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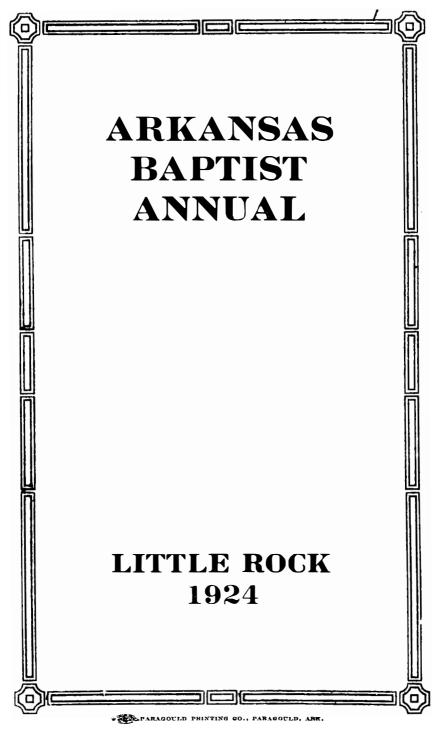
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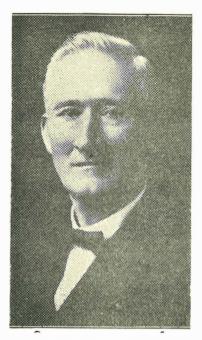
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# Arkansas State Baptist Convention

# IN ITS

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION (seventy-sixth year)

> LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS NOVEMBER 19-21

# 1924

Next Session Will Convene on November 18, 1924, with First Baptist Church, Conway, Ark.

Preacher of Annual Sermon O. J. WADE, Texarkana, Arkansas. Alternate, B. F. DAVIDSON, Forrest City, Ark.

# ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION DIRECTORY FOR 76 YEARS.

|   | FUR 76  | YEARS.           |                       |
|---|---|------------------|-----------------------|
| Dates Place                             | President   | Bee Secretary    | Preacher of<br>Sermon |
| 1848Brownsville.                        | President<br>Isaac Perkins  | S. Stevenson     | E Havnes              |
| Danas Co.                               |   |                  |                       |
| 1849Mt. Zion                            |   |                  |                       |
| Hempst'd Co.                            |   |                  |                       |
| 1850Mt. Bethel<br>Clark Co.             |   |                  |                       |
|   |   |                  |                       |
| 1851El Dorado                           | E Hawnes  | S. Stavanson     |                       |
| 1853 Camden                             | Lesse Hartwell  | S Stevenson      | F Havnes              |
| 1854Tulip                               | Jesse Hartwell  | S. Stevenson     | .S. Stevenson         |
| 1855No Report                           | E. Haynes<br>Jesse Hartwell<br>Jesse Hartwell   |                  |                       |
| 1856New Hope                            | Jesse Hartwell  | R. J. Coleman    | W. M. Lea             |
| 1957 Somerie                            | W M Loo   | P. I. Colomon    |                       |
| Dallas Co.                              | W. M. Lea   | . n. J. Coreman  | •                     |
| <sup>4</sup> 1858Charleston             | W. M. Lea<br>W. M. Lea<br>W. M. Lea   | . R. M. Thrasher | -                     |
| 1859Little Rock                         | W. M. Lea   | . R. M. Thrasher |                       |
| 1860Pine Bluff                          | W. M. Lea   | -                |                       |
| 1861Fort Smith                          |   |                  |                       |
| 1802-1800 (Inc.) NO<br>1867 Little Book | W M Leo   |                  | 6 Stowanson           |
| 1868 Little Bock                        | W. M. Lea   | W. H. Boberts    | W. D. Mayfield        |
| 1869Helena                              | .W. D. Mayfleld   | J. B. Searcy     | J. R. Graves          |
| 1870Arkadelphia                         | meetings<br>W. M. Lea<br>W. M. Lea<br>W. D. Mayileld<br><br>A. Gates<br>M. Y. Moran   | J. B. Searcy     | .W. D. Mayfield       |
| 1871Monticello                          | A. Gates<br>M. Y. Moran<br>M. Y. Moran<br>M. Y. Moran<br>W. W. Crawford<br>H. H. Coleman<br>H. H. Coleman<br>H. H. Coleman<br>J. M. Hart<br>J. M. Hart<br>J. P. Eagle   | J. B. Searcy     | Moses Green           |
| 1872Austin                              | M. Y. Moran   | .J. B. Searcy    | J. M. Hart            |
| 1873Little Rock                         | M. Y. Moran   | .J. B. Searcy    | R. M. Thrasher        |
| 1875 Arkadelphia                        | H H Coleman   | J B Searcy       | J. B. Searcy          |
| 1876Searcy                              | H. H. Coleman   | •                | b. B. Scarej          |
| 1877Forrest City                        | H. H. Coleman   | .T. P. Boone     | W. A. Forbes          |
| 1878Monticello                          | .J. M. Hart   | W. F. Mack       | M. D. Early           |
| 1879Hope                                | J. M. Hart  | J.R.G.W.N. Adams | I D Jameson           |
| 1991 Little Deals                       | J. D. Eagle   | D Themes         | J. D. Sameson         |
| 1882 Lonoke                             | J. P. Eagle   | I B Searcy       | W E Parton            |
| 1883Favetteville                        | J. P. Eagle   | J. B. Searcy     | W. D. Mayfield        |
| 1884Pine Bluff                          | J. P. Eagle   | J. H. Holland    | A. J. Kincaid         |
| 1885Hope                                | J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>I. P. Eagle<br>I. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle<br>J. P. Eagle  | J. H. Holland    | A. J. Fawcett         |
| 1886Forrest City                        | J. P. Eagle   | J. H. Holland    | A. B. Miller          |
| 1888 Jonesboro                          | I. P. Eagle   | Martin Ball      | Enoch Windes          |
| 1889Little Rock                         | .W. E. Penn   | J. G. B. Simms   | J. R. Hughes          |
| 1890Eureka Spgs                         | .J. P. Eagle  | J. G. B. Simms   | R. J. Coleman         |
| 1891Arkadelphia                         | .J. P. Eagle  | J. G. B. Simms   | W. T. Box             |
| 1892Fort Smith                          | J. M. Hart.   | J. G. B. Simms   | J. W. Lipsey          |
| 1893Conway                              | I P Forle   | W F Blackwood    | I H Deav              |
| 1895Monticello                          | J. P. Eagle   | J. G. B. Simms.  | E. B. Miller          |
| 1896Hot Springs                         | J. P. Eagle   | .J. G. B. Simms  | A. H. Autry           |
| 1897Pine Bluff                          | J. P. Eagle   | J. G. B. Simms   | .O. L. Hailey         |
| 1898Little Rock                         | J. P. Eagle   | W. Theo. Smith   | W. H. Paslay          |
| 1900 Hope                               | J. P. Eagle   | W. Theo. Smith   | J. K. Pace            |
| 1901 Paragould                          | J. P. Eagle.<br>J. P. Eagle.<br>J. M. Hart.<br>W. P. Throgmorton.<br>J. P. Eagle.<br>J. P. Eagle.<br>John Ayers.<br>John Ayers.<br>John Ayers.<br>John Ayers.<br>W. E. Atkinson.<br>W. E. Atkinson.<br>W. E. Atkinson.<br>H. T. Bradford. | W. Theo. Smith   | N B Pitman            |
| 1902Conway                              | J. P. Eagle   | .Sam H. Campbell | O. J. Wade            |
| 1903Little_Rock                         | .J. P. Eagle  | .Sam H. Campbell | A. J. Barton          |
| 1904Pine Bluff                          | John Avers  | W. F. Dorris     | W. A. Freeman         |
| 1905FOFt Simith<br>1906 Tevarkana       | John Ayers  | Sam H. Campbell  | Fen Cox<br>F F Gibson |
| 1907Little Rock                         | W. E. Atkinson  | John Jeter Hurt  | H. L. Winburn         |
| 1908Fayetteville                        | W. E. Atkinson  | John Jeter Hurt  | W. T. Amis            |
| 1909Arkadelphia                         | W. E. Atkinson  | .John Jeter Hurt | R. F. Tredway         |
| 1910Fort Smith                          | H. T. Bradford  | John Jeter Hurt  | J. T. Christian       |
| 1911Pine Bluff                          | H. T. Bradford  | John Jeter Hurt  | N. R. Townsend        |
| 1912 Monticello                         | H. T. Bradford<br>H. T. Bradford<br>H. T. Bradford<br>P. C. Barton<br>P. C. Barton<br>J. W. Conger<br>I. W. Conger<br>L. E. Barton<br>L. E. Barton<br>L. E. Barton<br>A. H. Autry   | E P. J. Garrott  | H M Geren             |
| 1914Little Rock                         | P. C. Barton  | E. P. J. Garrott | A. H. Autry           |
| 1915Conway                              | .P. C. Barton   | E. P. J. Garrott | W. J. E. Cox          |
| 1916Malvern                             | J. W. Conger  | E. P. J. Garrott | T. D. Brown           |
| 1917                                    | L F Barton  | D S Campbell     | B. B. Bailey          |
| 1919Little Rock                         | L. E. Barton  | D. S. Campbell   | B V Ferguson          |
| 1920Fort Smith                          | A. H. Autry   | B. L. Bridges    | Austin Crouch         |
| 1921 Pine Bluff                         | A. H. Autry   | R. L. Pridges    | Calvin B. Waller      |
| 1922Little Rock                         | A. H. Autry   | B. L. Bridges    | E. P. J. Garrott      |
| 1923Arkadelphia                         | A. H. Autry<br>G. W. Puryear<br>G. W. Puryear   | B. L. Bridges    | J. W. Hulsey          |
| 1924I.IIIIC KOCK                        | G. w. Puryear   | D. L. Bridges    | W. W. Kyzar           |
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Wooster-J. A. Batson.

## Harmony Association-

- Pine Bluff—First Church—Rev. S. E. Tull, Mrs. S. E. Tull. South Side Church—V. H. Coffman, V. E. Guess. Hazel Street Church—Mrs. W. A. Bobo.
  Dumas—Rev. W. H. Dyre, Mrs. W. H. Dyre, Mrs. L. N. Gary,
- Dumas—Rev. W. H. Dyre, Mrs. W. H. Dyre, Mrs. L. N. Gary, Mrs. J. D. Watts.

Humphrey-M. L. Moser, Mrs. M. L. Moser.

Rison—Rev. A. N. Stanfield, Miss Ruth Atkins, Miss Mamie McMurtrey.

#### Hope Association—

Columbus-Rev. A. F. Robinson.

- Bradley-J. M. Dalrymple, Mrs. Frank M. Cochran.
- Lewisville-Rev. Fred H. Ward.
- Stamps-Rev. L. M. Keeling.
- Texarkana—Rev. O. J. Wade, Mrs. J. H. McLain, Mary Winham. College Hill Church—Rev. L. B. Burnside, Mrs. L. B. Burnside, L. Q. Orr, J. M. Valentine.

#### Independence Association—

Batesville—First Church—John Q. Wolf, Mrs. W. H. Walkup, Mrs. J. H. Kennery. West Batesville Church—Rev. T. J. D. King, Mrs. T. J. D. King. Newport-Rev. O. C. Wilcoxon, H. R. Mauzy.

#### Liberty Association—

Caledonia-A. Worthington, Maurice M. Hall.

Camden-Rev. H. E. Kirkpatrick, M. P. Watts.

Huttig-Mrs. G. C. Williams, Mrs. Florence Sharpe, Mrs. H. G.

Hughes, Rev. D. W. Bolton. El Dorado—Rev. T. D. Brown, J. M. Sheppard, Mrs. J. M. Sheppard, Mrs. J. B. Whorton, W. E. Rhodes, L. L. DeCon, Rev. A McPherson, Rev. J. T. Bridges.

# Little River Association-

Locksburg-I. N. Burnett. Mineral Springs-J. C. Davis. Ashdown—Rev. J. E. Merrell. Gillham—J. M. Holman. DeQueen-Rev. J. F. Queen. Nashville—A. H. Tyndale, Mrs. Jno. Power, Mrs. I. A. Shuf-field, Mrs. J. W. Shuffield, I. A. Shuffield, Rev. M. R. Gaddis.

#### Little Red River Association-

Heber Springs-Rev. L. Roy Ashley, Mrs. Pinkney Mabrey, Mrs. Mamie Neal.

# Madison County Association—

Hindsville-L. P. Thomas.

## Mt. Zion Association—

Manila-Rev. W. H. Horne. Parkin—Rev. C. F. McDonald. Earle—Rev. P. S. Rogers, Albert Horner. Wynne—J. W. Williams. Paragould—First Church—Rev. B. L. Bridges. Osceola-Rev. W. D. Byland. Blytheville-Rev. W. W. Kyzar, Mrs. E. E. Alexander, Rev. C. Hodge. Jonesboro-First Church-G. W. Puryear, Mrs. G. W. Puryear, Rev. L. D. Summers. Walnut Street Church-J. H. Tur-Harrisburg Church-Rev. W. J. Derrick. ner.

#### Ouachita Association—

Cove-T. J. Bass. Mena-W. E. Holt, Rev. Karl McClendon, Mrs. Ellis Goss, Ellis Goss. Vandervoort-J. B. Hammonds. Wickes-Wm. Lowrey.

## Pulaski Association—

Little Rock—First Church—C. A. Riley, Rev. L. M. Sipes, G. E. Hilliard, J. F. Tull, E. W. Otey. Second Church-Mrs J. G. Jackson, Rev. F. M. Masters, Rev. Calvin B. Waller, Mrs. F. M. Masters. Emmerson Chapel Church-Rev. J. H. Reynolds, Mrs. F. A. Anderson, J. Hall. South Highland Church—W. Dawson King. People's Church—Rev. Jno. F. Johnston, Karl C. Johnston, Mrs. E. N. Dees, J. D. Newton. Immanuel Church—J. B. Routh, Rev. W. P. Kime, Mrs. W. P. Kime, J. H. Estes, Mrs. J. H. Estes, Rev. Otto Whittington, Mrs. Otto Whittington, Mrs. W. S. Daniel, Mrs. C. E. Blaylock, Mrs. E. J. Carter, E. J. Carter, T. N. Mashburn, H. L. McFarland, Rev. E. Rawlings, Mrs. E. Rawlings, I. H. King, Rev. M. L. Voyles, Rowland W. Lawrence, Mrs. Rowland W. Lawrence, Mrs. J. L. Medlock, Rev. A. H. Autry, Mrs. A. H. Autry. Pulaski Heights Church—Rev. A. M. Rodgers, Rev. W. R. McEwen, Mrs. W. D. Pye, Rev. J. S. Rogers, Mrs. Alec Westbrook, Rev. J. S. Compere, H. V. Hamilton. Levy Church—R. M. Best. Jacksonville—J. R. Smith, Mrs. J. R. Smith, Mrs. H. Wade.

#### Red River Association-

Arkadelphia—First Church—Rev. H. L. Winburn, J. G. Lyle, Harry A. Borah, Miss Gladys Green, Mrs. L. C. Patterson, Mrs. J. C. Wallace, W. S. Johnson, Mrs. W. S. Johnson, Mrs. H. L. Winburn, J. D. Brock, A. M. Croxton, L. H. Davis, Mrs. C. P. Smith, J. R. Anders, Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Mrs. R. R. Fleming, Mrs. J. D. Brock. Sweet Hill Church —Rev. N. R. Townsend, J. R. Hart, Rev. T. B. Rouse, Geo. D. Burn, E. H. Acuff, Willard E. White. Mt. Bethel Church—S. M. Crawford.
Gurdon—Rev. Pat Murphy.

#### Russellville Association-

Clarksville—Rev. C. E. Azbill, Luster Simmons.
Atkins—Rev. E. J. A. McKinney, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney, Mrs. Sam Rorex, Mrs. C. R. Anderson.
Dover—Mrs. N. M. Campbell.
Hagarville—B. A. Ramey.
Lamar—J. W. Ramey, C. H. Girvin.
Pottsville—Mrs. Will Rankin.
Russellville—Mrs. R. O. Morton, Rev. C. V. Hickerson.

#### Rocky Bayou Association-

Sidney-W. E. Baker.

#### St. Francis County Association—

Forrest City-Rev. B. F. Davidson, Mrs. Earle F. Hodges.

#### Stone County Association-

Mountain Home-Blondie Webb.

#### Van Buren County Association-

Formosa—Maggie Evans, Sarah Goatcher, J. H. Evans. Arlberg—J. D. Reeves. Rocky Hill—T. W. Hayes, Claud Jenkins. Shirley—T. W. Harness.

#### Washington County Association—

Fayetteville—Rev. C. E. Wilbanks, Rev. C. D. Owen. Springdale—E. B. Cummings, M. L. McDowell, Autry Wilson, L. M. Riggs.

## White River Association—

Mountain Home—Ewel O. Bone, Mel King, Rev. H. D. Morton, Mrs. H. D. Morton, W. M. Cooper. Cotter—A. P. Elliff.

#### Unclassified—

Rev. W. L. Compere, Mrs. J. C. Alford, Mrs. Ruby Welch.

#### Visitors—

Rev. H. F. Vermillon, El Paso, Texas; Mrs. E. J. Teague, Rector, Ark.; Ruth Mizell, Arkadelphia, Ark.; J. W. Cammack, Birmingham, Ala.; Miss Rose David, Bebee, Ark.; Mrs. W. F. Robbins, Ozan; Ark.; Mrs. Lillian Mason, Jonesboro, Ark.; Harvey Knox, Monticello, Ark.; Mrs. C. R. Pugh, Monticello, Ark.; J. B. Cranfill, Dallas, Texas; J. F. Love, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. C. S. Voorheis, Little Rock, Ark.; Wm. Lunsford, Dallas, Texas.

# PROCEEDINGS.

1. The Arkansas Baptist State Convention met at the Second Baptist Church in Little Rock, Ark., at 9:00 A. M., November 19, 1924, and Bro. L. Roy Ashley of Heber Springs led the devotional service.

2. At 10:00 A. M. the Convention was called to order by the president, G. W. Puryear of Jonesboro, and was declared in session.

3. Messengers were immediately enrolled.

4. By motion and second, this enrollment was made the basis of organization.

5. The body then went into the election of officers, which were as follows:

President—G. W. Puryear, Jonesboro.

Vice Presidents—Dr. N. R. Townsend, Arkadelphia, and R. Carnahan, Pine Bluff.

Recording Secretary—B. L. Bridges, Paragould.

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

The Statistical Secretary—E. J. A. McKinney, Atkins.

6. By motion and second, the tentative program was accepted to be followed until the committee on Order of Business could report.

7. The following named visitors were introduced: Dr. J. F. Love, Richmond, Va.; Dr. J. B. Cranfill and Wm. Lunsford, Dallas, Tex.; E. P. Aldridge, Nashville, Tenn.; H. F. Vermillon, El Paso, Texas.

8. New pastors were introduced as follows: T. H. Jordon, First Church, Helena; A. P. Elliff, Cotter; R. C. Floyd, Black Rock; G. C. Faulkner, Corning; G. C. Bridges, El Dorado; W. P. Clark, Calvary Church, Fort Smith; C. E. Wilbanks, Fayetteville; W. F. Ferguson, Stuttgart; J. W. Nelson, Branch; Carl McClendon, Mena; W. G. Winans, Harrison; W. H. Dyer, Dumas; I. N. Burnette, Locksburg; M. R. Gaddis, Nashville; G. W. Holcomb, A. S. Harwell, Central Church, Hot Springs; M. King, Mountain Home; A. F. Robertson, Columbus; C. E. Azbill, Clarksville; E. L. Cole, Morrilton.

9. The welcome address was delivered by Dr. C. B. Waller, the host of the Convention, and the response was given by D. S. Campbell, president of Central College.

10. At this juncture, the children of the Masonic Orphanage at Batesville were presented to the Convention as visitors and were duly recognized by the body.

11. A resolution by Dr. J. S. Compere asking for a special committee to formulate a doctrinal statement to be signed by employees of the Convention, its boards and institutions, was adopted.

12. By motion ands econd, E. J. A. McKinney, Giles C. Taylor and H. E. Kirkpatrick were asked to serve as Publicity Committee.

13. The annual sermon was preached by W. W. Kyzar of Blytheville. His text was Esther 4:14, and his subject was "Great Crises Are Taken Care of by Great People."

14. The order of business was read by T. H. Jordon, and the Convention adjourned for lunch.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

15. At 2:00 P. M. the president called the Convention to order, and Bro. J. H. Turner led in prayer.

# 16. The Committees were announced.

17. The report of the State Mission Board was read by its corresponding secretary, Dr. F. M. Masters. It is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE STATE MISSION BOARD.

To the Messengers of the Baptist churches of Arkansas assembled in Little Rock, November 19th to 21st, 1924, in the Seventy-first Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, the State Mission Board presents this third annual report to this Convention with the abiding conviction that State Missions is fundamental to the life and progress of all our denominational work. State Missions has to do with making and baptizing disciples, establishing them in "the faith" and "good works," strengthening the churches and enlisting them in all the things commanded by the great Head of the Church.

We are filled with a sense of gratitude to Almighty God for His abounding favor upon every department of the work during the year. Every phase of the work has been enlarged, and a new department added. Meetings of great power have been held by the evangelists, and thousands of souls have been won to the Saviour. The work of enlistment has been extended and many churches have been made more efficient. We rejoice in the splendid work being done by the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. workers. The Mountain Mission Schools are well manned with principals and teachers, and are proving a mighty blessing to the great mission sections where they are located. The Budget Department is becoming a fixed policy of work, and proving a real help to the churches in setting up a more efficient system of finance. The year has been characterized by problems and difficulties, but the Lord leads.

#### Some Items of Administration.

When the State Mission Board was organized three years ago the department of administration was clearly indicated so that all matters pertaining to the office work might be reported to this Convention.

#### **Board Meetings.**

During the year there has been held two regular Board meetings. The first was held in December, when the years' program was made, and the second meeting was held in June. The Board was organized at its first meeting with r. D. Brown, President; Otto Whittington, Vice President; W. C. Wood, Secretary; A. M. Rodgers, Treasurer. T. D. Brown, Perry F. Webb, S. E. Tull, W. C. Wood, Otto Whittington, C. B. Waller and A. M. Rodgers were elected Executive Committee. F. M. Masters was elected Corresponding Secretary for the year with authority to employ adequate office help.

#### Appropriations.

The Executive Board of the Convention appropriated to the State Mission Board \$70,000 with which to operate the State Mission program, and this amount to be increased by the offerings taken in revival meetings by the evangelists extra of the 75 Million Campaign. The Bible Schools were transferred to the State Mission Board by the Executive Board and \$600 was allowed for their support.

Your Board conducted eleven of these schools with considerable difficulty on account of bad weather, and much sickness throughout the state at that season. These Bible Schools should be conducted at a season of the year and in a way that would be more convenient to our preachers than is the present method.

The appropriation was distributed to the various departments of work as follows:

| Administration                           | \$ 9,000.'00 |
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| Sunday School and B. Y. P. U             | 9,000.00     |
| Evangelists and Association Missionaries | 21,000.00    |
| Pastors' Supplement                      | 14,000.00    |
| Negro Work                               | 1,000.00     |
| Bible Schools                            | 6'00.00      |
| Budget Department                        | 3,600.00     |
| Mountain Schools                         | 16,012.85    |

#### Administration Expense.

The Administration expense of operating the work for the entire year is as follows:

| Office Salaries\$2          | ,273.63 |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Postage                     | 212.47  |
| Rent                        | 490.00  |
| Office Supplies             | 541.00  |
| Telegraph and Telephone     | 291.11  |
| Miscellaneous Expense       | 222.57  |
| Board Meeting               | 565.65  |
| Bill Payable, November Rent | 65.00   |
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Total....\$4,662.33

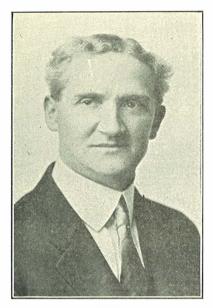
The total expense of administration including salary and expense of the Corresponding Secretary is \$8,504.49, leaving a balance of \$495.51. This balance will be reduced by bills payable for November.

#### Report of Corresponding Secretary.

During the year the Corresponding Secretary has given his time to office and field work. Days given to office work 139; days given to field work 188. There has been sent out from the office 4,196 letters and 2,975 other pieces of mail, including circular letters and packages of tracts. The Corresponding Secretary has conducted seven revival meeting, visited 56 churches in the interest of the work, assisted four churches in putting on the Budget, made twenty visits to the Mountain Schools, attended eleven denominational gatherings, including conventions, rallies, board meetings, and delivered 250 sermons and addresses.

In the revival meetings conducted there were witnessed ninetyseven professions of faith; sixty-nine accessions to the churches by baptism; fifty-eight by letter; making a total of one hundred and twenty-seven. There was also collected in these meetings \$1,162,-82 for State Missions and \$278.95 for 75 Million Campaign, a total of \$1,441.77, besides the money collected for other purposes during the year. The administration work of the Board has greatly increased this year, due to the constant enlargement of the duties of the Corresponding Secretary.

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J. S. ROGERS Little Rock General Secretary Executive Board

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L. D. SUMMERS Little Rock Assistant General Secretary Executive Board



F. M. MASTERS Little Rock Secretary of State Mission Board



E. J. A. MCKINNEY Atkins Statistical Secretary of the Convention

#### The Department of Evangelism.

Evangelism is the very heart of the State Mission work. Evangelism is making and baptizing disciples and making them efficient church members. Evangelism is carried on by the State Mission Board through State and District Evangelists supported entirely out of State Mission funds, through Association Missionares supported in part out of the State Mission funds, and in part by the Association, through Missionary-pastors whose salaries are supplemented out of State Mission funds, and also through Missionary workers among the negroes supported in part out of State Mission funds.

#### State and District Evangelists.

It is a well adopted policy of your Board to employ as many State Evangelists whose territory comprises the entire state, and also Evangelists whose labors are confined in a measure to definite sections, as the funds will permit.

M. L. Voyles and Rowland Lawrence were elected State Evangelists at the beginning of the year and have served well.

L. D. Summers was also elected State Evangelist, but declined to accept. A suitable man has not been found available to serve as another State Evangelist.

Four District Evangelists were elected and have served the entire yar as follows—C. D. Owen, Fayetteville; Giles C. Taylor, Conway; J. N. Hulsey, Mt. Ida; E. Rawlings, Little Rock.

These State and District workers report 428 baptisms and 690 accessions to the churches. They have cost the Board in salaries and expenses \$16,693.35, but have collected for State Missions \$4,744.36, for the 75 Million Campaign \$5,300.95, total \$10,045.31 collected.

#### Associational Missionaries.

According to the action of the Convention at Arkadelphia the State Mission Board was definitely committed to the policy of cooperating with Association Boards in the support of their Missionaries according to certain conditions. It is the Board's policy to aid financially those Associations which are striving with a fixed purpose to man with pastors as rapidly as possible the churches within their bounds and keep them manned. "The ecclesiastical unit of the Kingdom of God on Earth is the local church," and the most effective way of advancing the cause of Christ is to plant churches and make them strong. The Association Missionary, therefore, should be both an evangelist and an enlistment man. Each Association should have a program of evangelism and enlistment. It is the policy of the State Mission Board to co-operate with Associations in making effective such a program. The Association Missionary should co-operate with the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. department, with the Budget department, and in leading the churches to support the whole denominational program.

The State Board co-operated with the following Associations this year in the support of twenty Missionaries, who have served on an average of five and one-half months during the year:

Name, Association and Time Served.

W. A. Bishop, Buckner, 12 months. J. F. Bow, Crooked Creek, 12 months.

Geo. D. Burns. Red River. 3 months. Allen B. Cooper, Rocky Bayou, 2 months. Roscoe Cooper, Rocky Bayou, 2 months. C. E. Cullom, Mt. Zion, Woodruff County, 12 months. W. L. Compere, Pike County, 8 months. Wallace Ely, Fourche Valley, 2 1-3 months. T. W. Harness, Van Buren County, 3½ months. Walter Hayes, Van Buren County, 2 months. J. M. Holman, Little River, 11 months. G. E. Holt, Carey, 81/2 months. Claud Jenkins, Van Buren County, 2 months. J. H. Lauck, Carroll County, Special S. S. Work, 2 months. C. M. Myrick, Current River, 1 month. W. H. McCuistion, White River, 8 months. L. A. Robertson, Russellville, 12 months. J. B. Rose, Carroll County, 12 months. R. H. Rust, Caddo River, 1 month. Dewey Stark, Little Red River, 2 months.

