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# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Arkansas Baptist State Convention

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

*(Sixty-seventh Year)*

HELD AT

CONWAY, ARKANSAS

NOVEMBER 18-21

1915

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Next Session will convene on Wednesday after the first Sunday in  
December, 1916, at 10:00 o'clock, in the Malvern  
Baptist Church, Malvern, Arkansas.

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Preacher of Annual Sermon

T. D. BROWN

Alternate, W. M. WRIGHT

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F. F. Gibson

**Member of the Foreign Mission Board From Arkansas.**

W. J. E. Cox

**Member of the Sunday School Board From Arkansas.**

S. H. Campbell

The election of messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention referred to the Executive Board.

# CONSTITUTION.

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## Article I.—Name and Object.

Section 1. The name of this body shall be "The Arkansas Baptist State Convention."

Sec. 2. The object of this Convention shall be to aid the churches in their divinely commissioned work of evangelization, education, and beneficence.

## 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.

Sec. 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, a Secretary, a Treasurer, 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 is made; and all officers shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected; and, provided further, that no one shall be elected to succeed himself to the office of President more than twice consecutively.

Sec. 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.

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

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

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

## Article V.—Boards.

Section 1. This Convention shall elect an Executive Board which shall attend to the business and perform the duties of this Convention during the interim of its meetings.

(1) This Board shall be composed of seventy-five (75) members, one from the bounds of each Association, the remainder from the State at large.

(2) Upon the adoption of this Constitution one-third of the members of this Board shall be elected to serve one year, one-third to serve two years, and one-third to serve three years; but hereafter each member shall be elected to serve three years, the Convention annually electing successors to all those whose terms expire and filling all vacancies otherwise occurring.

(3) Fifteen members of this Board shall constitute a quorum after due notice to all members at least five days before the time of meeting.

(4) This Board shall co-operate with the churches in gathering and disbursing funds for evangelization, education, orphanage and hospital work, Sunday School, publication and B. Y. P. U. work, and whatever other work this Convention may see fit to engage in not otherwise provided for; except that, without specific orders from the Convention, it shall not be the duty of this Board to raise endowments for educational institutions.

(5) This Board shall report annually its work to this Convention.

(6) This Board shall employ an adequate force of agents and workers to conduct its business.

(7) This Board, upon the arising of an emergency, may change the time and place of the meeting of the Convention.

Sec. 2. The Convention shall also elect the following Boards, viz:

(1) A Board of Trustees of Ouachita Baptist College and a Board of Trustees of Central Baptist College, one-third of the members of whose boards shall be elected annually.

(2) A Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, consisting of nine members, three of whom shall be elected annually.

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

(4) A State Executive Committee, consisting of twelve women, whose duty it shall be to distribute literature and to encourage women and children in systematic beneficence toward all the objects fostered by the Convention.

#### **Article VI.—Meetings.**

The Convention shall meet annually, "if God permit," on Wednesday after the first Sunday in December.

#### **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 remain forever unalterable.

## LIST OF MESSENGERS.

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### Bartholomew Association.

Dermott—N. C. Denson.  
Hamburg—F. P. Turner, Hogan Oliver.  
Monticello—J. F. Tull, Mrs. Z. T. Wood.  
Montrose—T. M. McGee.  
Tillar—Mrs. W. S. Wood, Mrs. B. C. Prewitt.  
Warren—J. B. Luck.  
Wilmar—D. W. Bolton.

### Benton County Association.

Bentonville—William A. Moffitt, Mrs. F. P. Galbreath.  
Gentry—E. L. Mayfield.  
Rogers—O. A. Permayer.  
Siloam Springs—M. M. Smith.

### Black River Association.

Tuckerman—G. R. Tyler.  
Walnut Ridge—Charles G. Elliott.

### Buckner Association.

Hartford—L. A. Robertson, Mrs. David Moore, Blanche Hamilton.  
Huntington—H. E. Marsh.  
Mansfield—J. H. Byers, F. K. Ringsmuth.  
Waldron—C. V. Hunt, Mrs. C. V. Hunt, W. M. Kelley.

### Caddo River Association.

Mount Ida—J. W. Hulsey.

### Caroline Association.

Argenta, First—J. B. Routh.  
Baring Cross—J. S. Pate.  
Boone's Chapel—J. H. Chrissenberry.  
Cabot—S. B. Newsom, W. E. Kimbrough, Mrs. W. E. Kimbrough.  
Caney Creek—W. K. Oldham, Mrs. W. K. Oldham, Miss Allie Choate.  
Carlisle—G. M. Ford, F. E. Marble, R. L. Auton, B. D. Muzzy.  
Des Arc—C. C. Pearson.  
England, First—H. W. Jean, L. M. Emerson.  
Levy—Mrs. E. L. Stanley.  
Little Rock, Cedar Street—J. B. Searcy, W. T. King, Mrs. W. T. King.  
Little Rock, First—J. T. Early, G. E. Hutton, Mrs. G. E. Hutton, Miss Anna Bass, C. A. Riley.  
Little Rock, Immanuel—E. P. Alldredge, Dr. J. H. Estes, Dr. J. F. Hammett, Mrs. J. F. Hammett, Miss Ella Carter, S. P. Vaughtner, W. S. Farmer, Gus Bush, E. J. A. McKinney, C. H. Reeb.  
Little Rock, Maple Street—W. D. Joyner, L. Tomme.



Little Rock, Pulaski Heights—A. L. Aulick, Mrs. A. L. Aulick, Doak S. Campbell.

Little Rock, Second Church—S. H. Campbell, Mrs. S. H. Campbell, Mrs. C. E. Witt, Miss Mary Cason, Dr. J. P. Runyan, W. F. Knowlton, A. E. Dobyns, A. J. Ashburn, H. T. Bradford, Mrs. H. T. Bradford.

Lonoke—G. L. Boles, R. P. Bain, Miss Veasey E. Bain, G. W. Moyer, R. S. Boyd, Mrs. R. S. Boyd.

Pleasant Grove—J. S. Wooten, George Prothro.

Searcy—J. N. Rachels, Miss Nettie Kate Rachels, Mrs. Lucius Pilkington.

Union Valley—R. W. Cazort.

#### **Clear Creek Association.**

Alix—J. P. Blakely, Mrs. J. P. Blakely.

Altus—C. M. Partin.

Coal Hill—G. W. Bray.

Van Buren—Mrs. W. J. Ward, Myrtle Ward.

#### **Concord Association.**

Booneville—W. J. Hinsley, Mrs. W. J. Hinsley, Ed Westmoreland, Mrs. Ed Westmoreland, Mrs. G. W. Tatum.

Fort Smith, Calvary—C. P. Walters, Matt Booker.

Fort Smith, First—F. F. Gibson, John Ayers, Mrs. John Ayers, Edgar B. Parker, Mrs. E. S. Vann.

Fort Smith, Lexington Avenue—E. Rawlings, L. L. Lusk.

Greenwood—John E. Tatum.

#### **Crooked Creek Association.**

Harrison—M. F. Gathright, Mrs. M. F. Gathright, H. D. Glass.

#### **Current River Association.**

Corning—J. W. Black.

#### **Dardanelle Association.**

Dardanelle—G. Dallas Faulkner, Mrs. Nora Walker, J. O. Jones.

Magazine—Glenn D. Espy, Ed Poindexter.

Ola—J. R. Barnett, Mrs. J. R. Barnett.

Paris—D. M. Ballum, Mrs. D. L. Ballum.

#### **Fayetteville Association.**

Fayetteville—M. P. Hunt, Mrs. H. K. Wade, Mrs. Bert Lewis.

Springdale—A. M. Reed, W. I. Elledge, Mrs. W. I. Elledge.

#### **Fourche Valley Association.**

Bigelow—J. E. Steely, M. Culp.

Casa—C. H. Duncan, R. S. Williams, A. W. Jones.

Houston—Henry Perry, J. H. Alexander.

Lollie—J. W. Mabry, Mrs. J. W. Mabry.

#### **Friendship Association.**

Pine Bluff, First—W. J. E. Cox, H. C. Fox.

Pine Bluff, Ohio Street—E. Ryland, Mrs. Walter Pickering.

Star City—W. L. Compere, H. R. Lucas, Mrs. H. R. Lucas,  
Clark Robertson, Mrs. Belle Silverstein.

#### **Grand Prairie Association.**

DeWitt—W. G. Mathis, F. M. Carter.

Hazen—Mrs. Hattie Sanders.

Stuttgart—O. A. Greenleaf, Mrs. O. A. Greenleaf.

#### **Greenbrier Association.**

Bethlehem—T. N. Ford, L. T. Patton.

Conway—Otto Whittington, A. J. Meadors, J. S. Johnson,  
G. W. Bruce, J. W. Conger, J. Frank Jones, H. A. Melton, J. J.  
Doyne, Mrs. J. R. Donnell, Mrs. W. S. Hanner, G. E. Owen, Miss  
Elsie Harrison, Miss Bernice Jones.

Damascus—G. W. Barnett, Mart Edwards, Mrs. G. W. Bar-  
nett.

Macedonia—J. O. Cantrell.

Marcus Hill—H. Sanders.

Oak Bower—T. B. Snoddy, B. J. Coker, H. J. Gwatney, J. L.  
George.

Palestine—J. L. Garrett.

Star Gap—L. W. Day.

Vilonia—W. E. Roberts, T. B. Powell.

#### **Hope Association.**

Columbus—J. R. Autrey.

Hope—T. D. Brown, Tilman B. Park.

Lewisville—J. S. Compere, Amy Compere.

Stephens—K. P. Davis.

Texarkana, Beech Street—Mrs. E. B. Bolinger.

#### **Independence Association.**

Batesville, First—S. B. Callaway, John Q. Wolf, Miss Cleo  
Wolf.

Batesville, West—Guy F. Jenkins.

Floral—D. W. DeLoach, T. G. Pearson.

Sulphur Rock—Claud C. Long, Mrs. Ida O. Long.

#### **Judson Association.**

Fordyce—W. F. Dorris.

New Hope—Mrs. J. B. Pittman, E. R. Daniel, Mrs. E. R.  
Daniel.

#### **Liberty Association.**

Camden—W. M. Wright.

El Dorado—H. M. Geren, Alfred Worthington, George W.  
Mason, Mrs. Aylmer Flenniken.

Elliott—B. F. Rogers.

Junction City—John T. Walters.

#### **Little Red River Association.**

Heber Springs—E. P. J. Garrott, W. C. Johnson, Mrs. W. C.  
Johnson, W. I. Brockman, Mrs. Dan Baker.

Mount Hebron—H. Gidinghagen.

Quitman—J. L. Boyd, B. E. Hill, C. W. Martin, Earle Martin.

### **Little River Association.**

Ashdown—J. E. Brown, J. T. Cowling, W. B. O'Neal.

DeQueen—J. H. Hester.

Lockesburg—A. N. Stanfield.

Nashville—L. M. Keeling, A. H. Autry, Mrs. A. H. Autry.

### **Mount Vernon Association.**

Forrest City—J. R. G. White, J. W. Gardner.

Helena—T. H. Plemmons, Lee Pendergrass.

Helena, West—T. T. Thompson.

Wheatley—A. A. Weeks, H. Loewer, Mrs. H. Loewer, Mrs. E. N. Harrod.

### **Mount Zion Association.**

Blytheville—L. D. Summers.

Jonesboro, First—P. C. Barton, J. G. Harris.

Luxora—J. H. Turner.

Paragould, First—W. C. Wood, T. B. Kitchens, M. P. Huddleston.

### **Ouachita Association.**

Mena—W. L. Smith, J. J. Haynes, Henry Patterson.

### **Pee Dee Association.**

Leslie—G. Cleveland Reid.

Marshall—Orville J. McInturf.

### **Pike County Association.**

Amity—F. A. Holt.

Murfreesboro—D. W. Cornish, C. A. Rankin.

### **Pine Bluff Association.**

Benton—W. R. McEwen, J. E. Berry, T. A. O'Bryant, J. B. Watson, Mrs. J. B. Watson, Mrs. T. W. Bell.

Pleasant Hill—T. M. Mashburn, T. P. Green.

### **Red River Association.**

Arkadelphia, First—B. B. Bailey, S. Y. Jameson, Joe Pat Riley, J. G. Lee, J. I. Cossey, I. W. Cook, G. D. Davis, H. L. McAlister, W. F. Warren.

Arkadelphia, Sweet Hill—C. E. Goatcher, Philip Scott.

Gurdon, Beech Street—A. W. King, J. G. Walls, W. R. Murphy.

Unity—L. E. Burns.

### **Russellville Association.**

Atkins—O. C. Almin, S. B. Barnett, Mrs. S. B. Barnett.

Hopewell—J. C. Alewine, Mrs. W. W. Boyd.

Clarksville—W. E. Atkinson, Mrs. Emma Dorris, Willie P. Brown.

Cross Roads—D. B. Moon.

Knoxville—H. Gerwein, C. H. Gerwein.

Pottsville—W. W. Robbins, J. E. Allmon, W. A. Nash, R. O. Morton.

Russellville—A. F. Cagle, Mrs. A. F. Cagle, W. F. Hall, Mrs. N. P. Pettey, Mrs. W. L. Oates.

Union Grove—W. C. Swift, W. M. Weeks, J. T. Williams.

#### **Saline Association.**

Hot Springs, First—Dana Terry, C. F. J. Tate, Mrs. C. F. J. Tate.

Hot Springs, Second—J. D. Brock, Mrs. J. D. Brock.

Malvern, First—J. T. Howell, C. W. Dixon, E. O. Kilpatrick, G. W. Roberson, Mrs. M. L. Lovell, D. D. Gean, Mrs. G. W. Roberson, Mrs. J. F. Williams.

Pleasant Hill—Lonnie Pettus.

#### **State Line Association.**

Maynard—W. A. Cummings, E. T. Lincoln.

#### **Stephens Creek Association.**

Bald Knob, Central Church—J. C. Vaughan.

#### **Union Association.**

Solgohachia—J. W. Bearden, S. T. Kelso.

#### **United Association.**

Morrilton—V. C. Neal, Mrs. V. C. Neal, I. R. M. Beeson, H. R. Osborn, A. H. Duggar, Mrs. C. R. Earl.

Plumerville—Mrs. W. T. Garrett, Mattie Johnston, R. E. Parker.

Mount Pleasant—J. C. Griswood.

#### **White River Association.**

Cotter—W. W. Cox.

Mountain Home—R. L. Finley, B. A. Spradlin.

# THE PROCEEDINGS

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CONWAY, ARK., November 18, 1915.

1. The sixty-second annual session (sixty-seventh year) of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a. m. by President P. C. Barton, of Jonesboro, in the meeting house of the Baptist Church, Conway, Ark.

2. J. J. Haynes, of Mena, led in prayer.

3. N. C. Denson, of Dermott, read Psalm 133 and led in prayer.

4. J. B. Searcy addressed the Convention briefly.

5. Upon motion it was ordered that all who knew themselves to be eligible to membership in the Convention be allowed to participate in the organization and proceedings of the Convention; and, further, that the Secretary's roll should be incorporated in the proceedings of the body.

6. Officers of the Convention were elected as follows:

President—P. C. Barton, of Jonesboro.

Vice Presidents—N. C. Denson, of Dermott, and S. B. Callaway, of Batesville.

Secretary—E. P. J. Garrott, of Heber Springs.

Treasurer—Dr. J. P. Runyan, of Little Rock.

Auditor—H. K. Ford, of Little Rock.

7. W. M. Wright, of Camden, was elected press reporter, with instructions to report the proceedings of the Convention to the local papers and Associated Press.

8. The offer of the University of Arkansas to have Dean J. H. Miller address the Convention on the betterment of rural conditions was referred to the Committee on Order of Business.

9. The following telegram from the Arkansas students in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was read:

We men from Arkansas now studying in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary send greetings to the Convention, and pray God's richest blessings upon all the proceedings.

10. The President announced the Committee on Order of Business as follows: W. F. Dorris, A. H. Autry, Dr. J. P. Runyan, B. B. Bailey, and J. F. Tull.

