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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

[SIXTY-EIGHTH YEAR]

HELD AT

MALVERN, ARKANSAS

December 6-8

1916

Next Session will convene on Wednesday after the first Sunday
in December, 1917, at 10:00 o'clock, with the First
Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Arkansas.

Preacher of Annual Sermon

B. B. BAILEY

Alternate, **W. L. COMPERE**

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

President.....	John W. Conger.....	Conway
Vice Presidents.....	{ J. T. Cowling.....	Ashdown
	{ G. W. Puryear.....	Jonesboro
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Auditor.....	H. K. Ford.....	Little Rock

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Members at Large Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1917.

J. B. Luck	C. D. Wood, Jr.	G. L. Boles
W. A. Forbes	J. E. Brown	W. E. Atkinson
J. P. Boone	J. S. Compere	J. Frank Jones
T. H. Plemmons		

Associational Members Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1917.

Bartholomew—J. F. Tull	Howard County—N. R. Lewis
Blue Mountain—G. E. Jones	Liberty—W. M. Wright
Caddo River—R. M. Reese	Mount Vernon—Henry Loewer
Clear Creek—J. R. Barnett	Pee Dee—J. G. Mabrey
Crooked Creek—W. W. Mackey	Red River—N. R. Townsend
Fourche Valley—M. Culp	Saline—C. F. J. Tate
Greenbrier—L. M. Sipes	State Line—E. T. Lincoln
Black River—H. W. Townsend	

Members at Large Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1918.

T. D. Brown	B. V. Ferguson	P. C. Barton
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W. K. Oldham	H. M. Geren	B. B. Bailey
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Associational Members Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting of the Convention in 1918.

Benton Co.—O. A. Greenleaf	Little Red River—H. Giding-
Buckner—H. E. Marsh	hagen
Carroll County—A. J. Russell	Little River—L. M. Keeling
Concord—W. J. Hinsley	Independence—John Q. Wolf
Dardanelle—G. L. Veazy	Mount Zion—J. R. Hobbs
Friendship—H. G. Atkinson	Pike County—D. W. Cornish
Grand Prairie—W. G. Mathis	Rocky Bayou—Dr. W. H. Dillard
Pulaski County—Dr. J. H. Estes	United—A. L. Goatcher

**Members at Large Whose Term of Office Expires at the Meeting
of the Convention in 1919.**

W. C. Wood	John Ayers	E. P. J. Garrott
V. C. Neal	G. W. Puryear	C. E. Dicken
E. P. Alldredge	H. G. Pugh	J. W. Conger
S. H. Campbell		

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Meeting of the Convention in 1919.**

Big Creek—E. F. Armstrong	Judson—L. E. Holt
Buckville—J. W. Sheppard	Madison County—H. Thompson
Caroline—R. P. Bain	Ouachita—W. L. Smith
Current River—J. A. Wheatley	Pine Bluff—W. M. Kelley
Fayetteville—L. E. Barton	Russellville—A. F. Cagle
Gainesville—A. F. Crittendon	Spring River—J. Ed Moore
Hope—Dr. J. R. Autry	White River—H. F. Vermillion
Carey—G. M. Ford	

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Term Expires at Meeting of the Convention in 1917.

T. D. Brown, Hope	Dr. W. R. Brooksher, Fort Smith
Dr. J. P. Runyan, Little Rock	W. T. Cone, Montrose
S. H. Campbell, Little Rock	Dr. J. H. Estes, Little Rock
W. J. E. Cox, Pine Bluff	D. D. Glover, Malvern

Term Expires at Meeting of the Convention in 1918.

R. N. Garrett, El Dorado	H. C. Fox, Pine Bluff
C. C. Tobey, Arkadelphia	E. M. Hall, Arkadelphia
W. N. Adams, Arkadelphia	W. E. Atkinson, Clarksville
J. R. Hobbs, Jonesboro	N. D. Huie, Arkadelphia

Term Expires at Meeting of the Convention in 1919.

John Ayers, Fort Smith	E. P. Alldredge, Little Rock
G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro	W. C. Wood, Paragould
B. F. Condray, Arkadelphia	I. W. Cook, Arkadelphia
J. F. Tull, Monticello	W. F. Dorris, Monticello

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.

Term Expires in 1917.

S. H. Campbell, Little Rock	G. W. Bruce, Conway
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Lee Pendergrass, Helena	B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith
H. M. Geren, El Dorado	J. S. Compere, Stamps

Term Expires in 1918.

Dr. J. P. Runyan, Little Rock	M. J. Manning, Little Rock
Dr. J. H. Estes, Little Rock	John Ayers, Fort Smith
Dr. A. L. Goatcher, Plumerville	Dr. C. E. Witt, Little Rock
W. M. Wright, Camden	G. W. Hays, Little Rock

Term Expires in 1919.

R. S. Boyd, Lonoke	C. F. J. Tate, Hot Springs
Hodge Vineyard, Helena	J. Frank Jones, Conway
C. D. Wood, Jr., Monticello	W. F. Dorris, Monticello
John Q. Wolf, Batesville	L. M. Sipes, Conway

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Term Expires in 1917.

Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney, Little Rock	Mrs. W. R. Brooksher, Fort Smith
Mrs. W. I. Moody, Little Rock	Mrs. C. D. Wood, Monticello
Mrs. Estelle Blake, Arkadelphia	Mrs. H. J. Harker, Little Rock
Mrs. J. K. Smith, Little Rock	Mrs. J. Medlock, Little Rock

Term Expires in 1918.

Mrs. W. A. Westbrook, Little Rock	Mrs. J. W. Conger, Conway
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Mrs. W. C. Hamil, Argenta	Mrs. W. Foster, Little Rock
Mrs. Leslie Brown, Little Rock	Mrs. Fritz Goodbar, Lonoke

Term Expires in 1919.

Mrs. W. J. E. Cox, Pine Bluff	Mrs. W. E. Kimbrough, Cabot
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Mrs. A. H. Reaves, Little Rock	Mrs. W. H. Deaver, Pine Bluff

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Mrs. E. Longley, Little Rock	Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, Little Rock
Mrs. C. B. Davidson, Little Rock	

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C. D. Wood, Jr., Monticello
G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro
R. L. Deal, Monticello

J. F. Tull, Monticello
R. F. Hyatt, Monticello
J. B. Luck, Warren
Mrs. S. H. Campbell, Little Rock
Mrs. G. W. Bottoms, Texarkana

**MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE
ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.**

E. J. A. McKinney, Little Rock
D. D. Glover, Malvern
Dr. S. A. Scott, Little Rock

V. C. Neal, Morrilton
C. F. J. Tate, Hot Springs

TRUSTEES OF BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, MEMPHIS.

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R. S. Boyd, Lonoke
H. Loewer, Wheatley
G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro
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C. W. Fox, DeWitt
W. P. Hale, Osceola
H. C. Fox, Pine Bluff
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S. H. Campbell, Little Rock

**MEMBER OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD FROM
ARKANSAS.**

E. P. Alldredge, Little Rock

**MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD FROM
ARKANSAS.**

J. S. Compere, Stamps

**MEMBER OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD FROM
ARKANSAS.**

S. H. Campbell, Little Rock

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

CONSTITUTION.

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 cooperate 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 cooperate 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, Arkansas, 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.

Bartholomew Association.

Arkansas City—J. E. Daniel.
Crossett—B. L. Bridges.
Dermott—N. C. Denson.
Judson—N. L. Deal.
Lake Village—Mrs. John Simms.
McGehee—A. N. Stanfield, Mrs. E. P. Hawkins, T. F. Jackson,
Miss Virginia Hawkins.
Monticello—W. F. Dorris, C. D. Wood, Jr.
Montrose—John R. Riley, W. T. Cone.
Warren—J. B. Luck.
Wilmar—D. W. Bolton.

Benton County Association.

Bentonville—Earle Myrick.
Rogers—O. A. Greenleaf.

Black River Association.

Hoxie—J. P. Dunn, Mrs. M. S. Moore, Mrs. T. S. Blackwell.
Swifton—A. D. Gray, J. L. Johnson.
Walnut Ridge—Charles G. Elliott.

Blue Mountain Association.

Marshall—G. E. Jones, Owen Bates.

Buckner Association.

Hartford—D. A. Sutton.
Huntington—H. E. Marsh.
Mansfield—F. K. Ringsmuth, Rose Mary Ringsmuth, W. A.
Martin.
Poteau—B. L. Walker, W. A. Bishop, L. F. Patterson.
Waldron—S. B. Barnett.

Caddo River Association.

Mount Ida—J. W. Hulsey.
Oden—C. C. Roberts.

Caddo Valley Association.

Antioch—J. F. Reece, J. T. Kemp, E. A. Shackelford.
Caddo Gap—J. M. Witherspoon, S. G. O'Neal.

Carey Association.

Anchor—Bob Bettis, S. M. Goza.
Fordyce—G. M. Ford, R. C. Rhoden, Mrs. R. C. Rhoden, Mrs.
Bruce Dedman.
Liberty—J. I. Rogers, A. S. Suggs.
Mount Pleasant—M. D. Heard.
Manning—Mrs. J. R. Cobb.

New Alabama—Mattie Amis.
Ouachita—E. J. G. Carter.
Round Hill—T. A. Lane.
Union—Miss Edna Moore.

Caroline Association.

Cabot—W. E. Kimbrough, Mrs. W. E. Kimbrough, J. W. Lowman, Mrs. J. W. Lowman.
Carlisle—L. Tomme, Mrs. Hattie Sanders, Mrs. C. S. Ayres.
Central, Bald Knob—Mrs. L. E. Holdford.
England, First—H. W. Jean, L. M. Emerson, J. T. Lipscomb.
Gentry Memorial, Searcy—William Cooksey, J. N. Rachels, Miss Alice Rachels, Mrs. Henry Patterson.
Lorroke—G. L. Boles, R. S. Boyd, F. E. Goodbar, Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, R. P. Bain, Mrs. R. P. Bain.
Pleasant Grove—H. E. Wooten.
Pleasant Hill (Lonoke County)—W. V. Walls.

Clear Creek Association.

Alix—J. P. Blakeley, Mrs. J. P. Blakeley.
Mulberry—J. R. Barnett.
Ozark—G. W. Bray.
Van Buren—Joseph Connell.

Concord Association.

Booneville—W. J. Hinsley.
Fort Smith, Bethlehem—J. W. Carroll.
Fort Smith, Calvary—C. P. Walters.
Fort Smith, First—B. V. Ferguson, Mrs. B. V. Ferguson, John Ayers, Mrs. E. S. Vann.
Fort Smith, Lexington Avenue—John F. Johnston, Mrs. John W. Nesbit.
Glendale—J. A. Harp.
Greenwood—J. W. Ramay, H. L. Waters, John E. Tatum.

Crooked Creek Association.

Harrison—M. F. Gathright, L. A. Robertson.

Current River Association.

Corning—L. W. Russell.

Dardanelle Association.

Blue Mountain—C. D. Owens.
Dardanelle—G. D. Faulkner, Mrs. G. D. Faulkner, G. L. Veazey.
Magazine—J. R. Thompson, C. L. Hill.
Paris—J. C. Riley, L. P. Guthrey.
Plainview—J. I. Owens.

Fayetteville Association.

Fayetteville—L. E. Barton, William A. Moffitt.
Springdale—W. I. Elledge.

Fourche Valley Association.

Bigelow—M. Culp, J. E. Steely.

Houston—H. A. Munn, G. H. Akridge.

Mulberry—D. W. McCabe, J. W. Kirkey, S. M. Avery.

Friendship Association.

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

Pine Bluff, Ohio Street—Mrs. Walter Pickering.

Star City—W. L. Compere, A. J. Johnson, A. O. Vick, H. R. Lucas, J. G. Atkinson.

Gainesville Association.

Paragould, Second—Lurline Light, Mrs. W. C. Fitzgerald.

Rector—A. F. Crittendon.

Grand Prairie Association.

Gillett—S. F. Cook.

Stuttgart—Dillard Carter, F. M. Carter, R. A. Henderson.

Greenbrier Association.

Conway—L. M. Sipes, J. J. Stephens, M. B. Clayton, J. Frank Jones, Mrs. L. B. Pence, J. W. Conger, Miss Allie Merle Conger.

Naylor—J. B. Routh.

New Liberty—E. F. Simmons, J. A. Hartley.

Pleasant Grove—W. R. Watkins, R. F. Adams.

Hope Association.

Columbus—W. W. Ellin, J. R. Autry.

Hope, First—T. D. Brown, J. H. Black.

Hope, Second—Mrs. Ellis.

Magnolia, Central—F. H. Taylor, J. W. Barron, W. F. Burns, J. R. Willis.

Ozan—H. A. King.

Salem—B. B. Hawkins.

Stamps—J. S. Compere.

Stephens—K. P. Davis, Mrs. B. Culp, Mrs. W. S. Davis.

Texarkana, Beech Street—J. P. Boone, M. L. Blankinship.

Independence Association.

Floral—W. C. DeLoach, Ettie Pearson, Donnie Ferguson, Lula Pearson.

Newport—C. C. Marshall.

Pleasant Hill—Cecil DeLoach.

Stony Point—W. A. Collard, Merle Jordan.

West Batesville—T. J. D. King.

Judson Association.

Hampton—L. E. Holt, A. P. McCann.

Liberty Association.

Camden, First—W. M. Wright, M. P. Watts, W. R. Smith, Mrs. J. W. Warren, Mrs. M. B. Coleman.

El Dorado—H. M. Geren, E. Rawlings, A. Worthington, J. M. Sheppard, E. W. Hargett, Mrs. B. F. Miles.
Elliott—W. B. Yarbrough, Clara Rogers.
Hopewell No. 3—Mrs. M. V. Rogers.
Junction City—John T. Walters.
Lawson—B. C. Green.
Strong—J. U. H. Wharton, J. M. Durrett.
Union—Jesse Willoughby.

Little Red River Association.

Heber Springs—E. P. J. Garrott, Mrs. E. P. J. Garrott, N. B. Deloach, Mrs. N. B. Deloach.
Mount Hebron—Henry Gidinghagen.
Palestine—W. T. Todd, Bolton Stark.
Quitman—J. L. Boyd.
Pleasant Valley—Ernest Sutton.
Shiloh—Edgar Morton.

Little River Association.

Ashdown—J. E. Brown, J. T. Cowling, W. E. Kinsworthy, A. T. Collins, John D. Freeman.
DeQueen—Roscoe Stapp, Mrs. Roscoe Stapp, S. B. Lee, Will Scarborough.
Nashville—L. M. Keeling, J. H. Cornish, A. H. Autry.
New Home—W. T. Daniel.
Ozan No. 2—F. G. Holt.

Mount Vernon Association.

Brinkley—O. M. Stallings, Mrs. O. M. Stallings.
Forrest City—J. R. G. White, G. E. Holt, Otto Mathis.
Helena—T. H. Plemmons.
Wheatley—W. Q. Young, W. S. Hemenway, Mrs. W. S. Hemenway, H. Loewer, Mrs. H. Loewer.

Mount Zion Association.

Jonesboro, First—J. R. Hobbs, P. C. Barton, Mrs. P. C. Barton, G. W. Puryear, Miss Parasade Barton, W. B. Langford, J. G. Harris, W. R. McEwen.
Osceola—E. F. Curle.
Wynne—F. C. Sims, J. E. Harris, Mrs. J. M. Larkin.

Ouachita Association.

Hatfield—J. T. Bowling.
Mena—W. L. Smith.

Pee Dee Association.

Leslie—J. G. Mabrey.
Mountain View—W. S. Fortner.
Shady Grove—T. W. Harness.

Pike County Association.

Amity—F. M. Thomason, W. A. Cozine, F. A. Holt.
Glenwood—W. L. A. Stranburg.

Pine Bluff Association.

Benton, First—W. M. Kelley, W. R. Donham, Mrs. Will Deaton, Mrs. Hanna Deaton, T. A. O'Bryant, W. H. Evans.

Pleasant Hill—D. H. Mashburn, Isaac Pettus, Mrs. Isaac Pettus.

Pulaski County Association.

Bauxite—J. W. Smith.

Levy—J. B. Searcy, Mrs. J. B. Searcy, W. T. King, Mrs. W. T. King.

Little Rock, First—J. T. Early, J. R. Riley, C. A. Riley, W. H. Crews.

Little Rock, Immanuel—E. P. Alldredge, Mrs. L. P. Coleman, Mrs. C. E. Batte, Mrs. W. L. Terry, Miss Merle McKinney, Miss Sadie Espy, E. J. Carter, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney, J. H. Estes, W. B. Elliott, J. H. Reynolds.

Little Rock, Pulaski Heights—A. L. Aulick.

Little Rock, Second—S. H. Campbell, J. P. Runyan, O. P. Byrd, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Mrs. C. E. Witt, Mrs. James Hutchison, Mrs. C. A. Brannon, Mrs. S. H. Campbell, O. T. Finch, H. W. Seymour, A. J. Ashburn, A. E. Dobyns.

Little Rock, Third—J. O. Johnston, Mrs. R. L. Dickerson, Mrs. A. N. Sexton, Mrs. J. H. Gilmer, Miss Emma Steel, Mrs. C. E. Heckler.

Little Rock, Wright Avenue—R. W. Nall, Jewell Littlefield.

Zion Hill—A. F. Singley.

Red River Association.

Arkadelphia, First—B. B. Bailey, W. E. Adams, J. B. Swanner, J. Matt Booker, J. F. Queen, C. C. Tobey, I. W. Cook, J. G. Lile, Mrs. C. P. Smith, Mrs. C. C. Tobey, B. F. Condray, C. E. Goatcher, C. E. Dicken, E. S. Mizell, P. Zellers, W. N. Adams, A. M. Croxton, Mrs. Dr. Moore.

Arkadelphia, Sweet Hill—W. F. Warren, J. L. Sanders, J. A. Rucker, N. R. Townsend, Mrs. Eck Patterson, Lucile Bourland, D. P. Cagle, A. McPherson.

Bethlehem—J. H. Summers.

Boughton—E. Delaughter.

Gurdon, Beech Street—A. W. King, Dr. J. T. McLain, Mrs. J. T. McLain, Mrs. E. B. Bolinger, Mrs. W. T. Pickett, Mrs. R. L. Bunch, Mrs. T. H. Jones.

Mount Bethel—C. C. English, R. W. Bishop, H. Butterfield, Annie Mae Crawford, Mrs. A. P. Elliff.

Prescott—W. A. Forbes, S. J. Hesterly.

Unity—Charles Watson.

Russellville Association.

Atkins—Mrs. Jay Rankin.

Clarksville—H. Barney.

Lamar—D. B. Moore, Dr. W. E. Burgess.

Pottsville—J. I. Coffee, W. A. Nash, W. W. Robbins.

Russellville—A. F. Cagle, W. P. Wooten, W. F. Hall, A. S. Hays, Mrs. A. S. Hays.

Saline Association.

Hot Springs, First—A. T. Moody, Mrs. Y. J. Arnold, Mrs. C. M. Roberts.

Hot Springs, Park Place—Mrs. Rosa Wahl, M. H. Vaughter, T. H. Jordan.

Hot Springs, Second—C. F. J. Tate, Mrs. Bessye M. Tate, J. W. McDonald, Mrs. G. T. McDonald, O. M. Harrison, J. W. Brock.

Malvern, First—J. T. Howell, W. K. Smith, D. D. Glover, Mrs. J. F. Williams, J. M. Clem, W. A. Haley, O. E. Kilpatrick, C. W. Dixon, George Roberson.

Malvern, Third—D. A. Gregory, J. O. Keith, Mrs. — Barker.

Mount Zion—Jack Thompson, W. T. Potts, Mrs. W. T. Potts.

State Line Association.

Witt's Chapel—Horton Navy.

United Association.

Morrilton—V. C. Neal, C. C. Harris, A. H. Dudgar, H. R. Osborn, Mrs. B. G. White.

Plumerville—J. K. Smith, Hunter Crawford.

Union Hill—C. W. Goatcher, O. M. Bowman, J. H. Evans.

Valley Home—Joe Stark.

White River Association.

Cotter—B. A. Spradlin.

Mountain Home—H. F. Vermillion, Mrs. H. F. Vermillion, A. M. Crain.

PROCEEDINGS

Malvern, Ark., December 6, 1916.

1. The sixty-third annual session (sixty-eighth 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 First Baptist Church, Malvern, Arkansas.

2. After a hymn had been sung, J. B. Searcy, of Little Rock, led in prayer.

3. N. C. Denson read the twelfth chapter of Romans, and John Ayers, of Fort Smith, led in prayer.

4. At the request of the President, J. W. Conger spoke briefly in appreciation of the life of S. B. Callaway, deceased, former pastor at Batesville and Vice President of the Convention in 1915. W. A. Forbes and J. B. Searcy paid tribute to the memory of J. J. Haynes, of Mena, for many years a member of the Convention.

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—J. W. Conger, of Conway.

Vice Presidents—J. T. Cowling, of Ashdown, and G. W. Puryear, of Jonesboro.

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

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

Auditor—H. K. Ford, of Little Rock.

7. The following visitors were introduced to the Convention at this time: W. A. McComb, Financial Agent of the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.; C. S. Gardner, Professor in the Southern Baptist Theo-

logical Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; W. A. Freeman, representing the Baptist Chronicle, Louisiana; J. T. Jenkins, of Colorado, and Charles F. Tiemann, of Kansas.

8. John D. Freeman, of Ashdown, was elected Press Reporter, with instructions to report the proceedings of the Convention to the local papers and Associated Press.

9. By order of the Convention the President appointed the following Committee on Order of Business: W. M. Wright, A. H. Autry, B. B. Bailey, L. M. Sipes, P. C. Barton.