These Missionaries reported to November 1st, 427 baptisms and 553 additions to the churches. They collected \$645.53 for State Missions, \$2,300.89 for the 75 Million Campaign, \$1,130.78 for Association Missions, making a total of \$4,077.20. The State Board will spend on Association Missions \$5,853.21, including November salaries.

#### Missionary-Pastors or Pastors' Supplement.

The following recommendation was adopted one year ago as some governing principles to be followed in supplementing pastors' salaries: "It shall be the policy of the State Mission Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention to assist the churches where assistance is needed. Application blanks must be filled out and approved by the church in conference, and placed on file with this Board before aid will be granted. It is hoped, however, that

Board before aid will be granted. It is hoped, however, that no church will ask aid from this Board unless it is very clearly and positively needed, and that need very pressing. There are so many calls for aid where the cause is in distressing conditions, that the Board must use great care in distributing its limited funds for this item of its work. It is further urged that every church requesting aid shall carefully take an every member canvass, adopt the "Budget" plan of finance, and at the earliest possible moment become self-supporting, thereby making it possible for the funds to be used on a more needy field. When help is needed to put on an every member canvass and adopt the "Budget" plan, this Board will be glad to send a man to help to do this work."

The State Mission Board appropriated \$14,000 to assist churches this year in the support of their pastors, where, in the judgment of the Board it would count for the most. The salaries of sixty-seven pastors have been supplemented during the year, supplying eighty-eight churches and preaching places. There has been expended on the salaries of these pastors, including salaries for November, \$12,832.15, ranging from \$5 to \$50 per month each.

These Missionary-Pastors have collected for State Missions \$1,165.79, for 75 Million Campaign \$8,319.53, Orphans' Home \$2,004.64, Ouachita Endowment \$1,199.64, a total of \$12,689.60 collected by Missionary-Pastors. They report 1,139 for baptism, and 2, 018 total additions to the churches.

The following pastors received supplements on their salaries this year:

#### Name, Church and Months Served.

- S. B. Barnett, Clarksville, Ogden, 8 months.
- J. T. Benson, Wilton, Alleene, 12 months. O. D. Bradshaw, Cove, 12 months.
- S. W. Bray, Old Mt. Zion, 10 months.

- L. B. Burnside, College Hill, Texarkana, 12 months.
   J. V. Chandler, Womble, 10 months.
   W. M. Cooper, Melbourne and Mt. Pleasant, 8 months.
- W. M. Cooper, Mountain Home, 4 months.
- C. E. Cullom, McCrory, 12 months.
- L. H. Davis, Third Baptist Church, Malvern, 5 months.
- A. J. Deason, Brush Creek, 7 months.
- W. J. Derrick, Brookland, 12 months.
- Troy Eoff, Jasper, 7 months. G. H. Edwards, Black Springs and Big Fork, 12 months.
- J. T. Eskridge, Conway Second, 8 months.
- Blake Smith, Conway Second, 5 months.
- Clyde Faulkner, Corning, 11 months.
- Robert C. Floyd, Black Rock, 12 months.
- J. B. Hammonds, Vandervoort and Wickes, 12 months.
- H. E. Harris, Parkin, 1 month.
- J. G. Harris, Leachville, 12 months,

- A. M. Herrington, Willow, 7 months.
  W. H. Horn, Black Water, 2 months.
  S. A. Jarvis, New Liberty and Bayou, Bartholomew, 12 months.
- W. M. Jones, Bellview, 3 months.
- R. C. Loyd, London and East Point, 12 months.
- Geo. H. Lewis, Pottsville, 5 months.
- H. E. Marsh, South Fort Smith, 1 month.
- W. H. Merideth, New Hope, 3 months.
- W. J. McConaghie, Liberty, 7 months. W. R. McEwen, Pocahontas, 9 months.
- E. J. A. McKinney, Atkins, 12 months.
- J. M. McNabb, Sulphur Springs, 8 months. R. W. Nall, Plainview and New Bethany, 10 months.
- G. I. Northcutt, Salem and Mammoth Spring, 31/2 months.
- T. M. Norris, Centerton and Gravette, 9 months.
- W. B. O'Neal, O'neal, Cushman and Floral, 9 months.
- J. F. Parker, Baptist Ford and Fall Creek, 12 months.
- E. Poindexter, Holly Grove and Vimy Ridge, 10 months.
- J. R. Barnett, Holly Grove, 2 months.
- J. W. Ramay, Lamar, Spadra and Pittsburg, 12 months. L. E. Rambo, Hatfield, 12 months.
- J. H. Reynolds, Emerson Chapel, 12 months.
- J. C. Richey, Vanndale, 7 months. C. C. Roberts, Mt. Ida, 12 months. Jno. F. Rose, Hardy, 7 months.
- J. K. Smith, Jacksonville, 12 months.
- M. C. Steward, Alma, 12 months. L. C. Tedford, Glenwood and Rosboro, 8½ months.
- Joe A. Thompson, Spring Grove and Bethel Station, 11 months. L. P. Thomas, Hindsville, 5 months.
- Jas. H. Tudor, Mt. Hersey and Shady Grove, 8 months.
- Chas. D. Tibbels, Imboden, 12 months.
- F. P. Turner, Knoxville, 3 months.
- F. P. Turner, Salem, 9 months.
- F. F. Weaver, Johnsonview and Concord, 12 months.

J. H. Turner, Jonesboro, Walnut Street, 12 months.

- J. H. Wheeler, Hazel Street, Pine Bluff, 4 months.
- O. C. Wilcoxon, Newport, 8 months.

C. T. Willson, North Jonesboro, 8 months.

- W. G. Winans, Harrison, 11 months.
- F. A. Whiteley, Hoxie, 9½ months. W. Q. Young, Hampton, 1 month.

The department of Evangelism, which includes the work of Evangelists. Association Missionaries and Missionary-Pastors, report:

| Number of Workers98Number Days Labored15,006Number Religious Visits13,152Number Services Held9,985Number Sermons and Addresses10,237Number Revivals Conducted182Number Professions Witnessed2,829Number Received for Baptism2,132Number Received by Letter and Statement1,384Total Additions3,516Sunday Schools Organized17B. Y. P. U.'s Organized20Number Subscriptions to Advance1,139Number Subscriptions to Royal Service81Number Ministers Ordained10Collected on State Missions10Collected on 75 Million Campaign14,058.97 |
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| Collected on Ouachita Endowment 1,199.64<br>Collected on Orphans' Home 2.043.64  |
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| Confected on Association Missions  |
| Total Collected for All Purposes\$28,458.24  |

#### Work Among the Negroes.

The Board appropriated \$1,000 to work among the Negroes. This amount was appropriated as follows:

| R. W. Patterson, Corresponding Secretary              | \$400.00   |
|---|------------|
| O. C. Thomas, Bible Teacher in Arkansas Baptist Colle | ge\$300.00 |
| S. C. Collings, Missionary                            | \$15'0.00  |
| S. L. Woolfolk, Missionary                            | \$150.00   |

Our Negro brethren make a fine showing this year. It is the judgment of your Board that this amount has been well invested.

#### The Department of the Budget.

This new department of work was added to the State Mission Board at the meeting of the Convention one year ago at Arkadelphia. The establishment of this department is a result of a growth in the minds of our Baptist people of the idea of systematic benevolence reaching back to the beginning of the 75 Million Campaign. The department had its origin in a recommendation to the Convention two years ago, viz.: "That the Convention direct the Executive Board to consider the advisability of employing a man to give all his time to the promotion of Stewardship, Tithing, and Systematic giving among our people, and if it is deemed feasible the Board be authorized to employ another worker." The Executive Board made the following recommendation to the same Convention: "That Study Classes on a large scale, in Christian Stewardship be put on in every church in the State; That all churches adopt the Budget plan of financing local and denominational work, and that each church have two Budgets; That the Executive Board feel at liberty and authorized, if they deem it wise, to employ a good man as Stewardship and Budget Director for the State."

Early in the year in pursuance of this recommendation, the Executive Board duly constituted the Department contemplated and elected Dr. J. F. Tull, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Albany, Mississippi, to take over the direction of the work. At the Convention one year ago at Arkadelphia the department was duly defined, as the Budget Department, and the head of the Department was designated as Budget Director, and was instructed to give his full and exclusive time to teaching the churches how to adopt and to run the unified Budget Plan as a method of Finance, and as an expression of Stewardship in their local work, and in co-operation with the program of the denomination.

This Convention recommended furthermore, "That this Convention unqualifiedly endorse the plan of Unified, Systematic Finance as the approved policy of this Convention, and recommends to the churches its application in all their financial plans both for local and denominational support.

Second, That as rapidly as possible the Boards and Institutions of this Convention shall conform their methods to the plan so that there may occur no conflict in the denominational methods with the uniform systematic methods to be instituted by the churches.

Third, That this Convention commend to the churches the adoption of what is herein described as "The Unified Budget Plan" of systematic giving for their local support and for the support of the denomination.

Fourth, That this Convention hereby invites the fullest cooperation of the pastors and other church workers with the work of this department in a thorough study of the plans in all details."

Thus it will be seen from the above recommendations made to and adopted by the last Convention, that the department of the Budget was well defined and chartered. The motion prevailed at the same Convention that the work of the Budget, and all enlistment work be committed to the State Mission Board. So your State Mission Board was confronted with this new department of work at its first meeting in December. Dr. J. F. Tull was elected Budget Director and his department of work was designated Budget Department.

The Executive Committee of the State Mission Board adopted the following: "That all workers in the employ of the State Mission Board be requested to Budget churches according to the plan outlined by the Budget Director, reporting to him the results. Furthermore, that the Budget Director's plan be recommended to the churches at large throughout the state." "That the Budget Director get out a tract setting forth the plan to be followed by the churches in putting on the Budget." Dr. Tull has filled the year full of work in this important department. Your Board recognizes that the work committed to the Budget Director is foundation work, and necessarily will be of slow progress. A full report of his work will be made by the Budget Director to this Convention.

#### The Department of the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U.

There was appropriated at the first meeting of the Board \$8,500 for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U., and \$500 was added in the June meeting for Summer work, making \$9,000 for the year. H. V. Hamilton was elected Secretary of the Department. E. S. Campbell was elected Field Secretary. A strong corps of workers were employed for the rural work as follows: Beulah Thornton, J. H. Lauck, Genevieve Tims, Harry Borah, J. M. McMahen, Eva Hodges, E. W. Westmoreland, Helen Shaw and Norah Barlow.

The total cost of the department is as follows:

State Mission Appropriation .....\$ 9,000.00 Sunday School Board Appropriation .... 1,485.75

#### Total....\$10,485.75

A full report of the work of the Department will be made to this Convention by Secretary H. V. Hamilton.

#### The Department of Mountain Schools.

During the first six months of the year the State Mission Board operated six Mountain Schools under the direction of Prof. H. D. Morton as Superintendent: Mountain Home College, Moentain Home, Baxter County; Mt. Ida Academy, Mt. Ida, Montgomery County; Newton County Academy, Parthenon, Newton County; Hagarville Academy, Hagarville, Johnson County, near Clarksville; Carroll County Institute, Blue Eye, Mo., Carroll County; Maynard Academy, Maynard, Randolph County.

The following resolution was adopted at the Convention one year ago concerning Mountain Home College: "That in order to consolidate the grounds covered by and make good the claims.involved in the announcement of Mountain Home as a Junior College, the Convention shall name a Board of Trustees separate and apart from its other School Boards which shall be charged with the operation and control of the said institution, and the selection of officers and faculty therefor, and which Board shall be answerable to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention direct. This action to take effect at the close of the Spring term of 1924."

Signed by Executive Committee.

The committee on Mountain Schools submitted the following report to the State Mission Board at its first meeting, which was adopted as a policy of the Board for this year:

1. That the management of Mountain Schools remain as at present until the close of the present school term, or June 1st.

2. That the selection of faculties, setting up of the work for the full term of 1924, be placed in the hands of the State Mission Secretary, and the local Boards of the different schools.

3. That the Superintendency of Mountain Schools be put under the Secretary of State Missions until the meeting of the State Convention of 1924. The State Mission Board appropriated to Mountain Schools:

1. For Maintenance:

|                | Mountain Home College, six months<br>Maynard Academy, full year<br>Carroll County Institute, full year<br>Newton County Academy, full year<br>Hagarville Academy, full year<br>Mt. Ida Academy, full year | 990.'00<br>1,595.00<br>1,255.00<br>845.00 |
|----------------|---|---|
| 2.<br>3.<br>4. | Total for Maintenance<br>For Repairs<br>For Supt. Salary and Expense, six months<br>For Insurance<br>Total  | 2,372.00<br>1,800.00<br>1,026.35          |

How this amount has been expended see financial exhibit. Appropriation to Mountain Home College:

| For  | Six  | Months   |      |   |   |       |   |     |   |   |   | . \$ | 5,979.50 |
|------|------|----------|------|---|---|-------|---|-----|---|---|---|------|----------|
| Paid | to 1 | Mountain | Home | • | • | <br>• | • | • • | • | • | • | •    | 5,866.18 |

#### Balance \$ 113.32

Prof. H. D. Morton closed his work as Superintendent of all the schools June 10th, and since that time has been giving all hih time to the presidency of Mountain Home College. F. M. Masters, Corresponding Secretary, was elected to represent the Board as Superintendent of the Schools beginning June 1st, to do the work formerly done by Prof. Morton until the meeting of the Convention.

#### The Auditor's Report.

The Mountain School books were audited according to the policy of the Convention, being a department of the State Mission Board. The following is a statement from the auditor:

"Dr. F. M. Masters, Secretary, State Mission Board, Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

As instructed, we have completed the audit of the books and records of the Ozark Mountain Schools of Arkansas for the session 1923-1924, and hand you herewith report of our examinations.

We found that all funds handled were properly accounted for, but the manner in which the records were kept, made it very difficult to gather the information in the preparation of this report. We found that the books and records were entirely inadequate kept mainly on a single entry basis, necessitating a great deal of additional work in changing it to a complete double entry record.

The outside schools kept practically no books, other than incomplete monthly reports, making it very difficult to arrive at the true conditions in each case. In this connection, we would strongly recommend the immediate installation of a system of accounts under one set of books, covering these five outside schools. This set of books could be kept at the Little Rock office, since they have been separated from the Mountain Home College, under a system of detailed, cumulative, monthly reports from each school. With reference to Mountain Home College, we have installed a cash journal with complete instructions for its handling, and if properly kept, will provide ample records, which could be audited in the minimum time. Also, we would recommend that on account of Professor Morton having his hands full with the duties as President of Mountain Home College, provision be made for the employment and payment of a Secretary-Bookkeeper to take this detail work off his shoulders.

Prof. Morton runs the boarding department, personally, and there is no inomce to the college from the dormitory from room rent or board.

Very respectfully,

TAYLOR E. CRESS, Certified Public Accountant."

According to the auditor's report the total cost of operating the six Mountain Schools last session, September 1923 to June 1924, was \$32,855.56, including maintenance, insurance, and superintendent's salary. The State Mission Board of this Convention provided \$13,914.74 of this amount, and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention provided \$4,800.00, making a total of \$18,714.74 furnished by the two Boards.

The cost of operating Mountain Home College last session was \$12,884.04. Of this amount the State Mission Board paid \$5,048.34 and the Home Mission Board paid \$1,200.00, making a total of \$6,248.34 from the two Boards. Tuition received \$9,071.94.

The cost of operating Carroll County Institute was \$4,451.20. The State Mission Board paid \$2,431.38 of this amount and the Home Mission Board \$1,000, making a total of \$3,431.38 from the two Boards. Tuition received \$1,24'0.02.

The cost of operating Newton County Academy was \$3,265.50. The State Mission Board paid \$1,730.47 of this amount and the Home Board \$1,000, making a total of \$2,730.47. Tuition received \$842.93.

The cost of operating Maynard Academy was \$4,606.53. Of this amount the State Mission Board paid \$1,514.24 and the Home Mission Board \$800, making a total of \$2,314.24 from the two Boards. Tuition received \$2,191.84.

The cost of operating Hagarville Academy was \$3,708.91, not including the amount received from the public school fund. The State Mission Board paid \$1,476.96 of this amount, and the Home Mission Board paid \$800, making a total of \$2,276.96. Tuition received \$1,692.50.

The cost of operating Mt. Ida Academy was \$3,940.38. Of this amount the State Mission Board paid \$1,173.15. Tuition received \$2,230.50.

The amount paid by the State Mission Board to each school included the pro-rata part of the Superintendent's salary for each school of \$499.67.

#### The Enrollment.

The enrollment of all the schools last session, closing June 1, was 734, including all grades.

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The enrollment to date of the present session in each school to November 1 is: Maynard Academy, not co-operating with Public School. 5th to 8th Grades ..... 44 9th to 12th Grades ..... 69 Total ..... 113 Ministerial Students ..... 2 Qualifying for Teachers ..... 18 Newton County Academy, co-operating with Public School. Below 5th Grade .... Totai ..... 104 Ministerial Students ..... 0 7 Qualifying for Teachers ..... Mt. Ida Academy, not co-operating with Public School. 8th Grade 9 9th to 12th Grades ..... 53 Total .... 62 Ministerial Students ..... 12 Qualifying for Teachers ..... 10 Hagarville Academy, co-operating with Public School. 5th Grade down ..... 70 6th to 8th Grades ..... 29 Total ..... 136 Ministerial Students ..... 1 Qualifying for Teachers ..... 11 Carroll County Institute, not co-operating with Public School. 5th Grade down 16 6th to 8th Grades ..... 19 9th to 12th Grades ..... 33 Total ..... 68 Ministerial Students ..... 1 Number Enrolled in 9th to 12th Grades 216 Number Enrolled Below 9th Grade .... 267 Total Number Enrolled ..... 483 Ministerial Students ..... 16 Preparing for Teachers ..... 52

#### The Principals and Faculties.

There are employed this session in the five schools twenty-two teachers and five principals. Mt. Ida Academy, J. E. McPeake, Principal, and four teachers; Hagarville Academy, Burl A. Ramay, Principal, and six teachers; Maynard Academy, C. M. Myrick, Principal, and five teachers; Newton County Academy, W. T. Burdine, Principal, and four teachers; Carroll County Institute, J. H. Lauck, Principal, and three teachers.

#### Titles.

The Convention, one year ago, recommended that all titles of the Mountain Schools not already vested in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, be transferred at once. This has been done under the direction of Judge W. R. Donham, the Convention's attorney.

The Legal Committee, W. E. Atkinson, Carroll D. Wood and Geo. W. Emerson, met November 7th and went over the titles briefly.

The title of Maynard Academy was in Ouachita College, and has been transferred to the Convention, but there is no abstract to this property.

The title to Hagarville Academy was in H. D. Morton, Trustee, and has been transferred to the Convention, but there is no abstract to this property.

The deed to the original property of Carroll County Institute on which the building is located was lost, and not being on record, a substitute deed was made; but there is no abstract to this property. The deed of the property to Carroll County Institute purchased later was corrected and recorded. The abstract is complete and passed on.

The property to Newton County Academy was originally deeded to the Convention, but the abstract shows there is a government loan against the entire property of \$800, and some errors that need to be corrected.

All titles of Mountain Home College, not vested in the Convention, has been transferred, and abstracts to all the property at Mountain Home are in hand.

The status of the titles of the Mountain Schools will be presented to this Convention by Hon. W. E. Atkinson, Chairman of the Legal Committee, appointed one year ago, consisting of: W. E. Atkinson, Geo. W. Emmerson and Carroll D. Wood.

The following is the report as presented by the Legal Committee:

We, your Legal Committee, beg leave to report as follows, towit: In pursuance to the instructions of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention at its session in 1923, we have partially inspected the papers in the hands of Dr. F. M. Masters, our State Mission Secretary, relating to the titles to the lands on which are located our several Mountain Schools, and have found that deeds have been made purporting to convey said lands in separate conveyance to the Executive Board of said Convention.

We also saw some abstracts of title to certain of said tracts of land, and the opinion of W. R. Donham, Esq., as to their sufficiency, but we find that these abstracts are in certain respects insufficient, and that abstracts to the other tracts should be had and we think that the same can be best done through an attorney employed and empowered to do that work.

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We therefore recommend that the State Mission Board be authorized and instructed to employ W. R. Donham, Esq., or some other good lawyer, to obtain abstracts of titles to each of the said tracts of land involved and to take such steph as may be necessary to perfect and clear the titles to said tracts in said Board.

We further beg leave to advise that proper steps be taken to ascertain the condition of the titles to the several tracts on which the other and older institutions, which are operated under the authority of the Convention, are located.

W. E. Atkinson. Geo. W. Emmerson. Committee.

#### Financial Exhibit.

#### Statement of Revenues and Expenses

Dec. 1, 1923, to Nov. 30, 1924.

| Revenues—                      |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Executive Board Appropriated\$ | 7'0,000.00 |
| Bible School                   | 600.00     |
| Field Collection               | 5,520.70   |
| Old Accounts Recovered         | 153.60     |

\$76,274.30

| Expenditures—                              |     |
|--|-----|
| Mountain Schools\$16,818.13                |     |
| Pastors' Supplement 12,894.83              |     |
| District Evangelism 11,355.97              |     |
| Sunday School and B. Y. P. U 9,000.00      |     |
| Administration                             |     |
| Association Missions                       |     |
| State Evangelism 5,512.96                  |     |
| Budget Director 3,463.33                   |     |
| Negro Work                                 |     |
| Bible Schools                              |     |
| Depreciation Office Furn. & Fixtures 56.55 |     |
| Tents, written off 250.00                  |     |
| Total Expenditures                         | \$7 |

Excess Revenues over Expenditures-Surplus for Year Ending Nov. 30, 1924 ... \$75,899.71

374.59

\$76.274.30

Approved by State Mission Board in regular session November 18, 1924, at Little Rock, Ark.

Otto Whittington, Vice President, B. L. Bridges, Secretary Protem.F. M. Masters, Corresponding Secy.

18. Bro. H. F. Vermillon of El Paso, Texas, addressed the Convention in the interest of The Southern Baptist Tubercular Sauitarium.

19. The report of the Budget Director, Dr. J. F. Tull, was read and accepted. It is as follows:

#### REPORT OF BUDGET DIRECTOR.

Your Budget Director submits, for your information, the following summary of his personal activities December 1, 1923, to November 18, 1924, inclusive:

#### **Regular** Activities.

Days Labored 306. This includes every day of the year with the exception of seventeen days during the latter part of June and the first part of July, when he was disabled from work by and attack of bronchitis.

Sermons and Addresses Delivered 240. This includes all sermons preached, and addresses delivered, whether in church engagements, Associational meetings, or in some special activity.

Miles Traveled 15,764. This mileage is computed on the basis of the whole amount spent for railroad fare, divided by 2 4-10, the rate paid per mile by all those who hold clergy permits.

Churches Visited 44—as follows: Vimey Ridge, Eudora, Stuttgart, DeWitt, College Hill Texarkana, Arkansas City, Booneville, Brinkley, Hope, Second Hot Springs, Siloam Springs, Cotton Plant, New Hope Dallas County, Hatfield, Plainview, Augusta, Fayetteville, Mountain Home, Harrison, Dardanelle, Scranton, Paris, Mansfield, Magazine, Pottsville, England, Star City, Hoxie, McCrory, Sparkman, Emerson's Chapel Little Rock, Springdale, Prothro Camp Ground Pulaski County, Swifton, Pulaski Heights Little Rock, Immanuel Little Rock, Ohio Street Pine Bluff, Rison, Fordyce, Prosperity Dallas County, Blytheville, Ashdown and Thornton.

Associations Attended 14-as follows: Madison County, Benton County, White River, Independence, Central, Harmony, Buckville, Bartholomew, Russellville, Pulaski County, Little River, Red River, Mt. Zion, Buckner and Carey. These Associational visits brought the Budget Director to the churches at Hindsville, Centerton, Norfork, Sulphur Rock, Benton, Humphreys, Mt. Tabor Garland County, Crossett, Clarksville, Plainview, Nashville, Gurdon, Wynne, Pleasant Grove Sebastian County and Fordyce. If these visits might be counted, and if repeated visits to some four or five churches might be counted, then the Director has made as many as 63 church visits during these 306 days in which he has had a chance to be active in the work. He has managed to make as large improvement of his visits to the Associations as possible, and has succeeded in ingratiating the budgeting work with hundreds of people in the various sections of the state visited. In this connection it should be said that several more Associations could have been visited by the Director if his work could have had the recognition which is given to other departments of our state work by the Associations.

Letters Written 272. These letters have all been written to brethren on the field, and have all been directly concerned with the question of church organization and methods.

Study Classes Conducted 32. These classes have been conducted at the following places: Eudora, Stuttgart, DeWitt, Vimey Ridge, College Hill Texarkana, Arkansas City, Booneville, Brinkley, Hoxie, Siloam Springs, Cotton Plant, New Hope Dallas County, Hatfield, Plainview, Augusta, Forrest City, Fayetteville, Mountain Home, Harrison, Dardanelle, Pottsville, McCrory, Sparkman, Emerson's Chapel Little Rock, Siloam Springs Assembly, Immanuel Little Rock, Pulaski Heights Little Rock, Springdale, Swifton, Rison, Blytheville and Ashdown. It should be stated that these classes varied in length from one lesson to eight, and that in the main they were conducted without any text in the hands of the people, but were all based upon the book on the Budget Plan which was adopted by this Convention in its 1923 session, with free reference of course to other well authenticated books as collateral.

Church Budgets Superintended 10. These were put on at the following places: DeWitt, College Hill Texarkana, Booneville, Siloam Springs, Cotton Plant, Sparkman, Hatfield, Fayetteville, Pottsville and Hoxie. In the case of Sparkman we were not able to stay on the field until the canvass was made, but we were able to do so in the other cases. Some of the other churches which were visited managed to install their budgets without the assistance of the Director, and some which were not visited by him at all, we learn, have organized themselves for work and put over their everymember canvasses in good form. The Director has endeavored to procure a list of all the churches in the state which have gone on the budget during the year, but has failed to get the co-operation of the brethren to a sufficient degree to make any definite report here.

Full Columns of Matter Written for The Baptist Advance 85. In these articles, which have appeared in the Baptist Advance from week to week without exception during the entire year, the Budget Director has done his best to place before Baptist Advance readers some constructive thinking concerning the whole question of Baptist Church organization and methods. To what extent these articles have been read we are not able to say. Some few brethren have at least paid enough attention to them to criticise their length, but so far no brother has regarded them as weighty enough to criticize their matter. At any rate we venture to hope that our pains have not been altogether lost.

Tracts Written and Published from the Office 1. This tract, which is entitled "Some Budget Directions" was written in obedience to a resolution passed by the State Mission Board, and was designed as a guide to the churches in the installation of the Unified Budget, and, barring a couple of typographical errors which slipped by us in the proof reading, is a clear statement of the case, and deserves to be read by all our pastors and other leaders. This tract may be obtained without charge by applying to the State Mission Board office.

#### Special Activities.

As essential to his good understanding of his task, and as enabling him to better discharge the duties of his office, the Budget Director attended the Arkansas Baptist State Convention at Arkadelphia, Ark., December 12-14, 1923, the Layman's Conference in Memphis, Tenn., February 12-14, 1924, the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta, Ga., May 13-17, 1924, the joint meeting of the 75 Million Campaign Conservation Commission and the Comittee on the 1925 Program of Southern Baptists in Nashville, Tenn., June 3, 1924.

As consonant with the purposes of our two general Boards, and as agreeable to the general educational and missionary aims of the denomination, the Director addressed five winter Bible Schools —Booneville, Brinkley, Walnut Ridge, Hope and Mt. Ida, January 21-26, 1924, and assisted in Negro Bible Schools at Camden and Fordyce March 4 and 5, 1924, and taught in Mountain Home Bible Institute March 31 to April 4, 1924, and in Siloam Springs Baptist Assembly July 8-17, 1924, and wrote for Home and Foreign Fields, on the editor's solicitation, one 3000-word article on "The South as a Stewardship Mission Field." These activities carried the Director to other places not mentioned under the head of regular activities, and gave further opportunity to propogate the doctrine of the Budget. All of these activities, both regular and special, including the printing of the tract, have been financed on an expense account of \$50.00 per month for the year, which account still has to its credit \$115.54.

Your Budget Director has met with discouragements at every turn of the road, but has found an ever increasing number of friends for his work in every quarter of the state. Our people are tired of the old way of gathering and distributing CHRISTIAN MONEY, and the budget idea is growing in the minds of all Baptists who have been able to get a clear conception of what the Unified Budget really means.

We have gone far enough with the budgeting work to find out that the Unified Budget can be put on in every Baptist church in Arkansas where the Budget Man has a chance to get before the people.