11. W. O. Carver, of Louisville, Ky., led in a prayer service.

12. The Committee on Order of Business was instructed to arrange for worship at 11-11:15 a. m. daily.

13. The following visitors and new pastors were introduced by the President: J. B. Moody, of Dawson Springs, Ky.; W. O. Carver, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; F. M. McConnell, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas; J. H. Turner, Luxora; T. H. Plemmons, First Church, Helena; A. L. Aulick, Pulaski Heights, Little Rock; J. T. Early, First Church, Little Rock; J. S. Pate, Baring Cross; L. D. Summers, First Church, Blytheville; J. W. Gardner, Forrest City; J. J. Stephens, Springfield, and A. F. Cagle, Russellville.

14. G. R. Tyler led in a closing prayer.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

15. Devotional service led by T. T. Thompson, of West Helena.

16. The interests of the Seminaries at Louisville and Fort Worth were presented by W. O. Carver and F. M. McConnell, respectively. Pledges were taken for these objects amounting to \$717.50, messengers from other churches promising to take collections.

17. Upon motion the General Secretary was instructed to endeavor to increase the offerings to the Theological Seminaries until the amount reached \$1,800.00.

18. R. G. Bowers, trustee of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, having resigned upon his removal from the State, J. S. Rogers was elected to fill the vacancy.

19. The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by W. C. Wood, and after discussion by W. C. Wood, W. L. Compere, E. J. A. McKinney, M. P. Hunt, and J. B. Moody was adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS.

No great progress can be made in enlisting our people in our great plans of denominational work and life without a free use of good, informing literature. But this literature will be of no value if the same is not distributed and read. One of the troubles in our work is that many of our people will not read our literature. Our leaders should take steps to get our people to desire our literature, and to read it. No pastor can build an efficient church who does not induce the membership of his church to take our publications and read them. Draw a picture in your mind of a church into every family of which comes the Baptist Advance, The Foreign Mission Journal, The Home Field, the literature of our Sunday School Board, including the B. Y. P. U. literature, and when the head of each family is trained to see that all the information of this literature is imparted to every member thereof. Then if to this should be added the literature issued by our own Dr. J. S. Rogers and Doak S. Campbell, could any pastor do his people a greater service than to labor for and accomplish this desired end. Then to this we would do well to add a campaign for reaching the lost with evangelistic and doctrinal tracts. We urge our Board to provide for this and have each missionary instructed to carry a full supply and to wisely and freely scatter said tracts. Would it not be a great service to this Convention if each pastor would become responsible for the interests of the Advance on his field as he does for Missions and Benevolence? Should not our pastors volunteer to do this work? We are gratified at the good showing of the financial affairs of the Baptist Advance and the Book Department of our Executive Board. We should not forget that with every book we purchase of our Book House we add to our denominational affairs. Write to 410 Hollenberg Building, Little Rock, for Bibles and all kinds of Baptist books.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. WOOD,  
DR. J. F. HAMMETT,  
W. E. ATKINSON,  
LEE PENDERGRASS,  
W. L. COMPERE,  
W. G. MATHIS,  
E. L. MAYFIELD,

Committee.

20. Adjournment was taken until 7:00 p. m. W. O. Carver led in prayer.

## THURSDAY EVENING SESSION.

21. After song service M. P. Hunt led in prayer.

22. An address of welcome was delivered by Pastor Otto Whittington, to which J. S. Pate responded.

23. The Judson Centennial Movement was discussed by S. H. Campbell and W. H. Smith, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

24. The President announced the appointment of committees as follows:

B. Y. P. U.—E. Rawlings, Doak S. Campbell, V. C. Neal, W. R. McEwen, A. F. Cagle, A. W. King, G. D. Davis, G. M. Ford, T. D. Brown.

Temperance—M. P. Hunt, E. J. A. McKinney, M. Culp, F. M. Carter, J. L. Garrett, C. C. Pearson, G. E. Hutton, Dr. J. H. Estes.

Home Missions—F. F. Gibson, T. H. Plemmons, T. A. O'Bryant, T. M. Mashburn, C. E. Goatcher, K. P. Davis, J. E. Steely, B. A. Spradlin.

Publications—W. C. Wood, Dr. J. F. Hammett, W. E. Atkinson, Lee Pendergrass, W. L. Compere, W. G. Mathis, E. L. Mayfield.

Lord's Day Observance—A. H. Autry, W. T. King, Tillman B. Park, J. W. Black, A. N. Stanfield, W. A. Cummings, B. D. Muzzy, D. D. Gean.

Woman's Work—J. S. Compere and all the women messengers.

Hospitals—S. B. Callaway, Dr. J. P. Runyan, Dr. J. H. Estes, L. D. Summers, John Ayers.

Work Among Negroes—J. G. Harris, D. W. Cornish, F. P. Turner, R. P. Bain, J. B. Routh, R. N. Cazort, J. G. Walls, G. R. Tyler.

Ministerial Education—S. Y. Jameson, J. B. Luck, Dana Terry, C. F. J. Tate, C. G. Elliott, J. R. Barnett, O. A. Greenleaf, J. S. Pate.

Judson Centennial Fund—S. H. Campbell, W. M. Kelley, J. H. Byers, J. J. Haynes, W. E. Roberts, Alfred Worthington, W. B. Oneal.

Christian Education—T. D. Brown, A. L. Aulick, I. W. Cook, N. C. Denson, J. R. G. White, D. W. Bolton, W. R. Murphy, T. M. McGee.

Sunday Schools—H. M. Geren, Doak S. Campbell, M. M. Smith, L. A. Robertson, C. H. Reeb, W. E. Kimbrough, A. A. Weeks, John T. Walters.

Nominations—J. T. Cowling, G. L. Boles, W. A. Moffitt, J. E. Brown, G. D. Faulkner, E. Ryland, M. F. Gathright, E. P. Alldredge, W. J. Hinsley.



Orphans' Home—C. D. Wood, J. T. Early, T. T. Thompson, V. C. Neal, John Ayers, W. E. Atkinson, J. T. Howell, H. T. Bradford, J. H. Turner.

State Missions—E. P. Alldredge, John Q. Wolf,, H. Gidinghagen, R. L. Finley, F. K. Ringsmuth, E. L. Tiner, J. J. Doyne, G. W. Bruce.

Foreign Missions—W. J. E. Cox, J. W. Conger, J. W. Gardner, H. D. Glass, E. T. Lincoln, C. M. Partin, H. Sanders, W. W. Cox.

Divine Service—Otto Whittington and deacons.

Obituaries—W. L. Smith, W. J. Hinsley, I. R. M. Beeson, John E. Tatum, G. W. Bray, J. P. Blakely, Guy F. Jenkins, A. J. Ashburn.

25. The annual Convention sermon was preached by W. J. E. Cox, of First Church, Pine Bluff, who used as his text I Peter 1 :3-5.

26. The session of the Convention was closed with prayer by W. J. E. Cox.

### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

27. The Convention was called to order by Vice President N. C. Denson.

28. J. B. Luck conducted devotional service.

29. The record of the proceedings for Thursday were read and approved.

30. A telegram from the Texas General Convention was read and the Secretary was instructed to send a suitable reply.

31. A motion to instruct the Committee on Order of Business to arrange the order with a view to closing the Convention on Monday was passed after discussion by P. C. Barton, V. C. Neal, C. G. Elliott, M. P. Hunt, G. M. Ford, E. J. A. McKinney, L. D. Summers, W. B. Oneal, F. P. Turner, J. S. Compere.

32. The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read by H. M. Geren, and after discussion by Doak S. Campbell, State Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary, was adopted as follows :

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In presenting the report of the work of the Sunday Schools of our State, we rejoice because of the success of the work. Marked progress has been made along the lines of teacher training,

equipment, and organization. More pastors are taking an interest in thorough development of the Sunday School work than we have ever before noted. Many times as many requests for training schools and institutes have been turned down than have been filled.

But with our progress, which is laudable, a great majority of our schools have done little or nothing toward the development of efficient schools. Several churches have no schools, but we are glad to see that new ones are being organized.

There are now 535 schools from whom we have been able to get detailed reports. These represent a membership of about 40,000. There are more than 400 schools reported in the Minutes of the Associations, but from whom we have not received full reports.

Owing to the fact that Secretary Leavell gave up the work early in the year, the work of teacher training has suffered greatly.

The present Secretary, having been on the field for six months, has conducted six training schools in churches, two Associational Institutes, two Assemblies, and three house-to-house canvasses, besides organizing and grading three schools. Addresses relative to the work have been delivered in 25 churches other than those in which the schools were held.

The number of Normal Diplomas has increased from 630 to 688, while there have been enrolled 200 who are working for the diploma.

Although the time for preparation was short, the Assemblies were very successful. More than 400 were present at the Arkadelphia meeting, and 151 awards were made. There were about 50 visitors at the Cushman meeting. A large local patronage was given this meeting except when the weather was too rainy.

At present only one school is reporting as a standard school, while many have reached it all but one point. Fifty-three schools are contributing either monthly or quarterly to the Orphans' Home; 60 contributed to State Missions, raising \$549.63. There are 39 Convention Organized Adult Classes, and the prospects are splendid for many more under the work of the Organized Class Leaders of the State.

As Baptists we must hold to the doctrines of the New Testament in which training is one of the prime functions of the New Testament church. Believing, therefore that every church should have a Bible school as its teaching service, we recommend—

1. That pastors and superintendents enlist their people in teacher training work.
2. That missionaries and pastors organize Associational Institutes for training.
3. That workers attend the Assemblies and training schools for instruction in methods.
4. That the literature of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention be used.

5. That the Executive Board place at least one additional man on the field.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. GEREN,  
DOAK S. CAMPBELL,  
L. A. ROBERTSON,  
C. H. REEB,

Committee.

33. In the absence of the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions, the report was read by W. H. Smith, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. The following was adopted after discussion by W. H. Smith:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va., composed of 18 local members and 18 State members, representing each State in co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention, is charged with our Foreign Mission work. The Board has before it two great tasks.

First of all, it is of unspeakable importance that we should arouse our people, increase the missionary spirit among the churches and enlarge our missionary offerings in this day of golden opportunity. This the Board is striving to do:

(1) By the direct efforts of its Secretaries and returned missionaries in visiting churches, Associations, and Conventions, making missionary addresses, writing letters, preparing articles for the press and conducting missionary campaigns.

(2) By close and hearty co-operation with the various State Mission Boards and their workers, the Woman's Missionary Union and the Laymen's Missionary Committee.

(3) Through its literature. The Foreign Mission Journal ought to go into every Southern Baptist home. It is impossible for anyone who does not read the Journal to be well-informed as to our Foreign Mission work. The Board also furnishes helpful tracts and leaflets for distribution.

(4) By means of Mission Study Classes and the circulation of permanent missionary literature the Board is trying, through its Educational Department, to secure the intelligent co-operation of our people, especially among the younger members of the churches.

(5) By seeking the raising of the apportionment as the minimum. It seems certain that the laymen are going to pay off the present debt. With that great task accomplished, if the full amount of the apportionment can be raised, we will be able to press forward gloriously with our work.

(6) By urging systematic giving. If all our churches would take offerings for Missions every time they meet for worship, and forward their contributions promptly, thus saving the large interest account, it would enable the Board to immediately enlarge its operations on the foreign fields. Unless the churches will adopt such a plan, the Board is helpless in this matter of the interest account. The Convention has instructed the Board to pay the missionaries promptly and to borrow the money, if necessary, in order to do so.

In the second place, the supreme task of the Board for which all of its other work is merely the preparation of a home base, is the evangelization of the millions of people in heathen lands. This the missionaries try to do first, last and all the time, by preaching the Cross of Christ. It is to witness for Him that they have gone to the ends of the earth. Every missionary stands on Paul's platform, "For I determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and Him crucified." These ambassadors of the Cross strive always to find the best methods of preaching the Gospel, the good news of God's love and redeeming grace, so as to win the people to Christ.

In addition to what is known among us as the direct preaching of the Gospel, there are other methods of evangelization which have been tried and found exceedingly effective.

(1) **Hospitals and Dispensaries.**—Here the sick are healed, suffering is relieved and patients, with their friends, have the Gospel preached to them day by day under the most impressive circumstances. In this way prejudice is dispelled, friends are made for Christianity and souls are saved. This work is now nearly self-sustaining, excepting the salaries of the medical missionaries.

(2) **Printing Presses.**—By means of our publishing plants our missionaries are sending out vast numbers of Bible and quantities of Christian literature in the languages of the peoples. In all lands literature is powerful and this is especially true in China and Japan. The printing press is an evangelistic agency of incalculable power.

(3) **Christian Schools.**—Such schools are an absolute necessity in mission lands. It is simply impossible to send Christian children to such non-Christian schools as are available. Our mission schools are a direct method of evangelization, because here young people have the Gospel presented to them day after day and many of our best converts are made by this means. Above all, the schools are necessary for the development of a native constituency and the training of effective native workers, who, after all, must do the work of evangelizing their own people. There is no more powerful factor in the evangelization of any country than these Christian schools which are rapidly becoming self-supporting on all the fields.

One of the saddest things about this work is the lack of equipment for these various phases of missionary effort. It seems

unthinkable that we should ask these faithful workers to labor without suitable tools and yet that is what we have been doing. The great movement for the Judson Centennial Fund is intended to remedy, in a measure, this defect. What joy it will bring on every field if the Judson Centennial Fund can be fully raised during this last year of Centennial effort!

#### Summary for 1914-1915:

Total receipts.....	\$537,076
Missionaries.....	298
Native workers.....	651
Churches.....	382
Self-supporting Churches.....	56
Out stations.....	819
Baptisms.....	5,190
Members.....	33,000
Contributions, native churches.....	\$144,427
Sunday Schools.....	594
Scholars.....	23,959
Day schools.....	347
Scholars.....	8,427
Boarding schools.....	36
Scholars.....	2,344
Woman's training schools.....	5
Students.....	200
Theological schools.....	10
Students.....	184
Hospitals and dispensaries.....	24
Patients.....	59,949

By looking back for 15 years it will be seen that during this decade and a half of this Twentieth Century we Southern Baptists have increased our contributions five-fold, our native members on the fields have multiplied their gifts by 14, we have increased our number of missionaries three-fold, the force of native workers five-fold, the number of native church members five-fold, and the annual number of baptisms five-fold. If we can keep up the present rate of increase, by the time the first quarter of the century ends Southern Baptists will be giving a million and a half dollars a year to Foreign Missions, and our native church members another million and a half dollars; we will have 600 missionaries on the field, 2,500 native workers and 150,000 church members, and we will be winning converts at the rate of about 20,000 a year. This is no idle dream. It can all be accomplished if we can only maintain our present rate of growth.

It is well for us to try to get this wider view from time to time. In the midst of the present problems and difficulties and under the stress and strain, the dust and smoke of the conflict, we are liable to become discouraged and feel that we are making but little progress. There is every reason for encouragement in our missionary work. A glimpse of the past and a glance toward the future should cheer us on to more glorious efforts.

Shall we maintain our present rate of increase? By all means. We ought to do even more. With the broad foundations which have been laid at home and abroad, with the rapid increase in numbers, wealth and development, our people are able to do as much in the next ten years as we have done in the last fifteen. Think what that would mean. With such an advancement we will be giving by 1925 two and a half million dollars a year for the support of our Foreign Mission work with a proportionate enlargement in every department of the work.

In view of all these things, we recommend—

1. That we strive with all our might to raise the full amount of the apportionment of \$11,000.00 which the Southern Baptist Convention has asked of the Baptists of this State.

2. That we seek by our prayers, efforts, and gifts the complete success of the Judson Centennial Movement.

3. That we commend the noble efforts of our laymen to raise by private efforts our share of the debt of \$100,000.00 left upon the Board at the close of the last Convention year.

4. That we urge upon all our people the reading of the Foreign Mission Journal, the tracts and other literature of our Foreign Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. E. COX,  
J. W. CONGER,  
J. W. GARDNER,  
H. D. GLASS,  
E. T. LINCOLN,  
C. M. PARTIN,  
H. SANDERS,  
W. W. COX,

Committee.

34. A prayer service was led by W. L. Compere.

35. Hospital work, especially as conducted by the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., was discussed by A. E. Jennings, of that institution.

36. V. I. Masters, Editorial Secretary of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga., was introduced to the Convention.

37. After prayer by John E. Tatum, adjournment was taken until 2:00 p. m.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

38. Devotional hour led by L. D. Summers.

39. The following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That while we commend the present effort of the State Medical Association to secure the establishment, by legislative enactment, of a great State Charity Hospital at Little Rock, we also put ourselves on record as believing that the time has come for the Baptists of Arkansas to recognize that the work of establishing and maintaining hospitals for the healing of the bodies of the people, whether poor and indigent or rich and independent, is a distinctly religious work and one which should not be left entirely to the Catholic Church or to the various fraternal orders or to the State or to all of these combined.

