

J. W. Conger,

W. W. Rivers,

J. J. Doyne.

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

W. E. Atkinson,

W. T. Amis.

ALTERNATES.

A. J. Barton,

H. Beauchamp,

J. W. McDonald.

COMMITTEE TO VISIT ORPHANS' HOME

Ben Cox,

T. W. O'Kelley,

J. U. H. Wharton.

Messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention to be appointed by Executive Board.

FRATERNAL MESSENGERS TO COLORED BAPTIST CONVENTION

A. J. Barton,
A. H. Autrey,
W. H. Sledge,

Ben Cox,
H. Beauchamp,
Frank White,

Giles C. Taylor.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME AND OBJECT.

Section 1. The name of this body shall be: THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Section 2. The object of this Convention shall be to preach the gospel throughout our State and to evangelize the world; to aid by appropriate and Scriptural means our destitute and feeble churches; to supply the State with books and tracts best calculated to inculcate the doctrines and ordinances of Christ and to stimulate missionary effort; to encourage ministerial and Christian and general education; and to gather and preserve denominational statistics.

ARTICLE II.—MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1. The Convention shall be composed of messengers from regular Baptist churches which are in sympathy with the principles and purposes of this constitution, and which desire to co-operate with this Convention, and shall be entitled to seats upon presentation of their proper credentials, or satisfactory evidence of their appointment.

Section 2. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers, with one additional messenger for every fifty members, or major fraction thereof, above one hundred.

ARTICLE III.—AUTHORITY.

Section 1. This Convention shall never exercise any authority whatever over any church, nor shall it in any way interfere with the constitution of any church or with the exercise of its functions as the only ecclesiastical body, but will always cheerfully recognize and uphold the absolute independence of the churches.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, two Recording Secretaries, a Treasurer, a Statistical Secretary and an Auditor, who shall be elected annually by ballot, *provided*, however, that any officer of the Convention may be elected by acclamation if no objection be made; and all officers shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over the deliberations of the Convention, and to discharge such other duties as are usually incumbent on the presiding officer of deliberative bodies. He shall appoint all committees, unless the Convention shall otherwise determine, and in his absence one of the Vice Presidents shall fill his place.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretaries to keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Convention, and to file and keep in order all papers deemed important to be preserved.

Section 4. Officers shall be elected as soon as the names of messengers shall have been enrolled.

Section 5. All the officers of this Convention shall be elected by a majority of all the votes cast.

ARTICLE V.—BOARDS.

Section 1. The Convention shall elect the following Boards and parts of Boards:

(1) The Executive Board of the Convention, which shall consist of fifteen brethren from the State at large, and one brother from the bounds of each Association in the State, who shall be elected annually, on account of their business ability, consecration and wisdom, seven of whom shall constitute a quorum; and the meetings of the Board shall be quarterly.

(2) The Board of Trustees of Ouachita-Central System of Colleges and Academies, one-third of which shall be elected annually.

(3) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, consisting of nine members, three of whom are to be elected annually.

(4) A Sunday School and Colportage Board, to consist of eleven members, which shall be elected annually.

(5) A Board of Ministerial Education, to consist of seven members to be located at Arkadelphia, Ark., and to be elected annually.

(6) A State Central Committee of nine women, whose duty it shall be to distribute literature, and to encourage women and children in systematic giving to missions.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall elect a Missionary Secretary to work under the direction of the Board, and they shall employ any other agencies, such as general missionaries and evangelists, office help, and any means, such as tracts, etc., which in their judgment may inure to the most speedy and rapid evangelization of our State and of the world. However, the Convention in session may elect the Missionary Secretary when it is deemed wise.

ARTICLE VI.—MEETINGS.

The Convention shall meet annually, "if God permit," on Friday before the third Sunday in November.

ARTICLE VII.—UNALTERABLE.

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Convention, two-thirds of the members voting concurring in the measure, except Article III., which shall forever remain unalterable.

PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Nov. 13, 1903.

Before the appointed hour for convening in session, the brethren of the Convention gathered and engaged in devotional exercises led by L. E. Finney.

At 10 a. m. President James P. Eagle called the Convention to order. Ross Moore read Psalm 116, and led in prayer. "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" was then sung.

The following Committee on Credentials was announced:

J. W. Conger, chairman,
F. F. Gibson, W. B. Holland, O. J. Wade,
N. C. Denson.

The committee retired and, after compiling their report, submitted the following Roll of Messengers as constituting the Fifty-fifth annual session of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

BARTHOLOMEW ASSOCIATION—

Portland—H. L. Anthony.

Hamburg—D. H. Gill.

Monticello—L. E. Morgan, Z. L. Wood.

Warren—N. C. Denson, Mrs. Grace Bond, Mrs. Wilbur Rose,
Mrs. W. F. Mack.

BENTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Bentonville—S. L. Holloway, Mrs. A. N. Hobbs, W. O. Young.

Rogers—Miss Ella Meeks, L. F. Compton, E. W. Homan. H. Y. King.

Siloam Springs—John P. Logan, C. L. Owen.

Gentry—O. W. Patterson.

Temperance Hill—J. P. Evans.

Garfield—F. A. Whitely.

BIG CREEK ASSOCIATION—

Salem—W. T. Livingston, W. H. Bowling.

BUCKNER ASSOCIATION—

Waldron—Otto Whittington, S. H. Allen.

New Hartford—C. L. Barnes.

Fellowship—Glover P. Davis, H. W. Irby, J. J. McAllister.

Pilgrim's Rest—J. H. Byers.

CAROLINE ASSOCIATION—

Second, Little Rock—J. F. Love, W. H. Eagle, Mrs. H. B. Orr, J. P. Eagle, A. J. Barton, George Leifer, T. W. O'Kelley, Frank White, Mrs. J. J. Doyne, Mrs. C. E. Witt.

Wattensaw—G. W. Thomasson, T. A. Owen.

Immanuel—J. H. Reynolds, G. W. Smith, I. H. King, J. U. H. Wharton, H. Beauchamp, W. E. Tillman, W. E. Berthe, Wm. Drogoon, J. F. Hammett, James M. Wharton, George H. Davis.

England—A. C. Miller.

Argenta—Charles Nelson, J. G. Doyle.

Augusta—Sanford Davis.

Judsonia—R. J. Winn, F. G. Briggs, H. C. Munger, M. T. Webb, Miss Cora Hurlburt, Mrs. R. L. Browning, Mrs. H. C. Munger.

Baring Cross—B. N. Brooks, A. M. Lee, J. W. Mitchener.

Caney Creek—J. C. Williams, Jasper Lee.

Beebe—Fin Worthington, J. F. Bass, Mrs. J. F. Bass.

Surrounded Hill—R. M. Best, W. F. Moseby, O. O. Knauff.

CARROLL COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

First Church, Eureka Springs—Miss Connie Taylor, Miss Nell Callender, H. C. Roberts, George West, Mrs. Blanche Hawkins, Mrs. C. E. Reynolds, C. M. Barnes, Mrs. Winnie Dudley, Mrs. H. M. Lindsey, Mrs. C. M. Barnes.

Immanuel, Eureka Springs—J. H. Delano, Mrs. J. H. Delano.

Green Forest—A. J. Russell, Mrs. A. J. Russell.

Berryville—J. H. Spurlin.

CLEAR CREEK ASSOCIATION—

Zoar—C. M. Wofford.

Ozark—L. O. Fisher, R. E. Cornelius, Mrs. A. I. Crudup.

COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION—

Magnolia—T. C. Monroe, Mrs. Fanny Bird, A. O. Andrews, Miss Orline Hawkins, D. E. Smith, H. F. Vermillion.

New Lewisville—J. W. Warren, T. B. Parks, Mrs. T. B. Parks.

CONCORD ASSOCIATION—

First Church, Fort Smith—F. F. Gibson, Mrs. F. F. Gibson, John Ayres, T. N. Sloat, J. W. O'Kelley, T. H. Brown, T. B. Carnall.

Van Buren—L. E. Finney, Miss Addie Garner.

Greenwood—R. A. Rowe, J. C. Williamson.

Huntington—J. E. Ellinor, A. S. Johnson.

Booneville—H. G. Johnson, G. W. Guinn.

CURRENT RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Moark—E. T. Lincoln.

Union No. 1—J. W. Cunningham.

CROOKED CREEK ASSOCIATION—

Harrison—M. L. Voyles, J. M. Walker.*Rap*—B. F. Alverson.

DARDANELLE ASSOCIATION—

Magazine—S. O. Corley, R. L. Brawner, J. W. George, Mrs. Laura McInturf, Everett Bass.*Dardanelle*—W. E. Kimbrough. ✕*Ola*—J. W. Richardson, E. L. Lucas.*Paris*—James R. Cason.

FAYETTEVILLE ASSOCIATION—

Fayetteville—J. E. Denham, Mrs. J. E. Lenham, C. W. Walker, Mrs. C. W. Walker, J. R. Harris, Mrs. J. R. Harris.

FOURCHE VALLEY ASSOCIATION—

Dixie—E. H. Owen, Mrs. E. H. Owen.

FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION—

Star City—E. V. Hellums, A. B. Owen, E. J. A. McKinney.*First Church, Pine Bluff*—H. C. Fox, Charles Haycock, Ross Moore, Elmo Marsh, Edwin Ryland, W. J. David, A. G. Bedell G. H. Gammill A. E. Williams.*Dumas*—L. T. Grumbles.*Hickory Grove*—J. S. Fish, Mrs. Kittie Shook.

GRAND PRAIRIE ASSOCIATION—

Stuttgart—George C. Bruce, R. M. Richardson, A. H. Soekland, H. J. Kelley.*Hazen*—Mrs. Annie Robinson, F. C. Robinson, Mrs. Hattie Sanders.*DeWitt*—J. A. Gibson, W. H. Halliburton, John B. Walker.

GAINESVILLE ASSOCIATION—

Piggott—R. H. Dudley, Mrs. R. H. Dudley.*Rock Hill*—J. S. Rogers.

GREENBRIER ASSOCIATION—

Mt. Vernon—J. B. Taylor, W. C. Newell.*Conway*—L. E. Beard, Mrs. H. C. Jones, G. E. Hilliard, Mrs. G. E. Hilliard, John Jeter Hurt, W. W. Rivers, G. W. Bruce.*Palestine*—W. W. Lovill, W. P. Bryant.*Neds Creek*—E. Lovlett.

HOWARD COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Liberty—C. W. Wright, J. G. Harris, W. C. Stone.*Columbus*—W. S. Schooley, J. R. Lanin, J. R. Autrey, Mrs. J. R. Autrey.

INDEPENDENCE ASSOCIATION—

Rehobeth—Reason Wells, Miss Artie Duncan, F. M. Ham, J. W. Dunkin.

Batesville—S. B. Calloway, Mrs. John F. Wolf, John Q. Wolf, George B. Bradley.

Pilgrim's Rest—P. M. Danner, C. M. Bracey, George Gill.

Fair View—H. C. Beckers, J. E. Griffis.

Marcella—Marlah Gracey, O. H. Ford, Parilee Conditt.

Pleasant Valley No. 1—W. J. Meachum.

Cushman—D. A. Allen.

Liberty—G. F. Gilbreath, J. F. Huddlestone.

JUDSON ASSOCIATION—

Anchor—C. H. Lankford, J. P. Hopkins, Bob Bettis, L. B. Connell.

Fordyce—Giles C. Taylor.

Holly Springs—E. T. Hogg.

Brown Springs—J. P. Hopkins.

New Hope—R. W. Daniel.

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—

Camden—W. F. Dorris, M. P. Watts, W. R. Smith.

El Dorado—A. Flenniken, W. F. Owen, T. T. Jones, O. J. Wade, Mrs. J. M. Sheppard.

Three Creeks—Hill Jones, A. C. Jones, J. D. Crawford.

Junction City—W. I. Feazell, J. G. Muse.

Mt. Olive—M. A. Harper.

Salem—B. B. Hawkins, J. T. Lewis.

Elliott—John Jeffers, Ben F. Rogers.

LITTLE RED RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Quitman—Joe Stark, J. T. Fleming, Mrs. W. R. Elliott, Lillian Elliott.

Heber—R. G. Lafferty, W. J. Wade, J. B. Ward, Mrs. Ida Burns.

Shiloh—W. B. Holland.

Sidon—J. W. Sutton, E. B. Gipson.

Stony Point—J. H. Collard.

Pleasant Hill—L. C. Sharp, S. Deloach.

MT. VERNON ASSOCIATION—

Helena—J. W. Sanford, T. M. Oldham, L. M. Bookhart, W. H. Sledge, Mrs. S. Lingg, Mrs. J. M. Forrester, Miss Blanche Lingg.

MT. ZION ASSOCIATION—

Jonesboro—S. A. Smith, E. A. Peterson, J. V. Bell, E. P. Minton, J. R. Greggson, Miss Kate Jarnigan.

Paragould—W. H. Merideth, A. B. Bohannon, Mrs. A. B. Bohannon, Mrs. F. C. Johnson, J. H. Kitchens, Jr., Roger Williams, L. McHaney, T. B. Kitchens, Mrs. T. B. Kitchens, A. B. Markham.

Walcott—Mrs. Loney Seay, J. W. Seay.

Osceola—J. B. Wise.

Cache Valley—J. W. West.

MILLER COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Harmony Grove—W. M. Bridges.*Dudley Ave., Texarkana*—C. T. Willson.

OUACHITA ASSOCIATION—

Mena—J. J. Mershon, Mrs. J. J. Mershon, W. L. Compere.*Janssen*—S. A. Lund, B. W. Teeter, W. C. Benson.*Salem*—J. O. Butler.

PEE DEE ASSOCIATION—

Mt. Olive—G. G. Perkins, R. C. Morgan, N. B. McGathney.*Shady Grove*—T. W. Harness.

RED RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Arkadelphia—J. M. Hardage, B. F. Condray, J. J. Haynes, B. Meador, W. W. Gardner, J. W. Conger, Mrs. J. W. Conger, C. E. Neeley, H. L. Winburne, Mrs. H. L. Winburne, N. C. Danner, J. W. Wilson, F. D. Baars.*Unity*—J. A. Mellock, W. A. Forbes.*Prescott*—J. C. Young, Mrs. Brad Scott, John M. Milburn.*Shiloh*—N. R. Townsend.*Pleasant Hill*—G. H. Sharp.*Gum Springs*—G. W. Burns.

ROCKY BAYOU ASSOCIATION—

La Crosse—J. G. Jennings, G. W. Battles.*Mt. Pleasant*—J. P. Lovelace, A. T. Felts.

RUSSELLVILLE ASSOCIATION—

Clarksville—W. S. Jett, Mrs. Lee Armstrong, Mrs. Emma Davis.*Pottsville*—Mrs. W. V. Walls.

SALINE ASSOCIATION—

First Church, Little Rock—~~J. K. Brantley~~, M. J. Clay, E. Longley, G. F. Landreth, C. W. Andrews, Ben Cox, L. D. Baughn, Conrad Stein.*Malvern*—C. W. Story, E. T. Bramlett, Miss Alice Clem. ~~B. F. Draper, R. C. Rhoden~~, Mrs. J. C. Ross, A. Waterbury.*Hot Springs, First Church*—J. B. Smith, W. T. Amis, ~~E. C. Ellis, H. L. Hale~~.*Central Park*—J. J. Hickman, J. R. McJunkin, T. B. Wright, B. G. Phillips.*Lonsdale*—J. W. McDonald, J. H. Walker.

SPRING RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Pocahontas—Mrs. George T. Black, Mrs. Wallace Hainline, Mrs. M. E. Armstrong, Notra Anderson.*Walnut Grove*—J. M. Buster, C. L. Thorn.*Ebenezer*—Charles T. Arnett.*Walnut Ridge*—Isham O. Siler, Lee Smith.*New Hope*—D. C. Lee, G. B. Borah.

UNION ASSOCIATION—

Hope—A. H. Autrey, T. A. Middlebrooks, W. A. Freeman, J. D. Cotton, H. J. F. Garrett, Mrs. H. J. F. Garrett.

Bethesda—R. H. Kirby.

UNITED ASSOCIATION—

Morrilton—B. G. White, Mrs. E. D. Vann, C. N. James, Miss Eliza Hoskins, Mrs. Willie Ketchem.

WHITE RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Mountain Home—James G. Sibley, L. A. Morton.

WHITE RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION—

Newport—George R. Hopkins, F. G. Smith, R. W. Daniel, A. D. Holland.

A recess was then taken till 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President Eagle called the Convention to order at 2 p. m. Upon the completion of the report of the Committee on Credentials, President Eagle announced the body ready for organization.

By motion the clerk was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for James P. Eagle for president.

In like manner the following officers were elected:

W. F. Dorris, L. E. Finney, recording secretaries; J. H. Kitchens, Jr., treasurer; W. W. Byrd, auditor; and E. J. A. McKinney, statistical secretary.

N. C. Denson and John Ayers were elected vice-presidents of the Convention by ballot. The following brethren were introduced and welcomed among us: N. B. Graves, Malden, Mo.; A. U. Boone, Memphis, Tenn., president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, who made a helpful talk on an open heart for God to rule and guide; J. N. Prestidge, editor *Baptist Argus*, Louisville, Ky.; E. E. Folk, editor of *Baptist and Reflector*, Nashville, Tenn.; E. F. West, of Texas, representing the *Baptist Standard*; J. D. Adcock, of Louisiana, representing the *Baptist Chronicle*; B. D. Gray, corresponding secretary Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; E. E. Bomar, Richmond, assistant secretary of Foreign Mission Board; S. H. Ford, editor *Christian Repository*, St. Louis; J. B. Moody, representing the *Western Recorder*, Louisville, Ky.; F. C. McConnell, of Kansas City, Mo.

The president announced the following committees:

On Divine Service—Ben Cox, T. W. O'Kelley, J. U. H. Wharton, J. H. Reynolds, Conrad Stein, W. E. Atkinson.

On Order of Business—S. B. Callaway, E. C. Ellis, S. L. Holloway, W. H. Sledge.

By motion the following hours of meeting and adjournment were adopted :

Meet at 9 a. m.
 Adjourn at 12 m.
 Meet at 2 p. m.
 Adjourn at 5 p. m.
 Meet at 7 p. m.
 Adjourn at pleasure.

R. H. Graves and wife, for forty-seven years missionaries in China, were introduced, and welcomed among us.

T. W. O'Kelley delivered the welcome address in his usual happy style, and the response was delivered in a well-timed, well-chosen speech by W. T. Amis.

The Committee on Order of Business made the following partial report :

NIGHT SESSION, NOVEMBER 13.

7 p. m.—Convention Sermon, A. J. Barton.

After sermon, W. O. Carver will present the interests of the Seminary.

NOVEMBER 14.

9 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

9:15 a. m.—Report of Peace Committee.

10 a. m.—Report of State Mission Board.

11 a. m.—Report on Publications.

2 p. m.—Report on Home Missions.

3 p. m.—Report of Sunday School and Colportage Board.

NIGHT SESSION, NOVEMBER 14.