10. Ministers coming into Arkansas since the last Convention were introduced as follows: B. V. Ferguson, First, Fort Smith; O. T. Finch, Little Rock; L. P. Guthrie, Paris; A. S. Suggs, Dalark; C. C. Roberts, Oden; William Cooksey, Searcy; H. F. Vermillion, Mountain Home; J. W. Carroll, Bethlehem, Fort Smith; A. F. Crittendon, Rector; W. Q. Young, Wheatley; H. L. Waters, Greenwood; W. A. Bishop, Poteau; J. P. Dunn, Hoxie; J. O. Johnston, Third, Little Rock; J. P. Boone, Beech Street, Texarkana; J. A. Rucker, Arkadelphia; L. W. Russell, Corning; John D. Freeman, Ashdown; J. B. Swanner, Arkadelphia; L. E. Barton, Fayetteville.

11. The session of the Convention closed with prayer by H. M. Geren, of El Dorado.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

12. Devotional hour led by H. M. Geren, of El Dorado.

13. The interests of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary were presented by C. S. Gardner, a member of the faculty of the Seminary. At the conclusion of his address pledges to the Students' Fund were made to the amount of \$490.00.

14. B. V. Ferguson, of Fort Smith, led in prayer.

15. W. A. McComb, of Memphis, spoke concerning

the work of the Baptist Memorial Hospital, located in that city.

16. After singing, the Convention was led in prayer by J. H. Black, of Hope.

17. The report of the Committee on Publication was read by J. T. Cowling, and after discussion by J. T. Cowling, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, J. F. Johnston, E. J. A. McKinney, H. F. Vermillion, T. H. Plemmons, V. C. Neal, W. J. E. Cox, and J. P. Dunn, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION.

Your Committee on Publication beg leave to report as follows:

1. We believe that there is at this time great need on the part of our people to study the Bible, and to encourage its study.

We recommend that all our pastors and Christian workers undertake such plans as to them seem wise to stimulate the study of the Bible.

2. Good magazines, good papers, and good books are too numerous to mention by name, but we desire especially to call attention to our Baptist Book House at Little Rock, the publications of our Sunday School Board, and to earnestly recommend that our people subscribe for and read The Baptist Advance, Royal Service, and Home and Foreign Fields.

3. We feel like urging upon our pastors that from day to day and week to week they may greatly help the cause of God by recommending good literature to the people, especially to the young people.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. COWLING,
V. C. NEAL,
JOHN E. TATUM,
W. M. KELLEY,
M. CULP,
C. F. J. TATE,
J. G. LILE,

Committee.

18. Adjourned with prayer by A. L. Aulick, of Little Rock.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

19. A period of worship was led by J. R. Hobbs, of Jonesboro.

20. An address of welcome was made by Pastor J. T. Howell, of First Church, Malvern, to which L. M. Sipes, of Conway, responded.

21. The report of the Committee on Temperance was read by E. J. A. McKinney. It was adopted as follows after discussion by E. J. A. McKinney, L. E. Barton, B. F. Condray, J. H. Eager, of Baltimore, and J. T. Cowling.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee feels that this year is a year that should cause great rejoicing among Christian people everywhere and in Arkansas in particular, for the great victories that have been won for prohibition. Since our last meeting the last legalized saloons in Arkansas closed their doors. The defeat of Act No. 2 by the large majority of 51,633 leads us to believe that saloons will never again exist as legalized institutions in Arkansas. In the battle for the defeat of this Act No. 2, we rejoice that the people of all vocations joined hands and helped to victory. Also the religious press was not more intense, in all their intensity, against the return of the saloon than was the secular press, excepting a very few papers. Your committee especially rejoices in the good work of these papers, including the Arkansas Gazette and other daily papers in other cities. Besides our own victory at least six other States will swing into the prohibition column as the result of the recent election. This means that 25 States will soon be dry and the fight will go on to obtain Nation-wide prohibition.

Your committee would ask that this Convention memorialize our Senators and Representatives in Congress to do their utmost to secure the submission of a National Constitutional prohibition amendment at this session of Congress.

We would also commend the Anti-Saloon League, W. C. T. U., and other temperance organizations working for a dry Nation.

We would urge our coming legislature to enact such laws as will make more effective our present Statewide law.

The cigarette is a great evil and we would urge that our law against the sale of cigarettes be enforced.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. A. MCKINNEY,	WILLIAM COOKSEY,
W. L. COMPERE,	W. E. KIMBROUGH,
J. H. ESTES,	M. F. GATHRIGHT,
J. G. HARRIS,	J. B. LUCK,
O. A. GREENLEAF,	Committee.

22. The appointment of the following committees was announced by the President:

Publications—J. T. Cowling, C. F. J. Tate, J. G. Lile, O. T. Finch, V. C. Neal, John E. Tatum, W. M. Kelley, M. Culp.

Temperance—E. J. A. McKinney, W. L. Compere, J. H. Estes, J. G. Harris, O. A. Greenleaf, William Cooksey, W. E. Kimbrough, M. F. Gathright, J. B. Luck.

B. Y. P. U.—D. S. Campbell, B. L. Bridges, Earle Myrick, J. P. Dunn, C. G. Elliott, J. L. Johnson, G. E. Jones, S. B. Barnett, S. M. Goza, A. S. Suggs.

Home Missions—B. B. Bailey, G. M. Ford, J. W. Lowman, H. W. Jean, W. V. Walls, L. Tomme, J. R. Barnett, J. P. Blakeley, John E. Tatum, W. J. Hinsley, J. F. Johnston.

Lord's Day Observance—H. M. Geren, C. P. Walters, M. F. Gathright, L. W. Russell, J. C. Riley, William A. Moffitt, W. I. Elledge, J. E. Steely, H. A. Munn, H. R. Lucas.

Woman's Work—J. R. G. White, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Mrs. B. V. Ferguson, Mrs. E. P. J. Garrott, Mrs. P. C. Barton, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney, Mrs. J. W. Conger, Miss Una Roberts, Mrs. H. F. Vermillion, Mrs. W. T. King.

Hospitals—T. H. Plemmons, J. E. Brown, L. M. Keeling, Ernest Sutton, Bolton Stark, J. G. Harris, Otto Mathis, O. A. Greenleaf, F. E. Holt, E. F. Curle.

Work Among Negroes—J. T. Early, J. W. Smith, A. E. Dobyns, J. B. Searcy, W. T. King, W. A. Forbes, J. H. Summers, A. F. Cagle, D. B. Moore, J. W. McDonald.

Ministerial Education—T. D. Brown, B. V. Ferguson, Joe Stark, A. M. Crain, B. F. Condray, C. A. Riley, F. M. Thomason, J. G. Mabrey, J. T. Bowling, W. R. McEwen.

Christian Education—C. E. Dicken, J. R. Hobbs, H. F. Vermillion, G. W. Puryear, R. S. Boyd, A. Worthington, John T. Walters, W. R. Smith, C. C. Marshall, J. H. Black.

Sunday Schools—A. L. Aulick, S. H. Campbell, J. P. Boone, J. R. Autry, Joseph Connell, G. W. Bray, G. L. Boles, Bob Bettis, E. J. G. Carter, J. W. Hulsey.

Nominations—C. F. J. Tate, John Ayers, N. C. Denson, L. A. Robertson, R. P. Bain, G. D. Faulkner, B. F. Adams, J. S. Compere, B. L. Walker, Owen Bates.

Orphans' Home—N. R. Townsend, H. L. Waters, A. D. Gray, J. D. Atkinson, J. J. Stephens, Dillard Carter, A. F. Crittendon, J. I. Owens, J. W. Ramay, H. A. King.

State Missions—L. M. Sipes, J. O. Johnston, G. W. Puryear, J. B. Luck, A. H. Autry, G. L. Boles, G. M. Ford, W. M. Kelley, H. Loewer.

Foreign Missions—J. S. Compere, L. E. Barton, W. A. Bishop, H. E. Marsh, A. J. Johnson, J. C. Riley, M. L. Blankinship, C. C. Roberts, W. A. Martin, K. P. Davis.

Obituaries—J. O. Johnston, F. C. Sims, N. C. Denson, M. P. Watts, J. K. Smith, A. H. Autry, W. A. Forbes, R. W. Bishop, G. E. Holt, Roscoe Stapp.

Aged Ministers' Relief—G. L. Boles, M. P. Watts, A. McPherson, W. W. Robbins, A. N. Stanfield, A. D. Gray, H. E. Marsh, R. C. Rhoden, G. W. Bray, K. P. Davis.

23. The annual sermon was preached before the Convention by T. D. Brown, of Hope, who used as his text Colossians 1:18.

24. J. R. Hobbs, of Jonesboro, led a closing prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

25. Worship led by L. M. Keeling, of Nashville.

26. The President introduced to the Convention Everette Gill, missionary to Italy, who was representing the Foreign Mission Board, of Richmond, Virginia; J. H. Eager, of Baltimore, representing the Judson Memorial Baptist Church, of New York City, and L. R. Scarborough, of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

27. The following telegram from I. J. Van Ness, Editorial Secretary of the Sunday School Board, of Nashville, Tennessee, was read:

“Had hoped to be with the Arkansas brethren in their Convention, but special matters have prevented. Please extend to

the Convention the best wishes of their Sunday School Board. May your work, though difficult, be triumphant."

28. The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read by A. L. Aulick, and adopted, after discussion by A. L. Aulick, F. K. Ringsmuth, and S. H. Campbell. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, desire to submit the following report:

The Sunday School as a department of the church has been and is doing much for the ongoing of evangelical religion. The divine test "By their fruits ye shall know them," place biblical sanction upon this department. The churches are the greatest organization in the earth and the Sunday School is the greatest department of their work. Our commission is to "make disciples" and "teach them all things." In both the making and teaching the Sunday School plays a large part. Eighty per cent of those converted to Christianity come through the Sunday School.

A new day has come in this department of our work. The increased study of psychology and pedagogy has revealed many weak places in the old method of teaching. Our public school teachers have stressed the importance of studying the characteristics of the various ages in order to properly teach them. The kindergarten has proven a method of great worth in the communication of knowledge. These Sunday School leaders have come to see that the art of teaching is one and no matter the truth taught the process is the same. As a result we now have a well-selected course of study arranged so as to give the teacher a working knowledge of the laws governing his work as it relates to his own preparation and the characteristics of his class. The study of God's Book, God's boy, and God's method of getting the Book into the boy, will make a new Arkansas and a strong constituency for our Baptist cause.

We recommend:

1. One Sunday's collection be set apart each month for our Orphans' Home.
2. That each pastor lead his teachers in the study of the Normal Sunday School Textbook, or provide a leader for the same.
3. That a Baptist Sunday School Association be organized in each Association of the State for educational, inspirational, and spiritual development.
4. We recommend most heartily the wise business methods of the Sunday School Board as put into operation by our peerless leader, Dr. J. M. Frost, whose death is such a tremendous

loss to our Southern Zion. We call upon our brethren to pray for God's guidance in the selection of his successor.

We also wish to record our appreciation of the work done by the field men of the Sunday School Board.

We would call attention to the fact that A. L. Aulick has been elected as Secretary of our Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work for Arkansas to assume the duties of the office on January 1, 1917.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. AULICK,
S. H. CAMPBELL,
• J. P. BOONE,
J. R. AUTRY,
JOSEPH CONNELL,
G. W. BRAY,
BOB BETTIS,
G. L. BOLES,
E. J. G. CARTER,
J. W. HULSEY,

Committee.

29. L. R. Scarborough, President of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, addressed the Convention. His report, which was read before the Convention and ordered incorporated in the Proceedings, follows:

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST SEMINARY.

Your Board has joy in making its eleventh annual report to the Baptist Convention of Arkansas. This is the record of the work done in the sessions of 1915 and 1916. Our fiscal year closes with the 18th of September. The blessings of God have been manifest in the Southwestern Seminary this past year in the following ways:

(1) In a splendid increase in the teaching force. Professor J. M. Price, for the Department of Religious Education; Professor I. E. Reynolds, for the Department of Gospel Music; Miss Cora Gosney, for the Department of Domestic Science in the Training School; Miss Carolyn Miller, Superintendent and Kindergarten teacher in the Social Settlement Work in connection with the Training School.

(2) In an increase in the student attendance. The increase in 1915-1916 over the former year was a little more than 50 per cent, running from 187 to 281. The increase in 1916-1917 during the first term is 35 per cent over the first term of 1915-1916.

The enrollment now for the first term is as great as it was for the entire season last year.

(3) Increase in territory represented in the Official Board. Southern Illinois and Mississippi Conventions elected two Trustees each to be members of this Board.

(4) In the enlargement and growth in the Department of Field Evangelism. We now have five evangelists holding meetings all the time. We only had two at this time last year.

(5) The enlargement of Seminary Equipment by the completion of the great new building for the Women's Training School, thus adding a \$110,000.00 building to the Seminary's resources and equipment.

(6) The growth and increase in strength of the personnel and scholarship of the faculty and student body. Four members of our faculty have been pursuing special advanced studies in other institutions, thus increasing their scholarship. There is also shown a large increase in college graduates in our student body.

(7) A large strengthening and developing in our Extension Department. With but little advertising and effort, we have taught more than 100 students by correspondence.

(8) A growth and popular favor in a widening territory. The Seminary has been largely advertised in parts of the country outside of the States officially connected therewith. If there ever were those who doubted the wisdom of starting this Seminary, they have all been converted, and are now our friends, sympathizing and coöperating.

(9) It has been a good year on our finances, though we have had a hard struggle. We started the year with a known deficit on necessary expenses for the year of \$18,000.00. Of this, \$17,000.00 was provided by the activities of the administration and the coöperation of the Executive Board of Texas, leaving a deficit of only a little more than \$1,000.00 on running expenses.

(10) The report of the faculty, students, and evangelistic department, shows the largest results in kingdom enterprises that we have ever had.

God's blessings have not only been on us in teaching the Word of God. But also in doing the work of God. For the above reasons your Board thanks God for the best year the Seminary has ever seen.

Financial Report, September 20, 1915, to September 18, 1916.

BALANCE SHEET.

Resources.

Real Estate Lands.....	\$166,266.08	
Building.....	300,000.00	
Improvements.....	33,694.61	—\$ 499,960.69
Furniture and Fixtures.....	7,478.92	
Library and Paintings.....	7,000.00	— 14,478.92
Bills Receivable—Real Estate.....	24,984.73	

Accounts Receivable—Seminary Hill Addition.....	2,466.90	
Accounts Receivable—Hubbard Hill Addition.....	2,792.50	
Accounts Receivable—Fort Worth Hall.....	1,736.01	
Accounts Receivable—Current.....	764.55	\$ 32,784.69
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Live and Rolling Stock.....		\$ 1,452.97
Baptist Street Railway Company Stock.....		23,750.00
Loss and Gain Account.....		37,715.19
Cash on hand and in bank.....		4,193.56
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Invested Notes.....	\$130,122.62	\$614,276.02
Endowment Real Appraised.....	14,050.00	
Endowment Common Notes.....	260,172.09	\$ 404,344.71
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		\$ 1,018,620.73
Liabilities.		
Capital.....	\$496,686.08	
Less Bonus Pledges charged off.....	19,262.46	\$ 477,423.60
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Mortgage.....		35,000.00
Bills Payable—Schedule No. 2.....		97,000.00
Accounts Payable—Current.....		303.41
Sundry Accounts.....		245.00
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		\$ 609,972.01
Endowment Principal.....	\$404,344.71	
Endowment for Investment.....	4,304.01	\$ 408,648.72
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		\$ 1,018,620.73

**RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 1915, TO
SEPTEMBER 18, 1916.**

Receipts.

Cash Balance September 20, 1915.....		\$ 1,614.00
Accounts Receivable—Real Estate.....	\$ 1,078.16	
Accounts Receivable—Current.....	45.50	
Bills Receivable—Real Estate.....	4,899.43	
Bills Payable—F. & M. National Bank.....	993.14	
Baptist Street Railway Company—Fares.....	2,526.08	
Bonus Pledges.....	10.00	
Boone, George H.....	1,653.40	
Commissions—Seminary Hill.....	51.00	
Donations.....	6,697.42	
Discounts.....	31.55	
Evangelism.....	6,414.09	
Fort Worth Hall.....	16,440.47	
Insurance.....	29.10	
Interest.....	858.67	
McCart, H. C.....	692.68	
Seminary Principal.....	31,297.56	
Seminary Fund.....	31,520.17	
Stock Pound.....	27.00	
Training School Auto.....	4.75	
Training School Scholarship Fund.....	562.96	
Training School Loan Fund.....	31.25	
Women's Training School Building Fund.....	13,676.47	
Winston, J. K.....	2,257.65	
Williams, Mrs. Louise.....	50.00	
Real Estate.....	300.00	
Taxes.....	9.57	\$ 122,178.07
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Total		\$ 123,792.07

Disbursements.

Bills Payable.....	\$ 4,500.00
Baptist Street Railway.....	3,614.15
Boone, George H.....	1,486.09
Commissions—Seminary Hill Addition.....	169.04
Commissions—Hubbard Highland Addition.....	35.00
Evangelism.....	5,991.34
Fakes & Company.....	1,978.80

Fort Worth Hall.....	16,959.58	
General Expense.....	1,056.59	
Improvements.....	6,633.91	
Interest.....	3,710.08	
Live and Rolling Stock.....	352.97	
McCart, H. C.....	691.27	
Seminary Principal.....	\$ 11,200.00	
Seminary Fund.....	41,323.42	
Salaries and Expenses—Gustavus.....	586.65	
Stock POUND.....	29.00	
Training School Auto.....	113.28	
Training School Bible Scholarship Fund.....	481.61	
Woman's Training School Building Fund.....	15,705.96	
Williams, Mrs. Louise.....	50.00	
Williams, C. B.....	58.00	
Winston, J. K.....	2,283.60	
Taxes.....	522.72	\$ 119,598.51
Balance September 18, 1916.....		4,193.56
Total.....		\$ 123,792.07

STUDENTS' AID FUND.

Receipts.

From State Board, Dr. J. B. Gambrell.....	\$ 4,800.00
From other Sources in Texas.....	621.41
Mississippi.....	208.30
Louisiana.....	40.28
New Mexico.....	10.00
Oklahoma.....	17.69
Arkansas.....	25.00
Wyoming.....	25.00
Total.....	\$ 5,747.68

All of this was paid out.

You will notice from the above figures the following facts.

(1) We have buildings easily worth \$300,000.00.

(2) Real estate of reasonable value worth \$166,000.00, which if sold would more than pay off all indebtedness on the Seminary, and leave a handsome balance for further improvements.

(3) The balance on the bonus pledges amounting to \$19,256.46 unpaid were charged off to loss, these pledges not being collectible.

(4) The Endowment stands at \$408,000.00, \$130,000.00 of it having been paid in, and invested in good securities, the balance being notes yet unpaid by the donors. Probably \$100,000.00 of this is worthless, caused by deaths, storms, bad crops, failures in business, and indifference to obligations.

(5) The Current Fund for the running expenses is around \$32,000.00.

(6) The entire resources of the Seminary is \$1,018,620.00, with outstanding indebtedness of \$130,000.00, leaving Seminary resources above liability of \$888,620.00, and all of this has been accumulated in seven years. It makes an average per year of \$129,000.00. Surely God has been with us.

(7) In order to run the Seminary this year, the President has had to raise outside of endowment interest more than \$17,000.00. The Executive Board of your Convention gave from the

Educational Campaign \$5,000.00 of this, and the balance the President raised in evangelistic meetings and by personal appeal. This money has come from twelve evangelistic meetings held in Texas, Illinois, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Tennessee. This is putting a strain upon the President, too strong for human endurance. Carrying this burden shortened the life of Dr. Carroll, and will, if continued, take eventually from the vitality of the Seminary administration. A plan must be devised to take care of the Seminary deficit on running expenses.

The Death of Judge W. D. Harris.

Your Board records with sorrow the death of Judge W. D. Harris, who was for many years the efficient and beloved President of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary. He died February 13, 1916. He was elected President of the Board in 1911 and served as such until his death. He was a great Christian, a noble lawyer, wise in counsel, devoted to the highest ideals in life, and was a noble friend of the Seminary. His help in locating the Seminary in Fort Worth, and in erecting its buildings and in many other ways promoting its welfare was great. He so wrought for the good of this institution in its foundation, that his life will be projected in all the future work it accomplishes. One of our best friends and most noble laymen has gone to his heavenly home, and we make this record of our appreciation of his labors and profound esteem for his life.

Training School for Women.

The Women's Missionary Training School has had one year in the beautiful new house, than which there is no better. Thirty-five girls are at home in it now. It can take care of one hundred and twelve. It will be filled in a very brief time under the blessings of God. There are six teachers and workers in the Training School. Superintendent and Teacher of Missions, teachers in Piano, Kindergarten, Domestic Science, Expression, and Social Settlement Worker. The enrollment of students in Training School last year was 115, 75 married and 40 single women. To date this year we have enrolled 108, 62 married and 46 single. The enrollment will run this year more than 130, which will make it the largest enrollment of any Women's Training School in this country. A large number of these women have their hearts turned toward the Foreign Field. We are growing with increasing satisfaction a Social Settlement Center, where much good for working girls is being done, providing for the Training School women a spiritual clinic, in visiting, mission, and evangelistic work.

The debt on the new building is about \$34,000.00. The B. W. M. W. have taken up and raised funds in subscriptions, to

be paid during the year, to take care of this indebtedness. Your Board asks the coöperation of the brethren and churches with our women in this greatly needed matter. The B. W. M. W. have helped more than \$1,600.00 on the running expenses of the Training School.

