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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Arkansas Baptist State
Convention
IN THIS
EIGHTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION
(EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR)
PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS
January 22-25
1935

Next Session Will Convene January 21, 1936,
at 7:00 p. m., First Baptist Church
Hot Springs, Arkansas

Preacher of Annual Sermon
THOMAS L. HARRIS, N. Little Rock
ALTERNATE: M. F. LANGLEY, Walnut Ridge
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OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION

President ................................... O. J. Wade.............. Texarkana
Vice President ................ , ........... L. M. Sipes .................. Little Rock
Vice President_ .. __ .... _ ........ vV. E. Atkinson .............. Conway
Recording Secretary...... J. B. Luck .............. Magnolia
Treasurer .................................. B. L. Bridges .............. Little Rock
Statistical and Historical
Secretary ..................... E. J. A. McKinney .............. Little Rock

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Term Expires in 1936
B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith A. M. Herrington, Camden
John J. DuLaney, Ashdown Dow H. Heard, Jonesboro
A. P. Blaylock, Little Rock O. J. Wade, (Ex-Officio)
Texarkana

Term Expires in 1937
E. P. J. Garrott, Conway J. G. Cothran, Benton
Otto Whittington, Little Rock I. B. Hodges, Pine Bluff
W. R. Rogers, Hope

Term Expires in 1938
Ralph Glover, Newport C. W. Daniel, El Dorado
Alfred Carpenter, Blytheville

ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Term Expires in 1936
J. W. Royal, Rogers L. C. Tedford, Clarksville
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M. F. Langley, Walnut Ridge A. J. Meadows, Conway
Black River Faulkner County
W. L. Leach, Waldron L. B. Traylor, Mountain Home
Buckner White River
Theo T. James, Amity Edgar Williamson, Paragould
Caddo River Greene County
J. F. Tull, England W. F. Warren, Rison
Caroline Harmony
J. M. Langston, Blue Eye, Mo. Taylor Stanfill, Mena
Carroll County Ouachita
J. T. Gillespie, Fayetteville, Washington County
Term Expires in 1937

O. C. Harvey, Stuttgart
Arkansas County
J. B. Kincaid, Marianna
Arkansas County
Geo. R. Wilson, Smackover
Liberty
R. E. Taylor, Nashville
Litle River
Troy Wheeler, Russellville
Russellville
F. W. Varner, Pocahontas
Current River
W. M. Kelley, Judsonia
White County
J. F. Tompkins, Burdette
Mississippi County
P. B. Kinsolving, Harrisburg
Mount Zion
E. E. Griever, Harrison
Crooked Creek
Minor E. Cole, Warren
Bartholomew
J. E. Calloway, Dermott
Delta
Claud Jenkins, Formosa
Van Buren County
V. H. Coffman, Fort Smith
Concord

E. J. Kirkbride, Batesville, Independence.

Term Expires in 1938

J. B. Luck, Magnolia
Hope
H. L. Winburn, Arkadelphia
Red River
W. I. Elledge, Fordyce
Carey
L. M. Keeling, Malvern
Central
T. L. Harris, North Little Rock
Pulaski
H. F. Vermillion, Melbourne
Rocky Bayou
Oscar E. Ellis, Salem
Big Creek
Grover C. Prince, Forrest City
Tri-County
Lloyd A. Sparkman, Augusta
Woodruff County
J. B. Hyde, Heber Springs
Little Red River
W. R. Vestal, Rector
Gainesville
John L. Riffe, Brinkley
Monroe County

CENTRAL COLLEGE BOARD

Term Expires in 1936

A. J. Reap, Little Rock
E. P. Moore, Helena
E. F. Simmons, Conway
J. D. Dunaway, Conway
Calvin B. Walker, Little Rock
C. V. Hickerson, Hot Springs
J. B. Luck, Magnolia
W. S. Campbell, Fayetteville

Term Expires in 1937

J. F. Tull, England
F. E. Goodbar, Lonoke
L. C. Tedford, Clarksville
W. R. Dunham, Little Rock
L. M. Keeling, Malvern
J. H. Estes, Little Rock
B. P. Clayton, Conway
I. M. Prince, West Helena

Term Expires in 1938

R. S. Boyd, Lonoke
J. G. Cothran, Benton
P. J. Crowder, Fort Smith
Frank Jones, Conway
L. M. Sipes, Little Rock
W. R. James, Little Rock
W. N. Deaton, Conway
O. J. Chastain, Van Buren
### OUACHITA COLLEGE BOARD

**Term Expires in 1936**

- A. P. Blaylock, Little Rock
- J. P. Crawford, Pine Bluff
- J. W. Ramsey, Fort Smith
- Otto Whittington, Little Rock
- D. D. Glover, Malvern
- W. J. Hinsley, Hot Springs
- H. L. Winburn, Arkadelphia
- J. F. Queen, Prescott

**Term Expires in 1937**

- W. E. Atkinson, Conway
- J. B. Jameson, Camden
- C. A. Gordon, Pine Bluff
- T. H. Jordan, Helena
- E. Nowlin, Arkadelphia
- L. D. Summers, Hot Springs
- C. C. Tobey, Arkadelphia
- Lee Nichols, Booneville

**Term Expires in 1938**

- O. J. Wade, Texarkana
- C. L. Durrett, Little Rock
- Homer Reynolds, Little Rock
- W. D. McMillan, Arkadelphia
- J. A. Abernathy, Fordyce
- C. B. Cooper, Parkin
- E. L. Compere, El Dorado
- C. H. Moses, Little Rock

### MOUNTAIN HOME COLLEGE BOARD

**Term Expires in 1936**

- John Q. Wolf, Batesville
- H. H. Goodman, Cotter
- J. B. Hodges, Pine Bluff
- J. H. Landis, Melbourne

**Term Expires in 1937**

- Lon Jones, Mountain Home
- R. H. Russell, Mountain Home
- Oscar E. Ellis, Salem
- Elmer J. Kirkbride, Batesville

**Term Expires in 1938**

- E. E. Griever, Harrison
- B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith
- John Webb, Mountain View
- H. F. Vermillion, Melbourne

### BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL

**Term Expires in 1936**

- J. R. Riley, Boydell
- H. G. Pugh, Little Rock
- W. R. Donham, Little Rock
- U. E. Moore, North Little Rock
- C. D. Wood, Little Rock
- W. I. Moody, Little Rock

**Term Expires in 1937**

- E. D. Estes, Little Rock
- J. E. Berry, Smackover
- E. L. Compere, El Dorado
- J. F. Tull, England
- Guy E. Williams, Lonoke
- J. W. Richardson, Warren

**Term Expires in 1938**

- Steele Hays, Russellville
- Mrs. W. N. Gregory, Augusta
- M. J. Anders, Eudora
- Tom F. Digby, North Little Rock
- J. G. Cothran, Benton
DAVIS HOSPITAL BOARD

Term Expires in 1936
W. E. Bobo, Pine Bluff  H. F. Dial, Pine Bluff

Term Expires in 1937
Chas. A. Gordon, Pine Bluff  W. P. Keith, Pine Bluff

Term Expires in 1938
E. W. Freeman, Pine Bluff  John W. Reap, Pine Bluff

BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL TRUSTEES

Term Expires in 1936
J. T. Sanders, Forrest City  E. B. Abington, Earle
H. Loewer, Wheatley

Term Expires in 1937
E. L. Cole, Osceola  R. L. Hurst, Hot Springs
H. L. Lipford, Hughes

Term Expires in 1938
P. R. Turner, Marianna  E. P. Moore, Helena
C. E. Patch, Wynne

BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE TRUSTEES

Term Expires in 1936
Mrs. Fritz Goodbar, Lonoke  R. F. Hyatt, Monticello
C. B. Hall, El Dorado  T. H. Berry, Crossett

Term Expires in 1937
C. C. Smith, Monticello  T. H. Jordan, Helena
L. H. Davis, Star City  M. A. Treadwell, North Little Rock

Term Expires in 1938
Marvin Bankston, Monticello  E. Rawlings, Pine Bluff
L. O. McCracken, Cabot  Miss Theresa Scheu, Pine Bluff

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

C. B. Cooper, Parkin  W. E. Atkinson, Conway
T. J. D. King, Batesville  H. L. Whburn, Arkadelphia
L. M. Keeling, Malvern  C. C. Tobey, Arkadelphia
W. J. Hinsley, Hot Springs

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

T. L. Harris, North Little Rock  Mrs. W. I. Moody, Little Rock
J. K. Smith, Little Rock  J. H. Reynolds, Little Rock
J. F. Hammett, Little Rock  R. A. Cook, Little Rock
E. D. Estes, Little Rock
1. The Arkansas Baptist State Convention convened in the Eighty-First Annual Session (87th year) in the meeting house of the First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, January 22, 1935, at 7:00 o'clock P. M.

2. The Convention was called to order by president, O. J. Wade.

3. P. A. Stockton led the congregation in singing, “Take Time to Be Holy” and “There Is a Fountain”.


5. J. S. Rogers led in prayer.

6. The messengers of the Convention were enrolled.

7. A motion prevailed that all who know themselves to be messengers be allowed to participate in the organization and deliberations of the Convention.

8. The welcome address was made by H. F. Dial.

9. Response was made by Wallace R. Rogers.

10. O. J. Wade, Texarkana, Arkansas, was re-elected president by acclamation.

11. J. B. Luck, Magnolia, was re-elected Recording Secretary by acclamation.

12. The following brethren were nominated for vice presidents: L. M. Sipes, W. J. Hinsley, A. M. Herrington, and W. E. Atkinson.

13. A motion was passed that the two brethren receiving the highest votes be declared vice presidents.


15. The following visitors were introduced to the Convention: F. A. Buddin, pastor of the First Meth-
odist Church, South, Pine Bluff; Oscar Gibson, Louisville, Kentucky; Dan Rosoff, San Antonio, Texas; George Lacy, missionary from Mexico; H. E. Danna, of Southwestern Seminary; T. J. Watts, of Relief and Annuity Board; J. O. Williams, Business Manager of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; J. E. Merrill, of Texas; J. W. Beagell, of Home Mission Board; R. S. Jones, of Foreign Mission Board; John D. Freeman, Secretary of Executive Board of Tennessee Baptist Convention; Frank Tripp, Leader of the One Hundred Thousand Club; M. E. Dodd, President of the Southern Baptist Convention.

16. New pastors and workers in the state were introduced: O. W. Yates, Bible Teacher, Ouachita College; E. W. Milner, State Evangelist of Arkansas Baptist State Convention; Homer Bridges, Hoxie; E. Butler Abington, Earle; Grover C. Prince, Forrest City; H. F. Vermillion, Melbourne; W. A. Pollard, Jasper; L. C. Craig, Paris; Morris Daniel, Tulip; R. A. Kimbrough, Luxora; Dan Patch, Wynne; M. S. Jaggers, Texarkana, pastor at Beirne, Boughton and Whelen Springs; Charles W. Daniel, El Dorado; Alfred Carpenter, Blytheville.