7:30. Report on State Missions.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

3:30 p. m. Foreign Missions.

Adjourned to 7 p. m. Benediction by T. J. Walne.

EVENING SESSION.

N. C. Denson called the convention to order at 7 p. m. M. T. Webb led in prayer and conducted a short devotional service.

The president, according to our usual custom, called the new ministers, who had come into the State since our last Convention, to the platform, and introduced them to the Convention. Nine came forward and were given a warm welcome.

A. J. Barton preached the Convention sermon, using 2 Cor. 4:1 as a text, "Therefore, seeing we have this ministry." The theme was, "The Ministry of Christ's Gospel More Glorious Than Moses' Ministry." The ministry of Christ is more glorious in three points of contrast:

1. Ministry of Moses a veiled ministry, but that of Christ an open ministry.

2. The ministry of Moses a passing ministry, the ministry of Christ an abiding one.

3. Moses' ministry was one of condemnation and death, the ministry of Christ one that brings justification and life.

A strong, helpful sermon delivered in the fear and love of God, and received with joy and gladness by the large audience.

J. B. Moody led in prayer.

The president announced the following committees:

1. *Foreign Missions*—Ross Moore, M. T. Webb, D. A. Allen, Frank White, W. H. Bowling.

2. *State Missions*—A. B. Bohannon, F. F. Gibson, S. L. Holloway, Ben F. Rogers, E. T. Lincoln.

3. *Home Missions*—H. L. Winburne, W. E. Atkinson, James G. Sibley, J. T. Fleming, J. F. Hammett.

4. *Sunday Schools*—S. A. Smith, F. G. Briggs, J. E. Denham, T. M. Oldham, C. T. Arnett.

5. *Education*—W. W. Rivers, L. A. Morton, J. W. Hulsey, H. F. Vermillion, E. C. Faulkner.

6. *Publications*—O. J. Wade, J. B. Wise, G. H. Gammill, R. M. Richardson, W. B. Holland.

7. *Ministerial Education*—W. H. Sledge, E. J. A. McKinney, E. P. Minton, T. A. Middlebrooks, R. E. Cornelius.

8. *Orphans' Home*—Giles C. Taylor, B. F. Draper, W. S. Jett, A. J. Russell, C. L. Thorne.

9. *Woman's Work*—W. E. Kimbrough, J. H. Delano, C. N. James, M. L. Voyles, L. O. Fisher.

10. *Temperance*—W. T. Amis, H. C. Roberts, J. P. Lovelace, W. J. David, Joe Stark.

11. *Obituaries*—W. L. Compere, W. I. Feazell, A. H. Soekland, E. A. Peterson, R. C. Morgan.

12. *Nominations*—A. H. Autrey, J. W. Conger, George West, H. C. Fox, M. P. Watts.

13. *Colored Work*—A. C. Miller, Z. T. Wood, G. W. Bruce, H. J. P. Horne, J. M. Walker.

14. *Finance*—T. B. Kitchens, W. W. Byrd, J. A. Gibson, R. A. Faulkner, D. H. Gill.

W. O. Carver was introduced and presented the interests of our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., in a forceful address.

Following pledges for seminary students were taken:

James P. Eagle.....	\$ 50 00
Second Baptist Church, Little Rock.....	50 00
First Church, Hot Springs, W. T. Amis.....	25 00
Arkadelphia Church, H. L. Winburn.....	25 00
Jonesboro Church, S. A. Smith.....	25 00
El Dorado Church, O. J. Wade.....	25 00
Pine Bluff Church, Ross Moore.....	25 00
Conway Church, J. J. Hurt.....	25 00
Helena Church, W. H. Sledge.....	25 00
Hope Church, A. H. Autrey.....	25 00
Huntington Church, A. S. Johnson.....	25 00

Hope Ladies' Aid Society.....	10 00
Paragould Church, A. B. Bohannon.....	25 00
Eureka Springs Church, H. C. Roberts.....	10 00
Morrilton Church, C. N. James.....	10 00
Prescott Church.....	10 00
Ladies' Aid Society, Pine Bluff.....	10 00
Magnolia Church, H. F. Vermillion.....	10 00
Camden Church, W. F. Dorris.....	25 00
Rock Hill Church, Paragould, J. S. Rogers... .	5 00
Ladies' Aid Society, Arkadelphia.....	10 00
Mrs. S. A. Lund, Janssen Church, Vandervoort	10 00
Ladies' Aid Society, Eureka Springs.....	5 00
Ladies' Aid Society, El Dorado.....	5 00
Gentry Church, O. W. Patterson, Gentry P. O.	5 00
Caney Creek Church.....	5 00
Harrison Church, Blakemore P. O.....	5 00
Cash, by friend.....	5 00
Mt. Vernon Church, Mt. Vernon P. O.....	5 00
Ladies' Aid Society, Paragould.....	10 00
Mena Church, J. J. Mershon.....	5 00
Horatio, W. M. Bridges, Texarkana, Ark.....	5 00
Green Forest, A. J. Russell.....	5 00
Heber Church, W. J. Wade.....	5 00
Cash collection.....	14 35
Total.....	\$539 35

Adjourned till tomorrow, 9 a. m.

Benediction by W. O. Carver.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14.

MORNING SESSION.

President Eagle called the Convention to order at 9 a. m.

A. B. Bohannon led the devotional service.

A. H. Autrey read the report of the Peace Committee, followed by a minority report, read by T. W. O'Kelley, substituting certain recommendations for those contained in the majority report. The report was adopted, as amended, with one dissenting vote.

REPORT OF THE PEACE COMMITTEE.

We, your committee appointed by the last session of this body upon the recommendation of Caroline Association, to confer with a like committee from the General Association, looking to the

return of the brethren of that body into this State Convention, desire to report as follows:

Our committee met in Little Rock on the 24th day of July, 1903, at which time we heard and considered six propositions made by the General Association Committee January 23, 1903, which read as follows:

“ADDRESS OF COMMITTEE.

“Through the committee elected by ballot and without nomination by the 153 churches assembled through their elected messengers at Searcy, Ark., November 3, 1902, the General Association of Baptist churches sends Christian salutation to a like committee selected by ‘a special committee’ and approved by messengers and delegates accredited to 110 churches, while these messengers and delegates were assembled in State Convention at Conway, Ark., November 14-17, 1902.

“In relation to the subject we have been elected to consider, we refer you to pages 18-19 of the minutes of the General Association and to page 50 of the Convention minutes.

“Our committee, W. T. Box, Ben M. Bogard, J. L. Brown, W. A. Crutchfield, W. A. Clark, J. G. Doyle, C. M. Myrick, W. H. Pasley and Wm. Tucker, met in Little Rock January 21, 1903, and after prayer by Ben M. Bogard, elected W. T. Box chairman and W. A. Clark clerk. After a full and free discussion, the following resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote. W. C. C. Dorough coming in after adjournment, heartily approved the resolutions.

“RESOLUTIONS.

“*Resolved*, That we, the committee appointed by the General Association of Baptist churches elected to meet a like committee from the State Convention, are ready to candidly consider any respectful proposition from the committee representing the State Convention, which will recommend:

“(1) The scriptural right of individual churches to commission and send forth missionaries.

“(2) The arranging of missionary methods so that the reports of missionaries shall include only the work actually performed by the missionaries and paid for by missionary contributions.

“(3) The recognition of each church as a unit and entitled to equal representation with any other church in Association or Convention.

“(4) The absolute abolition of the office and expense of the corresponding secretary under whatever title.

“(5) The right of the churches to instruct their messengers on any subject to be recognized.

“(6) The abolition of the present plan of co-operation with the Home and Foreign Mission Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.

“*Resolved*, That the clerk be instructed to mail a copy of these resolutions to the chairman of the committee appointed by the State Convention, and that a copy be furnished “Our State Paper” for publication.

“W. A. CLARK, Clerk of Committee.”

After much prayerful deliberation we made to them the following reply, by which we insisted that they meet us in joint session and prayerfully consider these questions as brethren. It reads as follows:

"LITTLE ROCK, ARK., July 24, 1903.

"To the Members of the Committee Appointed by the General Association of Arkansas to Meet our Committee Appointed by the Arkansas Baptist Convention to Adjust the Difficulties of the Baptists of the State—Greeting:

"Your letter addressed to our committee being in the nature of an ultimatum, admits nowhere of counsel or mutual concession. This has been a great hindrance to us in arriving at any proposition upon which we can hope to help matters as they now stand. We desire to ask if your committee will not meet our committee in the fear of God and with earnest desire and determinate purpose to settle and amicably adjust the differences now disrupting and humiliating our people.

"To stimulate such a decision on your part, we pledge ourselves to come together with you in the spirit of Christ, and by prayer and much calling upon our God, and with absolute unselfishness and in the spirit of perfect candor and fairness to seek before our Father in heaven and for the sake and honor of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the complete and righteous settlement of all troubles now dividing our Baptist hosts.

"Awaiting your early reply, with the suggestion that if said reply is favorable, that the chairman respectively of each committee be authorized to make an immediate call for the joint meeting of the said committees at the earliest date possible. We are yours for Christ and righteousness.

"Signed by committee,

"ALLEN HILL AUTRY, Chairman,

"H. BEAUCHAMP, Secretary,

"W. A. FREEMAN,

"W. S. RONEY,

"E. C. ELLIS,

"T. W. O'KELLEY,

"F. G. BRIGGS,

"H. T. BRADFORD,

"W. H. SLEDGE,

"M. T. WEBB."

Again our committee met on September 22, the time set by Brother W. T. Box, chairman General Association Committee, for joint session of both committees. But their committee failing to meet us, after much mature consideration, we sent them the following communication, which we proposed as a basis of settlement:

"LITTLE ROCK, ARK., September 22, 1903.

"To the Committee of the General Association of Baptist Churches of Arkansas Appointed upon the Recommendation of the Caroline Association, the Committee Appointed by the Baptist State Convention, to Confer with You, Send Christian Greeting:

"Dear Brethren—We are very anxious to bring about peace, harmony and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas, and in order to accomplish this we have agreed to the following recommendations and propositions, which we communicate to you for your thoughtful and prayerful consideration.

"We have received the communication which was adopted by your committee January 21, 1903. Your communication is really in the nature of an ultimatum, and does not at all admit of mutual consultation and concession, and this has been a great hindrance to us in arriving at any proposition upon which we might hope to

effect the desired unity. Still, we make you the following propositions:

"(1) As to your first demand, that we acknowledge "The Scriptural right of individual churches to commission and send forth missionaries." We do not deny the scriptural right of churches to commission and send a missionary out, especially if it proposes to support him. But when a number of churches are expected to support a missionary the only fair, equitable and scriptural plan is for all of the churches to have an equal voice in his election. A board, or mutual committee, is the only practical method of bringing this about.

"Notwithstanding our convictions on this subject, which are unchanged, yet, for the sake of harmony, peace and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas, we will agree to your first demand and will recommend its adoption by our State Convention.

"(2) As to your second demand, which includes: "The arranging of missionary methods so that the reports of missionaries shall include only work actually performed by the missionaries and paid for by missionary contributions," our committee heartily and unanimously agrees to it.

"(3) As to your third demand, this includes "The recognition of each church as a unit and entitled to equal representation with another church in association or convention," we are decidedly of the opinion that any agreement which gives a church of ten or a dozen members as much voice in an association or convention as a church of four or five hundred members is manifestly unjust, unfair and unreasonable. We believe that such an arrangement is in reality a disfranchisement of a large number of Baptists, so far as that association or convention is concerned.

"Notwithstanding our views upon this subject, yet for the sake of harmony, peace and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas, we shall agree to this demand also, and recommend its adoption by our State Convention.

"(4) As to your demand No. 4. which includes, "The absolute abolition of the office and expense of corresponding secretary, under whatever title," we have the following to say:

"For many years the convention has shifted from one plan to another in doing State Mission work. The work has always succeeded best when there was a general agent in the field. Especially was this true when Brethren W. A. Clark, M. D. Early, B. G. Maynard and A. J. Barton occupied the place. Others did good work, but their service was of short duration. The convention also tried the plan of having the correspondence done by the recording secretary of the Board, on a small salary. The results of this experiment were not satisfactory, and it was abandoned. The plan of having the correspondence done by some brother without pay was also tried. The result of this plan was not satisfactory either, and it was abandoned, as it was not successful. For some years in the immediate past the Convention has pursued the plan of employing a brother for all of his time to do the correspondence, raise money for missionary purposes and do evangelistic work. Under this plan the mission work has prospered, notwithstanding the great opposition with which it has met. We wish to here record our decided conviction that the corresponding secretary is both a Scriptural and a useful servant. We are of the opinion that no such work as that of our State Convention can be carried on in the most successful manner without some one to do this character of work. Notwithstanding, for the sake of peace, harmony and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas, we will agree to recommend to the State

Convention the abolition of the office and expense of corresponding secretary under whatever name.

"(5) As to your fifth demand, which includes, "The right of churches to instruct their messengers on any subject to be recognized." We will concede that Baptist churches have the right (that is, the liberty) to instruct their messengers on any subject. Yet, we do not believe that they should do so, because an association or convention is of the nature of a mutual counsel, and all who sit in such a counsel should be on an equality. No member should have his hands tied by previously-given instructions, for that would make it impossible for him to receive counsel, because reason, argument and further light could have no effect upon him. Whatever change or new exigency arose, he would not be at liberty to change from the instruction of his church, and would often be compelled to vote against his own convictions. However, for the sake of peace, harmony and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas, we shall agree to your demand No. 5, and shall recommend its adoption by the State Convention.

"(6) As to your demand, which includes, "The abolition of the present plan of co-operation with the Home and Foreign Mission Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention," we see nothing wrong or unwise in the present plan of co-operation with these boards. But we are willing, for the sake of peace, harmony and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas to employ another plan, which may be mutually agreed upon.

"We have thus agreed to all the demands which you have made, and hoping that you are as anxious for peace, harmony and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas as we are, we now call upon you to take steps to bring about the desired reunion.

"All of the above recommendations are agreed to and will be made to the State Convention, with the distinct understanding and upon the following conditions:

"First. That the General Association will dissolve, and before doing so shall recommend to the churches now representing in it to hereafter send messengers to the State Convention.

"Second. That the two papers, "The Landmark Baptist" and the "Baptist Advance" shall, when these recommendations shall have been adopted by both the General Association and the State Convention, be merged into one paper, under such a plan as shall be prescribed by a mutual committee, four of whom shall be appointed by the editors of each paper, and the ninth elected by the eight thus chosen; the findings of the majority of which shall be final and binding upon the editors and proprietors of both papers.

"If these recommendations shall be agreed to by your committee and the General Association, we will bring them before the State Convention at its next session, and will use all our personal influence and our influence as a committee to secure their adoption by that body, including, of course, such alteration in the constitution of the convention as will be necessary to make it harmonize with these recommendations. It shall be distinctly understood that this latter condition relating to the papers shall not be binding upon either party until the General Association shall have dissolved or agreed to do so, and the State Convention shall have adopted the foregoing recommendations, whereupon it shall be in force and binding.

"A. H. AUTRY, Chairman,

"H. BEAUCHAMP, Secretary."

On the 7th of October the two committees met in Little Rock,

and failing to have a joint session, the following correspondence took place. It is as follows:

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE'S ACTION.

"LITTLE ROCK, ARK., October 7, 1903.

"To the Committee of the Baptist State Convention, Appointed upon the Recommendation of Caroline Association, the Committee Elected by the General Association of Baptist Churches to Confer with You, Send Christian Greeting:

"We have received your communication, which you adopted September 22, 1903, and now respond as follows:

"Whereas, The peace committee of the Baptist State Convention has announced their acceptance of these six propositions, submitted January 23, 1903:

"(1) The Scriptural right of individual churches to commission and send forth missionaries.

"(2) The arranging of missionary methods so that the reports of missionaries shall include only the work actually performed by the missionaries and paid for by missionary contributions.

"(3) The recognition of each church as a unit and entitled to equal representation with any other church in association or convention.

"(4) The absolute abolition of the office and expense of the corresponding secretary under whatever title.

"(5) The right of the churches to instruct their messengers on any subject to be recognized.

"(6) The abolition of the present plan of co-operation with the Home and Foreign Mission Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, and have pledged their influence toward securing their adoption by the State Convention.

"Therefore, *Resolved*, That we, the peace committee of the General Association of Baptist churches, do hereby agree to present these six propositions to said General Association, and to use our influence for their adoption, provided that the General Association shall continue its organization and work until such time as the Baptist State Convention shall have adopted the said six propositions and amended its constitution and methods of work in conformity therewith.

"As soon as this shall have been done the General Association to dissolve and the churches co-operating therewith recommended to send messengers to and heartily co-operate with the State Convention, as thus reconstructed; and with the understanding that no distinction shall be made to the prejudice of any individual because of his attitude to the General Association. We furthermore pledge our good will and support to the paper which most faithfully represents and defends the principles set forth in these six propositions on which we have agreed. But we recognize the fact that newspapers are, and should be, personal enterprises, and that it is not the province of associations or conventions to assume control or superintendence of private ownerships. However, for the sake of harmony, peace and unity among the Baptists of Arkansas, we will agree to use our influence to secure a merging or consolidation of the two papers in the manner and at the time you suggest.

"Adopted this October 7, 1903.

"We elect Brethren Pasley and Doyle to bear you this communication, hoping you will adopt it in separate session, and when this has been done, and notice of such action communicated to us, we

are ready to meet you at any convenient place to ratify in joint session the same without change or modification.

"W. T. Box, Chairman,
"W. A. CLARK, Clerk."

CONVENTION COMMITTEE'S REPLY.

"LITTLE ROCK, ARK., October 7, 1903.

"To the Committee of the General Association, Appointed upon the Recommendation of the Caroline Association:

"We, the committee of the State Convention, appointed to confer with you, send Christian greeting.

Dear Brethren—Your communication of this date by the hands of Brethren Doyle and Pasley is at hand. We express our deepest surprise and regret that you have not met our communication in the spirit in which we made it. Your former communication was full of demands, which you ask us to concede as a basis of unity among our people. No Baptist in the State of Arkansas thought that we would be willing to concede so much for this purpose. After we had met and prayed over the matter we concluded that no sacrifice of personal opinion or preferences were too great for us to make in order that our Zion might have peace. We did not modify a single proposition you made. Under such circumstances it is customary for both parties to come together for friendly discussion and mutual concession, but you have demanded and we have yielded everything you asked. Then for the purpose of effecting immediate peace we made two propositions which called for no sacrifice of principle or conviction on your part and designated a method for the settling and adjustment of our paper question, on a basis whereby the proprietors of both papers could protect themselves. The Editor of the "Baptist Advance" has already expressed his willingness to conform to any method of settlement adopted by the brethren. There are those on your committee who are authorized to say the word which will bind the "Landmark Baptist" and let a settlement at once be effected, and we can stop at once all partisan publications and bitter personal journalism, and have substituted in lieu of it one paper representing all our brethren of every view, and thoroughly pledged to promote the peace and welfare of our reunited people. Notwithstanding the concessions we have made, your communication, when properly construed, is nothing but a refusal to comply with these necessary conditions, without which a settlement cannot be had. The terms of your paper, which we have received today contain further conditions which you ask us to adopt before you are willing to meet us in joint session, and give us no assurance whatever that partisan journalism will ever cease. Our concessions were made on condition that all strife, division and partisanship cease at once, and let our work be reunited and let our people be freed from further division and trouble. Our acceptance was on the condition of present settlement. You decline to settle now. We regret that you have rejected a peace which we made possible. We trust you will reconsider your action and give us in lieu thereof an acceptance of our propositions without further evasion or condition. We think the Baptist conscience of Arkansas today demands this, and whosoever stands in the way of peace will be held responsible for the consequences. We feel that we have done our full duty and more than could reasonably

have been demanded or expected of us. For the accomplishment of this we stand ready to meet you in joint session.