Your Board greatly rejoices in the work that is being done for the wives of our preachers, missionary volunteers, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. workers and leaders of denominational work for women.

It is not a separate institution, but it is owned and controlled by your Seminary Trustees, in connection with an Advisory Board, appointed in the women of each of the coöperating States. The churches need to use these consecrated women in all their fields of activity, as they go from the Seminary, trained for the Master's Kingdom and work.

Department of Field Work.—Two Phases.

The Seminary is not only a teaching and a training force, but it is at the same time carrying on a great extension movement for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. There are two phases of this work.

(1) The work of the faculty and the students during the school year and during the summer months, in pastorates and evangelistic campaigns and Bible Conferences. Members of the faculty, especially the President, hold many revivals, and conferences on Sunday School, Mission Work, Bible Study, and Evangelism during the year. The students go out Saturday, Sunday, and Monday into more than 100 churches and mission fields, on the streets, in the various shops and factories of Fort Worth, winning the lost, and bringing the Kingdom of Christ.

The President himself, without boast or pride in claiming it, but to the glory of God, has by his own ministry this year, seen more than 1,600 professions of faith in Christ, more than 1,200 join Baptist Churches, and has raised more than \$50,000.00 for the Kingdom work, outside of what he has raised for the Seminary. We submit herein a statement of the work done by the faculty and students last year, with reports of some who are now students, but were not students last year.

Number of men reporting.....	113
Meetings.....	358
Sermons.....	15,724
Professions.....	1,958
Baptisms.....	4,486
Letter.....	2,887
Money.....	\$196,089

(2) The Department of Evangelism has greatly grown this year under the leadership of F. M. McConnell, and his group of

five evangelists. It was a source of great regret that Brother McConnell saw fit to leave this department for the Secretaryship of the Oklahoma Convention. His first year in this work was marked with great success. He went to the Oklahoma Secretaryship with the love and prayers of your Board. The following table shows the large results of this department. It will be seen from this report that these evangelists have more than paid for themselves, having a nice balance to the credit of the Department of Evangelism. The entire force of five evangelists and their singers are now in Nebraska for a three months' campaign on invitation and under the direction of the Nebraska State Mission Board and Secretary. The salaries and expenses are taken care of by the churches in Nebraska, and not by the Seminary. There is no boundary for the Seminary evangelists. They can hold meetings anywhere in United States or Canada. They carry on sane evangelism. They hold no union meetings. They make Baptists. They train churches. They win the lost. They preach the old gospel and carry the fires of evangelism out every way. They help in all denominational campaigns, and go full length in all Kingdom enterprises. They bring to the Seminary, students, call out the called, send students to our other Baptist schools, and send through the Seminary currents of soul-winning power, and stir the Seminary force in their spiritual life. They help to keep the Seminary from being a house of dry bones, or a Theological cold storage. They make the faculty and students hunger for the Kingdom work, and put in their hearts the fires of compassion for the lost, and help to make the Seminary denominational. Your Board urges the strengthening and building of this department of our Seminary force. We urge the churches to use these men. This force now consists of the following evangelists: P. F. Evans, W. T. Sherrod, A. J. Morgan, W. R. Earp, and Otto Whittington. The President is Superintendent of this department. They are thoroughly trained men with evangelistic gifts. They love evangelism and are growing in this work. They will be in Nebraska until February 1. Other States are now asking for them for soul-winning campaigns. Use them and pray for them.

Statement of Year's Work of Evangelists.

Number of Evangelists.....	6
Meetings.....	69
Sermons.....	1,793
Professions.....	2,056
Baptisms.....	1,079
Letters.....	713
Money.....	\$12,558.29

The Summary of Work By Faculty, Students, and Evangelists.

Number of men reporting.....	119
Number Evangelistic meetings.....	412
Number of Sermons.....	17,517
Number of Professions of Faith.....	9,014
Number of Baptisms.....	7,565
Number by Letter.....	3,600
Total Additions.....	11,165
Money raised for all purposes.....	\$208,647.00

These figures explain themselves. This has all been done at a cost, as far as money paid into the Seminary is concerned, of less than \$50,000.00, including the expenses of the Evangelistic Field Force.

Your Board would not have the brethren feel that in doing this great field work your Seminary is laying less emphasis on real scholarship and hard, genuine study and teaching. The more erudite and scholarly departments are growing also with the practical work in the Seminary. A large number of our students are studying Greek, Hebrew, Systematic Theology, and the more difficult branches making for profound scholarship. We are building a real Theological Seminary, practical, spiritual, and evangelistic, carrying unto our students currents of denominational life.

The Extension Department.

We call the Convention's attention to our growing Extension Department. More than 100 students this year have taken courses in the Seminary through correspondence. They have stayed at home and carried on their work, and yet done genuine Seminary study, which will count on their degrees after they come to the Seminary for resident study. This is a very important department. Many busy pastors in the cities and in the country, can, if they will, advance their preparation by taking some courses in correspondence in this Seminary. A preacher ought to grow until he dies. And this is one way that he can grow with very little expense. The Extension Department has also done a good deal of Conference work. The professors have aided in Bible Conferences, Young People's Assemblies, Missionary and Evangelistic Campaigns. The faculty of the Seminary hold themselves open for this kind of work at the call of the churches. Professor C. T. Ball is the Secretary of this department.

A Growing Problem.

One of the biggest questions confronting the Seminary is the problem of student support. We have no scholarship to offer students with which to pay their personal expenses, and only a small loan fund. Our Student Aid Fund is not adequate. The Executive Board of Texas from the Educational Campaign

paid \$4,800.00 into this fund. It was all the Seminary asked for. Some six or eight hundred more from other sources was paid into this fund during the year; so that less than \$6,000.00 has been spent by the Seminary on the personal expenses of its students. We do not pay more than \$10.00 a month to each student. This is not enough for any man who has no other source of income. Not enough pastorless churches in reach of Fort Worth have opened their pastorates to our students to take care of the great numbers coming. Many of the churches are coöperating beautifully in this matter. Students render good services in their pastorates. Some of our students go 200 miles to preach on Sunday. As our student body increases this problem becomes more embarrassing. We must establish some scholarships and increase our contributions to our young preachers to get them started in the work. Your Board greatly appreciates the coöperation of the Texas Board in this matter.

Mr. George Boone, of Mississippi, a layman and former student of the Seminary, is giving himself and his money unselfishly to the building up of a Loan Fund for the aid of our students. Your Board trusts that the brethren will coöperate with him, and give him a good hearing as he privately presents this matter to them. He is working with a warm heart for a worthy cause, and one which, if successful, will render great services to the Seminary.

A Matter of Deep Concern.

The growth of the Seminary has been marvelous. Every step has been marked with the mercies of God, but this very growth has put a great responsibility upon the denomination. It can't be a little Seminary. It is made in a large mould. It has a militant aggressiveness about its life and history which calls for enlargement and bigness. It must grow. The very atmosphere, its entire denominational environment demands an immense plant and a tremendous outlook. The martial spirit of the coming Kingdom of Christ runs in liquid currents through its veins. The call of God is for a worthy and sufficient Seminary plant, to take care of the great Western Baptist Empire in training men and women. The brethren must constantly remember that this Seminary does not, and cannot, charge its students tuition. It gives it instruction free. It has not half enough endowment. The endowment interest did not this last year pay half of its running expenses. The administration had to raise \$17,000.00 outside to keep back a crushing debt. Its teachers are not overpaid. Our Seminary teachers receive less than one-half what the teachers in other Seminaries receive. Every member of its faculty is overworked. There is not now any waste expenses.

It does not now seem possible to make an Endowment Campaign in any of the coöperating States. Your Board has

asked that the coöperating States out of their Mission and Education Funds, or in some other way, provide a certain sum this year for the running expenses of your Seminary. Some of the States have already done it. New Mexico and Illinois in their recent Conventions unanimously provided the sum asked for, and it is hoped that Texas and the other States will do their part in providing the necessary funds for the running expenses this year.

The Seminary sooner or later must be endowed; \$500,000.00 of additional endowment is now pressingly needed. What an investment for consecrated money! What unspeakable and unmeasurable returns it will bring to the crown of the givers and to the cause of Christ! Until sufficient endowment is raised, other provisions must be made for the deficit on running expenses.

The Seminary will soon come into possession of an inheritance around \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00, left by the will of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Garvey, of Fort Worth. They being childless, left all of their property to three worthy institutions, one of them being the Seminary.

Their example should be followed by many other brothers and sisters. Put the Seminary in your will. If you have no children, make the Seminary your child. If you have lost one or more children, put the Seminary in their place in your will. If you have children let the Seminary share forever in the fruits of your labors. You can thus preach the gospel of Christ in the lives of many scores of preachers, missionaries, and evangelists until Christ comes. But do not wait until you die to help the Seminary. Put your money in the Seminary now while you live and can see the dividends on your investment. The Seminary must be endowed! The Seminary must be endowed!

O. S. LATTIMORE,

President Board.

J. K. WINSTON, Secretary.

L. R. SCARBOROUGH,

-President Seminary Faculty.

30. The following resolution was read by S. H. Campbell, of Little Rock, and adopted:

Whereas, Our attention is called to the great number of Arkansas men who have received training in the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, without financial aid from this State, and

Whereas, The Seminary is now calling upon us for only \$1,500.00 to aid in the work of educating the Arkansas men who are now in the Seminary, which amount is about half of what it will cost the Seminary to give them instruction, therefore be it

Resolved, That we refer the request for this \$1,500.00 to our Executive Board with instructions that they provide for this amount in the annual budget.

S. H. CAMPBELL,
J. S. ROGERS.

31. J. D. Sayers read the following message from the Arkansas Club of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, to which the Secretary was instructed to send a reply:

To the Arkansas Brotherhood in Convention Assembled, The Arkansas Club of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Send Greetings:

Though busy here with our work of preparation, we are keenly interested in the progress of Baptist affairs in our home State, and shall anxiously await the report of the Convention.

Trusting that upon the reading of the report of our beloved Secretary there shall go up shouts of victory, and asking a place in your prayers for the Southwestern Seminary, her faculty, and student body, we beg to remain,

Your brethren in Christ,

THE ARKANSAS CLUB S. W. B. T. S.

32. The following telegram was received from J. F. Love, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia:

“God bless each of you and give you success in great services.”

To this the Secretary was instructed to send a reply.

33. The report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was read by T. D. Brown, and discussed by T. D. Brown, B. V. Ferguson, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, L. R. Scarborough, L. P. Guthrie, Miss Una Roberts, J. T. Bowling. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The greatest asset of Baptists is their young preachers. The greatest need of our preacher boys is education. Our doctrines demand it. Other denominations are crying for more men. There is a shortage of ministerial students among them. This is not true among Baptists. We need more man. This calls for ministerial education.

At present Arkansas Baptists have six ministerial students

in our mountain schools, forty-four in Ouachita College, three in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and fifteen in the Southwestern Seminary.

Our responsibility toward our Seminary students has been met, in a way, by our Convention in present assembly. Our attention should now be turned toward the ministerial students in our State schools and college, and those who should be in these institutions. We ought either to furnish them prompt and adequate support or withdraw our help altogether. If they are worthy of any financial aid, they are worthy of all they need.

Your committee believe that we ought to stand by them in our full strength, and give them every encouragement and needed assistance. In view of this we wish to submit the following recommendations:

1. That every church be acquainted with the struggle and needs of our students.

2. That every church be requested to make a God-honoring contribution to the cause at the regular time for the support of the object.

3. That the Executive Board of our Convention be charged with the responsibility of raising this fund.

4. That our fathers and mothers in Israel dedicate their sons to the ministry, and implore our heavenly Father to call them into his service.

Respectfully submitted,

T. D. BROWN,
B. V. FERGUSON,
JOE STARK,
A. M. CRAIN,
F. M. THOMASON,
J. G. MABREY,
J. T. BOWLING,
W. R. McEWEN,

Committee.

34. H. M. Geren read the report of the Committee on Lord's Day Observance, which was adopted as follows after discussion by H. M. Geren, H. F. Vermillion, W. A. Moffitt, and H. Loewer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE.

We, your Committee on Lord's Day Observance, report as follows:

The Sabbath was made for mankind, not mankind for the Sabbath. It was God-made, not man-made. It was made in the Garden of Eden, and not for Jews alone, but for all men. Therefore its observance should be universal and perpetual.

It was made for the good of men. The command to remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy is an expression of the love of God for his creatures. Man's entire nature, physical, mental, and spiritual, demand this institution. It came from the heart of a loving God and is one of man's best gifts. Hence, instead of chafing under the law of the Sabbath we should rejoice in it.

We note with sadness that the introduction of the automobile has increased the facilities for Sabbath desecration. This excellent and beautiful instrument of locomotion has proven a snare to some of our people. While it has perhaps increased church attendance on the part of people living in the country districts it has had the opposite effect on city people. The temptation for joy rides into the country often depletes the 11:00 o'clock congregation.

Your committee recommends the following:

1. That the pastors and preachers endeavor to create a healthier sentiment for the observance of the Christian Sabbath.
2. That all of our people use their influence for the strict enforcement of the excellent Sunday laws now on our statute books.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. GEREN,
 C. P. WALTERS,
 M. F. GATHRIGHT,
 L. W. RUSSELL,
 J. C. RILEY,
 WILLIAM A. MOFFITT,
 W. I. ELLEDGE,
 J. E. STEELY,
 H. A. MUNN,
 H. R. LUCAS,

Committee.

35. Adjourned with prayer by B. V. Ferguson.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

36. A brief period of worship was conducted by M. F. Gathright.

37. Upon invitation of the President of the Convention, a large number who were attending the Convention for the first time gave their impression of the meetings.

38. The report of the Committee on Obituaries was read by J. O. Johnston, and after discussion by N. C. Denison, J. B. Searcy, H. F. Vermillion, Mrs. L. P. Coleman, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on Obituaries report as follows:

We find that since our last Convention Rev. S. B. Callaway, of Batesville, and Rev. J. J. Haynes, of Mena, both honored brethren and members of this Convention, have passed from this life. We desire to give them favorable mention for their works' sake.

We further find that Sisters Burns and Trigg, both of Arkadelphia, Sister Trigg having been a charter member of the First Baptist Church of Arkadelphia; Rev. H. H. Melton, of Conway; Senator T. C. White, of Pine Bluff, and Sister J. T. Sanders, of Forrest City, have also passed away.

"They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. JOHNSTON,
N. C. DENSON,
M. P. WATTS,
A. H. AUTRY,
R. W. BISHOP,
J. K. SMITH,

Committee.

39. The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by L. E. Barton, and adopted after discussion by Everette Gill, of Italy. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Missions is the most unselfish enterprise in the Kingdom of God. The evangelization of one's own town may bring added financial and social strength to the local church. Patriotic motives may give some impulse to Home Mission endeavor. But nothing save unmixed loyalty to Jesus Christ can thrust forth laborers into the great Pagan, Heathen lands of the earth. The world outlook is essential to an orthodox Christianity. Let it be recognized and confessed that the worst heterodoxy known to mortal is the heterodoxy of deeds. A doctrine that does not get anywhere may be the doctrine of men and devils, but it is not the doctrine of Christ. The New Testament is the most practical, the most militant, and the most dynamical book in the world. It is pulsing with the will and power of God. It is God-breathed with a compassion for lost souls deeper than human life. Its writers were filled with a grim earnestness and triumphant faith that acknowledges no defeat. There is no more imperative need of Arkansas Baptists than that they should bring their practice up to their precept.

We have made a beginning. Much has been done in the dissemination of information, but the broad field is yet largely fallow ground, even in our more loyal churches. Our Arkansas

churches gave to Foreign Missions last year \$10,701.75. This amount pro-rated among the five hundred pastors would be only \$21.40 each, and leave nothing for the laymen and women to give. The total receipts of the Foreign Mission Board last year from the churches, the Sunday School Board, legacies, etc., were \$517,223.38. In addition to this there was collected during the year \$288,406.13 on the Judson Centennial Fund, making a grand total of \$805,729.51.

In the apportionment of the Southern Baptist Convention, Arkansas is asked to give \$12,000.00 this year, an increase of 20 per cent over last year's offerings.

Southern Baptists through their Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, Virginia, are doing work in seven fields, to wit: China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina. On these fields we have 133 male and 182 female missionaries; 166 ordained native preachers; 402 unordained native helpers; 459 churches, 95 of them being self-supporting; 910 outstations. Last year these churches received 6,473 members by baptism, an average of over 20 members per missionary. They received 950 persons by letter, and 238 by restoration. They lost 381 by death and 848 by exclusion, and 1,085 by letter. The present membership is 42,630. We have 203 houses of worship, 609 Sunday Schools with 27,461 scholars, and these missions contributed a grand total of \$129,054.81, which is more than \$3.00 per capita for the entire membership.

Shall Arkansas Baptists allow those so lately won from heathenism to outstrip them in the giving of funds for the Lord's work? That is about the same average per capita gift of Arkansas Baptists for all purposes combined last year.

In this report we call on the pastors to read missionary books and magazines, study their Bibles afresh on the teaching of missions, make this a matter of conscience and continued prayer for the Holy Spirit's power to enable them to preach the whole counsel of God. We call on the preachers to lead their people in liberality. We call upon the laymen of large means to give their thousands, rather than tens to this work. We call, in the name of the risen Christ, upon the masses of our great people to marshal their forces, to consecrate their wealth, and give themselves to intercessory prayer, that they may rise in their God-given strength and Heaven-imposed responsibility and go forth in real courage and faith to make the Kingdoms of this world the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. COMPERE,
L. E. BARTON,
W. A. BISHOP,
H. E. MARSH,
J. C. RILEY,
C. C. ROBERTS,
W. A. MARTIN,
K. P. DAVIS,

Committee.

40. J. H. Eager, of Baltimore, spoke concerning the work of the Judson Memorial Baptist Church of New York City.

41. Upon motion it was—

Resolved, That we appreciate the heroic effort of Dr. Edward Judson to build up a great mission church in lower New York in the midst of the foreign population.

That we approve the plan of the New York City Baptist Mission Society to raise an endowment fund sufficient to perpetuate and enlarge the work of the Judson Memorial Church.

That we welcome among us the Southern representative of the Judson Memorial Church, the Rev. John H. Eager, and that we pledge him our sympathy and our coöperation in the work in which he is engaged.

42. Doak S. Campbell read the report of the Committee on B. Y. P. U. Work. After discussion by Doak S. Campbell and J. F. Johnston it was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON B. Y. P. U.

The development of our young people was for a long time overlooked. Finally, our people became aware of the necessity of developing the possibilities which are found in the lives of young Christians. The result was the launching of the B. Y. P. U. movement.

Through these organizations we see every day manifestations of genuine religious work in the development of our young people. More and more, pastors and laymen are seeing the importance of training our membership for active service. Hundreds of churches are being revived by the enlivening influence of growing young Christian lives, while hundreds are stale and unconcerned because of the lack of such an influence. Thousands of young Christians are made useful in God's kingdom through B. Y. P. U. training.

There are in our own State, approximately 200 B. Y. P. U.'s. and 30 Junior B. Y. P. U.'s. Several have reached the Standard of Excellence and many others have almost reached it.

We recommend and urge that our churches provide adequate training for their young membership, under competent supervision; that endeavors be enlarged in maintaining associational organizations; and also that our three Assemblies which are located at Arkadelphia, Cushman, and Siloam Springs, be maintained and supported under proper conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. CAMPBELL,

B. L. BRIDGES,

C. E. MYRICK,

J. P. DUNN,

C. G. ELLIOTT,

J. L. JOHNSON,

G. E. JONES,

S. B. BARNETT,

A. S. SUGGS,

Committee.

43. T. S. Potts, evangelist, of Memphis, was present and was introduced to the Convention.

44. John D. Freeman spoke concerning the Baptist Students' Convention, and was elected to represent the Convention at the next meeting of that body in Louisville, Kentucky.

45. The session closed with prayer by William Cooksey.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

46. Worship was conducted by J. B. Luck.

47. The report of the Committee on Christian Education was read by H. F. Vermillion, and adopted as follows after discussion by H. F. Vermillion, C. E. Dicken, and J. W. Conger:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

This is preëminently the age of increasing intelligence. At no period in the world has the progress of knowledge been so rapid as at the present. The facilities for education are far greater than they have been before and the means of intelligence are increasing from year to year. Our common schools, high schools, colleges, and theological seminaries are more numerous and far better than those of previous generations; while Sabbath Schools, religious and miscellaneous books, newspapers and periodicals, giving information on almost all subjects, are being multiplied beyond precedent. There never has been a time therefore when the young man or young woman has had so good an opportunity to receive the training and grasp the principles of the arts, sciences, religion, morals and general behavior as that of the present. The rising generation is destined to be much better educated and perhaps far more intelligent than any preceding generation. It is highly important that this training which they receive, and which is lavishly furnished upon all sides by our Government, Religious Denominations and Secular Enterprises should be a training of the heart and character as well as of the mind. The training of the intellect only is but the training of a weapon for evil, while the development of Christian character and the spiritual life, together with the fashioning of keen intelligence, is the building of a power for righteousness. There is no education outside Christian Education and that institution which has not for its highest aim and ambition the development of good men and good women can-

not contribute to those who come under its influence that quality which lifts man to his highest destiny.

Arkansas Baptists are represented in the field of Christian education by Ouachita College and Central College, both of which will report to this Convention.

We also have Mountain Home College and Maynard Academy which we operate in connection with the Home Mission Board as Mountain Schools.

We recommend that this Convention give these Mountain Schools such financial and moral support as may be necessary to their success.

We gratefully acknowledge the help received from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in the support of our Mountain Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. DICKEN,
J. R. HOBBS,
H. F. VERMILLION,
JOHN T. WALTERS,
G. W. PURYEAR,
R. S. BOYD,
A. WORTHINGTON,
W. R. SMITH,
C. C. MARSHALL,
J. H. BLACK.