Resolved, further, That the time has come when the Baptists of Arkansas, numbering 115,000 among the white Missionary Baptists, should take up this part of their divinely given task, now already too long neglected; and

Resolved, further, That a Hospital Commission, consisting of five members, be appointed by this Convention to secure land and donations for a suitable location for a State Baptist Hospital, to be open to all people who suffer, without regard to religious faith or material resources, this Commission to report to our next Convention a year hence.

(The President appointed the Commission as follows: E. P. Alldredge, Dr. J. P. Runyan, Dr. J. H. Estes, E. O. Manees, S. H. Campbell.)

40. J. W. Neal, J. W. Ford, H. Goode, J. R. Jame-son, T. W. Chism, Joseph A. Booker, and Cephus Lyons, negro ministers, attended the Convention in a body, and the last two addressed the Convention.

41. The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by V. I. Masters, of the Home Board, Atlanta, Ga., in the absence of the chairman. After discussion by V. I. Masters the report was adopted as follows:

#### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.**

Home Missions is the philosophy and task of making and maintaining a Christian civilization in America. The vehicle through which Southern Baptists address themselves to this great task is the Home Mission Board at Atlanta, Ga. Since 1845 it has been our Baptist clearing house through which are gathered up and again sent forth the liberality of our Baptist body of the South to supply the spiritual destitution of the whole South.

This Board has for Southern Baptists done a work of evangelization which has never been equaled in America by the similar agencies of other Christian bodies. Last year it reported 38,000 baptisms performed by its missionaries, 17,000 of which were creditable to co-operative agencies, and 21,000 entirely to the Home Board. There was not another Home Mission Board in America, though a number of them spend more money than our

Board, which reported more than 10,000 baptisms, including the baptisms creditable to co-operative local agencies.

Our Board has also been and is today a bulwark to strengthen denominational spirit and loyalty. Dr. I. T. Tichenor, for many years its honored Secretary, declared that from 1882 to 1885 this Board actually saved the jeopardized integrity of the very existence of the Southern Baptist Convention. Through this Board for two generations the Baptists of the older States have united to set on their feet and strengthen to a commanding position the Missions Boards of each of the newer States. Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Florida unite in giving glad testimony to this fact.

In rendering this invaluable service for the magnifying of local autonomy the Home Board has lived up to our best Baptist traditions of service. The Board has sought not ours but us. But Arkansas Baptists do and will respond to the appeal of this immense task by which each local Baptist Church has a part in the work of helping every needy cause in our whole Baptist territory, a service at once of patriotism and of Christian love and fellowship.

We can scarcely even mention here the names of all the great departments of the Board's work. They include Co-operative Missions with various State Boards; Evangelism, with a great staff of 25 approved men of God; Mountain Mission Schools, with 34 schools and 6,000 students among 4,000,000 highlander population in the Appalachians; 50 missionaries to the foreigners; 40 among the negroes; 40 in Cuba and Panama; Church Building activities, by which through loans and gifts the Board aids in erecting about 300 houses of worship annually; Enlistment Missions, through which the Home and State Boards unite to aid laggard churches to function for Christ, in their own communities first, and beyond second; a Publicity and Educational Department, which writes and furnishes books for Mission Study, writes articles for 25 Baptist newspapers, prepares and distributes free to the churches 6,000,000 pages of tracts annually, edits the Home Field, prepares charts, etc.

These are the bare names of departments of work each of which is in itself a great and blessed potentiality for our Lord Jesus and for the weary, sin-burdened souls of men.

The beautiful church building in which we meet was possible only through the large gift of Southern Baptists through the Home Board of \$10,000.00, to erect here a plant for gospel work adequate not only for the community but for children who come up here from all the State to attend college.

The Home Board has aided the Baptists much in Arkansas, not all we needed or could have wished, but as much as it was able. Only last year it came to the aid of Ouachita College with a gift of \$10,000 and helped Baptists to save an institution without which their cause would suffer irreparable injury in Arkansas.

Your committee would recommend that this body urge upon



our people to pray for and support this great Baptist agency for a saved America. It should be remembered in sermons about its work and mission by every pastor. Its magazine should have a capable representative and a club in every church, and pastors and others should write for and distribute its splendid tract literature. Classes should be formed to study the new Mission Study book, Baptist Missions in the South. It is by Dr. V. I. Masters, and is just coming from the press. It sounds the Baptist note and shows what Baptists have done, are doing, and should do to save America.

We pledge our body to the loyal support of our Board and express the belief that our Arkansas apportionment to its work ought to be enlarged just as often and as much as we are able to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

F. F. GIBSON.

42. M. P. Hunt read the report of the Committee on Temperance. After discussion by M. P. Hunt, O. A. Greenleaf, W. G. Mathis, Otto Whittington, N. C. Denson, M. Culp, E. J. A. McKinney, and W. M. Wright, it was adopted:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The past year has witnessed many notable victories for the cause of temperance and prohibition. Nine or ten States have swung into the prohibition column. Even in the States where we have lost, we gained ground that really constitutes a substantial victory.

The outlook for a saloonless nation grows brighter and brighter with each victory. Today for the most part our enemies concede that ultimate victory is inevitable, and the best that can be hoped for, by them, is to stay its coming as long as possible. The change of front upon the part of many political leaders in the last few years is significantly indicative of the change of public sentiment. When you see politicians by the wholesale climbing into the band wagon of State- and Nation-wide prohibition forces, you may know that the day of our deliverance draweth nigh. The night is far spent and the day dawneth in which the unremitting toil and prayer of the past half century has brought us within sight of the long desired goal, when our Nation shall wash her hands of her hitherto unholy alliance of the last half century, with the vile, corrupting, and damnable liquor business, and the whole unspeakable curse shall be outlawed root and branch forever.

The cataclysm of war in the old world has, in the providence of God, brought the powers-that-be to see the unspeakable evil of the nefarious business as never before; purely upon economical grounds and apart from any moral consideration. In one instance

they have peremptorily destroyed it, and in many other instances restrictions have been added calculated to check and lessen its evils. With grateful hearts we record the victory and blessing of statutory prohibition for our own beloved State. This was by all odds the crowning act of our last legislature. The enactment of statutory prohibition voiced also in a remarkable way the transition through which we are passing. The grip of the liquor power on legislatures is rapidly being broken. What but a few years ago was all but unthinkable, has come sooner and easier than many had even dared to hope. Among the agencies that have made possible the good hour to which we have come we would mention the W. C. T. U., the Anti-Saloon League, the teaching in our Sunday Schools and in our public schools as to evils of alcoholic drinks, the untiring warfare upon the evil by the religious press, and the ceaseless, courageous utterances of our evangelistic pulpits upon this damnable agency of hell, for the blight of man, made in the image of God.

The victory is as yet by no means complete, nor the dangers past. The forces of this unscrupulous giant, which has so long had our Nation by the throat, die hard and they have made up their minds to exact the last possible cent of tribute money. This is the hour for unusual alertness upon the part of every agency set for the destruction of this hellish business. The seeming lull of the liquor forces in our State is ominous with danger. Remember, they stop at nothing, and with them the end justifies the means. They are marking time for an opportunity to overthrow our statutory prohibition. Let us be on our guard.

The laws for the enforcement of this statute need to be strengthened and perfected. For, be it known unto all men, that the foe we fight will dare all things to violate and nullify the law and then plead its nonenforcement as a ground of repeal. Hence, eternal vigilance is the price of holding and perfecting what we have. We must be on our guard as to the character of the judges, Magistrates, Senators, Representatives, Sheriffs, Constables, and police officers we elect. Moreover, it is incumbent upon us to create in our several communities a healthy sentiment for the rigid enforcement of law. By all means let us not slacken in our support of the Anti-Saloon League, that has been the pre-eminent factor in the achievement thus far attained, and that if rightly supported will bring us ultimate and complete victory.

We urge our people to see that delegates are appointed to all Anti-Saloon League meetings and that they are in every way assisted in prosecuting their work.

We recommend that all of our churches celebrate on Sunday, January 2, 1916, the going out of the saloon in a way that shall mightily tell for the cause.

We also recommend the naming of five men to represent us on the State Anti-Saloon League.

Respectfully submitted,

M. P. HUNT,  
E. J. A. MCKINNEY,  
M. CULP,  
F. M. CARTER,  
J. L. GARRETT,  
C. C. PEARSON,  
G. E. HUTTON,  
DR. J. H. ESTES,

Committee.

43. Adjourned with prayer by Dana Terry.

### FRIDAY EVENING SESSION.

44. Devotional hour in charge of J. E. Tatum.

45. A telegram of greeting from New Mexico was read and the Secretary instructed to send a reply.

46. J. B. Searcy addressed the Convention briefly.

47. Upon motion the Convention voted unanimously to accept Dr. J. B. Searcy's offer to the Convention of the manuscript of his history of Arkansas Baptists and to tender thanks to him for his past service in this matter.

48. The report of the Committee on Orphans' Home was read by C. D. Wood. The reports of the Board of Trustees and Treasurer were read by J. F. Tull, and ordered filed in the proceedings of the Convention. After discussion of the first report by C. D. Wood, V. C. Neal, J. S. Rogers, S. H. Campbell, W. M. Wright, J. T. Cowling, H. Loewer, E. J. A. McKinney, M. P. Hunt, A. E. Dobyms, P. C. Barton, C. F. J. Tate, it was adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

We, your committee, want first to acknowledge the blessings of God and the leadership of His Spirit during the past year in our Orphans' Home work. We are profoundly grateful to the Father that he has enabled us to provide a real home for so many helpless children of our State and we thank God for the Baptist Church at Monticello and the friends both there and throughout the State who have so nobly stood by the work.

Many of our Sunday Schools are giving the offerings of one Sunday in each month to the support of our orphans, and we urge that pastors and superintendents everywhere use their influence in bringing the other schools to adopt this plan.

There are 192 children in the Home at present, which necessarily makes a crowded condition.

The report of the Board will set before us the financial condition of the Home. In view of the congested condition and the indebtedness, we make the following recommendations:

1. That the Orphans' Home Board be instructed to place as many of the children in private homes as possible, taking the necessary steps to remove the restrictions now in force relative to the adoption of children going out of the Home into private families and providing necessary contracts for the protection of such children and the retention of their oversight by the Orphans' Home management.

2. That this Convention instruct the Executive Board to borrow money enough to settle all outstanding indebtedness against the institution.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. WOOD, JR.,  
 J. T. EARLY,  
 T. T. THOMPSON,  
 V. C. NEAL,  
 JOHN AYERS,  
 W. E. ATKINSON,  
 J. T. HOWELL,  
 H. T. BRADFORD,  
 J. H. TURNER,

Committee.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME.

Your Board, at its meeting held in Monticello, December 29, 1914, faced the Convention year now ending with many misgivings. It appeared to us that the streams of benevolence which had been flowing in the direction of the Orphans' Home had a tendency to dry up. We realized that we were under a crushing debt. We had just seen Ouachita College barely saved from the Sheriff's hammer, and some of us as individuals had lifted at that proposition until we were in a state of financial collapse, and we knew that many of our brethren out in the State were in the same condition. The European war was telling very seriously upon the finances of this country, and money promised to be awfully hard to get for any purpose. There was a distressing deficit on our State Mission account, and the whole financial world seemed threatened with disaster. In the face of all these things, it took more faith than we then had, to believe that the churches could put money enough in our hands during the year to care for the Orphans'

Home upon the basis on which it was then being conducted, without incurring a ruinous debt. We felt that we would be bound to cut down expenses somewhere. So, in keeping with this view of the matter, we discharged the farm man, and instructed the Superintendent to reduce the acreage to be cultivated this year by nearly one-half, as compared with the number of acres heretofore cultivated, and we further gave instructions looking to the very strictest economy at every point in the internal workings of the institution. In keeping with this policy our milk cows were denied the run of a pasture which we had been renting for several years outside of the Orphanage property, no cowfeed was bought after the first of March, and no fertilizer was bought to assist the growth of the crop. Of course, this policy dried up the cows and cut short the crop, and some who see the Home only at a distance may blame us for this, but we still believe that our policy was sound, and we are willing to go before the Judgment on it.

The farm having failed to produce cow feed for the coming winter, and the cow stock having grown to be supernumerary anyway, we, a couple of weeks since, sold a thousand dollars' worth of cattle, reserving only 12 milch cows. These, if we can feed them, will be worth more to the Home than the whole herd could have been without feed. We also have about seven head of horses which we mean to sell as soon as we can find a buyer. This, we regard as being far better than buying feed to keep them during the winter. Of course, we shall reserve enough horse stock to do the work that is needed to be done on the place. We also have 100 head of Poland China hogs of various ages, a large per cent of which we will not be able to fatten for lack of feed, and neighboring farmers are offering us good prices for these, and we intend to sell as many of these as need be. These facts are not here recited as a bad indication in the Home's affairs, but as showing that the future policy of the Board will be against running a stock farm at the Orphanage, and we think that all recent visitors at the Home will be decidedly with us in this matter.

To add to the grievous lapses in the material affairs of the institution as related above, this has been an unprecedentedly trying year on us because of the pellagra scourge with which the children have been afflicted. This dreadful disease has been in the institution for many years, resulting in much distress and quite a number of deaths, but this year its ravages have been almost beyond words. At present, under the advice of Dr. Garrison, of the State Board of Health, our Home physician, with the co-operation of the management, has worked the disease down to the minimum, there being now only two or three children upon whom any sign of the disease may be seen. The general health of the inmates of the Home is all that could be asked, and sanitary conditions are at present better perhaps than they have ever been in the history of the institution.

The children now numbering 192, are all well and happy, and all of them who are of suitable age are in school.

During the year some 15 of the children have made profession of their faith in Jesus, and have been baptized into the fellowship of the Monticello Baptist Church.

Through the kindness of Sister G. W. Bottoms, of Texarkana, we have been able to install a splendid little steam laundry at the Home, and this meets a long-felt need, and saves our girls a tremendous lot of drudgery.

The Home is without a Superintendent, Brother Williams having given up the work the first day of this month. The Board has employed Mr. Brooks Clowers, a young married man, to stay in the institution and act as Superintendent until we can find the man to take up the work. The children are all well disciplined, and the routine work is all going on in a very gratifying manner.

Our Treasurer's report will show an outstanding indebtedness against the Home of \$17,619.58. This is an exceedingly depressing fact, which your Board hopes the brethren of this Convention will face like men of God. We feel that the next thing to be saved by Arkansas Baptists should be the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home. May God Almighty gird us for the task!

J. F. TULL,  
Secretary of Board.

### REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME.

Monticello, Ark., November 13, 1915.

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

The Treasurer of your Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, herewith submits to you the following condensed financial statement for the Convention year ending November 13, 1915, showing the total indebtedness at the beginning of the year, the receipts and disbursements during the year and the aggregate present indebtedness:

#### Receipts.

Aggregate receipts from all sources for general and clothing fund.....	\$15,610.56
Laundry fund (Mrs. Bottoms).....	1,000.00
	\$16,610.56

#### Disbursements.

To warrants paid during the year for clothing and general fund.....	\$15,432.37
To warrant (Laundry fund).....	1,000.00
To unpaid warrants and outstanding accounts now past due.....	4,018.66
To notes (due banks in Monticello).....	11,800.00
To notes (due individuals).....	1,140.00
To interest due on notes.....	839.11—
	\$34,230.14

To present indebtedness now outstanding against the Home.....	\$17,619.58
To indebtedness of the Home November 9, 1914 .....	15,187.79
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To increase of indebtedness of the Home from November 9, 1914, to November 13, 1915 .....	\$ 2,431.79

You will notice from the above statement that the local Board here is in great need of funds—and something must be done, and done at once. The banks here requested me to have the notes reduced at least 30 per cent and they would carry the balance for a while, but must have at least that much. Also we need funds to pay off the rapidly accumulating accounts. Something must be done, and let's do it now.