"By order of the committee,

"ALLEN HILL AUTRY, Chairman,
 "H. BEAUCHAMP, Secretary,
 "M. T. WEBB,
 "T. W. O'KELLEY,
 "F. G. BRIGGS."

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE.

"LITTLE ROCK, ARK., October 7, 1903.

"To the Peace Committee of the State Convention—Greeting:

Brethren—Your communication by the hands of Brethren Webb and Briggs received. You complain that we have not accepted your terms. It is the opinion of our committee that we have accepted your demands without amendment. We did agree that the two papers be merged upon the plan and at the time suggested by your committee. What more could you ask? The editors of the "Landmark Baptist" have spoken a word and stand ready for the merging or consolidation of the papers in the way you suggest. That is what we meant and that is what we said. As to immediate peace, it is not within our power to effect it. We as committee can only report to the general body which we represent, and these bodies, namely, the General Association and the State Convention, shall act upon our reports. We are willing to recommend that the General Association dissolve as you demand, but we shall have to wait until it meets before we can do that. If you are willing to recommend that the State Convention do what you yourselves said you would recommend, then we ask you to stick to your proposition and recommend it. If the State Convention shall see proper to amend its constitution accordingly, then the General Association could and would disband, and then all could dwell together in unity. If you want peace and harmony among Baptists, you will, of course, be willing to stand by your own action. If you are merely seeking advantage by artful diplomacy, we assure you we have no time nor place for such occupation. We thought we were accepting your conditions without amendment or modification. We affirm that this is still our intention. If you want peace and harmony, we ask you to stand by your own action. The General Association is under no necessity for uniting with anybody, but we shall rejoice to see the day when the Baptists shall be united on the terms you yourselves submitted to us.

"W. T. BOX, Chairman,
 "W. A. CLARK, Clerk."

FINAL REPLY STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE.

"LITTLE ROCK, ARK., October 7, 1903.

"To the Committee of the General Association:

"Dear Brethren—We have received your last communication, which says that you accept the propositions which you have made us without amendment or modification. If you had said this in your first communication today, it would have saved us the necessity of making the reply we sent you today; for we did not so understand that communication. To our minds it clearly contained further conditions which you wanted us to accept, namely:

"1. You demanded of us to adopt your communication before you were willing to meet us in joint session and ratify it.

"2. You demanded that we should guarantee the standing of the men now in the General Association when they shall have come back into the Convention, which we could not undertake to do, for then, as now, all men must stand on their own merits.

"3. Your communication contained a deliverance as to the further policy of the paper after the two are consolidated, whereas said policy must of necessity be determined by the management.

"Since you now make it clear that you do adopt our propositions to you, "without amendment or modification," we shall now expect you to take the necessary steps to bring about the required conditions. We presume that further communication between these committees shall not be necessary until the aforesaid conditions are complied with so far as you are concerned. And in carrying out the letter and the spirit of these agreements, may the God of all grace direct us to His glory.

"ALLEN HILL AUTRY, Chairman,
"HARVEY BEAUCHAMP, Secretary."

Thus it will be seen that our committee closed the correspondence on October 7, thinking that an agreement had been reached, but subsequently, and after he had returned home, Chairman Autry received the following official communication from Chairman Box:

COMMUNICATION THIRD.

"October 7, 1903.

"To the Peace Committee of the State Convention—Greeting:

"Brethren—Your communication setting forth your misunderstanding of our first communication, is ambiguous and evasive, and without any promise or pledge on your part. As a final response to all your communications, we hereby refer you to the letter and spirit of our first response to your acceptance of the six propositions made by us January 23, 1903. When your committee shall have agreed to its specifications, we agree to carry out our pledge to secure their adoption and fulfillment. We have acted in good faith and of right demand that you shall stand pledged to use your influence to consummate the complete adoption of the propositions which you yourselves accepted and suggested. The matter is now in your hands. Yours for peace on scriptural grounds,

"W. T. BOX, Chairman,
"W. A. CLARKE, Clerk."

This led us to believe that they had rejected our propositions for peace; hence our committee by correspondence agreed upon a suitable reply, which was sent to them October 22, and which reads as follows:

"A FINAL RESPONSE.

"LITTLE ROCK, ARK., October 22, 1903.

"To the Committee of the General Association:

Dear Brethren—We have received your last communication of October 7, 1903, which you call "A Final Response to all Our Communications." In this you again require of us that we agree to the specifications of your "first response" to our "acceptance of your six propositions" before you would agree to take steps to "secure their adoption and fulfillment." You demanded this once before and we emphatically refused to do it. We desire to say to you now,

frankly, but firmly, we do not agree to your additional "specifications," and you need never expect us to do so. These things being true, any report that these committees have agreed upon terms of peace would manifestly be incorrect. Although you say that your letter is "final," we are nevertheless still ready to meet you in joint session for the purpose of bringing about peace upon honorable terms.

"ALLEN HILL AUTRY, Chairman,
 "HARVEY BEAUCHAMP, Secretary,
 "T. W. O'KELLEY,
 "W. A. FREEMAN,
 "H. T. BRADFORD,
 "W. H. SLEDGE,
 "E. C. ELLIS,
 "M. T. WEBB,
 "I. G. BRIGGS.

Finally, our chairman received from Ben M. Bogard the report of their peace committee, which was adopted by the General Association, which reads as follows:

"PEACE COMMITTEE REPORT.

"Your committee appointed at your last annual meeting to confer with a similar committee of the State Convention, touching the matter of differences now existing between these two bodies, and if possible agree upon and jointly recommend the terms of a peaceful and satisfactory settlement of the same, would most respectfully submit the following report:

"Our first meeting was held at Little Rock, Ark., January 23, 1903, with all the members present. After much earnest prayer and deliberation we adopted what be believed to be a reasonable and scriptural basis for settlement, which consisted of six fundamental principles, as follows:

"1. The scriptural right of individual churches to commission and send forth missionaries.

"2. The arranging of missionary methods so that the reports of missionaries shall include only the work actually performed by the missionaries and paid for by missionary contributions.

"3. Recognition of each church as a unit and entitled to equal representation with any other church in association or convention.

"4. The absolute abolition of the office and expense of the corresponding secretary under whatever title.

"5. The right of the churches to instruct their messengers on any subject to be recognized.

"6. The abolition of the present plan of co-operation with the Home and Foreign Mission Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"Your committee also agreed that if the convention committee should concede these several principles and recommend their adoption by the State Convention at the next annual meeting, we would recommend them to this association upon the terms hereinafter named. On September 22, 1903, the convention committee met at Little Rock and agreed to accept these terms and recommend their adoption by the State Convention, provided this committee would accept and recommend for adoption by this association the two following propositions, namely:

"1. That the general association will dissolve, and before doing so shall recommend to the churches now representing in it to hereafter send messengers to the State Convention.

"2. That the two papers, the "Landmark Baptist" and the "Baptist Advance," shall, when these recommendations shall have been adopted by both the General Association and the State Convention, be merged into one paper under such a plan as shall be prescribed by a mutual committee, four of whom shall be appointed by the editors of each paper, and the ninth elected by the eight thus chosen, the findings of the majority of which shall be final and binding upon the editors and proprietors of both papers.

"If the recommendations shall be agreed to by your committee and the General Association, we will bring them before the State Convention at its next session, and will use all our personal influence and our influence as a committee to secure their adoption by that body, including, of course, such alteration as will be necessary to make it harmonize with these recommendations. It shall be distinctly understood that this latter condition relating to the papers, shall not be binding upon either party until the General Association shall have dissolved, or agreed to do so, and the State Convention shall have adopted the foregoing recommendation, whereupon it shall be in force and binding.

"On October 7, 1903, both committees held each another meeting in Little Rock, when the following correspondence was held, which we have given in full and allow it to speak for itself. From the foregoing correspondence, it will be seen that your committee took the advance in the peace negotiations, and that it was several months before we received any response to our first communication. To this seeming indifference, however, we offered no complaint. It will also be seen that our proposed basis of settlement had to do with the vital principles and mission methods only, and not with private ownerships and enterprises, nor did we demand any changes as to the correlation of our colleges, a thing we should, in justice to the holdings of this association, have done; but we felt that for the sake of peace we could afford to let this point go unchallenged for the present at least.

"But it seems to us that the Convention committee in their demands aimed a death blow, not only to the "Landmark Baptist," as a private enterprise, but to the organization of the General Association itself. This we felt was, in the light of the present situation, unjust and unreasonable, but for the sake of peace among our dear churches and people in the State, we agreed to accept them and recommend their adoption by this association, but, as the correspondence shows, with the distinct understanding, that they were not to take effect until ratified by both the General Association and the State Convention.

"We, your committee, would recommend that the agreement reached by the two peace committees be ratified, and the proposition as accepted by the Convention committee be reaffirmed and accepted and without amendment. And we further recommend that when the State Convention amends its constitution so that it shall conform to the six propositions made and accepted by the committee and agreed to by this committee that the General Association dissolve, and that the State Convention and the General Association be merged into one body, as has been agreed to by the two committees. We further recommend that the General Association accept the following re-affirmation:

"*Resolved*, That, whereas the Convention committee have misconstrued our communication and have supposed that new specifications were involved, or required by us; therefore, we now solemnly affirm that we desire to add nothing new to the conditions

or specifications accepted by the Convention committee of October 7, 1903."

W. A. Clark and W. C. C. Dorrough non-concurred in the report. From this correspondence it will be clearly seen:

1. That their committee offered us an ultimatum which they did not interpret.

2. That we insisted on their meeting us in joint session that we might know what they meant.

3. They refused to meet us in joint session until we had agreed to the terms of their ultimatum.

4. We accepted their propositions upon the two conditions, that the General Association dissolve and the "Landmark Baptist" and the "Baptist Advance" merge as soon as those recommendations were accepted by the General Association and the State Convention.

5. Then they accepted our conditional acceptance, injecting as our committee thought, other conditions which they required us to accept and adopt, "in separate meeting," before they would meet us in joint session.

6. Then we demurred from their new specifications.

7. Then they accepted our first acceptance without "amendment or modification."

8. Then we closed the correspondence, thinking an agreement had been reached and that peace was possible upon the basis of our acceptance.

9. After our committee had adjourned, our chairman received another communication from Brother Box, demanding that we adopt the "specifications" of their "first response" to our acceptance before they would agree.

10. Whereupon our committee announced that an agreement had not been reached by the committees.

11. Finally their committee reported to the General Association that the committees had agreed and recommended that our acceptance be adopted without further amendment or modifications, thus declaring that they no longer required our adoption of their new specifications. This was adopted by the General Association, which agreed to dissolve and merge the papers as soon as our acceptance should have been accepted by the State Convention.

~~AMENDMENT.~~

The General Association agreed to the six propositions "as accepted by us," including these two conditions: First, the immediate dissolution of the General Association, and, second, the merging of the two papers upon the adoption by this Convention of the six propositions. But the General Association afterwards made it impossible for it to comply with the first of these conditions; for, in plain violation of its agreement to dissolve as soon as the Convention should adopt the six propositions, it voted to continue its organization another year anyway, and instructed its Executive Committee to continue its work as heretofore.

The editors of the "Landmark Baptist" have declared that they will not stand by the agreement to merge the papers unless they are allowed to interpret the six propositions to mean what they do not at all say, thus injecting other conditions than those agreed to. They say in the "Landmark Baptist" that the only interpretation of the six propositions which they "will tolerate for one moment" is one that means, (1) The adoption by the Convention of the principles of the General Association; (2) "The surrender by the Convention of all things peculiar to the organized work," and

(3) The withdrawal by this Convention of all co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention.

The correspondence between the committees will show that this committee has never agreed, and could never agree, to the adoption "of the principles of the General Association," some of which are manifestly unscriptural, nor to the surrender of "all things peculiar to the organized work." The correspondence also shows that they agreed to our acceptance of these propositions with our avowed and plainly expressed intention of continuing in co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention.

The people who organized the General Association are themselves responsible for the present division of our people. Unwilling to abide by the oft expressed will of an overwhelming majority of this Convention, they went out from us and organized the opposing body. Now they make themselves responsible for continued division, and whatever strife may result from it, by refusing to abide by their own agreement, so that no action that this Convention could take would make present union possible. Therefore, we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

(1) That we invite all the Baptists of Arkansas to co-operate with us on the old time Baptist principles and practices of co-operation, for which this Convention has always stood, which are identical with those prevailing in all the district associations all over the land, and in other state organizations—those principles and practices under the operation of which God has so abundantly blessed us in the years gone by.

(2) That while we regret the departure of any of our brethren from this Convention and its work, still we recognize their right to work upon any plan that may seem best to them, and shall pray the blessings of God upon any good that may be done by any who may not see fit to co-operate with us.

(3) That the "Baptist Advance" and the "Landmark Baptist" be requested to give this paper immediate publication and that the Recording Secretary furnish a copy to the daily and weekly papers of the State and request that they also publish it.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN HILL AUTRY, Chairman,
H. BEAUCHAMP, Secretary,
E. C. ELLIS,
M. E. WEBB,
F. G. BRIGGS,
W. H. SLEDGE,
H. T. BRADFORD,
W. A. FREEMAN,

Committee.

J. F. Love read the report of the State Mission Board, which was adopted after an enthusiastic discussion.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

With profound gratitude to God, the Executive Board submits its report to the fifty-fifth session of this body. The year has been eventful, and yet our work has been attended with the divine favor and blessing. There have been hindrances to the work and many discouragements in it, but God has been near, friends have been steadfast, many have responded to the needs of the Board with noble generosity, the workers have been blessed and their work crowned with success.

HINDRANCES.

During the closing weeks of the last Convention year and the first three months of the present year, we were without a secretary in the field. Brother Cox gave such attention to the once routine as he could spare from the onerous duties of his large pastorate. By correspondence he put himself into sympathetic spiritual touch with missionaries and churches, and won for himself the abiding esteem of our people. He was, however, at great disadvantage. Assuming the unfamiliar duties of the office just prior to the Convention, and at a time when business was heaviest, he was greatly pressed with work, and hurried in preparing his report. Many churches failed, as they have this year, to send in their missionary contributions in time for orderly entry. Some who held claims against the Board failed to present such claims until after the Convention had adjourned. It was almost impossible for one under such circumstances to avoid confusion and mistake in some matters. So it occurred that instead of entering upon the new year without debt, as was supposed, we really brought over into the present year the amount of \$857,20 which belonged to last year's obligations. This has of course added to the otherwise heavy burdens of the year.

In addition to this the long rainy season and the floods in the spring seriously hindered mission work and mission contributions. Several of our missionaries could not for a period reach their appointments, and in many of our churches missionary collections were suspended. Several of our most liberal churches have this year carried heavy financial burdens in erecting or paying off debts on new houses of worship. Another serious hindrance to the work has been the large number of churches that have been without pastors for a great part of the year. Efforts to stir up strife among brethren have been serious barriers to spiritual revivals and Christian liberality in some quarters; and the peace negotiations reaching a climax just as we were trying to muster our forces for a successful closing of our State Mission campaign so absorbed the thought of many as to stifle their benevolence, we fear.

ACHIEVEMENTS.

Notwithstanding the facts recited above, the report which we are, under the divine blessing, able to make is one in which every right-hearted Baptist will take pride, and for which he will be grateful to God. The elaborate statistical tables will show as far as figures can the results. We insert here a brief summary of the missionary work.)

SUMMARY.

Missionaries employed	51
Days of labor	6,821
Miles traveled in performance of labor	33,172
Churches supplied	66
Other stations supplied	44
Sermons preached	3,874
Religious addresses other than in prayer-meetings.....	711
Total sermons and addresses.....	4,715
Prayer-meetings conducted	1,013
Religious visits	8,818
Religious visits made in homes.....	1,459

VISIBLE RESULTS.

Professions of conversion.....	1,243
Additions by baptism	747

Additions by letter	505
Additions by restoration	58
Churches organized	11
Constituent members of the same.....	216
Meeting houses built	7
Cost of same	\$4,600 00
Meeting houses repaired	20
Cost of same	\$2,799 50
Sunday Schools organized	27
Present number Sunday Schools.....	89
Officers and teachers	478
Number of pupils	2,910
Expense of schools	\$592 89

MONEY RAISED.

Raised on salary.....	\$ 4,016 70
Incidental expenses	851 61
Associational missions	1,170 19
State Missions	1,319 88
Home Missions	143 54
Foreign Missions	205 44
Sunday School and Colportage.....	183 51
Ministerial education	92 88
Orphans' Home	159 96
Missionary benevolences	1,553 04
Total	\$17,204 91

The following is a summary of the work done by the missionaries on other fields than their own:

Total sermons and addresses.....	983
Professions of conversion.....	598
Additions by baptism.....	210
Additions by letter.....	60
Additions by restoration.....	17
Money for benevolent purposes.....	\$571 67

It is but fair in reporting missionary work done to refer to the fact that a blessed work has been accomplished by associational missionaries whose salaries are paid by their respective associational boards. The work of these faithful and devoted men does not appropriately find a place in this report, and yet we may record our appreciation of it and pray for heaven's blessings upon these workers and upon all those who have striven to give the Gospel of Christ to the men and women of our State.

VOLUNTEERS.

The following brethren volunteered their services for special meetings during the year. The appended figures show something of the results of their labors.

	Sermons and Addresses.	Profes's of Conver'n.	B'p'tms Ad'n'r'd	Rec'd by Letter.	Rec'd by Rest'a'n.
Amis, W. T.....	33	6
Cox, Ben'j.	44	7	...
Knight, C. W.	47	23	9	16	...
Miller, A. C.	60	30	19	10	1
David, W. J.	41	...	33	6	1
Smith, S. A.	56	50	35	5	...
Wade, O. J.	31	44	17	3	...
Total	258	153	157	47	2

Total additions from missionary labors, according to above tables:

Baptism	1,114
Letter	612
Restoration	77

Other pastors did like work, but made no report of it to us. Upon one and all we implore the blessings of divine grace.

By reference to the above summary it will be seen that fifty-one brethren received aid from the Board during the year, some gave up the work before the year was out, while a few, whose names do not appear in the list of missionaries and is not included in the above number, failed to either enter upon the work after appropriations were made for their support or claimed no salary for what they did. It may be said of these who have labored that the Board never, perhaps, helped to support a more godly and faithful corps of Gospel preachers.