17. Mrs. Ben L. Bridges, wife of our General Secretary, was introduced to the Convention.

18. Telegrams were received from J. T. Gillespie, Fayetteville, who had recently been injured in an automobile wreck, expressing his regret that he was unable to attend the Convention; John H. Buchanan, Lynchburg, Virginia, conveying greetings to the Convention; Mrs. C. H. Ray, President of the State W. M. U., regretting her inability to attend because of illness in the home, and F. M. Gathright, Cotter, who was kept away because of illness.

The secretary was instructed to send suitable replies.

19. E. J. A. McKinney was re-elected Statistical Secretary of the Convention.

20. A motion was passed that the Executive Board be instructed to make arrangements with E. J. A. McKinney to finish the History of Arkansas Baptists that he has begun.

22. The president appointed a committee on committees, as follows: P. J. Crowder, L. M. Keeling and J. F. Queen.

23. A motion prevailed that the Convention appoint a committee to meet with a committee from the Arkansas State Senate on Cities and Towns to represent the opinion of the Convention. The following committee was appointed: H. F. Vermillion, John R. Thompson, Lee Nichols, R. B. Kinsolving, Ralph B. Glover, Harlo Saunders, Homer B. Reynolds.

24. The choir from the First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, rendered a beautiful anthem.

25. The annual Convention sermon was preached by J. G. Cothran, subject, "The Life That Is Yielded to Christ", using Romans 6:12-14; Romans 12:1-2; and 2 Corinthians 8:5, as the texts.

26. The Convention sang, "Have Thine Own Way".

27. The Convention took recess until Wednesday, 9:00 A. M.


WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

29. President O. J. Wade called the Convention to order at 9:00.

30. C. L. Randall directed the congregation in singing, "My Jesus, I Love Thee".


32. The following committees were announced:

- **Women's Work**—Mrs. W. D. Pye, Mrs. B. L. Bridges, Mrs. W. J. Hinsley.
- **Sunday School and Baptist Training Union**—J. P. Edmunds, Lloyd Sparkman, Arthur G. New, Fred H. Ward.


One Hundred Thousand Club—Perry F. Webb, E. S. Elliott, H. L. Winburn, R. E. Naylor, B. M. Goodwin.


Nominations—E. J. Kirkbride, B. V. Ferguson, J. A. Overton, Mrs. E. Rawlings.


Home Missions—Alfred Carpenter, James Draper, Wallace Rogers.


33. The following resolution was adopted by the Convention, with instructions that a copy be sent to the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, and given to the public press:

WHEREAS, An attempt is now being made in the Arkansas Legislature to legalize gambling on horse racing, and the sale of intoxicating liquors in the state,

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention now in session at Pine Bluff, January 23, 1935, that

1st: We oppose strenuously the re-introduction of these demoralizing practices into Arkansas; and

2nd: We pledge ourselves to work and to vote to defeat this movement and those who support it, and to encourage by our support those who work with us to keep Arkansas as free as possible from such practices.
And we further recommend that the Legislature increase the power of the governor and the attorney general so that they may protect the people from the lawless element, gamblers, and liquor dealers, and others who violate the law in those communities where local officials fail to do their duty.

34. The report of the committee on Christian Education was read by T. W. Croxton. After he had discussed the report, it was adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In the consideration of any worthy program of Christian Education, three institutions are factors of vital importance, namely, the Christian home, the church, and the Christian college. Human society is as good as the homes that fashion it, and college enrollments and church memberships are about as good as the homes from which both church and college draw their material. Ideals and attitudes which are found in the home life will be brought over into church and college life. Almost invariably, the church and the college will reflect the life of the home. If it be true, as some say, that our Christian colleges are not as Christian as they ought to be, and not as Christian as they once were, the reason is not far to seek. Our homes and churches are not what they ought to be. Nor, generally speaking, are they what they once were. Christian ideals and standards have been toned down all along the line. Christian homes and churches have been affected. Consequently, the Christian colleges have suffered. Stronger emphasis on and better programs of Christian Education in homes and churches will go far towards making better colleges, that is, so far as Christian spirit, Christian life and Christian character are concerned.

The enemies of the home are legion. And, as a result of the many contrary influences in the midst of a rapidly changing order, the foundations of the home have been greatly shaken. What can be done to help the home stem the tide is a question of vital and far-reaching importance. Churches and all other institutions and agencies that are concerned about a more stable social order need to study it and seek some remedy. The responsibility for making better Christian homes and a more Christian social order rests largely with the churches. To them the gospel of Christ has been entrusted, and all the dynamics necessary for the building and growing of Christian homes and a Christian social order are wrapped up in the gospel. To what or to whom can we look if the church does not point the way? To be sure the churches have been greatly affected by the changes of recent years, nevertheless they must discover themselves in relation to the world order and minister in the realm of religious education as the needs of today require. While it is true that the churches, through their preaching, teaching, and training services, and their organized life in general, have done much in the discharge of their duty as the responsible religious instructors of mankind, yet their task has barely begun. We can expect neither the home nor the college to do what the churches were divinely instituted to do. Studying and devising better methods of
operation is an important thing for churches to do, but supplying the elements for the growth of Christian character and the dynamics for Christian life and living is forever paramount.

The Christian college should do for the individual what neither the home nor the church can do. The college is concerned with the finished product. Its aim is a broader outlook and wider vision. It seeks to turn back to home, church, and society, lives that are richer and fuller. The Christian college should take young Christians and put them in better position to enjoy and interpret life from a Christian point of view. In turn, these young Christians, made larger because of their college life and training, become leaders of thought in home, in church, and in society, guiding others in the Christ way and developing others in the Christ life. Thus, all life may be toned up and the Kingdom of God set forward.

The Christian college faces many difficulties, difficulties which have increased through the years. Some have thought that it is in danger of passing away. Facing the matter squarely and frankly, it must be admitted that, if the Christian college does not render a service that is distinct, a service that no state or privately controlled institution of higher learning does or can render, then it ought to pass away. The real test of a Christian college is its service to the Kingdom of God, and to the denomination from which it draws its life and support. Your committee believes that our Baptist colleges have and are now rendering a unique service; that there is something about them which cannot be found in other institutions referred to; and that these differences make them worthy of our support. Your committee, however, does not mean to say that all the Baptist colleges in the South, or even in Arkansas, should be maintained. We do say that Baptist colleges have a place and deserve support, without any regard as to the number Baptists need in this state or any other state. Speaking generally, no denomination should have more institutions than are necessary to serve its needs, or more than it is financially able or willing to support.

The cause of Christ requires leadership. To fail to support our Christian colleges is to rob ourselves and the Kingdom of leaders. And, not only do we need leaders in church work, but leaders in other lines of activity. The whole world, every area of human life and thought, must be captured for Christ. This cannot be done except by those who not only know the mind of Jesus, but know how to relate Christianity to world problems and the thought life of the world. If there is a way of providing Christian leadership other than through the Christian college, that way has not been found and pointed out. Until that is done, we ought to hold our lines and go ahead. If there is a question as to the number of colleges we ought to maintain, there ought not to be any question as to the need of Christian education and Christian leadership.

The colleges in Arkansas under Baptist control are Ouachita at Arkadelphia, Central at Conway, and Jonesboro Baptist at Jonesboro. The last named, however, is not under the control of this Convention. Under many limitations and handicaps these institutions are pursuing their course, and are making good reports. The enrollment at Ouachita is much larger than that of last year, now nearing the 500 mark. The enrollment at Central is reported to be
equal to that of last year, but larger than that of any preceding year, covering a period of several years. The figures from Jonesboro were not available at the writing of this report. The main source of worry for all of our colleges is finances. If relief in this direction could be provided, greater opportunities for service would be opened to them. Whether or not such relief will be given remains a question for Arkansas Baptists to answer. Our colleges are commended to your sympathy, prayers, patronage, and financial support.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. W. CROXTON
V. C. NEAL
L. D. EPPINETTE
J. R. GRANT

35. J. S. Rogers read the following report for Central College:

CENTRAL COLLEGE

The Central College Board and Administration bring to the Convention another annual report. We are grateful to God for his blessings upon the institution and we thank all of our people who have helped us, whether by contribution, prayer or a good word. We make no claim at all to any accomplishment of wonders in the operation of the college and we know we are far from perfection in our management of the institution. However, we feel that we have done about the best we could under the circumstances. We have here at the Convention a copy of the audit of the college books as of June 30, 1934.

We bring to you our report in numbered paragraphs as follows:

1. Enrollment. The enrollment is now 135. This enrollment, with one exception, is the best the college has had for, at least, eight years. While it is just slightly under that of this date last year, yet there are fully as many "regular" students here. The difference is in the number of "special" students, and due to the fact that Central has this year discontinued the Academy. These are all college students. "Never before in the history of the college has there been a finer spirit and a more harmonious group of students.

2. SOME THREE HUNDRED excellent, standard new books, covering a wide range of subjects, have been added to the Library. Also a bindery and work room have been added. Groups of girls are almost constantly at work rebinding and repairing valuable volumes.

3. Some of the latest equipment, costing $250, has been added to the Science Department. Central has a Department of Science that meets the requirements of Junior College work. The department is listed this year by the American Medical Association among those meeting the pre-medical requirements of the Association.

4. All current (running expenses) bills such as lights, heat, water and grocery are paid as of January 1, 1935.

5. All salaries of teachers are paid as of January 7, 1935. The salaries of some other workers are not paid up to January 7, but
these do not really count, because whatever is not paid is cancelled.

6. The members of the Central College faculty and the officers of administration are as follows: Miss Bernice Galloway, Dean of the College and Head of the English Department; Miss Janice Singleton, Professor of Science and Mathematics and Director of Religious Activities; Miss Fay Holliman, Dean of Women and Associate Professor of English and Education; Miss Eleanor Sharpe, Professor of Social Science and Modern Languages; Miss Emma Edwards, Professor of Education and Psychology; Miss Eunice Jenkins, Professor of Home Economics; J. S. Rogers, Professor of Bible; Miss Minnie Hawkins, Director of Conservatory of Fine Arts and Professor of Pipe Organ, Piano, and Violin; Miss Ethel Wilkerson, Professor of Piano; Miss Atwood Hudson, Professor of Speech and Physical Education; Mrs. Beulah McHenry, Professor of Art; Miss Eliza Johnson, Librarian; Dr. E. P. J. Garrott, College Pastor; Miss Daisy Bruce, College Secretary; Mrs. J. S. Rogers, College Mother and Hostess; Miss Amanda Tinkle, College Nurse; Rev. Fred H. Ward, Field Secretary and Assistant Business Manager; J. S. Rogers, President and Business Manager. Every literary teacher has an M. A. and all teachers meet the requirements of Standardizing Agencies. All teachers are Baptists except Mrs. McHenry. She is a Methodist, and also a graduate of Central College. Our teachers are prayer-meeting-going Church members. Blessed is the girl who is taught by and lives with such teachers.