Committee.

48. V. I. Masters, Publicity Secretary of the Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Georgia, was introduced to the Convention.

49. After prayer by J. J. Stephens the Convention adjourned until 8:30 a. m. Friday.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

50. G. D. Faulkner led in a devotional service.

51. The following resolution touching upon the refusal of General Frederick Funston to allow revival meetings to be held among United States troops upon the Mexican border, were adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GEN. FUNSTON INCIDENT.

Some time ago, Texas Baptists through Dr. J. B. Gambrell, Secretary of their Convention Board in coöperation with the

Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, sought permission of Gen. Funston, commander of the U. S. troops on the Mexican border, to preach to the soldiers in camp there. Gen. Funston was assured that the religious services desired to be held would be conducted in proper order and in due obedience to military regulations. Dr. Gambrell, the agent of the Baptist bodies named, which represent some three million constituents, was not accorded the courtesy of a personal interview by the commander, but was told by a subaltern that Gen. Funston would grant him permission to conduct meetings among the soldiers provided the preachers would not tell the soldiers that they are lost and provided that no revivals should be promoted among the men of the camps. Bro. Gambrell immediately declined the conditions, telling Gen. Funston that no Baptist preacher in the world, so far as he knew, would conduct services under such limitations.

In doing this thing, Gen. Funston has violated the spirit and letter of the constitution of the United States, the first amendment of which says: "Congress shall enact no law establishing religion of any kind or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." He has arrogated to himself a prerogative which the constitution explicitly denies to the national congress for he has, by misuse, or abuse, of his position and military authority, prohibited the free exercise of religion. That act is un-American, unethical, unscriptural, unreasonable and unbearable. It is an effort to turn the tides of history and make them flow back into the dark ages of religious persecution. It seeks to bind men's conscience by the strong arm of the state. When the state undertakes to say how I must worship, or what I must preach, or that I must or must not worship at all or preach at all, it transcends its authority and meddles with a matter from which the laws of both God and man have enjoined it. This is not alone a discrimination against Baptists in favor of others, though it is that, as shown by some things in the interview, but it is an attack on the freedom of religion and an effort to make the state a patron, a partner and a promulgator of religion. If the state has a right to say what sort of preaching shall be done in the army it has the same right in the churches. If the state is to be a patron of religion, what form of doctrine will it patronize. This conduct on the part of this officer looks in the direction of an established church, enforced church attendance and punishment by the law for the infraction of the state's usurped authority in the sphere of conscience. Baptists have ever stood for the open door policy in religion. We demand the same freedom, no more and no less, for Catholics, Jews and Mormons that we ask for ourselves. Our people have been torch-bearers of liberty in all generations from the time John the Baptist lost his head to the present hour. "Freedom of conscience was from the first the trophy of the Baptists." Our spiritual forebears have suffered for this priceless heritage in all lands and ages since the Cross. The religious liberty of

our own land was purchased at frightful cost by the Baptists who were chiefly instrumental in placing the first amendment, that Magna Charta of American liberty, in our national constitution.

In view of the foregoing facts and deathless principles, we call on all American Christians whose consciences have been insulted and whose liberties have been despised by this unwarranted act to heap upon it their merited condemnation. We most earnestly and urgently petition the president of the United States and the national congress to see that this intolerable evil shall not be repeated or perpetrated in the army or elsewhere. We recommend that a copy of this report be given to the religious and secular press for publication, and that it be put in the hands of a committee whose duty it shall be to see that it is presented to the president and to members of Congress.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. BARTON,
DR. J. P. RUNYAN,
E. P. ALLDREDGE.

Committee.

52. After discussion by A. H. Autry, J. S. Compere, L. E. Barton, and L. M. Keeling, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, The moving picture show as now conducted has much evil suggestion and there has come to our attention from authoritative sources a knowledge of the ruin of men and women, boys and girls through the influence of immoral pictures, and

Whereas, The following scriptural injunctions marshal Christian forces against such influences, namely, "Abhor that which is evil"—"abstain from all appearance of evil"—"be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers, but come out from among them and be separate."

Therefore be it resolved

First. That we call on the operators of these shows and upon the public press and upon all Christian people to use their influence to suppress this evil, that the moving picture show may be used for good and not for evil.

Second. That in our judgment a convention of ministers and leaders of all denominations in our state, should be called at some central place to discuss this and other subjects of social and moral character. We believe that such a conference would do much to modify our thinking along right lines on this subject. We request the president of this convention to appoint a committee of three, who will confer with the leaders of other denominations relative to calling this general convention at some suitable time next spring.

Third. That this matter be brought to the attention of our new governor, Dr. C. H. Brough, for his consideration, with a request that he use his influence with the legislature for the purpose of creating a Board of Censors, whose duty it shall be to pass upon all films before they can be exhibited.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. KEELING,

A. H. AUTRY,

L. E. BARTON.

Committee.

53. The report of the Committee on Hospitals was read by T. H. Plemmons, and adopted after discussion by Dr. J. P. Runyan. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS.

The Hospital work, like preaching and teaching, is based on the words of Christ the King. In Matthew 4:23 we read: "And Jesus went about all Galilee teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases among the people." We have here authority for preaching, teaching, and healing. The preaching calls for the church, the teaching for the Christian school, and the healing of the Christian hospital. These three departments of Christian work are all based upon the teachings of God's Holy Word. We have been emphasizing the importance of preaching and teaching, but have given little attention to healing through the hospital until recent years. "These things ought ye to have done, but not to have left the other undone." But with our short experience we have found the hospital a great power in kingdom building. We are glad that our State is joint owner with Mississippi and Tennessee of the Baptist Memorial Hospital at Memphis, Tennessee. The hospital within about six years has accumulated more than a quarter of a million dollars worth of property and during this year will do more than one hundred thousand dollars worth of business, about 65 per cent of which is being used for improvements, repairs, and running expenses, 20 per cent for interest on the debt, and 15 per cent for charity. The trustees expect the hospital to pay the indebtedness with the profits in a few years. Among the improvements this year is a deep well, which saves \$1,200.00 a year water rent, besides giving an ample supply of pure water for the hospital. The hospital has taken care of 3,586 patients during the first ten months of this year, 462 of whom were charity patients.

Some Needs.

The hospital needs the immediate erection of a new building to furnish more room for patients, and ample accommodation for the nurses, for which the hospital now pays \$1,500.00 a sufficient amount to pay the interest on \$25,000.00 investment, besides giving the nurses much better accommodations.

Some Recommendations.

1. That we pray for the hospital and that we inform our people about this department of our organized work.

2. That when we know of patients going to Memphis for treatment, that we recommend the Baptist Memorial Hospital to them.

3. That we pledge our coöperation in raising the money necessary for the erection of a new wing to the hospital.

4. That the hospital be put on the budget of our benevolences, and that we undertake to raise \$2,000.00 for the support of the charity wards in the hospital this year. That the State Mission Board through her Secretary, assisted by a representative of the hospital, if he so desires, apportion this amount among the churches, W. M. U.'s, and Y. W. A.'s, asking them to make this apportionment their aim as a minimum for their contributions this year, and that this money be sent to the State Treasurer and forwarded by him to the hospital. That the W. M. U.'s and Y. W. A.'s may be allowed to contribute their part by linen showers, provisions, etc.

5. That this Convention appoint a committee at this session of the Convention to report back to the Convention next year on the advisability of building a Baptist Hospital in Arkansas as soon as in their judgment the time comes for the undertaking of such a needed institution.

THOMAS H. PLEMMONS,
OTTO MATHIS,
ERNEST SUTTON,
J. E. BROWN,
O. A. GREENLEAF,
L. M. KEELING,

Committee.

54. The President appointed the following to comprise the committee provided for in the preceding report: Dr. J. P. Runyan, Dr. C. E. Witt, Dr. J. H. Estes, and the pastors of all white Baptist Churches of Little Rock.

55. The following report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by B. B. Bailey. After discussion by B. B. Bailey and V. I. Masters, of the Home Mission Board, of Atlanta, Georgia, it was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The blessings of God upon our Home Mission Board call for loudest praise and for renewed and unceasing effort in extending its activities.

To mention in detail the varied interests of the Home Mission coöperative work would require more space than is allowed for this report. The spirit and purpose of the Home Mission Board may be seen in a brief review of the field it is seeking to cultivate.

The Department of Evangelism has laid stress upon the enlistment and growth of individuals and churches to a degree which has repressed much of the tendency toward superficial and harmful evangelistic methods.

In its Publicity Department there has been gratifying work of educational and spiritual value in the publication and distribution of tracts and books, together with the tuition given in institutes, encampments, and training schools. Special commendation is here made of Dr. V. I. Masters' book entitled "The Country Church in the South."

The effort to provide a million dollar loan fund and the gracious offer of the Woman's Missionary Union to give \$325,000.00 toward securing it, is cause for much encouragement. In addition, the work of our mountain schools under the supervision of Dr. A. E. Brown is growing in power, year by year. From these schools there have come three hundred and fifty preachers, two hundred lawyers, two hundred and twenty-five doctors, thirty trained nurses, thirty missionaries, twenty-five hundred public school teachers, nine hundred business men, forty for work in banks and eighteen members of Legislatures. Throughout the mountain sections of Virginia with its two schools, of North Carolina with its nine schools, of Kentucky with its three schools, of South Carolina with its four schools, of Georgia with its five schools, of Alabama with its four schools, and of Tennessee with its seven schools, Arkansas presents a truly pitiable condition, in that the fostering of schools in the mountain sections of our State has not been developed as fully as we could wish. We desire, however, to record our deep appreciation of the timely and generous sympathy of the Home Mission Board in the support of Christian Education in Arkansas, in recent years, and especially to acknowledge the support now being given to our schools at Mountain Home and Maynard.

From our fifty-two Associations, with their fourteen hundred and eighty-three churches and one hundred and fourteen thousand seven hundred and thirteen members, there should be a generous and even overflowing response to the reasonable apportionment, expected from Arkansas for this year. With 43,792 baptisms during the year, 5,000 more than in the past year, emphasis should be laid upon Home Missions throughout the bounds of this Convention. Of the \$11,000.00 asked of us last year, we raised \$10,100.00. The apportionment this year of \$12,000.00 is well within our ability, and your committee would recommend and urge that every effort be put forth to secure it. The splendid leadership of our great Secretary, Dr. J. S. Rogers, causes us

to hope that the full amount requested from Arkansas Baptists will be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. FORD,
J. W. LOWMAN,
H. W. JEAN,
W. V. WALLS,
L. TOMME,
J. R. BARNETT,
J. P. BLAKELEY,
JOHN E. TATUM,
W. J. HINSLEY,
JOHN F. JOHNSTON,
B. B. BAILEY,

Committee.

56. The report of the Executive Board of the Convention was read by General Secretary J. S. Rogers, and ordered printed in the Proceedings of the Convention.

The report of the Committee on State Missions was read in the same connection, and after discussion by L. M. Sipes, J. S. Compere, G. L. Boles, W. M. Wright, B. B. Bailey, and R. C. Rhoden, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions are filled with the spirit of thanksgiving and praise to God for the glorious work which has been done the past year in Arkansas by the Holy Spirit through our State Mission Board and consecrated band of missionaries. There is abundant reason for this spirit of thanksgiving and praise to spread throughout the entire Convention when we recall the facts already reported by the Executive Board that our churches have contributed \$25,171.47 to State Missions the past year, leaving a deficit of only \$3,400.00 on State Missions proper. That there have been 3,134 conversions and 2,281 baptisms, together with the good work accomplished through the eleven Bible Schools, 150 Bible Institutes, Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U.'s, and other channels. We most heartily commend our Executive Board and consecrated Secretary for the work which they have accomplished. It is worthy of note that approximately 700 churches contributed to the work, general work, this year, 511 having contributed before the State Mission Campaign began.

But, brethren, while we rejoice over the past let us not forget the future. There is another year coming and as your committee look out upon the work yet to be accomplished one word rises to our lips and expresses our attitude toward that work, and that word is, Forward! There can be no doubt that State Missions is basic in all our work. The spirit of Home and For-

eign Missions, education, and all other departments of our work can never rise higher than our State Mission spirit. The light which casts its rays the farthest, shines brightest at home.

In view of the facts, we therefore make the following recommendations:

1. That great emphasis be put on the enlistment of our unenlisted churches and that if it seems wise to the Board a strong, vigorous man be put out for all his time.

2. That every Baptist preacher in the State be requested to attend one of the 15 Bible Schools, and that we make an effort to enroll in these schools 1,000 preachers, laymen, and women.

3. That we make a strong, systematic effort to have a Bible Institute in every Baptist Church in the State this year.

4. That we make a strenuous effort for 12,000 conversions and baptisms in Arkansas this year.

5. That we set as our aim the raising of \$30,000.00 for State Missions, a 20 per cent advance, and thus pay for the coming year's work and liquidate our present State Mission debt.

6. That we urge the Executive Board to put all coöperative missionaries (pastor-missionaries) and churches on a gradually decreasing scale until they go off the Board entirely.

7. That we ask the Home Mission Board for \$20,000.00 for coöperative Mission work in Arkansas this year.

8. That in accordance with a resolution passed by the Madison County Association this Convention recommend to the Home Mission Board the establishing of a Mountain School at Huntsville.

9. That union meetings, as defined by Baptists in Arkansas, consist of Baptist Churches only, and that we again place ourselves on record as opposed to union meetings of any other kind.

L. M. SIPES,
G. L. BOLES,
G. W. PURYEAR,
J. B. LUCK,

Committee.

(Other members of the committee did not report, except one, who refused to sign the above report.)

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

To the Messengers of the Baptist Churches of Arkansas, assembled at Malvern, December 6, 1916, in the sixty-third annual meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, the Executive Board, your servant, most respectfully submits the following annual report:

With full joy and hearty thanksgiving to Almighty God for His rich, unspeakable blessings upon the work, and with a thorough appreciation of the unparalleled coöperation of the brethren and sisters in the churches in the work, your Board presents this report to you, the messengers of New Testament churches.

Our first word is, "Let all the people praise the Lord." Let Arkansas Baptists exalt the name of Jehovah in all the skies. Let every heart be an altar of high and holy praise forevermore.

A Year of Advance Along the Whole Battle Front.

The test of the wisdom of policies and plans, whether in business or religion, is found in the permanent progress of the matters for which such policies and plans are made. This year of our Lord 1916 all phases of the work fostered by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention have gone forward in fine form and to a point of permanent advance. It is not believed that our work will ever go back, because we have gone forward this year on the wheels of information. We have taught and trained as we never did, and propose to keep it up. This is the road to the top of the hill for Baptists. This has been a teaching year and the result is that we have had more conversions, baptized more people, enlisted more churches and individual Baptists, gone out further into the mountains and valleys and plains after the lost and to line up the living, raised more mission money, and set on foot better educational policies than ever before in our history. The God of Jacob has been our stay and strength. Jehovah of Hosts has led us through paths hitherto unknown and brought us out into a large place.

Baptists Must Keep the Jesus Program.

Baptists must always get their blueprints out of the New Testament, otherwise when the floods and winds come there will be a great fall. We do not believe that the builders can fall, but the buildings may. Baptist fences must be builded only on New Testament "fence-worms." Christ wants Baptists to go His way so it is said in Matthew 4:23, "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." Baptists must missionize, teach, and heal.

I.

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.

The Monticello Orphanage.

This home for the fatherless and motherless has come to the end of its twentieth year. These have been years crowded with unspeakable struggles for the institution, but years full of mercy and bread and raiment and teaching for the left and homeless children of deceased men and women.

Brother W. F. Dorris, the Orphanage Secretary, has done good and faithful work during the year. He has put out in good

homes 119 children, in keeping with the order of the Convention at Conway. The wisdom of this policy of placing the children in good homes seems beyond question. Your Board believes that this plan should be continued. Without a doubt, the children thus placed out in Christian homes have a far better lot and chance in life.

The number of children in the Home now is 98. The general health of the children is good. The Home is well supplied with water. The water main from the city is being put in, and the Superintendent of the Home is improving the general conditions of the institution all-round. While conditions are not ideal in every way, the Orphanage Board and Secretary have done the best that could be done with the funds with which the churches have supplied them. Your Executive Board believes that the Managers of the Home deserve our sympathy, thanks, prayers and more liberal financial support.

The total amount collected from all sources for the Home this year is \$21,952.98. Of this amount \$14,253.26 was for the running expenses of the Home, \$4,371.03 was on the debt, \$403.25 for the water main, and \$643.96 designated for clothing, etc., for the children, and it is estimated that \$900.00 worth of produce has been received. The great problem of the Orphans' Home now is the debt of \$13,248.55, as against \$17,619.58 last year. This debt must be paid. Your Board hopes that some plan whereby this debt may be liquidated can be worked out during this Convention. The load has rested on the Orphanage Board long enough. May God bless the Home and every fatherless and motherless child and every worker in it.

II.

Christian Education.

Christian Missions is Christianity expressing itself extensively, while Christian Education is Christianity expressing itself intensively. Christian Education may be further defined as the symmetrical and harmonious development of all the powers of man in the direction of Christian service. We cannot have true Christianity without its engaging in teaching and becoming the mother of schools.

Nothing can be more fundamental for a democratic people and so for Baptists than education. For us intelligence must go before and prepare the way for action. To be sure, this education must be of the right stripe. Baptist schools must be different from the State schools. Otherwise they forfeit their right of support on the part of our people. Your Board believes that our schools should be dominated, struck through, by and with the ideals and spirit and life of Christ. Baptist colleges must be preacher-builders and deacon-makers and trainers and church edifiers generally, or they are not worthy of our support. There is no rubbing it out that if Baptist schools measure up to the demands of the churches in the way of furnishing trained work-

ers, then Baptist education not only must differ from State education, but it must even run on a track peculiarly Baptist. Baptist schools must serve the churches or else live by the sweat of their own brows. This is all said that the whole Baptist brotherhood may know the views of your Board on this great subject.

In some wise way every section of this State must be brought definitely and perceptibly under the influence of a Baptist school, not a college necessarily, but some sort of a Baptist school. Your Board will not be misunderstood, they hope, when they say that the supreme objective of this Convention educationally is not a great school or schools, but an intelligent, trained, consecrated Baptist brotherhood and sisterhood who, with their culture and knowledge and possessions, will serve New Testament churches and the Lord God Omnipotent. Our whole Baptist company needs to get fixed on this point from this hour. Nothing can be more far-reaching for us than for us to understand full well the deep necessity and the proper nature of Baptist education. If every section of this great State is put under the spell of some good Baptist school, then the time and place of divisions and dissensions will be known no more and every Baptist Church will be a sort of tenth legion for Christ in efficiency and service.

The Financial Support Given Ouachita and Central Colleges.

During the year your Board paid to Ouachita College for running expenses \$9,000.00 and to Central College on her debt \$3,000.00. The total amount raised for education, including some raised by our missionaries for Mountain Home (\$500.00) is \$13,095.09. Your Board owes now for Christian Education \$9,312.05. What are we to do about this matter? This Convention ought to make a deliverance on this point. Either the schools must be given less money annually, or the churches must contribute more liberally to Christian Education. Otherwise, in another year or so your Board will be hopelessly in debt for this interest. Your Board believes that the schools will have to ask for less help and that the churches will have to contribute more liberally to education. The present situation is unbearable. We believe in our schools and they must go on, but this Board must have relief from some direction. Like men we must face and solve this problem and this Convention ought to speak. We must get out of debt and then pay out annually. Your Board is set on this policy. What does this Convention say?

Two Mountain Schools Launched and Doing Well.

A notable event for us this year was the opening of two Mountain Schools, one at Mountain Home and the other at Maynard. The Home Mission Board adopted these schools as a part of its mountain school system and will give them financial support year by year. This year the Mountain Home School is re-

ceiving \$1,000.00 and the Maynard School \$800.00. Your Board has general supervision of them. Rev. W. A. Cummings is the President of the Maynard School and Rev. H. F. Vermillion is President of the school at Mountain Home. These brethren are strong men and are doing a great work. They must have the prayers and sympathy and support of the brotherhood generally. The schools are doing well now but will do far better as they go on. They are of infinite worth to Arkansas Baptists. The number of pupils enrolled at Maynard is 51, and at Mountain Home 66. They will educate preachers, deacons, and all sorts of church workers for the churches in their sections of the State. They do not propose to carry students further than to the junior year in college. Both schools are in need of better equipment. Your Board believes that the Home Board should establish other mountain schools probably at Huntsville and at Jasper and at other strategic points. Such schools will do Ouachita and Central Colleges great good. If a Baptist cannot see that this is so, then he has lost his seer. This Convention will show great wisdom in encouraging this mountain school movement in Arkansas in every way that we can seek out. It is one of the best ways in the world for us to go on. Are we in favor of going on?

Ministerial Education.

At this point we are great sinners. Arkansas Baptists must pick up and start in right now to get right on this fundamental matter. A denomination with a lean, listless, lazy ministry is on its way to the graveyard. A weak ministry is an inescapable weakness. If the preacher end of Baptists is out of fix, it will not be long till there will be trouble all along the line. If Arkansas Baptists want to mortgage their future and fill it full of forebodings and belittle and undo their present, and disgrace their past, then let them try to make out with a puny set of preachers. We must not insult and lose this intelligent generation by poking at them an untrained ministry. Your Board believes that it is time now for the churches and pastors to move up several notches in the matter of helping put young preachers through school. Your Board has repented and passed a motion that every worthy young preacher in any of our schools shall have whatever help up to a certain amount that he is compelled to have to keep him in school this year. Will you messengers see that the churches back us up? If we man our forces and go on, we must have far more trained preachers.