It is with regret that we make mention of the departure from our State of Missionary R. C. Medaris, one of the most faithful men we have had in the work.

SOME MORAL FACTS.

The spirit of benevolence was never so marked among the churches co-operating with the Convention; and never were these churches so intelligent in their views and so steadfast in their loyalty to the objects of the Convention as now. We are blessed with some splendid examples of liberality. Many have approached the point of sacrifice in giving; and the Christian spirit which has characterized this benevolence is its crowning glory. Moreover, there is evident dissatisfaction with bitter and vain dangle over petty questions and a growing desire for peace and fraternity among brethren. There is a deepening of spirituality in many lives and a gain of missionary breadth among our people. The dignity and the magnitude of the missionary enterprise grows apace. Soon, we hope, the largeness and the grandeur of this theme and the better spirit of Christianity will eclipse things which humiliate and hinder us to-day.

GROWTH IN BENEVOLENCE.

Our people have contributed this year to State Missions, \$6,904.92, which is \$2,158.24 more than was reported to the Convention last year. They have contributed \$4,031.32 to Foreign Missions, which is \$1,380.80 more than was reported to you last year. The amount given to Home Missions this year is \$2,399.73 in advance of \$1,006.50 over last year. Total to State, Home and Foreign Missions, \$13,335.97, an increase of \$4,545.54 over last year's report.

The growing number of large contributors among our churches and individual Baptists is a matter for congratulation and inspiration. It ought always to be recognized that small contributors may deserve as high praise as those who make large gifts, and we cheerfully bestow that praise. Nevertheless, it betokens the favor of God upon our people that we have those who are able to make large gifts to His cause, and it is a sign of spiritual religion in our strong churches and wealthier brethren that they give ungrudgingly. For this we should be grateful and by it encouraged. Few states can boast of a brighter galaxy of mission churches than ours. The possibility of being charged with making invidious comparisons causes us to forbear giving in this connection the names

of a score of churches and individuals. We will venture to name a few whose missionary contributions may be considered as

MISSIONARY FRUITS.

The following list of churches and their contributions for missions is made up from churches which were either established or assisted by missionary appropriations during some period of their history.

Helena	\$ 380 00
Second, Little Rock	2,108 62
Immanuel, Little Rock	508 30
Hot Springs	760 00
Fort Smith	486 50
Pine Bluff	1,105 76
Jonesboro	158 15
Batesville	105 56
Eureka Springs	687 20
El Dorado	382 00
Camden	156 20
Lake Village	203 50
Paragould	176 32
Newport	100 00

The above amounts do not include other benevolences, nor even money given to Sunday School and Colportage work, which is missionary money. We estimate that 90 per cent of all money reported for missions to this Convention came from churches whose growth and strength were nurtured by your State Mission Board.

MATTERS FOR GRATEFUL APPRECIATION.

We wish to make especial mention of the generosity of our Home Board and the unselfish interest which it feels in the spiritual welfare of our beloved State, as indicated by the fact that it has, at the request of your Board, increased its appropriation to Arkansas to \$5,000.00 for the present Southern Baptist Convention year, including the \$300.00 paid on the salary of our secretary. Both the Home and Foreign Boards have served the cause of missions by generous supplies of tracts for free distribution.

The editors and proprietors of the "Baptist Advance" have placed your Board and this Convention under obligations for liberal space given in the paper to our secretary and Woman's Missionary Union and editorial and other matter on mission topics.

The loving co-operation of our pastors and the liberality of our people will always provoke us to gratitude and love.

The work of our Baptist women wins our admiration, arouses our gratitude and stirs up hope. We commend their report for a careful reading. Truly these women have helped us in the Gospel.

The ready co-operation and uncomplaining faithfulness of the missionaries who have labored this year has lessened the burden and sweetened the tasks of your Board. Between the Board and the missionaries there has been maintained the most candid and fraternal relationship. To these men who constitute the real heroes in this spiritual warfare, we return in this public way our grateful love.

NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES.

For fifty-five years this Convention has been striving for the evangelization of Arkansas and the world. A glorious work has been done, many thousands of precious souls saved from endless death, many Christian workers raised up and many strong churches

established. These are among the fruits of the years from missionary toils, gifts and prayers. Even this year many have been saved, others comforted and edified and churches have become self-supporting. And yet there remains much unclaimed territory within the bounds of the State, and there are increasing opportunities for large and effective work. Perhaps one-half, at least, of the responsible citizens of this State are still out of Christ. Thousands of unsaved men and women are hurrying to our State to establish their homes, to fell our forests, clear and till our farms, dig in our mines, build our railroads and swell the numbers in our multiplying and growing towns. These aggregations of human beings and the improved facilities for reaching the destitute regions enlarge our opportunities and increase our responsibilities.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Board would ask that pastors and churches give earnest and prayerful thought to the matter of arranging a schedule of missionary collections to run through the year. Every object of the Convention ought to have a place on every church calendar, and be brought intelligently and earnestly before every congregation. And especially would we recommend that if possible our co-operating churches arrange to take their State Mission collections alternately throughout the year, so that your treasury shall be constantly replenished, and men whose families are dependent upon the appropriations of your Board be not allowed to suffer while working for God and relying upon our churches for support.

We would further recommend that until this plan is made operative the Executive Board be instructed to arrange with some bank or other financial concern or private individual to have the official paper of the Convention honored at any time for a sufficient amount to relieve the necessities of missionaries.

Convention adjourned till 2 p. m. Prayer by F. C. McConnell.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 2 p. m. by President Eagle. F. D. Baars led in prayer.

By motion the Home Mission report was referred to Sunday, 7:30 p. m.

O. J. Wade read the report on publications. It was unanimously adopted after a spirited discussion.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

It should be needless to emphasize the value of a patient study of God's Word. In it is revealed the course of true conduct, the purpose of God in the life of man, and above all, the Person who is the way, the truth and the life. Not only do we commend the Book of Books, but let this be said with all possible emphasis, that we should be slow to read any publication that is out of harmony with the spirit, purpose and teaching of this inspired word. It were better to be ignorant of some books than to know them; to be ignorant of some papers than to read them. There needs to be much discrimination concerning that which is read. No publication claiming to be religious should be allowed to enter the home that is not spiritual in its tone, educational in nature and constructive in its work.

Concerning the denominational paper, we may say that it is here, and has come to stay. It is a necessity. The influence of such paper for good or evil cannot be measured. Its spirit and purpose become in a large measure the spirit and purpose of him that reads it. The editor of a paper moulds public opinion; before God he should see that that opinion is right.

Among our publications we would commend our Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal. Every pastor should read these, and urge his people to subscribe for them. Of course, we would recommend the publications of our own Sunday School Board. They are sound in doctrine and excellent in every feature. As Southern Baptists we should take peculiar pride in the excellency of our own Sunday School publications.

We give a final word to the "Baptist Advance." It is the offspring of an imperative call of Arkansas Baptists for some paper that should be at once constructive, aggressive and loyal to every interest fostered by a great denomination. The "Advance" has never failed us. It has gone before us as a banner of hope. In this hour of trial it is an indispensable factor in our denominational life. We must support it as long as it supports the fundamental things that are dear to all our hearts, but no longer. We recommend it to you—

1. Because of its loving spirit.
2. Because of its loyalty to truth.
3. Because it is wisely aggressive in its nature, constructive in its work and hopeful in its spirit.
4. Finally, we commend it to you because it is loyal to those institutions which have come in response to the prayers, the tears, and the toils of our fathers.

Let us pray for its editors and support them in their great, but difficult task.

Respectfully submitted,

O. J. WADE, Chairman.

Collection for stock in ADVANCE was taken as follows:

A. J. Barton, conditional.....	\$ 500 00
B. G. White.....	100 00
J. P. Eagle, conditional \$500, actual.....	250 00
J. R. Lanier.....	50 00
G. H. Gammill.....	100 00
J. R. Autrey.....	100 00
W. B. Holland.....	50 00
W. H. Eagle, conditional \$500, actual.....	250 00
J. M. Milburn, conditional.....	100 00
Mrs. C. E. Witt.....	25 00
Mrs. Laura McInturf.....	25 00
W. A. Forbes.....	50 00
M. P. Watts, conditional \$100, actual.....	25 00
E. C. Ellis, will raise in church.....	50 00
W. H. Sledge, J. W. Sandford.....	100 00
H. C. Munger.....	25 00
Mrs. Willie Ketchum.....	25 00
L. M. Cobb, Lonoke.....	50 00
Miss Eliza Hoskins, Morrilton.....	15 00

F. W. Homan.....	25 00
J. M. Milburn, unconditional.....	10 00
Mrs. Brad Scott.....	25 00
Mrs. W. W. Byrd.....	25 00
J. J. Hurt, \$5 per month.....	60 00
J. R. Anders, Warren, \$5 per month.....	60 00
Mrs. A. N. Hobbs.....	25 00
W. W. Gardner, \$1 per month, \$1 paid.....	12 00
Mrs. Joe P. Eagle.....	25 00
J. O. Butler.....	25 00
El Dorado Church.....	100 00
Elmo Marsh.....	100 00
Mrs. W. J. David.....	10 00
W. M. Bridges, Texarkana.....	20 00
B. B. Hawkins.....	25 00
C. T. Wilson, \$1 per month.....	12 00
Mrs. H. C. Munger, \$1 per month.....	12 00
Mrs. J. M. Forrester.....	10 00
N. B. McGlathery.....	25 00
A. E. Williams.....	25 00
L. F. Compton, Rogers, conditional.....	50 00
M. L. Voyles, \$1 per month.....	12 00
Mrs. Blanche Hawkins.....	5 00
J. M. Walker, \$1 per month.....	12 00
W. F. Gambill, Reyno, \$1 per month.....	12 00
J. M. Lawrence, \$1 per month.....	12 00
W. H. Haliburton.....	25 00
Mrs. Perminter, cash, paid.....	5 00
Cash.....	5 00
Mrs. E. D. Vann, Plummerville.....	10 00
J. G. Maybrey, Campbell, \$1 per month...	12 00
Dr. F. G. Smith, Newport.....	5 00
J. J. Haynes, one year.....	5 00
Mrs. Brad Scott, one year.....	5 00
Mrs. Jackson, one year.....	5 00
A. H. Soekland and Kelley.....	25 00
Visitor (J. A. Lee, Glenco, Ky), \$1 per mo.	12 00
J. F. Love.....	25 00
J. J. Haynes, old sub., two parties.....	5 00
H. C. Roberts.....	10 00
A. B. Holland, 50 cents per month.....	6 00
Mrs. C. E. Witt, Ladies' Aid, Second Church.	25 00
Mrs. W. A. Bright.....	5 00
J. R. Harris.....	50 00
Mrs. J. R. Autrey.....	5 00
Conway Ladies' Aid Society.....	5 00
Hope Sunbeams, Mrs. Jennie Hannigin....	5 00

B. Y. P. U., Eureka Springs.....	5 00
Ladies' Aid Society, El Dorado.....	5 00
B. Y. P. U., Pine Bluff.....	10 00
J. S. Fish, cash, paid.....	1 00
John Ayers.....	25 00
Total.....	<u>\$3,429 00</u>

Adjourned to 7 p. m.

Benediction by W. H. Sledge.

NIGHT SESSION.

At 7 p. m. President Eagle called the Convention to order.

E. E. Bomar led in prayer.

A. B. Bohannon read the report on State Missions.

Baptists of Arkansas have never faced a situation so full of promise as now. The past year has demonstrated to the utmost the wisdom of our plans of work. Many times our people have come together rejoicing because of the blessed results of our efforts within the State. But never have we had such profound reasons for joy as we have had during this Convention. Especially are we called upon to offer thanksgiving, in view of that great report by our Executive Board. One fact is plain to us all, God is leading us on to victory. Whilst our ears have been greeted with notes of discord until our hearts have grieved with apprehension for the future, one word has come to us from above, and our people have heard it and recognized its source. That word was "Forward." It is God's solution of our difficulties. "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." Much has been done already. Much more remains yet to be done. Great is our responsibility and equally great our opportunity.

The highest defense of our missionary methods is not so much in our theory of methods as in the glorious results of our methods. As will be seen by referring to the report of our Executive Board, churches have been founded where there were no churches; other churches have risen up to do great things for God, and profound spirit of benevolence and activity has spread among our people.

We commend the work done to our people, and recommend that we risk no experimental changes in our methods, but prosecute our work along the same lines. Let us say to the Executive Board, "Push out into yet wider work, and we are with you in the evangelization of Arkansas!"

We also recommend that we set our figures for the incoming year at \$10,000, and thus reach still greater possibilities.

Discussed and adopted.

A free-will offering was made for Brother G. W. L. Smith's work at Cotter, in Baxter county, amounting to \$57.50.

Treasurer J. H. Kitchens made his report as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.

To cash from last Convention.....	\$ 233 24
To amounts received from churches.....	54 47
To amounts received from Home and Foreign Boards....	4,950 00
To amounts received from J. F. Love, Secretary.....	6,850 45
Total	\$12,088 16

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By amount paid for minutes.....	\$ 200 00
By amount paid Statistical Secretary.....	50 00
By amount paid Recording Secretaries.....	50 00
By amount paid J. F. Love, salary.....	1,125 00
By amount paid J. F. Love, traveling expenses.....	78 19
By amount paid J. F. Love, moving expenses.....	142 80
By amount paid, office rent, help, stationery, stamps, etc.	583 96
By amount paid on debt last year.....	857 20
By amount paid missionaries and missionary pastors....	8,606 41
Balance on hand.....	394 60
Total	\$12,088 16

J. H. KITCHENS, Treasurer.

The Committee on Order of Business made the following partial report:

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

2:30 p. m.—Report of Sunday School and Colportage Board.

After 7:30 p. m. service, report of the Committee on Ministerial Education.

T. W. O'Kelley made the following report of the Committee on Divine Service:

BAPTIST.

First Church—9:30 a. m., Sunday School Mass Meeting, Van Ness, Prestridge; 11 a. m., S. H. Ford; 7:30 p. m., Home Missions, Dr. Gray.

Second Church—11 a. m., B. D. Gray; 7:30 p. m., J. B. Moody; 3:30 p. m., memorial service in honor of Mrs. Eagle.

Immanuel—11 a. m., E. E. Bomar; 7:30 p. m., F. F. Gibson.

Argenta First Church—11 a. m., M. T. Webb; 7:30 p. m., E. J. A. McKinney.

Bethlehem, Twenty-sixth and Marshall—11 a. m., Luther Grumbles; 7:30 p. m., J. W. McDonald.

Baring Cross—11 a. m., J. G. Sibley; 7:30 p. m., J. D. Adcock.

Immanuel Mission, Eighth and Cedar—3:30 p. m., E. T. Lincoln.

Antioch—11 a. m., H. F. Vermillion; 7:30 p. m., D. H. Gill.

COLORED CHURCHES.

First Baptist—11 a. m., S. L. Holloway; 7:30 p. m., A. H. Autry.

Wesley Chapel—11 a. m., E. P. West.

Philander Smith College—3:30 p. m., E. P. Minton.

Arkansas Baptist College, Sixteenth and High—3:30 p. m., W. A. Freeman; 7:30 p. m., W. L. Compere.

METHODIST.

First, Eighth and Center—11 a. m., H. L. Winburne.

Winfield, Fifteenth and Center—11 a. m., W. T. Amis.

Hunter Memorial, Twelfth and Barber Ave.—7:30 p. m., L. E. Finney.

Asbury, Tenth and Wolfe—7:30 p. m., O. J. Wade.

Frank Lynn Memorial, Thirteenth and Marshall—11 a. m., S. B. Callaway; 7:30 p. m., A. J. Cockroft.

Scott St., Fourteenth and Scott—11 a. m., S. A. Smith; 7:30 p. m., M. L. Voyles.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

11 a. m., H. C. Roberts; 7:30 p. m., A. Waterbury.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First Church, Fifth and Scott—11 a. m., E. E. Folk; 7:30 p. m., J. E. Denham.

Second Church, Fourth and State—11 a. m., Q. C. Davis; 7:30 p. m., Ross Moore.

Central, Twentieth and Arch—11 a. m., W. H. Sledge; 7:30 p. m., A. B. Bohannon.

Associate Reformed, Twelfth and Martin—11 a. m., E. C. Faulkner; 7:30 p. m., J. B. Wise.

The following resolution was offered by J. F. Love and unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, Owing to the peculiar conditions at Hot Springs, the religious needs are so great and the means so inadequate; and,

Whereas, The First Baptist Church there has, in order to supply these needs, launched the work on a large basis, and yet on a scale only adequate to meet the needs of that situation, and,

Whereas, The movement has met the hearty commendations of the Southern Baptist Convention in its recent session at Savannah, the Texas General Convention in its last session at Dallas, and the enthusiastic endorsement of our leading brethren in this and other states, and,

Whereas, The First Church there is unable to cope with the situation without the assistance of all the churches and brethren, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this exceedingly important movement be commended by this Convention as eminently worthy of the generous support of all our people.

J. F. LOVE.

Adjourned till 2:30 p. m., Sunday.
Benediction by J. N. Prestridge.

SUNDAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the president.

J. C. Williamson led in prayer.

H. Beauchamp read the report of the Sunday-school and Colportage Board:

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE BOARD.

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

Dear Brethren—We have the honor to herewith present to you our seventh annual report, and in doing so we desire first of all to record our gratitude to God for the unstinted blessings which have this year been upon the work committed to us. We also desire to express the highest commendation of the brethren, churches, and Sunday Schools which have in increasing numbers been giving this work their support.

Your Board held its first meeting November 18, 1902, in Fort Smith, and elected Harvey Beauchamp its field secretary, who began his work immediately, and by instruction of the Board continued the office in Little Rock in connection with that of the Executive Board, where a complete record is kept of all work done and from which colportage supplies have been sent out.

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention did not see its way clear this year to make us so large an appropriation as last year. Their appropriation last year was \$500.00 in money and \$750.00 in colportage supplies—or \$1,250.00 in all. This year they gave us \$500.00 worth of colportage supplies, but in addition to this, as heretofore, gave without cost the first quarter's supply of literature to all the new schools we have organized, and made various appropriations to local interests in the State. All of which has greatly helped us in our work, and we hereby express our appreciation.

This reduced appropriation, however, made it necessary for us to ask the churches for larger gifts. By careful and conservative estimate we found that it would require at least \$3,000.00 to maintain the work upon the same scale as last year and pay the accrued obligations. Our experience confirmed this estimate. Our field secretary labored industriously to collect this amount, but succeeded in raising only about \$1,800.00. This sum was enough, however, to meet the current obligations in the work, as it had been projected fairly well, but did not enable us to pay much on the debt brought over from last year, to say nothing of enlarging the work. Certain sums have come to us which were pledged on the debt, all of which have been duly applied to its payment.