7. The College books have been audited as of June 30, 1934, and the audit paid for. Teachers were all paid their salaries for the school year. All current light, heat, water, and grocery bills were paid for the year except $203.67, which has since been paid. The audit showed that the college owed on salaries and accounts as of June 30, 1934, $1,518.22 of which $840.79 has since been paid. All our salaries and accounts payable, (old and new) as of January 21, 1935, will not run over $1,500. We have tried hard to be absolutely "even with the world" by the meeting of this Convention, but the drouth, a fire and some other things prevented us from doing this. There are enough accounts receivable to more than pay all the college owes. Collecting is the problem.

8. The College Conservatory of Fine Arts under the capable leadership of its Director, Miss Minnie Hawkins, was never better than now.

9. Almost perfect harmony, cooperation, love and good will prevail throughout the college organization.

10. The College is a member of the North Central Association in good standing. Our total donations and income above student fees the past year amounted to $11,339.16. This money helped keep the College in the North Central Association.

11. We believe the religious life of the college is as good as the best in the land. The B. S. U., the Y. W. A., the B. S. U. secretary and the extraordinary Christian leadership of Miss Singleton, and other factors make the religious influence of the College superior, indeed.
For culture, Christianity, standard of education, and safety, we do not believe Central is surpassed. **If you go to the ends of the earth, you will** hardly find a better Dean of the College. Miss Bernice Galloway, nor a better Dean of Women, Miss Fay Holiman.

12. We have seven good cows, six hogs, one horse, one good Chevrolet truck and about enough feed to run us to the end of the school year. We have on hand at least 3,500 pounds of meat, hundreds of gallons of canned goods, enough canned peaches to run the College this year and next. All the above is paid for.

13. The Main, or Administrative Building of the College sorely needs a new roof, which would cost at least $500.00.

14. All canvassing and campaign expenses for the past summer have been paid. The old barn burned and a new one has been built and paid for.

15. The Second Semester of the College began January 22. Several new students have already enrolled and we are expecting others to enroll.

16. The College Board and Administration desire to operate the college on a very high plane, religiously and educationally, and exactly in keeping with the wishes of the Convention. We crave the prayers and support of all the churches and wish to work in harmony with all the interests and institutions of this Convention.

J. S. ROGERS. President.

36. It was received after being discussed by J. S. Rogers, E. P. J. Garrott, Miss Janice Singleton, Miss Bernice Galloway, Fred H. Ward.

37. Miss Ruby Ford Ripley, accompanied at the organ by Miss Minnie Hawkins, Director of the Conservatory of Central College, rendered a violin solo.

38. A skit was presented by the following students from Central College: Misses Mildred Patishall, Mary Louise Rogers, Ruby Ford Ripley, Harriett Bruce, Mary Frances Miller, Helen Dixon, Emily Ward, Lois Standley.

39. President J. R. Grant read and discussed the report from the board of trustees of Ouachita College, which was received.

OUACHITA COLLEGE

In 1885, just fifty years ago, the Baptists of Arkansas, at a meeting at Hope, voted to establish and maintain a Christian College. The next year, 1886, Ouachita College was established at Arkadelphia. Its objective was, is, and will be to promote Christian Education. During these forty-nine years, nearly 7,000 men and women have gone out from Ouachita College to serve the Master in
every Arkansas county, each state in the Union and in many foreign Nations.

Next year Ouachita College will be fifty years old. It is fitting that we should celebrate this semi-centennial in honor of the great service that Ouachita College has rendered to Christian Education, and especially to the Baptists of Arkansas.

A college is Christian, non-Christian, or anti-Christian, depending on its faculty. Ouachita College is fortunate in having a faculty made up of men and women who are both scholarly and Christian. They are vitally interested in the whole life of all the students. In selecting new teachers, we want to know not only that the applicant is a Christian but that his or her daily life will help others to be Christians.

New Members of Ouachita Faculty

Dr. A. M. Witherington, Professor of Psychology and Education
Dr. O. W. Yates, Professor of Religious Education
Mr. W. L. Walton, Director of Athletics
Miss Whitfield Cannon, Associate Professor of History
Miss Grace Fisher, Assistant in Home Economics
Miss Beth Remley, Assistant Librarian
Mrs. J. Lee Porter, Assistant in Education and Foreign Languages
Mr. J. Lee Porter, Field Agent
Mr. Elmer J. Frantz, Band Director
Mr. J. J. Webb, Supt. of Buildings and grounds.
Professor C. L. Deevers, Mrs. C. L. Deevers, Professor D. O. Todd and Miss Florence Evans spent the summer of 1934 at the University of Chicago, doing postgraduate work.

Ouachita College Is Accredited

The new Science laboratories, a better trained faculty, a bigger and better organized library have enabled the work at Ouachita College to be accredited. There are several ways that college work may be accredited. The University of any state is permitted to accredit the work done by colleges in that state. The University of Arkansas has inspected and accredited the work done at Ouachita College. The students of Ouachita can transfer to other colleges or universities without examination or without the loss of credits. The longer we live, however, the more we realize that attitudes, habits, ideals, etc., are far more important than mere credits. We take character with us through life. We leave credits behind.

Nearly Five Hundred Students Enrolled

The present enrollment of 487 boys and girls from 52 Arkansas counties and twelve states are classified as follows: 181 Freshmen, 126 Sophomores, 105 Juniors, 64 Seniors and 11 unclassified.

This enrollment is 80% increase over that of two years ago. It is the largest college enrollment in the history of Ouachita College. During this time the faculty has been increased only 10%. We have an average of 24 students to each faculty member. This is twice the number recommended by accrediting agencies. The second se-
mester begins Friday, January 25. Enough new students have already made reservations to run the enrollment beyond 500. We are not really able to take care of that many. We must increase our capacity or limit the enrollment.

We are not interested in a larger enrollment at Ouachita College except as it gives us a greater opportunity to be of greater service. We are not so much interested in the coming of students to our campus as we are in their going away better prepared and more determined to be of service to society. Men and women in all trades and in all professions need Christian Education.

In this machine age we have put so much emphasis on making better machines that we have almost forgotten that our first responsibility is to make better men and women. Efficiency in the material world has so out-grown development in the spiritual world that civilization itself may be bordering on bankruptcy. Our homes, churches, public schools and colleges must unite on building boys or society must go on spending more and more on mending men. This is equally true for girls. Ouachita College feels its responsibility and is trying to do its part.

Finances

The future of Ouachita College is bright—even brighter than it was one year ago. The enrollment is larger and more students are paying their way. Our financial situation, however, is not encouraging even if we are running on less than our income. The founders of Ouachita College and the different boards of Trustees in providing for free tuition for certain students did not intend for the faculty to give these free scholarships.

This year Ouachita College is giving free tuition to sixty ministerial students, 14 missionary students, 7 special students in religious education, 4 evangelistic singers, 9 wives of ministerial students and 34 sons or daughters of ministers. Besides these, there are eighty students who as Valedictorians of their classes or special honor students are being given free tuition scholarships. This makes a total of more than 200 who get free tuition. We have 100 students in Ouachita College who are financially unable to pay their tuition, but are allowed to work for it. The FERA student labor fund enables us to furnish an average of $15.00 worth of work per month to 48 students. This has made it possible for these 48 students to be in Ouachita College.

The faculty members are paying the tuition of more than 200 students by having this amount deducted monthly from their salaries. We do our part.

As was said above, we are not able to take care of more than 500 students. For the first time, we are now facing the necessity of limiting the students who may enter Ouachita College. In limiting the enrollment, our financial condition may for the most part compel us to limit the students to those who can pay. I realize, however, that this policy may injure the excellent spirit that now exists on Ouachita's campus. College students should be selected. The basis for selecting students, however, should not be their ability
to pay so much as their ability to learn and their desire to be of help to humanity.

Aid From Churches and Individuals

Ouachita College has received $321.62 from forty W. M. S.'s in Arkansas to help equip the Home Economics laboratories; $836.72 from twenty-seven churches for Christian Education; $1073.80 from eighteen churches and individuals for designated scholarships; $650.20 from the 208 members of the Ouachita College One Thousand Club and $10 from two individuals for athletics. This makes a total of $2,889.34 which Ouachita College has received this year from all sources outside of student fees.

Our office records show the name of each contributor with the date, amount and purpose of each contribution. The amount of the gifts ranges from $1.00 up to the $1,000 pledged by the First Baptist Church of Pine Bluff and which is being paid in regular monthly installments.

Ouachita College is running on its income. This pay-as-you-go policy is sound, but to carry it out with justice to all, requires the cooperation of all concerned. This policy makes it impossible for Ouachita College to guarantee any salary to anyone. Monthly bills are paid first and the balance in the treasury is divided proportionately among the teachers. The tentative salary schedule is as follows:

President—$3600.00
Professors—$2400.00
Associate Professors—$1600.00
Assistant Professors—$1200.00

Monthly salaries have been paid up to date as follows: 50% salaries for September, October and November; 30% salary for December and 20% salary for January. We expect to supplement the January salary before the month closes. We hope to pay 50% salaries for the entire year. We cannot expect to do better.

The President acts as Business Manager and a Sophomore student is bookkeeper. During December and January, Mr. R. T. Harrelson, former Business Manager of the college, has been employed for part time to help with the books.

Debts

When we say debt, many politely say, "Don't mention it". You need to know the whole truth about Ouachita's financial condition. The truth will hurt no worthy institution. It may help. Ouachita College gets no part of the endowment income. It goes annually to pay a $60,000.00 note held by the Union National Bank of Little Rock. The annual endowment income is about $20,000 a year. If left alone it will pay the debt and the income will be free to return to Ouachita College in February, 1938. Besides this, there is a floating debt of $75,000, two years old and older. About half of this is owed to teachers for back salaries. Many of the teachers are no longer connected with Ouachita College. About $24,000.00 is for the stadium; $6,000 for groceries and about $8,000 made up of many smaller items.
Ouachita's total debt of $135,000.00 is on us. The Baptists of Arkansas should face it squarely and say how and when it will be paid. Most of the people who hold these notes are patient. They are willing to help. The faculty had paid a few of them but the teachers cannot and should not pay this debt.

We are all human. Mistakes may be made, but we want the friends of Ouachita College to visit us, to study our program and help us build a better Ouachita. We want the friends of Ouachita College to pray for our program of Christian Education. We want them to know that we are doing what we can to make Ouachita College just what God would have it to be. The Baptists of Arkansas need Ouachita College. Let us study our present problems. Let us pray that God will give wisdom, guidance and brotherly love as we work together to solve our common problems.

W. E. ATKINSON,
President of Board of Trustees.

C. C. TOBEY,
Secretary of Board of Trustees.

40. E. P. J. Garrott represented the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

41. Clyde V. Hickerson spoke for the Baptist Bible Institute.

42. H. E. Danna, instructor of New Testament Greek of the Southwestern Seminary, spoke briefly on the work of the Seminary, and then preached on "The Unsearchable Riches of Christ".