The budgeting task is exceedingly difficult, but also exceedingly promising of good results. The work deserves to stand at a point of strong emphasis in our denominational plans for the future, and every individual church in the state should be taught its value.

Of course in this report recommendations are out of order, but we will venture to suggest that a closer articulation of this Budgeting work with the work of the Executive Board would greatly increase its hope of success. To separate the Budget Director and the Budget Department from the Budgeting Board is, in the humble judgment of the Budget Director, a procedure altogether too illogical not to be sooner or later detected by Arkansas Baptist leaders. Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. F. TULL,

Budget Director.

20. Dr. Love of the Foreign Mission Board addressed the Convention.

21. The report of the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary was read and accepted. It is as follows:

REPORT OF STATE S. S. AND B. Y. P. U. SECRETARY.

December 1, 1923, to November 15, 1924.

For the past three years your Secretary has labored as a servant of the State Mission Board in the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Department. He has sought as secretary, to the best of his ability, to do all within his power to further interest in these two vital phases of our work. While everything has not been accomplished we had hoped for, we feel, with some degree of satisfaction, that we have made some worthy progress.

During the past year we have sought to centralize upon the standardizing of our Sunday Schools with some degree of success. We now have more standard Sunday Schools in Arkansas than ever before. We have also tried to instruct the Sunday Schools of our state in the art of reaching and holding their respective constituencies. This effort has resulted in the taking of many a fine census, the reorganization and grading of 32 of our Sunday Schools and the introduction into our schools of the Six-point Record System and other up-to-date and modern methods.

Teacher Training has come in for its share of emphasis and the fact that we have this year more than doubled the number of Sunday School awards granted last year is evidence of this fact. Forward looking Sunday Schools everywhere are requiring that the teachers and officers seek training in accordance with the provisions offered by the denomination. It is the task of this department to seek to bring this training to our Sunday Schools. This we are doing to the best of our ability with our limited resources.

We are happy to announce a substantial growth in the number of B. Y. P. U.'s in our state. This growth continues the demonstration that our churches are finding in the B. Y. P. U. the solution of their training problems. Baptists organized this department of our work in order to have a place to train our young people, and more and more all of our churches are beginning to feel the need for this type of work, A new office is being featured in our B. Y. P. U. work, that of the B. Y. P. U. Director or Superintendent of Training. We are gratified to find that a number of our churches have already selected some capable person for this work and we wish here and now to urge every church in the state to follow this course.

The educational side of our B. Y. P. U. work compares favorably with other years, the records showing an advance in the number of awards granted over previous years. The South-wide B. Y. P. U. Study Course week observed the second week of March each year, continues to be a success. In Arkansas we had 53 Unions to observe this week last March and 909 awards were granted.

The Rural Campaign again proved effective as the report will later show. We believe this to be one of the most fruitful ways to reach and develop our rural communities and hope the Convention will look with favor upon this phase of our work, as it has the past two years.

Two new features were injected into our program this past year: (1) Our first annual Superintendents' Conference held at Little Rock last spring, and (2) Our Rural Oraganized Class Enlistment Campaign. The first brought together the superintendents of 35 of our Sunday Schools and the second reached over fifty of our rural Sunday Schools with an Organized Class Program. Secretary Harry L. Strickland, now deceased, spent ten days this summer with your secretary in reaching these country churches through Associational rallies, seeking to inform and inspire them to their best efforts along this line of work.

#### Numerical Growth of Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s in the State.

| Number of Sunday Schools Reported |
|-----------------------------------|
| Co-operating with Convention      |
| Reported Organized during 1924 24 |
|                                   |

Total Sunday Schools....662

Due to the fact that several Landmark Associations were included by mistake in the figures given last year the number of Sunday Schools co-operating with the Convention was too large a figure. No Landmark Sunday Schools have been included in the above figures for this year. We cannot help again calling the attention of our people to the fact that still over 50 per cent of our churches have no Sunday Schools.

There are now in our state 481 B. Y. P. U.'s according to our mailing list. The following table will show some interesting facts about these Unions:

| No.              | Enrollment | Bible Readers | Givers | Tithers |
|------------------|------------|---------------|--------|---------|
| 308 Seniors      | 10,164     | 4,683         | 4,646  | 2,448   |
| 73 Intermediates | 2,336      | 893           | 949    | 657     |
| 100 Juniors      | 3,126      | 653           | 1,231  | 800     |
|                  |            |               |        |         |
| 481 Unions       | 15,626     | 6,229         | 6,826  | 3,905   |

This represents a growth as follows: 57 new B. Y. P. U.'s, 754 increase in enrollment, 293 additional members enlisted in Bible Reader's Course, 42 enlisted in Systematic and Proportionate Giving, and 1,644 additional Tithers.

#### Rural Campaign.

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention co-operates with the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Departments of the various states each summer, giving dollar for dollar, thus making it possible for the states to hold each year a special campaign in the interest of our rural and small town churches. For the past three summers we have been seeking to reach churches through this campaign that cannot very well be reached at any other period of the year.

During the past summer months the following summer campaign workers were employed by this department and sanctioned by the Board: Misses Genevieve Tims, Eva Hodges, Beulah Thornton, Nona Barlow and Helen Shaw, as well as Messrs. E. W. Westmoreland, J. H. Lauck, J. M. McMahon, Harry Borah. These nine workers reached 75 churches, taught 66 classes in which there were enrolled 1,672. As a result of the work two Sunday Schools were organized, 12 B. Y. P. U.'s, and 632 awards were granted.

A feature of this year's Rural Campaign was that many of the churches reached had never before been brought in contact with our Teacher Training and B. Y. P. U. work.

#### Field Secretary, E. S. Campbell.

During the last twelve months, Field Secretary, E. S. Campbell, has rendered most efficient service. Mr. Campbell's report shows that he has conducted in person 30 Training Schools, taught 45 classes, amounting to 388 class periods, and reached nearly 800 people in his classes. Mr. Campbell during the year visited 61 churches, delivered 61 addresses, preached 63 sermons, held 82 conferences, and attended 13 meetings of a general nature. In order to do this work Mr. Campbell traveled 11,133 miles.

As in the case of many of our rural workers, one-fourth of Mr. Campbell's schools were held in places where they had never had any class work in Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. activities. In ren-

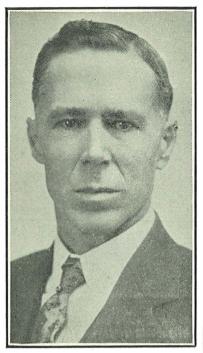


DR. J. P. RUNYAN Little Rock Treasurer of the Convention



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J. S. COMPERE Little Rock Editor Baptist Advance



MRS. J. G. JACKSON Little Rock Corresponding Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union

dering this service Mr. Campbell has opened up new territory for our department. In all of the Sunday School Institutes held by Mr. Campbell a religious census was taken, school graded, and proper methods inaugurated. We sincerely commend Brother Campbell and his work to this Convention.

#### Educational Records For 1924.

The following figures show the grand totals of work accomplished during the year by your Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Department:

| Number of Sunday School Institutes Held             |      |
|---|------|
| Number of Sunday School Classes Taught              |      |
| Number of B. Y. P. U. Institutes Held               | 191  |
| Number of B. Y. P. U. Classes Taught                | 227  |
| Number of Special Classes                           | 8    |
| Number Taking Home Work under Secretary's Direction | 277  |
| Number Sunday School Awards Delivered2              | ,869 |
| Number B. Y. P. U. Awards Delivered2                | ,961 |
| Number Special Awards                               | 138  |

The gains for the year are as follows:

Number Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Institutes held, 338, as against 297 last year, representing an increase of 41 schools.

Number of classes taught, 434, as against 380 last year, which represents an increase of 54 classes.

Number of awards delivered for Teaching and Training Department work, 5,968, as against 4,328 last year, representing an increase of 1,640.

We now have 3,720 Normal Diploma holders, 659 Red Seal holders, 360 Blue Seal holders, 96 Post Graduates, and 53 Gold Seal Holders. This represents an increase for the year of 539 Diplomas, 125 Red Seal holders, 50 Blue Seal holders, 21 Post Graduates, and 17 Gold Seal holders.

The 2,961 B. Y. P. U. awards are divided as follows:

| Senior B. Y. P. U. Manual1,         | 052 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Intermediate B. Y. P. U. Manual     | 396 |
| Junior B. Y. P. U. Manual           | 373 |
| Methods Taken Second Time           | 253 |
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#### Our 1924 Assembly.

Surpassing in every way the Assembly of 1923, our Assembly this past summer was a glorious success. We had 911 paid registrations with four or five hundred additional visitors who were present for but a day or two at a time. Additional buildings were erected and in readiness for this Assembly, the water had been extended over the grounds, and our fine concrete swimming pool had been completed. This property is covered by fire and tornado insurance, and is now valued in round figures at \$40,000.00. The program of this past Assembly was of the highest order. Our platform men were easily of the first rank and their work was highly appreciated by those who thronged to hear them. The various faculties were at their best and received the finest kind of support from the Assembly. We have never had as many in our classes before nor as many to take the examinations as we did have this past summer. The spiritual atmosphere of the Assembly was of the highest order. The Lord himself was with us and blessed us in a marvelous manner. The Assembly paid all of its running expenses as it did the year before.

As is our custom we again awarded a number of banners for efficient work. Those receiving the banners are as follows: First Baptist Sunday School of Fort Smith was awarded the Sunday School banner, this being the second year for them to capture it. The Philathea class of the Second Baptist Church of Little Rock were again successful in carrying off the Organized Class banner. The B. Y. P. U. banners were awarded as follows: Senior, Forrest City, first place; Senior, Lexington Avenue, Fort Smith, second place; Intermediates of Conway took the Intermediate Banner, and the El Dorado Juniors took the Junior Banner. The Concord Associational B. Y. P. U. was again fortunate enough to receive the Associational B. Y. P. U. Banner, and the Twin City B. Y. P. U. of Fort Smith and Van Buren was awarded the City B. Y. P. U. Banner.

It is the plan and purpose of the Executive Board of the Assembly to conduct with the co-operation with the State Mission Board and the Executive Board a ten days Preachers' School at the Assembly site, the ten days immediately preceding the 1925 Assembly. A very strong faculty has been secured.

#### Organized Class Activities.

The third annual Organized Bible Class Conference was held at Atlanta, Ga., during January, 1923. Arkansas felt highly honored when our delegation was awarded the banner for traveling the greatest number of miles to and from the Conference. This meeting is always stimulating and we have noticed with much pleasure the effect that it has had upon our Organized Class activities in this state.

We are happy to report the following classes as standard for he past quarter: Fidelis, Central, Hot Springs; T. E. L., First, Little Rock; Austin Bible Class, First, Hope; Baraca, First, El Dorado; Young People's Bible Study Class, Beech Street, Texarkana; Young Matron's Class, Second, Little Rock; T. E. L., First, Fayetteville; Philathea, First, Jonesboro; Convention Philathea, Second, Li tle Rock; T. E. L., First, Conway; T. E. L., Crossett; T. E. L., Eudora; Fidelis, Immanuel, Little Rock; T. E. L., First, Jonesboro; T. E. L., First, Arkadelphia; Fannie Tull Class, First, Little Rock; Always Ready Intermediate Class, First, El Dorado. This gives us a total of 17 standard classes, by far the most we have ever had. We would like to call attention to the fourth Organized Bible Class Conference to be held next January at Shreveport, Louisiana, and would urge that all of our classes here represented make certain of representation at this Conference.

#### Associational Organizations.

During the past year your Secretary has organized the Ouachita Associational Sunday School Convention, and the Ouachita Associational B. Y. P. U. Convention, and the Northwest District Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Conventions. He has assisted in making the program for and has attended most of the following Associational Conventions which met during this past year: Independence Associational B. Y. P. U. at Batesville; Concord Associational B. Y. P. U. at Fort Smith; Carroll County Associational B. Y. P. U. at Eureka Springs, Hope Associational B. Y. P. U. at Lewisville; Arkansas Valley Associational B. Y. P. U. at Helena, and Harmony Associational B. Y. P. U. at Dumas. We wish to further emphasize the splendid results which can be attained through these Associational organizations. Let us not fail to make use of them.

#### STANDARD SCHOOLS AND B. Y. P. U.'s.

During the past year the following schools, a total of 11, have been recognized as standard: Alma; Bearden; First, El Dorado; First, Fort Smith; First, Hope; First, Malvern; First, Pine Bluff; Salem; Strong; Immanuel, Vimy Ridge; First, Jonesboro.

The following B. Y. P. U.'s have been recognized as standard during the year:

Seniors—First, Forrest City; Hinson; First, Jonesboro; No. 2 Beech Street, Texarkana; No. 1 First, Little Rock; No. 1 Pulaski Heights, Little Rock; No. 1 First, Fort Smith; First, Batesville; Lexington Avenue, Fort Smith; Calvary, Fort Smith; No. 2 First, Fort Smith; Rogers; First, Mulberry; First, Eureka Springs; Dumas.

Intermediates—First, Conway; First, Springdale; Second, Little Rock; First, Little Rock; First, Forrest City; First, Mena; First, Hope; Immanuel, Little Rock; Baptist Orphanage, Monticello.

Juniors—First, El Dorado; First, Harrison; First, Booneville; First, Hope; Calvary, Fort Smith; Boosters' First, Fort Smith; South Fort Smith, Fort Smith; Witt's Chapel, Maynard; Boys Anti Cants, First, Van Buren; Girls Anti Cants, First, Van Buren; Pulaski Heights, Little Rock; Dumas; Prairie Grove; Springdale; Pilgrim's Rest, Bethseda; Lexington Avenue, Fort Smith. This oa makest Ita

This makes a total of 39 B. Y. P. U.'s that have done standard work during the year 1924, which is an increase of 22 over last year, which shows that our Unions are beginning to take seriously their work.

#### **Co-operation With Other State Secretaries and Workers.**

During the past year your Secretary has had a number of other State Secretaries with him in the work and as is the custom in exchange for their time he gave them some of his time, and assisted in four schools out of the state during the year. Because of the financial assistance given by churches who desire larger schools than this department can finance we were enabled to employ a number of very efficient specialists from time to time during the year, principally in connections with our four large City-wide Sunday School Enlargement Campaigns at Jonesboro, Little Rock, Camden and Monticello.

#### A Look Into 1925.

We want to calle attention to five events which we hope to bring to pass during the year 1925. (1) A greatly enlarged program for our Annual B. Y. P. U. Study Course Week. (2) Our Second Annual Superintendent's Conference which is to be held at the First Church, Hot Springs, April 5th through 8th. (3) Our 1925 Organized Class Enlistment Campaign with which we hope to reach 100 of our rural churches. (4) Our Preachers' School and Summer Assembly, and (5) Our 1925 Rural Campaign.

#### Personal Labors.

During the year of 1924 your State Secretary, apart from directing the work in the entire department, rendered the following service: Davs in Office..... 114 Davs on the Field..... 241 74 Churches Visited..... Training Schools Conducted in Person..... 17 Training Schools Arranged For..... 275 Classes Taught in Person..... 25 Class Periods Taught in Person..... 208 Classes Arranged For..... 380 Number Enrolled in Classes Taught and Arranged For.....11,481 Addresses Delivered Outside of Class Periods..... 109 Sermons Preached..... 39 Conference Held..... 34 Number of Personal Letters Written...... 4,473 Your Secretary is very ably assisted in the office by Miss Alice Leatherwood, our office secretary, who in a most efficient manner looks after much of the office details and from time to time assists with the work on the field. Financial Statement S. S. and B. Y. P. U. Department. Receipts. Appropriation to Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Work. . \$ 9.000.00 From Baptist S. S. Board, Rural Work and Trg. School. . Assistance from Churches, Asso. for Training Schools.... 2,079.84 1.907.54 Total Appropriations.....\$12,987.38 Expenditures. Secretary's Salary.....\$ 2,825.00 Stenographer 1.200.00 Additional Stenographic Help..... 15.00 Field Secy. E. S. Campbell, Salary and Expense...... Salaries and Expense Rural Campaign..... 2,201.74 2.066.54 Salaries and Expense Faculty in Training Schools..... 1.662.85 Transportation, Expense of Secretary Hamilton ..... 394.98 Hotel and Meals. 382.49 424.36 Postage ..... Office Equipment and Stationery..... 292.73 Telegrams and Telephone..... 207.85 Printing ..... 251.00 Rent ..... 220.00 Misoellaneous Expense ..... 84.45 To Southern Trust Co. and Mr. I. E. Taylor Acct. L. R. Sunday School Campaign..... 6'00.00 Total Expenditures.....\$12,829.00 Balance of Appropriation..... 158.38

Note—The balance of appropriation will be used on outstanding obligations by the end of this month.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT V. HAMILTON,

State S. S. and B. Y. P. U. Secretary.

22. The report of the committee on State Missions was read by A. M. Rodgers. It is as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS.

We, your committee on State Missions, beg leave to report as follows:

Inasmuch as detailed information of work done by the State Mission Board is reported each year through its secretary and the heads of departments under this board, therefore, your committee on State Missions undertakes to analyze conditions as they are, and offer recommendations.

#### Findings of the Committee.

1st. That the proportion of funds expended for State Missions is entirely too small.

2nd. That with its limited funds, the work done under the State Mission Board has been indeed gratifying in its results.

3rd. That while the State Mission Board has kept within its appropriation of \$70,000.00, there still remains the old State Mission debt of \$40,000.00.

4th. That our State Mission Secretary has made splendid progress in securing the deeds and clearing up the titles to mountain school property supposed to belong to this Convention, but that this matter is not entirely satisfactory yet.

5th. That the "Bible Schools" as conducted the past year were not a marked success.

6th. That when compared with other states, Arkansas Baptists rank almost at the bottom in the percentage of enlisted churches. There are 42 Associations affiliated with the Convention. The average collected for all causes per church \$266.14, which is \$11.00 per member, but the average per member for all benevolence is only \$2.65. There are 13 of these Associations with a membership of 10,515, whose members averaged 41 cents each for the "75 Million" in the associational year ending 1923. No one of the 13 associations averaged as much as \$1.00 per member. The membership of one whole association averaged only 83 cents per member for all causes, and still another only a fraction over \$1.00 for all purposes.

More than one-third of our affiliated churches are without a Sunday School and just a small percentage over one-third have a B. Y. P. U. organization. About fifty per cent have W. M. U.'s.

In the matter of baptisms, every border state baptized more than did Arkansas, and Tennessee baptized nearly twice as many within the year.

In Arkansas there is only one Baptist to every 6.7 of all ages, while in Mississippi there is one Baptist to every 2.6 of all ages, and in Georgia one Baptist to every 2.9.

Now in addition to all this, there are 32 Baptist Associations having a membership of 47,782, who do not co-operate with our or-

ganized work at all. Their average offering per member for all benevolence is 29 cents, and for all causes only \$1.52.

The above facts reveal an alarming—a distressing—a heartbreaking situation. Our State Mission program has suffered fearfully under the "75 Million" percentage, and the appalling thing is that this Convention is willing under the new program to continue this neglect.

#### **Recommendations** of the Committee.

1st. That a definite percentage be designated sufficient to care for interest and reduce the old State Mission debt.

2nd. That all titles to property in possession of this Convention be cleared up as soon as possible.

3rd. That a larger proportion of money and effort be expended in strengthening weak churches. That we be as liberal as possible in supplementing pastors' salaries of these weaker churches, of course in accord with conditions already set forth by our board. And that we co-operate with Associations in securing and maintaining missionaries on the needy fields. These missionaries to be instructed to get the churches on their feet and help them secure pastors who are for the kingdom program, and that these missionaries use, when available, our Budget Director, to plan and put over the budget of pastorless churches that they may carry on and secure a pastor.

Every church worthy of being called a Missionary Baptist church should maintain a Sunday School. Many more of our churches should have a B. Y. P. U., hence we further recommend that this Convention avail itself of the Sunday School Board's offer to match our dollars. That we put at least \$1,000.00 into the summer rural campaign, thus getting another \$1,000.00 for this cause.

Concerning other policies of the department of State Missions, that they be carried on as they have been. This applies to the mountain schools as well as the negro work.

Signed by your committee:

A. M. Rodgers, Chairman.

J. W. Hulsey. W. W. Kyzar.

P. C. Barton.

E. J. A. McKinney.

# 23. The report on Sunday Schools was read by B. F. Davidson. It is as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It was with growing interest that your committee on Sunday Schools read the report of the State Sunday School Secretary, H. V. Hamilton, for the year December 1, 1923, to November 15, 1924. We are happy to note that our Sunday School work is growing both in the things accomplished and in the rapidly increasing consciousness as to its value on the part of our churches. We are beginning to realize that our churches were commanded to undertake an aggressive educational program as well as an evangelistic one.

We note that more schools in Arkansas are now standard Sunday Schools than ever before in the history of the state. The Sixpoint Record System was introduced in an unusually large number of schools. The interest in Teacher Training is on the increase and a large number of Teacher Training Classes were conducted last vear.

The Assembly at Siloam Springs is proving a vital factor in our Sunday School program. Secretary Hamilton has been fortunate in securing the strongest Sunday School faculty for this meeting and a large number of our churches received an impetus as a result.

We are in hearty accord with the proposed Preachers' School and Summer Assembly to be held on the Assembly grounds next vear.

The Organized Class Conferences and the Superintendents' Conferences have proven large factors in developing the efficiency of our schools throughout the state.

We realize the importance and the value of work done among the students of our educational institutions. There is considerable agitation as to the best way to handle this field of activity. We believe that the B. Y. P. U., Organized Sunday School Classes, and the Y. M. A. is sufficiently ample to take care of the situation.

Our Associational missionaries ought to be encouraged to familiarize themselves with and devote as much of their time as possible to our Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work.

We cannot speak too highly of the personnel of our Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Department. In Secretary Hamilton we have one of the outstanding secretaries in all the Southland. He can do more different kinds of things well than any man we ever knew. The Field Secretary in this department, Mr. E. S. Campbell, is rapidly developing along all lines in the work of this department and we consider ourselves fortunate to have him among our workers. The office secretary of the department, Miss Alice Leatherwood, keeps the records accurately and up to date, and is a vital factor in the efficiency of the department.

It is with deepest sorrow that we mention the death of Bro. Harry L. Strickland, who was for years the head of the Organized Class Department of our Baptist Sunday School Board. It will be no easy task to secure his successor and our pravers ascend the throne of grace to the end that our Heavenly Father will guide our Sunday School Board in the selection of his successor. To his bereaved wife and other loved ones we extend our Christian love and sympathy and remind them of the words of the inspired writer: "And I heard a voice from heaven saying, Write, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors: for their works follow with them."

Respectfully submitted, Blount F.\_Davidson, Chmn. W. R. McEwen. Otto Mathis. Chas. H. Bell. W. W. Moore.

24. The report of the committee on B. Y. P. U. work was read by B. V. Ferguson. It is as follows:

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

Your committee believes that no department of our work is more important than that of the B. Y. P. U. The progress and results justify our faith. Giving the very best Christian Training to our young people is imperative. The new day of enlargement in our churches has created a demand for better trained workers.

We heartily commend the work of Secretary H. V. Hamilton. He is leading his department in an efficient and constructive manner. This has been one of the most fruitful years. The 1924 Assembly was one of the outstanding assemblies of all the South, both in attendance and program. 911 registered. There were 87 volunteers for special religious training.

We endorse and recommend the policy under which the secretary is now working—namely, one of the departments under the State Mission Board and responsible directly to that board.

We recommend that the missionaries throughout the state cooperate with Secretary Hamilton's program in fostering Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Training Schools.

We recommend that all of our churches and workers co-operate with our great summer Assembly which will be held July 7-16.

25. By motion and second, the hour of 2:30 P. M., Thursday, was designated for the report of the Special Committee on a Doctrinal Statement to be signed by the employees of the Convention, its boards and institutions.

26. By motion and second, 9:30 A. M., Thursday, was designated as a special hour for the discussion of State Missions. The Convention adjourned for supper.

# WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

27. At 7:15 P. M. the president called the Convention to order and Dr. W. D. Byland of Osceola led in prayer.

28. The report of the Committee on Christian Education was read by Dr. H. L. Winburn of Arkadelphia and adopted. It is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Your committee on Christian Education asks to submit the following report:

The Convention has a Special Commission under appointment with instructions to report at this meeting outlining a policy that shall guide our statewide plans and movements in regard to our education and educational institutions. We heartly concur in the wisdom of such appointment and recommend that when this commission reports, the Convention give such report the most careful consideration and arrive at a firm decision that will give both adequate direction and a sense of stability to the educational plans of this denomination. In view of the work of this commission your committee on Christian Education has no function at present in regard to policies.

Boards of Trustees, through their chosen officers, will make full reports to the Convention as to the status, plans and needs of our several institutions. This committee, therefore, has no function in that direction at present. We reflect with joy the general impression that all our institutions are doing well and particularly do we rejoice that the prospects are so good for the successful completion of the move to bring the endowment of Quachita College up to a half-million dollars. This is the most notable achievement with reference to Baptist educational plans in any southern state in recent years, circumstances considered. It comes largely in time to save us from humiliation of a second rate status in education in Arkansas. This great institution already begins to feel the growing pains of success and will have to be enlarged still further in the near future. Other institutions also must be taken care of. Central College already is staggering under a load of debt and laboring heroically to go on with an entirely inadequate income. Relief should be desired here at the earliest practicable date.

Mountain Home is striving consistently toward the goal set out in the action of the Convention last year. Jonesboro College, under the auspices of the Home Board, with three buildings and one hundred and ninety-two students opened this fall and is already evidencing the fact that it will be a growing denominational asset.

Our secondary schools, in the judgment of this committee, are entirely in the realm of missionary endeavor and will come up under that heading for full discussion. We believe in them as missionary enterprises and as such commend them to the attention and support of the Convention.

Christian Education, as conceived under that heading in our denomination's work, needs further definition and enforcement. In our day, under the conditions of modern Christian civilization, to claim that our education is preeminently Christian because of the Christian personality and pious scholarship of the personnel of our teaching force, institutes a comparison and sets up a claim that cannot be supported either in fact or in policy. While we love and honor the character and achievements of our educators we also recognize with gratitude the fact that some of the choicest souls among us are engaged in state secular education. It is necessary to look elsewhere for the distinguishing mark of Christian Education.

The materials of education—that is, the things taught—coincide exactly in our own institutions with the materials of education in secular schools of similar class and grade, with one exception. In our denominational schools the Bible is taught and its study is required on the part of every student asking for a degree. This is a preeminent Christian work, common to all denominational schools and not peculiar to ours. Such ought always to be the case. Any arrangement whatever that provides by law for the necessity of teaching the Bible in state schools of any grade would be a danger ous isolation of the law of freedom of conscience in religion and ought to be vigorously opposed by all Baptists. Present inhibitions in our law and constitution ought to be maintained and enforced. But in our church schools the Bible in its purity and strength, unmodified, unadulterated and unabridged ought to be taught by men and women who believe it and who have the moral courage to teach it as it is. The Word of the Eternal God is the heart of an ever enduring now, neither modern nor obsolete. And no obsolescent theories of heathen and pagan religions of slime and blind chance, under any modernist's headline captions whatsoever, should be given place in any of our schools except perhaps as a matter of information, as to the history of what men have sometimes believed. and this for the purpose of safeguarding our young people against error.

The true location of the preeminent works of Christian education, in addition to the one just mentioned, will be found to lie in the field of the purpose of education. Education, both as a process and as a device, is logically modified, like any other process or any other device by the purpose of it—the end desired. Education is the unfolding, the developing and the organizing of the powers and capacities of personaliity. State education is the unfolding, developing and organizing of the personality of the student with reference to citizenship and the state. As such it holds an honorable place and deserves the hearty support which we cheerfully give it. Christian Education is the unfolding, developing and organizing of the personality of the student wich reference to Christianity and Jesus Christ. As such it deserves the hearty support of all Christians and is beginning to receive it, as their first contribution to Christian citizenship and Christian service. The personnel, the materials and the methods of Christian education ought to be brought together and institutionalized upon that principle and for From that point of view there can be no serious conthat purpose. flict between state and Christian education, but the finest harmony and co-operation.

Such, in the mind of your committee, is Christian Education. Its distinguishing works lie mainly in the field of the purpose of education, but partly also in the field of the materials of education. For Christ and for His Kingdom purposes let's pursue the most vigorous possible policy of Christian education. Let's give our money to it. Let's give our moral and sympathetic support to it. Let's give our boys and girls to it. Happily at length, Arkansas Baptists have institutions as good as the best, and we can further a great cause as well as bless ourselves in giving ourselves and our families to our schools. This your committee recommends.