We have had thirty-one brethren engaged this year for all or a part of their time, either working solely as Sunday School missionaries and colporters, or else handling our books in connection with some other work. Their names and the summaries of their work appear in the attached statistical table. These brethren have performed good and faithful service and have sold something over \$2,000.00 worth of Bibles, books, etc. Besides, what has been donated, we have found scores of homes destitute of Bibles, and supplied them in every instance either by gifts or sale with a copy of the Holy Scriptures. The reports that come to us indicate that there are many other homes in our beloved State where no copy of the Scriptures is to be found. We have directly or indirectly organized and supplied with their first quarter's literature *gratis* ninety-four Sunday Schools, with an approximate average enrollment of fifty. Thus it will be seen that more than forty-five hundred Sunday School pupils have been gathered in our Baptist Sunday Schools to study the word of God who were not doing so last year. We may confidently expect from this work a harvest of souls and harvest also in all departments of our church and denominational work.

Forty-five hundred is a goodly number when considered by

itself, but is very little when compared with the vast army of those in our State who do not have any Sunday School privileges. It is estimated (whether correct or not we cannot say) that there are two hundred and fifty thousand children of the public school age in Arkansas who are deprived of Sunday School privileges, to say nothing of the much larger number who are over and under the school age and who suffer the same privation. The Baptists of this State have an herculean task before them to bring this mighty multitude into the teaching services of the churches. Your Board has asked each Sunday School in the State to take a collection once a month for our State Sunday School Mission work. We are gratified that quite a number of school have adopted our suggestion. As we see it, there are two advantages in the observance of this plan. (1) We believe that in the long run more money will thus be brought in than by spasmodic collections, but (2) the greatest advantage that will accrue is that the young among our Sunday School pupils will be trained to missionary liberality. If our churches are to take an advanced stand in missions and benevolence we must begin with the child and train it to the missionary idea while it is in the plastic age.

But we did not think that that class (altogether too large) of our church members which is not identified with the Sunday Schools should not be given an opportunity to share the burdens and triumphs of this heaven-appointed work. We have accordingly asked that our churches give State Sunday School Missions a place in the schedule of their collections. Many churches have done so, and some of them have responded liberally; others are falling into line. Wherever this cause has been presented by our secretary, we are glad to say it has met with sympathetic and often with enthusiastic responses. We have every reason to believe that when the churches adopt our suggestion to give this cause a place in their program of collection the means to suitably support this work will be amply provided. It is a source of gratitude that the prospect in this direction is most hopeful. As indicative of this we desire to point out the fact that the churches have given nearly three times as much to this cause this year as they did last year, and last year they gave considerably more than ever before.

Our secretary has paid much attention to the teacher training feature of the work, having delivered twenty-two addresses to Sunday School teachers in various parts of the State on some special phase of their work, and put some 200 helpful volumes of suitable books in their hands. This we regard as an exceedingly important feature of the work that legitimately belongs to our Sunday School Board, for we need, not only more Sunday Schools and larger Sunday Schools, but better Sunday Schools. If our Sunday School teachers are to be relied upon to teach the Word of God to the children, who shall constitute the church membership of the future, great pains should be exercised to guarantee that they teach the truth and teach it effectually. That this may be done, it is in the highest degree important that they should receive training for their work. If possible special and adequate advantages in this line should be furnished in the way of institutes, normal courses of study, etc. And we recommend that in all of our Baptist schools a course of study or training, though possibly short, be furnished for as many as may be induced to take it; that those who come from our Christian schools may be suitably equipped as Sunday School teachers.

Obeying the manifest sentiment of the Convention at its last session, your Board determined to build and equip several col-

portage wagons. We have thus far only built two, with plans about matured for others. Our experience with these wagons has been most satisfactory. We are of the opinion that no other kind of colportage work that we are doing in Arkansas will be so nearly self-sustaining as this nor will any other accomplish so much good. We believe that there is room for perhaps a dozen such wagons in the State, and we would recommend that they be built and set to work as fast as the demand appears and the means come to hand.

Our secretary, upon investigation, found that a beautiful, substantial and splendidly appointed chapel car, guaranteed to be satisfactory in every respect could be purchased for \$3,500.00, or but little over one-third the usual cost of such cars. In view of the fact that new railroads are being built and others projected in so many parts of the State, and new towns springing up on them, and the fact that there is so much destitution along the lines of old railroads, which cannot otherwise be so conveniently supplied, this Board is inclined to undertake to raise the money to purchase and equip such a car, and would recommend that the Convention endorse the purchasing of such a car, to be owned and controlled by the Convention.

We furthermore recommend—

First, that our churches use the literature of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and contribute to its Bible fund from time to time as they may be asked.

Second, that this work be continued as heretofore, only that it shall have a larger place in the plans and beneficences of our brethren, Sunday Schools and churches.

Third, that a collection in cash and pledges be taken here and now for this work.

(**Note.** — The Secretary had the misfortune to have his valise stolen from the car on his return from the meeting of the Sunday-School and Colportage Board. This grip contained the statistical table that was to accompany the above report as well as the data from which it was made. He has not been able to reproduce it in time for publication here. His report, however, had been approved by the Sunday-School Board before it was lost.—Secy.)

In this connection S. A. Smith read the report of the Committee on Sunday-schools and Colportage:

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

We recognize the Sunday School as the most potent and powerful evangelizing agency among us. Every year makes it more and more apparent that the Sunday School is a mighty factor in all Christian work. If it is true as statisticians tell us, that 90 per cent of the additions to our churches come from the Sunday School, we ought to foster it at all hazards. Yet it is true that we have so far only been playing at Sunday School work in Arkansas. A Sunday School in a church ought to mean that all the members are engaged together in studying or teaching the word of God. Instead of that only a handful of the Baptists of the State are directly or remotely having anything to do with the Sunday School. The vast majority of the members of the churches of the State neither give their presence nor prayers nor possessions to the Sunday School. The Sunday School work of the State is in need of revolutionary and radical reform. We sincerely hope that our people will give serious attention to this great need.

We are gratified to note that there has been advance in some directions during the past year. About \$2,000.00 have been contributed by the church, and expended in this work. There have been ninety-four new schools organized and supplied with the first

quarter's literature. Successful work has been done in distributing Bibles and tracts through the new colportage wagons.

We beg leave to make the following recommendations:

1. That each member of a Baptist church in Arkansas be asked to give his presence and moral support to the Sunday School of his church.

2. That each church without a Sunday School be asked to organize and maintain one as soon as practicable.

3. That each Sunday School take an offering once each month for our Sunday School work.

4. That each church take an offering for State Sunday School work at some time during the year.

5. That more colportage wagons be equipped and sent out as rapidly as possible, and that a Sunday School chapel car be ordered equipped and put in operation as soon as practicable.

6. That the matter of literature and co-operative work be left entirely to the Sunday School Board of this Convention.

S. A. SMITH, Chairman.

By motion the question of the two reports was referred to the hour of 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

Ross Moore read the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In submitting this report to the brethren of our State we wish to express our profound gratitude unto God for the great blessings on our work during the year that is just passed. You, we are sure, will rejoice to hear that God is so wonderfully and graciously blessing our missionaries in the foreign lands, and that peace, harmony and good will reign among them. They are pushing grandly and nobly forward and never has our Board been able to report so many baptisms on the foreign field, or such intense interest in the home land as is manifested in the great enlargement of contributions. We are thankful for every convert and every new church organized, which shine as stars in the midnight darkness by which they are surrounded. To us as Arkansas Baptists these facts should be of peculiar interest when we remember that five of the noblest and most successful missionaries on the foreign field have gone from our own State. Our dearly beloved brother C. E. Smith and his wife have long been the foremost missionaries in Africa. Brother J. J. Taylor has wrought nobly in Brazil, and very recently Brother Lacy and wife have been appointed to work in Mexico. As we look upon the field where these and other faithful missionaries are laboring, there is enough to fill our hearts with joy and our mouths with praise to God.

In order that you may understand something of the magnitude of the work at present and of our plans for the forthcoming year, we give the following extract from the last annual report made at Savannah, Ga.: Number of missionaries employed, together with their native helpers, 319; baptisms reported, 1,790, an increase of 351 over the previous year; amount contributed, \$218,512.62, an increase of \$45,073.13 over the past year. Our Convention in Savannah decided to enlarge the work and lay it out on a \$300,000 basis this year. Of this amount Arkansas has been asked to give at least \$7,000.00. This means an increase of about 70 per cent over what we gave this past year, but we note with unfeigned pleasure that our contributions last year increased nearly 100 per cent over

the year previous. Brethren, shall we give the amount called for? We *can*, we *should*, and by the grace of God we *will*.

If we as pastors and churches will only catch the spirit of world wide evangelism, if we will only consider the needs of the dying millions and God's blessings on us, we will do even *more*. The work is His and we are His. At the present they are greatly needing strong men for important and strategic points at the front. The blessed privilege is ours to give to men lost in sin the glorious Gospel of Christ, by which we and our loved ones have been saved. The difficulties are great, but not discouraging, for God leads on, promising at all times His power and His presence. May the Baptists of this great State awake to the full conception of their duty and their glowing and unlimited possibilities. While the Lord and Captain of the World's Salvation commands in terms clear and strong, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," may every church and every member rise and obey.

ROSS MOORE,
M. T. WEBB,
D. A. ALLEN
FRANK WHITE,
W. H. BOWLING.

The report was discussed with enthusiasm. R. H. Graves, 47 years a missionary to China, was present and made an interesting talk on the work in his field. E. E. Bomar, assistant corresponding secretary of Foreign Mission Board, spoke of our needs: "Re-enforcements, Equipments, and Enlargement."

Adopted.

The Committee on Order of Business made the following partial report:

NOVEMBER 16.

- 9 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
 - 9:15 a. m.—Reading Minutes.
 - 9:30 a. m.—Sunday School and Colportage Board and Committee.
 - 10:30 a. m.—Schools and Colleges.
 - 11:30 a. m.—Orphans' Home.
 - 2 p. m.—Devotional Exercises.
 - 2:15 p. m.—Nominations.
 - 2:30 p. m.—Woman's Work.
 - 3:15 p. m.—Colored Work.
 - 4:00 p. m.—Obituaries.
 - 4:30 p. m.—Finance.
- Adjoined to 9 a. m., Monday.
Benediction by T. W. O'Kelley.

EVENING SESSION.

Called to order at 7:30 by President Eagle.

M. T. Webb led in prayer.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, (1) That this Convention create a Board of Ministerial Relief, whose duty it shall be to solicit funds, and distribute same for the relief of aged ministers, and to report to this Convention annually the work done.

(2) That said Board be composed of the pastors of Little Rock churches, Ben Cox, T. W. O'Kelley and J. U. H. Wharton.
W. F. DORRIS,
J. F. LOVE.

H. L. Winburne read the report of the Committee on Home Missions:

Your Committee on Home Missions asks leave to report as follows:

We believe that out of the stress and storm of unjust persecution and groundless slander our Home Mission Board has come with renewed vigor and an untarnished record. God has graciously blessed its labors and ours through this agency, to the conversion of many souls and the building up of many churches. The work of Home Missions touches the provision that we ought to make for the millions of negroes, foreigners, mountaineers and inhabitants of the slums of our great cities. Thus, without good promise of future building, it is in many respects the most distinctively unselfish of all our work. It also touches, in the above mentioned directions, the citizenship of our land, and is, therefore, distinctly patriotic. Through this agency the stronger helps the weaker, thus fulfilling the law of Christ and taking ground as distinctively Christian. With such support then and such mighty leverage for appeal, we urge the Baptists of Arkansas to rally to the support of the Home Mission Board, which is, of all our institutions, distinctively unselfish, patriotic and Christian.

We deem it best not to burden our report with reciting the splendid work done during the past year. This may be learned to better advantage by reading regularly the "Home Field." It is well to call to mind, however, the fact that the Home Board proposes this year to put \$5,000 into the work in our State.

In view of the large demands upon this agent of our Christian industries, we recommend that Arkansas Baptists raise \$5,000 for the work of Home Missions.

As aids in accomplishing this advance step, we further recommend that the brethren lay this great cause to heart and give it much prayerful thought, and keep themselves informed in the work by reading the "Home Field."

Respectfully submitted,
H. L. WINBURNE, Chairman,
J. F. HAMMETT.

After an excellent discussion on the merits and recommendations of the report, by H. L. Winburne, James P. Eagle and B. D. Gray, it was adopted.

Adjourned till 9 a. m., Monday.

I. J. Van Ness pronounced the benediction.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

MORNIN● SESSION.

President Eagle called the convention to order at 9 a. m.
E. P. Minton conducted devotional service.

Minutes of the preceding sessions were read, corrected and approved.

The question of Sunday-schools and colportage, and the report of the committee were read and taken up for further consideration. After an interesting discussion the reports were adopted.

The following collection was taken for Sunday-schools and colportage:

Jonesboro church.....	\$ 100 00
Arkadelphia church.....	100 00
Hot Springs church.....	100 00
Fort Smith church.....	100 00
Eureka Springs church.....	100 00
El Dorado church.....	100 00
Immanuel church.....	100 00
Little Rock Second church.....	100 00
Paragould church.....	100 00
Helena church.....	100 00
Pine Bluff church.....	100 00
H. Beauchamp.....	25 00
Van Buren church.....	25 00
Prescott church.....	25 00
E. C. Ellis.....	25 00
Conway church.....	25 00
Charles E. Scott.....	25 00
Hope church.....	25 00
Warren church, Mrs. W. F. Mack.....	25 00
Judsonia church.....	25 00
Fordyce church.....	25 00
J. P. Eagle.....	10 00
J. M. Milburn.....	5 00
W. R. Smith, Camden.....	10 00
Cash in box, paid.....	5 10
Ladies' Aid Society, Star City, paid.....	5 00
Ladies' Aid Society, Magazine.....	5 00
G. W. Burns, Arkadelphia.....	5 00
N. C. Denson.....	5 00
W. H. Eagle, paid.....	10 00
Dr. G. W. Scruggs, Lonoke.....	5 00
Second Church Hot Springs Ladies' Aid Society.....	5 00
J. P. Exall, Nashville.....	5 00
A. S. Johnson, paid.....	5 00
Hazen church, Dr. Frank Robinson.....	5 00
Hope Sunbeams.....	10 00
Gentry, F. A. Whitely.....	5 00
M. L. Voyles, for year.....	5 00

Newport church, January 1.....	5 00
Bentonville church.....	10 00
Mrs. E. W. Homan, Sunday-school class....	5 00
C. N. James.....	5 00
L. T. Grumbles.....	5 00
Malvern Sunday-school, B. F. Draper.....	10 00
Dudley Avenue Sunday-school, C. T. Wilson	5 00
Marcella B. Y. P. U.....	5 00
W. H. Sledge, B. Y. P. U.....	10 00
First church, Baring Cross.....	5 00
Conway Sunday-school.....	5 00
W. H. Halliburton, DeWitt.....	10 00
J. T. Walker, Walker P. O.....	2 00
Star City Sunday-school, for year.....	10 00
Mrs. Joe P. Eagle, paid.....	5 00
Columbus, N. C. Danner.....	7 00
Monticello Sunday-school, Mrs. Walker.....	5 00
T. J. Parker.....	5 00
Central Park, Hot Springs.....	5 00
Mrs. H. A. Earle.....	5 00
Sunday-school, Newport, Mrs. A. D. Holland	5 00
Central Park, Hot Springs.....	5 00
Three Creeks, A. C. Jones.....	5 00
J. F. Hammett.....	10 00
Boone Chapel, E. Webber.....	2 50
Orphans' Home.....	2 00
E. W. Homan.....	2 00
Total.....	\$1,705 50

The following message was ordered sent to the Virginia Baptist General Association:

"Arkansas joins hands and hearts with Virginia in world-wide conquests for Christ."

The following reply was received by the secretaries on Tuesday after Convention adjourned:

STAUNTON, VA., November 16, 1903.

L. E. Finney, Secretary, Little Rock, Ark.

Virginia Baptists reach high water mark in their gifts to missions, and unite with Arkansas in the prayer, "The world for Christ." Read Matt. 28:18-20.

W. W. MOFFATT,
President.

J. C. Ayers read the report of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita and Central Colleges:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OUACHITA BAPTIST COLLEGE AND CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE
TO THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE
CONVENTION.

Dear Brethren—The past year has been a prosperous one for all the schools, with the exception of Bentonville Academy. At this point, owing to peculiar local conditons with reference to board and other matters that need not be here discussed, the results were anything but satisfactory. However, these difficulties are being overcome, and the outlook for a good year's work is continually improving. In order, however, to insure its success, imraediate provision ought to be made for an indebtcdness of something over \$250.00 incurred for equipment, and we recommend that a collection be taken in this Convention for this purpose.

At Maynard, upon the advice of the Board of Trustees in June, the Advisory Committee sold the old academy building, and using this fund with a fund provided by the public-spirited citizens of Maynard, are erecting a \$5,000.00 brick building to become the new home of the school. This work has been accomplished at a very great sacrifice on the part of the citizens of this town, and they now ask the small sum of \$250.00 be given them with which to help furnish the building. We recommend a collection for this purpose.

At Mountain Home \$500.00 has been spent in repairs on the academdy property, which fund was raised by Dr. Barton for this purpose among the citizens of Mountain Home.

The principal of Magazine Academy has finished and furnished the building at his own expense. We must at another time provide for the repayment of this outlay.

Thus it will be seen that the academies are being gotten into better working trim and we should continue our encouragement and moral support to these communities in their efforts to increase the usefulness of their schools as a power in educational and denominational progress.

In all the schools last year there were enrolled 1,271 students, under the instruction of sixty-five teachers.

The properties of the four academies are valued at about \$49,000.00; that of the two colleges at about \$165,000.00; a total valuation of all the school properties of say \$214,000.00.

During the past summer \$7,000.00 was expended in putting in a steam heating plant for the buildings at Ouachita, which had become indispensable.

The indebtedness of the colleges remains as reported last year, with the addition of \$7,000.00 borrowed for the heating plant, and less by \$1,000.00 paid on the young men's home at Arkadelphia.

Last year, at the Convention, pledges were made amounting to \$1,755.00 to provide for some immediate needs of the two colleges. Only about one-third of this amount has been paid. We recommend that the collection of the remainder of these pledges be given into the hands of President Conger, and when collected, to be applied to purposes for which they were made.

The following brethren were elected trustees at the June meeting of the Board to fill regular vacancies thereon. They are now reported for ratification by the Convention, viz., James P. Eagle, T. L. Powell, M. P. Watts, John Ayers, G. W. Bruce.

Also, E. M. Hall was elected to the Board to fill the unexpired term of J. K. Pace, who has removed from the State.

The columns of the "Advance" have been open to the representatives of the college work, and we hereby record our high

appreciation of the value of this privilege to the cause of Education. We hope the same relations may continue.

These schools are our rallying points of denominational enterprise. They measure our estimate of mental power and culture. In them must be trained and educated those who shall proclaim the truths on which our denominational life must grow. Our people must use these schools more and more, if they would be true to themselves. In all our work of missions, Sunday Schools and Colportage enlightenment must precede enlargement and effectiveness.

The school stands for the intelligent and the more effective doing of larger and yet larger things for our Master. A vigorous educational policy is fundamental to all real denominational success. Without education the people are a "ceaseless prey to the wiles of demagogues and the freaks of arrant ignorance." Enlightenment under Christian auspices is the proper and sure solution of the most of our denominational troubles.