43. The Convention took recess until 2:00 P. M.

44. J. F. Tull led in the closing prayer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

45. Vice president, W. E. Atkinson, called the Convention to order and presided during the afternoon session.

46. Norman Ferguson led the congregation in singing, "My Jesus, I Love Thee" and "Standing On the Promises."

47. L. C. Tedford led in prayer.


49. Article VII. in the constitution was changed. See Constitution.
50. The report of the committee on W. M. U. work was read and discussed by Mrs. W. D. Pye.

**BAPTIST WOMAN’S MISSIONARY UNION**

*“The Purpose, Plan and Power of Woman’s Missionary Union”*

**The Purpose**

When Woman’s Missionary Union was organized in 1888 the purpose of its organization was stated in the Constitution as being two-fold: (1) To stimulate a broader religious development on the part of Baptist women and young people in Christian work, looking toward the salvation of the lost and the cultivation of a missionary spirit and the grace of systematic giving. (2) To aid in the collection of funds for all objects fostered by Southern and Arkansas Baptists. Also to collect and disburse funds for any other object which the Union may from time to time adopt.

In order to carry out this purpose the Union maintains an office at 409 Federal Bank & Trust Building, Little Rock, the general officers of the organization being Mrs. C. H. Ray, President; Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. D. Pye, Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer; and Miss Margaret Hutchison, Young People’s Secretary.

The operating expense of office and field work during 1934 amounted to $6,822.71, of which sum $4,034.77 was appropriated for the Union by the Executive Board of this Convention, and $2,787.94 was raised by the Union through its W. M. U. Expense Fund.

The Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer and the Young People’s Secretary, assisted by a stenographer part of the year, have received 4,491 letters and cards, written 4,311 personal letters and cards, prepared copy for and mailed 46,325 mimeographed letters and articles, distributed 80,190 pieces of literature, prepared 13 programs, attended 130 meetings, made 65 talks, and traveled 9,423 miles, beside many other duties too numerous to mention. There are 407 missionary societies and 616 young people’s organizations on the mailing list, making a total of 1,023 organizations.

Each year the purpose of the Union is emphasized at the many meetings arranged and planned for by the organization. The largest of these is the W. M. U. Annual Meeting which was held with Immanuel Church, Little Rock, in April, 1934. The theme of the meeting was “The Challenging Christ.” Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, President of Woman’s Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention; Rev. Alfred Carpenter, representing the Home Mission Board, and Rev. W. D. King, representing the Foreign Mission Board, were the out-of-state speakers. At this meeting the largest delegation in the history of the Union was registered, there being 1,006 visitors and delegates present during the two-days’ session.

The purpose of the organization is also emphasized at the six District Meetings each year in June. Those for 1934 were held in Marianna, Benton, Texarkana, Clarksville, Lake Village, and Harrison. The program theme was “Open Doors.” Mrs. Carter Wright,
Stewardship Chairman, W. M. U. of S. B. C., Roanoke, Alabama, was the guest speaker, and the following District Presidents presided over the meetings: Mrs. W. B. Langford, Northeast District; Mrs. T. J. D. King, North Central District; Mrs. Walter Jackson, Northwest District; Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, Central District; Mrs. J. E. Short, Southeast District; Mrs. A. L. Buck, Southwest District. Mrs. Langford retired at the meeting and has been succeeded by Mrs. R. A. Kimbrough, Luxora. There were 1,158 people registered at the six meetings.

The field work during the late summer and early autumn was somewhat curtailed because of the illness of Miss Hutchison, who was on a leave of absence for several weeks. Mrs. Pye assumed the full responsibility of the office work, but was not able to do the usual amount of field work. The District Presidents came to the aid of the office force and each of them visited several of their Association Annual Meetings, some making each Association in their respective Districts. The State President also assisted in the field work. This was a labor of love on the part of each woman as the State and District Presidents are not remunerated for their services. The Union takes this opportunity to express its thanks publicly for this assistance. We are glad to report that Miss Hutchison is now fully able to assume her full share of the duties and for this we are exceedingly grateful.

The Plan

The work of Woman's Missionary Union is based on a two-fold purpose, but the structure is developed on a six-fold plan. The activities of the organization are guided each year by the W. M. U. Plan of Work which is revised and distributed annually in the W. M. U. Year Book. The basis of the Plan of Work is the six Chief Aims which are Prayer, Enlistment, Study, Service, Gifts, and Missionary Education of Young People.

PRAYER: Someone has said that prayer is to the soul what the air we breathe is to our bodies. Woman's Missionary Union has realized the truth of this statement from the beginning of its organization when prayer was made the first of its chief aims. During 1934 a new emphasis was placed on prayer by Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. To aid in this movement a booklet entitled, "Prayer, the Golden Chain," and a prayer card in the form of a book mark were issued by the Southwide organization. These have had a wide distribution in our state. As a result of the prayer life of W. M. U. members, there were 130 new family altars established during the year. The Seasons of Prayer were also re-emphasized in 1934. In March, 494 organizations observed the Home Mission Prayer Season and contributed $3,422.29 to the Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions. In September, 392 organizations observed the Prayer Season for State Causes and contributed $2,289.00. In December, 498 organizations observed the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions and contributed $7,800.96 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Verily, "more things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

ENLISTMENT: The second Chief Aim in the Plan of Woman's Missionary Union is the enlistment of inactive members in churches
already having W. M. U. organizations and the extension of Union activities into churches where there are no missionary organizations. During the year ending September 30, 1934, the local W. M. U. organizations reported the enlistment of 2,419 women in missionary societies and 3,161 young people in the Young Woman's Auxiliaries, Girls' Auxiliaries, Royal Ambassador Chapters, and Sunbeam Bands. This is a grand total of 5,580 women and young people enlisted. During the year of 1934 there were 45 new missionary societies and 123 young people's organizations perfected in churches where none had formerly existed. Someone has said that the chief want in life is somebody to make us do what we can. The enlistment and extension phase of W. M. U. work is merely persuading and demonstrating to Baptist women and young people that they ought to do the things they can in the Master's service.

STUDY: Spurred on by the urge expressed by the poet who said, "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing," members of Woman's Missionary Union have diligently sought to increase their knowledge of God's Work and God's World through a series of Bible and mission study classes during 1934. Several new mission study books were issued during that period which were a further incentive for mission study and research. During the year, there were 349 classes conducted for women and 187 classes for young people. The following awards were issued: 2,319 certificates, 5,948 small seals, and 89 official seals. Mrs. H. M. Keck, Fort Smith, is the efficient Superintendent of this department of W. M. U. work.

Classes for all grades were held at the Assembly at Siloam Springs in July under the direction of Miss Margaret Hutchison. The teachers were Miss Mildred Matthews, missionary to Cuba; Rev. W. D. King, missionary in Canton, China; Mrs. H. M. Keck, Miss Margaret Kime, and Miss Hutchison. There were 150 registered in these classes who received as awards, 79 certificates and 101 seals.

SERVICE: Someone has said, "To know the Lord's will and to do it is service." Woman's Missionary Union, led by Mrs. M. A. Treadwell, State Personal Service Superintendent, has tried to know the will of the Lord and do it through personal service which has as its aim the uplift of the communities surrounding our Baptist churches and the winning of the lost to Christ. The promotion of better inter-racial relations has been one of the outstanding phases of personal service during 1934 as the Baptist women have sought to teach and train the Negro Baptist leaders in many communities of the state. Many other avenues of service too numerous to mention have been followed. Our W. M. U. organizations report that they have spent $4,535.20 in doing personal service work and that resulting from their efforts there have been 545 conversions during the year.

In addition to the personal service rendered in the communities where the membership resides, Woman's Missionary Union has served the cause of orphan children by providing much of the clothing for the inmates of the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. Gifts of food and other commodities have also been sent to the Orphanage and a fund raised to maintain a helper at the Home has been provided.
The two hospitals have also been service projects of Woman's Missionary Union. Under the capable leadership of Mrs. R. C. Rudisill, State Hospital Chairman, $1,155.05 for the Charity Fund has been raised and 2,480 pieces of linen valued at $634.06 have been donated for the use of the patients. There have been contributed to the hospitals also house furnishings valued at $237.15 and miscellaneous gifts valued at $336.77, making gifts in money and supplies total $3,247.47. Through these and other manifestations have Baptist women tried to render aid to the bruised hearts and spirits of the patients while the hospital staffs have rendered the medical and surgical aid necessary to heal the broken bodies.

Thus following these triple avenues of service has Woman's Missionary Union sought to develop the fourth phase of its six-fold plan.

GIFTS: Again realizing the importance of developing the grace of giving to a greater degree than has seemed apparent in recent years, the W. M. U. organizations have shown a steady increase in reported gifts. During 1934 the total gifts reported were $127,025.70, about $77,186.05 of this amount being for local church support and benevolence and the remainder of $49,839.67 being for all phases of missions. Mrs. Minnie R. Sheppard is the State Chairman of Stewardship and we rejoice with her that our women and young people are laying more importance on Christian Stewardship. "The more we abound in the grace of giving, the more our joy will abound."

MISSIONARY EDUCATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE: The last phase of the six-fold plan of Woman's Missionary Union is the missionary development of the young people in our Baptist churches. This department of W. M. U. work is under the direction of Miss Margaret Hutchison, Young People's Secretary. In addition to the daily routine in the office and the field work necessary for the advancement of this department, Miss Hutchison conducted various general meetings in interest of the young people during 1934.

The Girls' Auxiliary Conference was held in March at Central College at which meeting the guest speakers were Miss Juliette Mather, Young People's Secretary W. M. U. of S. B. C.; Mrs. J. Wash Watts, former missionary to Palestine, and Miss Josephine Riley, at that time Young People's Secretary for Missouri W. M. U. There were 131 intermediate girls and counselors in attendance at this Conference.

Plans were made by Miss Hutchison for the summer camps for members of Young Woman's Auxiliaries, Girls' Auxiliaries, and Royal Ambassador Chapters which were held at Ferncliff, seventeen miles west of Little Rock, in July and August. The three camps following one another in rapid succession. Due to Miss Hutchison's illness, the Camps were conducted by Miss Elma Cobb, State Margaret Fund Chairman and office assistant. These camps are for missionary inspiration and information and physical recreation and were well attended, there being 83 Y. W. A. members at the first camp, 85 G. A. members at the second, and 102 R. A. members at the last camp, making a total registration of 270. Missionary teachers were Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence and Mrs. M. A. Treadwell at the
two camps for girls, and Missionary L. L. Johnson of Brazil and Mr. M. W. Bergeson, a former worker in Panama, at the R. A. Camp.

In its interest in and activities for young people, Woman's Missionary Union seeks to "honor the child. On this principle all good education rests. Never shall we learn to train up a child till we take it in our arms, as Jesus did, and feel instinctively that 'of such is the kingdom of heaven.'"