The total amount raised during the year for Ministerial Education is \$1,263.53. A note of \$605.48 with interest was paid off and as much financial help was given to young preachers in Ouachita College as the funds would allow. This is all disgracefully small, but we are going to do better. We have no debt now on Ministerial Education. Your Board asks this Convention to recommend to the churches that \$3,000.00 be given by them to Ministerial Education this year and urge them to accept

the amount that will be suggested to each church by this Board to be raised for this fund. We beg that this Convention, by passing this part of this report, make it clear that you believe it to be an important part of the duties of the Presidents and faculties of Ouachita, Maynard, and Mountain Home Schools to give every possible assistance to your Board in raising this \$3,000.00. You messengers are now hearing read facts and suggestions about a matter that touches the roots of all we are doing. We will make progress in the matter of educating preachers or we will make progress nowhere very long. The future looms large for us if we do right about this feature of the Kingdom.

III.

Missions.

For all missions Arkansas Baptists have raised this year \$54,344.12. This is far more than we ever raised in one year before. Most of the pastors and churches have done well touching this phase of the Kingdom. Some churches have done poorly, to their fearful hurt. It is ever so. For a church not to be missionary is for it to nullify to it nearly all the promises of God. It is the way for a church to unwheel itself and put everything about it to the bad. In many of our churches, holy passions once begotten and fired and fed by the Holy Ghost are gone, and, as a consequence, spiritual desolation and missionary death are spread abroad over Baptist souls. A missionary Holy Ghost and an anti-missionary Baptist cannot walk together. How can two walk together except they be agreed?

Home Missions.

To be strong on Home Missions and State Missions is the only way for a denomination to be strong on Foreign Missions. Denominational statesmanship admonishes Baptists to put great emphasis on Home Missions for all time. The churches cooperating in this Convention raised this year for Home Missions \$10,100.00, more than we have raised for years. This is a gain of about 25 per cent over last year, and is, of course, very gratifying. The Home Board is helping us in our cooperative work this year to the amount of \$13,000.00. We are asked to raise for Home Missions next March and April \$12,000.00. We ought to do it.

Foreign Missions.

The year just closing has been one of triumph touching the great cause of Foreign Missions. Including the Judson Fund, which is nothing more than Foreign Missions, our Arkansas churches gave, amidst the most unfavorable weather, \$19,072.78, some seven thousand better than we ever did before. The Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Virginia, sends us thousands of tracts during the year, besides helping to pay office expenses. We are asked to raise for this interest this coming year \$12,000.00. We are equal to the task.

State Missions.

For State Missions, which is in many respects the heart and soul of all we are doing, your Board exultingly reports a glorious year clear around the circle. It is true that it should have been better at one point, the matter of collecting funds; yet in this we won a signal victory. We started the year with a debt of nearly \$17,000.00, which was reduced last year from \$26,000.00. Your Board believes that all who have kept up with the march of events will say unanimously that to the great praise of His name the Lord has led us forward in fine form.

The Most Constructive Year in Our History.

The Lord's program is a constructive program. He said to Jeremiah, "See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out and to destroy and to throw down, to build and to plant." The two great outstanding features in this task are that it was a colossal job and called for mighty, positive, constructive policies. Little tasks make pygmy Baptists and take the iron out of them. The overtowering words for us this year have been TEACH, ENLIGHTEN, TRAIN, INSPIRE, HARNESS, UNIFY, ENLIST, ENLARGE, QUICKEN, MOBILIZE, BUILD, PLANT, EFFICIENCY, PEACE, CO-OPERATION, EDIFICATION, PROGRESS. Witness our two mountain schools opened this year, our eleven Bible Schools with an enrollment of over 500, 150 or more Bible Institutes, scores of Sunday School Institutes, B. Y. P. U. schools, Workers' Conferences, Woman's Institutes and Workers' Meetings, three Summer Assemblies, Laymen's Convention, etc. Then we have sent out live tracts by the ten thousands, given away efficiency books to preachers by the scores, put posters of our Five-Year Program and of the Standard of Excellence for Baptist Churches and of Schedule of Offerings in every church possible in the state. Approximately 700 churches have contributed this year to the various phases of our work. Added to this, we may say that the "Baptist Advance" never went out loaded with light as it has this year, and Editor McKinney thinks he has sold twice as many books to Baptists as were ever sold before in one year. The finest constructive spirit of love and unity prevails throughout our Arkansas Convention ministry and we are going on in great order. It has been the most constructive year in our history. We are going to do better next year. Lord, lead us in the way of light everlasting!

The Woman's Missionary Union.

It not only is not good for man to be alone, but it is not good for men to be alone in the Lord's work. We would be greatly upset and backset without our elect women in the work of the churches. They are a wonderful asset in putting forward the interests of Jesus. Your Board has scarcely ever found a reactionary sister in Kingdom affairs. Our good wo-

mén are a progressive, constructive company. One secret of this is that they eternally underscore teaching and training in the Lord's work. They are noted also for system and persistency. The women of Arkansas, under the direction of Mrs. J. G. Jackson, of Little Rock, as Corresponding Secretary are none behind the chiefest of the women in the Southern Baptist Convention. Other active officers in the Missionary Union are Miss Lila Westbrook, Office Secretary-Treasurer; Miss Elsie Harrison, Y. W. A. Superintendent; Mrs. A. L. Aulick, G. A. Superintendent; Miss Una Roberts, Sunbeam and R. A. Superintendent; Mrs. W. E. Massey, Mission Study Superintendent and Mrs. W. T. McCurry, Personal Service Superintendent. In the state there are 276 Woman's Missionary Societies, 34 Young Woman's Auxiliaries, 26 Girls' Auxiliaries, 12 Royal Ambassador Chapters and 163 Sunbeam Bands. All of these servants of the King have their hearts set on high efficiency in their particular sphere. Among the many good things that our Arkansas women are doing is their effort to pay \$5,000.00 on the Cone property at Arkadelphia. This property belongs to Ouachita College, is worth at least \$10,000.00 and has a debt on it of \$5,000.00. Our women are paying this debt off in annual installments. Their aim is that there shall be a boys' dormitory on this property. They need and must have our help. God bless these highly esteemed co-laborers for the Master.

Our New Teaching Secretary.

In June of this year our congenial, efficient and successful Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary, Doak S. Campbell, resigned to become a professor in Central College. We gave him up with sincere regret. His work was most satisfactory. In September the Administration and Finance Committee elected Rev. A. L. Aulick, pastor of the Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, as Teaching Secretary. Brother Aulick has accepted and will begin work January 1st. We count ourselves exceedingly fortunate in securing this man for this very important work. He is highly qualified by education and experience for his duties. Secretary Aulick will not only have supervision of Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work, but will have in hand Bible School and Institute and Training School work generally. He will lead us in a great way in our church teaching and training activities.

Work Among Foreigners.

There are at least 65,000 foreigners in Arkansas. We have among us Italians, Poles, Bohemians, Slovaks, Lithuanians, Russians, Ruthenians, Germans, Danes, French, Greeks, Syrians and other nationalities. Among all these, and to work especially for their salvation, we have but one missionary, Brother F. K. Ringsmuth, of Mansfield. Brother Ringsmuth is a very faithful worker, but what can he do among so many? Your Board urges that churches all over the state do all they can to help save our foreign brothers.

Our Faithful Missionaries and Other Workers.

We record here the names of our beloved and untiring missionaries in Christ Jesus. They are worthy of their names being written in letters of gold. They have gladly suffered this year for your sake and for the sake of the lost and for the sake of puny churches and for the sake of Christ: A. H. Autrey, Nashville; W. R. McEwen, Jonesboro; T. A. O'Bryant, Benton; John D. Freeman, Ashdown; W. A. Moffitt, Fayetteville; L. A. Robertson, Harrison; D. B. Moore, Lamar; J. W. Hulsey, Mt. Ida; W. T. King, Little Rock; F. K. Ringsmuth, Mansfield.

We give also the names of our worthy missionary pastors and other workers. The salaries of all have been paid. Their names and addresses are:

J. T. Benson, De Queen; C. P. Walters, Ft. Smith; A. N. Stanfield, McGehee; C. C. Marshall, Newport; A. F. Cagle, Russellville; T. T. Thompson, West Helena; J. J. Stephens, Springfield; G. E. Jones, Marshall; A. W. King, Gurdon; W. L. A. Stranburg, Glenwood; J. J. Cates, Pocahontas; T. H. Jordan, Hot Springs; J. B. Rose, Green Forest; L. P. Guthrie; J. B. Searcy, Little Rock; D. A. Sutton, Hartford; J. W. Edward, Cove; M. Culp, Bigelow; W. O. Dixon, Anderson, Mo.; D. A. Allen, Cushman; W. B. Oneal, Mountain Home; J. H. Patterson, Mena; J. B. Routh, Conway; F. M. Carter, De Witt; G. W. Bray, Coal Hill; H. A. Munn, Perryville; A. M. Crain, Mountain Home; E. Rawlings, El Dorado; W. A. Riggs, West Batesville; E. L. Mayfield, Huntsville; Alex. McPherson, Arkadelphia; J. G. Mabrey, Leslie; C. E. Goatcher, Arkadelphia; D. P. Cagle, Arkadelphia; J. A. Rucker, Arkadelphia; Logan Ford, Arkadelphia; C. M. Miller, Arkadelphia; Mack McCray, Arkadelphia; Cleveland Reid, Arkadelphia; G. W. Hansard, Arkadelphia; Fred H. Ward, Arkadelphia; Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Little Rock; Miss Lila Westbrook, Little Rock; D. S. Campbell, Conway; Miss Ruth DeWoody, Little Rock; J. S. Rogers, Little Rock.

10,000 Conversions and 9,000 Baptisms This Year.

Never did your Board see it so. On our faces in deep humility and unspeakable gratitude we pour out our souls in holy praises to God for the way His right hand of blessing has been upon Arkansas Baptists this year in soul winning. After all and after you have gone clear around the circle and said all things else, it remains to be said with everlasting emphasis that the supreme objective of a New Testament people is to win souls and baptize them into Baptist churches. Sufficient facts and figures have been sought out to make it clear that Arkansas Baptists in their mission work and by the churches directly have won to Christ 10,000 of the lost of this state and have baptized fully 9,000 new born souls into New Testament churches this year. That is what our Five-Year Program calls for and we hit the mark the first year. The Arkansas pastors have heaped up glory for Christ this year in marshalling the

unbelieving to Him. Missions is the gospel on the run. This has never been so true in our beloved state as it has this year.

It is not said that all this has been done in our mission work alone, but it has been done to the great praise of Jehovah! We will go on with our Five-Year Program under the blessings of our heavenly Father.

General Summary for the Year.

Missionaries and other workers.....	65
Days of labor.....	11,782
Miles traveled	117,058
Sermons and addresses.....	8,314
Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s organized.....	24
Churches organized.....	18
Conversions	3,134
Baptisms	2,281
Total additions	3,010
Amount raised for Education.....	\$13,085.09
Amount raised for Ministerial Education.....	\$ 1,263.53
Amount raised for Orphanage from all sources.....	\$18,420.08
Amount raised for Home Missions.....	\$10,100.00
Amount raised for Foreign Missions.....	\$19,072.65
Amount raised for Mary Forbes Home.....	\$ 88.00
Amount raised for Training School.....	\$ 159.10
Amount raised for State Missions.....	\$25,171.47
Total raised for all purposes.....	\$87,359.89

About Our Financial Situation Now.

It is bad to be in debt at all. It is unbearable for a denomination to be in debt as much as we have been up to this hour. Yet we have all reasons to be greatly encouraged. Last year we made an advance in our offerings of fifty per cent for State Missions. This year we have made an advance over last year of thirty per cent for State Missions and forty per cent for education, twenty-five per cent for Home and Foreign Missions, and ten per cent for the Orphanage, or an advance of over twenty-five per cent over last year for all interests. Is not this steady, stable growth to a permanent point from year to year better than an abnormal advance and not be able to hold it? Our women gave to all causes this year more than the Baptist women of the great state of Georgia gave in 1906. This year we paid all debts on Ministerial Education, and reduced our State Mission debt from near \$17,000 to a little above \$8,000. Along with this we have this year paid for a great State Mission program running through thirteen months. All of our missionaries including the association missionaries are paid up to December 1. During the two years just closing we have paid the debt on Ouachita College, given Central College \$6,000 on her debts, given Maynard Academy \$600, paid Ouachita \$18,000 on running expenses, and now owe for education but \$9,312.05.

In these two years we have reduced the Baptist Advance purchase price debt of \$3,500 and paid \$500 on the purchase price of the Book Department. This year with print paper sky high Editor McKinney has made the Baptist Advance pay its way, except \$65. We are going on in good form!

State Mission debt, \$7,829.03.

Have Arkansas Baptists Outgrown Their Clothes?

Arkansas Baptists have grown till the serious questions for the thinking Baptist in this state are, "Has the Lord blessed us and prospered us till we cannot take care of ourselves? Has our progress thrust upon us problems that we are not big enough to handle? Can we enlarge ourselves and our ideas sufficiently to still go on? Has the battle line advanced too far upon the enemy for our bravery and munitions? Are we too stingy to prosper? Are little men tugging at a colossal job? With the idea the Lord advanced to Jeremiah in mind, have we half-acre pastors and laymen set over quarter-sections of land? Has the boy—we mean the work of this Convention—has this Baptist boy grown till we can't pay for enough cloth to make his clothes? Are we going to set out and follow great positive, constructive, statesman-like policies that will call for faith, optimism, courage, liberality in us and thus put forward our paper, our orphanage, our mission work, our schools and our churches? A good old Baptist preacher answered these questions for us a long time ago when he said in meaning the following: 'Brethren, we count not ourselves yet to have laid hold; but one thing we do, forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before we will press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.' Let us Arkansas Baptists therefore, as many as would be full-grown, be thus minded; and if in any thing you are otherwise minded, this also will God reveal unto us and you. Only whereunto you have attained, by that same rule let us go on."

57. A cash offering was made to purchase an organ for the church at Jasper, Newton County, which amounted to \$51.00.

58. The following letter from George Thornburgh, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, was read, and the Secretary instructed to forward a suitable reply:

To the Baptist State Convention:

Dear Brethren—This is, first of all, to thank our Heavenly Father for the great victory he gave us against Act No. 2 and to express our appreciation of the splendid services of the Baptist preachers throughout the State for their leadership in the fight and to say that one of the strongest influences in that

remarkable contest was the Baptist Advance and its splendid editor, E. J. A. McKinney.

National prohibition is practically assured and must come in the near future, and Arkansas will be one of the first states to approve the prohibition amendment to the national constitution.

Your Association has on the Arkansas Anti-Saloon League Board, as Trustees, Rev. E. J. A. McKinney, Dr. S. A. Scott, Rev. J. O. Johnston and Rev. V. C. Neal. You are entitled to five members of the Board of Trustees and we will be glad to have you select the full number.

Wishing you a very harmonious and profitable session of the Association, I am,

Yours for National Prohibition,

GEORGE THORNBURGH,

State Superintendent.

Little Rock, Ark.

59. Upon receipt of a communication from the Society of Gideons of Arkansas, the following was adopted:

Whereas, We recognize the good work of that organization of Christian traveling men, the Gideons, therefore be it

Resolved, By this Convention assembled, That we express to them our appreciation and sympathy and pledge them our support, coöperation, and an interest in our prayers.

60. After prayer by J. S. Rogers adjournment was taken until 2:00 o'clock p. m.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

61. Devotional services were conducted by B. L. Bridges.

62. The Secretary was instructed to reply to the following telegram, which was received by the Convention:

Rev. J. S. Rogers, Baptist Convention, Malvern, Ark.

Negro farmers conference in school here prevents my visit there. Negro Baptists' message to your Convention found in Matthew 15:25-28. Ask your people to give our school the crumbs.

J. A. BOOKER.

63. The report of the Committee on Work among the Negroes was read by J. T. Early, and adopted after discussion by J. T. Early, E. J. A. McKinney, T. H. Plemmons, J. T. Howell, A. H. Autry, W. J. Hinsley. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG NEGROES.

We your committee, appointed to report upon the work done among the negroes of Arkansas and the Southland, submit the following:

For years our white Southern Baptists have been working in conjunction with the Negro Baptist National Convention, because of the advantage to the work and workers. We have in coöperative work, thirty missionaries, working under the auspices of the two conventions. The salaries of same being paid by the Boards of the two conventions. We have an evangelistic force among the negroes that is managed and controlled by our Home Board Work, under the management of Weston Bruner. The first year there were 500 conversions and baptisms and the second year, there were 2,500 conversions and baptisms. Last year 5,000 additions by baptism and this year the report shows that there were 12,000. These figures indicate the growth of the work, which has been little less than marvelous, considering the shortness of the time that our evangelistic force among the negroes has been organized. In some sections, we are doing the best work among the negroes in establishing Bible Institutes conducted by expert teachers, among the negroes under the supervision of our own white forces. For instance, in Alabama we have two magnificent negro teachers, Rev. A. F. Owen and C. O. Booth; and then we have two negro missionaries in Southern Illinois. These are doing a magnificent work among their race by the aid of Southern Baptists. We further suggest that our local pastors in our white city churches, as far as possible organize the negro churches, establish Bible Institutes, and, as far as possible, give their aid to these negro institutes for development and training.

The summary of the work done is as follows:

In coöperative work, thirty missionaries, reporting 3,439 additions to the churches by baptism and 4,661 by letter, a total of 8,100.

Bible conferences held last year, 395, with attendance of 4,695.

In addition to the coöperative missionary work, there are 11 independent missionaries reporting 1,639 baptisms last year, with a total of 2,140 additions to the churches. The lamentable thing of the Arkansas Baptists should be the small part that we are taking in this great work of training and teaching the negroes. Arkansas has been this year coöperating with the negro work in Arkansas, from which there were 469 baptisms reported, 285 by letter, a total of 754 additions to the work in Arkansas.

We, your committee, urge that Arkansas Baptists warm up to the great task of unifying the negro forces for Baptist and civic righteousness. We mention with pleasure the very great support received from the negro voters in the recent election in

exterminating Act No. 2, which may be largely attributed to the Christianizing influence of the Gospel among the negroes.

J. T. EARLY,
D. B. MOORE,
J. H. SUMMERS,
A. F. CAGLE,
W. T. KING,
J. W. McDONALD,
W. A. FORBES.

64. The reports of the Trustees of Central and Ouachita Colleges were read by Presidents J. W. Conger and C. E. Dicken, and ordered incorporated in the Proceedings of the Convention. These reports were discussed by J. W. Conger, C. E. Dicken, W. J. Hinsley, E. J. A. McKinney, C. F. J. Tate, and H. F. Vermillion.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.

The friends of Central College will be glad to learn that this is the greatest year in her history.

The total enrollment at present is 192, and is distributed by departments as follows:

Literary	142	Expression	18
Piano	101	Art	13
Organ	2	Home Economics.....	24
Violin	13	Orchestra	18
Voice	25		

The average age of each student is approximately eighteen years. The total enrollment last year, as shown in our catalog, was 191.

Finances—The total receipts for the college year ending July 1, 1916, was \$32,844.35; the total disbursements were \$33,915.97, making an apparent deficit of \$1,071.62. But in the disbursements is estimated interest on old notes amounting to \$1,084.18; for improvements and equipment to the amount of \$1,017.34, making a total of \$2,101.52 that should not be included in running expenses. The actual running expenses being \$31,814.45, showing a total of \$1,029.90 receipts above running expenses. The past year was a hard financial year; the patronage was slightly reduced and a number of pupils taken out of school because of financial embarrassment.

The statement of our bookkeeper, beginning the present year July 1, up to November 10, shows receipts of \$17,439.71, and total disbursements of \$17,322.59.

Indebtedness—The indebtedness of the College at the close of the fiscal year ending July 1, 1916, showed that we owed notes and accounts amounting to \$27,245.12, and that the esti-

mated value of notes and accounts receivable was approximately \$4,000.00, leaving a total indebtedness of \$23,245.12. This does not include a small indebtedness to O. O. Florence on an old account of less than \$100.00, and the Rivers debt of \$6,500.00. In detail the notes outstanding at present against the College, not including interest, are as follows:

International Life Insurance Co.....	\$11,000.00
Union Trust Company (Little Rock).....	6,000.00
Hollenberg Music Company (approximately)..	600.00
Faulkner County Bank.....	1,000.00
Farmers State Bank.....	1,000.00
Bank of Conway.....	2,500.00

Of the above there is absolute necessity of making settlement of the following:

May 1, 1917, International Life Insurance Co....	\$2,000.00
January 1, 1917, Union Trust Co.....	2,000.00
March 25, 1917, Bank of Conway.....	1,000.00
May 25, 1917, Farmers State Bank.....	1,000.00
February 8, 1917, Faulkner County Bank.....	1,000.00
Past due Bank of Conway.....	1,500.00

The Hollenberg Music Company's claim of \$600.00 is considerably past due and settlement has been promised in December.

At the last meeting of the court the judge set the 23d day of December as the limit to take depositions in the Rivers case. If something is not done before that time judgment will be given for the entire amount of the note and settlement will be forced. If the matter is taken up promptly and the debt settled, it is the judgment of the members of the Executive Board that a cash payment of \$5,000.00 will satisfy the claim. From the above figures, it will be seen that it will be necessary to raise within the next few months \$15,000.00 to cover the maturing paper at Central College. This paper has been renewed from time to time for many years and the creditors have been patient. As times are now prosperous, it is quite evident that the creditors will expect payment this year. In fact, positive promises were made when much of this paper was renewed that the Board would make definite arrangements to pay, so the honor of the denomination is at stake, and it is urged at this Convention that action be taken to pay these obligations.