Fraternally yours,

R. L. DEAL, Treasurer.

49. Adjourned with prayer by J. F. Tull.

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

50. The devotional service was led by H. E. Marsh.

51. C. H. Reeb, of Little Rock, was introduced to the Convention, and spoke for a short while.

52. After discussion by M. P. Hunt, E. J. A. McKinney, John Ayers, J. E. Brown, J. S. Rogers, J. J. Haynes, S. H. Campbell, G. M. Ford, A. H. Autry, and A. E. Dobyns, a resolution to change that part of the Constitution which provides for the time of meeting was adopted. (See Article VI of the Constitution, on page 6 of this volume.)

53. Upon motion the President of the Convention was instructed to appoint chairmen of committees at a sufficiently early date before the sitting of the Convention to allow said chairmen to secure data for their respective reports. Discussed by M. P. Hunt, J. T. Early, A. H. Autry, John Ayers, J. H. Turner, and S. H. Campbell.

54. The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by G. D. Faulkner and adopted. (Compare pages 2-4 of this volume.)

55. The report of the Committee on the Observance of the Lord's Day was read by A. H. Autry, and after dis-

cussion by A. H. Autry and W. T. King was adopted as follows :

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE.

Whether our Sunday be the original Sabbath, or the moral Sabbath, or the Christian Sabbath, or the holy Sabbath, or the civil Sabbath, it is founded on necessity, and is a means to an end. That necessity cannot lie in the observance of a certain day of the week, but in a certain proportion of time. Six days of labor, and one of rest and worship. The holiday Sabbath of Roman Catholic countries is becoming very popular in our own so-called Protestant America..

When so-called Christian people hold a short so-called religious service and then haste away to revel in their earthly desires and pleasures, the world looks on with amazement.

Many so-called Christian people are utterly destroying their religious influence in a mad craze for Sunday gardens, parks, theaters, dances, excursions, and Sunday secular newspapers. They grow restless under a gospel sermon, and cannot take time to worship; but they are there first and stay until the lights are put out in the halls of pleasure. There is enough shouting and enthusiasm at an ordinary Sunday football or baseball game, by light-hearted Christians, to enlist the whole town or community in gospel work, if it were turned into religious channels. If we would save our bodies, our influence, our homes, and our churches, we must repent of Sabbath desecration, and keep the Lord's Day in worship and deeds of mercy.

A. H. AUTRY,  
W. T. KING,  
TILMAN B. PARK,  
J. W. BLACK,  
A. N. STANFIELD,  
W. A. CUMMINGS,  
B. D. MUZZY,  
D. D. GEAN,

Committee.

56. The report of the Boards of Trustees of Central College and Ouachita College were read by President J. W. Conger and President S. Y. Jameson, respectively, and ordered incorporated in the Proceedings of the body. In the same connection the following resolution was offered, and, after discussion by Dr. J. P. Runyan, J. W. Conger, S. Y. Jameson, W. J. Hinsley, P. C. Barton, and S. H. Campbell, was adopted.



**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.**

Notwithstanding the unprecedented financial depression of the past year, Central College closed the most successful session in its history, registering 203 young ladies, representing 41 counties in Arkansas and three States. Twenty-seven diplomas and certificates were issued at commencement.

Our Bible classes are put on the same basis as any regular College subject, at present two years are required giving the student six hours credit toward a degree. We are using Moulton's "Modern Reader's Bible" as a text and we propose to fall in line with the "outline work in Bible study that the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board has given us, not only in Bible study directly, but in Teacher Training classes.

Beside the two-year Bible study, we are working toward elective courses, thus giving Bible work the same value in the mind of the student as Latin, Mathematics, or any other major College subject.

It shall be our purpose not to have any student graduate from Central College, who is not able to be a leader in Bible study in the home church or community where she lives.

The time has come when the Bible must be known, when our men and women cannot boast the highest culture without more than a passing knowledge of this subject. We must know the Bible from the viewpoint of literature, history, science, philosophy, as well as religion. We are bringing to the students the great fundamental truths of the Bible, as we would the truths of any other subject.

Enrollment in our Young Women's Christian Association for 1915-1916 is 83 members. In Mission Study and Reading Circle, 74 girls are enrolled. Eight Reading Circles organized; \$100.00 for Foreign Missions, to go for the support of a native Baptist preacher in China, to be raised aside from dues. \$57.50 is the amount of dues in the treasury, up to date.

Social Science has, this year, been introduced as an elective for Juniors and Seniors. This is a study of the methods of Jesus of constructive Christian work. This places emphasis upon brotherhood or applied Christianity.

In this class the young people are gaining a knowledge of the needs of people and how to meet them. At present, we are studying the problems of the Country Church and its yet untouched and undeveloped possibilities for service, and it goes without saying that these young women cannot gain such knowledge without receiving a vision and inspiration for larger and more practical usefulness after leaving college.

Several changes were made in our faculty and it is now confidently believed that we have teachers that will remain with the institution. The students are doing better work than at any time during the present administration. The new Director of Music, Mr. Hugh RiDout, is a genuine artist and is measuring up to our

expectations in the fullest sense. The new Dean, Miss Caroline B. Phelps, has had large experience and brings to her work a very strong personality and splendid Christian character and ability.

It will be remembered that at this time last year, we were erecting our new wing, with 36 additional rooms. We entered these rooms about the first of January. The people of Conway had subscribed \$10,000.00 for this building, but, because of the financial panic, which no one could foresee, about \$2,500.00 of this was not collected. This unexpected burden added to our already urgent, but not large, indebtedness has given us much trouble.

It was reported at the last Convention that Central total indebtedness amounted to, approximately, \$27,000.00. Two thousand and five hundred dollars in cash and a note for \$500.00 (on which we have borrowed money), making a total of \$3,000.00, has been received from the State Executive Board through Dr. J. S. Rogers. This was used in paying the interest and in making a payment on the International Life Insurance Company loan.

We have been forced to make some expensive repairs on the roof and boiler room and heating plant. These matters have been passed up for several years and could not go any longer. The property is now in good condition and will need very little repair for several years.

The President now feels that he is prepared to do a larger work for the institution than it has been possible to do during the previous years, provided the annoying financial condition, caused by the past indebtedness, does not continue to cripple his efforts. In this connection, your Board desires to urge this Convention to empower the Trustees of Central College to employ agencies to begin a campaign to liquidate \$15,000.00 of Central's indebtedness and to meet its urgent needs. This would cover the old Rivers claim of more than \$7,000.00 and other pressing debts. Some of these debts have been running for years. They are due and payable and cannot be postponed longer. Notice has been given by the creditors that they would wait and see what action this Convention would take, before action against the college is taken. If the Convention will relieve the college of this \$15,000.00 indebtedness, your Trustees pledge themselves to do everything possible not to have a deficit, nor to ask for money for further improvements. Inasmuch as the harassing debt of Ouachita was liquidated last year, your Board urges that definite steps be taken, at once, to pay the \$15,000.00 of Central's debt the coming year and that enough be provided by the first of December to pay the Rivers claim.

Your Board would suggest that Central College cannot stand still, but that it is imperative that she go forward; and the only way that she can move forward is in the erection of buildings to meet the demands that are made upon her, and in providing better equipment. Our vision for the future is a "Community House," costing not less than \$20,000.00, to furnish accommodations for

ambitious young women with limited means. This would be run on the industrial plan. There are literally hundreds of young women who desire to attend Central College, provided we can offer them inducements. We also need a Fine Arts Building, costing not less than \$25,000.00, with all modern equipment. Our plans also embrace a Juvenile School Building, costing not less than \$20,000.00. This school should be on the Campus, but separate and apart from Central College proper. This building should be so constructed as to take care of boys and girls ranging from 6 to 12 years of age, who have been left in good financial condition by deceased parents. Numerous applications for entrance have been made to our President. There is not a school of this nature in the South. With a good Matron in charge the expense would not be very great, as there would be no overhead expenses in the way of business management and administration. It would be a great asset, in itself, to Central College and to the denomination. Many children of Protestant and Baptist homes are now in Catholic schools, because there is no other place for them to go. The Baptists, through Central College and its management, should be pioneers in this work.

In conclusion, we urge this Convention to help us to do the great work committed to us. Give your President cordial, sympathetic support and encouragement, and we feel confident that within a very short time we will be able to carry out our plans without incurring any debts. It will not be our policy, in the future, to create any debts, either in the erection of buildings or for equipment.

J. W. CONGER, President.

### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OUACHITA COLLEGE.**

Colleges, like men, live in deeds, not years, in heart-throbs, not in figures on a dial. The college lives most which thinks most, acts the noblest, and therefore gives most to the men and women who crowd its halls. Let it be remembered and never forgotten that Ouachita College is the synonym of all that is highest and best in education. Her degrees represent the maximum amount of work for which such degrees stand in the best colleges in the country.

The opening in September was auspicious. The number registering, though in excess of last year, was materially reduced on account of the floods which had visited every part of our State. Only about one-tenth of our students are in the Preparatory Department. Were it not for the young preachers, this department could be abandoned, leaving the institution to devote its whole time to college work.

The faculty is composed of high-class men and women. They are competent, consecrated, and faithful. The student-body is more nearly ideal than any with which I have been connected or

acquainted. Together with the faculty they constitute a royal, happy family. Through catalogues and other literature the workings of the college are well known in practically every Baptist family in the State.

The hand of God is clearly discernible in the affairs of Ouachita College.

Acting contrary to all precedent and inclination, the Home Mission Board made possible the Debt-paying Campaign by agreeing to contribute \$10,000.00. This proffer added to the splendid offer of \$5,000.00 by Mr. Cargile furnished the ground of access to the pocketbooks of the big-hearted Bottoms of Texarkana and the big-hearted Puryear of Jonesboro. They each agreed to give \$5,000.00. This \$25,000.00 which God thus gave us opportunely, dispelled despair and foreshadowed victory. It evidenced the divine leadership, and opened the way in which He would have His elect walk. The remaining \$40,000.00 necessary to cancel the claims against the college was easily secured. Of course it was. God had ordered it. It, however, was not given by the multitudes, but by the faithful few—the three hundred—God's own—His dependable ones.

The 10th day of December (the day on which the long-standing claims against the college were canceled), ought to be recognized by Arkansas Baptists as notable. Southern Baptists as represented by the Home Mission Board, Mr. Cargile, Brothers Bottoms and Puryear, Dr. Inlow, General Secretary, and the nameless 300 should be held in loving remembrance. Through them God—our God—wrought mightily, and gave deliverance.

Transfiguration occasions are entrancing. They grip us. The earth recedes; Heaven is near; God is real to us. Like Peter of old, we would abide and abound in the ecstatic glories. But I am reminded of the fact that while the Transfiguration Mount was sun-kissed, around its base rolled the dark angry clouds as represented by human need which could not be met by the faith and power of man. The success with which we were favored in removing the debt from the college represents the transfiguration scene, while the Father with His helpless Son represents the everyday need of Ouachita College. The institution was saved to serve, but how can it serve unless its annual needs are promptly and amply met? It has been recognized through the years that the deficit would amount to about \$9,000.00 per annum. Unless this deficit is met regularly, in a brief time the denomination will again be burdened with such a debt as has abided upon it through the years. The property is so fixed in the amended charter as to prevent any mortgage, and in fact any claim whatsoever coming against it. Three courses, therefore, are open to Arkansas Baptists. (1) They can allow the deficit to accumulate; (2) they can raise the money annually and pay it off; (3) they can close the doors of the institution. This is a vital question. It is primary and paramount. Ouachita College stands at the very foundation of our denominational progress and well-being. Whatever

enlarges and renders it the more effective is a distinct contribution to the enlargement and effectiveness of the Baptists of the State. This Convention ought to face the question in a manly, heroic way, and definitely determine either to raise the money necessary to meet the deficit annually, or instruct the trustees to abandon the enterprise. The latter would mean disgrace and death. The former would mean prosperity and glory to the Lord. Which will you do?

S. Y. JAMESON, For Trustees.

Resolved, That we request this Convention to instruct our Executive Board to elect and put in the field three evangelists, one for Ouachita College, one for Central College, and one for the Orphanage, to be kept in the field so long as necessary, even if it requires years to do the work, and that the Executive Board request the Boards of the three institutions to suggest the men they think best suited for the work, with the understanding that none of the Boards shall contract for further debts without the consent of the Executive Board; and that we request the Executive Board to give December, January, and February in a campaign for raising funds to satisfy the present pressing needs of the institutions.

57. This session of the Convention closed with prayer by W. J. E. Cox.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

58. Devotional service conducted by T. H. Plemmons.

59. Upon motion the order of business was suspended and Christian Education was discussed by E. P. Alldredge.

60. The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that all the teachers of our colleges be members of Baptist Churches, and that our Boards report each year to the Convention the number of teachers in our colleges not members of Baptist churches.

After discussion by J. W. Conger, Dr. J. P. Runyan, W. J. E. Cox, A. H. Autry, E. P. Alldredge, and S. Y. Jameson was adopted.

61. Upon motion it was—

Resolved, That the Convention direct our two colleges to bring in reports to each meeting of the Convention showing their full statistics for previous school year, showing exact financial con-

dition at close of school year, with amounts received and expended during the year and balance at end of the year, together with number of students for past year, and number in the schools at time of making the reports.

62. The following resolution was adopted without discussion :

Whereas, The Foreign Mission Board, in its special work, known as the "Judson Centennial Movement," devoted to the raising of one million, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, all of which is to go to the better equipment of our work in Foreign Mission fields, has not as yet completed its great task; and

Whereas, The success of this movement would, we confidently believe, be a cause for real joy, greater confidence, and much encouragement to all our people in our home field; and a tremendous inspiration and mighty uplift to our missionaries and their collaborators in our foreign field; and also increase many-fold our possibilities for great success in our foreign work by these added permanent improvements and by thus showing to the foreign peoples among whom we labor that we are building to stay; and

Whereas, It would be, not only a reflection upon, but a genuine calamity to, our whole denomination to fail in carrying to a final finish this our first really great undertaking; and

Whereas, This is the last possible year that can be given to this particular work—seeing that the Southern Baptist Convention has already extended the time one full year; therefore

Resolved, 1. That we rejoice with the Foreign Board in the highly encouraging progress already made—having raised of the desired amount over \$1,000,000.00.

2. That we hereby promise our continued support and urge upon our churches to keep open their doors, as far as is possible, to the work to the end of the campaign.

3. That in addition to this we approve and heartily commend the "One Week Campaign" which has been planned and is now being organized by the Judson Centennial forces, and that we urgently recommend to our churches, Sunday Schools, women and young people's societies and to individual Baptists throughout our State, that they co-operate in this seven-day effort to the utmost limit of their ability.

63. By invitation of the Convention, Dean J. H. Miller, of the University of Arkansas, addressed the body on "The Betterment of Rural Conditions."

64. The report on Woman's Work was read, and after discussion by Mrs. J. G. Jackson, S. H. Campbell, E. J. A. McKinney, W. L. Compere, and W. T. King, was adopted as follows :

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S WORK.**

We wish to commend most heartily the work of the Baptist women of Arkansas through the Woman's Missionary Union of the State, and we record our profound gratitude to God for their faithfulness and consecration. Their aim for 1915-1916, as set forth in the Minutes of their last annual meeting, is (1) Systematic Bible and Mission Study; (2) United Prayer; (3) Systematic and Proportionate Giving; (5) Definite Personal Service. If such an aim could be adopted and worked at by every Baptist Church in the State it would put us on the high road to complete success.

Especially gratifying is the work of the Union, through its various agencies, for the organization of new societies and bands and for the development of interest in such work among the unenlisted. We express the hope that they may press such work with vigor, and we pledge this Convention and its Executive Board to give them all reasonable help that it is within our power to give.

We submit herewith the report of the work of the Union as given by Mrs. J. G. Jackson, the Secretary-Treasurer, as follows:

Summary of annual report of Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer of Woman's Missionary Union, November 1, 1914-1915, inclusive:

Missions—

City .....	\$ 254.65
Associational .....	505.66
State .....	3,330.13
Home .....	1,797.53
Foreign .....	2,052.13
Judson Centennial .....	452.25

Total to Missions..... \$ 8,392.35

Orphans' Home—

Cash .....	\$ 2,686.52
Boxes .....	4,049.04

Total ..... \$ 6,735.56

Church Expenses—

Expense Fund.....	\$ 6,268.77
Building Fund.....	9,241.69

Total ..... \$15,510.46

Christian Education.....	4,852.99
Benevolence .....	1,083.34
Hospital .....	128.10
Training School (Louisville, Ky.).....	148.50
Bible Fund Sunday School Board.....	44.80
Minute Fund.....	78.30
Miscellaneous .....	503.57

Total ..... \$38,201.97

## Societies—

Woman's Missionary Societies.....	250
Young Women's Auxiliaries.....	45
Girl's Auxiliaries.....	12
Royal Ambassadors .....	12
Sunbeams .....	114
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>433</b>

J. S. COMPERE, Chairman.

65. After receiving the following telegram, the Secretary was instructed to send a reply in behalf of the body:

"Durham, N. C.