The Power

The Power of Woman's Missionary Union lies first in having a two-fold Purpose which aims to carry the Gospel into all the world that the lost may be saved, and then in having a six-fold Plan for the accomplishment of this Purpose. No purpose ever succeeds that has no plan for its promotion, and no plan succeeds which has no high and holy purpose. Thus the purpose and the plan, combined in Jesus Christ, produces the power. The power is generated through prayer and the study of God's Word and God's World. This power is then distributed through enlistment, personal service, gifts, and missionary education, all of which is done in the name of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world.

We give thanks to God, our Father, for His Blessings on the work of Woman's Missionary Union during the past year. The work had gone "from strength to strength" under His leadership and guidance. "To Him be the power and the glory and honor forever."

MRS. W. D. PYE,
Chairman of Committee on
Woman's Missionary Union.
MRS. W. J. HINSLEY
MRS. B. L. BRIDGES

51. It was adopted.

52. Miss Margaret Hutchison, Secretary of the Young People's Work, was presented to the Convention.

53. The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. report was read by J. P. Edmunds.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. REPORT

Because of the brevity of space allowed on this page for our report, only the high lights of the year may be recounted. We invite you to look with us in three directions. As you look, may your hearts rejoice with ours as we view inspiring Yesterday; may your souls be stirred as you visualize challenging Today; and may your faith be rekindled as you view promising Tomorrow.

LOOK

"But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them—" Matthew 9:36,

"But a certain Samaritan,—when he saw him, he had compas-

"And I looked, and there was none to help." Isa, 63:5.

"I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will look forth to see what he will speak with me." Habakkuk 2:1.

A Look at Yesterday—Inspiring

A careful and thoughtful look at Southern Baptists' Yesterday should be sufficient to encourage and inspire the most downcast individual. One hundred years ago there were 235,428 Baptists in the South, counting both whites and colored. Today there are over 7,000,000 Baptists, of all kinds and colors in the South, or one Baptist to every six persons in the population. One hundred years ago there were perhaps 1,000 Baptist Sunday schools in the whole United States, with an enrollment of approximately 50,000. Today there are over 47,500 Sunday schools with 5,500,000 pupils enrolled in the Baptist churches in the United States, and a few more than 3,000-000 of these are in Southern Baptist Sunday schools. A hundred years ago we had no B. Y. P. U.'s, for the B. Y. P. U. is less than fifty years old. Yet, today we have 31,624 Unions in our Southern Baptist churches, with an enrollment of 618,283, the largest single denominational group of young people in the world.

But, what of Arkansas, our own state? God has not played favorites and blessed certain states while others went un-blessed. Arkansas, too, has grown in her proportionate strength. One hundred years ago, according to "The Baptist" in 1835, Arkansas boasted of two Associations, sixteen churches, ten ministers, and a Baptist membership of one hundred and eighty-one. Today we are a Baptist army of 125,000 souls, with a Sunday school membership of 92,000, and 23,000 enrolled in our Baptist Training Unions. This is a record unsurpassed by any other denomination.

A look at the year just closed reveals an encouraging growth and a year of unusual activity. While we were still in the throes of the depression, and operated with one of the smallest budgets in the history of the Department, we are able to report progress. A brief review of some of the functions of this Department will enable us to see its value and appreciate its handicaps with limited means. These functions are: To encourage the organization of Sunday schools and Baptist Training Unions in churches without such organizations; to assist in increasing the efficiency of these organizations through the printed page, field contacts, training schools, enlargement campaigns, Conventions, Conferences and Assemblies; to enlarge the vision of our workers concerning their field and their task; to create a consciousness for better trained teachers; and to deepen the spirituality of the workers in these two important departments of church life.

The following figures suggest various types of work done by the department during the year:

- Personal letters written: 4,125
- General letters sent out: 6,772
- Postcards written: 2,161
- Promotional literature mailed and distributed: 104,512
- Sunday school awards issued: 3,107
- Baptist Training Union awards issued: 6,326
Standard Sunday schools during year ........................................... 21
Standard last year ........................................................................ 19
Standard B. Y. P. U.'s during year ............................................. 135
Standard last year ...................................................................... 76
Vacation Bible schools held during summer ............................. 25
Vacation Bible schools last year .................................................. 12
Total B.Y.P.U.'s in state ................................................................ 1,138

(Incomplete)
Unions organized in 1934 .............................................................. 105

(Incomplete)
Total Sunday schools in state ...................................................... 774
Present S. S. enrollment ................................................................. 92,000

(Incomplete)
Increase over previous year ........................................................ 1,838

(Incomplete)
Churches visited by Secretary .................................................... 82
Addresses delivered ...................................................................... 357
Miles travelled ............................................................................. 26,000
Conferences conducted on field ................................................... 212

Approximate attendance upon Conventions, Tour. Conferences and Assembly promoted by Department ..................... 8,500

One of the most fruitful projects of the Department during the year was a Sunday school and Missionary tour in the interest of larger and better Sunday schools and Missions. There was an attendance of 5,500 in the twenty-five meetings on the Tour. On this Tour we had the valuable services of Missionary Dawson King, Rev. George Wilson, Rev. Ira Patishall, Mr. Roland Lawrence, Rev. T. H. Jordan and Secretary Bridges.

Another successful Assembly was held during the summer at Siloam Springs with a thousand in attendance upon one or more services. It has been demonstrated for the past several years that the Assembly will be financed without a deficit. Our Assembly has proven to be one of our greatest institutions and deserves the support of our churches and pastors. The date of the 1935 Assembly is July 1-10.

Our State B.T.U. Convention was held in Little Rock in November with an attendance of over 1000. Of this meeting a pastor wrote: "It was the most powerful Convention I have ever attended."

But, we must change our vision and take A LOOK AT TODAY—CHALLENGING.

A brief look at Today reveals many alarming and challenging situations: Here are some figures and statements:
Total estimated unsaved in Arkansas ........................................ 1,500,000
Total un-enrolled in any Sunday school .................................. 1,492,304
Churches reporting no baptisms during year .......................... 172
Churches reporting less than ten baptisms ............................... 472
(Or 64 Per Cent)
Churches giving nothing to missions outside of Association ...................................................... 49%

The Sunday school is a powerful evangelistic agency of the church to be used in reaching the great host of unsaved mentioned above. It has been estimated by many churches that 85 per cent of
those who come for baptism are members of the Sunday School.

The Teaching function of the church is a vital part of the Commission. The late Dr. J. M. Frost said: "The fourfold function of the church as given in the Commission may be enumerated as follow: (1) The missionary function—going with the gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth without abatement of message or abridgment of field; (2) the evangelizing function—heralds of the cross, preaching the gospel and making disciples of all nations; (3) the administrative or ceremonial function—baptizing and otherwise caring for the affairs and ordinances of the house of God; (4) the didactic function—teaching the doctrines and observances of the things which Christ commanded, building up the saved in doctrinal character, leading them out into the larger life of loyalty to the King and service in His kingdom. Teaching as a function of church life holds rank with the others, coming last in order and as the consummation and crowning glory of the others."

If we should discount our Arkansas possibilities 75 per cent, the remaining 25 per cent, which certainly no one could question as being Baptist possibilities, would be 375,000 possibilities for our Sunday schools. This 25 per cent is four times greater than our present Sunday school enrollment. What a challenge. And, yet, how easy it could be done. If our Sunday schools for one year would take Christ’s command to visit seriously and actually go on the field after the lost and unreached, and if these members should win only two in 1935 and these new ones in turn win two, we would not only reach our 375,000 but 269,000 to spare. It is easy if we'll try. This challenge is a challenge of Today, not Tomorrow. There may be no earthly tomorrow for us, and a dark eternity for those unreached. They are calling us TODAY. If we respond today,

A LOOK AT TOMORROW WILL BE PROMISING.

"O Master of the modern day,
Our hearts are kindled as we know,
Thou walkest still along life’s way
As in the ages long ago!
And by the magic of Thy will
New worlds Thou art creating still.

"We thank Thee that the truth
moves on,
With Wireless wave and healing ray;
That yester’s noon was but the dawn
Of brighter glories in our day.
And now by faith, in holy dream
We glimpse tomorrow’s grander gleam!

"Enlarge our minds to grasp Thy thought,
Enlarge our hearts to work Thy plan,
Assured Thy purpose faileth not.
To put Thy Spirit into man!
God of this new age and hour,
Thrill us again with Holy Power!"
In conclusion, your secretary wishes to make a few brief suggestions and recommendations for Tomorrow.

1. That we think seriously upon our tremendous field, upon our responsibility for working it, and rededicate our lives and organizations to the winning of the lost.

2. We commend to our workers throughout the state the New Training Course for Sunday School Workers. It is being enthusiastically received and already three hundred Arkansas teachers are engaged in a study of the new books and new ones are joining weekly. Write our office for a list of new books. There are sixteen books in the course, four leading to the diploma.

3. We recommend the Standard of Excellence for our various organizations as worthwhile programs for our Sunday schools and B. T. U.'s; not as ends unto themselves, but as instruments in our hands to accomplish worthy objectives.

4. We urge that the evangelistic fires be kept aflame throughout the year; 1935 can witness the greatest ingathering of souls in the history of Arkansas if we will give God a chance.

5. We believe the Associational organization in both Sunday school and B. T. U. the best method we have to stimulate and maintain interest in the work in the largest number of churches. It is our plan to give even more attention to this phase of the work in 1935.

6. During the seven years that your secretary has been with this Department he has been aware of the financial condition of the Executive Board and has refrained from making any unreasonable requests. We believe, however, that the day has come when we should give a larger place in our state budget to the promotion of these two Departments of our work.

7. We wish to express our deepest appreciation to all who have helped to make this report possible. For the wise counsel and helpful cooperation of Secretary Bridges and his office, and all of the offices at Baptist Headquarters; for the loyal support of the many pastors and workers on the field who have responded to our every request; for the most generous and liberal attitude of the Baptist Sunday School Board and its executive Secretary, Dr. I. J. VanNess and Business Manager Dr. J. O. Williams; and for the leadership of the Holy Spirit, we are grateful beyond expression. We acknowledge the efficient and loyal service of our office secretary, Mrs. Grace Hamilton, who has been with the Department for six years, and who gives herself without reserve to the work which this Department promotes.

That 1935 may be a year in which the will of God may be done in the lives of those who bear the name Christian, and a year during which His Kingdom will be greatly advanced through faithful service to Him, is the sincere prayer of your secretary.

J. P. EDMUNDS
ARTHUR NEW
LOYD A. SPARKMAN
FRED H. WARD
54. After a brief discussion, the report was adopted.

55. J. O. Williams, Business Manager of the Sunday School Board, spoke on our Board.

56. The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That we, messengers in Convention, representing the church of Arkansas cooperating with the Southern Baptist Convention, request the Sunday School Board to consider the advisability of editing and publishing a series of optional Sunday School Lessons for Young People and Adult Classes, based upon a study of the Bible, chapter by chapter and book by book.

57. The report of the committee on Ministerial Relief and Annuity Board was read and discussed by the reader, Dow H. Heard, and T. J. Watts, Secretary of the above Board.