H. L. Winburn, Chmn.B. V. Ferguson.

- H. D. Morton. J. N. Mallory.

29. The Commission appointed last year by the Convention with regards to the correlation of its schools and colleges submitted its report.

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON EDUCATION.

The Convention in its meeting in December 1923, adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas, the Baptist people of Arkansas established Ouachita College in 1886 and founded Central College in 1891, and

Whereas, the Arkansas Baptist State Convention has during all these years fostered these institutions, and

Whereas, these colleges are now firmly fixed and under definite educational policy and control;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that this Convention appoint A. B. Hill, W. A. Jackson, J. W. Ramsey, H. G. Thomason, B. A. Spradlin, J. R. Allen and J. R. Grant as a Commission on Education.

It shall be the duty of this Commission to make a careful study of the educational projects of this Convention and at the next regular session of the body recommend a definite educational policy for the Baptists of Arkansas."

Since the adoption of this resolution the members of this Commission have given careful consideration to the educational projects of the Convention. Members of the Commission have visited all of the Mountain Schools. After a careful and prayerful consideration of our whole educational problem, the Commission recommends the following as fundamental principles of our educational policy:

#### Fundamental Principles.

1. The State of Arkansas is responsible for the elementary and high school education of its boys and girls.

2. The Baptists of Arkansas should not attempt to assume this responsibility in case the state fails to do its duty toward the children.

3. The Baptists should operate in the field of higher education and establish colleges for the purpose of training leaders. Christian leadership is very much needed in all sections of Arkansas, but the need is greatest in the rural communities.

4. The Baptists of the State should not establish any educational project below college grade, except as a missionary enterprise. Such secondary schools should be correlated with our higher institutions of the state.

5. In the event educational projects are financed by the Baptist Convention, the Convention itself should, after making a careful survey of the field, locate these projects at strategic points within the jurisdiction of the State Convention.

6. The Baptist Convention should not feel obligated to take over educational projects which have been initiated by some local church, association or organization within the state, or some board or organization without the state.

7. All schools established and supported by the Baptist Convention should be of standard grade. The Baptists of the state cannot afford to be held responsible for an educational institution which is inferior to other schools of similar grade within the state.

8. The Baptists should train leaders to be used in strategic centers. Such leaders should be sent into the rural districts of the

state and given sufficient remuneration to warrant their remaining on the field. Money should be spent in securing such leaders rather than in establishing so many schools and in erecting buildings.

9. The Baptist Convention should, under no circumstances, accept public school funds in operating their schools.

10. The educational projects initiated by the Baptists of the state should be managed so as to supplement, in a general way, the work of the public school system rather than compete with it.

11. No educational projects should be undertaken or continued if there is any doubt about being able to secure sufficient funds to make them successful, or the results justify the expenditure of the funds.

Your committee further recommends to the Convention that:

1. The Convention should give first consideration to the institutions of higher education which have been established and fostered by the denomination for a number of years.

2. The authorized agencies of the Baptist Convention should co-operate with public school authorities in promoting and popularizing the public school system, especially in the following way:

. (1). Study needs of the respective localities educationally.

(2). Obtain from public school officials their plan for meeting these needs.

(3). Make suggestions as to modifications of any proposed plans.

(4). Use influence of the Baptists of the state in carrying out the program agreed upon.

30. The report of the Board of Trustees of Mountain Home College was read by President H. D. Morton, and accepted. It is as follows:

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MOUNTAIN HOME COLLEGE.

It is with hearts filled with gratitude to God for His wonderful blessings during the brief period of our service that we bring our first report to Arkansas Baptists in Convention assembled.

The enrollment of the summer school this year was 40 per cent above any previous summer session and there are now twenty more students in attendance than at the same date last year and within three of the total enrollment of last year.

The cash income from board, tuition and fees for the period June 1, 1924 to November 15, 1924, was 3,350.00 above the same period last year.

In a study of the growth and development of the school throught a period of six years almost startling facts are revealed. During this period the income from tuition and fees has increased more than six hundred per cent while the teachers' salaries have increased less than three hundred per cent. The total cost to Arkansas Bap-

tists for buildings, repairs, equipment and maintenance over this period has been only \$35,114.15, or \$5,837.35 per year for all purposes.

We find that in the meantime the property value has been increased \$70,000 by the purchase of additional land and the erection of additional buildings, and 1000 boys and girls, of whom 120 are young ministers and six hundred or more are young teachers, have been blessed by this institution.

We are especially gratified to report that with the rapid growth of the institution great emphasis has been placed upon the religious training and development of the students and that a spirit of reverence and a holy regard for things spiritual may be instantly recog-Smoking by students is forbidden in the dormitories, on the school nized by visitors. The highest moral standards are required. grounds and in public places. No teacher is employed who smokes or uses tobacco in any form. The annual report of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention on Teacher Training in Southern Baptist Educational Institutions for the session 1923-1924 again places Mountain Home College first in Arkansas in the important work of Sunday School Teacher Training. This is the third year Mountain Home has been awarded first place in this great work.

Efforts are being made to carry out the expressed will of the Convention as regards standardization of the institution as a Junior College. The academic department is rated as a standard "A" grade four year high school and is a member of the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges and the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Normal Students who complete the required work are granted state wide Teachers' Certificates by the State epartment of Education. The library now contains more than 3,000 volumes besides government publications.

In order to meet the requirements for standardization as a Junior College it will be necessary for large funds to be guaranteed for maintenance so that instructors with the required degrees may be employed.

We need at least \$7,500 per year in addition to tuition and fees for maintenance until an endowment fund can be raised. A central heating plant is greatly needed for the sake of economy in fuel and labor as well as to lessen the danger from fire. Thirty-four separate fires are to be made and kept going each day. A dormitory is needed for boys and a satisfactory water system must be installed.

Report of Mountain Home College, November 15, 1924. Current Assets:

| Cash on Hand       \$ 234.15         Due on Ministerial Aid       1,402.25         Book Store Inventory       1,500.00         Open Accounts       2,381.64         Notes Receivable       7,472.44         Home Board Appropriation for Improvement       4,000.00 |
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| Total         \$16,990.48           Current Liabilities:  |
| Total \$13,874.90<br>Current Assets above Current Liabilities\$ 3,115.58  |

# 31. The report of the Board of Trustees of Central College was read by President D. S. Campbell. It is as follows:

# REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE.

#### To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

We acknowledge with thanksgiving the evident favor of Almighty God in His blessings upon Central College during the past year. We could magnify the successes and emphasize the trials and the hardships but we assume that this Convention desires information about achievements of the past year, the conditions at the present time, and some idea of the plans suggested by this Board for the continuation of the program at Central College.

The enrollment at this date is identically the same as on the same date last year. The advance enrollment up to September 10th was twenty more than that of last year. Cancellations from the drought section were, of course, disappointing. The percentage of college students continues to increase while the percentage of academy students decreases. We are not taxed to our capacity this year, although we are comfortably full.

The faculty is satisfactory. Advances have been made in scholastic requirements and this has required consequent advances in salaries. The faculty fully meets the requirements of the American Association of Junior Colleges, of which we are a member, and of the North Central Association of which we hope to be a member next March. Of the twenty-two employes, all are members of Baptist churches except two. It is becoming increasingly difficult to procure and hold teachers who have sufficient training to do standard collegiate work. Herein lies one of our most serious problems. This coupled with the fact that we also require our teachers to meet certain spiritual standards renders the problem doubly difficult.

The religious life of the school seems to be quite as good as that of last year. In many respects it is stronger. Practically all of the students are Christians. All dormitory students are members of the Y. W. A. We are furnishing free literary tuition to 12 students who are daughters of ministers and to 6 who are volunteers for special service. This tuition should, of course, be paid by the Baptists of Arkansas. If it comes from the treasury of the college, it then follows that it is being paid by the other students in the college.

At present the property of the college is worth \$300,000. It is in good condition and is adequately insured. The equipment is in good condition but there is urgent need for additional equipment especially in the science department.

#### All Things To Him Who Waits.

Central College was established thirty-two years ago by order of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Its campus was donated and its first building was erected principally through the efforts and contributions of the citizens of Conway.

Few appeals have been made to the Baptists of the state for funds to support the school. The largest and only financial consideration of any consequence, aside from that received through the 75 Million Campaign, was the assumption of debts amounting to less than \$30,000 at the Malvern Convention in 1916.

In 1918 the Convention authorized a campaign to raise funds for Central College. The Greater Central College Campaign was organized and promoted at an expense of \$15,000. Two weeks before the pledges were taken the 75 Million Campaign was launched and the Central Campaign was junked. Scarcely enough cash was collected to pay the expenses.

In the allocation of 75 Million Campaign funds Central was given only  $6\frac{1}{4}$  per cent. This, after deducting campaign and administration expenses, was reduced to less than 4 per cent. Later the gross percentage was reduced to 4 per cent, which shows a net of a little more than 3 per cent.

The money received from the 75 Million Fund has been used for purchasing new acreage, new eqoipment, and a part of the construction cost of the new \$150,000 dormitory.

Despite the fact that the need for endowment and equipment was pressing, Cenrtal has made no appeal during the 75 Million Campaign period for the fulfillment of the plans of the original Greater Central College Campaign.

When the urgency of the claims of Ouachita College and the Orphans' Home were presented, Central College gracefully surrendered any prior claims for the time and entered most heartily into a campaign to make those enterprises succeed.

At the 1923 Convention we gave notice that we would come to the Convention this year asking for a campaign for \$200,000 for the endowment and building program of Central College.

Patient waiting and hearty co-operation are not to be overlooked. We leave it to the sense of justice of this body as to the course we should pursue.

A. J. Reap, President. Wm. R. James, Secretary.

Adopted at a meeting of the Board, November 18, 1924.

32. The report of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College was read by President C. E. Dicken. It is as follows:

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OUACHITA COLLEGE.

It is with the realization that all good things come from God that we are led to rejoice together with all our brethren in the good providence which has attended us throughout the last year. Blessings have come upon our college as well as upon all other departments of our work for which we ought to be profoundly grateful. The cause of Christian Education is fundamental. The seed which it has sown in the years gone by are today being gathered in an abundant harvest throughout our state. The seed of Christian Education which are being sown today guarantee for future years a glorious harvest. It is this constructive process which doubly recommends the cause of Christian Education to every thoughtful mind and heart. All the time and all the money and all the sacrifice which has been used for Christian Education in the years which have passed has been the best investment Arkansas Baptists have ever made. Not only for themselves, but also for the work and advancement of the whole Kingdom of Christ. If these facts are true we should be stimulated by them to more earnest endeavor and to more careful consideration to the whole cause of Christian Education

#### Enrollment.

The enrollment at Ouachita is eleven per cent ahead of the enrollment at the same period of last year. It has been necessary this year to place some of our boys out in town for the reason that we do not have sufficient dormitory space for the number who applied. Last year we were unable to take care of all of our boys in the dormitories.

#### Faculty.

The faculty at Ouachita College has not been greatly changed during the last nine years. It has been and still is the policy of the institution in making additions to the faculty to conform to standard Training through cultured Christian personality in requirements. an institution not too large for individual contact is the largest part of Christian Education. The men and women who teach at Ouachita have been carefully chosen with this in view.

#### Standardization.

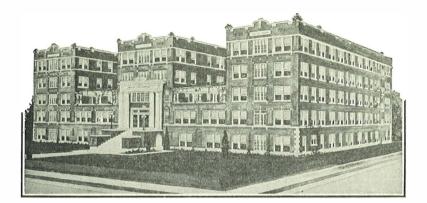
Ouachita is making application this year for entrance into the North Central Association. The chief barrier heretofore and now is our lack of sufficient endowment. We will not be able to enter this association until our endowment has been paid into the college During the last few months our library has been completely revised and over two thousand volumes of new and carefully selected books have been added. Some new improvements have been made. These additions and improvements have been made in line with standard requirements. One member of our faculty at the present time is taking graduate work at Mercer University on leave of absence looking toward the same end. Our science department has been equipped with sufficient additional apparatus to illustrate all courses offered in line with the standard requirements. All entrance requirements have been complied with in line with standard requirements. It now remains to close our endowment program in order that our application may be considered this year. If we fail to do this by the first of January we will not only be refused admittance into the North Central Association, but we will also lose under our contract with the General Education Board our One Hundred Thousand Dollars which they have probationally given us.

W. N. Adams, President.

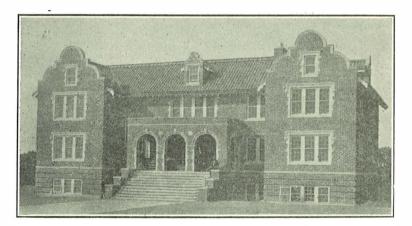
C. C. Tobey, Secretary. Adopted by the Board of Trustees November 18, 1924.

33. By motion and second, the discussion of the report of the Special Commission on correla-tion of schools and colleges was deferred to a later hour of the Convention.

34. By motion and second, the recommenda-



## BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL LITTLE ROCK Erected During 75 Million Campaign



## THE PUGH DORMITORY BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE, MONTICELLO Two of These Splendid Fireproof Dormitories Were Erected During 75 Million Campaign



DAVIS BAPTIST HOSPITAL, Pine Bluff, Acquired During 75 Million Campaign

tions of the Board of Trustees of Mountain Home College were referred to the Executive Board. The Convention adjourned.

# THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

35. The Convention was called to order by the president at 9:00 A. M. and O. A. Greenleaf conducted the Devotional Service.

36. A resolution authorizing the Executive Board to issue bonds in a certain instance was offered by R. Carnahan and adopted. It is as follows:

#### RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, in order to place the financial affairs of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention upon a better and more substantial basis, and relieve it of the necessity of carrying a considerable floating debt with banks and individuals and having to renew its obligations at frequent intervals, and to depend upon a fluctuating money market with its uncertainties;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, that it be authorized and empowered to borrow in its name, not to exceed \$135,000.00, and that its proper officers be authorized to execute its negotiable interest-bearing bonds or notes, as evidences of such debt in such denominations and form and maturity as the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention may deem advisable. Said loan to be repaid in annual installments over a period of time not exceeding twelve years. That all matters pertaining to the borrowing of the money, the execution of the bonds or notes by the proper officers of the Convention, and the negotiation and sale of bonds or notes be placed in charge of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention with full power and authority to act. The proceeds of said loan to be applied on the floating indebtedness of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that no obligation made hereafter by this Convention or any Board or other agency of this Convention shall have precedence over this obligation, and that the Convention shall set aside annually, sufficient amount of money to pay annual interest and installment of principal due on this loan that year. The full faith, credit and integrity of this Convention is pledged to the repayment of any money borrowed under the terms of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be furnished by the officers of the Convention to the officers of the Executive Board. These resolutions were passed in regular annual session of the Convention on this the 20th day of November, in the year of our Lord, 1924, in the meeting house of the Second Baptist church in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Attested to be a true and correct record of the Convention's action, this the 20th day of November, 1924.

By G. W. Puryear, President of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and by B. L. Bridges, Recording Secretary of the said Convention.

37. By motion and second, this resolution was amended so as to make the maximum amount of the bond issue \$135,000.00.

38. A further resolution designed to prevent the mortgaging of property of the Convention to secure such bond issue was offered by Bro. Carnahan and adopted. It is as follows:

Separate Resolutions To Be Passed After the Foregoing

#### Resolutions Have Been Passed.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention that none of the property owned by the Convention be pledged or mortgaged to secure the amount which the Convention has this day authorized its officers and Executive Board to borrow on behalf of the Convention to retire part of its floating indebtedness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that since this loan is authorized and made to take care of obligations assumed and taken over by the Executive Board for and on behalf of Ouachita College that the payment of the principal and interest of this loan shall be charged to funds received annually from the percentage set aside for Ouachita College in the denomination's current budget from year to year until the said amount be liquidated.

39. The discussion on the State Mission Reports was resumed.

40. The report of the committee on Sunday Schools' was adopted.

41. The report of the committee on B. Y. P. U. work was adopted.

42. The report of the committee on State Missions was adopted with its recommendations as they appear in this annual.

43. The report of the committee on Stewardship and Budget was adopted. It is as follows:

### STEWARDSHIP AND BUDGET REPORT.

In keeping with the 1923 report of the Convention your committee feels that the present report should deal largely with the "Unified Budget." It goes without saying, of course, that this new method, like all other methods, is bottomed on stewardship. The man who reads the New Testament scriptures and fails to see the tremendous emphasis placed upon this doctrine is as blind as the man who visited Switzerland and failed to see the Alps.

Stewardship is the most comprehensive and all inclusive doctrine with which the New Testament is concerned. It is the bedrock upon which any permanent superstructure must be reared. The committee on the Future Program in their report to the 1923 Southern Baptist Convention made this very sane and sensible recommendation, among others, that "In this and future campaigns the chief emphasis shall be placed upon the need for permancy in our financial plans through the Bible principles of stewardship and tithing."

The Conservation Commission in their report to the same Convention emphasized and reemphasized the importance of stressing stewardship and the budget if we are to succeed as a great denomination in our work.

It does not require a very wise man to see that this problem is the real problem among our people today. The work of missions now pressing upon the churches of the living God will never be adequately supported until God's people fully realize their privileges and obligations as Christian stewards. Charles A. Cook has well said: "The financial problems of the Kingdom of od cannot be settled by limiting our discussions to the question of giving. The emphasis must be shifted from giving to stewardship. Giving will never be what it ought to be until it rests squarely on the stewardship basis." Stewardship means more than the mere giving of It means that God owns everything and that everything money. that comes into our hands must be administered in the interest of the owner and according to his expressed will and desire. Life with all that it represents is a sacred trust and must be so recognized if we are to please Him who has called us, and be the blessing to the world which it is our privilege to be. David Livingston expressed the heart of stewardship in that famous and oft-quoted statement of his, "I will place no value on anything I possess except in its relation to the Kingdom of God." This is the ideal standard toward which God's steward must ever press. That is the doctrine that must be preached and must be practiced if we are ever to do business in deep waters for the Master. This doctrine will logically and scripturally find expression in tithing or something beyond that. We tithe in recognition of God's ownership of the whole just as a tenant pays rent in recognition of the landlord's ownership. Stewardship means more than the giving of a portion to God; it means the administration of all for God.

What has been said with reference to stewardship and tithing is certainly germane to the subject of the unified budget. The adoption of the unified budget by the Southern Baptist Convention as a sane, sensible and scriptural method, is now recognized by all thinking people. The plan is what we have been looking for all the years, viz: "to organize for and to operate and to maintain a plan of systematic and proportionate giving, covering all objects supported by the church based on an annual schedule of needs agreed upon and adopted by the church." This is a Baptist plan. Its very phraseology should commend it to every Baptist. N. T. Tull says, "The merit of the Budget Plan over all other methods of giving lies in the fact that it makes possible in its operation the application of all the principles and standards laid down in the Bible on the subject of giving."

There are certain well defined principles that must be recognized if this plan is to succeed. 1. The church must be recognized as Christ's kingdom agency in the bringing in of His Kingdom on earth To the church has been committed the colossal task of evangelizing and Christianizing the world. All the organized work of the Kingdom must be under church control. No organization must be allowed to exist within the church that does not recognize the church as the administrator of its affairs. When any department becomes independent and unwilling to get its orders from the church it must be suppressed. This is absolutely fundamental. The budget idea magnifies the local church and gives it the place which the New Testament scriptures give it. 2. The plan teaches that every church is responsible for the whole kingdom program. The individual church must give the whole gospel to the whole world. Since the spread of the gospel is Christ's supreme imperative, the church that fails to carry out the great commission will soon cease to exist, and have Ichabod written above its portals. 3. The church as Christ's kingdom agency must assume the responsibility of chartering, organizing, controlling and financing all its groups. This must be so in the very nature of things. Otherwise the name "unified budget'' is a misnomer. 4. The plan teaches that all monies should find their way into the church treasury which is the scriptural storehouse; and from this storehouse the gifts should head out as the church may direct. 5. The budget must not include monies for extra enterprises, such as building programs, enlarged improvements, revivals, and church debts. The church that does that is inviting shipwreck. 6. The tithe as the expression of stewardship and the minimum basis of giving, must be strictly adhered to. 7. The weekly offering as a systematic plan of contributing to all the objects of the budget is involved in the budget idea. 8. The every member canvass is the method that must be adopted if the membership of our churches is to be enlisted. They cannot be enlisted apart from this method. Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon The payment through envelopes is suggested as a 9. this matter. means of reminding the people of bringing their tithe into the store-The plan teaches the unifying (1) of all the church house. 10. organizations (2) of all the causes fostered by the church as a means of attaining scriptural efficiency.

These simple, yet fundamentl principles, must be recognized and given an opportunity to function in our corporate church life; otherwise we are spending time and money for naught.

The committee begs to submit the following recommendations to the Convention: 1. That a very intimate relationship be maintained between the various Boards and Institutions of the Convention and the Budget Director, so that absolute uniformity of effort may obtain in all departments of the work. 2. That the Budget Director be required to qualify himself on church budgeting, and that his opinion then be given due consideration by the denomination in the matter of church budgeting. 3. That the Budget Director be required to make a Baptist map of the state, and that his good offices be offered to the rural churches of the state as a help in grouping the churches with a view to efficiency, and also with a view to a more convenient pastoral leadership. 4. That it be required of the Budget Director that he find his way into churches where pastors' supplements have been allowed by the State Mission Board and to see that everything possible is done to put these churches on a self-sustaining basis, and thus relieve the Board of That an arrangement be made to hold a great 5. their upkeep.

all-state stewardship conference some time during the year at which time this phase of our work shall be presented.

J. M. Gibbs. C. A. Riley. N. R. Townsend.

O. J. Wade.

# 44. The report of the Superintendent of Mountain Schools was accepted. It is as follows: REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS.

#### Session 1923-1924.

The passing of time clearly reveals the wisdom of Arkansas Baptists in establishing a system of Mountain Schools. First hand information and a closer acquaintance with these great missionary agencies has convinced the most skeptical that Arkansas Baptists are doing a wonderful work in and through our system of Mountain Schools. As in any other mission work there have been problems to solve and difficulties to overcome. Though often misunderstood and sometimes criticised, these schools have rapidly grown "in favor with God and man."

During the six years of my service as superintendent strict economy of time and funds have been necessary in order to carry forward the work. During this time four new schools have been established and eight new buildings erected. The enrollment has increased from 140 to 802; the annual income from tuition and fees increased from \$2,838.93 for the sessions of 1917-18 to \$19,376.34 for the session of 1923-24. During the six years, July 1918 to July 1924, Arkansas Baptists established four new schools, erected eight buildings and maintained the six schools at an expense to Arkansas Baptists of less than \$90,000. This means that Arkansas Baptists have developed and operated their system of Mountain Schools for six years at a profit of not less than \$65,000. This profit is in the form of a permanent investment in buildings and land.

During these years over two hundred preacher boys, more than five hundred public school teachers and several thousand mountain boys and girls have been blessed with good school advantages under Christian influences. The Superintendent personally assisted in the raising of funds for the erection of the buildings for the new schools established and personally raised all the local funds at Mountain Home for the new dormitory for girls. During much of the time the superintendent did all the bookkeeping and stenographic work and taught classes in Mountain Home College in connection with his work as Superintendent of Mountain Schools and President of Mountain Home College. He also did practically all the canvassing for students for Mountain Home College. Few can realize the burden of this great amount of work. Through these years the faith of the superintendent has been greatly strengthened and he is ready to say "With God all things are possible." Only by the help of God and the great host of loyal and sympathetic Baptists of Arkansas and the Southland has the work of the schools gone on.

Mountain Home College and Maynard Academy each show a splendid increase in revenues from tuition and fees over any previous year. The income from tuition and fees at Mountain Home for the sessions of 1923-24 was \$1,384.90 over the combined income from these sources for the session of 1922-23 and the summer school of 1923. More than 600 volumes have been added to the Mountain Home College library since December 1, 1923. The type of work done in each school has been excellent. The highest possible standards have been set up for teachers, not only as to professional qualifications but also as to moral qualifications. No teacher is employed who smokes or uses tobacco in any form. No teacher is employed who engages in questionable amusements. In so far as possible only college and seminary graduates have been employed as teachers.

#### **Religious Training.**

A greater interest than ever before was manifested on the part of the students this year in the courses in Sunday School Teacher Training, B. Y. P. U. work, Missions, etc. In each school several courses were given throughout the year. At Mountain Home College, in addition to the regular courses taught throughout the year, an eight day Bible School was held March 30 to April 6, 1924, during which time six classes were taught daily in which there was an average enrollment of eighty-six. In addition to these six classes there were two lectures and one sermon each day. For four years in succession a Mountain School has led in Arkansas in Sunday School Teacher Training as promoted by the Sunday School Board in Southern Educational Institutions.

#### Evangelism.

The fire of evangelism burns brightly in each of the Mountain Schools. A definite effort has been made each year to win every student to Christ and to teach "the way more perfectly." A revival Classes in soul winning are conducted each year and teachers lead meeting is held each year at each school during the school eession these bands. During the session of 1923-24 there were 104 conversions in the student body of the six Mountain Schools. Thirtysix ministerial students were enrolled. Twenty-three of these were in Mountain Home College. Many of these ministerial students preached regularly and were instrumental in winning numbers to Christ.

#### Standardizing the Work.

In keeping with the instructions of the Convention every possible effort has been made to standardize the work of these institutions. The preparatory department of Mountain Home College is recognized as an "A" grdae high school and holds membership in both the Southern and North Central Associations. Maynard Academy is now an accredited four year high school. Newton County Academy is accredited for two years of high school work and Carroll County Institute is accredited for three years of high school work. Mt. Ida Academy will likely be accredited this year.

#### Our Opportunity.

As the mountain people become better acquainted with the nature and purpose of the work our Mountain Schools are doing they are manifesting a greater interest in and appreciation for what the institutions are doing. The same might be said of many of our people of the state. The people of the hills will not soon forget those who are helping their sons and daughters secure an education. Other 'denominations recognize the value and importance of the work we are doing and are following our example by endeavoring to establish similar institutions. Should we at this time neglect

our Mountain Schools we would lose the advantages gained through the years, and others would reap from our sowing and gather the sheaves we have a right to harvest. If Arkansas Baptists are wise and far-sighted enough to take full advantage of the present opportunity for service through our Mountain Schools our work in Arkansas will be set forward in a marvelous way.

#### Finances.

No money expended by Arkansas Baptists has brought such rich returns as that invested in Mountain Schools. The rapid development of the system of Mountain Schools, the greatly increased value of the Mountain School property and the operation of these schools on a creditable basis on the available funds has been possible only by strict economy and sacrificial service on the part of the superintendent and other Mountain School workers. During the period of six years the superintendent has at all times kept the expenditures of the Mountain Schools within the appropriations previously made to the Mountain Schools and in no instance has the superintendent ever involved any school or the denomination for any obligation outside of or beyond the definite and fixed oppropriations previously made to the Mountain Schools. It has been necessary for the superintendent to borrow money each year, for the last three, on his own personal security to finance the schools because of the long delays in receiving the funds appropriated to the Mountain Schools. Just here the superintendent wishes to call attention to section V on Mountain Schools (pages 18 and 19, Arkansas Baptist Annual, 1923) in the report of the State Mission Secretary to the Convention last December, in which report the financial condition of the Mountain Schools in their relation to the State Mission Board is not correctly represented. This report states that "By order of the Executive Board the past indebtedness of Mountain Schools amounting to \$3,723.76 was required to be paid out of State Mission funds." The Executive Board did require that the State Board pay the Mountain Schools the old balance on past due appropriations, part of which was more than twelve months past due. Again, the financial statement of the Secretary indicates a Mountain School indebtedness of the same amount. From this statement it appears that the Mountain Schools had not only spent their appropriations but had burdened the State Board wit han indebtedness of \$3,723.76. The Mountain Schools have never been indebted to the State Board in a financial way nor has the superintendent at any time incurred any indebtedness for which it has been necessary for an extra or special appropriation to be made by the State Board or any other Board.

In closing my six years of service as superintendent of Mountain Schools I wish to personally express to our secretaries, the present and former members of our State Boards and the Baptists of Arkansas my appreciation for the beautiful spirit of sympathy and co-operation without which my efforts would have been in vain. For those who go on with the work I ask the financial and prayerful support of every loyal Arkansas Baptist. Eternity alone will reveal the magnitude of this wonderful work and the value of the service rendered by the sacrificial servants who are giving their lives to this work. My prayer is that through the years God shall continue to richly bless our Mountain School work and every other kingdom interest fostered by Arkansas Baptists.