The past history of our schools has demonstrated the wisdom of organizing them. For seventeen years they have been sending out strong young people into every section of our State who are becoming the great workers in all lines of denominational endeavor. More than 4,000 have received benefits from our two colleges.

Think what all our schools will mean to our denomination when they are properly equipped and out of debt, with about 2,000 pupils each year, under about 100 strong teachers.

The time has come for a great forward movement to liquidate the indebtedness of \$48,000.00 on all our school properties, valued at \$214,000.00.

What say the royal, loyal Baptists of this Convention? Your Board has definitely decided to begin the campaign to free the schools from debt, and to begin the endowment of Ouachita. Let it be decreed that every member of this Convention will give his strong and sympathetic support to the representative of the work.

With the cordial co-operation of all our people, we hope to see all our schools free from debt by the time of meeting of the next Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. ATKINSON, Chairman.

In connection with this report W. W. Rivers read the report on Education:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education notes with special pleasure the growing interest in Christian Education, as manifested by the different associations of the State in establishing academies within their bounds, in equipping and strengthening the schools already built, and in the increased attendance at our several schools.

Our country is taking on vast proportions in area, and is called upon to solve greater problems in its dealings with other nations. In the commercial world America is leading, and on her soil the decisive battles between labor and capital must be fought. These great questions can be settled for God and for the right only by great minds directed by great hearts. The Lord who gives us these great opportunities and privileges will hold us accountable for the way in which we use them. It is to the schools where Christ is recognized as the very foundation of all true education, where His influence is permeating every department of the work that we must look for the leaders worthy of being followed. We believe

that Ouachita and Central colleges, with their academies are meeting the demands made upon them in this respect, and gladly commend them to those who desire a consecrated Christian education for their sons and daughters. Next to the preaching of the Word itself, there is no more potent influence for the advancement of the Master's cause than the work undertaken by our schools. We therefore believe it the duty of those who love His Name to lend them their influence by contributing of their means, by speaking a word in their behalf when possible, and by giving them their prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. RIVERS, Chairman.

Adopted.

The following collection was taken for Bentonville and Maynard Academies, to be paid by February, 1904:

J. P. Eagle.....	<i>L.R.</i>	\$ 50 00	<i>Pd</i>
John Ayers...	<i>Hot Springs</i>	10 00	<i>Pd</i>
M. P. Watts.....	<i>Cambden</i>	25 00	<i>Pd</i>
W. B. Holland.....	<i>Adams Co. L.R.</i>	10 00	
H. F. Vermillion.....	<i>Cal.</i>	10 00	<i>Pd</i>
J. W. McDonald.....	<i>Hot Springs</i>	10 00	
J. M. Milburn.....	<i>Prescott</i>	5 00	<i>Pd</i>
Arkadelphia.....	<i>J. L. Louburn</i>	25 00	
W. S. Jett, paid.....	<i>Little Rock</i>	5 00	<i>Pd</i>
H. Beauchamp.....	<i>Little Rock</i>	5 00	
T. W. O'Kelley.....	<i>Little Rock</i>	5 00	<i>Pd</i>
Camden Baptist church.....	<i>Rev. W. F. Donna</i>	25 00	<i>Pd</i>
First church, Hot Springs, E. C. Ellis.....		25 00	
W. W. Rivers.....	<i>Concord</i>	5 00	<i>Pd</i>
H. Y. King, Rogers.....		25 00	<i>Pd</i>
W. R. Smith.....	<i>Camden</i>	5 00	
Dr. C. E. Witt, Little Rock.....		10 00	<i>Pd</i>
G. W. Burns, Arkadelphia.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
W. W. Gardner.....	<i>Cal.</i>	5 00	<i>Pd</i>
Dr. G. W. Scruggs, Lonoke.....		10 00	<i>Pd</i>
J. R. Harris, Fayetteville.....		10 00	<i>Pd</i>
W. T. Amis.....	<i>Hot Springs</i>	5 00	<i>Pd</i>
Bentonville church, S. L. Holloway.....		10 00	
W. J. David, Pine Bluff.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
J. P. Exall, Nashville.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
George West, Eureka Springs.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
Paragould church.....	<i>Rev. Dehann</i>	25 00	<i>Pd</i>
H. C. Roberts, Eureka Springs.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
Ladies' Aid, Heber, W. B. Holland.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
A. E. Williams, Pine Bluff, paid.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
Miss Hattie Blake, Arkadelphia.....		5 00	<i>Pd</i>
W. E. Atkinson.....		5 00	
T. J. Parker, Eagle Mills.....		2 00	<i>Pd</i>
Ladies' Aid Society, Van Buren, L. E. Finney.....		5 00	

✓	El Dorado church, conditional. <i>O. J. Wade</i>	25 00	<i>Pd</i>
✓	Fort Smith..... <i>F. F. Gibson</i>	25 00	
✓	Immanuel church, J. F. Hammett.....	25 00	
✓	First church, Little Rock..... <i>Ben Cox</i>	25 00	
	Cash collection.....	35 55	<i>Pd</i>
✓	Mrs. J. E. Denham..... <i>Fayth Miller</i>	5 00	
	Total.....	\$512 55	

Adjourned at 2 p. m.
Benediction by W. W. Gardner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the president at 2 p. m. W. W. Gardner led in prayer.

By motion the special order was postponed to hear the report of the Committee on Old Minister's Relief Fund, which was read by J. W. McDonald:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF FUND.

Brethren of the Convention:

In submitting this our first annual report, we do so with profound gratitude to God and many thanks to the brethren. The blessing of our heavenly Father have been upon our work, and the brethren have responded nobly to our appeals for the old ministers.

Immediately upon the adjournment of the last Convention, at which time we were appointed as committee to look after this work, we decided upon a plan of operation, and at once began the work. The first thing was to learn how many old ministers in our State needed our help. We soon learned that the following brethren were in need of our financial aid: Rev. H. B. Clinton, Union, Ark.; Rev. S. D. Johns, DeView, Ark.; Rev. James Edmondson, Hackett, Ark.; Rev. J. J. Vest, Jumbo, Ark.; Rev. H. C. Moore, Portia, Ark., and Rev. A. Conner, Palatka, Ark.

We also learned that Mrs. Lucinda Crowder, Pitman, Ark., the widow of one of our old and deceased ministers was in need of our help from our fund. After full investigations as to the standing of these morally, denominationally and financially, we decided that they needed help. And when they had complied with all the requirements of the committee governing the disposition of the funds we agreed to and have extended to them a sufficiency to keep them comfortable, with what other income they had. As to the amount paid them we refer you to the financial statement attached hereto. We have gone on this principle this year, "A comfortable living for our old ministers and that paid regularly," and thank God that we have paid the brethren all we promised, and that regularly each quarter for three quarters. It took us one quarter to get the work organized. We not only paid out the sums given in the financial statement, but we have \$26.07 cash on hand for another year, and have \$51.00 in pledges also. See the financial statement.

It is with sadness, yet with thankfulness to God for his good and useful life, we do record the death of one of our beneficiaries, Rev. H. B. Clinton. This true soldier and faithful minister of Jesus Christ fell asleep in Jesus May 30, 1903.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Total receipts, cash and reported.....		\$285 31
Total disbursements:		
To A. Connor.....	\$ 36 00	
To S. D. Johns.....	36 00	
To James Edmondson.....	36 00	
To J. J. Vest.....	36 00	
To H. C. Moore.....	36 00	
To H. B. Clinton.....	12 00	
To Mrs. Lucinda Crowder.....	5 00	
Stationery, etc.	28 99	
Subscriptions to "Advance" for Beneficla- ries	5 25	
Reported for H. C. Moore.....	12 00	
Reported for S. D. Johns.....	16 00	
Balance on hand.....	26 07	
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Total		\$285 31

PLEDGES.

J. W. Seay, Walcott.....	\$ 4 00
N. S. Mosher, Jonesboro.....	4 00
J. M. Settlemyer, Cherry Valley.....	4 00
A. A. Ryan, Walcott.....	2 00
J. N. Markhart, Paragould.....	7 00
T. D. Sanderson, Blytheville.....	2 00
S. B. Crist, Jonesboro.....	1 00
Rev. L. L. Frazell, Nettleton.....	5 00
Black River Church.....	3 00
O. W. Patterson, Gentry.....	4 00
Mrs. F. M. Kuykendall, Monette.....	5 00
A. M. Hall, Marmaduke.....	4 00
W. P. Hale, Osceola.....	2 00
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Total amount	\$51 00

Total cash and pledges on hand, \$77.07.

In closing our report permit us to earnestly and urgently recommend the continuance of this work, the appointment of a committee or board to be located at one place to look after and prosecute this noble work.

Received after the books were closed: From Fort Smith Church, Fort Smith, \$6.00. This added to the \$26.07 cash balance. makes \$32.07 in hand for another year's work.

R. C. MEDARIS, Chairman,
W. T. AMIS, Secretary,
J. W. McDONALD, Treasurer,
Committee.

Adopted as amended.

A. H. Autrey read the report on Nominations.

(For list of officers, boards, appointments, and place of meeting, see title pages.)

By motion that part of the report naming messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention was stricken out, and the executive board authorized to name said messengers, which see on title pages. The report was adopted as amended.

W. E. Kimbrough read the report of the Committee on Women's Work:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S WORK.

We earnestly believe in the efficiency and rejoice in the results of the work conducted by our Baptist women, and note with pleasure its steady enlargement in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, and especially in Arkansas. The Woman's Missionary Union, through its local societies, forms a most important auxiliary of our Convention in materially helping in the support of all our missionary and benevolent enterprises. This organization reported at the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention contributions aggregating \$56,147.95 to the work of our boards, excepting 439 boxes of supplies sent to missionaries, valued at \$34,120.80. In this good work our women in Arkansas have shared largely for many years, furnishing a noble example of Christian industry and liberality worthy of our emulation. During the year ending October 20, 1903, they have given to various causes as follows:

Church aid	\$ 9,025 29
Boxes to missionaries.....	630 99
State Missions	233 70
Home Missions	429 54
Foreign Missions	378 78
Associational Missions	116 64
Sunday School work.....	88 10
Orphans' Home	37 80
Boxes to Orphans' Home.....	456 00
Total	\$11,396 84

By reference to the minutes of the W. M. U. held at Conway last year, it will be seen that this total represents an increase for this year of \$4,799.17. It is unnecessary to add to these figures words of commendation or praise, except the observation that these good women evidently possess, in a large degree, the spirit of progressive, Christian effort which has prevailed in the past and present sessions of this Convention.

We recommend that an appropriation of one hundred dollars be made to assist in bearing the expenses of this work during the coming year.

W. E. KIMBROUGH, Chairman.

Adopted without discussion.

Giles C. Taylor read the report of the Committee on the Orphans' Home:

REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

We, your committee on Orphans' Home are glad to report that our home at Monticello is in excellent condition, and is proving a great blessing to the unfortunate.

The internal care and management by the devoted mother Sister Gardner, is all that could be desired, and the work of Brother W. W. Gardner, the financial agent, is most efficient and satisfactory.

There are now sixty children in the home, a net gain of five during the year. Two have died this year, and one young man

having reached the age limit, has gone out to care for himself. One young lady is teaching in the country.

The school in the home is conducted by one of the girls.

The health of the home is at present perfect.

The financial condition is very gratifying, the institution being out of debt, with a balance of \$470.00 in the treasury. A clear title has been received for the 160 acres of land purchased last year.

Arrangements have been made for some needed additions to the building, to cost three or four hundred dollars.

Our people gave to this good work during the year, \$3,436.83.

We rejoice that this noble institution lies so near the hearts of the brethren and sisters, for surely no work could more strongly appeal to us than the caring for helpless and homeless little ones.

GILES C. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Adopted.

In this connection W. W. Gardner read the report of the Board of Trustees of the Orphans' Home, and also the Treasurer's report:

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in Fifty-fifth Session Assembled:

Dear Brethren—In submitting this our eighth annual report of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, we would be glad to tell you in detail all that has been accomplished for and by the inmates of the home during the past twelve months, but appreciating the importance to the Convention of making reports short and concise, we will give here only a synopsis of what our great Baptist hosts of Arkansas have done for the orphans under our charge in the home since your last Convention.

We now have sixty children in the home, who are all well and whose hearts are made glad continually by the pleasant surroundings and comforts and pleasures provided for and furnished them through the beneficence of the good people of our State under the fostering care of the great Baptist Convention.

Our arrangements are peculiarly favorable to the best interest of the children in training and shaping their moral and social lives, as well as their educational and business lives. We have a farm of sufficient cleared lands for raising corn, oats and hay, which in some measure will furnish feed stuffs for the horses and cattle necessary to be kept for the use and convenience of the home. The boys, as they grow large enough to do manual labor, are taught by the superintendent of the home to do a reasonable amount of agricultural work, he taking the lead and impressing them that they are assisting him to farm, etc.

We have a nicely fitted up school-room in the home, where we have the little fellows taught by the matron and some one of the advanced children of the home until they pass the primary department; then they are sent to the free public schools as other children until they pass the seventh grade, which entitles them to enter the Hinemon University School, where they may take a four years' course. One of the inmates of the home, Annie Berry, graduated at this school this year, and now has a good position teaching a school in the country. Several are now attending this school free of charge. One of the boys, Brother Shelton, has passed the age limit and passed out of the home and has now a responsible position on a reasonable salary. This young brother went out of the

home a bright Christian, being able and willing when called upon to pray in public. Many of the children are Christians and regular attendants at church and Sunday School.

We have had two deaths in the home since our last report, both of them being infants and one of them dying of an organic disease which it had when brought to the home.

The farm, orchards, buildings, grounds, horses and cattle are all well cared for and are now in reasonably good condition and cultivation. The one hundred and sixty acres of land heretofore purchased has all been paid for, and recently the Board had the property re-insured for five thousand dollars for a term of three years for two hundred dollars, which we ask the Convention to endorse. Through the untiring efforts and energy of our Brother W. W. Gardner, traveling agent for the home, and the liberality of our good people, we have been able to maintain the home in the manner that it should be and pay all indebtedness. The Treasurer's report, which we submit herewith and make part hereof will show the amount of collections and expenditures during the past Convention year.

At a meeting held by the Board on the 10th inst., we re-elected Brother W. W. Gardner our traveling agent at the same salary given heretofore. The term of Brothers J. M. L. Thomasson, Denson and Hyatt expires with this Convention, and the Board passed a resolution recommending that they be re-elected by this Convention for the ensuing three years.

In conclusion, brethren, let us suggest that we cannot duly appreciate the great work that is being done in this home without visiting it and seeing the happy children whom God in his Providence had so early in their lives bereft from their father and mother. These children all came from the humbler walks of life, and here they are given advantages that perhaps they would never have had without this home. We thank God that each of us have a right to have a share in this great work.

Brethren, remember in your prayers the interest of the Orphans' Home.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

Z. T. WOOD, President.

J. W. KIMBRO, Secretary.

To the Arkansas State Baptist Convention:

Brethren—I submit this my eighth annual report as Treasurer of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, as follows:

To amount on hand last report.....	\$ 263 38
To amount received of W. W. Gardner.....	2,802 08
To amount received all other sources.....	371 37

Total	\$3,436 83
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By amount paid W. W. Gardner, salary.....	\$ 720 00
By amount paid W. W. Gardner, expenses.....	253 28
By amount paid all other expenses.....	1,993 12

Total	\$2,966 40
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Which leaves a balance of \$470.43 now in hands of Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

D. T. HYATT, Treasurer.

Paid to the matron.....	\$ 523 02
Grand total	3,959 85

A. C. Miller read the report of the Committee on Colored Work:

We, your Committee on Colored Work, are glad to report that our Baptist people in Arkansas have extended to our colored brethren and the race a prayerful Christian sympathy and fellowship and have aided them when they could with moral and financial support.

We are also glad to note the advancement of this race in education and religion, but deplore the fact that so many of the younger members of the race are devoting themselves to immoral practices. We suggest that much work can be profitably done by increasing our zeal and Christian aid in their behalf. Especially would we emphasize the needs of the younger members of the race in the observance of a higher standard of morality and Christian integrity.

God in His Providence no doubt had a great and wise purpose in placing this people in our midst, and in as much as they are a part of the citizenship of our State we should do all in our power as Christians for their evangelization and training in the truths of the Gospel. We note with rejoicing the prosperity and growth of their schools, and especially so of their Arkansas Baptist College under the wise and proficient management of Prof. Joseph A. Booker.

We recommend that our Baptist hosts of Arkansas, and especially our ministers, continue to aid them by their money, prayers and Christian example.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. MILLER, Chairman.

Adopted after discussion by A. C. Miller, E. J. A. McKinney, J. P. Eagle, and A. J. Barton.

W. L. Compere read the report of the Committee on Obituaries:

(See next page.)

Adopted.

W. T. Amis read the report of the Committee on Temperance:

No movement in the kingdom of our Lord has made greater progress in the last ten years than the temperance cause. It is well for us to stop and think of the wonderful growth of opposition to the giant curse of intemperance. It is well for us to watch the signs of the times. It is not the dream of a visionary any longer to predict the destiny of the saloon in our towns and cities. It is a fact to which many of us are witnesses. The guilt of the saloon is at the door of the Christian voter, and God, in that great and notable day, will by no means spare the guilty. It is time for us to wake up to the full realization of the power of the Christian vote in this State of ours. Do you know that there is not a town, city or county in the State where the saloon cannot be driven out, if only the Christian vote could be completely and unalterably relied upon? God somehow has put this question of liquor in our hands, to shame us for our cowardice and sinful indifference. The whisky journals believe that the saloon is at the mercy of the Christian vote and they are appealing to their nefarious and damnable trade to amend their crooked and godless ways, lest the Christian conscience

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on Obituaries would submit the following report:

We find that during the year six of our brethren have been called from the work of the ministry to their eternal reward. We recommend that a page be set apart in our minutes to the memory of these departed workers.

We recommend that the name of Mrs. James P. Eagle, who passed away February 15, 1903, be placed on our memorial page along with the names of our departed ministers as a tribute to her memory from this Convention. She was for years virtually an officer of this Convention as president of the Woman's Central Committee, and as the organizer, the recognized leader and the inspiration of our woman's work; was possessed of rare devotion and ability.

Names of ministers to be placed on memorial page:

L. HOGG,
HOLLY SPRINGS.

J. G. McCAIN,
CHAMPAGNOLLE.

ISAAC STEPHENS,
KINGSVILLE.

J. U. JOHNSON,
CAVE CITY.

H. B. CLINTON,
UNION.

J. E. EDWARDS,
PARAGOULD.

J. P. LINDER,
EL PASO.

B. T. STOKES,
JONESBORO.

MRS. MARY K. EAGLE.

W. L. COMPERE, Chairman.

should revolt and there be an uprising that would result in the overthrow of their business. It is to our advantage to note the alarm that is coming from the other side.