"For your splendid past which admonishes you, for your throbbing present which challenges you, for your glorious future which beckons you, for the splendid house and hearts and homes which hold you, for all these I love you.

"JOHN JETER HURT."

66. In response to an invitation from the authorities of the institution, the Convention adjourned to visit Central College.

### SATURDAY EVENING SESSION.

67. The devotional hour was in charge of W. R. McEwen.

68. The report of the Executive Board was read by General Secretary J. S. Rogers. Upon motion the report was received and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

The report of the Committee on State Missions was read by E. P. Alldredge and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was read by O. A. Greenleaf and adopted.

The various phases of the work as set forth in these reports were discussed by Doak S. Campbell, W. L. Compere, H. E. Marsh, W. A. Cummings, W. A. Moffitt, A. H. Autry, E. J. A. McKinney, J. C. Vaughan, J. W. Conger, and J. J. Haynes.

The reports follow:



**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.**

To the Messengers of the Baptist Churches of Arkansas, Assembled at Conway, November 18, 1915, in the Sixty-second Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

The Executive Board, your servant, most respectfully submits the following annual report:

Very marked and far-reaching have been the blessings of our Lord upon the work of the churches through your Executive Board this year of our Lord, 1915. From the altars of tens of thousands of Baptist hearts in this goodly State ought to go up sweet incense of gratitude to Him who sits on the circles of the heavens and brings all things good to pass for those who love Him. We register on leaves of paper and ask that white angels record on leaves of gold our deep swelling gratitude to Jehovah of hosts. It has been an epoch-making year in many directions for our work. So, on our faces let each of us cry from the dust, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!" Well may Arkansas Baptists be happy and hopeful in the riches of His grace. Notwithstanding serious problems before us, every denominational statesman among us can but look down the future with a widening vista, and say in the words of another, "Glories of the future, we salute you!"

**How the Year Opened.**

Your Board has had five meetings during the year. The exigencies of the times and the turns in our work have called for these meetings. On November 30, 1914, your Board had its first meeting and outlined the work and set the battle in array for the year. The grip of an awful world-war, with its money panic, and the debts on all our work made the outlook rather dark and discouraging, but faith in God and in you pressed your Board to venture and to lay out the work on a large scale. The figure set for all missions was \$52,300.00, for Education \$17,200.00, and \$14,000.00 for the Orphans' Home, or a total of \$83,500.00. The debts on all of our work, including Ouachita College, approximated \$130,000.00. The year has not been without tears and heart agonies.

**Ouachita College Saved.**

The messengers of the churches went away from the Little Rock Convention last year with considerable fear and trembling and even forebodings concerning the unsettled destiny of Ouachita College. We were still in the first pains of the throes of a calamitous world-war. Business was at the bottom and chaotic. The debts of the college had pressed her down to the sinking line. The distress cry had gone out for the last time, and as December came on apace it was a matter of but a few hours as to whether this beloved institution would go on or go down. The superior wisdom of Dr. S. Y. Jameson and Dr. R. M. Inlow, with the hand

of Providence upon them, was steering affairs and stirring our people to the rescue. The Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Georgia, in the person of Dr. B. D. Gray, according to promise, stepped upon the scene with \$10,000.00 at the fateful hour, and our own people all up and down the State came forward with new gifts, and Ouachita College was saved to Christ and the Baptists of Arkansas. It was December 19 in the year of our Lord 1914. This day will probably be recorded as the greatest day in our history thus far. On this day \$66,000.00 was paid, and a heroic struggle that had been under way for years was ended. All over the State a shout of holy praise from Baptist hearts went up to God. In this wide-reaching event all of our denominational interests were set up several notches, and the year marked a pivotal one in Arkansas Baptist history.

### **Field Forces Abnormally Low.**

Because the year was begun with a heavy debt of \$24,930.52 on the State Mission Department, your Board was compelled, in its November meeting, to cut the field forces for the year to a pitiably low point. This fact has been a great handicap in many directions. While such a policy decreases our current financial obligations, it also fearfully lessens the force of our appeal to the churches for support, and seriously reduces our ability to gather funds. Your Executive Board has learned with tragic grief that every time it has been compelled to retrench there has been a tendency on the part of our churches to retrench more. Only 21 field workers (and most of these for only a part of the year) sent out by the churches of this Convention to labor among 1,000 unenlisted churches and 1,000,000 lost spirits remembered by our Lord in His struggles on Calvary are all too few, if we are really religious, and will get awfully in our way when the hour of judgment comes.

### **The New Plan Tends to Denominational Solidarity and Concert of Action.**

So far as your Board can see and hear, our new plan of organization and work adopted at the Monticello Convention is working well. It is gratifying to know that Texas, Missouri and Kentucky have followed us in this plan and other States are considering it.

The policy of having one General Board and one Secretary for our whole work tightens up every belt in our whole denominational machinery, and gives unity to all that our churches undertake. Church independence is good, and we must never get away from it one inch. A church is the unit for Baptists, and its rights are inviolate, but we have sometimes emphasized the unit at a tragic and unnecessary loss of unity. Let New Testament church independence have its own way and full sway forevermore, but is the time not here now for a mighty underscoring of cohesiveness and solidarity and unity among Baptists? Our present plan of having one Board, without violating any Baptist principle at any point, is tending strongly toward Baptist solidarity and concert of action

in denominational matters. Offishness and back-kicking and side-kicking and rearing back when a New Testament movement is on are not Baptist traits, and our people are not so marked. Denominational efficiency is measured by the ability of a denomination to gather up its whole people at one time, and thrust them immediately into a mighty fight. New Testament church polity does not get in the way of denominational efficiency. Let all things possible, in line with the Bible, be done to move us on toward Baptist cohesiveness and unity.

After these preliminary remarks, your Executive Board desires to submit to you as messengers of the churches the fruits of the year's work by departments, as nearly as they may be tabulated. It will be kept constantly in mind that much that is put on the books in heaven can never be put on paper here. Much of our work is eternally bound in two ways.

In keeping with the New Testament, the work committed to your Board by the churches is divided into three departments. These departments, according to Matthew 4:23, 9:35, are Benevolence, Education, and Missions. In fact the whole New Testament sets out the co-operative work of the churches after this order. Jesus and the Apostles swung themselves around three great general ideas—healing, teaching, missionizing. These are the three great outstanding ways or methods for bringing in the kingdom. It goes without saying that since the New Testament program is three-fold, the Baptist program must be so. It is supremely important, too, that our program be kept well leveled up as to these three New Testament avenues of Christian activity. We submit to you first our report on

### **Christian Benevolence.**

New Testament Benevolence in its fullness includes (1) Orphanages, (2) Hospitals, (3) Old Ministers' Relief, and (4) Caring for the Poor and Famine-stricken. From this it is seen that in practice now our plans are not commensurate with New Testament fences. We are almost three-fourths short of Baptist duty in the field of Christian Benevolence.

#### **I.**

### **The Monticello Orphanage.**

This shelter for the fatherless and motherless is nearing the end of its nineteenth year. These have been years crowded with unspeakable struggles for the institution, but years full of mercy and bread and raiment and teaching and white character for the left and homeless children of deceased men and women.

The year just closing has been full of hardships and tears for those in charge of the Home, and yet it has been a good year in some respects. The Orphanage Board has been greatly handicapped by the debt of \$17,600.00 on the Home. Unsuccessful efforts have been made to borrow this amount of money on easy

terms. To relieve the humiliating embarrassment of the Orphanage Board, your Executive Board believes that this Convention should take certain and immediate steps, either to raise in cash the debt on the Orphanage, or else to borrow the money on terms suggested above. Since many improvements on the Home are now imperative and almost indispensable, we advise the latter, and urge that this Convention put forth such an effort as to make such possible.

Added to the other difficulties of managing the Home, the Orphanage Board now has the problem of securing a new superintendent, Brother J. N. Williams, after long and earnest years of service, having resigned. Let all of us lend our prayers and sympathy to the Orphanage Board in the difficult task of securing a suitable Superintendent.

The number of children in the Home who hold out helpless hands to you for food and clothes is 192. The number might easily be doubled if anybody were to go out to search for the friendless and homeless and parentless over the State. What our tragic sins are, touching this prodigious neglect, will doubtless confuse us in the day when all things must be judged with equity and severity by the Great Judge.

Your Board would urge with all possible emphasis that every messenger and visitor here assembled go back home to do his or her utmost to get every Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. in the State to adopt the plan of making an offering one Sunday in each month to the Orphans' Home. Such a custom will be excellent training for our people in systematic giving, and also provide regular monthly support for the Home. Sixty-three Sunday Schools are observing this custom more or less regularly, and the number is increasing after a gratifying fashion. Then our churches and our men and women of large means must be called to substantial gifts annually for current support and much-needed improvements. Your Executive Board believes that a great dormitory for our orphans should not be far in the future.

The total amount collected from all sources for the Home this Convention year is \$15,610.50. Amount on our books, \$11,-958.96.

## II.

### Christian Education.

For a New Testament people Christian Education, strictly speaking, includes religious literature, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work, mountain schools, colleges, and seminaries. In the matter of neglect, Baptist sins are longer and bigger in the field of education than anywhere else. Your Executive Board is sure that the time is fully here for Arkansas Baptists to launch a great systematic, intensely thorough, and stubbornly persistent campaign of enlightenment that will touch and stir to action every church and church organization within the bounds of this good State. Never in our history did divine wisdom seem more certainly to direct such a line of action.

### **Denominational Statesmanship Defined.**

Denominational statesmanship may partly be defined as the ability to discern clearly church and denominational conditions that need to be remedied, and the ability, further, to find a sure remedy for the spiritual ills, and, lastly, the efficient ability and skill to apply the remedy. You, as the messengers of the churches, and your Board see tragic conditions in this State that need, yea, demand prompt and certain remedy, or else the kingdom among us must go crippling on, and finally slow down to a creeping rate. One thousand unenlisted churches, three to five hundred houseless churches, 400 silent preachers, thirty-five Missionary Baptist Associations with no missionary in them, only thirty ministerial students in our schools when satisfactory conditions would call for 130, and only 600 students in our academies and colleges, when a normal situation would give us 1,200 or 1,500, are some of our spiritual conditions that cry out for the remedy of the denominational statesman. Your Executive Board believes that the remedy is in the fine slogan, "Let there be light everywhere," even from the capital city to the heads of the creeks, from the churches with stained glass windows out to the churches with no window glasses to stain. We shout it out to you, and we sob it out to you that from this hour we must teach and enlighten as no people ever did, and soon we will have the most efficient and indomitable host of Baptists under heaven. Information will beget inspiration and transformation and operation.

### **The Baptist Advance.**

Your Board believes that the religious press is one of the greatest of all agencies for advancing the Kingdom of God. The Baptist Advance is a faithful and vigorous ally of every preacher of the gospel in Arkansas. This paper has a sphere of influence limited only by the number of minds that read its pages, and a mission as high and holy as the great Commission itself. During the year just closing the Baptist Advance has been an unfailing source of information about the divinely given work of the churches. We are beginning to learn that enlistment and enlargement step in the tracks of enlightenment. True light is the bugle call that will bring all of our Baptist people out of the bushes and into fighting line. Your Executive Board strongly believes that if our pastors and deacons will put the Baptist Advance in every home on their fields, such pastors and deacons will be far up the hill to victory on any proposition. The gracious work of sowing light for the righteous in the shape of the denominational paper must know no dying day.

Our redoubtable and diligent editor, E. J. A. McKinney, has proved himself true and loyal to every interest fostered by this Convention, and deserves the gratitude, sympathy and support of the entire brotherhood. He knows no lengths in sacrifices to which he is not willing to go to set forward the objects of this

Convention. Your Board urges this Convention to authorize a State-wide, well-planned campaign of days during January in which all the agents and agencies of this Convention shall heartily co-operate to add 2,500 new subscribers to the Advance by working for at least 50 additional names in each Association. We believe the day is here for moving the Baptist Advance up several notches in every direction.

The amount actually paid to the Advance this year for current support is \$671.94. Long live the Baptist Advance!

### **Our Colleges.**

Never in the history of Baptist life has such emphasis been put on denominational education as now. We know now that where Baptist Colleges abound and prosper, Baptists do much more abound. Our schools are the dynamo for carrying out the rest of the New Testament program. A failure to supply our schools with both students and funds will be unpardonable folly, and will wreck our whole New Testament plan. Your Board believes and unhesitatingly declares that the lamentable lack of interest in and support of our two colleges on the part of some churches, if not remedied speedily, foredooms us to failure. The teaching function of our churches is founded and grounded on the Word of God, and cannot be neglected by New Testament churches, except to their long-stretched-out undoing.

Your Board believes that if our two colleges are kept clearly within Baptist lines and upon a thoroughly religious and spiritual plane, if, in the language of another great Baptist Convention, the Bible occupies the chief place in the curriculum and conduct of these colleges, then, there will accrue to the denomination great fruit and profit in many forms. Trained leaders in pulpit and pew must come out of the doors of our colleges, or else we will have few. Ouachita ought to be a deacon trainer and a preacher builder. As little as we believe it, and as hard as it is for us to think so, our schools conserve and mold our denominational life and thinking all up and down the land. If our colleges are heretical and crooked doctrinally, the whole denomination will soon go awry. The Baptist army is equipped as well as our schools can equip it, and no better. Then, out from our schools should go hot, holy currents of evangelism that will put flaming soul-winners in all the churches. Unless our colleges go on, our denomination must go down.

### **The Education Campaign.**

The time set by the last Convention for the Education Campaign was February and March. A deadening lull seemed to come upon the churches throughout the State after the desperate but successful struggle to pay the indebtedness on Ouachita College in December. So up to March 15, the time the present General Secretary took charge, not a half dozen dollars had been received for Christian Education. The campaign was pressed ahead with all

possible might and fire, till April 1, when the campaign for Home and Foreign Missions came on. The campaign was taken up again the first of June and prosecuted through several weeks. The total amount given by churches to Christian Education and to Ministerial Education during the year is \$7,000.44, the amount to Christian Education being \$4,619.24, and to Ministerial Education, \$2,381.20. Your Executive Board views with concern and alarm the indisposition of some of our churches to take hold of this great New Testament interest, and to contribute to it liberally. We urge and emphasize and underscore again and again the unspeakable importance and necessity of pastors and churches giving the same pungent attention and vigorous support to Christian Education that they give to State Missions. We will do it if we as a denomination are long for this world.

### **Ministerial Education.**

This topic refers to the education of preachers, and implies the further scriptural practice of churches helping young preachers to secure such training. Is there scriptural authority for churches giving financial aid to young preachers while they are securing their education? To the intelligent student of God's Word there is not a scintilla of doubt about it. Christ and his twelve Apostles, during the three years in which the Twelve went to school to the Great Teacher, had a common bag or purse into which their friends put money for their support. This bag was a Ministerial Education Fund. Then we know that Paul encouraged, by gifts and daily support, young preachers who were less favored than he, while they were preparing themselves for the ministry of the Word. Surely Jesus and Paul can settle this matter for any Baptist. But does not such financial aid undermine the manhood and self-respect of preachers? Your Executive Board reminds the objector that such aid did not belittle Christ and His Apostles. It did not cause Broadus and Sampey and Mullins and McConnell and Truett to lose their manhood. But do not most preachers thus aided fail to preach after their education is finished, says another tight-fisted objector? Your Executive Board sets before all seekers on this subject the invulnerable truth that facts and figures show that only two per cent of the preachers assisted in getting their education at Ouachita College are now failing to preach. Your Board here sets down its opinion also that all such brethren ought to be required to return all money thus received.