#### Summary Financial Statement. Session 1923-24.

| Revenues: |      |         |                                       |
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| Maynard Academy<br>Carroll County Institute<br>Newton County Academy<br>Hagarville Academy<br>Mt. Ida Academy  | . 6,564.41<br>. 3,956.82<br>. 3.769.46                       |
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| Total Revenues   | \$46.759.77  |
| Expenses:<br>Mountain Home College<br>Maynard Academy<br>Carroll County Institute<br>Newton County Academy<br>Hagarville Academy<br>Mt. Ida Academy  | .\$21,419.54<br>4,605.53<br>4,451.20<br>3,265.50<br>3,708.91 |
| Total Expenses<br>Total Revenues above Expenses  |  |
| Assets: (Current)  | . 0,001.11   |
| Mountain Home College         Maynard Academy         Carroll County Institute         Newton County Academy         Hagarville Academy         Mt. Ida Academy  | . 35.47<br>. 257.80<br>. 161.86<br>. 60.55                   |
| Total Assets   | \$16.374.98  |
| Liabilities: (Current)<br>Mountain Home College<br>Maynard Academy<br>Carroll County Institute   | .\$10,313.54<br>. 250.00                                     |
| Newton County Academy  | •  |
| Total Liabilities<br>Total Assets above Liabilities  | \$10,563.54<br>. 5,811.44                                    |
| State Board in Account with Mountain School  | s.   |
| Appropriations for Convention Year (maintenance)<br>Appropriations for Insurance<br>Appropriations for Repairs<br>Balance Due on Old Appropriations<br>Appropriation for Superintendent's Salary & Expenses.<br>Special Appropriation, June 17, 1924 | . 1,026.35<br>. 2,372.00<br>. 2,326.64<br>. 1,800.00         |
|  | \$18,489.49  |
| Paid on Insurance<br>Paid on Old Appropriations<br>Paid on Current Appropriations  | . 2,326.64   |
| Balance on Current Appropriation, July 1, 1924   | \$15,701.62<br>.\$ 2,938.87                                  |
| Ministerial Aid, Session 1923-24.  |  |
| Balance Due Mountain Home College on 1922-23<br>Paid Out During Session 1923-24 to April 18, 1924  | .\$ 737.66<br>. 1,859.75                                     |
| Total  | \$ 2,597.41  |

| Received on Balance on 1922-23<br>Received for Session 1923-24 |          |
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| Palance Due Mountain Home College June 1 1924                  | 1,195.16 |

Balance Due Mountain Home College, June 1, 1924 ....\$ 1,402.25 Interest should be paid on this amount from 2-1-24.

45. The reports on Home Missions and Jonesboro College were read and adopted. They are as follows:

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

In the midst of changing conditions, many of them presenting new and hitherto unsuspected problems, the work of Home Missions goes steadily forward. In spite of a burdensome indebtedness since 1920 the harvests gathered annually have put songs of rejoicing upon the lips of the harvesters. The blessings of Jehovah have been particularly notable since the beginning of the 75 Million Campaign. A brief summary of some of the features of the Board's work during this five-year period shows the following: Sermons and addresses 802,382; prayer meetings 101,075; religious visits 1,238,210; baptisms 203,532; total additions to churches 324,086; workers' conferences held 4,667; volunteers for Christian service 15,049; church houses built or improved 2,225; Sunday Schools organized 3,183; copies Scripture given 55,533; pages tracts distributed 35,812,479.

Reconstruction periods which follow wars have always presented unusual political, economical, social, educational and religious problems. This has been very evident in America since 1918. Perhaps at no time in our nation's history have conditions so combined to make the progress of true religion difficult, yet Southern Baptists have made distinct gains in almost every phase of their work during that period. The persistent evangelizing of preceding years had created an atmosphere favorable to the spread of the gospel; and to this fact we owe in large measure the recent of the Home Board. Since 1845 the various state organizations have had a strong and dependable ally in this Board, and present conditions among Southern Baptists may be credited in large measure to their combined efforts. The value of the aid given our own state during these years cannot be estimated this side the gates of glory.

Instead of diminishing, the field of service for the Home Board is enlarging with the passing years and changing conditions. The shifting of certain types of manufacturing to the southern states increases the problem of the foreigner and the industrial center; the changing status of the Negro as he becomes wealthier and more enlightened demands even more attention than we have previously given him; conditions among the Indians demand a far more extensive program than we have as yet projected; the success of mountain schools everywhere they have been planted has opened our eyes to the possibilities of such service in scores of other localities that are equally as destitute; the appeals of weak and homeless churches for buildings, and from stronger ones for better equipment, increase with the passing days; the stupendous possibilities in Cuba and Panama have barely been surveyed; while the two-fold task of evangelism and enlistment might well absorb every cent that we give to the entire enterprise.

Your committee would call your attention once more to the significant place held by our Southland in the world's religious life. Loyalty to the Bible as expressed in conservatism in theology marks this section of America as it does no other land. More than any other denomination here we have the power of numbers, of wealth, of educational institutions, of influence and of churches; hence we are under the greater responsibility to shape the religious thinking of our people. To make America—especially these southern states of the union—to make America Christian is the sublime task to which Home Mission workers address themselves. So shall we strengthen and secure the base of supplies from which we shall carry on the campaign of Prince Immanuel until His kingdom shall come, and His will shall be done, in all this earth as it is in heaven.

E. P. J. Garrott. E. S. Mizell.

#### REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF JONESBORO COLLEGE.

We, the trustees of Jonesboro College, proudly but humbly invoke the indulgence of this body while we present to you the youngest member of our great Baptist institutional family.

Behold! Our dreams and those of the loyal Baptists of Northeast Arkansas are coming true! The thing that some of our optimistic friends have been predicting before this body for four years has happened. Jonesboro College has already become a reality. Since the early inception of the idea of a real Baptist College for Jonesboro, the work of converting brick and mortar into a living, throbbing institution of learning, has, in spite of post-war conditions and financial strains, gone steadily on until this glad hour which marks the first goal achieved in what we believe to be a winning game, one sure to result ultimately in a complete victory.

September the 9th marked the opening of our school and the completion of our magnificient administration building, the first of fifteen that in the providence of God will finally sit triumphantly upon those forest rimmed hills which proudly rise from those fertile valleys of Northeast Arkansas. Think of it! And think how long those hills must have waited for the Baptists to crown them with glory and honor. Was it not providence working through loyal and benevolent Christian people that made the Baptists the happy possessors of so vast an area containing more than ninety acres of the choicest lands in and near the city of Jonesboro? While recognizing the hand of providence in it all, we are not unmindful of the part Arkansas Baptists have played in making Jonesboro College. We have profitted by your sympathy and your prayers and oftentimes we were materially aided by your money. It has strengthened us, more than you think, just to know that the denom-It has ination was behind us. We especially wish to express our sincere gratitude to our Arkansas Baptist brethren for graciously consenting for us to enter the field for the purpose of raising funds for Jonesboro College, when to have done so without your consent might have been considered a breach of comity. But in doing so our people have dealt fairly with you. We have not neglected our obligations to other Baptist causes and have continued giving most liberally to the Seventy-five Million Dollar Campaign.

We wish also to express our debt of gratitude to the Home Mission Board and its faithful secretary, Dr. Gray, which Board, as you know, has fostered the movement from its beginning by word and deed. She did this in the first place by throwing in her influence at a time when it was greatly needed to give confidence and permanancy to a situation already acquainted with the changing vicissitudes of time. She has also aided us very materially by her guarantee to furnish one-third of the money needed in the construction of this institution and by agreeing further to own, operate and maintain the school perpetually.

We mention these things that you may see the exact status and realize the unique position occupied by our school in relation to yourselves and to our great Baptist cause. We owe much to both Southern and State Baptists. Still, our task has not been an easy one at all times. Many have been the sleepless nights and the heartaches experienced by those responsible for success of the enterprise. It is only necessary in this connection to mention the untiring efforts of men like L. D. Summers, G. W. Puryear, P. C. Barton, J. G. Harris, and scores of others, or the liberality of these same brethren. Special mention might be made of Mr. Tom Lane, Jr., and many of our great business concerns of Jonesboro to make you see that there has been a spirit peculiarly devoted, as well as a local pride, back of this wonderful movement.

Think of acquiring a physical property easily worth \$200,000 in so short a time and without indebtedness! Think of an outlying territory covering almost fifty thousand square miles easily acces-Think of the thousands of boys and girls that have never sible! availed themselves of the opportunities offered by our more distant colleges! What does it all mean to you? Should we not aspire to be among the leading co-educational junior colleges in all the land? I am sure such holy ambitions can be justified in the services rendered our other great Baptist schools as a preparatory training school for them and in filling the youths of the land with a noble desire for Christian education. It can be likewise justified in the service rendered churches which will inevitably result from a trained ministry. Our school also offers a substitute for the present unsatisfactory type of secondary training given in many of our public schools by offering a four year high school course under Christian influences

Our facilities for doing just the type of work we are proposing to do are more than adequate. Our administration building is one of the largest in the state. It is modern in every respect and is equipped so as to meet every requirement of standardizing agencies. Temporary dormitory facilities have been provided sufficient to take care of present needs. A new dormitory for girls is being begun which will offer every advantage and luxury to be found in the best boarding schools of the land. A campaigin is now in progress to raise the money needed in erecting and equipping a \$90,000.00 structure.

This forward step has already been amply justified by our wonderful opening and our present enrollment of more than 190 students. What the enrollment would be another year with new dormitories is difficult to say, but the thought is inspiring. This is especially true when the type of students seeking admittance is considered. Never in the history of denominational schools has a finer group of young people been brought together. Think of a new Junior College with eighteen active ministerial students, and in addition to that eight missionary and special students. There is enough leaven in Jonesboro College to bring about a religious upheavel throughout the length and breadth of Northeast Arkansas. The college has already justified her existence by furnishing pastors to more than half a dozen pastorless churches in the outlying districts. Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s have already been organized in many communities.

As to the type of literary work being done we need only mention the following facts: First, all the leading colleges of the denomination, as well as other denominations, and many state schools have already agreed to accept work done in Jonesboro College. Both the college and academy have been thoroughly inspected by the University of Arkansas and the State Department of Public Instruction. Both men express entire satisfaction and have given our school the rank of a standard Junior College built upon an "A" grade high school. Application is soon to be made for admission into the North Central Association of Colleges. In the meantime we are happy to enjoy the confidence and favorable consideration given us by our sister colleges.

As to our religious and denominational fervor, we came into the family of Christian Colleges pledging our loyalty and asking for the confidence of our good Baptist people and for an opportunity to prove our orthodoxy. We stand four-square for religious education and against the present tendencies toward modernism and evolution. As evidence of this we require each member of our faculty to sign a pledge of orthodoxy and to certify that he is not only in harmony with Baptist teachings, but that he is a member of a Baptist church, and a supporter of its institutions and ordinances. As long as our enjoys the unique status of being a mission school under the control and operated by the denomination through the Home Mission Board, nothing will ever be tolerated that would in any way embarrass our great denomination. The Bible will be our guide and will always be taught in the school. Students graduating from it will be required to have taken courses in the Bible. To this end a strong Department of Theology and Religious Training is being maintained. At present this department is headed by Dr. L. T. Wallace, a Th.D. from the Seminary of Fort Worth, Texas.

The other departments of the school are sound religiously and standard from the standpoint of literary attainment. Our aim is to reflect the principles and doctrines of the great Teacher, Christ, not only in theory but in fact. The heads of all these departments have had wide experiences as teachers and denominational workers. Their degrees satisfy the requirements of all the standardizing agencies of the south. Their records and personal qualifications are beyond question and constitute an open book.

As to control, the status of the institution is as follows: Is now owned, controlled and operated by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The management of the school is entrusted to a local board of directors and the President of the College, who is elected by the local board. This board is composed of twelve members, five of whom are non-residents of the city of Jonesboro. The board is not only entrusted with the management of the school but the responsibility of carrying forward subsequent building programs. This plan of local control is an element of vital importance. Still the power and authority retained by the Home Mission Board guarantees to the people of Northeast Arkansas that the institution will be perpetuated and gives the backing financially and otherwise required by standardizing agencies. From every standpoint the future success of the college is assured. Those responsible for the success of the school earnestly solicit your patronage and invoke your sympathy and your prayers.

The following synopsis is added for emphasis: Number of teachers employed, males 6, females 4; students enrolled, males 87, females 103; ministerial, males 18; volunteers, females 8.

Arkansas 170, Tennessee 9, Mississippi 1, Oklahoma 1, Florida 1, Kentucky 1, Academy 69, College 54, Business College 45, Music Department 45. Expression Department 21.

Approved by the Board November 17, 1924, and respectfully submitted.

J. N. Mallory, President.

46. The report of the committee on Ministerial Relief was read and discussed by Dr. Cranfill of Dallas, Texas. It was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

It is gratifying to note the progress that has been made in the past few years of our Relief and Annuity Board. While this Board has had but five years of actual functioning its growth has been steady and constructive.

#### Relief.

The Relief Fund is used to pay a monthly allowance to our old ministers, and to the widows and orphans of ministers. The report last May shows that this fund assisted during the past year 568 ministers, 342 widows, and 100 dependent children, total 1010. This is a total increase over the previous year of 102 beneficiaries. It is also an increase of 10 more than double the number of beneficiaries in the year 1920, while during the same time the relief assets increased from \$70,974.06 to \$534,153.04. Therefore the increase in assets has been more than three times the increase of beneficiaries. While some states give more to the Relief Fund than others, the distribution is made to the beneficiaries of each state practically alike. Arkansas Baptists are receiving more now for Ministerial Relief than they are contributing to this fund. During the past five years they have received \$7,481.40 more than they gave for relief. Only one other state received more than that, which was Louisiana. The expenses of the relief division of the Board are paid out of the interest on endowment for this fund, and out of interest on deposits. Therefore not one cent of the amount given by our churches for this fund goes to pay running expenses of the Board. The interest on endowment and deposits for last year paid all running expenses and had a balance of \$2,757.79 to go to the expense reserve.

#### Annuity.

The Annuity Fund provides a kind of pension for the aged preachers. The plan is for Southern Baptists to provide four-fifths of the fund and the minister to provide one-fifth of the annual al-lowance, which allowance begins at the age of 58. The maximum age for joining the Annuity Fund at present is 63, but the Board has decided to reduce it to 58 which shall not become effective until on and after January 1, 1925. The maximum annual allowance is \$500.00, which is being paid now to those who become totally and permanently disabled. It is the desire of the Board to be able to work out a plan soon by which the maximum may be raised to \$600.00. There are three sources of income for expense for the annuity department of the Board—interest on the endowment, interest on deposits, and 6 per cent of all premiums paid in. However the interest on deposits and endowment alone paid all running expenses of the annuity department last year, leaving a balance of \$1,780.91, plus the 6 per cent of all premiums, to go to the expense reserve.

#### Points of Encouragement.

1. While all of the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention have functioned well and made splendid progress, perhaps no one has made such rapid strides as the Relief and Annuity Board, during the first six years of its existence. During the past five years the beneficiaries of the Relief Fund have more than doubled in number, but the relief assets have increased more than seven-fold, and the total assets for both Relief and Annuity have increased more than ten-fold.

2. Everyone who has made undesignated gifts to the 75 Million Campaign has had a part in the blessing of helping 1010 old preachers, widows and orphans of preachers during the past year.

3. The double embarrassment that Southern Baptists have been laboring under for years has been partly removed. The embarrassment of having an underpaid ministry is helped some by providing for him an income when he is old, or disabled for service. The delay has been too long for a provision for these noble and sacrificial servants of God.

Therefore we recommend that Arkansas Baptists encourage, support and pray for still greater success through the Relief and Annuity Board, and that churches make it possible for their pastors to be enrolled as active certificate-holders of the Annuity Fund.

J. F. Queen. D. D. Glover.

The Convention adjourned for lunch.

# THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

47. The Convention was called to order by the president at 2 o'clock p. m., and Brother R. A. Eddleman of Lonoke conlucted devotional service.

48. The following resolution concerning endowment funds was read by C. L. Durrett and adopted. It is as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION.**

Resolution concerning endowment that may now be in the possession of or that may hereafter come into the possession of any college or other institution, board or other interest or agency of this Convention.

WHEREAS, the day has arrived when large trust funds as en-

dowment are being received by the institutions and boards of this Convention; and

WHEREAS, such endowment is given as a trust fund to he held and preserved absolutely inviolate for the cause of Christ; and

WHEREAS, these endowment funds in many cases represent great sacrifices and are given by all parties with the understanding by them and the solemn promise by this Convention that they will be retained as being sacred as life itself;

THEREFORE, in order to assist the Boards of this Convention in handling endowment funds with all possible security;

BE IT RESOLVED, by this Convention in regular annual session assembled in the city of Little Rock on November 20, 1924, that all Colleges, Boards, Institutions or other agencies of this Convention are hereby instructed and required to observe the following fundamental regulations concerning any endowment now in the possession of or that may hereafter come into the possession of said Colleges, Boards, Institutions or other agencies of this Convention:

1. The governing Board or Trustees of any institution or interest of this Convention that now has or that may hereafter receive any amount from any source and for any purpose shall within thirty days from this date or within thirty days after receiving such endowment funds meet in business session and appoint from its members a committee of five to be known as "The Investing Committee," not more than two of whom shall live in any one city, town or community.

2. "The Investing Committee" shall make, or cause to be made, investments of all funds available for investment as soon as possible. This Investing Committee shall have authority to change the form of investments of endowment funds and to make new investments of them. In no case shall loans upon real estate be made to exceed fifty per cent of a fair valuation. While funds are being held pending the completion of a contract for investments, or while the Investing Committee is seeking investments, all cash funds shall be kept in banks on time deposit, and not more than \$50,000 shall be kept in any one bank.

3. No investments, loans, purchase or sale of endowment funds or any contract concerning same shall be made without the formal and unanimous approval of the Investing Committee.

4. The endowment funds themselves of any College or other Institution of this Convention shall under no circumstance whatsoever, either be expended or hypothecated for current expenses, but shall be retained and preserved absolutely inviolate forever.

5. No loans of any description shall ever under any circumstances be made to any member of a College, Board or other Institution of this Convention, nor to any officer or employee of a College or Board or other Institution of this Convention, nor to any business concern or firm with which any Board member or Trustee or other official or employee mentioned in this paragraph is associated. Nor shall any loans of any kind be made to any Board or other Institution or interest of this Convention, nor to any other religious, fraternal, educational or charitable organization whatsoever.

6. "The Investing Committee" of any Board, Institution or

other interest of this Convention shall make bond for a sum entirely sufficient to guarantee beyond a doubt the positive safety of all funds handled by said Investing Committee, said bond shall be approved by a majority vote of the Board that appoints or elects "The Investment Committee" and by a reputable attorney selected by said Board. The expenses of the bond may be paid for from the income on the endowment funds.

7. The Investing Committees of the various Boards, Colleges and other Institutions or interests of this Convention that handle endowment funds shall make a detailed annual report to the Boards that appoint or elect them and through said Boards a detailed annual report to this Convention, showing exactly how all endowment funds are invested, the status of the security, the rate of income on each investment, all expenses, fees, etc., and to whom such were paid and for what purpose. The official auditor of this Convention shall audit and O. K. all such reports before they are presented to this Convention.

8. This Convention hereby instructs and authorizes all Boards, Committees and other agencies of this Convention that handle endowment funds to adopt whatever other fundamental rules and regulations they see fit for the safest and most efficient handling of said funds, provided no rule or regulation is adopted or followed that conflicts with any of the regulations and instructions set out in this resolution. This Convention has great confidence in its Boards and will be glad at the proper times to have suggestions from said Boards as to the best way to invest endowment funds.

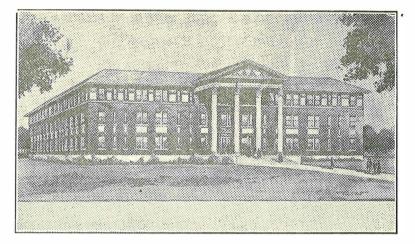
49. Dr. J. B. Cranfill, of Dallas, Texas, addressed the Convention on the work of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of Fort Worth, Texas.

50. Dr. G. H. Crutcher of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, addressed the Convention on the work of that institution.

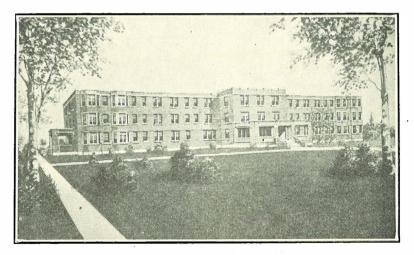
51. Dr. J. McKee Adams of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., addressed the Convention on the work of that institution.

52. The resolution offered by Dr. J. S. Compere and adopted by the Convention at a previous hour, and which created a special committee to draft a doctrinal statement to be signed by the employees of the Convention, its Boards and Institutions, was called for and re-read. It is as follows:

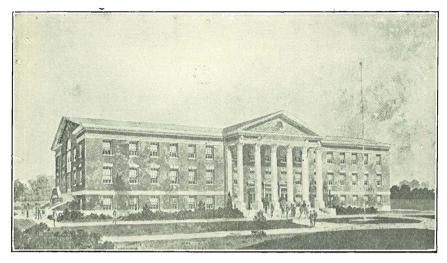
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# ADMINISTRATION BUILDING JONESBORO COLLEGE, JONESBORO These Buildings Were Erected During the 75 Million Campaign





#### **RESOLUTION.**

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention to promote the whole program of Christ according to the will of Christ as revealed in the Bible and as understood and interpreted by Baptists, and,

WHEREAS, all our institutions and enterprises are maintained for the accomplishment of this purpose;

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved:

(1). That every regular full employee of this Convention or of any institution or board of this Convention shall be expected to sign a doctrinal statement, hereinafter provided for.

(2). That a committee consisting of B. V. Ferguson, T. D. Brown, L. M. Sipes, H. L. Winburn and E. P. J. Garrott, and the same is hereby appointed to prepare such doctrinal statement, and that a report of some sort be submitted to the Convention before final adjournment of the present session. That it shall be the duty of this committee in addition to formulating the doctrinal statement, to name the specific classes of employees that shall be expected to sign the statement.

(3). That when such doctrinal statement shall have been adopted by this Convention, no employee of any classes specified, who fails to sign the statement shall be retained as an employee of this Convention or of any of its boards or institutions.

The report of the committee was called for, It was read and adopted. It is as follows:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Your committee, after some deliberation, believes that the things contemplated in your resolutions are of grave and serious importance. We believe that such a restatement of our faith as is there contemplated ought to be made. We further believe that every employee of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in any representative capacity ought to be and will be willing to subscribe to such a statement, otherwise he cannot honestly represent us.

We find ourselves utterly unable to make such a mature and dignified statement as ought to be made on account of lack of time for deliberation.

We therefore recommend that action on this matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of this Convention, in order that the committee may have time to formulate a statement worthy of this great body, and that shall have permanent value.

- B. V. Ferguson.
- H. L. Winburn.
- T. D. Brown.
- L. M. Sipes.
- E. P. J. Garrott.

53. By motion and second and unanimous vote the Convention expressed a sentiment that the people of Arkansas should welcome the financial representatives of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in their campaign to raise funds for their building program.

54. The report of a committee from the Ministers' and Laymen's Conference was heard at this time. The Memorial was read, and is as follows:

WHEREAS, the doctrine of Evolution is afflicting some of our Baptist schools in the South;

BE IT RESOLVED, That this body of ministers and laymen request through this committee the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, at its forthcoming session, to take such steps as will forever safeguard against this God-dishonoring error, all the schools fostered by the denomination in Arkansas.

B. L. Bridges.V. C. Neal.P. C. Barton.

# 55. In response to this Memorial the following resolutions were read and adopted:

## RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING THE DOCTRINE OF EVOLUTION.

Believeing that the time has come for Arkansas Baptists to declare their position on the doctrine of Evolution and on "Modernism," the following resolutions are offered:

#### BE IT RESOLVED:

First. That we believe that the Bible IS God's revelation to man; that it does not only contain God's word, but that it is really and actually God's revelation of Himself to man. We believe that it is divinely inspired, being written by men who were moved by the Holy Spirit. We accept unreservedly and unqualifiedly the Genesis account of Creation as both accurate and true, and that the language here used is "neither allegorical, nor figurative, nor hypothetical, nor inferential," but gives the plain, simple, direct account of God's Creative Act. We believe that the miracles recorded in the Bible were actually performed as they are recorded. We believe that Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary through the power of the Holy Spirit, and that He is very God; that His death was vicarious, His resurrection bodily, and his return will be personal.

Second. That we do not believe in Darwinian Evolution or Materialistic, Atheistic or Theistic or any other theory of Evolution by whatever name called which proposes to teach that there is, or has been, such a thing in Nature as the transmutation of species, or the evolution of life from one species to another, or that man came from the anthropoid ape, or from any lower form of animal life, or that man is derived from a common ancestor with other socalled primates. We believe that Man is the direct creation of God and not the product of some form of evolved life.

Third. That this Convention go on record as endorsing these doctrinal statements.

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Fourth. That this Convention require each and everyone, president and faculty, and all employees of our Boards, and all who hold positions with our educational institutions or boards to sign a copy of these doctrinal statements.

Fifth. That the various Boards of this Convention be charged with the responsibility of seeing that these doctrinal statements are signed by all who shall be employed by them, after changing the "we" to "I," thus:

"I believe that the Bible IS God's revelation to man; that it does not only contain God's word, but that it is really and actually God's revelation of Himself to man. I believe that it is divinely inspired, being written by men who were moved by the Holy Spirit. I accept unreservedly and unqualifiedly the Genesis account of Creation as both accurate and true, and that the language here used is "neither allegorical, nor figurative, nor hypothecal, nor inferential," but gives the plain, simple, direct account of God's Creative Act. I believe that the miracles recorded in the Bible were actually performed as they are recorded. I believe that Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary through the power of the Holy Spirit, and that He is very God; that His death was vicarious, His resurrection bodily, and His return will be personal.

"I do not believe in Darwinian Evolution or Materialistic, Atheistic or Theistic or any other theory of Evolution by whatever name called which proposes to teach that there is, or has been, such a thing in Nature as the transmutation of species, or the evolution of life from one species to another, or that man came from the anthropoid ape, or from any lower form of animal life, or that man is derived from a common ancestor with other so-called primates. I believe that Man is the direct creation of God and not the product of some form of evolved life."

56. Believing that the foregoing resolution covered sufficiently the ground which the doctrinal statement mentioned in paragraph 52 was designed to cover, the special committee appointed to draft the doctrinal statement was, at its own request, discharged.

57. Dr. Cammack, of the Education Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, addressed the body in behalf of the work of the Board.

The Convention adjourned for supper.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION.

58. The Convention was called to order by the president and entered into singing and prayer.

59. The report of the Executive Board was read by the General Secretary, J. S. Rogers, and was accepted. It is as follows:

## REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

To the Messengers of the Baptist Churches of Arkansas, assembled at Little Rock, Arkansas, November 19-21, 1924, in the seventy-first annual meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, the Executive Board most respectfully submits the following report:

With full joy and hearty thanksgiving to Almighty God for His rich blessings upon the work and with a thorough appreciation of the excellent co-operation of the pastors and churches your Board presents this report.

#### A Year of Great Progress.

This report will relate to you some facts about a year of great progress. The churches and pastors have made notable progress in putting forward the whole Baptist program and in a general constructive forward movement all down the denominational line. This has been a year marked by the erection or completion of four great fire-proof buildings that will stand for one hundred or two hundred years and that have cost us \$700,000.00 or \$800,000.00. These alone would make the past year a new era in Baptist history in Arkansas. We feel that it has been a year of great and joyful con-The note of victory is in the hearts of multiplied thousands auest. of our people. Our great 75 Million program covers fully the three scriptural divisions of denominational work, benevolence, education and missions.

I.

#### Christian Benevolence.

The benevolent work done by the Arkansas churches and for which the Executive Board gathers funds as a part of the 75 Million Campaign, consists in ministerial relief, orphanage work and hospital ministry.

#### Ministerial Relief.

There are in Arkansas about fifty-five old and infirm ministers and widows of departed ministers who are being helped by the Board of Ministerial Relief of Dallas, Texas. Scores of others need and deserve aid, but the funds available are insufficient. During the year your Board has received and had reported from the Campaign for Ministerial Relief \$3,005.59. This has all been sent on to the Board at Dallas, except \$672.90, which, in answer to emergency calls, was paid to certain brethren. For details touching this matter, we refer you to the auditor's report.