Auditor's Report.—To Whom It May Concern: This is to certify that I have checked the bookkeeper's statement of Central College thoroughly and verify the correctness of same. I have also checked the receipts and disbursements and postings of same from July 1, 1915, to present date, and with the exception of a few minor errors in posting, found same to be accurate and true, to the best of my knowledge.

(Signed)

J. D. BYERS.

Faculty—The faculty of Central College is perhaps stronger than it has ever been. We are fortunate in the addition of our Dean, Miss M. E. Lindsay, who has had about twenty years' experience with young women in the best colleges of the South, having spent six years in Shorter College. She is a woman of energy and a splendid Christian spirit, thoroughly in line with Southern Baptist ideas and ideals.

Prof. Doak S. Campbell, in charge of the Science Department, is giving eminent satisfaction. The laboratory is being improved, and we hope to add to it from time to time. Prof. Campbell is also leader of the Orchestra, and is a real force in our church and college life.

Prof. J. William Taylor is now at the head of our Conservatory, and is measuring up to the full expectations of all who know him. The Conservatory department has never been better organized and conducted with less friction and with greater thoroughness.

We have increased the number of the faculty to meet the growing demands of the institution, and the salaries have been raised slightly. This was absolutely necessary in order to secure capable teachers.

High Cost of Living—While the present year marks a decided improvement at Central College so far as the character of patronage and the number of pupils are concerned, the increase in food products is making the financial problem a serious one. We are determined, however, to use every possible effort to hold the expenses down to the minimum. Considering that there is an increase in food products of at least fifty per cent, we will do remarkably well to come out in June without a deficit; but this we hope to do.

Needs—There are four needs at Central College that are outstanding in their nature. We cannot grow further without the first two of these mentioned. We will lose a golden opportunity if we neglect the other two.

The first great need is for a Conservatory building. It will be interesting to know that at present practically every practice room in the building has been converted into a bedroom. As a result, young ladies have to permit others to practice in their bed rooms. Only a spirit of loyalty among the students makes this course possible. It will be easily understood that next year it will be difficult to receive the same loyalty from students who have never been in the College. We cannot continue to appeal to them upon the plea of an emergency. Furthermore, teachers of Conservatory branches are forced to convert their bed rooms into studios. This itself is not conducive to the maintenance of a satisfied corps of teachers. With the crowded conditions of the schools, we have reached the limit of our growth unless we have quarters in which to take care of our students and teachers. There is no loyal Baptist who does not want to see our College expand in proportion as it grows and produces such an unquestionable and urgent need.

Another important and imperative need is that of a Community House. It is out of our power to give a college education to the hundreds of splendid Christian young women throughout the State who are hungering for it. We have literally scores of applications and inquiries from young women who are willing to work at any kind of drudgery in order to get an education. From the records of those who have worked their way through by means of taking the limited number of positions which we can offer, we know that this is the very kind of girl that gets out and becomes a leader in her community. No nation nor State can rise above the moral and educational level of its womanhood. To provide for taking care of this kind of students is not only statesmanlike, but Christian to the very core.

A third need is very closely related to the one just mentioned. A Student Loan Fund, for giving assistance to worthy girls who lack only a little of having sufficient means for completing their education. Many a girl has been forced to abandon her work when in sight of the goal, simply because her resources were completely exhausted and she had nowhere to turn for help. Through the generosity of several individuals, we already have a small loan fund, and it is bringing great returns. It is enabling several young women to continue their courses and has already helped some to graduate. So far, they have gladly and thankfully made payments on their notes as fast as they could possibly do so. Are you looking for an investment? Are you interested in dividends? If so, you need look no further.

The last of the needs which seems urgent is not so much a need because we are crowded, but it is a glorious opportunity for strengthening our forces and serving God. There are hundreds of children in the State—some orphans with estates, some children whose parents have no opportunity to give them personal attention, but who are too young to send to a college or academy. So far, outside the Catholic church, no provision for taking care of this particular class of patronage is made by any organization throughout our State. In fact, there is not such a school within reach of us. Inasmuch as the greater part of the patronage for such a school would be from people of means, the cost of maintenance would be very small. This would not in any way take the place of any other part of our Baptist work, but would fill a long felt need in supplying to the State a Juvenile Boarding School under Baptist management, and is a look far into the future.

Religious Spirit—Many elements enter into the creating of a deep spiritual atmosphere at Central. One of the fundamental reasons for the splendid work being done by all the organizations is the laying of precept upon precept, example upon example, in the morning chapel talks and the evening dinner talks by the President, members of the faculty or visitors. We have been fortunate in thus hearing many inspiring talks from several of our leading ministers and laymen. No influence in Central

means so much as these daily talks on doctrine, character building and service. They are bearing fruit in the class room, the social life of the College, and the inner spiritual life of the individual girl.

The organization of the Y. W. C. A. has been retained as the best method of reaching a large body of girls, but it is doing all the work of the Y. W. A. While we use the form of the Y. W. C. A. and enjoy the privilege of having their Secretaries visit us, yet the plan of work followed and the ideals are those of the Y. W. A. of the Southern Baptist Convention. Intense interest in missions is manifested in our regular Mission Study Class which, under the instruction of Miss Lindsay, Prof. Campbell and myself, is doing work recognized by the College. Eight reading circles hold weekly meetings under the leadership of consecrated girls, and endeavor to reach every girl in the College home. They pursue a course of reading outlined by the Educational Department of the Foreign Mission Board. The Finance Committee of the Y. W. C. A. at the opening of school presented to the girls the question of systematic and proportionate giving and the Bible method of giving was unanimously adopted. The budget for gifts includes for the year \$25.00 for State Missions, \$10.00 on piano at Mountain Home, \$10.00 for Bibles distributed by the Missionary of Greenbrier Association, \$50.00 for Dr. S. H. Campbell in grateful recognition of his week's work with us, all of which has been raised. We have added to this our annual pledge of \$100.00 for support of our Native Evangelist in China. The payment of these pledges means sacrifice for many of our girls, but the spirit shown in gladly giving up some desire in order to give to the Lord means a consecrated leadership in giving among our women in the future.

The weekly programs follow the plans outlined for Y. W. A. Missionary programs and also take up Bible study and personal service topics.

Our hearts were quickened, new resolves were formed and souls were born into the Kingdom during the week in November, when Dr. Campbell brought to us twice each day great truths on the Plan of Salvation. The meeting has meant a great awakening in the lives of many girls—awakening of Christians to their place in the world and the awakening of the unsaved to the power and richness of life in Christ. The Spirit manifested itself in the turning of many hitherto indifferent Christians into beautiful, effective soul-winners. A beautiful girl is ever a delight to the eye, but many lovely girls with well-poised, capable, trained minds, devoted Christian hearts, and knowledge of Arkansas and her needs will mean an influence at work in our State that will move us on and up for God. This is the mission of Central College, and the prayers of every heart that burns for the salvation of our State should be with her as she strives to "fit laborers for the harvest."

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OUACHITA COLLEGE.

We first desire to express our profound gratitude to God for His boundless mercy and grace bestowed upon this entire Convention in the prosecution of all its work and especially do we acknowledge as members of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College our gratitude for His providential guidance and manifold blessings in connection with Ouachita College and Christian Education in our midst. We further express our appreciation of the sympathy, coöperation, unfailing fellowship and loyalty on the part of the Baptist hosts of Arkansas in the support and general spirit of encouragement toward the college. The institution has stood as a power of righteousness for over thirty years. Some of the choicest spirits of this and other states have gone out from her teaching to build for God and His Kingdom. On every hand in our own state there are men and women being used of God possessing power for righteousness who point back down the years with love, pride and appreciation to the days and years spent under the influence of Ouachita. The history of the years goes to show that the Baptists of Arkansas have no greater asset than this institution. It is with pride therefore that we call attention to the present prosperous outlook. Despite the fact that some vital changes have been necessitated within the last year there has been no time perhaps in the history of Ouachita College when the general outlook has been so favorable as it is at the present time. The burden of great debt has been eliminated and while many noble and great men and women have been members of the faculty in the years that have past perhaps at no time in the history of the college has such an array of talent, experience and attainment been placed at the disposal of our student body as that which is afforded by the present faculty.

The President of the college is able to say without any sort of reservation that this faculty is not only meeting every professional requirement in each individual particular, but that each member of the faculty is going far beyond this in his or her zeal and enthusiasm for the upbuilding of Ouachita College. The individual and combined influence of the faculty of the College is in line with the making of a great Christian institution. Their loyalty as a faculty to the best interests of Ouachita College and to the present administration is beyond all question. The elimination of the Business Manager together with the office of Dean, both of whom have heretofore taken much work off the President, which elimination has been made in order to save some eighteen hundred dollars of expense to the college, has made the work of the President unusually arduous and has kept him from associating with the constituency throughout the State as much as he would like to do, but it is conceived that the best interest of Ouachita at the

present time demands that the overhead expense be cut as much as possible, even though that should supply additional burden, so that we may lower, if the same be possible, the annual deficit of the College.

Rather than to take the insurance from the Science building which burned in March, amounting to about four thousand dollars, and using or holding the same to build a new Science Building, the Science department was moved to the second floor of the administration building and it was thought best to use this money upon general repairs upon the property. Under guidance of a committee appointed for that purpose together with the President of this institution this entire sum has been applied to general permanent improvements upon the properties of Ouachita College. No part of this money has been expended for any other purpose. For several years the information has been spreading throughout the State that the physical condition of Ouachita was not satisfactory. The annual deficit together with the natural wear and tear upon the property have both contributed to this condition. The application of this four thousand dollars of insurance money to the end of general improvements has not only stopped the rapid deterioration in many parts but it has also enabled the college to pull its physical condition up to normal and there is now no necessity for complaint with respect to the opportunities afforded for necessary and comfortable as well as enhancing surroundings. This fact together with its present equipment in its present condition makes Ouachita College indeed the "Pride of Arkansas Baptists."

We, your Board desire to make the following suggestions:

1st.—It goes without saying that no denominational college is a business investment. The overhead expense and the general outlay in the maintenance of a respectable denominational college have never been known to be met by the annual income and this is really as it should be. A school of the character of Ouachita College is a denominational fertilizer, it is a missionary enterprise, its purpose is to pour into the stream of denominational progress vital determination, spiritual fervor, efficiency and leadership. It is estimated by your Board that Ouachita College at the present time is better fitted to serve the denomination toward this end than ever before in its history. We believe, together with the President of the College, in a wise and economic financial policy. At the same time we do not hesitate to declare after mature consideration and investigation that the best interests of the denomination cannot be served at the hands of Ouachita College without putting at the disposal of the college an annual fund sufficient to meet the difference between its annual income and the amount requisite to meet its necessary and reasonable demands. We unanimously believe that this amount invested annually in the college will be returned many fold into the ranks of our denom-

ination, not in money, but in the making unto God of noble men and women, consecrated and trained for His service.

2d.—We believe that the time has come in the history of the college when the active work of raising endowment should be begun. We do not believe that the securing of an endowment will furnish solution of all the financial difficulties connected with any school, but we do believe it is a very strong agent in helping reach the solution of these difficulties. We cannot expect our young people to come to us unless we can offer them as good or better than they can get elsewhere. Endowed institutions can offer better opportunities and equipment than unendowed institutions. If this be true we cannot therefore expect our young people to patronize unendowed institutions long and we certainly cannot expect to hold ground, much less make progress, unless we have the opportunity of educating our own young people. In June, 1916, Mrs. Florence Wilson of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, entered into her rest and it was found that she had bequeathed to Ouachita College about \$20,000 to be used for permanent endowment. It is our conviction that this should be raised to three hundred thousand dollars at least within the shortest space of time possible.

3d.—It is our conception that a great duty rests upon Ouachita College in the preparation and education of the young ministers who come to us. The whole problem of inactive churches goes back to the preacher question and the preacher question must be solved in the Baptist College. We have forty-four young men in Ouachita College this year preparing for the ministry which is an increase of twenty per cent over last year. The President of the College has had over forty requests during the present session from churches asking for pastors. Surely the responsibility upon the denominational college in this respect is a great one and what a wonderful opportunity we face. Let us not make the mistake, however, of encouraging young preachers to come to Ouachita College with the idea that they "will get along somehow," but let us encourage them to come prepared to take advantages offered to all, and especial advantage offered to them, with a knowledge of the fact that they will be encouraged by receiving free tuition and in extreme cases, additional help. It is just as important to educate our laymen under Christian atmosphere as it is our preachers. It would be a very bad thing indeed for the young preachers of Arkansas if they should get their education where there is no sympathy for the ministry.

4th.—It is our belief, together with that of the President of the college, that the amount of money which Ouachita College has seemingly been obliged to spend as advertising and summer campaign fund is out of all proportion to results obtained and cannot and ought not to be continued. There are five thousand Baptist families adjacent to Ouachita College. This means that there are at least one thousand boys and girls out of Baptist families who ought to be here. The problem is

how to get them here? There are sixty-six all-time pastors in the State of Arkansas. These pastors come in weekly contact with twenty-five thousand Baptists. Out of these twenty-five thousand Baptists there ought to be one thousand boys and girls in Ouachita College. A good per cent of these pastors are Ouachita graduates. Those who are not Ouachita graduates are, or ought to be, in sympathy with Christian education and the Denominational College. There are many other pastors in the State outside these sixty-six all-time pastors and the same may be said of each one of them. The time has come when the Baptist pastors of the State of Arkansas must enter into a constructive student-getting campaign, especially during the summer months. This in the interest of Christian education. Outside the all-time pastors and other pastors of the state there are many Baptist laymen and good women and true who have put money and time into Ouachita College and who love the institution. The time has come when this vast number of influential and earnest people must enter into a constructive student-getting campaign, especially during the summer months. With these great avenues of influence in favor and working for this particular phase of the college problem, it does seem that it would be foolish for the college to make an outlay of from twenty-five hundred to three thousand dollars for the summer campaign in the interest of maintaining and increasing the student body.

On motion adopted by Board of Trustees in session at Malvern, Arkansas, December 7, 1916.

C. E. DICKEN, for Board of Trustees.

65. The following recommendations from a committee of twelve members of the Executive Board of the Convention were adopted after discussion by P. C. Barton, J. P. Runyan, W. M. Wright, E. J. A. McKinney, W. E. Atkinson, and S. H. Campbell.

1. We recommend that the Convention instruct and empower the Executive Board in co-operation with Central College Board to take care of and pay the present indebtedness of Central College.

2. That the Convention instruct the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College to begin at once to raise an endowment of not less than \$300,000 for Ouachita College.

3. That the Executive Board be instructed to give such financial aid to Mountain Home College and Maynard Academy as may be necessary to their success.

66. The report of the Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union was received for publication. In the same connection the report of the Committee on Woman's Work was read and adopted after discussion by J. R. G.

White, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Miss Una Roberts, Mrs. C. P. Smith, Everette Gill, and Mrs. W. T. King. Both reports follow:

**TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S
MISSIONARY UNION TO THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST
STATE CONVENTION—1915-1916.**

Though the Woman's Missionary Union meets at a separate time and place, it is still an Auxiliary body and as such makes an Annual Report to the State Convention.

The Arkansas W. M. U. was organized in 1888, twenty-nine societies reporting \$3,535.06. Now, after twenty-eight years of organized work, the total number of organizations reporting are: 276 Woman's Societies, 235 Young People's and Children's Societies; the total amount given to various objects being \$52,533.63.

The State is divided into six districts with a vice-president over each. These, with the Associational Superintendents, seek to develop the societies through letters and literature, holding Institutes, All-Day Rallies and Fifth Sunday Meetings, paying their own expenses.

Missionary fires cannot burn without missionary fuel. We feel that our State Union, through the various departments of service, has furnished fuel, not only to keep alive missionary fires already burning, but to kindle new ones in dark places. This has been accomplished by Bible and Mission Study Classes, Missionary Programs, Personal Service and Systematic Giving.

"What shall we do to hasten the time,
The time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord,
As the waters cover the sea?"

The W. M. U. is a great factor in helping the denomination to realize the vital connection between spiritual regeneration and the bringing of the Kingdom of God on earth because of the teaching and training element that has entered into the organization. The W. M. U. ministers to body, mind and soul through its agencies, one of which is organized Personal Service. Through information gained from reports to Mrs. W. T. McCurry, State Superintendent, we learn there is great awakening among the women in this important work. Approximately one-third of the offerings to Home and Foreign Missions are given by the women. In the debt raising campaign for the Foreign Mission Board, the W. M. U. gave about three-fourths of the \$1,400.00 given by Arkansas Baptists. At the last Annual Meeting, they voted to pay the remaining \$5,000.00 due on the Cone property, on which the brethren are to build a much needed Dormitory for our boys at Ouachita College. They also endorsed a movement to build a Commun-

ity House at Central College, pledging their sympathetic cooperation. This will aid girls in getting an education. Home, Foreign and State Missions, Christian Education, Hospitals and Orphans' Home, Mission Journals and Denominational papers, find strong supporters in our women.

That the brethren appreciate the W. M. U. as an important department of the State Mission work is evidenced by the financial support given by the State Board. The salary of an Office Secretary for half time from January to April was provided. At the W. M. U. Convention last April, Miss Lila Westbrook was elected Office Secretary-Treasurer, the Board paying her salary for full time since. She has been a most efficient helper. The Corresponding Secretary now has more time for Field Work, Bible Schools and Institutes.

So it is with grateful hearts that we present this report to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, not as the work of the office force only, but of the departmental leaders, officers, faithful women, and young people, who are laborers together with you in carrying the Gospel of Life and Light to earth's remotest bounds. For the dominant purpose in all our work is training for service, that we may be more efficient in winning the lost to a saving knowledge of Jesus, the Christ.

MRS. J. G. JACKSON,
Corresponding Secretary, W. M. U.

Reported From Societies.

City Missions	\$ 839.33
Associational Missions	1,577.42
State Missions	3,951.03
Home Missions	2,395.71
Foreign Missions	5,108.47
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Total to Missions.....	\$13,871.96
Orphans' Home—Cash	\$ 3,733.42
Orphans' Home—Boxes	4,596.56
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Total to Orphans' Home.....	\$ 8,329.98
Church Expense Fund—Expense Fund.....	\$ 8,639.51
Church Expense Fund—Building Fund.....	16,169.34
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Total to Church Expenses.....	\$24,808.85
Christian Education	\$ 2,892.58
Benevolence	2,101.65
Margaret Fund	37.00
Training School	246.75
Minute Fund	89.15
Old Ministers' Relief	38.85
Hospital Work	82.50
Bible Fund—Sunday School Board.....	34.36
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Grand Total	\$52,533.63

Expense Fund Allowed By State Mission Board.

Office rent, printing, stamps and stationery for all departments, traveling expenses.....	\$ 800.00
Salary Corresponding Secretary.....	900.00
Salary Office Secretary-Treasurer.....	468.75
	\$2,168.75
Money received by W. M. U. Treasurer.....	\$4,170.77

Work of Office Force—

Letters written	825
Letters Multigraphed.....	4,081
Cards Written	772
Cards Multigraphed	4,247
Packages.....	2,364
Manuals.....	783
Missionary Magazines and Minutes.....	1,377
Report Blanks	1,853
Leaflets.....	36,230
Associations Attended	14
Institutes and Fifth Sunday Meetings.....	16
Towns and Societies Visited	79
Talks Made	146
Miles Traveled	7,952

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S WORK.

One of the most important features of Kingdom Work and one pointing clearly in nature and purpose toward the culmination of all things in the second coming of our Lord, is the organized movement on the part of our women known as the "Woman's Missionary Union." The movement as is well known in its short history has accomplished great things, many of which are on record and are read in reports, chiefest of which bear no visible record, other than the development and deepening of the spiritual life of home, church and community, their programs are of such nature in weekly, monthly and annual meetings, that they are devotional and spiritual; educational and inspirational.

In the conduct of business and the handling of finance, their method is one of system and economy.

They study Mission Books, Fields and Situations, hence they undertake and accomplish great things for God.

We believe their work is Biblical, and consequently successful, but we do not believe for obvious reasons, that their position is ideal.

Your Committee, respectfully recommends that the Wo-

man's Missionary Union of Arkansas, be invited to become one with the Baptist State Convention of Arkansas.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. G. JACKSON,
MRS. J. W. CONGER,
MRS. E. P. J. GARROTT,
MRS. W. T. KING,
MRS. B. V. FERGUSON,
MRS. H. F. VERMILLION,
J. R. G. WHITE.

67. Upon motion it was ordered that a committee be appointed to confer with the Woman's Missionary Union as to the advisability of their holding their meetings at the same time and in the same city as the Convention. After discussion by E. J. A. McKinney, W. J. Hinsley, P. C. Barton, E. P. Alldredge, Everette Gill, A. E. Dobyms, and L. E. Barton, the President appointed J. S. Rogers, E. P. Alldredge, J. O. Johnston.

68. L. E. Barton led in prayer.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION.

69. A season of worship was led by J. G. Harris.

70. The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by C. F. J. Tate.

71. The reports of the Board of Trustees and of the Treasurer of the Monticello Baptist Orphans' Home were read and received. The report of the Committee on Orphans' Home was read, and adopted after discussion by W. F. Dorris. The three reports follow:

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

Monticello, Arkansas, December 4, 1916.

With profound gratitude to God, and fraternal greetings to the Messengers of the Sixty-third Annual Session of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, your Board presents its Annual Report.

At the beginning of this conventional year there were 196 children in the Home. The institution was without a Superintendent from October 1, 1915 to January 5, 1916, when Mr. S. A. Stearns and wife took charge as Superintendent and Matron, respectively. They continued in this office until October 5, 1916, when they resigned. Our Board immediately employed Mr. C.