Your Executive Board would repeatedly remind Arkansas Baptists that Christianity is a preaching and preacher religion. Our churches must know well that in all the history of Christianity as the preachers of any denomination have gone up in intelligence and power, that denomination has forged to the front, but as the ministry of that denomination has been ignorant and inefficient that denomination has fearfully declined. Our preachers are our church and denominational leaders. No people ever get ahead of their leaders. Cars do not run ahead of the locomotive,

unless there is a wreck. Our preachers are our soul-winners, and the makers of our soul-winners, and they are also ultimately the keepers of our orthodoxy. Your Executive Board hopes and prays that the messengers of the churches here assembled keenly perceive that we are now considering a great and grave matter, that if persistently neglected will foreshorten our existence, but if cared for with marked concern by the churches, will secure to us everlasting prosperity.

The amount raised for Ministerial Education during the year just closing is \$2,381.20. There is a debt of some \$600.00 still against the Board of Ministerial Education. We urge that this matter be speedily cared for in the regular campaign for Christian Education.

There are now only 30 young preachers in Ouachita College. Your Executive Board deplores the fact that this number is so small, and also the further fact that there is no fund with which to aid the preachers now in school. We would constantly hold before our churches the long-stretched-out importance of pastors and churches inducing young preachers to go to school. The greatest problem of our churches is the preacher problem. Let's go on to solve it.

### **Mountain Schools.**

Your Executive Board believes that the fullness of time has come for the Home Mission Board to take up definitely Mountain School work in Arkansas. There is every reason, touching both physical altitude and spiritual opportunity, for such a course of procedure on the part of the Home Board. This Convention owns school property at Mountain Home worth \$20,000.00 and free from debt. By agreement with the local Board at Mountain Home this property is now being used by the public school in said town. The building is greatly in need of repairs. This Convention also owns school property at Maynard, easily worth \$7,500.00 and free from debt. For the past two years no school has been conducted in this building, chiefly for lack of teachers and co-operation. This year a school is being operated under the splendid management of Principal W. A. Cummings, assisted by Rev. Charles F. Wilkins, both of whom are full graduates of Ouachita College. This school already has an enrollment of more than 50 students, and is prospering every way. Your Executive Board urges this Convention to agree, by the adoption of this report, to turn over, through the proper channel, the property of these two schools to the Home Mission Board, so long as said Board, in co-operation with your Executive Board, conducts schools in the same, and also beseeches this Convention hereby to petition and implore the Home Board to begin to operate schools in said buildings in the year 1916.

We have under consideration also a Mountain School in north-west Arkansas, perhaps at Huntsville.



### **Christian Missions.**

Your Executive Board believes that in missions all our churches find their origin and end. The ultimate origin of missions is to be found in the heart of God; the historical origin of missions is found in the life and death of Christ, and the practical and continuous origin and application of missions is entrusted to New Testament churches. Missions in our day is the down-reach of God's love to a sin-ruined world expressed in the out-reach of Christ's churches with enough grace and gospel to cure and keep a sin-racked earth. It needs to be rung out to the ends of the land that missions, believed in and practiced, is forevermore just as much a mark of true Baptists as the immersion of believers or the preservation of the saints. New Testament Baptists believe as firmly in the present perseverance of the saints as they do in the final perseverance of the same. To the 1,000 unenlisted churches in Arkansas let it be proclaimed on every square mile in the State, both stoutly and with the authority of Mount Sinai, that the supreme and crowning Christlikeness of Baptists clear up to the Millennium will be intensive and extensive missions.

### **Home Missions.**

For long years the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Atlanta, Georgia, has had its heart set on helping make Arkansas a great Baptist State. Arkansas Baptists are under lasting obligations to the Home Board for its timely and telling help all these years. However, your Executive Board desires to register here and now its mature and candid opinion that, in view of our distressing needs and immeasurable opportunities and open doors, the assistance of the Home Board has been all too meager. We urge also that this Convention by the adoption of this report petition, importune, and implore the Home Board to give us \$20,000.00 for co-operative work in Arkansas next year, and hereby instruct and definitely direct our Home Board member and our General Secretary with all the help they can get to make no let-up till the \$20,000.00 is secured. Notwithstanding the fact that Arkansas is spread over by as appalling destitutions as there are within the territory in which the Home Board operates, we have actually given more to Home Missions in the last ten years than we have received. Your Board believes that a wise exercise of denominational statesmanship calls for some readjustment in Home Board policies touching Arkansas.

We received last year from the Home Board for co-operative work \$9,000.00, while this year we will receive \$11,000.00, for which we are very grateful. The churches in Arkansas gave during January and April for Home Missions, \$8,011.23. During the present year our churches are asked to raise \$11,000.00. We urge that the messengers and pastors go back home fully set on raising this whole amount. Our churches are abundantly able to do it.

### Foreign Missions.

The Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Virginia, during the year has sent to us thousands of tracts on world-wide missions, paid its pro rata share of office expenses, and encouraged our work along other lines. During the month of April our churches raised for Foreign Missions, \$8,665.67. The April campaign for Home and Foreign Missions in spirit, in form, and in the grace of giving, was most gratifying and encouraging. During the year our people have subscribed more than \$30,000.00 to the Judson Centennial Fund. In this Judson Centennial campaign one of the canvassers, a most intelligent man, said that it was as easy to raise money in Arkansas as it was in Virginia. This is acceptable testimony to the fact that an increasingly keen sense of the obligations of stewardship is growing after a New Testament fashion all up and down the State. We thank God and go on. May our Heavenly Father speed the day on apace when through the Foreign Mission Board our Southern Baptist churches will be preaching the pure gospel in every stretching land of earth. God hasten on, through His preached Word, the hour, full of peace and righteousness, when we shall strike hands with the millennium, and there shall be "a new heaven and a new earth."

### State Missions.

Your Executive Board believes that in many respects State Missions is the very heart of all our work. If State Missions prospers, all the rest of our work can be adequately cared for and set forward. State Missions may be written down as the constant and necessary friend and supporter of Association Missions, the conservator of Home Missions, and the base of supplies for Foreign Missions. If State Mission work is projected along wise lines, it will continually serve three great Kingdom purposes, namely: (1) Organize and knit up closely our church and denominational forces in the State, (2) Spread a full gospel and organize a New Testament church in every destitute community out over the entire State, and (3) Gather up in militant form the State forces, and face them out on a wasting world beyond our bounds. In other words, true denominational statesmanship makes State Missions not only the initial, but, in part, the final co-operative effort of Baptist Churches to send the gospel the full length of the Great Commission. The Executive Board believes that Arkansas Baptists should not and will not stand for an abbreviated definition and interpretation of State Missions. For us, its measures and meaning must coincide with New Testament lines and spirit. This all means that State Missions in Arkansas must unselfishly put forward with itself every other denominational interest—colleges, orphanage, paper—all. State Missions in scope and influence must touch China and all things between here and there.

### A Perceptible Awakening.

The year just closing has witnessed a perceptible awakening among Baptist people over almost the entire State. Editor McKinney testifies that the Association meetings have been 100 per cent better than they were a year ago. Last year the number of churches contributing to State Missions was 283, while this year approximately 425 have contributed. The general summary of the work of the year as given below shows marked gains along every line over last year.

### The Working Forces of the Year.

The men who have been on the field during the year for a part or all time are Evangelists A. H. Autry, M. L. Voyles, and F. K. Ringsmuth; Association and District Missionaries W. W. Robbins, D. B. Moore, G. E. Jones, E. N. Owens, A. A. Williamson, W. A. Moffitt, J. G. Harris, D. A. Allen, J. G. Mabrey, D. A. Sutton, M. L. Blankenship, W. B. Oneal, A. A. Weeks, J. T. Eskridge, E. S. Mizell, and J. B. Routh; Pastoral Missionaries, C. N. DeWitt, P. B. Langley, V. C. Neal, L. O. Vermillion, C. P. Walters, J. E. Steeley, L. L. Lusk, F. C. Sterling, J. W. Seay, E. P. Minton, D. M. Carter, F. P. Turner, L. R. Burress, John E. Tatum, A. N. Stanfield, G. B. Borah, T. J. Bennett, G. B. Hardy, W. C. Hamill, J. T. Benson, E. Rawlings, G. M. Ayers, J. W. Hulsey, D. W. Bolton, J. B. Rose, H. G. Johnson, T. T. Thompson, H. E. Marsh, A. L. Aulick, R. J. O'Bryant, J. B. Routh, W. H. Love, J. J. Haynes, W. E. Carver, R. C. Medaris, Alonzo Rigg, M. Barlow, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary of Woman's Work, and Miss Myrtle Huffman, Field Secretary; Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary, D. S. Campbell, and the General Secretary—60 in all. This meager field force was very graciously supplemented by a large number of Arkansas' noble pastors, who, unmatched for sacrifices, went out and held evangelistic meetings all up and down the State. The results from these pastoral meetings were several hundred conversions and additions by letter and baptism, a number of churches and Sunday Schools organized, and the whole Baptist situation given a mighty uplift. Your Executive Board and this Convention waves a double salute of gratitude to these unselfish prophets who care infinitely more for souls than they do for money. Your Board and this Convention must also add a solemn word of unstinted commendation and praise for our evangelists and missionaries who have gone about for Christ, suffering every deprivation known to a sin-wasted world, and receiving their salaries with painful irregularity. Altogether we say God bless them and reward them with a crown up yonder.

### Our New Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary.

The whole brotherhood is delighted with our cultured, congenial, and highly efficient new Secretary of Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Work, Brother Doak S. Campbell. We count ourselves

very fortunate indeed in securing this excellent brother to help develop our young people. Brother Campbell took charge of his work May 15.

### **Sunday School Work.**

While we rejoice in the progress of the work among the Sunday Schools of the State, still our report does not show the amount of progress that we would like for it to show. The fact that Brother Clarence S. Leavell gave up the work early in the year, and that for practically half the year there was no man on the field, cannot but leave its imprint upon the report of the year's work.

The entire State has never been covered by this work, and at the present rate it will take a long time to reach anything like the number of communities that should be reached. While we are overwhelmed with requests from the towns and cities for institutes and training schools, there still remains the great majority of our churches located in the country, in which efficient Sunday School work has never been introduced.

During the last six months the Sunday School Secretary has conducted six training schools in churches, two in Associations, two assemblies, and three house-to-house canvasses, besides organizing and grading three schools. Addresses have been delivered to 25 other churches than those in which schools were held.

The number of Normal diplomas has increased from 630 to 688. More than 200 are now enrolled and are working for diplomas; 175 certificates have been awarded for completion of part of the New Normal Manual.

The Sunday School Secretary has spent 26 days in the office, and has sent approximately 1,500 letters relative to the Sunday School work. Nearly 1,000 packages of literature and circulars have been sent out from the office.

### **B. Y. P. U. Work.**

The B. Y. P. U. work, like that of the Sunday Schools, has suffered severely as a result of having no field man for a part of the year. Coming into the work the new Secretary found 176 Unions recorded, but for the lack of encouragement which they had been in the habit of receiving from our splendid former Secretary, Brother Leavell, some 30 of these had discontinued. Sixteen new Unions have been organized, bringing the number to 157 at this date.

A very high grade of work is being done by most of these Unions. Two of them are maintaining missions of their own, and are making them a decided success; \$371.00 has been raised toward the payment of \$500.00 on the Ouachita debt; 128 awards have been made for work completed in B. Y. P. U. Study Courses, and there are a great number of the Unions pursuing the course of study.

The summer assemblies at Arkadelphia and Cushman were

well attended, especially in view of the fact that so little time was given for preparation. At the Arkadelphia meeting 21 speakers took part in the program and 128 certificates were awarded. More than 400 were in attendance.

At Cushman it rained steadily for three days and nights during our Assembly, and therefore the visiting membership was small. The local attendance was large, and a splendid meeting was held. There were six speakers on the program.

We rejoice that more and more of our pastors are coming to realize that the way to "Keep" our young people is to use and train them. Great results are coming to the churches that care adequately for this part of the work. It is our earnest desire that the work may grow to such proportions that every church in the State will become a well-rounded New Testament church by carrying on in an efficient way the work of teaching and training.

### **A History of Arkansas Baptists.**

A movement is under way for the completion of a History of Arkansas Baptists by Dr. J. B. Searcy, and the publication of said book by our Executive Board. We ask and urge the support of this Convention in this very important matter.

### **General Summary.**

In January, Bellevue Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, called Dr. R. M. Inlow, our General Secretary, who was leading our forces after a great fashion. In February Dr. Inlow resigned, in the face of unanimous protest on the part of your Board. Dr. Inlow was a great man among us. His work as General Secretary was highly successful, and he was loved by all of us. Dr. Inlow's resignation was accepted at a Board meeting in February, and March 9 the Board elected the present General Secretary, who took charge March 15.

Our splendid Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary, C. S. Leavell, resigned about the same time Dr. Inlow did. Brother Leavell had served the denomination well for more than two years. He set forward very materially our whole Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work, and left us against much protest. Many, many friends he left among us.

It will be seen from figures below that, because of the war, there was a small decrease in our offerings during the year to Home and Foreign Missions. It is seen, too, that there has been an increase of more than 50 per cent to State Missions, and more than 50 per cent increase in the results of the work of our missionaries. It has been a growing year. The increase in the number of contributing churches is about 50 per cent. The reduction on the indebtedness of the account of the State Mission Department is approximately \$10,000.00 and the reduction on our total indebtedness for the year is about \$76,000.00.

## Statistics.

Missionaries and other workers.....	60
Days of labor.....	11,866
Miles traveled.....	17,941
Sermons and addresses.....	7,946
Sundays Schools organized.....	54
Churches organized.....	16
Conversions .....	2,301
Baptisms .....	2,053
Additions by letter.....	1,032
Total additions.....	3,085
Amount raised for Education.....	\$ 7,000.44
Amount raised for Orphanage from all sources.....	15,610.50
Amount raised for Home Missions.....	8,011.23
Amount raised for Foreign Missions.....	8,665.67
Amount raised for Mary Forbes Home.....	165.65
Amount raised for Training School.....	132.55
Amount raised for State Missions.....	18,762.17
Amount received and due from Home Board.....	10,500.00
Total for State Missions.....	29,262.17
Total raised (excluding Ouachita debt).....	58,304.21
Total raised (including cash paid on Ouachita debt since last Convention).....	101,698.28

## Meeting the Problems Ahead of Us.

The figures and facts above show that your churches have done well, not their best, but encouragingly well, considering the currents against them. Our Baptist army has forced ahead in spite of enemies and trenches of difficulties. Shall we halt now? Shall we hesitate? Can we hesitate? Arkansas Baptists have really had a phenomenal growth. What of the future. We are living in a State with marvelous fertility of soil and immeasurable resources, mostly undeveloped, and where vast schemes of improvement are under way at this hour. Your Executive Board believes that we have come to a juncture of events where "the opportunities put to our hands are the greatest known to Baptist people since Christ died and rose again." We are not up with our work. We are not up with our crops. To halt one day now means to invite weakness and added burdens and marvelous disadvantages, and to set us back untold days. The whole situation before us at this hour is inviting and plastic, especially our much-lamented Baptist situation. So to move on and out, and lay our hands, made masterful by the grace of God, to the task of molding a plastic situation for an ever-enlarging future is to show ourselves wise and worthy of the trust providentially committed to us, and to multiply all our prayers and deeds and gifts and tears of the past into an unspeakably glorious future for Arkansas Baptists. Glories of the future, we salute you!

**Constructive Advances Proposed.**

In prayer your Executive Board is seriously considering, and offers to this Convention for discussion the following advanced movements in our denominational work

1. As to organization of forces—

(1) That the State be divided into four as nearly equal divisions as possible, each division consisting of so many Associations, and that a good strong man as General Missionary be placed in each of these divisions, whose first duties shall be teaching and enlisting, looking all the time toward efficiency and co-operation. The duty of each General Missionary in his district shall involve, in co-operation with Association missionaries, arranging church-to-church enlistment campaigns, preachers' schools, institutes for teaching systematic giving, duties to denominational interests, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work, etc.

(2) That we put an Association Missionary for part or all time, either co-operatively or independently, in every Association in the State, who shall co-operate with the General Missionaries in all things.

(3) That we instruct our Sunday School Secretary, with the co-operation of the missionaries, where the churches will invite such, to conduct a Baptist Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Institute in every Association in the State.

2. As to teaching and enlistment and efficiency, your Board believes that the time has come to change somewhat the emphasis of our work, giving chief concern this year to the matter of teaching, enlistment, efficiency, and co-operation. We suggest and recommend—

(1) A campaign of one solid week in January to add 2,500 new subscribers to the Advance. This campaign to be under the management of the editor and General Secretary, and engaged in by every employee of the Executive Board, and all pastors and other church leaders who will.