#### Our Orphanage.

You will hear an excellent report from the Orphanage Board. It is not necessary, therefore, for our reference to this matter to be extended. We have received and had reported during the year \$17,716.44 for current support of this mansion of mercy. Your Board urges upon the churches with all our hearts three things touching the Orphans' Home: (1) That our people make large pledges to the 1925 program in order that our orphan children may be properly cared for. (2) That every Sunday School in the state give the offering of one Sunday in each month to the Home. (3) That our people be liberal in sending all sorts of supplies to the Orphanage.

#### A Fortunate Fire at the Orphanage.

At three o'clock on the morning of December 16, 1923, little Harvey Knox, a sixteen-year-old boy in the Home, awoke and discovered that the boys' dormitory was burning down. By heroic work he aroused the other twenty-five or thirty boys and Mr. and Mrs. Pugh, and no lives were lost. The hand of a good Providence was seen in it all. This dormitory was not fit and was dangerous. Your Executive Board at a meeting on December 18th appointed a building committee to secure plans for two new dormitories at the Orphanage and report back to the Board. Also a special campaign for \$75,000.00 for these dormitories was authorized. At a meeting of the Board on February 1st, plans were approved by the Board for two three-story fire-proof dormitories, each to cost \$45,000.00 to \$50,000.00. Your Board rejoices to report to you that one of these buildings, fire-proof, tile roof, costing \$50,000.00 has been practically completed and paid for with money sent in by the churches. The other dormitory will be completed in December. On these buildings we have received in cash and have pledges that are as good as cash amounting to \$64,116,41. All this is almost too good to be true and is a bit hard to believe, but it is so, thank the Lord!

#### A "Friend" Gives \$25,000.00 on the Dormitories.

This Board and this Convention must rise up and give joyful thanks to a good "Friend" among us who gave \$5,000.00 and then \$25,000.00 on these new buildings and has paid \$17,500.00 of this. What a friend the orphans have in this noble Christian philanthropist. There is more good news here that we are not at liberty to give out yet. How we praise God for this "Friend."

#### Our Hospitals.

During the year we have received for the Davis Hospital, Pine Bluff. \$1.729.70. One year ago we owed on this fine institution \$9.014.69. Now the balance due is \$8.099.23. What a blessing the 75 Million has brought to Arkansas Baptists in the Davis Hospital, an institution with all of its equipment now worth at least \$150,-All funds due this hospital have been sent on. 000.00. For the Baptist State Hospital, Little Rock, we have received during the year \$7,606.53, all of which except the pro rata expense and interest, has been paid on the overdraft of this hospital. What marvelous credit this magnificent five-story house of healing is to Arkansas and to the whole south. Most of the Messengers of this Convention have seen this great building that will be worth \$600,000.00 or more when it is finished and furnished. It will take years for us to fully appreciate our marvelous achievement in the erection of this the greatest Baptist building west of the Mississippi river, except one.

II.

#### Christian Education.

With heavy emphasis, this Board wishes to give it as their serious and growing judgment that Christian Education is as thoroughly scriptural as is the doctrine of missions. Almost our whole Arkansas constituency still sorely needs a mighty awakening touching this fundamental matter. In this report we are using the term "Christian Education" in its broadest sense to cover the Baptist Book House, the Baptist Advance and Woman's Work, as conducted by our State W. M. U., Ministerial Education and Southwide Institutions, as well as our colleges and other Baptist schools.

#### The Baptist Book House.

Every Baptist who thinks right surely must believe that a center from which good religious books are distributed is quite important. The world never needed good, wholesome, orthodox Christian books at reasonable prices more than it does today, and unquestionably the best and safest agent for the distribution of such books is the denomination. We feel that we must distribute MORE books, not fewer books. The management of the Book House is in the hands of the General Secretary.

At the last Convention a debt of \$3,027.24 on the Book House was reported. This debt has been reduced to \$2,500.31.

Dr. I. J. Van Ness of the Sunday School Board has been very gracious to the Book House this year in influencing his Board to make a donation of \$2,000.00 to the Book Houes. The Board and Convention hereby thank the Sunday School Board and Secretary Van Ness very kindly indeed for this timely help. In two and a half years the indebtedness of the Book House has been reduced from between \$10,000.00 and \$11,000.00 to \$2,500.31, and we have the best and most up-to-date stock we have ever had and all of it is paid for except \$914.17. If all the people who owe the Book House would pay their bills, the Book House would not owe one cent and would have a good, clean stock absolutely paid for.

#### The Baptist Advance.

This paper is positively indispensable to the life and progress of all our work. If you will imagine us trying to run our church and denominational work without it, you will readily see this. Without the Baptist Advance the denomination would lose tragically in information and also in co-operation and inspiration. The paper has run this year at a loss of only \$2,042.70, although it has gone to the subscribers at \$1.00 per year. Every church in the state should put the paper in the budget and send it to every home, we believe. We ought to quickly increase the present number of subscribers, which is over 9,000, to at least 15,000. Baptists of all people in the world do most poorly in the dark. More than any other people, Baptists act on their own individual knowledge and are prompted by their own personal information. Editor Compere has served faithfully and well during the past year.

#### The W. M. U. Work.

Our Arkansas Baptist women have had a really wonderful year. Their convention at Ashdown in April was large, spiritual and constructive. Your Board cannot impress too much on this Convention the importance of a high appreciation of the work of our Arkansas W. M. U. Our women are a tremendous educational and missionary force. They greatly quicken our whole Baptist line of march. Their leaders are strong, efficient and popular and unsurpassed in the South. Your Board appropriated \$9,000.00 to Woman's Work the past year. The W. M. U. has employed this year for all or part time, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, Miss Elsie Harrison, Miss Lelia Thomas, Miss Lillian May.

They report 423 Woman's Missionary Societies and 447 Young People's organizations in the state. The department has issued 1492 Mission Study Certificates, 77 Official Seals, 2,376 Small Seals and 200 Reading Stamps. The workers visited 25 Associations, held 28 Rallies, 4 Y. W. A. Camps, which registered a total attendance of about 200 girls, and 6 District Meetings, each of which had a splendid attendance. On March 7-9, Mrs. Lawrence held a very successful Girls' Auxiliary Conference at Central College, attended by about 197 girls, 187 of them staying in Central College Dormitory. This meeting was far-reaching in its educational and spiritual results. On October 31 to November 2, a similar conference for the Royal Ambassadors was held at Ouachita College, which had an attendance of 104 boys. These conferences are a piece of wise, spiritual strategy on the part of this noble leader of our young people. About 350 Societies reported total contrbutions to all causes \$223,440.29. On 75 Million \$146,434.19, to Hospital charity fund \$1,819.64, Hospital furnishings \$4,146.88 which does not include 26 memorial rooms in the Hospital; to scholarships and clothing for students and families \$2,354.40, and District Budget \$3,217.97 with some other The Young People's department raised \$6,383.13. Mrs. specials. Jackson, Mrs. Lawrence and Field Workers traveled about 33,391 miles, visiting 257 towns in their field work. We thank God for this unparalleled record!

#### Ministerial Education.

You have noted from the reports of our schools that Arkansas Baptists have more young preachers in school than ever before in our history with the possible exception of one year. This is very gratifying. One year ago a debt of \$5.311.65 was reported for this phase of our work. During the year we have received for this cause \$2,299.90, and have paid out \$4,602.02 to preachers, \$1,552.-65 expenses and interest, leaving a debt of \$9,166.42. The percentage set aside from the 75 Million for this interest did not take care of the needs. A larger income for this very important phase of our work has been provided for in the 1925 program. We are also to care for Arkansas students in the Seminaries in that program. The denomination that is without a sufficient supply of heroic, fearlessly bold, well trained preachers whose souls are as big as the whole round world has come upon a tragic day and, for its part, is leading the world astray!

#### Southwide Institutions.

These Southwide Institutions include our Seminaries and Training Schools and the Baptist Bible Institute. Your Board has received and had reported from the churches this year for our Southwide Institutions \$6,000.80, which has been paid.

#### Ouachita College.

Your Board has received during the year \$17,931.46 for this school, all of which, except the pro rata expenses and interest, has been applied on the overdraft of the college. The expenses of the endowment campaign and an expense item of \$3,700.00 from the Education Board of the Southern Baptist Convention have had to be added to the overdraft of the college this year. Our people will bear in mind that this overdraft of the college would have been wiped out long ago but for an advance of \$85,000.00 which your Board made two years ago for the completion of the magnificent girls' dormitory. This piece of financing was an evident necessity and manifestly wise. During the two or three years that have just gone by an additional indebtedness of about \$46,000 for running expenses, equipment and other permanent improvements accumulated. The college could not under any circumstances receive the \$400,000 additional endowment with this debt hanging over it. This debt absolutely barred further endowment, as things were. So on Tuesday night, November 18th, 1924, your Board agreed to pay this indebtedness.

This debt, added to the overdraft that your Board was already carrying, makes the present overdraft of the college about \$133,-997.56. It is true that this is an enormous amount and all too much for this Board to be carrying for one institution in one department of our work under ordinary circumstances. This amount will not be increased agin in any fashion but will be reduced day by day with what comes in from the churches for the college until it is This overdraft can and will be handled. wiped out. We have glorious and abundantly satisfactory results to show for this debt. Your Board believes we are going on well at this point. We have accumulated for Ouachita College \$700,000 in unencumbered, per-manent, high class property and cash for endowment during the time that overdraft has been made. The interest alone on the endowment raised during the time, if used for this purpose, would re-pay this overdraft in five years. Then we would have left the great buildings and the large endowment for the rest of time. We are doing gloriously by the grace of God!

#### The Endowment Completed.

We have in hand sufficient cash and good notes on which we can get cash to close up the endowment and within the next thirty or forty days at most we will receive the \$100,000 from the General Education Board of New York and turn over to the college in actual cash and Liberty Bonds \$400,000.00, money that will go on serving the Lord until the second coming of Christ! This is probably the most outstanding and far-reaching event that will ever occur in the whole history of Arkansas Baptists. Probably no generation will ever see anything happen in the Baptist life of this "Wonder State" that can mean so much for Christ and our denomination as this monumental victory! It is the greatest single event for one state in all Southern Baptists' achievements during the past quarter of a This gives Ouachita College within \$12,000.00 of as much century. endowment as the greatest Baptist University in the greatest Baptist State in the world, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, which was founded forty years before Ouachita College was established! We here record our unbounded thanks to God and our deepest appreciation of what the Education Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and its secretaries, Dr. W. C. James and Dr. J. W. Cammack, have done for us, and hereby thank most cordially indeed the General Education Board of New York for what they will do shortly! We thank God, too, for the pastors and churches who made it all possible. It is the day of all days for Arkansas Baptists!

#### Central College.

Central College is having a most successful year. For details, see report of President Campbell. The commodious three-story, fire-proof dormitory has been completed this year and is as good as can be found in the land, north or south. For the purpose of completing this dormitory and to help keep this college a standard Junior College and in the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities, the Executive Board has advanced this school \$31,108.78 above the income to.date for the college. Your Board has received during the year and had reported for this institution \$7,630.20, all of which, except the pro rata of expenses and interest, has been applied on the overdraft of the college.

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This institution needs an endowment as soon as possible, but your Board feels that the denomination cannot get to this before 1926 at the earliest. On the old educational debt taken over from Ouachita and Central Colleges which was originally about \$65,000, we now owe \$20,654.74. This should almost be wiped out next year.

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#### Missions.

In Arkansas, the 75 Million Campaign covers Association Missions, State Missions, Home Missions and Foreign Missions. For these great causes Arkansas Baptists have not done this year what they should, but comparatively it has been a year of great triumph all down the line.

#### Association Missions.

The Executive Board does not gather funds for Association Missions, but this Board and this Convention are profoundly interested in this phase of our work. The Executive Board is delighted with the policy of the State Mission Board and Secretary Masters in giving great attention to this important phase of the work. There has been reported to the office of the Executive Board for credit \$19,847.89, and at least \$10,000 unreported, this year on Association Missions and much that was given for this cause was not reported.

#### State Missions.

You have seen from the report of Secretary F. M. Masters for the State Mission Board that we have had a really great year in this very important department of our work and that your money has been well expended for this interest. The Executive Board appropriated \$70,000 to the State Mission Board for State Missions this year. Collections in State Mission Evangelism were not to be counted as a part of this \$70,000, but were over and above it. Since the last Convention our office has received for State Mission work of every kind, including evangelism, from the state \$33,216.35, from the Home Board \$20,000.00, from the Sunday School Board \$3,319.09, making a total of \$56,535.44 from all sources for all departments of State Missions.

The amount paid out for State Missions this year was \$28,605.-69 more than your Board received for this phase of our work. During the year there has been received on the old State Mission obligation \$11,913.35. This debt one year ago was \$41,975.07, after the deficit of last year was added to it. The trouble is that the percentage for State Missions has been too small and our contributions have not been enough to take care of this extremely important department of our work. The very life of our denomination hangs on this phase of our Baptist program. Your Board now owes in all on State Missions, including the old obligation, \$64,671.39. We must speedily reduce this. We can do it by God's grace. We will do it!

#### Home Missions.

Our office has received and had reported for Home Missions this Convention year \$28,725.22, and sent direct \$15,000.00, or a total of \$43,725.22. The Home Board is giving us for co-operative work this Southern Baptist Convention year \$1,666.66 per month,

For this we are profoundly grateful. We are grateful for the help that we have received from this Board through the years. The Board expresses appreciation of the fine co-operation and good work of the Home Board enlistment worker Allen Hill Autry, who has helped on very materially our whole state program.

#### Foreign Missions.

The Executive Board has received and had reported this year for Foreign Missions \$30,286.95, and \$29,000.00 has gone direct to the Board. We do not owe the Foreign Mission Board one cent. Our office has also received for Foreign Relief \$614.89, all of which has been forwarded.

The attention of this Convention has been called to the financial situation of the Foreign Mission Board which is little short of a spiritual world calamity! Won't Arkansas Baptists give two or three times as much to Foreign Missions in 1925 as we have in 1924? May God make it so!

#### Arkansas Baptists Get \$45,000 from the Baxter Cannon Will.

Not quite one year ago Mr. Baxter B. Cannon of DeQueen, Arkansas, died in California. In his will, made some months before his death, this good man bequeathed \$25,000 to the State Mission department of this Convention's work; to Ouachita College \$25,000, as a loan fund for students; \$10,000 for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and \$5,000 for our Orphanage at Monticello.

Mr. Cannon's will was contested by relatives and a compromise was agreed upon. By this compromise our Baptist causes will soon get about \$45,000 instead of \$65,000 which Mr. Cannon desired to give us. Your Board and this Convention are grateful to God for this bequest and for the life of Baxter Cannon. We also appreciate all the efforts of those who gave assistance in the settlement of this will. There is a worth while lesson here to which our attention should be called again, and that is, that it is much safer and better for us to give our money to God while we live.

#### The Close of Five Triumphant Years and Some of Our Gains.

With this year we close the 75 Million Campaign program in Arkansas. The past five years have marked the greatest spiritual strides in Arkansas and in the South that Baptists or any other religious group have made in the history of Christianity. The 75 Million program has produced the greatest gains for Christ and the world that have ever come to this earth through the efforts of man. There is no sense in which this movement has been a failure in any degree. There have been mistakes but no failures. We here record and recite a few of the spiritual gains that have come to Arkansas Baptists during these five years of marvelous triumph:

1. We have gained wonderfully in spirit. Nothing worth while can be done on this earth without spirit. A city languishes and dies away unless it has spirit. A country without a great spirit will soon be filled with dead men's bones. A new and mighty spirit, an indomitable spirit has come into the breasts of Arkansas Baptists. We are now capable of great mammoth tasks. By the grace of God we are spiritual pygmies and dwarfs no more. Witness our Orphanage building program involving \$100,000 and the endowment movement involving \$200,000 put over just as side issues.

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Remember \$690,000.00 that our people gave to all denominational purposes last Southern Baptist Convention year.

We have gained greatly in the fine art of co-operation. 2. There was never a day when you could get as many Baptists to help put across a worthy task in Arkansas as you can now. An intelligent Baptist that does not co-operate now by his prayers, efforts and gifts feels like he is as dead spiritually as Rip Van Winkle and it is The day has come when an up to date preacher absonearly so. lutely knows that he cannot last long where he is and will have an almost impossible undertaking before him to get another field when he must move, if that preacher does not support strongly Christ's world program. The day is on us when the preacher who does not preach missions and collect money for missions, won't get any money for himself very long. The right kind of a preacher no longer pushes the local work to the neglect of the denominational program. Our Arkansas preachers as a company have a mighty passion for co-operation in Christ's work and have led the churches into the same spirit. The spirit of co-operation among us runs like Niagara. This spirit is so irresistible that a church member or a preacher who does not get in the line of march and help, feels that he is all but no account and he is not satisfied with that. This is a great, great day in Arkansas for working together, the thing which Paul felt was the hope of any people.

3. Our gains in school property during the life of the 75 Million have been phenomenal. They approach the fabulous and are nearly unbelievable. The gains in permanent school property, including endowment, in these five years in Arkansas run well beyond \$1,000,000 over and above any incumberance which may be against it. Our school property is now worth five times what it was five years ago. What wonderful spiritual wealth the 75 Million has brought to our Baptist schools! We have more than twice as many schools as we had five years ago and fully twice as many students.

4. Our hospitaland orphanage property is now worth well up towards \$1,000,000 as against \$40,000 five years ago. Think of what God has wrought at this point through His servants! It is overwhelming! It is enough to put one hundred thousand golden harps in Baptist hands to giving God loud praises forever and forever!

5. We cannot recount all that the Lord has done for and through His people. However, there is one thing far more glorious than all else and that is that our efforts and our money within and without the state during these five years have resulted in 60,000 more souls being won to Christ—60,000 more stars in the crown of our Saviour.

#### An Astounding Summary.

During the life of the 75 Million, Arkansas Baptists have contributed in actual cash to denominational work \$2,228,413.97, as against about \$500,000 during the five years just preceding the 75 Million. All the property that the denomination owend in Arkansas at the beginning of this five year program did not exceed, at most, \$400,000. Today, if you include Jonesboro College, the denomination owns for Christ \$2,000,000 in permanent property and endowment over and above the obligations that are against its property. We are a great new people in a great new day in the "Wonder State" of the world and we have just begun to fight. We are going out from this meeting by the grace of God to do twice as much in the next five years for Christ and a suffering world as we have done in the past five years! Watch us!

#### What Does This Board Owe?

The Book House is under the management of the Executive Board and owes \$2,500.31, as against nearly \$11,000 two years and a half ago. It could pay every dime that it owes and have an excellent, clean, up-to-date book stock if the Baptists who owe it for books would pay their bills. The Baptist Advance is under the Executive Board and owes \$2,157, but has owing to it many hundreds of dollars.

After paying all interest on all borrowed money, after paying \$9,000 to the W. M. U. department, after paying all Southern Baptist Convention Boards all that is due them, after taking care of all our ministerial students in all our schools during the year, after counting the old State Mission debt and the old education debt. after paying all the expenses of the endowment campaign, after paying for all the orphanage building program to date, after advancing beyond their income for them \$31,108.78 to Central College and \$34,490,29 to the Baptist State Hospital, after advancing \$88,000 to Ouachita College and after paying many other obliga-tions that we cannot enumerate here, the total obligations of the Executive Board are about \$249,000. We have great and permanent material assets to show for this to say nothing of the blessed spiritual results that are beyond number. Our debt ought not to be this much, but we can and will handle it easily until we pay it off. We are starting in right now to pay it and we are not going to stop until it is wiped out. Our situation is in no sense discouraging, but it is encouraging to the last degree. Let any brother or sister who is inclined to be at all unhappy over our financial situation remember that right now we have as good as in transit \$58,000 coming from the Baxter Cannon bequest and the gift of a friend on the Orphanage dormitories. The General Secretary happens to know, too, that there is a great bequest somewhere in the world that will give the Orphanage an endowment in one lump sum of \$75,000, and another somewhere this side of China that will give us \$25,000 on a new office building on our lot, on which we do not owe a cent, on West Capitol Avenue. The great Right Hand of God is leading us on!

Statement of Contributions Received in Office of General Secretary and Contributions Reported to General Secretary or Credit on 75 Million Campaign as Having Been Paid Direct. Dec. 10, 1923, to Nov. 29, 1924, Inclusive.

|                          | 75 M. Cam.<br>Undesignated | 75 M. Cam.<br>Designated | 75 M. Cam.<br>Reported Cred           | . Totals            |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| State Mission Debt       | \$ 11,908.35               | s 5.00                   |                                       | 8 11.913.35         |
|                          | 24.828.18                  |                          | \$                                    | 27,700.20           |
| State Missions           |                            | 2,867.47                 | 4.55                                  |                     |
| Home Missions            | 22,299.39                  | 1,201.06                 | 5,000.00                              | 28,500.45           |
| Church Building Loan     | 22 222 22                  | 911.50                   | 94.00                                 | 1,005.50            |
| Foreign Missions         | 27,586.86                  | 1,750.09                 |                                       | 29,336.95           |
| Ouachita College         | 17,931.16                  |                          |                                       | 17,931.46           |
| Central College          | 5,885.20                   |                          | 1,745.00                              | 7,630.20            |
| Jonesboro College        |                            | 3,407.58                 | 5,361.97                              | 8,769.55            |
| Southwide Institutions   | 5,885,20                   | 55.60                    | 60.00                                 | 6,000.80            |
| Ministerial Education    | 2,298.99                   | 1.00                     | 375.00                                | 2,674.90            |
| Christian Education Debt | 15.218.75                  | 6.50                     |                                       | 15,225.25           |
| Orphans' Home            | 4,413.89                   | 12,041.53                | 261.02                                | 16,716.44           |
| Orphans' Home Bldg. Fun  |                            | 37,143.44                | ····                                  | 37,143.44           |
| Old Ministers Relief     | 2,988.59                   | 17.00                    |                                       | 3,005.59            |
| Baptist State Hospital   | 5,816.91                   | 1.264.62                 | 1,200.00                              | 8,349,82            |
| Davis Hospital           | -,                         | 1,729.70                 |                                       | 1,729.70            |
| Association Missions     |                            | -,                       | 19.847.89                             | 19,847.89           |
| Josephine Hospital*      | 68.29                      |                          |                                       |                     |
| Totals                   | 81 17, 129.97              | 862,102.09               | \$33,949.43                           | \$2.13,481.49       |
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#### "Extra" Designated Contributions During Above Mentioned Period:

| State Missions—Evangelism \$<br>Foreign Famine Relief<br>Foreign Missions<br>Ouachita Endowment<br>Ouachita End.—Int. C. A. Riley<br>Home Missions<br>Baptist State Hospital<br>Orphans' Home Building Fund<br>Ministerial Education<br>Ft . Worth Seminary—Endow.<br>Buckner Orphans' Home<br>Foreign Missions<br>Home Missions<br>Maynard Academy<br>Orphans' Home<br>W. M. U. Specials | Cash<br>5,520.70<br>614.89<br>950.00<br>58,620.15<br>70.85<br>224.77<br>525.00<br>14,472.97 | Reported<br>8<br>94,500.00<br>1,000.00<br>75,000.00<br>75,000.00<br>75,000.00<br>15,000.00<br>15,000.00<br>10,852.36 | $\begin{array}{c} Totals\\ \$ 5,520.70\\ 614.89\\ 950.00\\ 153,120.15\\ 2224.77\\ 5,255.00\\ 14,472.97\\ 1,000.00\\ 75,000.00\\ 75,000.00\\ 29,000.00\\ 15,000.00\\ 35.00\\ 1,000.00\\ 10,852.36\end{array}$ |
|---|---|--|--|
| Total "Extras"<br>Extra Gifts to Baptist State Hos<br>Grand Total of All Gifts to Bapti<br>Causes for the Year  |   | \$301,387.36<br>ational  | \$382,386.69<br>\$30,000.00<br>\$655,868.18  |

#### Certificate.

Little Rock, Arkansas, December 15, 1924.

I hereby certify that I have audited the books on the following Institutions:

Secretary of Executive Board, Little Rock, Ark.

Secretary of State Missions, Little Rock, Ark.

Baptist Book House, Little Rock, Ark.

Baptist Advance, Little Rock, Ark.

Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark.

Central College, Conway, Ark.

Baptist Orphans' Home, Monticello, Ark.

Baptist State Hospital, Little Rock, Ark.

Baptist State Hospital Building Account, Little Rock, Ark.

all of which are under the jurisdiction of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

The accounts and records of these institutions and offices were found to be in a very satisfactory condition. All sources of receipt were verified by the data available and satisfactory vouchers were on file for all disbursement. The accounts show that they are being handled with due diligence, and the condition o the records and files in general was satisfactory.

> Taylor E. Cress, Certified Public Accountant.

60. The report of the committee on the 1925 program was read by L. M. Keeling. It was discussed by Brethren Otto Whittington, W. D. Byland, M. R. Caddis, L. D. Summers, B. V. Ferguson and S. E. Tull. It is as follows:

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON 1925 PROGRAM.**

It is the judgment of your committee that our 1925 Program should be thoroughly understood by all our people, and that thorough preparation should be made in each church for our simulatneous Every Member Canvass, November 30th to December 7th. Also, we believe that we shall be wise if we look well to the spirit and psychological atmosphere in which our people approach this undertaking. We should not forget the lessons taught us by our government in its Liberty Loan drives and other drives during the recent war.

In our judgment this is an hour that calls for efficient, aggressive, courageous and faithful leadership in every church if we are to be successful in achieving the desired objective. Our ability to win a signal victory will be determined by our quality of leadership and by our success in enlisting all our people. Adequate leadership and the enlistment of the unenlisted in our churches is our supreme challenge now.

We recommend:

1. That every full-time church make the Every Member Canvass Sunday, November 30th, if possible to do so, in order that pastors and other leaders in these churches may assist half and fourthtime churches in their Every Member Canvass.

2. That all pledges be undesignated, and that every member possible be induced to tithe and pay his tithe through his church—certainly that systematic and proportionate giving be emphasized.

3. That each pledge shall be an individual pledge—that we have no group pledges such as Sunday School classes or pledges from other groups in our churches.

4. That each church aim at one hundred per cent enlistment to both budgets—that every member shall be imppressed with his responsibility to support the whole denominational program by subscribing some amount to each budget.

5. That every member of every church be urged to begin January 1, 1925, to pay his or her pledge week by week, and that denominational funds be remitted at least monthly to our central office in Little Rock.

L. M. Keeling. R. Carnahan. W. J. Hinsley. B. A. Pugh. R. A. Eddleman. Wm. H. Andrew. Committee.

61. A motion picture of the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage was shown, and the Convention adjourned.

# FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

62. The Convention was called to order at 9:00 a. m. by the president, and after prayer, resumed the regular order of business.

63. Dr. Calvin B. Waller called attention to the fact that a certain publication in another state

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had made insinuating accusations against the management of the Convention's finances during the time when E. P. Aldredge was its General Secretary, and offered the following resolution which was adopted by the Convention:

## CONCERNING JAMES F. DEW'S SLANDERS.

WHEREAS, Editor James F. Dew published in his paper, known as "The Diagram of Truth" and "The Baptist Flag," on July 31, 1924, the following false and slanderous statement, viz: "We do not say it (the Foreign Mission money) was squandered, though the daily papers in Little Rock reported a few years ago that Secretary E. P. Aldredge did let \$59,000.00 of the 75 Million money walk out of the State Board office and get lost, and if it ever was found, announcement has not been made to date. Who will be the first to explain where the money went? The space is yours, brethren. First come, first served. We do not expect a rush." and,

WHEREAS, this published statement of Editor James F. Dew is not only without any foundation in fact, but carries a base and malicious slander against the good name, standing and character of the former General Secretary of our Arkansas Executive Board, Dr. E. P. Aldredge of Nashville, Tennessee; and, by implication, carried an equally false and vicious slander against the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, since our Board received Dr. Aldredge's resignation with surprise and regret and gave to him its highest commendation when he went away.

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved (1) that the Arkansas Baptist State Convention takes pride in recording the fact that there has never been any shortage in the accounts of any one of its general secretaries or superintendents of missions, at any time during the seventy-six years of our Convention work in Arkansas;

Resolved (2) that we also take pleasure in advising all concerned that the books and accounts of our Executive Board and likewise the books and accounts of all other Boards reporting to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, both while Dr. Aldredge was General Secretary and since, have been and are regularly kept under the supervision and direction of, and audited by, a well known and capable Public Certified Accountant who is licensed by the Federal Government and subject to a penitentiary sentence in case of any false report on any set of books audited by him; and that these books and the auditor's statement show every dollar handled by Secretary E. P. Aldredge properly accounted for;

Resolved (3) that, apart from James F. Dew's slanderous statement just noted, or the statement of some other unscrupulous enemy of the work of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, there has never been brought to our attention any question or rumor or printed statement alleging or intimating any shortage of the 75 Million accounts of Arkansas Baptists, at any time.