N. Horton and wife to take charge of the Home, and they are with us at the date of this report.

In obedience to a Resolution passed by the Convention, at Conway, 1915, by the provisions of which the children should be placed in good, private homes, your Board has placed 119 children in private homes. We have been compelled, at the crying appeals of 21 unfortunate children, to receive them into the home. But owing to our meager receipts in cash, we have declined to take about 50, that have applied for admittance—our General Superintendent and Financial Secretary, arranging in many of these cases for the children to be cared for either by the communities where they lived, or by the County Judges, thus saving us many thousand dollars annually in their upkeep. We now have 98 children in the Home. We regard this as a very fine showing in work done, both for the Home, and the children cared for. There has been only one death in the Home during this convention year.

We are glad to say that the health of the children is much better now than it has been in years. We append statement by our Home Physician, Dr. B. P. Kimbro:

“I have been in charge of the Home five years as physician, and I will say, that there has not been a time during those five years that the children were as healthy as they are now. I am glad to tell you that there is not a sick child in the Home at this date. We have had pellagra, measles, whooping-cough and many other infectious diseases, but there are no infectious diseases among them now, except one girl who has eczema. I have tried to impress upon the minds of those in charge that this girl must have her own room to herself, use her own towels, and keep away from the other children. I think my directions have been carried out as far as possible. The sanitary conditions are better now at the Home than they have been since I have been Home Physician. The management coöperates with me, and this makes it easier for us to keep things sanitary: It is not yet in the condition we would like to have it, but with the meager help we have we are made to wonder how they keep things as sanitary as they do.”

Our Board has arranged with the W. M. S. and Y. W. A. of First Church, Monticello, to appoint three members—two from the W. M. S. and one from the Y. W. A. whose duty it shall be to make regular weekly visits to the Home, and render all the help possible to the management in matters of housekeeping, sanitation, etc., and make any suggestion, or recommendation to the Board as to bettering internal conditions, and then make a monthly report to the Baptists of the State through our Baptist paper, or papers, of the exact conditions prevailing in the Home. We feel that this is a step in the right direction, and will help bring the affairs of the Home in closer touch with, not only our own local church, but with all the friends of the institution in the State.

The religious training of the children has been good. They

have their own Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and prayer service at the Home, and they attend services at the church regularly, and enjoy the ministry of our pastor, and as result about forty-five of these orphan children have been baptized upon a profession of faith in Christ, and united with the First Baptist Church of Monticello. Surely it is worth our while to save these orphans and train them for the Kingdom of God.

We are doing what we can for these children in an educational way. We have two good teachers, Misses Ware and Crisp, and under their wise direction the school is making fairly good progress. We regret that we are not able to keep these children in school full time, but there is so much to do in the Home, and on the farm, and our finances have been so meagre that we cannot do better than divide the children of school age, one-half attending school, while the other half help to do the work. We hope in the future to remedy this. Our teachers report:

“We find that the children do remarkably good work considering the length of time they are in school each day—this being one-half day. The number enrolled in Grade is as follows:

First Grade	22
Second Grade	15
Third Grade	10
Fourth Grade	12
Fifth Grade	10
Sixth Grade	13
Seventh Grade	11
Eighth Grade	1
Ninth Grade	1
Not in school	3
Total	98”

At the W. M. U. Convention in Fort Smith, last April, there was a movement put on foot to install a more adequate water supply, and pledges were made by our good women to do this work, amounting to \$403.25. But this work has not been done, for the reason, we were heavily in debt to the city for water, and lights, much of which was of long standing, and the City Council refused to lay the water main from Main street to Slemmons avenue, the point at which our water main connects, until our obligation was discharged. However, through the good offices of Mrs. Roberts of Hot Springs, the City Council was induced to donate to our Board the sum of \$221.31, provided we pay the balance. This has been done, and we are glad to report that the city began work laying their water main this week, and we have also begun work on our end of the line, and will complete it as fast as possible. This will give the Home a much better water pressure, and will help us greatly in maintaining better sanitary conditions in the Home. All the money paid in for this specific purpose is on deposit with our Treasurer, R.

L. Deal, and will be used for that purpose and no other. The full amount is \$403.25.

We are grateful to every individual, Sunday School, Sunbeam Band, B. Y. P. U., W. M. S., Y. W. A. and church that has helped us carry on this work. The woman's societies and Y. W. A.'s have supplied the children with abundant clothing and the Home with necessary bed linen, etc. The estimated value of the boxes sent by these societies to date, is \$4,100.00. The cash sent to the date for the clothing fund, hats and shoes, is \$643.96, making a total of, boxes and cash sent, \$4,743.96.

The churches have liberally responded to the appeals of our General Superintendent and Financial Secretary, for cars of produce. Up to date we have received two fine cars of produce—one from Bartholomew Association, through the efforts of Revs. D. R. Dunham and J. B. Luck, both of Warren. (This car was valued at more than \$350.00, and along with it the churches sent in cash \$61.21); the other car was from Liberty Association, through the leadership of Missionary, Rev. E. Rawlings, El Dorado, and this car was valued at \$550.00, and cash sent with this car is \$5.50. Then we have received several wagon loads of produce from the nearby churches and cash with this was \$30.00. For all of this we are profoundly thankful. We must not forget the kindness and courtesy of the Iron Mountain Railroad Company, which gave us the cars free. This will greatly help us in our work. We have the definite promise of cars from Red River Association, and Greenbrier Association, and Mt. Zion Association. These cars have already reduced our grocery bill proper to about \$150.00 for the last month, and for this reason we were able to pay much more on the old debts. We hope this good work will continue.

We have the following live stock, which are all in fairly good condition: 9 horses, 26 hogs, 24 cows and calves.

We carry \$14,000.00 insurance on the buildings, which we think is ample protection for the property. We estimate the value of our entire holdings in the Home property at, in round numbers, \$40,000.00. Our Board will dispose of all the surplus calves and useless horses, three colts and three old horses. We can, and with the proceeds purchase a team of mules which are very much needed.

Our Board has definitely settled on the employment of a Domestic Science woman and correspondence is now under way to secure a woman trained for this position. We feel that much has been lost in the training of our girls because we have not had a trained helper in this necessary science. Our conviction is that this addition will add much to the efficiency of our management of the Home.

Our Treasurer's report shows that we have received in cash for all purposes the sum of \$16,952.98. Our outstanding indebtedness is \$13,248.55, as against \$17,619.58 reported at the last Convention, and shows a decrease on the old debt of \$4,371.03. When we consider that for several years past we have been reporting

an increase in debt, we feel that the present showing is gratifying, for which we "thank God and take courage." Last year our increase of indebtedness was \$2,431.79.

We are still under the burden of this debt, and we ask our brethren to come to our relief, and help us pay it off so that our Orphans' Home shall be untrammelled in its work of mercy in saving the homeless destitute orphans of our State who cry to us for food, shelter, raiment, and moral training. Let every Baptist of the State rally to the support of this life-saving station for these unfortunate children. May God help us all to live up to the Golden Rule in our dealings with them.

Respectfully submitted,

R. F. HYATT,
President of the Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT ARKANSAS BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME.

Monticello, Ark., December 2, 1916.

To the Baptist State Convention, Malvern, Ark.:

Dear Brethren—As Treasurer of the Orphans' Home, I submit to you here below my report of the financial condition of the Home, showing all receipts and disbursements, beginning November 11, 1915, and ending December 2, 1916. The various amounts paid out for all purposes are shown as nearly as possible:

Receipts.

Balance on hand November 11, 1915.....	\$ 180.19
Received from J. S. Rogers, Secretary.....	12,427.51
Receipts at the Home from various parts of State and local contributions.....	2,545.28
A loan from a Baptist brother.....	800.00
Monticello School District (taxes).....	200.00
Colts sold (last year).....	200.00
Mrs. G. W. Bottoms.....	500.00
R. A. Pickens.....	100.00
	\$16,952.98

Disbursements.

Paid for insurance.....	\$ 251.60
Paid for light bread.....	727.14
Paid for water and lights.....	548.14
Paid for drugs, etc.....	491.94
Paid for general expenses (express, freight, postage, printing and stationery, telephone, children's railroad fare.....)	740.83
Paid for furniture and burial expenses.....	223.35
Paid for dry goods, shoes, and hats for children.....	1,241.77
Paid for groceries (some feed for stock).....	5,158.62
Paid for salaries (Superintendent, two lady helpers, and two teachers).....	2,472.25
Paid for physicians' services.....	284.50
Paid for hardware.....	553.72
Paid for lumber and repair work.....	308.48
Paid for plumbing fixtures and repairs.....	279.80
Paid for laundry fixtures and concrete work.....	539.14
Paid for interest (on all notes to January 4, 1917).....	1,888.00
Paid on bills payable.....	740.00
	\$16,449.28
To balance on hand (for special purposes, water main, book funds, etc.).....	503.70
	\$16,952.98

Bills payable (to banks).....	\$11,000.00	
Bills payable (D. T. Hyatt & Son).....	400.00	
To unpaid warrants.....	1,552.55	
		\$13,752.55
Less balance on hand special fund.....		503.70
		<u>\$13,248.55</u>

Total indebtedness December 2, 1916.....

\$13,248.55

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. DEAL, Treasurer.

To the above we add:

Estimated value of produce sent Home.....	\$ 900.00
Estimated value of boxes by Women's Missionary Societies.....	4,100.00
Amount of cash from all sources.....	<u>16,952.98</u>

Grand total for the year for all purposes.....\$21,952.98

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

The day is surely past when Baptists need to be taught that it is their duty to care for the orphans among us. God's call and instruction to his people to care for the fatherless has always been explicit and clear. No work of beneficence finds a readier response in the hearts of the people than caring for the orphan. Whatever of neglect that Baptists in Arkansas have been guilty of in caring for our Home has been due to the stress of other things, and the feeling that other phases of denominational activities are of relatively greater importance. But in our zeal for Missions, religious education, and other activities let us not forget our Orphanage.

We are glad to learn that the sanitary conditions in the Home are greatly improved, and that the health of the children is good. We would urge the management to spare no reasonable expense in caring for the health of the inmates of the institution.

We rejoice to learn also that the spiritual tone of the institution is good. No fact in connection with the work of the Home is more gratifying than the fact that so large a per cent of the children in the Home have been won to Christ.

The new policy of securing homes for the children in Christian families has proved highly satisfactory, seemingly, and should be continued. It should be carefully safeguarded, however, by a systematic "follow-up" system. It should be seen to that those taking the children are doing so to give them a home, and not for the purpose of making servants of them.

The following suggestions and recommendations are submitted by your committee as to the future welfare of the Home:

1. That our people be urged to more liberally support the institution with their means.

Every Sunday School should be urged to set aside its offerings for one Sunday in the month for the support of the Home.

Many Woman's Missionary Unions are clothing one or more of the children in the Home. This is a splendid work, and other Unions should be encouraged to do this, till every child in the Home is thus cared for.

In a few Associations, car loads of supplies have been sent to the Home. This is a splendid work and many of our Associa-

tions should adopt that plan. It would greatly reduce the running expenses of the institution. In doing so, however, let us not neglect or let it interfere with our cash contributions.

2. We would urge that the running expenses be held down as much as it consistent with the best interests of the institution. To that end we would recommend that the Financial Agent give some time each week to the superintendency of the Home, and thus eliminate the expense of a Superintendent.

3. As the item of interest on the debts of the institution adds materially to its burdens, we would urge that as soon as possible a campaign be put on to liquidate those debts, and that all the working forces of the Executive Board be asked to help raise the debts.

4. The friends of the Orphans' work have greatly missed the inspiration of the Orphans' Home Gem, and your committee feels that if at all practicable the publication of the Gem should be resumed.

Respectfully submitted,

N. R. TOWNSEND,
D. M. CARTER,
A. F. CRITTENDON,
JOHN J. STEPHENS,
A. D. GRAY,

Committee.

72. Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to write a letter of sympathy and condolence to J. F. Tull, of Monticello, in his illness, and to his family in this time of distress because of his affliction.

73. The report of the Committee on Aged Ministers' Relief was read by G. L. Boles. The report of Treasurer G. M. Ford was read in the same connection, and filed for publication in the Proceedings of the Convention. After discussion by G. L. Boles, G. M. Ford, A. E. Dobyns, E. J. A. McKinney, W. M. Wright, E. P. Alldredge, and P. C. Barton, it was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF.

At the meeting of the Convention in 1914 the fact that some of our aged preachers were in destitute circumstances was brought to the attention of the Convention and a committee was appointed to look after their needs. Another committee was appointed at our last meeting in 1915. This latter committee at its first meeting decided to help all needy Baptist preachers who had given themselves to the work of preaching, and to help these men to the extent of the cash that was sent in for that purpose, without borrowing money to carry on the work. During the Convention year the committee has received \$111.85 and has di-

vided this as equally as possible among seven aged preachers. Details of this work will be seen from the report of the Treasurer of this committee.

It is a pity that these old men were helped so little. There is no object of benevolence more worthy than this. We want at this time to lay this matter on the hearts of the brethren so that in the future we shall do a work worthy of this Convention.

We recommend:

1. That this work be continued in the hands of a committee as in the past year.

2. That each of our churches shall put "Aged Ministers' Relief" on the list of the objects to which they regularly contribute, and that each church make at least one contribution for this purpose in the year and send the money to the Treasurer of this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

G. L. BOLES,
A. D. GRAY,
M. P. WATTS,
G. W. BRAY,
K. P. DAVIS,
W. W. ROBBINS,
R. C. RHODEN,
A. McPHERSON,

Committee.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF FUND.

Fordyce, Ark., November 30, 1916.

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

The Treasurer of the Aged Ministers' Relief Fund, herewith submits to you the following report for the Convention year ending November 30, 1916:

Receipts.

Young Matron's Mission Circle, Pine Bluff.....	\$ 20.00
W. K. Oldham, Lonoke (by G. L. Boles).....	5.00
W. M. U., Huttig.....	5.00
B. Y. P. U. Grand Prairie Church, Caroline Association.....	2.00
W. M. U., Second Church, Little Rock.....	3.60
W. M. U., Osceola.....	2.25
W. M. U., Lonoke, Circle No. 1.....	5.00
W. M. U., Lonoke, Circle No. 2.....	2.50
Carlisle Church.....	10.00
Mrs. E. F. Thomason, Fayetteville.....	1.00
Forrest City Church.....	50.00
Montrose Church.....	1.50
Rogers Church.....	4.00
Total.....	\$111.85

Disbursements.

Rev. R. L. Bowers, Gum Log.....	\$ 8.00
Rev. W. H. Vest, Damascus.....	8.00
Rev. J. N. Edmonson, Fort Smith.....	8.00
Rev. R. T. Riddling, Texarkana.....	8.00
Rev. S. H. Payne, Scottsville.....	8.00
Rev. T. C. Ford, Bee Branch.....	8.00
Rev. E. B. Greener, Hector.....	5.00
Total.....	\$ 53.00

Balance in the treasury.....	\$ 58.85
Total.....	\$111.85

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. FORD, Treasurer.

74. Upon motion—

It was ordered that all matters pertaining to the administration of the Aged Ministers' Relief Fund be hereafter handled by the Executive Board through the office of the General Secretary.

75. Charles F. Tiemann, of Kansas, Missionary to the Germans, spoke briefly on "Our German Citizen."

76. W. T. King, Church Building Missionary of the Convention, gave an account of his labors during the past year.

77. Upon motion it was—

Resolved, That the Executive Board shall not assume or pay any part of the indebtedness on Central College until an official audit of the accounts of said college shall have been made under the direction of the Executive Board, and that neither the Executive Board nor the Board of Central College shall have the power to place any further indebtedness on said college property except by the express order of this Convention.

78. The following resolution was heartily adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS TO THE PEOPLE OF MALVERN.

Whereas, The people of Malvern have opened their homes to the delegates of the Convention and have generously entertained them while they have been in their midst, and

Whereas, The Convention has been made a surer success because of the utiring efforts of the pastor and members of the First Baptist Church, be it

Resolved, 1. That the Convention express its hearty thanks to the people of Malvern for their hospitality and for their courteous care for us while in their midst.

2. That we express to Brother Howell, Brother Glover, and other members of the church, our sincere thanks for their efforts to provide every convenience for us during the sessions of the Convention as well as while we have been in their homes.

3. That we make known our gratitude to the ladies of the W. M. S. for their kindness in providing a place where we could have the very best food at the minimum cost to us and in the most convenient way.

4. That we express to the local daily paper our thanks for the interest it has shown in the Convention and for the space given in its columns to the proceedings of the same.

5. That we extend to the railroads that gave a reduced rate to the Convention, our expression of appreciation.

79. Regarding the appointment of committees, the following resolution was passed:

In order to facilitate the work of committees of this Convention, to avoid much confusion caused by the continual calling of committees during the sessions of the Convention, to obviate the necessity for protracted absence from these meetings by members of committees, and to make possible the preparation of more accurate and complete reports, be it

Resolved, That it is the will of this body that the President of the Convention appoint the chairman of each committee at least thirty days prior to the sitting of this body in 1917.

80. 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.

81. By order of the Convention, the Secretary was instructed to provide 50 copies of the annual for the use of the Convention at its next meeting.

82. Senator Houston Emory, of Hot Springs, was introduced and spoke briefly of proposed legislation for State uniformity and publication of schoolbooks.

83. After prayer by N. C. Denson, the Convention adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church, of Jonesboro, Arkansas, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday after the first Sunday in December, 1917.

J. W. CONGER, President.

E. P. J. GARROTT, Secretary.

MINISTERS' AND LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE

Malvern, Ark., December 4, 1916.

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.

J. T. Early preached the opening sermon from Matt. 16:18.

Tuesday Morning Session.

Devotional exercises were led by T. H. Plemmons. The Conference was organized by electing Allen Hill Autry, President, and J. B. Luck, Secretary.

The "Relative Merits of the Long and Short Pastorates" was discussed by W. A. Freeman, J. T. Cowling, J. R. Hobbs, J. R. Riley, and W. M. Wright.

"How Can the Finance of the Kingdom Be Operated on Business Principles?" was discussed by J. T. Henderson.

J. P. Runyan read a paper on above question and Conference voted to have it printed in The Baptist Advance.

L. M. Sipes spoke on "The Place and Value of Prayer in Our Work."

"Daily Secret Devotion in Character Building and How Can the Pastors Lead Their People Into It?" was the subject of an address by B. V. Ferguson.

Tuesday Afternoon Session.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. J. Hinsley.

"Our Proper Attitude Toward the Picture Show, and Why?" was discussed by W. M. Wright and others.

A. F. Cagle gave some reasons "Why Our Preachers Are Not Called to Mountain Work as They Are to Other Missions."

“What Do We Owe Our Baptist Schools?” was discussed by C. E. Dicken and J. W. Conger.

“The Sphere and Potency of Prayer in the Mission Endeavor” was discussed by L. E. Barton.

S. H. Campbell spoke on “Are Arkansas Baptists Doing Their Full Duty to Their Schools?”

Wednesday Evening Session.

J. T. Henderson gave an address on “The Call of God to Arkansas Laymen.”

“Shall Arkansas Baptists Go to the Needy Mountain Sections?” was discussed by H. F. Vermillion.

The following preachers were appointed to prepare a program for the next year: B. B. Bailey, L. M. Keeling, and T. D. Brown.