(2) That a preachers' school of days, under the direction of your Board, and at the most suitable time possible during the year, be conducted in each quarter of the State, in which great emphasis shall be put on four things, namely: The study of the Bible, sermon making, stewardship, and denominational interests.

(3) That early in the year the employees of the Executive Board in co-operation with pastors and other workers put on an Association-to-Association campaign, to include a Workers' Conference lasting for a day and night, or longer, perhaps, at some central point in each Association in which enlistment and general efficiency shall be the supreme aim.

3. As to evangelism, your Executive Board asks and urges the messengers of the churches here assembled, by the adoption of this report, to indorse the three months' evangelistic campaign next April, May, and June, in which the whole evangelistic force

of the Home Mission Board, together with all the employees of the Executive Board, and many pastors will engage, and we further urge you to make every effort to get pastors and churches all over the State to co-operate with those in charge of this great movement that ought to reach 500 churches, win to Christ 5,000 souls, and make Arkansas a new State for our Lord and Baptists. To you, beloved messengers, we turn this report and say in the words of an old-time Baptist:

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." I Cor. 15:57, 58.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on State Missions, respectfully refer the Convention to the report of the Executive Board covering all phases of the work, and in keeping with the matters urgently set forth in this report, we recommend the following as a general outline of our work for the next five years:

1. A strong missionary in every Association and in every destitute section of the State.
2. Ten thousand souls won to Christ every year.
3. All Missionary Baptists of the State united.
4. One hundred and twenty-five new church houses built each year, and a church building and loan fund worthy of 150,000 Baptists.
5. A church constituted and services maintained in every community in Arkansas.
6. A live Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and Woman's Aid or Missionary Society in every church.
7. Seventy-five per cent of all our churches annually supporting all the main interests of our denominational work.
8. Three good and growing Mountain Schools in addition to Ouachita and Central Colleges with adequate equipment for all and an aggregate of 1,500 students in attendance.
9. One hundred and fifty ministerial students in annual attendance in our various institutions of learning and our aged ministers adequately provided for.
10. A well-equipped Baptist Hospital completed and ready for service.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. ALLDREDGE, Chairman.  
F. K. RINGSMUTH.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We, your committee, refer you to the report read by the Secretary.



We further recommend that the State Mission Secretary be asked to get in touch with individuals, churches, or church societies who will support in part or in whole one of the young preachers in Ouachita.

We further recommend that the messengers urge upon the churches and Associations from which they come, and especially where these young men in the college come from their particular Association or church, to aid the young man in securing an education.

The amount of \$2,381.20 has been raised for this object during the year, but there yet remains a debt of \$600.00.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Y. JAMESON,

O. A. GREENLEAF,

Committee.

69. A cash offering of \$103.50 was made to supply some immediate needs at Maynard Academy.

70. The report of the Committee on Divine Service was read by Otto Whittington, as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DIVINE SERVICE.

Baptist Church—J. S. Compere, morning; C. D. Wood, Jr., evening.

Methodist Church—T. H. Plemmons, morning; J. B. Moody, evening.

Presbyterian Church—W. L. Compere, morning; G. L. Boles, evening.

Baptist Colored, White Chapel—A. H. Autry, morning.

St. James—D. W. Bolton, morning.

Ebenezer, A. M. E.—W. R. McEwen, morning.

Bethel, A. M. E.—M. M. Smith, morning.

Holiness Church of God—J. T. Walters, morning.

71. Adjourned with prayer by W. D. Joyner.

#### SUNDAY EVENING SESSION.

72. By common consent of the messengers the Convention was called to order by Vice President N. C. Denson on Sunday night instead of Monday morning, as had been previously arranged for by the Committee on Order of Business.

73. The report of the Committee on Work Among the Negroes was read, and adopted as follows, without discussion:

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG NEGROES.**

The millions of negroes in our midst is God's challenge to our loyalty to Christ. They furnish us one of the most promising fields for missionary activity. Our pastors can largely increase their usefulness by counseling with pastors and preaching to their congregations as opportunity affords.

Southern Baptists have cheerfully recognized their responsibility to evangelize and train these people, who in the Providence of God have been laid at our doors. The Home Mission Board is now maintaining wholly or in part more than 40 missionaries and two evangelists. The results obtained have been marvelous during the past year as reports show more than 5,000 baptisms.

We rejoice in this great work and recommend that it be pushed more vigorously during the coming year; pledging our prayers and assistance every way in helping to reach and evangelize and train for service the negro of this fair Southland of ours.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. HARRIS,  
G. R. TYLER,  
J. B. ROUTH,  
F. P. TURNER,

Committee.

74. Upon motion it was—

Resolved, That J. S. Rogers, E. P. Alldredge, S. H. Campbell, E. J. A. McKinney, J. B. Searcy, T. H. Plemmons, be designated as Fraternal Messengers to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Colored, in Little Rock, this week, and that they be authorized to add others to this list if deemed desirable.

75. The Committee on Obituaries having failed to submit a report, the Secretary was instructed to record on a memorial page the names of all deceased ministers whose deaths have occurred during the past Convention year.

76. Upon motion it was—

Resolved, That November 30, 1916, shall be made the closing day of the next State Convention year, and that our General Secretary and all agencies reporting to this Convention be directed to close their books then so as to present definite and fully audited reports to the Convention when assembled next year.

77. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we, the messengers and visitors attending this Convention, do hereby express our hearty appreciation of the characteristic kindness of the Boy Scouts manifested in their polite attention to our needs

That we also express our appreciation of the kindness of the managers of the Southwestern Telephone Company for installing a telephone for our convenience.

78. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the desire of this Convention to express to the Conway Baptist Church and the citizens of the city our gratitude and appreciation of their hospitality and many kindnesses to the messengers and visitors during the sittings of this Convention; also that we express our thanks to the railroads for reduced rates.

79. Upon motion it was—

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be instructed to have 2,000 copies of the annual printed and distributed, and that he be paid \$75.00 for his services.

80. Farewell messages were given by Pastor Otto Whittington and President J. W. Conger, of Central College.

81. After prayer by John E. Tatum, the Convention adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church, of Malvern, Ark., at 10:00 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday after the first Sunday in December, 1916.

P. C. BARTON, *President.*

E. P. J. GARROTT, *Secretary.*

## Ministers' and Laymen's Conference

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CONWAY, ARK., November 16, 1915.

The Ministers' and Laymen's Conference of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention was called to order at 7:30 p. m. by President J. T. Howell.

The organization was perfected by the re-election of Rev. J. T. Howell as President and Rev. W. M. Wright as Secretary.

Rev. J. R. G. White preached the annual sermon from Romans 8:9. Theme, "The Spirit of Christ."

### WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were led by Rev. G. R. Tyler.

"The Need and Value of Doctrinal Preaching and Teaching" was the subject of a splendid paper read by Rev. Allen Hill Autry. After discussion by Rev. J. B. Moody, O. A. Greenleaf, M. P. Hunt, J. T. Howell, the Conference voted to have the paper published in the Baptist Advance.

Rev. H. M. Geren delivered an address on "The Efficient Church," which was discussed by Revs. T. T. Thompson, T. H. Plemmons, and — Taylor.

By unanimous vote Rev. Geren was requested to reduce the address to writing and have it printed in the Baptist Advance.

"Is a Junior Church Feasible?" was the subject of an address delivered by Rev. W. M. Wright. This precipitated a lively discussion resulting in the consensus of opinion that it was neither feasible nor desirable.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were led by Rev. W. C. Wood.

In the absence of Rev. B. B. Bailey, to whom the topic was assigned, by unanimous vote Dr. W. O. Carver

delivered a splendid address on "The Divorce Evil and the Problems It Presents to the Churches."

Rev. F. F. Gibson discussed "The Problems of the Church in the Social Life."

This was followed with an address by Rev. E. P. Alldredge on "A Constructive Program in Each Association."

The discussion of the above topics was freely participated in by the brethren composing the Conference and many helpful suggestions were made.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. M. M. Smith.

Rev. J. S. Rogers closed the program of the Conference with a most inspiring address on "A New Testament Program for Arkansas Baptists."

The following laymen were appointed to prepare a program for next year: W. E. Atkinson, J. T. Cowling, and P. C. Barton.

J. T. HOWELL, *President.*

W. M. WRIGHT, *Secretary.*

## LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- Abee, Elijah, Black Springs  
 Abernathy, Philip, Big Fork  
 Abernathy, S. W., Datto  
 Acuff, E. H., Arkadelphia  
 Adams, B., Chidester  
 Adams, J. B., Rogers  
 Adams, James, Cedar Glades  
 Adams, M., Ozark  
 Adams, B. C., Vilonia  
 Adams, T. W., Little Rock  
 Adcock, H. H., Paradise  
 Albright, G. M., Lincoln  
 Alexander, W. F., Piggott  
 Alldredge, E. P., Little Rock  
 Allen, J. B., Jonesboro, R. F. D.  
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 Allen, J. D., Blansett  
 Allen, T. R., Paragould, R. F. D.  
 Allen, Ben, Heber Springs  
 Allen, S. W., Deroche  
 Allen, David, Heber Springs  
 Allen, D. A., Cushman  
 Allen, W. J. F., Blytheville  
 Allison, J. A., Alicia  
 Allison, E. D., Florence  
 Allmon, E. D., Pottsville  
 Anderson, Thomas, Cabot  
 Anderson, Sam, Austin  
 Andrus, W. C., Magnolia  
 Anthony, G. C., Peoria  
 Applegate, J. M., Portia  
 Appling, E. F., Brooks  
 Armstrong, M. D., Emmet  
 Armstrong, J. G., McRae  
 Ashcraft, J. T., Prattsville  
 Ashburn, A. J., Little Rock  
 Atchley, J. O., Herd  
 Atkins, Henry, Urbana  
 Atkins, J. R., Siloam Springs  
 Atwood, F. L., Fordyce  
 Aulick, A. F., Little Rock  
 Autrey, W. A., Springfield  
 Autry, A. H., Nashville  
 Avery, J. W., Mabelvale  
 Ayres, J. I., Hope  
  
 Baars, F. D., Little Rock  
 Bacon, J. A., Evansville  
 Bagget, J. E., Wyman  
 Bailey, W. A., Oak Grove  
 Bailey, Chas., Center Ridge  
 Bailey, B. B., Arkadelphia  
 Bailey, J. E., Formosa  
 Bain, R. P., Lonoke  
 Bain, L. A., Cave City  
 Bain, J. W., England  
 Baker, J. H., Mountain Home  
 Baker, J. F., Franklin  
 Baker, J., Peel  
 Ballard, L. S., Magnolia  
 Banks, J. C., Fayetteville  
 Barker, G. W., Pangburn  
 Bandy, Y. C., Nashville  
 Barham, D. W., Cale  
 Barham, W. R., Prescott  
 Barnes, B. F., Pine Bluff, R.F.D.  
 Barnett, C. B., Prattsville  
 Barnett, J. R., Ola  
 Barnett, J. W., Gassville  
 Barnett, L. F., Magnolia  
 Barnett, S. B., Atkins  
 Barnett, R. L., Benville  
 Barry, E. A., Hindsville  
 Barrett, M., Selma  
 Bartlett, A. C., Quitman  
 Bass, L. M., Horatio  
 Bates, A. A., Waters  
 Bates, T. M., Smackover  
 Batson, J. A., Wooster  
 Bayless, B. L., Oakland  
 Bean, L. H., Dierks  
 Beavers, J. D., Springdale  
 Been, H. L., Greenwood  
 Beard, J. M., Reyburn  
 Beeson, I. R. M., Morrilton  
 Bell, J. B., Hamburg  
 Bell, W. J., Parkdale  
 Belote, H. A., Cedar Glades  
 Bennett, S. C., Athens  
 Bennett, T. J., Arkadelphia  
 Benson, J. T., DeQueen  
 Berry, J. F., Erin  
 Best, R. M., Alexander  
 Beavers, J. D., Springdale  
 Billingsley, J. T., Gill  
 Bishop, J. R., Little Rock  
 Black, J. W., Bradford  
 Blackburn, L. B., Brawley  
 Blackwell, J. D., Atlanta  
 Blackwood, J. D., Strong

- Blancett, W. C., Bellefield  
 Blankinship, M. L., Texarkana  
 Bledsoe, J. D., Arkadelphia  
 Blevins, J., Violet Hill  
 Bogard, J. E., Carlisle  
 Bolding, W. J. Judsonia  
 Boles, G. L., Lonoke  
 Bolton, D. W., Wilmar  
 Borah, G. B., Imboden  
 Borum, B. M., Newport  
 Boswell, J. H., Bodcaw  
 Bowen, E., Black Fork  
 Bowling, W. H., Viola  
 Bowers, H. L., Dover  
 Bowers, M. D., Pocahontas  
 Boyd, J. T., Springdale  
 Bozeman, F., Nashville  
 Bracy, W. T., Bethesda  
 Bradley, N. F., Bellefonte  
 Brandon, F. M., Centerton  
 Brannon, F. M., Batesville  
 Branscum, E. E., Zion  
 Brunson, Chas., Blackburn  
 Brantley, C. M., Kingdon Springs  
 Braudaway, J. K., Center Ridge  
 Bray, G. W., Coal Hill  
 Brewer, J. F., Lavaca  
 Bridges, B. L., Crossett  
 Bridges, J. W., Arkadelphia  
 Bridges, W. F., Walnut Ridge  
 Bright, Adam, Herpel  
 Brockman, J. H., Waldo  
 Brown, A. L., Lavaca  
 Brown, J. E., Ashdown  
 Brown, J. L., Newark  
 Brown, T. D., Hope  
 Brumbelow, A. L., Detonti  
 Bryant, E. C., Salado  
 Bryant, Simon, Crossett  
 Bryant, D. M., Booneville  
 Buck, P. M., Mammoth Spring  
 Burge, M. G., Batesville  
 Burge, Silas, Batesville  
 Burks, J. W., Caney  
 Burnett, O. M., Social Hill  
 Burnett, Charles, Board Camp  
 Burnett, J. W., Midland  
 Burns, G. W., Arkadelphia  
 Burns, S. J., Lamar  
 Burns, W. E., Bigelow  
 Burns, L. E., Arkadelphia  
 Burress, L. R., Jonesboro  
 Burrough, J. P., Stuttgart  
 Burrow, J. A., Womble  
 Burt, L. J., Charleston  
 Burton, M. C., Newburg  
 Bush, A. F., Vilonia  
 Butler, J. O., Black Springs  
 Butler, J. F., Grange  
 Butler, J. R., Denton  
 Byars, J. V., Bearden  
 Byars, W. A., Woodberry  
 Byers, J. H., Mansfield  
 Byers, L. M., Doyle  
 Bynum, I. L., Magazine  
 Byrd, J. L., Ops  
 Cabaniss, A. J., Nashville  
 Cagle, D. P., Arkadelphia  
 Cagle, A. G., Piggott  
 Cagle, A. F., Russellville  
 Cain, W. M., Lonsdale  
 Callaway, S. B., Batesville  
 Calvin, B. F., Edgemont  
 Camp, J. W., Texarkana  
 Campbell, S. H., Little Rock  
 Canada, L. E., Winchester  
 Cantrell, W. R., Mangrum  
 Cantrell, J. O., Greenbrier  
 Cannon, B. F., Hatton  
 Capps, L. R., Harrison  
 Carpenter, C. O., Little Rock  
 Carpenter, C. T., Marked Tree  
 Carr, Floyd, Fairbanks  
 Carr, J. D., Prairie Grove  
 Carson, R. L., Mountain Home  
 Carter, Jas., Eureka Springs  
 Carter, T. H., Texarkana  
 Carter, E. J. G., El Dorado  
 Carter, F. M., DeWitt  
 Carter, W. J., New Edinburgh  
 Carter, J. C., Bentonville  
 Carver, W. E., Malvern  
 Case, A. J., Paris, R. F. D. No. 1  
 Casey, J. M., Light  
 Casey, W. J., Sulphur Springs  
 Cazort, R. W., Lonoke  
 Chase, B. J., Lonoke  
 Chastain, J. L., Gentry  
 Chastain, J. R., Scotland  
 Cheek, C. H., Greenbrier  
 Chitwood, E. P., Washita  
 Chitwood, W. J., Chandler  
 Churchill, M. A., Blansort  
 Clark, J. F., Jonesboro  
 Clem, J. M., Malvern  
 Clements, S. H., Frisbie  
 Clements, W. T., Ingalls  
 Clevenger, G. S., Appleton  
 Cochran, J. L., Bradley  
 Cockrell, W. L., Bear  
 Cole, Terry, Springfield