64. The following resolution was offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION CHANGING THE CONSTITUTION.** 

Be It Resolved, that Article V, Sec. 1 of the Constitution be

changed so that the first line of the section shall read "twenty-one members" instead of "fifteen members," and that the fifth line of the section shall read "eleven of whom" instead of "ten of whom;" and that Article V, Sec. 2 of the Constitution be changed so that the first line of the section shall read "thirty-three members" instead of "twenty-four members," thereby increasing the number of members on the Executive and State Mission Boards.

# 65. The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Be It Resolved, that this Convention unanimously pledge its support to the program of both the Executive and State Mission Boards.

66. The report of the committee on Foreign Missions was read and adopted. It is as follows:

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The heart of God is the birthplace of Missions. The scope of the missionary enterprise, then, must be world-wide. The Saviour's commission to His disciples includes all men everywhere. The outreach of the churches of Christ must be to the ends of the earth.

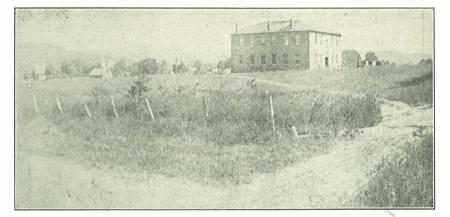
The Foreign Mission Board of Southern Baptists has entered its eightieth year of world-wide service. Perhaps the last five years have been fraught with deeper concern and more anxiety than any other similar period since the inauguration of our work. Packed into these years, especially the last two, have been uncertainties, disappointments and heartaches, both to our missionaries and our Board. Chief among the bearers of these burdens are our secretaries themselves.

But the burdensome tasks have had their compensations, and even in the darkest hours there have been some gleams of light. The marvelous success of our workers as evidenced by the steady growth of our work are the chief sources of our gratification and rejoicing. The Lord has heard the cry of His people, and delivered us out of many of our distresses.

In order that we may properly appraise Foreign Missions, we must remember that it includes the evangelization of the lost, the training of the redeemed, the education of the ignorant, the healing of the sick, and the housing and support of mission churches. Foreign Missions cannot be placed on a par with any single Christian enterprise which we are conducting at home.

The extensive fields which we are cultivating puts our foreign program out of comparison with anything else that we are doing. Our support of Foreign Missions ministers to people in China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Japan, Argentine, Chile, Palestine, Syria, Hungary, Jugo-Slavia, Roumania, Spain and Siberia.

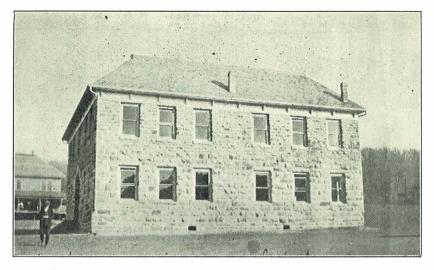
In these various fields we have 1,095 churches, 308 of which are self-supporting, with 3,017 out-stations and a total membership of 111,872. 819 houses of worship are owned by the Board and natives. 1,511 Sunday Schools are ministering to the spiritual needs of 76,504 scholars. Our working force is composed of 544 men and women missionaries, 582 ordained and 2,494 unordained native workers. We also own 129 missionary residences.



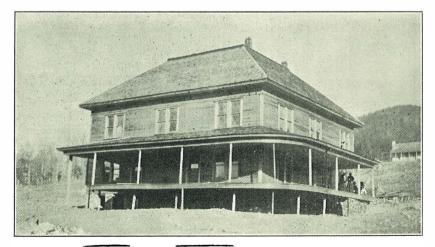
# HAGARVILLE ACADEMY HAGARVILLE, ARK.



GIRLS DORMITORY CARROLL COUNTY INSTITUTE, BLUE EYE, MO.



# NEWTON COUNTY ACADEMY PARTHENON, ARKANSAS



GIRLS DORMITORY NEWTON COUNTY ACADEMY PARTHENON, ARK. In this same territory we have 31 Kindergartens, 683 Lower Elementary schools, 73 Higher Elementary schools, 38 Middle Schools, 5 Colleges, 13 Normal and Training schools, and 17 Theological schools. These have a total of 35,106 students.

In China, Africa and Mexico we have Medical Missions. There we are ministering to the suffering in 23 Hospital buildings and 18 Dispensaries, through 26 foreign physicians and nurses and 48 native physicians and nurses.

In addition to the work as heretofore outlined we also maintain a Religious Literature and Publications Department. 11 buildings are used for this work. 22 Foreign Missionaries, 26 Native Writers, 36 Colporters, besides 144 other helpers are employed in this work.

Of special interest at this time, since we have come to its close, is the record of the five year program of Southern Baptists. In this Foreign Missions has had a praiseworthy share. While it is not possible to give, in this brief space, a complete record of our work in foreign fields during the last five years, yet we may note some Foreign Mission advances. They are as follows:

1. We have increased the number of countries operated in from 9 to 17, thereby adding 128,000,000 in white population to our possible missionary audience.

2. Our general missionary force has been enlarged over 100 per cent.

3. During this period there has been a gain of 116 per cent in the number of churches, 125 per cent in the number of church members, and 170 per cent in the number of church buildings.

4. There has been a gain of 98 per cent in the number of Sunday Schools, and 111 per cent in the number of pupils.

5. At the beginning of the campaign we had 512 Mission Schools and 15,722 pupils. Today we have 860 schools and 35,106 pupils.

6. The number of American Missionaries has grown from 328 to 544, a gain of 66 per cent, and the number of native workers has increased from 771 to 2,494.

7. During this period there has been an increase of 57 per cent in the number of mission residences, and a gain of 64 per cent in the number of hospitals.

From every field already occupied and from the larger number of territories yet unoccupied there come loud and insistent calls for reinforcements along every line. It is with stinging regret that we announce that our Board sent out only 15 missionaries this year, and not one of these is being supported through the regular channels of our organized agency. To multiplied thousands of our people Foreign Missions means the sending of missionaries to the lost millions of the earth. When there is failure here, there is cause for serious concern on the part of all our people.

In view of the splendid history and progress of Foreign Mission work your committee would recommend:

1. That our pastors and other leaders use every means of communicating information to our people about this great enterprise.

That our Missionaries and Secretaries of our Board be re-2 membered daily at a throne of grace.

3. That our churches co-operate in observing Relief Sunday. January 18th.

4. That our people remember this inspiring enterprise in their wills.

That our churches permit only such as are duly accredited 5. and authorized agents of our Board to solicit funds for Foreign Mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

T. D. Brown. W. J. Derrick.

E. J. A. McKinney.

L. M. Sipes.

W. J. Robinson.

P. F. Webb.

C. L. Hammock.

67. Telegrams were received from the Louisiana Baptist Convention, and from Arkansas students in the seminaries, and the Convention ordered appropriate responses to the same.

68. Dr. E. P. Aldredge of the Sunday School Board addressed the Convention concerning the work of the Board.

69. The report of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College was discussed and adopted. (See paragraph 32).

70. The report of the committee on a 1926 program was read and adopted, and the committee continued. It is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON A 1926 PROGRAM.

We, your committee, would respectfully submit the following recommendations:

First, that the Convention continue its work as at present on the one year basis.

Second, that we urge our churches to adopt the Unified Budget of Church Finance and the Every Member Canvass.

Third, that this committee be continued and requested to report to our Convention in 1925.

T. D. Brown. L. M. Keeling. D. S. Campbell. M. L. McDowell. T. H. Jordan. C. D. Wood. Mrs. J. G. Jackson.

# 71. The following resolution was offered by S. E. Tull and adopted:

Be It Resolved, that this Convention delegate to the Boards and Institutions of this Convention, as a committee of the whole, the matter of fixing the percentages and the allocation of denominational funds for 1926, and that this same committee of the whole be requested to bring to the Convention next year the proposed schedule of percentages and allocation of funds for these causes for adoption for 1927.

72. The report of the Board of Trustees of Central College was discussed and adopted. (See paragraph 31.).

73. The following resolution concerning endowment for Central College was adopted:

## RESOLUTION CONCERNING AN ENDOWMENT FOR CENTRAL COLLEGE.

WHEREAS, at the last meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention the urgent need of Endowment for Central Baptist College was presented, and

WHEREAS, due notice was given that its Board of Trustees would bring its definite request to the Convention this year for promotion of a campaign for endowment funds for the College;

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved:

(1). That this Convention approve the request from the Board of Trustees of Central Baptist College for a campaign for the endowment of said college, and

(2). That this campaign be the next special campaign to be fostered by this Convention, and

(3). That the Executive Board of this Convention be instructed to determine upon a suitable time and to make such preliminary preparation as it may deem necessary for such a campaign, and all Boards co-operate in raising funds for this campaign.

74. The report of the special commission on correlation of schools and colleges was discussed and adopted. (See paragraph 29).

75. The report of the committee on Hospitals was read by C. B. Waller and adopted. It is as follows:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS.

The ministry of Jesus was three-fold—healing, teaching and preaching. Each one of these stood out with prominence in our Lord's active ministry.

Likewise, He sent His disciples out with this same three-fold ministry. "He sent them to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick." (Luke 9:2).

The apostles in the early church magnified the ministry of healing.

By the terms of the Great Commission it is the implied mission of the churches to carry forward this great three-fold ministry.

To fail at any one point is to delete the Commission. This can not be done without peril. One of the accusations of the Judgment of nations (Matt. 25) is failure to care for the sick.

But, it has ever been the tactics of Satan to counterfeit the work of Christ; hence, we have the modern "Healing Movements" such as Christian Science, Emmanuelism, Theosaphy, Divine Healing.

Baptist do not disparage God's power to heal without means; but they interpret the Scriptures (such as James 5:10-12) to teach that it is His program for this age to heal by use of means.

Therefore, Baptists are committed definitely and actively to the "Hospitals Movement," which is the providing of the most adequate, best equipped means of modern medical science for the healing of the sick. It is our purpose that all our "means" may be dedicated to God for His use to this end.

The Baptists of Arkansas have two splendid, well-equipped hospitals—the Baptist State Hospital, Little Rock, and the Davis Hospital, Pine Bluff.

Each of these institutions will submit its own detailed report, but we beg to call attention to the "high points":

#### Davis Hospital.

| Patients Treated                     |
|--------------------------------------|
| Charity Patients                     |
| Partial Pay Patients 27              |
| Total Receipts \$25,243.11           |
| Expended for Operation \$24,117.39   |
| Expended for Improvements \$2,243.75 |
| Balance Cash on Hand\$1,455.75       |

#### Baptist State Hospital.

| Patients Treated 1,               | 821  |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Charity Patients                  | 197  |
| Expended for Charity Work \$8,120 | ).84 |
| Total Revenues \$80,30            | 5.08 |
| Expense and Depreciation \$73,569 | 9.51 |
| Net Profits for Year \$6,738      | 5.57 |

Your committee desires to commend the management of both these institutions for their efficient stewardship for the year closing.

Your committee is glad to inform the Convention that progress is being made in the Baptist National Hospital Movement at Hot Springs.

This Convention a year ago memorialized the Southern Baptist Convention through the Hospital Commission to recommend this enterprise to the favorable consideration of Southern Baptists. The Southern Convention in pursuance to this recommendation, heartily commended this enterprise.

On December 22, 1923, the Hospital Board purchased a very beautiful site, centrally located, consisting of nineteen (19) acres. Work will be begun on this site at the earliest possible date.

A site has been purchased, plans adopted, \$2,000,000 in bonds sold, contract let, and work will begin in a few days on the Baptist Hospital at New Orleans.

We hereby submit for your approval and ratification, the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the Southern Baptist Convention has gone on record as favoring Mother's Day to be set aside, known and observed throughout the South as "Hospital Day" with connection with "Mother's Day," and

WHEREAS, most of the Conventions have already adopted this, WE RECOMMEND, That "Mother's Day" be set aside and observed as "Hospital Day" in Arkansas.

SECOND: We recommend that the Hospital Board shall contain two women from Little Rock and one from Pine Bluff.

Calvin B. Waller. N. C. Denson. E. E. King. G. L. Boles.

#### Davis Hospital, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

| Total Number of Patients       837         Charity Patients       67         Donated to Charity Cases       \$3,520.60         December 1, 1923, Balance       \$ 2,295.88         Receipts       27,879.92 |
|---|
| *Operating Expense  |
| Improvements and Equipment  |
| \$ 1,574.05           Less Bad Checks         \$114.70           Discount Scrip         3.52         118.22   |
| Present Cash Balance  |
| R. Carnahan, Chairman.  |
| The Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis.   |
| General Statistics.   |
| Number of Patients Admitted 11-1-23 to 11-1-2411,567Charity Patients Treated1,563Number of Operations Performed6,012Laboratory Examinations15,631   |

 Number of Operations Performed
 6,012

 Laboratory Examinations
 15,631

 X-Ray Examinations
 2,648

 Total Births
 542

#### Training School Facts.

| Number of Nurses in School at the Present Time<br>Number of Probationers at the Present Time<br>Number of Nurses Graduated in Class of 1924<br>Financial Report. | 30           |
|--|--------------|
| Net Receipts from Patients\$424,126.55   |              |
| Sundry Income and Pupil Nurses Service. 14,773.65  |              |
|  | \$438,900.20 |
| Cost of Operation\$384,531.99  |              |
| Amount Spent for New Equipment 6,380.88  |              |
| Depreciation on Building, 1 per cent 10,454.41   |              |
| Depreciation on Equipment, 10 per cent . 13,437.78   | \$414,805.06 |
| Total Amount of Charity for Year\$129.977.63   | \$ 24,095.14 |

76. The report of the committee on Nominations was read and adopted. It is as follows:

## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.**

We, your committee on Nominations, report as follows:

We recommend that the next session of the Convention be held with the First Baptist Church in Conway, and that Bro. O. J. Wade preach the annual sermon, and that Bro. B. F. Davidson be the alternate. (The other part of this report may be found in the roll of Boards on page 3 ff).

- L. M. Sipes. B. A. Pugh. A. B. Hill. L. M. Keeling. A. M. Rodgers. T. H. Jordan.
- S. B. Barnett.

The Convention adjourned for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

77. At 1:45 p. m. the Convention was called to order by the President and prayer was offered.

78. The report of the committee on Publications was read and adopted. It is as follows:

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS.

If Baptists are to be like Apollos, mighty in the scriptures; like Moses, mighty in words and deeds; and like Paul, have much learning; they must give themselves to reading, and to reading of the right kind of literature.

It is with the citation, classification and commendation of some such literature that this report has to deal.

#### "Bible."

Standing first is the Bible with its wisdom, good news, secrets

and solaces. It invites investigations and promises great rewards. Dearer is it than money, sweeter is it than honey. Urge its constant study.

### General Literature.

Leaflets, tracts, pamphlets and books fall from our denominational press as copious as the autumn leaves. These cover every phase of our church life both in doctrine and practice. A constant citation and distribution of these is the mark of a wise pastor. We long for the return of the colporteurs and the missionary who carries his grip full of Bibles and good books. We long for the return of the Sunday School and church libraries.

#### Missionary Literature.

Our Southwide missionary magazine—Home and Foreign Fields—comes from the press of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., every month laden with refreshing news of our missionary fields and men, and of ever enlarging, inviting and challenging doors of opportunity. The price of this publication is \$1.00 per year in advance. Its subscription list last year was above 30,000 but the number is a little less this year. This magazine is intended to inform and incite all our Baptist constituency—laymen, women and young people. The missionary task is a man-appointed and a man-sized task. Why then should not our men receive and read our great and thrilling missionary magazine in the same proportion as our godly women?

Two W. M. U. publications deserve most honorable mention and commendation—Royal Service and World Comrades. The subscription price of each of these is 50 cents per year.

Royal Service, a 36-page monthly, the official organ of the Union, not only carries news of the activities of the Union and of the world field, but has in it Bible studies, the Calendar of Prayer, programs for use by the women's and young women's societies, as well as other valuable material. This magazine has a paid up subscription list of 58,902."

"World Comrades, a quarterly magazine for our junior organizations with its attractive stories, helps for leaders and program material, is in its second year, and has a paid up subscription list of 11,939."

#### **Denominational Papers.**

We have all come to recognize the denominational paper as a far-reaching asset. Growing more valuable in ratio as it remains sound and increases in circulation. Right teachings on doctrine and duty must be injected. The cause of the Master must be projected.

If Baptist teachings and practices deserve an existence they deserve propogation. If they are propogated they must have a medium of communication. The denominational paper is an indispensible medium—one that deserves better support and wider circulation. "If Baptists and Baptist churches are to prosper, and if they are to have enough interest in the work of Baptists to give such work the regular, steady support that Christ expects them to give, then Baptist people must read Baptist papers. Nearly all the support of Baptist work of all sorts comes from Baptists who read Baptist papers. Those who read Baptist papers are the ones who support Baptist work." It is a significant fact that there were 16,105 less copies of Baptist papers in circulation in the South in 1923 than in 1906.

#### **Baptist Advance.**

A large part of this report should be given to our weekly denominational state paper—The Baptist Advance. Last year at the Convention the subscription list was about 5,500. This year it is a little above 9,000. An increase of more than 3,500, largely due to the fact that the subscription price was reduced to a dollar a year. Last year 25 churches had the Advance in their budgets, this year 70 churches have it in their budgets. Last year the deficit on operating expenses was 2,412.00, this year the deficit is somewhat less.

The Baptist Advance is owned and operated by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Like most all denominational papers the receipts for subscriptions do not nearly pay the operating expenses. This causes a deficit each year. This deficit is cared for out of our denominational receipts, thus making the expense account of our work seem large and also putting the paper in a bad light. The only way left for the paper to pay operating expenses is to enlarge its receipts by paid advertisements.

We therefore recommend:

1st. That the various departments of our work that receive the benefit of the paper, namely, Executive Board, State Missions, W. M. U., Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U., Budget Department, etc., be charged for the space they use in the paper and at such a rate for advertising as will make the Advance self-supporting.

2nd. We recommend that the editor call upon all the out-ofthe-state interests that use the Baptist Advance to report and promote their work, and urge them to make a corresponding use of paid advertising space.

3rd. We recommend that the percentage of receipts allocated to the Baptist Advance in the 1925 Program stand as indicated. The amount thus received will greatly lessen the amount that will be necessary to charge the various departments for advertising space.

4th. We recommend that churches and pastors be urged to put the Advance in their budgets and send it to every family in their membership.

5th. We recommend that all the evangelists, missionaries and other workers employed by our Boards be urged to put forth every endeavor to increase the circulation of the Advance.

6th. We recommend that the price of the Advance remain at \$1.00 per year.

The circulation of the Advance should increase by 5000 each year. May we all lay ourselves to this task.

Respectfully submitted by the committee,

G. L. Boles. W. C. Wood. E. E. King. J. S. Compere.

79. The report of the committee on Minis-

# terial Education was read and adopted. It is as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Jesus, during His earthly ministry, first called men, then trained them, then sent them out to do His work; and so we see that the ministry of the Word did not occupy a secondary place in His program, but has a very important place in it. He called, He trained, He sent them forth, that was His method, we should follow it.

Paul says that the bishop (minister) should be "apt to teach." How can he teach except he first be trained?

Ministerial Education, from the scriptural standpoint, is fundamental in the carrying out of the Great Commission.

Since with Baptists "one of our great fundamental principles is that the Bible is the sufficient and authoritative rule of faith and practice," and since it teaches ministerial education, the only question remaining to be settled is as to how we may best do this work.

The world today is demanding, as never before, trained leaders along all lines; why should we not have the very best in our denominational work? We must have them for "a denomination can never be any stronger or more efficient than its leaders."

One of the great needs of Arkansas Baptists today is for more efficient leaders. We believe that a new day is dawning for ministerial education among our people. With the recent \$400,000 addition to the Ouachita endowment, we will be able to give much better training to our young ministers, because better teachers can be secured. An effort should be made to make it possible for every young minister to get a college education—then from the college to one of our great seminaries, or the Bible Institute.

There are this year about 38 ministerial students at Ouachita, besides a number at Mountain Home College, and in the academies.

Your committee wishes to recommend that the pastors do their best to encourage young preachers, and other volunteers, to go to school.

Second. That the Boards be instructed to arrange for sufficient funds to provide aid for every worthy preacher who ought to be in college or the seminary.

Third. That the necessary relief be provided for those who are now in our schools (Academies, Colleges or Seminaries).

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Coleman.

J. H. Estes.

J. G. Lile.

W. E. Atkinson.

J. P. Runyan.

# 80. The report of the "Legal Committee" was read and adopted. It is as follows:

## **REPORT OF "LEGAL COMMITTEE."**

We, your Legal Committee, beg leave to report as follows:

In pursuance to the instructions of the Arkansas Baptist State

Convention at its session in 1923, we have partially inspected the papers in the hands of Dr. F. M. Masters, our State Mission Secretary, relating to the titles to the lands on which are located our several Mountain Schools and have found that deeds have been made purporting to convey the said lands in separate conveyance to the Executive Board of said Convention.

We also saw some abstracts of title to certain of said tracts of land, and the opinion of W. R. Donham, Esq., as to their sufficiency, but we find that these abstracts are in certain respects insufficient and that abstracts to the other tracts should be had and we think that the same can be best done through an attorney employed and empowered to do that work.

We therefore recommend that the State Mission Board be authorized and instructed to employ W. R. Donham, Esq., or some other good lawyer to obtain abstracts of title to each of the said tracts of land involved and to take such steps as may be necessary to perfect and clear the titles to said tracts in said Board.

We further beg leave to advise that proper steps be taken to ascertain the condition of the titles to the several tracts on which the other and older institutions which are operated under the authority of the Convention are located.

Geo. W. Emerson, W. E. Atkinson, Majority of said Committee.

81. The following resolutions were submitted by D. S. Campbell of Central College, and adopted:

## **RESOLUTION OF THANKS.**

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in its annual session has been most cordially received and made comfortable;

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved:

(1). That we express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the pastor and mebership of the Second Baptist church for the use of their meeting house and to them and all the Baptist pastors and people of Little Rock for the splendid manner in which the Convention has been entertained.

(2). That we thank the local press and their reporters who have co-operated splendidly in giving news of the Convention to the public.

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PRINTING OF THE MINUTES.**

Resolved, that the Recording Secretary have 1500 copies of the minutes of this Convention printed, and that he be allowed \$100.00 and expenses for his services.

82. The report of the committee on Obituaries was read and adopted. It is as follows:

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

We find the following Baptists have died this year:

J. W. Conger, Conway; G. W. Bottoms, Texarkana; B. W.

. 90 Reeves, El Dorado; Mrs. F. D. Barrs; L. J. Patterson; C. H. Cheek; J. J. Taylor.

N. C. Denson, Chairman. H. J. P. Horne. John P. Wolf. E. J. A. McKinney. W. B. Byland.

83. It was moved and seconded that it be the sense of this Convention, in order to arouse and quicken an interest in the history and achievements of Arkansas Baptists, that pastor E. J. A. McKinney as Statistical and Historical Secretary, together with State Mission Secretary Dr. F. M. Masters, and General Secretary Dr. J. S. Rogers, be authorized for a proper Centennial Celebration during the coming year, in any Arkansas Baptist church that is entitled to this honor and that may desire the celebration, and that the State Mission Board be instructed to care for the necessary expenses of this celebration, in case it is held. The motion prevailed.

84. The report of the committee on Woman's Work was read and adopted. It is as follows:

# **REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.**

"Let the whole earth be filled with His glory." This watchword of the W. M. U. is a fitting index to the successful work of our faithful women during the year. As laborers together with God they have sougrt to bring about the glorious consummation of the psalmist's prayer, when with gratitude of soul and emotion of heart he praised and adored the great God who alone doeth wondrous works. To them He is the blessed God, His name is glorious, He has done great wonders, He is accomplishing His purposes now. But still equal victories are yet to be won, virgin fields lie just beyond, white unto harvest, deaf ears are to be unstopped, blinded eyes to be opened, the dumb made to speak, the lame to walk and the desert lands to blossom as the rose. Truly His glory must fill the earth.

To this end our good women have set their hands, they have directed their steps and they have turned their hearts. The acme of their desire, the climax of their prayers and the aim of their service is to behold Jesus exalted King of kings and Lord of lords.

Your committee in submitting this annual report would call attention to three things. First, as to the importance of this department of our Convention activity. When Paul crossed the straits at Troas in obedience to the Macedonian call it was to find at Phillipi a woman whose heart was inclined to the Lord. From that day until now the importance of our woman's work has increased in magnitude as the burdens of our denomination have increased in weight. Never have they failed to bring in their share of returns. Nor have they ever refused to accept their portion of responsibility. Memory recalls the quota allocated to the W. M. U. in the 75 Million Campaign, all of which is paid to date. Special attention may also be called to the value of the information, inspiration and indoctrination afforded our churches through the regular channels of missionary study.

Second, we note the extent of the work carried on through the Women's Missionary Societies. From Jerusalem, into Judea, on to Samaria and unto the uttermost regions our women have gone with their sympathy, prayers and gifts. Just as Jesus set in the Divine Commission the three elements of Christian service, making, marking and moulding of disciples or evangelizing, teaching and training men, so in full obedience to these marching orders of our great Captain the W. M. U. has adopted as their goal seven mile posts to be reached by each individual member and by every society. Thev are, Individual and United Prayer, Bible Study, Soul Winning, En-listment, Mission Study, Organized Personal Service and Systematic and Proportionate Giving. Solomon wisely said. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Recognizing the value of Christian training our women are fostering through the Societies, the Sunbeams, Girls' Auxiliaries, Royal Ambassadors and Young Women's Auxiliaries. Untold good must result from the sowing of seed in such fallow ground. Thus we see that all phases of denominational and missionary life are studied through the W. M. U. and its associate organizations. The names, the locations and the fields of our missionaries become household words where the churches encourage the maintenance of the whole program of study from the Sunbeams through the Senior Societies. From the very nature of the training thus afforded it is safe to say that the program is the most extensive and educational of any department of our church work.

Third, the accomplishments of women. Space forbids the enumeration of so many completed tasks. Mention has already been made of the 75 Million Campaign and its completion. The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, will show the increased amount given for that fund this closing year as in comparison with last. You will note also from that report the amounts given in time, money and prayerful devotion to the carrying out of the Saviour's program as it relates itself to the whole wide world. Repetition of these things in this report would only serve to detract from the real worth of the record of stewardship as outlined in the Surely "she hath done what she above mentioned statement. could," and he who sees in secret will reward openly as a memorial to those who have wrought in faith nothing doubting. As we study the accomplishments outlined in our secretary's report, let us thank God and take courage.

In view, then, of the importance, the extent and the accomplishments of our Women's Missionary Societies we offer the following recommendations.

First, that our pastors give heed to the enlistment of all our women in the organized work of the W. M. U. That this may be done we suggest as members are received into our churches they be enrolled in the various circles of the Society just as they are enrolled as members of the churches, thus recognizing the W. M. S. as a part of the church and not a separate organization.

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Second, that we emphasize the value of Mission Study Classes amongst our women and encourage the same by holding regular graduation services at stated times.

Third, that we commend the W. M. U. for the excellent manner in which they have carried out their part of the 75 Million Cam-paign, the Ouachita Endowment Fund, and the Hospital and Or-phans' Home Building programs. And that we bid them godspeed as we face the responsibilities placed upon all of us in the program for 1925. Let each and all together gladly shoulder the burden, heartily accept the task and joyfully improve the opportunity of today that the glory of our common Lord and Master may speedily fill the earth.

Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. J. G. Jackson. J. M. Shepperd.