ALLEN HILL AUTRY, President.
J. B. LUCK, Secretary.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- Abee, Elijah, Black Springs
 Abernathy, Philip, Big Fork
 Abernathy, S. W. Datto
 Abstom, E., Spadra
 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
 Adams, E. J., Rogers
 Adcock, H. H., Paradise
 Albright, G. M., Lincoln
 Alexander, W. F., Piggott
 Alldredge, E. P., Little Rock
 Allen, J. B., Jonesboro, R. F. D.
 Allen, J. D., Blansett
 Allen, T. R., Paragould, R. F. D.
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 Allen, David, Heber Springs
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 Norton, A. J., Alix
 Nowell, J. T., Mamaduke

- Obenchain, L. K., Marvell
 O'Bryant, T. A., Benton
 Oglesby, J. C., Gravelly
 Oliver, D. M., Lisbon
 Oliver, J. H., Brawley
 O'Neal, W. B., Mountain Home
 O'Neal, H. A., Ratcliffe
 O'Neal, J. H., Ratcliffe
 O'Neal, J. F., Branch
 O'Neal, M. D., Dalark
 Osborne, T. H., Kensett
 Osment, N. B., Harrisburg
 Owen, B. B., Luxora
 Owen, W. M., Bald Knob
 Owen, E. N., Hindsville
 Owen, J. I., Plainview
 Oxford, L. A., Stamps
- Page, E. L., Belfast
 Parish, S. M., Carden Bottom
 Parker, F. M., Warren
 Parker, J. F., Prairie Grove
 Parker, W. H., Bluff City
 Parrot, G. G., Flippin
 Parks, G. W., Booneville
 Parks, W. O., Smackover
 Parson, C. B., Judsonia
 Partin, C. M., Altus
 Pate, J. A., Heber Springs
 Pate, P., Huff
 Patterson, J. H., Mena
 Patterson, E. M., Waldron
 Patterson, L. F., Winfield
 Payne, J. T., Scottsville
 Payne, —, Oil Trough
 Pearson, C., Bald Knob
 Pearson, C. C., Des Arc
 Pegman, J. H., Springdale
 Pendergraft, J., Center Hill
 Penn, T. D., Rogers
 Pennington, J. N., Paris
 Perkins, G. G., Lexington
 Perkins, H. W., Dalark
 Peters, G. M., Hamburg
 Peters, Edgar, Board Camp
 Peterson, W. C., Clarksville
 Pettit, J. W., Harrison
 Phillips, Henry, Texarkana
 Phillips, B. G., Plainview
 Pickens, J. W., Booneville
 Pinkston, J. L., Boydsville
 Pinson, W. C., Hermitage
 Pittman, W. H., Rogers
 Plemmons, T. H., Helena
 Plumber, W. H., Winfield
 Poff, W. J., Mountain View
- Polk, J. M., Barney
 Pool, G. A., Shiloh
 Porter, A. J., McCrory
 Porter, J. W., West Helena
 Porterfield, J. H., Wild Cherry
 Posey, Edward, Quito
 Powell, R. L., Corning
 Powell, C. R., Little Rock
 Powell, J., Carrollton
 Poynor, J. M., Alix
 Pressly, D. A., Maynard
 Presson, G. G., Arkadelphia
 Preston, J. A., Kedron
 Price, G. S., Whiteville
 Pruett, W. H., Bay
 Pruitt, T. B., Pea Ridge
 Pryor, W. D., Viburnum
 Purcelly, James, Rosie
- Queen, J. F., Arkadelphia
 Queen, A. H., Arkadelphia
- Ragsdale, J. S., Jessieville
 Rains, J. M., Jonesboro
 Raley, R. W., Sycamore
 Raley, W. H., Lead Hill
 Ramay, J. W., Greenwood
 Ramsey, W. M., Little Rock
 Raney, R. A., Bleeker
 Raney, W. M., Strawberry
 Ratliff, J. C., Gladstone
 Rawlings, E., El Dorado
 Rayburn, J. L., Griffithville
 Raynor, John, Harrison
 Reaves, A. C., Harrisburg
 Reed, A. M., Yellville
 Reese, J. F., Leslie
 Reid, O. H., Russellville
 Remley, A., Paragould
 Renard, E., Boydsville
 Reynolds, E. J., Gentry
 Reynolds, J. H., Little Rock
 Rhoden, R. C., Fordyce
 Rhodes, Oscar, Little Rock
 Rice, Otto, Green Forest
 Rice, E. F., Springdale
 Rice, F. J., Siloam Springs
 Richards, J. C., Austin
 Richards, C. H., Austin
 Richardson, G. G., Fordyce
 Richardson, T. F., Paris
 Richardson, G. L., Sparkman
 Richmond, R. F., Nella
 Ridding, M. L., Vandervoort
 Riddling, R. T., Texarkana
 Rigg, W. A., Batesville

- Riley, W. M., Harrisburg
 Riler, J. R., Montrose
 Ringsmuth, F. K., Mansfield
 Rippy, T. A., Greenwood
 Ritter, J. E., Jessieville
 Roark, S. A., Barkada
 Robbins, W. W., Pottsville
 Robbins, Eli, Buckville
 Roberts, W. E., Vilonia
 Roberts, C. C., Oden
 Robertson, L. A., Harrison
 Robertson, R. A., Arkadelphia
 Robertson, J. N., Paragould
 Robins, W., Havana, R. R. 2
 Robinson, O. C., Owensville
 Rochell, W. A., DeValls Bluff
 Roe, Bob, Hope
 Rogers, C. B., Strong
 Rogers, A. C., Pine Bluff
 Rogers, J. S., Little Rock
 Rogers, R. C., Paragould
 Rogers, T. W., Rison
 Rogers, P. C., Mena
 Rogers, C. A., Hiram
 Rolett, J. N., Blansett
 Rookerd, J. W., Hot Springs
 Rose, J. B., Green Forest
 Rose, W. F., Dover
 Rose, J. E., Prosperity
 Rose, Ernest, Prosperity
 Ross, Henry Magnet
 Routh, J. B., Conway
 Routh, J. H., Little Rock
 Rowe, G. F., Hot Springs
 Rowland, J. H., Harrell
 Rucker, J. A., Arkadelphia
 Rush, J. W., Melbourne
 Russell, L. W., Corning
 Rutherford, W. H., Gentry
 Russell, H., Bee Branch
 Ryan, A. A., Walcott
- Sanders, A. N., Centerton
 Sanders, H., Holland
 Sanderson, W. R., Nettleton
 Savage, G. W., Maynard
 Sawyer, D. K., Blanchard Springs
 Sawyer, S. D., Brinkley
 Sawyer, R. B., Little Rock
 Schones, J. W., Ravenden Springs
 Scofield, A. P., Earle
 Scoville, J. W., Maynard
 Scoggins, J. A., Decatur
 Scoggins, J. T., Denmark
 Scott, R. M., Conway
- Searcy, J. B., Little Rock
 Seay, J. W., Walcott
 Sellman, J. B., Texarkana
 Setser, G. W., Elm Springs
 Settlemoir, G. M., Black Oak
 Sexton, W. J., Stephens
 Seymour, W. T., Hawes
 Sherman, Sam, Albert
 Shackelford, J. D., Glenwood
 Shands, J. F., Cotton Plant
 Sharp, D. A., Pittman
 Sharp, James, Cedar Glades
 Shaw, W. M., Paron
 Shelton, William, Ink
 Shepard, J. W., Washita
 Sheppard, P., Belfast
 Sheppard, R. L., Blytheville
 Sherrell, Ed, Colt
 Sherrell, W. E., Sheridan
 Sherril, J. E., Colt
 Sherrod, S. W., Albert
 Shoptaw, J. H., Belfast
 Sikes, J. W., Rogers
 Sims, J. W., Marvell
 Sims, H. H., Plant
 Sims, J. F., Damascus
 Sims, S. S., Morrilton
 Sims, F. C., Wynne
 Simms, W. A., Fairbanks
 Simmons, W. G., Urbana
 Sipes, L. M., Conway
 Sivils, H. C., Hamburg
 Shiver, Jacob, Mountain Home
 Skinner, Chas., Dalark
 Sloan, T. S., Mayflower
 Smail, J. E., Mena
 Smart, J. H., Whalen Springs
 Smith, Alfred, Mount Ida
 Smith, D. E., Magnolia
 Smith, E., Beirne
 Smith, G. S., Jacinto
 Smith, J. A., Little Rock
 Smith, J. B., Arkana
 Smith, M. M., Siloam Springs
 Smith, W. F., DeQueen
 Smith, W. L., Mena
 Smith, D. H., Shirley
 Smith, J. K., Plumerville
 Sneed, R., Texarkana
 Snow, H., Knoxville
 Somerville, F., Collins
 Southall, J. T., Ivan
 Spears, S., Snell
 Spence, J. E., Shirley
 Spillers, E., Charleston
 Spivey, J. H., Havana

Springer, M. E., Jonesboro
 Spurlin, J. H., Berryville
 Spyres, M. H., Lincoln
 Spyres, P. L., Springdale
 Squyres, D. A., Potter
 Stafford, E. H., Chickalah
 Stallings, O. M., Brinkley
 Stanfield, A. N., McGehee
 Stansberry, H. C., Baldwin
 Staires, J. A., Marmaduke
 Stapp, Roscoe, Washington
 Stark, Joe, Morganton
 Starnes, J. C., Newark
 Steely, J. E., Bigelow
 Stell, J. C., Hamburg
 Stephens, G. R., Huntington
 Stephens, J. M., Beech Grove
 Stephens, W. T., Scranton
 Stephenson, A., Marshall
 Sterling, F. C., Marked Tree
 Stevens, J. J., Judsonia
 Stewart, T. A., Langton
 Stewart, J. M., Berryville
 Stinger, W. H., Blevins
 Stochs, C. L., Norphlet
 Stone, J. A., Elkins
 Stone, J. M., Stephens
 Stone, C. R., Humphrey
 Stratton, Sam, Smithville
 Strickland, D. M., Boles
 Strickland, J. E., Center Hill
 Stronmire, J. H., Blytheville
 Suggs, A. S., Dalark
 Suggs, R. A., Mountain View
 Sullivan, T. D., Dover
 Sullivan, G. T., Searcy
 Summers, L. D., Blytheville
 Summy, C. R., Prairie Grove
 Sutton, D. A., Hartford
 Swain, J. C., Vandyale
 Swanner, J. B., Arkadelphia
 Sweeney, S. C., Bodcaw
 Sykes, P. L., Carolan

Talbot, J. C., DeQueen
 Talbert, A. J., Harrell
 Tallent S. D., Pine Bluff
 Tanner, J. E., Lonoke
 Tate, C. F. J., Hot Springs
 Tate, J. J., Danville
 Tatum, J. E., Greenwood
 Taylor, A. C., Blackburn
 Taylor, Brownlow, Newport
 Taylor, W. O., Wesson
 Taylor, J. L., Cotter
 Taylor, Joseph, Brazils

Taylor, J. A., Blue Ball
 Taylor, J. D., Fox
 Taylor, W. P., Booneville
 Teague, E. J., Rector
 Teague, F. E., Amity
 Teague, S. T., Ratcliffe
 Thomas, H. H., Womble
 Thomas, H. L., Newport
 Thomas, J. M., Emmet
 Thomasson, G. W., Lonoke
 Thompson, J. J., Malvern
 Thompson, W. M., Sulphur Rock
 Thompson, T. T., West Helena
 Thompson, W. B., Blytheville
 Thornton, T. W., Deroche
 Tillman, Floyd, Sonora
 Tillman, Gomer, Springdale
 Tiner, E. L., Plumerville
 Tipton, T. D., Fordyce
 Tomme, L., Carlisle
 Towler, C. C., Bates
 Townsend, N. R., Arkadelphia
 Trout, W. S., Harrison
 Tucker, A., Lonsdale
 Tudor, James, Snowball
 Tull, J. F., Monticello
 Turner, F. P., Hamburg
 Turner, J. A., Umpire
 Turner, J. H., Arkadelphia
 Tyler, G. R., Tuckerman

Underwood, W. R., Piggott

Valentine, T. A., Taxarkana
 Van, J. H., Caddo Gap
 Vaughan, J. C., England
 Vermillion, H. F., Mt. Home
 Vest, W. H., Damascus
 Vick, Carlin, Tuckerman
 Vick, S. G., Adelaide
 Voyles, M. L., Bentonville

Wade, J. H., Leslie
 Wade, W. A., Mountain View
 Waldrup, J. L., Slocomb
 Walker, D. H., Berryville
 Walker, W. L., Holliday
 Waller, J. D., Emerson
 Waller, Joe, Taylor
 Wallingford, J. W., Baker
 Walls, W. V., Beebe
 Walters, C. P., Fort Smith
 Walters, J. T., Junction City
 Ward, J. W., Patmos
 Ward, F. H., Mountain Home
 Warnock, C. C., Bland

- Warren, C. F., Waldo
 Warren, W. F., Arkadelphia
 Warren, L. N., Social Hill
 Waters, J. W., Hattievill
 Waters, H. L., Greenwood
 Watkins, W. A., Grange
 Watkins, W. L., Jonesboro
 Wasson, G. H., Caddo Gap
 Watkins, C., Delaplaine
 Watson, A. J., Ratcliffe
 Watson, J. T., Witcherville
 Watson, T. J., Palatka
 Weaver, J. N., Windstead
 Webb, L. M., Fountain Hill
 Weber, E., Little Rock
 Weeks, A. A., Luxora
 Wells, H. M., Ratcliffe
 West, O. L., Pontoon
 West, J. W., Gravette
 West, W. T., Caddo Gap
 Westbrook, T. F., Dierks
 Westbrook, T. H., Martha
 Westmoreland, E., Arkadelphia
 Wharton, J. U. H., Strong
 Whayne, M. W., Kingsland
 Wheatley, J. A., Reyno
 Whiteley, John, Boxley
 White, J. R., Knoxville
 White, J. S., Hot Springs
 White, J. M., Lamar
 White, W. B., Sanders
 White, W. D., Gassville
 White, R. H., Cabot
 White, J. R. G., Forrest City
 Whitley, D. R., Tomberlin
 Whitlow, J. B., Step Rock
 Whitten, W. T., Arkadelphia
 Whittington, Otto, Conway
 Widener, J. M., Hatfield
 Wilbanks, T. J., Texarkana
 Wiles, P. A., Zion
 Wilkins, C. F., Maynard
 Williams, H. S., Walcott
 Williams, John, Armstrong
 Springs
 Williams, T. E., Gosnell
 Williams, E. B., Cove
 Williams, S. W., Charleston
 Williams, Warren, Shirley
 Williams, G. A., Greenwood
 Williamson, J. C., Greenwood
 Williamson, J. E., Emerson
 Willingham, G. W., Mountain
 View
 Willis, A. F., Fordyce
 Wilson, J. F., Archilion
 Wilson, J. W., Cabot
 Willson, C. T., Jonesboro
 Winchester, J. T., Smithville
 Windbigler, John, Jonesboro
 Windham, P. E., Hon
 Wingfield, J. W., Prescott
 Winham, John, Texarkana
 Winsted, H. C., Evansville
 Winston, F. E., Sheridan
 Winston, W. A., Kedron
 Winters, C. C., McNeil
 Wise, J. B., Portland
 Wise, B. F., Hardy
 Womack, B. R., Russellville
 Womack, W. N., Scranton
 Wood, Ashley, Malvern
 Wood, C. D., Jr., Monticello
 Wood, W. C., Paragould
 Wood, S. E., Pettigrew
 Wood, F. O., Hope
 Wood, J. W., Fort Smith
 Woodward, E. S., Midland
 Woodward, T. J., Clarksville
 Worthington, A., El Dorado
 Wray, G. G., Randall
 Wren, W. H., Cushman
 Wright, T. J., Fancy Hill
 Wright, W. M., Camden
 Wright, G. H. W., Joy
 Wright, H. F., Nettleton
 Wright, H. L., Conway
 Wright, E. D., Heber Springs
 Wright, T. J., Fancy Hill
 Yancey, J. W., Damascus
 York, J. F., Hartford
 Younce, S., Retreat
 Young, W. Q., Wheatley
 Young, P., Swain
 Young, J. A., Buckville
 Young, George, Greenwood
 Youngman, M. A., Hindsville

Associations	Number of Churches	Baptisms	Received Otherwise	Decrease	Total Membership	No. Sunday Schools	Sunday School Pupils	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Orphans' Homes	Other Purposes	Home Expenses	Total Expended	Value of Property
*Bartholomew	75	487	374	341	7,098	51	3,972	\$ 626.19	\$ 1,162.54	\$ 480.81	\$ 696.07	\$ 388.82	\$ 2,027.21	\$ 3,618.67	\$ 13,069.63	\$ 22,009.94	\$ 103,000.00
Benton Co. (Con.)	19	65	64	98	1,680	12	793	86.00	172.52	423.62	154.33	75.90	110.63	1,915.06	5,527.13	8,354.56	43,950.00
*Benton Co. (G. A.)	22	80	64	93	1,404	13	470	114.59	136.68		2.00		153.33	924.34	1,151.38	2,482.32	11,000.00
*Big Creek	12	55	28	24	829	3	161		88.50					11.05	347.71	447.26	3,100.00
Black River	13	47	45	116	825	9	873	71.00	217.75	171.50	62.35	137.90	153.23	2,493.56	2,570.68	6,131.10	10,000.00
*Blue Mountain	17	3	18	46	917	1			31.00				8.60	13.21	100.00	152.81	10,000.00
*Buckner	46	313	187	217	3,306	23	1,646	623.46	258.86	81.60	81.75	266.02	292.24	2,408.18	3,653.71	7,562.91	23,350.00
Buckville	29	25	29	56	1,487	14		25.55	31.00				14.90	23.20	239.75	360.44	5,900.00
Caddo River	15	38	32	69	720			.75	64.57	41.98	41.37	47.95	98.40	126.35	1,047.77	1,468.39	6,000.00
*Caddo Valley	8	15	12	14	351			3.90			8.50		7.31	25.55		45.26	800.00
Carey	17				1,457	13	843	139.54	150.27	102.32	102.98		390.72	2,989.20	2,909.41	6,784.44	28,600.00
Caroline	74	606	602	721	9,733	51	5,756	1,334.99	3,720.33	2,198.33	2,509.51	3,112.23	2,345.31	29,136.23	23,867.95	69,100.33	361,950.00
*Carroll County	19	110	90	147	1,384	10	694	78.21	89.10	44.71	52.28	134.45	156.70	607.11	3,198.76	4,451.32	23,150.00
Clear Creek	34	112	29	89	2,275	10	610	176.03	88.22	76.20	21.60	17.85	152.36	2,491.93	1,760.48	4,786.67	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	53	3	2		4,489	2	2,640	341.62	856.11	491.28	518.02	971.06	582.81	5,706.16	12,230.04	21,697.10	114,450.00
Crooked Creek	32	171	77	65	1,521	6		349.91	268.58	114.22	36.83	82.35	279.34	1,017.43	1,736.02	3,884.68	5,000.00
*Current River	21	232	70	67	1,615	8		15.43					23.09	72.18	1,097.01	1,207.71	9,000.00
*Dardanelle	47	172	110	139	2,851	21	1,543	359.20	134.50	85.95	148.91	690.50	283.11	813.40	4,713.47	7,229.04	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
*Fourche Valley	15	48	42	57	785	4	160		134.53			27.75	48.26	323.20	620.49	1,154.23	8,500.00
*Friendship	35	297	88	313	3,690	19	1,637	151.65	789.70	606.99	522.54	1,600.29	1,069.05	9,500.83	5,606.02	19,846.47	92,900.00
Gainesville	44	190	123	209	3,574	21		419.70	161.25	61.30	65.01	77.79	513.89	3,665.28	6,457.26	11,423.48	35,300.00
Grand Pairie	35	130	134	75	1,949	9		634.62	266.65	138.25	126.25	503.00	313.30	6,319.12	3,873.19	12,174.38	18,000.00
Greenbrier	35	258	92	141	3,264	9	1,331	703.55	358.60	329.62	342.40	204.26	189.85	313.17	5,810.11	8,251.56	50,000.00
*Hope	23	199	136	220	2,507	13	1,761	408.85	634.35	840.02	930.04	1,845.00	1,247.91	2,766.88	10,407.60	19,284.45	132,000.00
*Howard County	37	77	59	87	2,313	10		97.53	184.68	14.67	19.62		151.72		2,567.00	3,036.00	8,100.00
Independent	36	212	55	71	2,329			47.00	215.56	91.00	91.50	315.13	144.90	1,095.05	905.00	2,905.14	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	35				2,074												15,200.00
Liberty	50	237	195	406	4,715	33	2,551	353.37	989.67	1,206.58	1,279.68	952.84	952.24	2,014.95	12,159.15	19,908.48	118,700.00
Little Red River	12	153	63	66	1,365	9	829		366.15	123.00	73.34	92.70	137.71	1,793.72	1,546.77	4,168.19	12,500.00
Little River	17	54	54	76	1,689	7		390.00	356.87	120.24	155.94	184.98	635.86	423.32	4,418.38	6,685.59	32,800.00
Madison County	16	14	14	27	398			36.85	30.00				4.30	69.85	136.33	277.33	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	66	360	803	352	5,008	34		1,064.07	1,190.36	739.00	737.79	6,460.19	1,558.77	26,704.33	11,702.39	41,736.57	141,000.00
*Ouachita	23	49	95	79	1,307	15	1,076	229.55	129.24	71.62	68.00	15.25	30.13	919.85	1,851.93	3,295.57	17,000.00
Pee Dee	19	31	19	22	744	4		67.90	67.90	5.75	5.75		15.29	15.30	233.40	343.39	4,000.00
*Pike County	18	65	69	55	907	3		16.85	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	
*Red River.....	40	329	319	307	4,198	25	2,301	349.54	429.35	424.03	386.13	470.20	837.40	3,795.47	7,947.57	14,647.51	
*Rocky Bayou.....	33	122	47	76	2,020	7		94.50		8.25	9.25			873.70	975.20	6,550	
Russellville.....	29	200	127	140	1,904	15	1,007	77.82	343.72	297.40	202.58	145.88	179.85	40.44	1,981.48	3,269.17	
*Saline.....	56	302	202	202	4,237	34	3,157	294.44					386.88	54.62	6,416.46	7,152.40	
*Southwestern.....	25	34	29	47	1,114			5.55	22.92	16.00	10.00		17.14	52.32	295.90	419.83	
*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	
State Line.....	11	16	20	26	782									229.73	235.25	464.98	
Stevens Creek.....	32	67	57	56	1,892	12		12.25	22.23		2.00		51.58	28.20		116.26	
*Trace Ridge.....	17				868											2,700.00	
*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	
*Union No. 2.....	12	25	11	9	521									11.55		11.55	
*United.....	28	71	28	81	1,855	8	460		128.00	86.37	65.00		33.00		2,842.10	3,154.47	
White River.....	25	129	61	93	1,456	13	552	271.20	65.61	145.20	42.05	427.50	67.21	749.60	1,327.76	3,096.13	
Total.....	1,630	7,486	5,398	6,873	122,465	677	42,629	\$10,429.38	\$15,637.69	\$10,751.71	\$ 11,042.37	\$21,305.24	\$17,704.41	\$132,145.89	\$200,135.83	\$410,773.01	\$2,230,250.00

* Statistics previous to 1916.

† Fourteen churches dismissed to form Carey Association.

N. B.—Sunday School figures comprise only such as are reported in Minutes. In many instances no attention is given to this item.

Total White Baptists in the South.....	2,685,552
Other American States (American Baptist Year Book).....	1,318,662
Estimated Negroes in Southern States.....	2,128,880
Total in the United States.....	6,133,094
Dominion of Canada (Official Year Book).....	138,197
Republic of Mexico.....	2,553
West Indies and Central America.....	55,390
South America.....	14,299
Europe (English Handbook).....	523,643
Asia (latest reports).....	216,160
Africa.....	17,889
Australasia.....	30,188
Baptist membership in the world.....	7,141,413