- Coleman, J. H., Brinkley  
 Collins, W. E., Bradley  
 Collins, W. B., Decatur  
 Comer, J. W., Booneville  
 Compere, W. L., Star City  
 Compere, J. S., Lewisville ✓  
 Compton, P. M., Stamps  
 Connell, Joseph, Van Buren  
 Conry, E. L., Prairie Grove  
 Cooper, E. D., Paragould  
 Cooper, W. M., Franklin  
 Cooper, W. P., DeQueen  
 Cooper, B. C., Searcy  
 Copeland, O. A., Flag  
 Copeland, J. M., Nashville  
 Copeland, J. A., Mountain Home  
 Corder, W. E., Jacksonville  
 Corder, J. P., Jacksonville  
 Cornish, D. W., Murfreesboro  
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 Cossey, J. I., Arkadelphia  
 Cotton, S. W., Greenbrier  
 Cotton, C. T., Leslie  
 Covington, J. T., Black Springs  
 Cox, W. J. E., Pine Bluff  
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 Cross, G. A., Cove  
 Cross, R. F., Hackett  
 Crossland, C. A., Rover  
 Crow, G. D., Hattievill  
 Crow, E. T., Hattievill  
 Crowder, J. H., Plumerville  
 Crutchfield, W. A., England  
 Cullum, A. D., Swifton  
 Culp, M., Bigelow  
 Cummings, W. A., Maynard  
 Cunningham, Thos., Damascus  
 Curle, E. F., Osceola  
 Crye, J. A., Conway  
  
 Dalton, G. O., Enola  
 Daniels, Joe, Sparkman  
 Darley, W. C., Bono  
 Davenport, I. N., Melbourne  
 Davidson, J. S., Catalpa  
 Davies, D., Midland  
 Davis, A. S., Anderson  
 Davis, L. H., Stella  
  
 Davis, C. L., Batesville  
 Davis, K. P., Stephens ✓  
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 Davis, J. A., Carolan  
 Davis, J. M., Cabot  
 Davis, W. U., Okolona  
 Davis, W. M., Stamps  
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 Day, F. C., Springdale  
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 Dearen, C., Greenwood  
 DeArmond, J. T., Jonesboro  
 Dees, A. C., Rhea  
 DeLano, J. H., Eureka Springs  
 DeLaughter, B., Sparkman  
 DeLaughter, E., Broughton  
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 DeVine, R. B., Stephens  
 DeWitt, C. N., Hot Springs  
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 Donham, J. H., Benton  
 Dorman, G. W., Bodcaw  
 Dorris, W. F., Fordyce  
 Dougan, W. H., Prattsville  
 Douglas, R. L., Springfield  
 Downing, T. F., Sulphur Springs  
 Downs, J. T., Rosston  
 Draper, Oliver, Winfield  
 Driggers, D. T., Alamo  
 Driskill, W. B., Damascus  
 Driskill, Jeff, Fairbanks  
 Dubois, J. E., Harrisburg  
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 Dulaney, Thos., Ben Lomond  
 Dumas, E. T., DeQueen  
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 Dunn, J. P., Hoxie  
 Duren, W. M., Zion  
  
 Eades, W. C., Cove  
 Earle, L. G., Strickler  
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 East, M. D., Black Rock  
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 Edwards, T. F., Clagett  
 Edwards, W. M., Burlington  
 Edwards, J. W., Prairie Grove  
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 Ellis, E. E., Nathan  
 Elmore, R. R., Blue Mountain



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 Erwin, V. C., Strawberry  
 Erwin, J. W., Emmet, R. F. D.  
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 Evans, R. M., Peoria  
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 Faulkner, G. D., Dardanelle  
 Faulkner, J. D. J., Gainesville  
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 Felts, Thos., Cave City  
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 Ferrell, F. H., Buckville  
 Fink, G. L., Newark  
 Finley, R. L., Mountain Home  
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 Ford, G. M., Carlisle  
 Ford, G. L., Zion  
 Ford, J. F., Springfield  
 Ford, T. C., Bee Branch  
 Ford, W. A., Winfield  
 Ford, G. W., Bee Branch  
 Forrester, W. B., Hackett  
 Fortner, J. B., Settlement  
 Fortner, W. S., Settlement  
 Fowler, C. A., Supply  
 Fowlkes, J. T., McGehee  
 Fox, U. J., Berryville  
 Franklin, J. A., Wheelen Springs  
 Frasier, T. D., Chickalah  
 Frasier, S., Harrison  
 Frizell, M. W., Black Rock  
 Funk, S. F., Slocomb  
 Funk, E. A., Lono  
 Ferguson, J. A., Palatka  
 Gardner, H. L., Fountain Hill  
 Gardner, W. W., Arkadelphia  
 Gardner, J. E., Dutch Mills  
 Garrison, G. M., Sidney  
 Garrison, P. A., Almyra  
 Garrott, E. P. J., Heber Springs  
 Gaskill, C. C., Marmaduke  
 Gathright, J. T., Arkadelphia  
 Gathright, W. H., Strong  
 Gathright, M. F., Harrison
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 Gentry, P. R., Mabelvale  
 Geren, H. M., El Dorado  
 Gibson, O., Williford  
 Gibson, F. F., Fort Smith  
 Gibson, F. S., Nashville  
 Gibson, H. L., Little Rock, R. 4  
 Gibson, J. H., Cabot  
 Giddens, J. R., Conway  
 Gilbreath, G. F., Sulphur Rock  
 Gipson, J. H., Cabot  
 Gist, J. W., Franklin  
 Glover, H. P., Guy  
 Glover, P. H., Greenbrier  
 Goatcher, C. E., Arkadelphia  
 Goff, W. D., Abbott  
 Gooch, J. B., Abbott  
 Gosett, R. E. L., Grubbs  
 Gossett, W. H., Marmaduke  
 Gower, W. C., Piggott  
 Gowin, W. A., Figure Five  
 Graham, E. R., Green Forest  
 Granberry, R. H., Jacksonville  
 Grant, J. W., Eudora  
 Gray, E. H., Corley  
 Gregory, W. H., Hazen  
 Green, D. T., Jessieville  
 Green, B. C., Lawson  
 Green, H. L., Bauxite  
 Green, P. P., Pollard  
 Green, W. F., Pea Ridge  
 Green, J. M., Mena  
 Greener, E. B., London  
 Greenleaf, O. A., Stuttgart  
 Griffith, A. B., Fox  
 Griswold, J. C., Plumerville
- Hackett, George, Clinton  
 Haigood, H. H., Clarksville  
 Hale, Fred D., Hot Springs  
 Hall, John, Pea Ridge  
 Hall, J. A., Rogers  
 Hall, J. R., Marmaduke  
 Hall, W. P., Mansfield  
 Hamby, W. C., Fayetteville  
 Hamil, W. C., Argenta  
 Hamilton, S. E., Manila  
 Hamilton, S. A., Benton  
 Hamlin, G. L., Amity  
 Hammock, J. G., Marshall  
 Hamrock, H. W., Bald Knob  
 Hankins, J. H., Pine Bluff  
 Hanks, G. P., Johnson  
 Haralson, J. B., Pine Bluff  
 Hardage, W. T., Bismarck  
 Hardin, W. J., Duffie

- Hardy, C. E., Sulphur Springs  
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*Bartholomew.....	69	341	319	385	6,119	43	3,797	\$ 740.44	\$ 589.46	\$ 539.23	\$ 671.30	\$ 481.24	\$ 2,455.29	\$ 1,316.17	\$ 21,393.15	\$ 28,186.28	\$ 102,775.00
*Benton Co. (Con.)..	19	107	224	98	1,715	13	1,108	149.69	867.95	338.15	650.40	53.25	225.42	1,182.80	6,716.61	10,184.27	43,950.00
*Benton Co. (G. A.)..	21	51	48	79	1,411	10	337	315.05	38.47		31.17		107.88		2,034.00	2,523.00	11,000.00
*Big Creek.....	12	55	28	24	329	3	161		88.50					11.05	347.71	447.26	3,100.00
†Black River.....	7				605												
*Blue Mountain.....	17	3	18	46	917	1			31.00				8.60		13.21	100.00	152.81
*Buckner.....	42	224	174	229	3,149	22	1,475	426.26	648.55	196.80	199.30	378.25	458.67	1,639.43	2,988.26	7,083.75	23,350.00
Buckville.....	29	38	39	90	1,543	11		31.25			4.75		4.92	21.05	93.60	155.57	5,875.00
Caddo River.....	14	150	39	32	731			15.50	17.75	30.11			37.20	146.33	1,111.50	1,422.24	5,800.00
*Caddo Valley.....	8	15	12	14	351			3.90			8.50		7.31	25.55		45.26	
Caroline.....	72	680	573	656	9,165	51	5,901	1,242.12	1,996.12	3,267.45	1,462.69	3,202.10	2,241.22	23,491.08	22,658.72	58,227.73	359,050.00
Carroll Co.....	19	110	90	147	1,384	10	694	78.21	89.10	44.71	52.28	134.45	156.70	697.11	3,198.76	4,451.32	23,150.00
*Clear Creek.....	34	98	77	108	2,223	13	951	10.00	110.00	74.37	91.67		218.78	224.13	4,464.81	5,173.76	31,700.00
*Columbia.....	40	103	114	143	3,336			1.75	49.55	14.60	13.40		165.45		60.00	304.00	24,000.00
*Concord.....	49	204	214	312	3,933	22	2,544	611.50	1,127.35	313.05	445.05	870.00	330.25	1,049.30	16,167.14	18,337.65	110,775.00
*Cossatot (Est.).....	7			300													
*Crooked Creek.....	29	80	124	84	1,317	11		267.35	123.50	29.25	28.60		88.63	1,232.32	1,521.33	3,290.98	5,000.00
*Current River.....	17	100	60	109	1,331	5		10.00	8.28		2.36		33.62		1,021.00	1,075.00	9,000.00
*Dardanelle.....	46	225	160	201	2,632	23	1,300	206.22	92.40	130.90	138.50	164.40	283.07	622.68	4,155.02	5,793.19	38,750.00
Fayetteville.....	38	117	195	161	2,537	21	1,778	244.86	142.50	141.31	201.76		264.87	6,620.96	4,781.48	12,397.74	76,000.00
*Fayette Valley.....	14	52	44	37	811	5	241	3.10	116.50	57.00	57.35	11.00	54.81		935.46	1,235.22	5,000.00
Friendship.....	35	297	88	313	3,690	19	1,637	151.65	789.70	606.99	522.54	1,609.29	1,069.05	9,500.83	5,606.02	19,846.47	92,898.00
Gainesville.....	43	215	130	215	3,526	23		238.33	30.05	21.65	51.17	35.94	480.57	537.43	5,177.52	6,572.66	35,300.00
*Grand Prairie.....	32	54	34	82	1,775	10		41.55	192.50	92.50	107.50	162.00	202.06	275.95	6,287.83	7,357.69	14,500.00
*Greenbrier.....	30	156	80	130	2,528	11	1,121	73.41	207.45	132.00	154.15		50.02		5,562.00	6,277.00	44,700.00
*Hope.....	23	170	173	216	2,458	16	1,662	354.98	592.15	630.99	601.72	1,661.00	1,370.19	3,085.41	10,217.68	19,379.87	134,000.00
*Howard Co.....	37	77	59	87	2,313	10		97.53	184.68	14.67	19.62		151.72		2,587.00	3,036.00	8,050.00
Independence.....	35	167	70	132	2,381	20		69.50	172.73	90.48	100.22	96.50	213.27	617.73	2,654.00	4,014.43	29,100.00
*Jonesboro.....	17	55	22	72	1,528	11		42.26	19.96		26.45		49.40		1,319.00	1,431.00	8,550.00
*Judson.....	49	296	156	223	3,390	30	1,585	47.58	184.62	120.38	120.38		295.91	1,975.51	5,232.65	7,977.03	43,750.00
*Liberty.....	48	318	225	247	4,524	35	2,705	207.20	732.50	520.27	867.47	2,388.08	1,377.11	629.90	17,026.84	24,438.62	118,700.00
†Little River.....																	
Little Red River.....	12	61	50	55	1,132	7	597		84.32	16.50	86.10	56.75	41.57	175.25	1,288.56	1,749.05	7,500.00
*Madison Co.....	18	26	12	20	409			57.25	12.50				9.30		277.00	351.05	2,000.00
*Mount Vernon.....	36	58	124	77	2,160	14	1,361	119.75	522.17	112.95	421.40	1,203.85	704.16	6,596.94	14,647.48	24,328.70	81,300.00
Mount Zion.....	69	360	303	352	4,838	34	3,196	1,064.07	1,190.36	739.00	737.79	6,460.19	1,558.77	26,764.33	11,703.09	53,335.74	140,100.00
†New Prospect.....																	
*Ouachita.....	20	99	84	108	1,118	11	540	54.77	10.00	58.95	98.94	95.00	79.95	2,532.38	1,536.88	4,466.87	17,000.00
*Pee Dee.....	20	14	17	61	793	9		6.00	91.00	1.00	1.25		29.00		455.96	584.21	4,000.00
*Pike County.....	18	65	69	55	907	4		16.35	114.42	18.50			122.52		746.50	1,018.29	4,450.00
*Pine Bluff.....	46	342	179	201	4,196	27	2,008		273.53	118.55	23.40	6.50	333.39	2,638.65	4,360.31	7,754.33	27,300.00
*Red River.....	38	341	228	249	3,673	28	2,109	577.45	545.56	681.71	715.32	602.25	859.64	4,096.88	4,511.51	12,590.34	65,525.00
*Rocky Bayou.....	33	122	47	76	2,020	7		94.50		8.25	9.25				873.70	975.20	6,550.00
Russellville.....	29	108	100	75	1,717	15	931	177.81	391.80	91.51	132.20	126.80	131.26	33.20		1,084.58	15,000.00
*Saline.....	59	322	354	300	4,850			35.17	167.28	361.31	170.60		293.49		11,358.52	12,386.37	90,150.00
*Southwestern.....	33	132	117	166	2,137	16	832	297.17	279.00	139.22	161.76	325.26	375.14		3,985.04	5,562.59	23,000.00
*Spring River.....	34	39	62	82	2,284	9	659	5.70	85.00	36.00	34.00		106.70	815.35	3,077.75	4,562.59	32,275.00
*State Line.....	12	76	45	28	712	5		14.65		8.81			3.73	309.00	416.70	752.89	4,600.00
*Stevens Creek.....	30	99	66	65	1,694	15		2.20	47.50				20.79		31.00	101.00	4,000.00
*Trace Ridge.....	17				868												
*Union No. 1.....	42	199	135	194	3,018	21		10.30	72.69	36.20	3.00	847.10	312.39	43.50	1,726.57	3,021.75	9,000.00
Union No. 2.....	12	25	11	9	521									11.55			2,000.00
*United.....	28	71	28	81	1,855	8	460		128.00	86.37	65.00		33.00		2,842.10	3,154.47	7,000.00
White River.....	24	72	29	59	1,46		390	36.00	105.35	15.00	27.00	453.00	36.00	450.90	992.50	2,115.75	11,700.00
*Enon (Texas).....	3				383												2,000.00
Total.....	1,569	7,189	5,649	7,047	116,340	687	42,130	\$8,250.33	\$13,363.90	\$9,986.69	\$9,303.66	\$21,446.23	\$17,453.34	\$99,383.86	\$220,230.26	\$397,595.41	\$ 974,273.00

\* Statistics previous to 1915.

† Figures for Black River, Little River, and New Prospect Associations included in other reports.

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Total White Baptists in the South.....	2,588,633
Other American Sates (American Baptist Year Book).....	1,341,933
Estimated Colored in Southern States.....	2,083,246
Total in United States.....	6,013,812
Dominion of Canada (Official Year Book).....	134,163
Republic of Mexico.....	3,653
West Indies and Central America.....	59,705
South America.....	12,307
Europe (English Handbook).....	622,300
Asia (latest reports).....	195,758
Africa.....	17,121
Australia.....	29,601

Baptist membership in the world.....6,969,869