58. It was adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

If the aged Apostle Paul were still in a cold and comfortless prison in Rome in need of clothing, or any of the other necessities of life, what individual Baptist or Baptist church in Arkansas or the Southern Baptist Convention would hesitate a single moment to send all the relief that he needed? The same God that called Paul to be a preacher called our old, worn-out and needy brothers who still live with us, many of them in veritable prisons of pitiful want erected by the major hazards and vicissitudes of life. Our Lord has made no distinction among his chosen servants; all alike are dear to Him. That Baptists have neglected their duty to their disabled veteran ministers is a fact; but this neglect is due less to a lack of gratitude than to a lack of information. Your Committee, therefore, calls your attention again to this neglected but important subject.

It is not easy to say anything fresh and stimulating on a topic so well worn by reason of use in the course of years. We are cheered and comforted, however, by the remembrance of Paul's words to Timothy: "If thou put the brethren in mind of the good things they have already learned, thou shalt be a good minister of Christ Jesus".

Relief

We reaffirm our obligation to the disabled veterans of the Christian ministry. The world over there is a growing sense of social justice that continues to lay a heavier hand on our consciences. The churches have means, but this wealth will become their poverty, if they use it selfishly and refuse to meet their debt to the men who spend their lives in God's service. If the churches fail here, they
shall pay for it in leanness of soul, in loss of spirituality, and in inferiority of ministerial services. But let the churches use a proper part of their income to do justice and show mercy to those in need and their gifts will be transmuted into spiritual riches and power.

Does this Board with its relief department (small because we have not made it larger) stand as the embodiment of our love and appreciation for these faithful, broken ministers? Is this our method of practicing the Golden Rule toward these faithful servants? Is this our way of saying to our brother who has worn out or has been permanently crippled in the Christian warfare, "We love you"? The churches have been the supreme exponents of justice and fairness. They have preached these high standards to others and have demanded in the name of Jehovah God that others observe them. Now they should be the supreme exemplars of justice and fairness to their own ministers. They should practice what they preach.

We owe a debt to these worthy men of God. It is not an obligation of charity but of justice. This debt is both moral and material, both spiritual and financial. This sacred obligation, grounded in an elemental principle of life, reinforced by the direct command of Christ, illustrated by common practice and applied in the Mosaic legislation, is assumed by the church when, in the exercise of its right, it lays hands upon a man and solemnly ordains him to the ministry. To our Baptist Israel in Arkansas we would mention the warning and admonition to Ancient Israel, engaged in its conquests of social and religious and business matters, God said once and again, "Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest in the land".

"Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet
Lest we FORGET, Lest WE forget!"

Annuities

We are convinced that a permanent solution of the problem can and will be made by a Service Annuity plan. We are just as convinced that we cannot solve the problem by a plan of direct relief. Even if such relief grants are helpful, they are necessarily small, temporary and uncertain.

The Service Annuity plan is a safe, sane, tried, economical, Christian plan. It is a contributory plan—the minister pays in two and one-half percent of his salary; the church, or organization he serves, pays in an amount equal to eight percent of the salary paid; and the Board, from income earned on its sound investments, will furnish the major part of that which will be paid in the end. Stated in another way—the Service Annuity dollar that will come back to the pastor will have been made possible by 11 cents paid in by the preacher, plus 35 cents paid in by the church he serves, making a total of 46 cents paid in, and the Board earns 54 cents, by the marvelous yet sound workings of compound interest, on the 46 cents paid by pastor and church; these three together making 100 cents of the Annuity dollar paid back to the preacher in his old age or disability.

The plain fact confronts our churches, that as yet they have no honorable way of retiring an old or disabled minister. We honor-
ably retire the soldier, the laborer, the professional man; in isolated cases, churches confer upon an infirm servant the doubtful compliment of "pastor emeritus", but as a rule preachers are not retired, but rejected. Unless some plan of annuities is worked out to care for the servants of the churches, the situation will grow more and more critical each year. For the denomination to try to meet the needs of the future solely by relief does will prove unsatisfactory and impossible. The pastor ought to do his part; the church ought to do its part; the Board stands ready to do its large part. The Annuity fund is not organized to minister to need, but to prevent need. It is the strong rock wall at the top of the cliff—not the ambulance at the bottom! As the years shall come and go, and we wisely and righteously accept such a plan, "Ministerial Relief" will have a decreasing place in the Benevolent Budget and an item called "Ministerial Support" will come over into the Church Expense Budget where it rightly belongs. We commend the plan to the prayerful and thoughtful consideration of our preachers and the churches everywhere.

We mention in passing that one of the fine forward steps last year in the ever widening service of this great Board is the Foreign Mission Board's Pension Plan, put into effect for our noble missionaries. This good work has the universal approval of our Baptist people.

From the Relief and Annuity Board's report to the last Southern Baptist Convention in Ft. Worth, Texas, we quote the following paragraph on the Board's continued success:

"Your Board has enjoyed a large measure of success during the period reviewed by this report. Its actual financial losses have been negligible. The continued success of the Board's work, particularly as regards its investments, should impress our Baptist people everywhere with the soundness and dependability of this fiduciary agency of the Convention. Besides having met its every contractual obligation with the regularity and punctuality, its ever-increasing assets have been safeguarded with scrupulous care. The Board's investments are in fundamentally sound securities which have produced earnings since 1918 of approximately $2,000,000.00. Our earnings on invested funds during 1933 aggregated $212,773.12, or 5.23%. The total income of the Board from all sources during the fiscal year was $378,717.42. The net amount added to endowments and reserves, after disbursing $262,988.66, was $115,728.76. The total of the assets of the Board on December 31, 1933, was $4,016,652.63. Since December 31, 1933, these assets have been increased to approximately four and a quarter million dollars. There are other invested funds held by the various State bodies, the income from which the Board receives regularly, which if added to the funds in the Board's actual custody would advance its total resources to approximately $4,550,000.00."

Mr. John D. Rockefeller has given one million dollars. The Rockefellers never sink money in unsafe and unsound enterprises. They give such endowments where they will render permanent service.
Dr. J. B. Gambrell said this prophetic word in the beginning, “Our new Board is like a tree. It is now small, but if it is cultivated and watered, some day it will be a giant tree. It will bear fruit to gladden the hearts of multitudes of men and women who have put their all into the work of the Kingdom. It is a thing every one of us ought to take a turn at—that of cultivating this tree”.

We make bold to say it is the pastor’s duty, regardless of personal reluctance born of the fear that he may be called selfish, to speak of this subject as readily as he would on Missions or Education and endeavor to impart such knowledge of this Christian obligation as will enable the members of his church to gladly discharge it. When this cause has been properly presented to our people, it will be worthily supported, and only then.

DOW H. HEARD  
A. P. ELIFF  
W. R. VESTAL

59. B. V. Ferguson preached on “Stewardship”.
60. The Convention took recess until 7:00 P. M.
61. T. H. Jordan led in the closing prayer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

62. President O. J. Wade called the Convention to order at 7:00 o’clock.
63. P. A. Stockton directed the congregation in singing, “Faith Is the Victory” and “I Am Bound For the Promised Land.”
64. Devotional exercise was conducted by Loyd H. Sparkman, reading and commenting on Hebrew 11:8-12.
65. P. A. Stockton and Norman Ferguson sang, “He Is the Lily of the Valley.”
66. The following resolution, brought to the Convention by a committee from the Pastor’s and Laymen’s Conference, consisting of L. D. Summers, E. P. J. Garrott, and Otto Whittington, was adopted.

We, the committee appointed by the Pastors’ and Laymen’s Conference, to draft a platform of principles, designed to raise the standard of church membership, beg to submit the following for your consideration:

We, the pastors of Baptist churches in the State of Arkansas, whose signatures appear below, desire to state our convictions concerning what we believe to be the greatest problem which our church-
es face, and to covenant one with another to use our influence and energy in its solution.

Without enumerating the causes which have led to the low standard, or no standard, of church membership, we are compelled to admit that the following conditions prevail:

(1) The majority in the average church appear to feel no obligation to support the church and its MISSIONARY, EDUCATIONAL AND BENEVOLENT program.

(2) Often the lives of many members are not only wholly unfruitful, but openly scandalous.

(3) Often many of the members are in league with those forces in the community which are subversive of decent moral standards.

(4) Many absent themselves from the services of the churches, while they lend their support to other organizations, both good and bad.

(5) Only a very small minority appear to devote themselves with joy to worship, to witnessing and to sacrificial living and giving.

These conditions are so destructive of the morale and prestige of the churches that they cry aloud for radical reform. We, therefore, would not only deplore but rather seek to correct them in a cooperative effort. To this end we covenant to observe in our pastoral relationship the following principles, and we call upon all like-minded pastors to join us in this effort by affixing their signatures to this platform.

1. We agree to use our best efforts to counteract the shallow evangelism that appears to be interested in quantity rather than in quality. As a condition of church membership and as an evidence of conversion, we will insist upon not only a profession of faith which we believe to be genuine, but also upon the acceptance of a well-defined Christian program, which will include the normal Christian activities of righteous living, worship, service, and giving.

2. We agree that the matter of receiving members into our churches by experience and baptism will be strictly evidence of conversion and a willingness to support the church in its program of work and standard of living.

3. We agree to respectfully urge that all our pastors and churches adhere strictly to the long time Baptist custom of not receiving into their fellowship those who have been excluded from other churches of like faith and order, unless they first be reconciled to the church of their former membership.

4. Believing that only those who are deeply spiritual are capable of restoring those who are overtaken in faults of omission or commission, we agree to earnestly seek out the spiritually minded minority and urge upon them the privilege of restoring those who are remiss in their Christian activities.

5. We agree to insist continually that no deacon or other officer or teacher be chosen or retained in any department of the church
who does not live above reproach and support the church program loyally. We believe also that these and future leaders should be systematically trained so as to develop in them a finer loyalty and a deeper consecration.

6. Also we agree to use our influence and our every effort in leading the whole membership of our churches to an unreserved committal to these principles and an unwavering loyalty to the church of Christ to the end that we may fulfill the mission committed to it. For it is in His name and for the sake of His kingdom that we solemnly enter this covenant, one with another.

67. Carey B. Gardiner read the report on Stewardship, and it was adopted.

STEWARDSHIP

Let us consider briefly three things which we believe to be very vital to every Christian:

1st, Stewardship of time
2nd, Stewardship of talent
3rd, Stewardship of money

First, let us consider stewardship of time. A business man who is president of a large corporation said to me recently, "You put too much time into your Church work, I do not have time for that now", he said, "I am trying to build my business to such a plane that it will not demand all of my time and money; when I do that, I hope to do some Church work. Of course", he said, "I give some money now, but I cannot devote any time at present, as my time is too valuable to my business."

I asked my friend if he had ever given any thought as to what the results might be if every business man should take the same attitude. I also reminded him of the fact that the Bible teaches Stewardship of time as well as of money.