We note with pleasure the advance movements made on the liquor traffic and gambling (the natural ally of the nefarious trade) as observed in our cities and towns. It is the sense of this Convention, representing the great hosts of Baptists in this State, that every true believer in Christ and member of a Baptist church should align himself unequivocally with every force that has for its purpose the elimination of this fearful traffic of souls, and the institution and protection of a pure ballot.

The time is here when every man that names the name of our Lord should, and must by the virtue of a righteous crystallized and Christianized public sentiment, cast his lot and influence with those who contend for civic righteousness and the protection of our homes.

1. We recommend that we co-operate with the interdenominational Anti-Saloon League.

2. That our people take "The Search-Light," published at Little Rock, to inform themselves on the question of temperance in the State.

3. That we do not support by our influence, or vote for any man for office of any kind who is known to be an habitual drinker, or who is in any way allied with whisky interests; that diligent inquiry be made as to the stand of all candidates for office.

4. That all churches take an unqualified stand for the cause of temperance, and that discipline be used in cases of alliance with the cause of whisky interests.

5. That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to confer with the State organization for the purpose of a rapid and effective furtherance of the temperance cause in the State. This committee to report at the next session of the Convention the result of the conference and make recommendations accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. Amls, Chairman,
J. P. LOVELACE,
W. J. DAVID,
JOE STARK,
H. C. ROBERTS.

Discussed by W. E. Atkinson, J. W. McDonald. Unanimously adopted.

W. H. Sledge read the report of the Committee on Ministerial Education:

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Ministerial Education in our State Convention work is not a new enterprise. Neither is this the first time that we have recorded our convictions in regard to an educated ministry. The door of opportunity has been opened to all. No man in Arkansas need go uneducated for lack of educational advantages.

By Ministerial Education we do not mean the making of preachers, but simply the cultivation of the seed planted by the hand of our God. In other words we record our faith in the old time call of God to the ministry of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. For sixteen years the Convention has held out a helping hand to our poor boys who have heard the call of God to preach

the Gospel of His dear Son. During this time 150 students have been assisted. Some of these men stand among us to-day, the strongest and best preachers in the State. These men and their works speak of the merits of ministerial education. The students who last year received aid from our Board held fifty meetings, with 500 professions of faith in Christ and 375 additions to Baptist churches.

This work is large and growing each year. The Board having already appropriated more money this year than was expended last, and the year not half gone. Realizing the great importance of the trained mind in the pulpit, we urge our young men to seek the advantages held out by our academies and Ouachita College.

We further urge our pastors to present the subject of ministerial education before the churches and take at least one collection during the year.

For information as to the number of ministerial students in our schools and amount raised for their support, we refer you to the report of the Board of Ministerial Education, which follows this report.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. SLEDGE, Chairman.

Discussed by S. H. Ford, H. L. Winburne, H. F. Vermillion and J. W. Conger. Adopted.

H. L. Winburne read the report of the Board of Ministerial Education, which appears below:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION TO THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF ARKANSAS.

Dear Brethren—Your Board of Ministerial Education begs to report as follows:

During the past sixteen years' history of Ouachita College more than 150 students for the ministry have received the benefits of the institution. These men are now located in every section of this State, and in many of the other states, and are being used of God to an extent beyond human calculation. Since "by their fruits ye shall know them," these men are sufficient argument for the cause of ministerial education. If other argument is asked, it is furnished by the rising tide of education and culture that is radiating the darkest corners of erstwhile ignorance with the light of true refinement. It is evident, therefore, to all thoughtful observers that if Baptists are to retain their position of leadership in the State and advance as they should, we must furnish and finish a ministry capable of meeting the various problems of a refined and educated world.

Your Board, realizing its responsibility in the case, is prayerful and careful in passing upon young men who apply for its aid. We endeavor to know that all beneficiaries are called of God, vouched for by their churches, capable of taking an education and actually in need of financial help. It is a rule of the Board to help no young man more than \$7.50 a month. We believe, therefore, that your funds have been handled to the very best advantage, and stand ready at any time to welcome the closest inspection of our books and records. Itemized reports are made from time to time through the denominational papers; so we offer, at this time, the following summaries of work:

Amount on hand last report.....	\$	12	08
Amount collected since last report.....		610	13
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Total	\$	622	21
Amount expended since last report.....		529	35
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Amount on hand at present report.....	\$	92	86
Benefits in tuition of students.....		1,120	00
Money expended		529	35
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Total benefits to students.....	\$	1,649	35

There are at present, in Ouachita College, twenty-five students preparing for the ministry, and we expect more. The forces of the State are rapidly becoming fully awake to the importance of this great work and are sending their boys whom God has called to us for training. May it ever be so, and more.

The work demands larger plans this year than ever before. We have already appropriated about as much money as was used all of last year, and there are applications on hand now, waiting to be acted on. For this reason, we ask that the churches enlarge their offerings to this cause. Last year we asked for \$750.00, but we cannot do the work this year with the same amount. We must increase our requests, and very earnestly ask that the Convention give us \$850.00 in cash and pledges. And we ask, also, that the messengers make an effort to collect every pledge that is made, "every man over against his own house."

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. CONGER, Chairman.

A. B. Bohannon read the report of the Committee on Finance, as follows:

The Committee on Finance reports from information which they have been able to secure the following as the total of the financial work of this Convention for the past year, as follows:

Amount contributions to State Missions.....	\$	6,904	92
Amount contributions to Home Missions.....		2,399	73
Amount contributions to Foreign Missions.....		4,021	32
Amount for Sunday School and Colportage.....		2,027	60
Amount for Orphans' Home.....		3,191	45
Amount by Ladies Missionary Unions--			
To church aid	\$	8,075	29
To boxes to missionaries.....		630	99
To boxes to Orphans' Home.....		456	00
Received by matron for Orphans' Home.....		523	28
Amount for Ministerial Education.....		610	13
Collections at this Convention--			
For Brother Smith, of Cotter.....		57	50
For Students Fund, Seminary.....		19	35
For Ministerial Education		72	57
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Total	\$	28,000	05

T. B. KITCHENS, Chairman.

Adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution, No. 2, offered by S. A. Smith:

Motion to amend resolution by substituting Wednesday for Thursday.

Resolved, That Article VI of the Constitution be changed so as to read: "The Convention shall meet annually, 'if God permit,' on Thursday before the third Sunday in November, at 10 o'clock a. m."

By motion the resolution was referred to a committee of three to report at the next Convention, viz.: W. E. Atkinson, J. F. Love and A. J. Barton.

Resolved, That the Recording Secretaries be instructed to have 3,000 copies of the minutes of this Convention printed and distributed among the churches, and that they be allowed \$50.00 for their services.

Adopted.

Resolved, That the Recording Secretaries be instructed to make publication prior to the next Convention, calling the attention of the churches and pastors to the basis of representation, and request the church clerks to furnish them lists of messengers; and that the secretaries formulate the roll of messengers that shall constitute the Convention, subject to correction by the body.

Adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Whereas, The Baptists and churches of the city have entertained us so handsomely; and,

Whereas, The city papers have so generously recorded and published the proceedings of this body; and,

Whereas, The railroads have granted us the kindness of reduced rates; therefore, be it

Resolved, By this Convention that we owe and hereby express our heartfelt thanks to all the above mentioned parties.

H. L. WINBURNE.

Adopted.

By motion, the correction of the Minutes was referred to the president and recording secretaries.

The president, in a short speech, thanked the convention for their co-operation in making the present session one of such great power.

By motion, the body adjourned to meet with the First church, Pine Bluff, Friday before the third Sunday in November, 1904, at 10 a. m.

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” was sung and the brethren and sisters gave each other the parting hand, breathing prayers for each other in our dear Lord’s work.

S. H. Ford led in the closing prayer, for God’s parting blessing and continued care in the year to come.

JAMES P. EAGLE, *President,*
W. F. DORRIS, *Recording Secretary,*
L. E. FINNEY, *Recording Secretary.*

ORDAINED MINISTERS

- Abel, H. W., Smithville.
 Ables, Robt., Dyer.
 Abernathy, S. W., Walnut Ridge.
 Adams, J. R. G. W. N., Dardanelle.
 Adams, E. J., Rogers.
 Adams, James, Slate.
 Adams, J. B., Cedar Glades.
 Adams, M., Ozark.
 Agan, G. B., Buckner.
 Allen, David, Heber.
 Allen, D. A., Cushman.
 Allen, J. L., Coal Hill.
 Allen, J. H., Rector.
 Allen, William, Welcome.
 Allen, J. B., Jonesboro.
 Allison, J. A., Noland.
 Alord, N. T., Dutton.
 Amacker, J. H., Springdale.
 Ams, W. T., Hot Springs.
 Anderson, J. S., Pocahontas.
 Anderson, J. H., Slatonville.
 Anderson, C. C., Watts.
 Andrus, A. A., Bradford.
 Applegate, J. M., Portia.
 Appling, E. F., Brooks.
 Armstrong, M. D., Emmet.
 Armstrong, W. H., Macedonia.
 Arnett, C. T., Mammoth Spring.
 Arnold, C. H., Winthrop.
 Atchley, C. H., Herd.
 Atchley, J. O., Herd.
 Atkinson, J. M., Marshall.
 Autry, A. H., Hope.
 Avery, J. W., Sheridan.
- Baars, F. D., Arkadelphia.
 Baggett, J. L., Euclid.
 Bailey, J. E., Heber.
 Bain, L. A., Mobley.
 Bain, R. P., Lonoke.
 Ballard, L. S., Huron.
 Bandy, G. C., Nashville.
 Barber, S., New Lewisville.
 Barham, W. R., Prescott.
 Barnes, B. F., Pearl.
 Barnett, D. G., Corwin.
 Barnett, S. B., Clinton.
 Barnett, J. D., Forrest City.
 Barnett, L. T., Magnolia.
 Barron, D. H., Forum.
 Bartlett, R. S., Venice.
- Barton, A. J., Little Rock.
 Bates, A. A., Big Fork.
 Bates, I. D., Mount Ida.
 Bates, T. M., Juno.
 Batson, J. A., Wooster.
 Baxley, G. W., Holcomb.
 Baxter, M. H., Spring Hill.
 Bayless, D. L., Oakland.
 Beard, J. M., Social Hill.
 Beauchamp, H., Little Rock.
 Beavers, J. D., Springdale.
 Beavers, S. W., Waldo.
 Beavers, J. W., Springdale.
 Been, H. L., Greenwood.
 Bell, E. R., Wilmot.
 Belamy, R. B., Smithville.
 Belew, K., Brockett.
 Belote, H. A., Cedar Glades.
 Bennett, T. J., Arkadelphia.
 Bethel, T., Limestone Valley.
 Berry, J. F., Redfield.
 Best, R. M., Hazen.
 Betts, C. W., Hiram.
 Betts, W. C., Prescott.
 Bickers, H. C., Denmark.
 Billingsley, W. E., Britton.
 Bird, Scott, Dover.
 Bishop, J. R., Junction.
 Black, J. G., Mason Valley.
 Blackburn, L. B., Brawley.
 Blanton, W. W., Galena.
 Blaylock, J. H., Ozark.
 Blair, M. P., Paris.
 Bohanning, G. L., Clear Lake.
 Bohannon, A. B. Paragould.
 Bogard, B. M., Searcy.
 Boling, W. J., Davenport.
 Bonner, W. B., Davenport.
 Bond, R. C., Quitman.
 Booth, J. Q., Upland.
 Borah, G. B., Smithville.
 Borders, H. B., Farmington.
 Bourland, J. H., Lone Elm.
 Bowers, M. D., Pocahontas.
 Bowers, J. G., Bykar.
 Bowles, C. A., Pittman.
 Bowling, J. L., Union.
 Bowling, W. H., Salem.
 Boyd, J. L., Norwood.
 Boyd, J. A., Monticello.
 Boyd, T., Springdale.
 Box, W. T., Morrilton.

- Bracewell, J. H., Vaby.
 Bradburn, J. B., Timbro.
 Bradley, W. T., Murray.
 Brannon, E. C., Sulpnur Rock.
 Branscum, E. E., Big Flat.
 Brasher, T. J., Ware.
 Brashzer, Ira, Marvinville.
 Brewer, J. F., Ozark.
 Brewer, N. D. J., Gainesville.
 Brice, J. F., Belleville.
 Bridges, W. F., Walnut Ridge.
 Bridges, W. M., Texarkana.
 Brickey, A. H., Morrilton.
 Bright, D., Ussery.
 Bristow, J. H., Pittman.
 Broadaway, J. K., Center Ridge.
 Brockman, J. H., Bodcaw.
 Brooks, B. N., Argenta.
 Brown, Russell, Grannis.
 Brown, A. L., Lavaca.
 Brown, B. N., Mount Vernon.
 Brown, J. L., Charlotte.
 Brown, J. L., Gentry.
 Brown, G. F., Millville.
 Browning, J. V., Hebron.
 Brumbelow, A. L., Tull.
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 Shackelford, J. A., Rock Creek.
 Shands, Joel, Coal Hill.
 Sharp, D. H., Pittman.
 Sharp, John, Cedar Glades.
 Shaw, J. N., Maynard.
 Shelton, William, Ink.
 Sheppard, J. W., Washita.
 Sherrill, W. E., Newberg.
 Shirley, D., Waters.
 Sibley, J. G., Mountain Home.
 Sievers, A., Piney.
 Sims, J. W., Wilmar.
 Sims, J. F., Damascus.
 Sims, S. S., Benton.

 Sims, W. F., Quitman.
 Sitton, T. J., Springtown.
 Skyver, J., Union.
 Slaughter, O. D., Goshen.
 Sledge, W. H., Helena.
 Small, J. E., Shady.
 Small, R. M., Altus.
 Smart, J. H., Okolona.
 Smith, D. H., Akin Farm.
 Smith, W. F., Winthrop.
 Smith, E., Bierne.
 Smith, E. E., Mineral Springs.
 Smith, L. S., Waldron.
 Smith, S. Q., Magazine.
 Smith, E. L., Brentwood.
 Smith, G. S., Jacinto.
 Smith, J. A., Springdale.
 Smith, G. W. L., Cotter.
 Smith, J. X., Garnett.
 Smith, W. L., Melbourne.
 Smith, G. C., Lodi.
 Smith, S. A., Jonesboro.
 Smith, J. M., Rock Creek.
 Smith, R. W., Rocky.
 Smith, Joseph, Siloam Springs.
 Soesbee, Ehas, Mount Pisgah.
 Soesbee, A. M., Mill Creek.
 Snow, A. H., Swain.
 Soden, J. H., Union.
 Southall, J. T., Fordyce.
 Spurlin, J. H., Berryville
 Spyles, M. H., Blackburn.
 Spyles, P. L., Pitkin.
 Squyres, D. A., Uniontown.
 Stafford, E. H., Ola.
 Stanberry, H. C., St. Paul.
 Stark, J., Heber.
 Starnes, J. C., Sulphur Rock.
 Stephens, W. M., Leard.
 Stephens, Isaac, Kingsville.
 Stephens, J. R., Swain.
 Stevens, J. J., Judsonia.
 Stevens, J. W., Herd.
 Stephenson, A. R., Marshall.
 Stranburg, W. L. A., Mena.
 Strickland, C. W., Nashville.
 Strickland, J. E., Brundige.
 Stringfellow, J. D., Rover.
 Stringfellow, W. N., Joy.
 Stone, J. A., Sulphur City.
 Stone, J. M., Stephens.
 Stone, J. W., Lonoke.
 Story, W. R., Shower Springs.
 Stull, A. D., Lake City.
 Suggs, G. W., Oxford.
 Sutton, R. E., Little Rock.
 Sutton, Thomas, Logan.
 Sykes, J. L., Booneville.

Sykes, J. W., Rogers.
 Swanner, J. B., Berryville.
 Swift, A. B., Hazen.

Talbot, G. B., Hampton.
 Tanner, R. S., Owensville.
 Tartin, C. M., Cravens.
 Tate, J. J., Blue Ball.
 Taylor, A. C., Anna.
 Taylor, Brownlow, Barren R.
 Taylor, E. D., Grapevine.
 Taylor, F. M., Dover.
 Taylor, J. A., Blue Ball.
 Taylor, Joseph, Brazil.
 Taylor, Speed, Dutton.
 Taylor, J. D., Timbo.
 Taylor, W. P., Kirby.
 Taylor, J. R., Taylor.
 Taylor, G. C., Fordyce.
 Teague, F. E., Hollywood.
 Teague, E. J., Marmaduke.
 Thomas, H. L., Newport.
 Thomas, J. A., Searcy.
 Thomas, J. A., Wiville.
 Thomas, M. P., Bismarck.
 Thomason, G. W., Lonoke.
 Thompson, J. J., Malvern.
 Thompson, T. L., Ella.
 Thompson, M. A., Barney.
 Thorne, T. L. B., Gainesville.
 Thornton, J. T., Magnet.
 Threadgill, F., Cravens.
 Thornton, W. G., Lead Hill.
 Thornton, J. A., Lead Hill.
 Thornton, J. T., Lead Hill.
 Tipton, T. D., New Edinberg.
 Todd, William, DeQueen.
 Tobey, C. E., Arkadelphia.
 Tolleson, M. A., Kirby.
 Tompkins, N., Eleyville.
 Townsend, N. R., Black Rock.
 Townsend, G., Palatka.
 Truelove, J. W., Caulksville.
 Treadwell, A. L., Marshall.
 Tucker, A., Butterfield.
 Tucker, William, Corwin.
 Tuel, R. A., Dutch Mills.
 Turner, J. H., Arkadelphia.
 Turner, Vines, Greenbrier.
 Twilley, J. W., Lunenburg.
 Tyler, J. T., Rector.

Valentine, F. A., DeQueen.
 Vaughn, C. T., Brundidge.
 Vaughan, J. C., Magnolia.
 Venson, T. H., Boughton.
 Vermillion, H. F., Arkadelphia.

Vest, J. H., Jumbo.
 Vest, J. A., Settlement.
 Vest, J. J., Jumbo.
 Vest, W. H., Eglantine.
 Voyles, M. L., Harrison.

Wade, O. J., El Dorado.
 Wade, W. A., Mountain View.
 Walker, C. M., _____
 Walker, D. H., Berryville.
 Walker, C. I., Mena.
 Walker, J. M., Harrison.
 Waller, J. D., Emerson.
 Waller, Joe, Taylor.
 Walls, James, Parker's Store.
 Walls, S., Halliday.
 Walls, W. V., Russellville.
 Ward, S. A., Pearl.
 Ward, J. W., Spring Hill.
 Wardrip, J. W. W., Fayetteville.
 Warnock, C. C., Bland.
 Warren, C. F., Taylor.
 Warwick, L., Hot Springs.
 Washam, W. J., Britton.
 Wasson, H. L., Black Springs.
 Wasson, G. H., Manfred.
 Waters, J. N., Hancock.
 Waters, J. W., Salado.
 Watkins, R. P., Jonesboro.
 Watkins, T. N., Gipson.
 Watson, J. T., National.
 Watson, T. J., Corning.
 Weaver, Martin, Weiner.
 Weaver, J. N., Winstead.
 Webb, L. M., Barker.
 Webb, M. T., Judsonia.
 Welch, I. F., Boughton.
 Wells, D. G., Gurdon.
 West, J. W., Sulphur Springs.
 Westbrook, J. A., Center Point.
 Westbrook, L. W., Saratoga.
 Whaley, A. J., McPherson.
 Wheatley, J. A., Maynard.
 White, Frank, Little Rock.
 White, J. M., Lodi.
 White, H. B., Reed.
 White, O. W., Alma.
 White, R. H., Griffithville.
 White, W. D., Gassville.
 White, W. L., Wilton.
 Whitton, W. T., Arkadelphia.
 Whitwell, J. J., Sulphur Springs.
 Widener, J. M., Hatfield.
 Wilcox, B. G., Quito.
 Wilcox, G. W., Oppelo.
 Wilkerson, W. M., Cushman.
 Wilkinson, R. P., Lodi.