B. A. Pugh, Chmn.

85. The report of the Woman's Missionary Union was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. G. Jackson. It is as follows:

36th Annual Report of the Woman's Missionary Union to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, November, 1924. Financial Record of Societies.

| 75 Million Campaign<br>75 Million—Extras:                     | \$119,071.10  |  |
|---|---------------|--|
| Orphans' Home, cash and boxes\$24,801.00<br>Hospital Supplies |               |  |
| Christmas Offering to China 1,066.42                          |               |  |
| Thank Offering—Home Missions 495.57                           |               |  |
| Student Fund-Mt. Schools & Colleges. 2,354.40                 |               |  |
| Russian Relief  |               |  |
| Hospital Charity Fund 1,819.64                                |               |  |
| Baptist Hospital (26 Memorial Rooms) 5,340.25                 |               |  |
| Assembly Grounds for Lights                                   |               |  |
| arships and expense, Margaret Fund,                           |               |  |
| S. S. Board Bible Fund, Negro Baptist                         |               |  |
| College, industrial department 3,217.97                       |               |  |
| ·   | \$ 44,703.85  |  |
| Total Gifts to Missions                                       | \$163,774.95  |  |
| Local Charity\$11,921.72                                      |               |  |
| City Missions 2,000.82  |               |  |
| Local Church Expense 41,462.48                                |               |  |
| Miscellaneous 4,280.32  | \$ 59.665.34  |  |
|   | \$ 55,005.54  |  |
| Total W. M. U Gifts   | \$223,440.29  |  |
| Gifts of Young People included in the above total             |               |  |
| W. M. U. 75 Million Apportionment (5 years)                   |               |  |
| Paid to November 1, 1924                                      | \$650,322.75  |  |
| Organizations.  |               |  |
|   | tal Enrolled. |  |
| 36 W. M. S  |               |  |
| 21 Y. W. A  | . 96          |  |

| 4 College Y. W. A.   | 10         |
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| 55 Suilbeam Danus  | 00         |
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| W. M. U. Expense.  |            |
| W. M. U. Apportionment for Year  | \$9,000.00 |
| Expenses—11 Months.  |            |
| Salaries—  |            |
|  |            |
| Corresponding Secretary\$1,375.00  |            |
| Young People's Leader 1,265.00   |            |
| Office Secy-Treas 1,100.00   |            |
| Field Worker 915.00  |            |
| <b>————————————</b> \$4,655.00   |            |
| Traveling Expenses—  |            |
| Corresponding Secretary\$ 551.00   |            |
| Vice President So. W. M. U 160.00  |            |
| Young People's Leader 467.10   |            |
| Field Worker   |            |
| Field Worker (Miscellaneous) 90.86   |            |
| Field Worker         211.75           Field Worker (Miscellaneous)         90.86          \$1,480.86 |            |
| Office Expense (Miscellaneous)—  |            |
| Typewriter Repair\$ 27.00  |            |
| Special Issue in Advance   |            |
|  |            |
| Book Cases 12.50   |            |
| Other Items 48.81  |            |
| \$ 123.31  |            |
| Office Supplies (Printing & Stationery)—   |            |
| Miscellaneous\$ 232.71   |            |
| W. M. U. Minutes 218.30  |            |
| \$ 451.01  |            |
| Office Rent 307.50   |            |
| Telephone and Telegrams 110.59   |            |
| Postage  |            |
| Stenographer Voung People's Dept 19955   |            |
| Y. W. AG. A. Camps   |            |
| Conference Expenses $(C \land B \land A)$ 95.46  |            |
| Conference Expenses (G. AR. A.)  | 87 780 10  |
| I otal Expense   | ψ1,100.10  |
| Balance  | \$1.219.81 |
| Money Received by W. M. U. Treasurer.  | +_,        |
| 75 Million Campaign  | \$1.855.22 |
| Mountain School Student Fund   | 314.59     |
|  |            |
| Books  | 010.01     |
| Mission Magazine Subscriptions   |            |
| Negro Baptist College  | 10.00      |
| Programs for Cuba W. M. U  |            |
| District Budgets   |            |
| Flower Fund  | 37.33      |
| Hospital Charity Fund  | 1,819.64   |
| Miscellaneous Fund   | 99.46      |
| W. M. U. Minutes   | 7.00       |
| B. Y. P. U. Assembly—light for grounds   | 21.00      |
| Victrola for Cuba Kindergarten   | 16.00      |
| Missionary Fund  |            |
| hibbionary rand  | 100.00     |
| Total  | \$8,592.62 |

### Field Work (Paid Workers).

| Conventions Attended  |
|---|
|   |
|   |
| Assemblies 1  |
| Board Meetings-State and S. W. M. S 8                         |
| Conferences (Atlanta, Nashville, Ridgecrest, Little Rock 2) 5 |
| Institutes and Rallies 28                                     |
| Bible Schools   |
| Local Conferences   |
| State Conferences Held (G. A.—Cen. College; R. A.—Ouachita) 2 |
| Y. W. A. Camps (Mt. Magazine, Batesville, Hot Spgs, Warren) 4 |
| Colleges Visited (Baptist and State Schools) 14               |
| Girls Placed in Mountain Schools 4                            |
| Visits to Colleges  |
| Towns and Societies Visited                                   |
| Classes Taught  |
| Talks Made 411  |
| Miles Traveled 33,391   |

### Unpaid Workers.

President, 6 Vice Presidents, 30 Asso. Superintendents.

Letters written, 350; Talks made, 246; Societies visited, 85; Conferences held, 36; Institutes and Raliies, 40; Board meetings, number attending, 22; District meetings, number attending, 25; Conventions, number attending, 18; Bible Schools, number attending, 8; District meetings held, 6; Associational meetings, 25; Miles traveled, 9,604; Expenses reported, \$481.21.

20 Associational Young People's Leaders.

Letters written, 515; Cards written, 51; Packages sent, 40; Societies visited, 52; Talks made, 53; Miles traveled, 2,260.

### Office Work.

Letters received, 3,021; Letters written, 4,207; Letters sent (multigraph), 9,526; Cards sent (multigraph), 1,100; Copy for multigraph, 57; Leaflets multigraphed, 7,000; Packages sent, 3,414; Leaflets, 30,117; Copy for page in Advance (W. M. U.), 100; Special articles written, 7; Programs prepared, 30; Manuals sent, 153; Alabaster boxes, 841; Shipping tags, Russian Relief, 75; Sample copies Mission Magazines (Royal Service, World Comrades and Home and Foriegn Fields), 356; Programs for weeks of prayer, 3,514; Foreign and Home Mission reports, 910; Treasury Temples, 324; Testaments and Bibles, 34; Thank and Christmas offering envelopes, 10,000; Year books, 1,592; Minutes—State and Southern, 1,762; Standards of Excellence and Questionnaires, 900; Report blanks, 5,682; Tithing cards, 100; Subscriptions to Royal Service, World Comrades and Home and Foreign Fields, 277.

| Mission Study Awards | W. M. S. | Young People | Total |
|----------------------|----------|--------------|-------|
| Certificates         | 675      | 817          | 1492  |
| Seals                | 1225     | 1151         | 2376  |
| Official Seals       | 63       | 14           | 77    |

### Personal Service.

Visits, 37,135; Flowers, 7,356; Food, 8,852; Garments, 6,706; Money, \$4,248.43; Literature, 2,140; Number of women co-operating, 3,007; Mission S. S. taught, 327; Conversions, 75; Hospital supplies, 500; Soul winning letters, 2,009; Leaflets, 225; Talks made, 308; Hours of nursing, 45; Barrels of fruit, 1; Telephone calls, 42; Miscellaneous deeds, 27; Conversions, 69; Jail services, 55; Bibles, 302; Story hours, 12; Letters—Y. A., G. A., S. B., 62.

Report of Chairman Hospital Supplies (6 Months).

Children's books received, 6; Scrap books, 50; Magazines, 1,450; Flowers, 459; Articles made (bands folded, etc.), 779; Linens (number of pieces), 1,679; Fruit (jars and glasses), 1,901; Furnishings for reception room and library (Baptist State Hospital) value, \$521.00; Hospital improvements and charity (Davis Hospital) value, \$162.05; Charity fund received by State Chairman, \$1,778.31; Total received for charity fund, including balance in hands of W. M. U. Treasurer, April 1, 1924, \$2,523.82; Paid out, \$761.60; Balance in Charity Fund, \$1,762.22.

Mrs. W. D. Pye, President.

Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary.

86. The report of the committee on Orphans' Home was read and adopted. It is as follows:

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

The Orphans' Home is an institution whose purpose is not to make money, but make character. It is a mother to the motherless, a father to the fatherless, and a home for the homeless child. The institution trains, inspires and strengthens for the tasks that lie ahead.

Arkansas Baptists are beginning to realize their obligation to helpless orphan children. They are seeking to match the call in the spirit of Him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

The management of the home is Christian, intelligent and sympathetic. The children find in them the heart of a father and a mother. The Baptists of the state are seeking to match the needs of the children with proper material equipment. Two splendid new dormitories—one for boys and one for girls—are nearing completion, each costing \$50,000.00, and absolutely modern and fireproof.

There are now 67 children in the home. Others are seeking admission. The cost of upkeep of the home per capita is sixty cents a day. The Superintendent would have us remind the Sunday Schools that worth-while offerings should be sent in each month. Running expenses must be met. A greater number of Women's Societies and Sunday Schools should make regular monthly offerings.

The rooms in the dormitory must be adequately furnished. We would recommend:

1. That less money be spent for toys this Christmas in order that more may be spent on necessary furnishing and equipment. A room can be furnished for \$160.00. All furniture will be of steel.

2. That churches, Sunday Schools and other organizations make a free will cash offering during the Christmas holidays in order that the dormitories may be completed without debt.

3. Conforming to recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the Home, we would also recommend that the name of the Home be changed to Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.

O. J. Wade. Mrs. C. R. Pugh. J. G. Lile. 87. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Orphans' Home, and the report of the Treasurer were read and accepted. They are as follows:

### **REPORT OF ARKANSAS BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME.**

We are pleased to report that the two new fireproof dormitories, now under construction, will in a short time be ready for use, which will greatly help us in caring for the children.

There are now in the Home 66 children, of whom 34 are girls and 32 are boys. We have taken care of seventy-nine children, but upon completion of the buildings we will be able to care for quite a number more. Eight girls and three boys have been received into the Home during the year, while twelve children have gone out, some to relatives, others to make their own way in the world.

The health of the children has been extra good, only having had but one serious case of illness, which has fully recovered.

We wish to express to the Baptist Hospitals at Pine Bluff and Little Rock our heartfelt appreciation for their good work and cooperation which they have given us for the children.

All children above the second grade attend the Monticello schools, while the others are taught at the Home. We feel that attending the city schools has meant much to the advancement of the children.

We did not realize as much from the farm and garden this year, but the production was as good as could be expected owing to the severe drought this season.

In our monthly Board meeting for November it was unanimously carried that the Convention be asked to change the name of the Home from "Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home" to "Bottoms Baptist Orphanage." We feel that this would be a fitting change.

We wish to thank all Sunday Schools and individuals who have helped the Home the past year and urge that more Sunday Schools especially, send in monthly contributions, as this is one of our greatest sources of revenue.

A. L. Owen, President. C. C. Remley, Secretary.

### ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE TREASURER OF ARKANSAS BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME.

From November 15, 1923, to September 25, 1924.

Assets.

Current -

| Cash in Office\$          | 10.00  |            |
|---------------------------|--------|------------|
| Supt. Petty Cash Fund     | 47.14  |            |
| Cash in Banks             | 226.51 |            |
| _                         | \$     | 283.65     |
| Notes Receivable          |        | 35.00      |
| Due from Executive Board  |        | 256.94     |
| Investments—Liberty Bonds |        | 500.00     |
| -                         |        | \$1,075.59 |
|                           |        |            |

| Inventories—   |                       |
|--|-----------------------|
| Groceries and Supplies\$ 693.65  |                       |
| Drugs and Sundries 78.57   |                       |
| Fuel   |                       |
|  | \$ 972.22             |
| Fixtures—  | ¥ 012122              |
| Automobile   |                       |
| Live Stock   |                       |
| Poultry  |                       |
| Real Estate and Equipment—   |                       |
| Lands\$13,600.00   |                       |
| Buildings 13,500.00  |                       |
| Furniture and Fixtures 6.719.20  |                       |
| Farm Implements  |                       |
| Equity in Real Estate, Little Rock 483.08  |                       |
| Laundry Machinery 1,200.00   |                       |
| Insurance collected, transferred   |                       |
| to Executive Board 2,000.00  |                       |
| to Executive Board 2,000.00  | 000 041 70            |
| The surface of the su | \$39,241.78<br>252.07 |
| Unexpired Insurance  | 292.07                |
|  | 9 4 1 E 4 1 C C       |
|  | \$41,541.66           |
| Liabilities.   |                       |
| Current—   |                       |
| Notes Payable\$ 4,700.0  | ٥                     |
| Accrued Interest   | <b>9</b>              |
|  | -\$ 4,802.93          |
| Endowment  | 1,700.00              |
| Special Building Fund  | 32.65                 |
| Surplus—   | 32.00                 |
| Balance, Nov. 15, 1923\$37,693.4   | 0                     |
| Additions by way of Excess Revenue   | U.                    |
|  | 9                     |
| over Expenses 817.7  | 4                     |
| \$38,511.1   |                       |
|  | 0                     |
| Less deduction by way of   |                       |

| Less deduction by way of        |
|---------------------------------|
| Inventory Adjustments\$1,505.07 |
| Fire Loss 2,000.00              |
| \$ 3,505.07                     |
| \$35,006.08                     |

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\$41,541.66

#### Expenses.

| Merchandise and Dry Goods\$ | 1,531.73 |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Drugs and School Sundries   | 532.13   |
| Plumbing                    | 66.52    |
| Water and Lights            | 281.35   |
| Interest                    | 252.77   |
| Insurance                   | 215.73   |
| Auto Expenses               | 309.65   |
| Poultry Expense             | 218.90   |
| Laundry Expense             | 90.35    |
| Miscellaneous Expenses      | 1,389.52 |
| Hardware                    | 246.61   |
| Farm Expense                | 648.20   |
| Salaries                    | 4,107.62 |
| Building Repairs            | 489.93   |
| Dairy Expenses              | 677.53   |
|                             |          |

| Doctor's Services<br>Groceries<br>Traveling Expenses<br>Printing and Office Supplies<br>Labor<br>Building Expense<br>Revenues in excess of Expenses | 3,583.13<br>225.58<br>111.69<br>72.00<br>113.92 |
|---|---|
| -   | \$16,080.08                                     |
| Revenues.   | <i><b>4</b></i> <b>20,</b> 0000000              |
| General Secretary, Designated   | \$10.656.12                                     |
| General Secretary, Not Designated   |   |
|   | 0,012121  |
|   | \$14,598.29                                     |
| Less Expenses Deducted  |   |
| -   |   |
|   | \$12,709.54                                     |
| Treasurer— ?  |   |
| General Fund\$2,399.37  | 7   |
| Clothing  | 5   |
| Rent 6.78   | 5   |
| Interest  | 7   |
|   | -\$ 3,370.54                                    |
| -   |   |
|   | \$16,080.08                                     |
| Net Excess Revenues over Expenses down  | .\$ 817.72                                      |
| Respectfully submitted,   | _   |
| C. C. Remley  | , Treasurer.                                    |

88. By motion and second, and unanimous vote, the Convention expressed its sentiment that in the next twelve months no campaign shall be put on for endowment, or for any other general object extra of the regular objects included in the 1925 program, except that the Orphans' Home Building fund shall be completed.

89. By motion and second the Convention instructed the Secretary of the Executive Board to call on the churches to send to the Orphans' Home an offering on Sunday preceding Christmas to apply on the building fund.

90. Brother Maurice Hall made an appeal to the Convention that it take over Caledonia Academy, and by motion and second the appeal was referred to the State Mission Board.

91. A resolution concerning Ministerial Aid was offered by Bro. McKinney and adopted. It is as follows:

### **RESOLUTION.**

Be It Resolved, that this Convention authorize and instruct its Executive Board, and the Board of Ministerial Education, to make the same provision for aid for ministerial students in each and all of our Arkansas Baptist Colleges and Seminaries, basing the amount of aid on the number and needs of the ministerial students in each institution.

92. The following resolution concerning the Budget Director was adopted:

### RESOLUTION REGARDING STEWARDSHIP AND BUDGET DIRECTOR.

Whereas, our Budget Director, in the last paragraph of his report read before this Convention, suggests a closer articulation of his work with the work of the Executive Board; and

Whereas, every advantage should be given to this work which would be conducive to its success, and at the same time consistent with the genius of our organization;

Therefore, Be It Resolved by this Convention that the budgeting work be put under the direction of the Executive Board.

93. A motion prevailed to name one of the dormitories of the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage "The Pugh Dormitory," in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Pugh.

94. By motion and second Article VI of the Constitution was changed to read "Wednesday after the third Sunday in November" instead of "Wednesday after the first Sunday in December."

95. The report of the committee on Temperance was read and adopted. It is as follows:

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

By temperance we mean the habiual moderation in the indulgence of natural appetites and passions. Moderation in drinking, talking, pleasure and other natural appetites and passions. Baptists have always from the time Jesus was here on earth until now, taken a decisive stand against intemperance. This is to be seen in our protest against the dance, gambling, mixed swimming, immoral moving pictures, vaudeville shows, theatrical plays, and any other thing that has a tendency towards degradation of character and sin.

For many years Baptist people have had on a fight on the liquor question, and for that reason "temperance" means only the total abstinence from the use of alcoholic liquors to many minds, or prohibition. It must not be forgotten, that if we are to reach the highest Christian efficiency possible, we must "Circumscribe our desires and keep our passions within due bounds." As to prohibition, we bow our heads in humble thanksgiving to our Lord for what He is doing for us. Crime is decreasing, criminal court sessions are not as a rule half as long as they were before the days of National Prohibition. Many homes that were poverty stricken, children and wife half clothed and half fed, and children deprived of educational advantages during the days of the open saloon, are now homes of comfort, family well fed and clothed, and children schooled, all because now "the bread winner" gives his earnings to the family instead of the saloon keeper.

Many other good things prohibition has brought to us for which we are thankful. But the fight is not over. The illegal manufacturing and selling of intoxicating liquors abounds on every hand. As a great Christian denomination Baptist frown down on such illegal manufacturing and selling of intoxicating liquors, because it is a deadly evil within itself, and is an open defiance to the laws of our lands.

We recommend:

First. That the Baptists of Arkansas be temperate in all things, especially in the matter of pleasure. That we take a definite stand against the "public dance," the parlor or private home dance," the social card game of any nature, gambling of any kind, prizefights and wrestling matches, immoral motion pictures, or any other form of amusement that tends to intemperance.

Second. That every Baptist in Arkansas practice total abstinence from the use of intoxicating liquor.

Third. That they use their influence in every way possible to bring about a better enforcement of the "prohibition laws."

Fourth. That they vote for persons to fill our public offices whom they believe will do their utmost to enforce the prohibition laws.

> A. F. Roberts. Giles C. Taylor. C. A. Hill.

Committee.

96. The report of the committee on Mountain Schools was read and adopted. It is as follows:

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Mountain Schools, beg to submit the following brief report on this important part of our work:

Mountain Schools represent one of the greatest assets of our denomination. This is particularly true in Arkansas. We have six of these schools in this state, five of them are operated by the State Mission Board in co-operation with Advisory Boards composed of local men. Mountain Home College is a member of this system, but is operated by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention through a Board of Trustees elected by the same body. All of these schools are supported by Arkansas Baptists in co-operation with the Home Mission Board. Mountain Home College is directly under the Executive Board as is Ouachita and Central Colleges. The other five schools are under the State Mission Board, the Secretary of Missions being the Superintendent of same. H. D. Morton, who has been superintendent of these schools for the past six years is now giving all his time to Mountain Home College as president. The titles of all the Mountain Schools in Arkansas are vested in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

We, your committee beg to submit the following recommendations:

1. That we give our hearty support to these schools.

2 That an effort be made to develop a strong Baptist church in every locality where one of these schools exist.

That the State Mission Board be requested to consider the 3. advisability of creating a department of Mountain Schools on the same basis as the Department of Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U. and the election of a superintendent to give his entire time to their administration.

Respectfully submitted.

W. G. Winans, Chairman. B. A. Spradlin.

J. M. Gibbs. W. J. Hinsley.

L. Roy Ashley.

## 97. The following resolution was adopted:

### **RESOLUTION CONCERNING "H. R. 6645 CIVIL SERVICE FOR** PROHIBITION AGENTS AND ENFORCEMENT BUREAU."

Be It Resolved, that this Convention, representing 140,000 Baptists, urge our United States Senators Robinson and Caraway to vote for and urge the passage of House Resolution 6645 in the United States Senate, which provides for the placing of Federal Prohibition Agents under Civil Service, and for the reorganization of the prohibition enforcement department.

The Convention adjourned to meet with 98. the First Baptist Church of Conway on Wednesday after the third Sunday in November, 1925.

G. W. PURYEAR, President.

B. L. BRIDGES, Recording Secretary.

## MINISTER'S AND LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE.

The Ministers' and Lavmen's Conference began on Monday evening preceding the Convention and continued through Tuesday evening.

Rev. Perry F. Webb of Malvern was elected president, and E. S. Campbell of Little Rock was elected secretary.

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A full minute of the meeting is not given here, but any information desired may be had of the secretary, E. S. Campbell, 405 Donaghey Bldg., Little Rock, Ark.

# APPENDIX.

### CONSTITUTION.

#### Article I.—Name and Object.

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

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

#### 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 Convention, and which desire to eo-operate with this Convention, and shall be entitled to seats upon presentation of their proper credentials, or satisfactory evidence of their appointment.

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

### Article III.—Authority.

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

### Article IV.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, 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.

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

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the 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. Section 4. Officers shall be elected as soon as the names of messengers have been enrolled.

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

### Article V.-Boards.

This Convention shall elect the following Boards, to serve three years, except where charters forbid.

Section 1. An Executive Board composed of twenty-one members chosen from the state at large, Pastors and Laymen, not more than three of them shall reside in any one city, town or community, and none of whom shall serve on any other Board or hold any other remunerative office under this Convention, eleven of whom shall constitute a quorum. One-third of this Board shall be elected annually.

The duties of this Board shall be:

(1) To promote and carry out the financial policies and program of this Convention, and their authority shall not extend beyond such instructions. Provided that they may change the time and place of the meeting of the Convention in the event of the arising of an emergency.

(2) To raise, collect, receive and disburse all funds of the Convention as they may be ordered by the Convention.

(3) To keep a full and complete record of their work and proceedings throughout the year and report the same faithfully to the Convention in annual session.

(4) To employ an adequate force of agents and workers to conduct the business committed to them.

(5) To represent the Convention in its relations with denominational bodies outside of the state.

(6) To direct the Convention's publications.

(7) This Board is not authorized to interfere with the internal policies or workings of any other Board.

Section 2. A State Mission Board composed of thirty-three members chosen from the state at large, not more than three of whom shall reside in any one city, town or community. One-third of this Board shall be elected annually.

The duties of this Board shall be:

(1) To function for the Convention in the entire field of the State Mission task, according to the instructions of the Convention.

(2) To employ an adequate force of agents and workers to execute the plans of the Convention in this respect.

(3) To make a full and complete report of its work annually to the Convention in session.

Section 3. A Hospital Commission composed of eighteen members chosen from the state at large, to be elected annually.

The duties of this Comission shall be:

(1) To function for the Convention in the field of hospital work according to the instructions of the Convention.

(2) To employ an adequate force of agents and workers to execute the plans of the Convention in this respect.

(3) To make a full and complete report of their work to the Convention in annual session.

Section 4. Boards of Trustees for Ouachita College and Central College composed of members from the state at large, according to the provisions of their several charters.

The duties of these Boards shall be:

(1) To function for the denomination in their several departments of the field of education.

(2) To employ an adequate force of agents and workers to execute the plans of the Convention in this respect.

(3) To make faithful report of their work to the Convention in annual session.

Section 5. A Board of Trustees for the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, consisting of nine members from the state at large, according to the provisions of the charter of the institution.

The duties of this Board shall be:

(1) To function for the denomination in respect to the work of caring for orphan children according to the instructions of the Convention.

(2) To employ an adequate force of agents and workers to execute the plans of the Convention in this respect.

(3) To make faithful report of their work to the Convention in annual session.

Section 6. A Board of Ministerial Education to consist of seven members, and elected annually.

The duties of this Board shall be:

(1) To function for the denomination in the field of ministerial education according to the instructions of the Convention.

(2) To make full report of their work to the annual meetings of the Convention.

Section 7. A State Executive Comittee consisting of twelve women from the state at large.

The duties of this Committee shall be:

(1) To distribute literature and encourage women and children in systematic beneficence toward all the objects fostered by the Convention.

(2) To make full report of this work annually to the Convention in session.

### Article VI.—Meetings.

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

### Article VII.—Unalterable.

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

# ORDAINED BAPTIST MINISTERS IN ARKANSAS.

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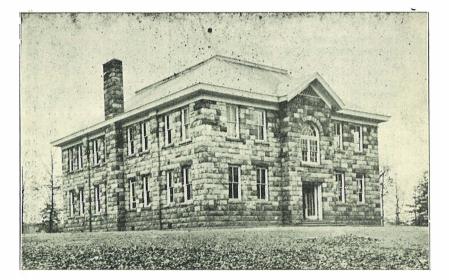
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| 1       Arkansas County         2       Arkansas Valley*         3       Bartholomew*         4       Benton County*         5       Benton County*         6       Bethlehem*         7       Big Creek         8       Black River*         9       Buckner         10       Buckner*         11       Buckner*         12       Caddo River*         13       Caglesville*         14       Carey         15       Caroline*         16       Carroll County*         17       Central         18       Clark-Pike         20       Columbia L         21       Concord         22       Crooked Creek         23       Current River         24       Gurent River         25       Dardanells*         26       Fayetteville*         23       Grand Prairie* L         24       Barmony         25       Graeenbrier*         26       Fayetteville*         27       Fourche Valley         28       Friendship*         29       Ganeoville* | 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2,182.00 \\ 1,224.09 \\ 2,182.00 \\ 1,224.09 \\ 2,182.00 \\ 1,24.09 \\ 2,182.00 \\ 1,124.09 \\ 4,019.79 \\ 451.64 \\ 4,019.79 \\ 41,084.01 \\ 1,849.30 \\ 1,179.41 \\ 63,401.26 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,148.50 \\ 9,424.60 \\ 11,179.41 \\ 63,401.26 \\ 11,179.41 \\ 63,401.26 \\ 11,179.41 \\ 63,401.26 \\ 11,170.41 \\ 63,401.26 \\ 11,170.41 \\ 63,401.26 \\ 11,170.41 \\ 1,255.00 \\ 12,755.00 \\ 19,749.87 \\ ? \\ 1,287.48 \\ 8066.16 \\ 6,601.45 \\ 171.997.23 \\ 128,741.80 \\ 27,642.29 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,442.99 \\ 2,440.95 \\ 15,488.16 \\ 5,983.20 \\ ? \\ 1,340.84 \\ \\ 1,655.86 \\ 1,663.40 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} \$ & 53,000 \\ 196,000 \\ 183,850 \\ 68,246 \\ 11,000 \\ 8,900 \\ 4,050 \\ 5,000 \\ 5,000 \\ 5,000 \\ 5,000 \\ 6,200 \\ 6,200 \\ 6,200 \\ 6,200 \\ 2,000 \\ 4,000 \\ 6,9,500 \\ 155,800 \\ 22,500 \\ 61,900 \\ 157,800 \\ 22,500 \\ 61,900 \\ 157,800 \\ 22,500 \\ 61,900 \\ 157,800 \\ 249,142 \\ 19,300 \\ 18,300 \\ 18,300 \\ 4,000 \\ 70,100 \\ 12,300 \\ 10,100 \\ 12,300 \\ 10,100 \\ 12,300 \\ 10,100$ |
| 64         Stevens Creek* L         1           65         Stone County*   | 1920<br>1874<br>1923<br>1919<br>1872  | 10<br>45<br>9<br>26<br>10<br>15<br>17<br>17 | 112<br>31<br>261<br>119<br>25<br>90<br>95<br>56  | 116<br>24<br>27<br>70   | 22<br>2<br>2<br>11<br>505  | 45<br>1<br>40<br>4988  | 42<br>7<br>1<br>1<br>1392  | 27<br>6<br>1<br>7<br>851  | 550<br>3547<br>590<br>1721<br>431<br>1453<br>1271<br>1101  | 2 <br>23 <br>3 <br>1 <br>9 <br>12   | 157<br>?<br>101 <br>400<br>?<br>1441<br>723   | 11  | 12<br>4<br>294                               | 156.72<br>668.23<br>?<br>144.95<br>8,619.31<br>2,031.97  | 182.43<br>2,884.05<br>?<br>195.91<br>12,299.84<br>2,614.49   | $\begin{array}{c} 339.15\\ 3,552.28\\ ?\\ 340.86\\ 20,919.75\\ 4,646.46\\ \end{array}$  | 2,500<br>14,800<br>5,000<br>20,000<br>2,000<br>92,200<br>10,000   |

(a) In Columbia 10 churches in Louisiana are omitted from totals of churches and membership. They have 1001 members. Financial reports incomplete. (\*) No report for 1924 received. Latest figures given. (†) Absorbed by Current River. (‡) Figures in Arkansas Valley estimated. (\*\*\*\*) Total 10,124. (Note) Pine Bluff Association contains partial report of 1922.