- Williams, W. B., Alpine.
Williams, E. B., Vandervoort.
Williams, G. W., Dutton.
Williams, N., St. Paul.
Williams, N. G., DeLuce.
Williams, Thomas, Lorado.
Williams, W., Curia.
Williamson, H. H., Buckville.
Williamson, J. E., Moulton.
Williamson, J. C., Hartford.
Willis, D. D., Hazen.
Willis, A. F., Hamburg.
Willis, W. T., Amity.
Wilson, A. H., Plummerville.
Wilson, C. T., Texarkana.
Wilson, A. E., Swain.
Wilson, J. L., Postelle.
Wilson, N. L., Oak Grove.
Wilson, R. J., Timbo.
Wilson, Lee, Hatton.
Wilson, W., Cairo.
Wilson, W. L., Mulberry.
Windham, P. E., Winfield.
Wing, C. S., St. Paul.
Wingfield, J. W., Prescott.
Winham, John, Edson.
Winsted, H. C., Prairie Grove.
- Wise, J. B., Osceola.
Witherington, W. I., Little Rock.
Womack, W. M., Brown.
Wood, Ashley, Howes.
Wood, D. A., Thomson.
Wood, J. R., Asher.
Wood, W. C., Hot Springs.
Wood, S. H., Milo.
Woodward, T. J., Clarksville.
Wren, W. H., Cushman.
Wright, E., Lucky.
Wright, G. W., Joy.
Wright, H. F., Nettleton.
Wright, W. L., Tyronza.
Wright, T. J., Welch.
- Yancey, L. F., Jonesboro.
Yancy, J. W., Claude.
Yarbrough, J. A., Quitman.
Yates, W. H., Malvern.
Yearton, A. D., Graphic.
Young, W. G. J., Ava.
Young, W. S., Arkadelphia.
Young, Parker, Swain.
Youngman, —, Spring Valley.
- Zimm, J. S., Mountain View.

Report of State Board.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES AND MISSIONARY PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICES		WORK DONE										VISIBLE RESULTS								S. S. STATISTICS				FINANCIAL EXHIBIT															
		Days of Actual Labor	Miles Traveled	Churches Supplied	Other Stations Supplied	Sermons Preached	Religious Addresses	Total Sermons and Addresses	Prayer Meetings Conducted	Religious Visits	Religious Services Had in Homes	Professions of Conversions	Additions by Baptism	Additions by Letter	Additions by Restoration	Churches Organized	Constituent Members	Meeting Houses Built	Cost of Same	Meeting Houses Repaired	Cost of Same	Sunday Schools Organized	Present Number	Officers and Teachers	Number of Pupils	Expense of Schools	Received from Field on Salary	Incidental Church Expenses	Raised for Associational Missions	Raised for State Missions	Raised for Home Missions	Raised for Foreign Missions	Raised for Sunday School and Colportage Work	Raised for Ministerial Education	Raised for Orphans' Home	Miscellaneous Benevolences	Total for all Purposes		
Allen, D. A.	Batesville	257	1510	2	1	159	38	227	64	191	116	79	26	14	2	8	89	1	\$600 00		8	5	27	115	\$21 40	\$68 95	\$5 00		\$54 90								\$6 80		\$757 05
Butler, J. O.	Mena	290	1678			121	121	10	170	40	10	10	10	2		1	10						1	8	40	15 05				3 00									3 00
Brooks, B. N.	Argenta			1	1	40	48	35	240	180	23	5	11			1	28					3	15	125	5 00				20 00		\$5 00	\$5 00	\$8 00					98 05	
Borah, G. B.	Benton	52	1166			65	12	77	2	80	28											3	3	15	125	5 00												17 40	
Brumfield, J. A.	Hot Springs	155		1	1	44	3	47	23	288		6	3	29	2					2	\$373 50			1	12	60	20 74											655 24	
Burns, G. W.	Arkadelphia	42	250			31	2	33	23	19	11	8	8	5		1	55					1	3	9	30	1 50	39 00			24 00		5 66	4 10				74 26		
Best, R. N.	Hazen	108	310	5	4	86	8	94	14	104	15	29	20	15	1							1	4	14	148	25 00	28 00										695 00		
Bryan, D. O.	Texarkana	121				69	11	80	8	320	185	50	27	5								1	2	19	127	8 00	42 50										261 50		
Byers, J. H.	Mansfield	108	325		1	104	6	110	55	165	15	10	10	11	2							1	2	19	127	8 00	117 00			1 00		1 50			1 00		761 30		
Gason, J. R.	Paris	155				89	4	93	55	102	26	8	1									1	1	10	75	9 00	70 00										111 00		
Compere, W. L.	Mena	149	810	2		59	19	78	105	13	1	1	1	6									1	10	75	9 00	29 00						5 00				192 35		
Gooper, E. D.	Paragould	171	1475	2	5	137	22	159	34	497	135	44	35	2								5	20					166 09		26 55		25					194 14		
Cornelius, F. C.	Clarksville	26	400			36	7	43	3	95	8	4	4	3								1	1	8	55	7 50	78 15		2 00						2 00		130 25		
Gockroft, A.	Kingsland	59	65	3	1	76	18	94	17	100	10	11	10	19								3	3	12	125	18 00	30 00							4 00			180 40		
Denson, N. C.	Warren	134	1829	2	4	118	13	131	6	177	44	13	13	4								3	3	14	60	12 00	20 86								5 00		395 82		
Dean, C. P.	Bentonville	44	266	2		41	14	55	35	14	25	14	1	1								1	9	25	2 50	28 00										34 40			
David, W. J.	Pine Bluff	60		1		25	25	6	192	18	13	5	4									1	13	130		59 33											83 33		
Elliston, G. W.	Eureka Springs	225	1249			129	18	247	604	57	198	168	24	10								1	12	80	51 86	340 00			198 35								198 75		
Finney, L. E.	Van Buren	865	1700	1		123	48	171	60	267	48	18	6	17								1	12	80	51 86	340 00			15 00		25 00		21 00				641 86		
Glaver, P. H.	Greenbrier	110	1180	1	2	89	32	121	107	17	2	2	1									1	10	55	5 00	68 00		5 00									63 10		
Grumbles, L. F.	DeValls Bluff	124	175	1		44	21	62	21		2	10	2									1	10	55	5 00	68 00		5 00									100 85		
Gathright, M. F.	Havana	92	835	1	2	52	21	73	17	174	60	46	29	8	2							1	8	25	3 50												16 15		
Hunter, W. E.	Havana	10	248	1		32	3	35	18	5	6	1	16									1	8	25	3 50												1011 58		
Harness, T. W.	Lexington	81	800	1	4	69	17	86	14	36	16	16	8	2								1	8	70	6 05	156 49		5 81									57 76		
Harris, J. G.	Bingen	30	97			2	2	1	24	3	2	2	2									1	8	70	6 05	156 49											11 51		
Jones, H. J.	Mammoth Spring	30	160			15	6	9	7	6	2	2	2									1	14	203	36 00												47 50		
Johnson, J. A.	Perryville	67	490			10	8	1	44	4	18	19	28	1								1	3	30	100	21 00	299 50		1 50			20 00			5 00		1176 35		
Knight, C. W.	Wynne	60	1070	1	2	66	4	100	43	350	27	9	10	2								1	3	30	100	21 00	34 89					23 00					60 01		
Lincoln, E. T.	Maynard	20	175	1		25	6	31	1	19	1	1	2									1	9	30	1 50	18 05											34 70		
Loylace, J. P.	Sage	46	340	3		52	8	60	83		1	2	2									6	10	31		6 00											17 80		
Lafferty, R. G.	Heber	60	800			40	15	65	8	32	8											1	10	70		35 98											51 96		
Lively, G.	Marmaduke	164	1256	1		81	12	93	10	266	25	37	20	19	1							1	10	70	37 00	110 75			16 00								199 25		
Minton, E. P.	Pocahontas	239		1		47	8	56	70	295	36	10										1	10	70		47 66											450 62		
Mahan, T. C.	Newport	19	106	1	3	18	3	21	15	91	19	58	46	45								1	10	60	10 00	21 00												36 00	
Meredyth, W. H.	Paragould	330	3566	1	4	241	74	315	8	131	41	2	4									1	1	10	60	10 00	21 00										36 00		
McCarthy, R. C.	Jonesboro	25	119	1		20	25	45	7	10	1	2	4									1	7	43	3 45	1 44 95											1317 74		
McCollough, S. C.	Blue Eye, Mo.	250		1		32	8	40	31	178	40	18	14	6								1	9	65	15 67	192 25											905 75		
Neely, F. C.	Greenwood	212		1	1	91	4	95	30	259	10	22	12	19	2							1	14	127	22 80	317 19											281 31		
Owen, C. L.	Siloam Springs	545	5080	2		179	32	213	35	75	28	20	10	11								2	16	140		70 00											2889 30		
Richardson, J. W.	Waldron	301		1	1	88	24	112	40	199	4	2	4	21	1							1	8	35		162 00											712 81		
Richardson, R. M.	Stuttgart	50	425	1	2	39	8	47	13	79	4	12	11	1								2	18	135	15 00	70 00											332 55		
Rogers, J. S.	Mountain Home	218	119	1		10	4	64	9	216	7	3	3	3								2	18	135	15 00	70 00										153 00			
Sibley, J. G.	Walnut Ridge	206	463	1		71	40	117	26	175	68	7	3	16								1	8	50	28 75	92 69											245 01		
Stark, J. O.	Walnut Ridge	166	195	2	1	54	6	60	33	262	15	10	10	34																									

WORK DONE ON OTHER FIELDS.

Names of Missionaries and Missionary Pastors	Total Sermons and Addresses	Professions of Conversion	Additions by Baptism	Additions by Letter	Additions by Restoration	Miscellaneous Benevolences
Allen, D. A	6					
Brumfield, J. A	9					
Burnes, G. W	11	17				
Best, R. M	69	20	6	5	1	\$140 00
Byers, J. H	55	20				39 00
Cockroft, A. J	24					25 00
Denson, N. C	12	1	1	2		
Dean, C. P	14					12 00
David, W. J	10	5		2		
Finney, L. E	201	166	35	15	3	95 00
Grumbles, L. T	34	21	18			18 00
Hunter, W. E	2					7 00
Jones, H. J	9	6	2			17 20
Lincoln, E. T	21	9	6		2	30 00
Lovelace, J. P	27	20	8	4		20 35
McCollough, S. C	69	25	8			37 62
Meredith, W. H	39	42	50			10 50
Mahan, T. C	31	2	2	6	1	34 25
Medaris, R. C	24	3	3	2		
Neely, F. C	12					
Owen, C. L	7	2				
Richardson, J. W	43	90	14			
Richardson, R. M	15					
Stark, Joe	119	74	9	12		56 75
Sibley, James H.	2					
Siler, I. O	4	7				11 00
Smith, G. W. L	17	12	10	2	3	
Walker, J. M	14	1		2		9 00
White, O. W	83	45	38	8	7	
TOTAL	983	598	210	60	17	\$571 67

Statistics of the Baptist Associations in Arkansas for 1903.

ASSOCIATIONS	When Organized	Number Churches	Ordained Ministers	Baptized	Received by Letter	Received by Relation and Restoration	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Number Sunday Schools	Number Sunday School Scholars	Number of Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Paid for Literature	Paid for Sunday School Work	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Associational Missions	Ministerial Education	Orphans' Home	Pastors' Salary	Other Expenses	Total Contributions	Value of Church Property		
Bartholomew	1850	45	23	109	139	23	98	54	26	9105	25	1127	133	1260	\$ 170 00	\$ 72 50	\$ 151 75		\$ 156 36	\$ 260 53		\$143 30	\$1563 70	\$2428 31	\$954 44	\$300 00		
Benton County	1856	34	27	245	130	14	98	19	25	2336	23								97 85	59 52					4238 15			
*Big Creek	1874	19	6	68	24	16	126	11	9	817	4			163		\$ 21 28			25 00				219 00			44 00		
*Blue Mountain	1874	15	8	34	14	21	33	8	8	915	8						36 68		6 00	79 65				20 15	107 50			
Buckville	1881	26	20	57	34	16	51	21	13	657								7 85		20 50	261 16				326 69	6450 00		
*Buckner	1878	36	22	179	115	21	105	20	31	2260	4	251	273					23 35						25 45	48 80	1400 00		
Caddo River	1857	26	15	71	44	7	16	21	14	994																		
*Caroline	1855	61	39	312	299	21	234	46	65	4959	36	224	251	2475	416 78	737 65	448 85	579 23	646 25	314 18	\$ 58 50	130 60	7412 75	9828 58	20,141 74	56,900 00		
*Carroll County	1870	16	15	73	58	10	56	34	11	1119	9	736			270 12	112 00	348 80	203 80	139 50	5 00		3 45	2076 15	3101 92	5068 19	17,500 00		
*Carroll Creek	1872	38	29	148	76	10	65	28	13	1814	6	272	33	305	39 16		7 80	6 60	22 95	53 70		12 06	590 00	26 29	617 81	7500 00		
Columbia	1852	39	17	210	157		177			2751																		
Concord	1870	40	24	168	152	16	117	56	23	2257	16	1186	164	1350	204 55													
*Crooked Creek	1863	18	17	81	10	8	37	16	8	841												14 00	8784 13	1762 32	11,064 06	39,450 00		
*Current River	1890	16	10	72	23	10	50	48	11	858	6	262	22	284	69 37					115 05						338 06		
*Dardanelle	1854	45	28	168	106	14	88	40	33	2240	15				108 61	2 10	5 26	21 00	85 76	154 40		76 00	1778 90	234 64	955 65			
*Fayetteville	1870	28	24	66	42	18	128	3	9	1406					74 00		44 30	7 57	2 00	136 86		30 00		156 05	2436 61	16,223 00		
*Fayetteville	1897	18	10	29	44	8	19	14	2	606	4															264 73		
*Fourche Valley	1872	32	15	256	104	24	104	124	18	2193	15	1009	93	1102	233 63		349 00	218 54	399 80	290 24	161 00	229 27	2867 00	6271 89	11,020 27	62,725 00		
Friendship	1874	39	26	91	82	7	109	36	38	2233	10				79 65		9 85	13 33	15 75	137 65	7 00	56 55			818 20	430 90		
*Gainesville	1874	28	15	161	102	23	54	16	14	1940	14						18 75	15 25	106 72	36 50					1517 75	26 37		
*Grand Prairie	1883	31	20	96	42	6	62	36	20	1823	12	114	55	689	57 21	42 68	10 25	15 00	21 65	98 61		19 53	240 50		2590 59	8900 00		
*Greensboro	1893	37	18	167	115	14	129	32	20	2283	12					82 85	56 65	42 15	21 50	120 95	8 00		1578 05	832 70	2742 35	9220 00		
*Independence	1850	24	15	78	62	9	41	9	7	1357	8	428		427	62 30	42 30	20 15	25 45	68 65	2 15		24 12	1429 80	363 31	1761 07	8100 00		
Jonesboro	1898	13	7	115	32	6	15	8	14	976	3				10 76		24 32		35 58	62 60			616 82	175 25	925 33			
*Liberty	1854	36	20	187	125	18	82	31	19	2081	15				65 10		38 15	13 95	63 85	42 41	19 00	148 45	1781 70		2171 51	8965 00		
*Liberty	1846	35	16	109	111	8	72	35	29	2442	7	533	38	591	124 96	164 85	201 61	146 90	183 42	4 00	128 75	241 86	2680 25	4595 05	8543 35	24,774 00		
*Little Red River	1872	21	13	44	64	4	72	41	19	1374	13	614	68	682	78 97	50 00	11 70	4 85	63 85	15 74			729 34	128 82	1082 97	3300 00		
*Madison County	1888	19	14	2	12	3	14	9	5	574																761 81		
*Mount Vernon	1867	43	14	93	78	7	57	63	22	1817																6441 18	39,915 00	
*Mount Zion	1852	45	28	300	229		162		45	3059							16 78	157 80	227 75	377 05	394 05	92 92	3776 98	1153 29	5325 20	50,300 00		
*Ouchitah	1876	34	25	32	39	9	70	28	10	1007																1729 75	2325 00	
*Pee Dee	1883	12	11	23	8	1	5	4	5	393										16 51	146 32	121 42	7 87	1437 63		9 57		
*Pine Bluff	1862	46	28	147	126	23	108	65	27	2862											234 60		57 20	1766 28		2658 08	12,940 00	
*Red River	1848	49	39	206	197	17	240	45	23	3185	21	1189	101	1240	28 53	248 81	327 71	249 58	417 61	I 0 88	135 25		117 54	2840 70	2315 02	6281 61	17,850 00	
*Rocky Bayou	1842	27	16	96	40	8	39	6	8	1331	3											3 60	409 00			412 60	3000 00	
*Russellville	1880	25	15	65	24	2	41	8	8	1103																450 00	9800 00	
Saline	1839	69	35	271	239	27	156	66	26	3853	29		1508			112 22	537 29	346 99	416 01	68 90		110 20			142 90	1724 51		
*Southwestern	1880	38	19	62	73	8	125	25	15	1327	7	33	34	397	56 35		24 06		11 80	83 38		6 10	911 00			32 18	1291 11	4850 00
Spring River	1868	26	29	80	61	5	43	27	25	1953	12	67	61	734	77 84		37 46	9 50	29 90	6900		24 60	1718 39	1683 74	4084 07	15,640 00		
State Line	1874	12	1	50	4	5	18	4	6	450	2	150	10	160	39 30		18 05					12 55	194 37	148 00	406 27	1500 00		
*Stephen's Creek	1890	8		6	8	2	10	6	7	321	1			40								6 67				6 67		
*Trace Ridge	1889	19								573																		
Texarkana	1873	6		30	30	3	11	1	2	273	2		70	5 75								12 45	200 00	684 25	937 70	2600 00		
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*Union No. 2	1879	12		30	20	1	1	2		448																		
*United	1874	25	16	37	18	2	39	10	11	1213																	1650 00	
*White River	1849	19		79	20	13	61	1	8	906				96	6 00								121 86			166 20		
*White River Valley	1872	12		18	29	7	30	23	9	759	4	175	19	194	37 93		3 02	2 75	36 72	28 34		8 56	856 07	73 85	1049 07			
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