As we look in on different communities and visit different congregations in their Sunday services and especially the night services, it makes one shudder, for we can not but realize how few Church members are really practicing Stewardship of time. We believe here is one of the greatest drawbacks to the on-going of the Kingdom work. People in any walk of life and especially Church life are not going to give of their talent and money if they do not know what it is all about. There is only one way for them to know this, and that way is for them to be in their places at each church service. Possibly the church leaders are partly responsible for this condition.

Have you ever heard a Pastor or Sunday School Supt., Educational Director, or B. T. U. Director make excuses for this man or woman, saying, "We must not call on him or her for any help, you know he is such a busy man"? May I ask, Does God need business men and women, or should the Church affairs be left to the "down and outs" who never were a success at anything?

It seems this thing of Stewardship of time, if properly dealt with, ought to solve many of our Church and Denominational head-
aches. Of course, we cannot be perfect in this world, but surely we can do more in our local Churches to put and keep more people to work. Busy people are usually interested people. Interested people are usually liberal with their talents and money. When our people are busy, they are interested; if interested, they are bound to be liberal; if liberal, they will become more cooperative in world wide denominational affairs. Therefore, we would urge our church leaders to strive to keep more and more of their people busy. This can not be done without some effort. God help us that we will not only reach the lost, but after they have been reached train them for service and not take it for granted that our tasks are over when we give them the hand of welcome the day they join. Stewardship of time, properly taught in our church life, will solve many of our problems.

No. 2—What about Stewardship of Talent?

Are we really studying our church membership for hidden talents? Are we making a place for the talents of youth today, or are we just standing by while the Devil capitalizes on the talents of our youth?

A young man was recently asked why he did not play his violin in any of the church services, but spent all his time playing for social gatherings. His reply was, "Well I would be glad to play, but I have never been asked". Does this apply in your community? Are there boys and girls, men and women in your community who have to go to places of worldly amusements to develop and enjoy their God given talents? Surely our churches could and should help train young Christians in the Stewardship of Talents.

No. 3—Stewardship of Money

Of these three points we are discussing, we have all heard much more about Stewardship of money than either or both of the others. Still are we as Pastors, Sunday School Teachers and officers, B. T. U. leaders and W. M. S. organizations really setting the example in this and teaching it as we should? If not, why not?

Could it be possible that we as Church leaders are not practicing the Stewardship of time enough to become interested enough to lead our people in a greater movement for the Master? Can we deny the fact that one of our greatest needs today in the advancement of the kingdom is more and better trained man power? How many Churches today are really suffering because they can not find leaders to fill the vacant places? Surely God places in every community enough material to fill every place in the church life, but we believe he expects us to discover and develop them for these various tasks. Could there be any better way to accomplish this task than by stressing in every Department of our Church life, First, the Stewardship of Time; Second, the Stewardship of Talent, and Third, the Stewardship of Money?

CAREY B. GARDINER
R. B. GLOVER
C. L. RANDALL
E. BUTLER ABINGTON
68. General Secretary, Ben L. Bridges, read the report of the Executive Board.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION


To the Messengers of the Churches in Convention Assembled,
Greetings.

Your Executive Board humbly submits the following report:

Despite the drought and unemployment, we have witnessed a gradual and distinct improvement in economic conditions during the past year. Financial conditions showed an improvement from the very beginning of 1934, and the Federal Government's program of employment increased the courage and hopes of the people. But while this recovery progress is a recognized fact, we must remember that we are far from being in a state of prosperity. Experts estimate that business is still 25% to 35% below normal. Whatever gains we have been able to make have not been without effort and struggle and toil.

Your Board is grateful to our Lord that He has brought us through another year with the mark of His blessings upon us, and although our financial condition has been more lamentable than that of some business enterprises, yet He has brought us through without any particular tragic event. Our gains during the year have been such that we are encouraged over the future outlook.

I. MISSIONS

Before our debts grew to be our greatest problem, missions was our major concern. Now our chief concern is how to handle our debts so that missionary operations may be possible. This has been our problem for four years. It is now apparent to all, however, that God will help us to handle our debts and go on with the Kingdom work, in a meager way for awhile, perhaps, but with a possibility of increasing the Program each succeeding year.

1. Evangelism

Our policy for State Mission field work last year was twofold. We have supplemented Associational Missionaries' salaries and have employed two State Missionaries. We did not have sufficient funds to supplement pastors' salaries, nor did we have sufficient money to supplement the salaries of all Associational Missionaries, so we confined this type of work to certain of the most destitute associations, supplementing the salaries of the missionaries in Searcy County, Carroll County, Washington-Madison Counties, Buckner, Faulkner County, Concord, and Clear Creek Associations. The visible results of the labors of these missionaries are recited in Exhibit "A" of this report. We wish we could help every association, but our meager funds will not permit; and since this is true, we must remember that the needs of some take precedence over the needs of
others. Some associations have very few pastors within their limits, and some have had no resident pastors.

We employed two State Missionaries early in the summer. They were Brethren E. W. Milner and Troy Wheeler. After laboring two months, Brother Wheeler felt called to go into the pastorate and left our employ. Later the Committee secured Brother John Kilburn to take the place made vacant by Brother Wheeler's resignation. We asked Brother Milner to center his activities among the destitute places. He did so and the Lord greatly blessed his labors. Since his labors were confined more or less to these destitute places, his collections were small. This we knew would be true, but we knew we must reestablish our work in those places. Brother Kilburn's labors have been more or less with churches that have pastors, and his collections have been better. God has also graciously blessed his work. The summary of the labors of these fine men of the Lord are as follows: Number days labored, 298; number miles traveled, 10,513; number sermons preached, 434; number religious visits made, 1,266; number conferences held with pastors and others about the work, 137; number Chapters in the Bible read in meetings, 40,823; number subscribers to Arkansas Baptist, 23; number of tracts distributed, 6,165; number of professions witnessed, 526; collected for State Missions, $763.76; salaries received from Board, $1,800.00; received from Board for traveling and moving expenses, $232.46. We had planned to employ another state missionary,—a Superintendent of Evangelism, whose duties would be not only to conduct revivals, but also to direct evangelistic campaigns, etc.; but after making two unsuccessful attempts to secure a suitable man we abandoned the plan for the year, at least.

It has been a great year for evangelism. The number of baptisms in the state, which after all is the best barometer for evangelism, was at least 9,000. This phase of work is basic in our denominational life. The day ought never to come when Arkansas Baptists cease to major on making and baptizing disciples. A soul rescued from the wrath of God and saved from the bottomless pit is the first thing that should concern Christian people. There is no greater field for such work than Arkansas. Just a glance at the hundreds of thousands of Christless and churchless people in Arkansas should make us pray for a vision,—for a real experience of grace and passion for souls that only a vision of the ripened harvest can bring. Arkansas Baptists must hasten the day when our debt program shall be so ordered and arranged as to enable us to expand our missionary program.

2. Training

Our authority for this type of work is found in the verse following the one which gives us our authority for evangelizing and baptizing. Matthew 28:20 orders us to “teach them to observe the things” He has commanded. The W. M. U. and the Sunday School and B. T. U. Departments are great State Mission agencies in training our baptized believers. Our W. M. U. Department reports 536 conversions for the year; 536 mission study classes conducted. They report more than $49,000.00 raised for missions. They report $7,800.96 given in Lottie Moon offering, and $3,422.29 for Home Missions. They promote every phase of our denominational life and
activity. They are a great strength in helping to carry the heavy load of your Executive Board. They report 1,623 organizations, with nearly 20,000 members. The Sunday School and B. T. U. Department conducted seven enlargement campaigns; five District Baptist Training Union conventions; a state tour of twenty-five meetings in the interest of larger and better Sunday Schools and missions; one state convention and a summer assembly, with more than 10,000 enrolled in these meetings. In addition to this, numerous training schools and Associational conferences were promoted. Secretary Edmunds traveled during the year 26,100 miles; visited eighty-two churches and made 357 addresses in addition to private and group conferences. During the year, 9,433 Sunday School and Baptist Training Union awards were issued, which means that in 9,433 instances it has systematically taught them to observe all things that Christ commanded. These Departments are, of course, making their own reports to the Convention.

"THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST"

During the last year, "The Arkansas Baptist" remained under the lease contract, with Rev. J. I. Cossey as editor. The paper is not yet self-sustaining, hence the editor remains as pastor of the First Baptist Church at Searcy. We plan to continue this lease contract with the present editor another year, and we believe that by the close of 1935 the paper will be nearly self-sustaining, insomuch that the editor can give his full time to it. Under the lease system your Board saves from two to four thousand dollars per year in publishing the paper. We pay $2,000 for the back page, and the space used by the W. M. U., Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Departments. Although the paper cannot be as complete and satisfactory as it would be if the editor could give his full time to it, yet there is some satisfaction in being able to report year by year that your Board has incurred no further deficit or indebtedness. We have found that more than a hundred of our pastors are not subscribers to the paper. More than once during the last two years your Board has paid for the paper to go to these paperless pastors for a limited time. We would not criticize, but we would earnestly urge every pastor to become a regular reader of the paper.

THE BAPTIST BOOK STORE

Early in the fall the manager of the Book Store resigned. The Book Store Committee and the Sunday School Board chose Mrs. Nell Helton to be manager of the Book Store. In checking the former manager out of the Book Store the Sunday School Board conducted an inventory. In this inventory many items were charged off the books and prices on old stock reduced, which increased the annual operating loss to an enormous figure. The operating loss amounted to $4,685.18. The annual operating loss in the Book Store for the past several years has amounted to more than our part of the capital stock. Technically, we are in debt to the Sunday School Board because of these losses. Making an inventory and making the change in managers was very expensive, but the Sunday School Board agreed to bear that expense. There are now two regular employees in the store. Mr. Geo. W. Card, the Sunday School Board Agent, thinks that under the present system the Book Store will have no losses. The store can supply anything to any of our Bap-
tist churches and other organizations except the Sunday School and B. T. U. Quarterlies, and magazines. The store can sell you any book in print, and any other supplies except those mentioned above can be had at your own Book Store, 716 Main St., Little Rock, Arkansas.

II. BENEVOLENCE

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention owns and operates three benevolent institutions, the Baptist State Hospital in Little Rock, the Davis Hospital in Pine Bluff, and the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage at Monticello. Apart from the fact that your Executive Board is, and acts for, the Convention between its sessions, it exercises very little authority in the actual management of these institutions. They are operated by separate boards appointed by the Convention. The hospitals are revenue-producing institutions and get nothing from the receipts of your Executive Board for operating expenses. At the request of its management the Orphanage was left out of the State Budget and left free to go afield to gather its operating funds. These institutions all have substantial and commodious buildings and are well equipped to do a great work in their own fields of Christian activity. The Boards of these institutions are making their own reports to this Convention.

III. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

While the Arkansas Baptist State Convention is said to own and operate two colleges, Ouachita College at Arkadelphia, and Central College at Conway, yet these schools are operated by Boards of Trustees appointed by the Convention. Your Board has felt during the depression that all it could do for the Convention's revenue-producing institutions was to carry the heavy debts which, although created by them, have been taken over by your Executive Board and made a part of the Board's indebtedness. Your Board feels that while we are carrying heavy debts created by the revenue-producing institutions, the least thing that the revenue-producing institutions can do is to pay their own operating expenses by charging fees and tuition. This Convention has every reason to be proud of its schools. They have contributed as much to the development of civilization in general, and to Arkansas Baptists in particular, as anything else in Arkansas. The Boards of Trustees are making their own reports to this Convention.

SOUTHWIDE WORK

During 1934 your Executive Board remitted regularly 20% of its gross undesignated receipts to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to be distributed among Southwide agencies. These agencies include Home and Foreign Missions, the Seminaries, the Baptist Bible Institute, the Training School, the Relief and Annuity Board, the Seminary for Negroes, the Southern Baptist Hospital, and Education Debts. While 20% seems on its face a small proportion of our funds to contribute to Southwide Objects, yet at least two things are to be considered. First, most of the states deduct operating expenses, including the W. M. U. appropriation, before making their division. When we say 20%, we mean that 20% of all the undesignated receipts that we collect is sent to Southwide Objects without the deduction of a single dollar. This
would be a much greater percentage if we would deduct operating expenses before prorating, as most other states do. The second thing to be considered is the enormous debt of Arkansas Baptists which amounts to more than the debt of either the Home or Foreign Mission Board. We cannot allocate as large a percentage to Southwide Objects as we find it in our hearts to want to do and, at the same time, keep alive our own work. Last year was one of the best years in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Home and Foreign Mission Boards report great progress and the Lord is marvelously blessing their work. The Hundred Thousand Club receipts for the year amounted to $5,632.32.

The Sunday School Board for the first three months of the year gave to us $330.00 per month and for the rest of the year has given $400.00 per month to assist in paying the salaries of our workers in our Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Department. We acknowledge with humble gratitude this timely and much needed help, and we thank the Sunday School Board for its generosity.

DEBT-PAYING CAMPAIGN

In accordance with your instructions, your Executive Board conducted a Debt-Paying Campaign during September and October. The receipts amounted to $14,894.67 in cash, $9,420.16 in Executive Board Notes, and $5,000.00 in Arkansas Baptist State Convention Bonds, making the total receipts available from the Debt-Paying Campaign for the reduction of principal and interest accounts of our debts $29,314.83. While the larger churches did not all contribute as much cash as we had expected, yet there was a fine spirit among all the churches toward the movement. We are grateful to the District Organizers, Associational Organizers, and all others who rendered special service in the campaign. Just here we desire to express our gratitude to and mention the good work of Rev. L. O. McCracken, of Cabot, who is chairman of a committee of note holders and who contacted nearly all our note holders and was instrumental, for the most part, in inducing our note holders to make contributions to be applied on our debts.

THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS AND THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program is the accepted plan of operation for our work, both state and southwide. While all the churches have not entered into it wholeheartedly yet it is recognized that we must have a plan of operations for our work. The Cooperative Program seems to be the most acceptable, the most satisfactory, and the most efficient plan and method of carrying on. Unless we had some better plan, the Cooperative Program deserves the wholehearted support of all our churches. Any church has the inalienable right to designate its funds, of course; but it is the glory of a church to join hearts and hands with its sister churches in a common method toward a common end. We urge our churches to contribute to the Mission, Benevolent, and Christian Education Objects through the Cooperative Program method.

While the Cooperative Program is the vehicle that carries our work, the wheels of this vehicle are evidently the Every-Member Canvass. Your Board would urge upon all the churches the necessity of an Every-Member Canvass. This is such a day of enlistment
that unless we enlist and reenlist the members of our churches, both our denominational work and each individual church will suffer irreparably, both now and in the future.

FINANCES

The churches are well aware of the fact that for three years your Board was unable to collect enough money to pay in full the interest on its obligations, and while we are not increasing our obligations by incurring deficits in operating expenses, yet the interest item on our debts is something that kept increasing and we had no control over its growth. Since we could not collect enough money to pay the interest, naturally the interest accruing every year and being added to the principal of our debts increased our debts. Last year, however, we made some progress.

On January 1, 1934, the principal of our Note Account stood at $182,941.44, but on December 31, 1934, the principal of the Note Account was only $175,610.94. The accrued interest on December 31, 1934, was slightly less than it was on December 31, 1933. You can see, therefore, that there was a reduction in the principal of our Note Account during the year amounting to $7,330.50. But this month we are renewing our notes, adding accrued interest, which will increase the principal. At the beginning of the year the principal of our Bond Account stood at $390,000.00, while at the close of 1934 it stood at $341,500.00. The Baptist State Hospital has on hand $10,000.00, par value, of our bonds which it is ready to apply on its obligation to us. This will further reduce the bond account to $331,500.00. While the Hospital has not yet turned over to us these bonds, the management plans to do so within a few days. Therefore, although our books will not show this extra $10,000.00 reduction in 1934 (because our books closed before this item is being turned over to us), yet, in fact, the principal of our Bond Account last year was reduced $67,500.00. The $7,330.50 reduction in our Note Account added to the above figure rounds out a debt reduction in the amount of $74,830.50. This is the greatest reduction of debts we have ever accomplished in any one year. So far as the interest on the outstanding bonds is concerned, the holders of about 90% of these bonds have agreed, through their committees, that, if, on February 1, 1936, the Convention shall have acquired as much as $70,000.00, par value, of these bonds, the unredeemed interest coupons up to that date will be cancelled. Surely we can acquire as much as $2,500.00, par value, of these bonds during 1935, which means a reduction in accrued interest in the amount of about $240,000.00.

Here are some more encouraging facts. While we have, in fact, reduced the principal of our debts $74,830.50, we have also contributed more money for Cooperative Missions. During the twelve months of 1934, we raised nearly 20% more money for Cooperative Missions than we raised in the fourteen months of the preceding fiscal year. We fell short only $1,658.71 of our $40,000.00 Budget for 1934, the total undesignated receipts being $38,341.29. In addition to this, our Debt-Paying Campaign netted us $14,894.67 in cash, $9,420.16 in Executive Board Notes, and $5,000.00 in Arkansas Baptist Bonds, making a total received for debts in the Debt-Paying Campaign $29,314.83. The total received, therefore, by your Board during 1934 in Cooperative Program receipts and in Debt Campaign receipts (in cash and "kind") was $67,656.12. There were other de-
signated contributions during the year which brought the total receipts up to $76,101.35.

During the preceding year we received an average of $3,014.61 per month in actual cash contributions, both designated and undesignated, but during 1934 we received an average of $5,140.01 per month in cash for all purposes. This was an increase during 1934 of approximately 65% over the 1933 figures. When we add to the Executive Board's budget and Debt-Paying Campaign receipts the receipts of the Orphanage, we have the sum of $77,873.47. We can see that the total contributions fully justify our making an enlarged budget for 1935.

We desire to express our deepest appreciation to the various departments of our work and to every employee and church and contributor who had a part in making this good report possible. We desire to express our appreciation also to the Railroad Companies for the transportation which they have extended to our workers and pastors. The largest contributors in our Debt-Paying Campaign were among our creditors. We desire to express our appreciation to our creditors for their patience and their contributions.

The outlook for 1935 is bright, indeed. It seems that our people have decided now that we can and will carry on and prosecute our Mission, Benevolent, and Educational work, and by the help of the Lord and our creditors, take care of our debts. There is a new confidence growing everywhere. Surely all of us will join hearts and hands and purses and prayers to make 1935 a glorious year in Kingdom building. We can certainly raise $80,000.00 during 1935 if all of us pull forward and none of us pull backward. By the end of this year we ought to be able to make a schedule for the retirement of our debts, get on a solid constructive program, and go forward.

We humbly thank our Heavenly Father for His Providence, and are truly grateful to the brotherhood for their cooperation. Let us go home from this Convention to have a part, all of us, in our great Cooperative Missionary Program.

We recommend a budget for 1935 of $85,000.00, to be allocated by the 1935 Executive Board as nearly as practicable on the following basis:

I. Southwide Causes $16,500.00
II. State Causes 38,500.00
   Bottoms Baptist Orphanage $11,000.00
   Evangelism and Missions 4,000.00
   S. S. & B. T. U. 2,000.00
   W. M. U. 4,500.00
   Administration 8,500.00
   Promotion and Convention 3,500.00
   Undesignated Emergency 5,000.00

III. Debt Service $30,000.00

(Later)

The Executive Board recommends to the Convention that the action taken in adopting the $85,000.00 budget for 1935 be reconsidered and amended, as follows:

1. That the operating budget of $55,000.00 be made a preferred
item and divided on a percentage basis of 30%, or $16,500., for Southwide Causes, and 70%, or $38,500., for State work; and that the allocating of the $38,500. to the several causes be referred to the Executive Board.

2. That the Executive Board be instructed to work out and execute plans for raising the $30,000. for Debt Service, in the event that the receipts from the regular budget are not sufficient to provide for this Debt-Service item.

SOME OBJECTIVES FOR 1935

1. One hundred farmers working the God's Acre plan.
2. An all-day District Conference in every section of the state in March.
3. An organized movement to get every pastorless church to call a pastor.
4. A vigorous Promotion Committee in every Association.
5. A well organized effort to get five hundred churches to conduct an Every-Member Canvass.
6. An organized effort to get five hundred churches to contribute to the Cooperative Missionary Program.
7. A Cooperative Program subscription from every employee of our Boards and Institutions.
8. An intensive campaign of evangelism during the summer.
9. 750 revivals in the churches.
10. 12,000 baptisms.
11. Concentrating our mission efforts in the most destitute sections, reoccupying our neglected fields.
12. A well defined movement to get the churches to correct their church rolls.
13. A total of 6,000 subscribers to the "Arkansas Baptist."
15. 500 churches making an offering to the Orphanage near Thanksgiving Day.
16. Financial aid given to eight of the most destitute Associations.
17. An earnest movement to indoctrinate our people and to raise the standards of Christian living.

SOME FIVE-YEAR OBJECTIVES

1. An annual intensive Every-Member Canvass.
2. Every full and half-time church contributing monthly or weekly to our Cooperative Missionary Program.
3. Every fourth time church remitting at least quarterly to our Cooperative Missionary Program.
4. A constituency of 150,000 bona fide church members.
5. Liquidation of our floating debts.
6. A workable schedule of bond retirement on a long time basis.
7. Six state evangelists.
8. A Cooperative Program income of $150,000.
9. Our institutions kept orthodox, efficient, and pure.
10. Every church a pastor.
11. A Sunday School, W. M. S., and B. T. U. in every church
12. A Bible School every year, reaching 250 preachers.
13. 7,500 subscribers to "The Arkansas Baptist."
14. Every institution and agency living within its income, creating no debts or deficits.
**EXHIBIT “A”**

**Executive Board Report.**

Summary of reports of Association Missionaries aided by Executive Board

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**TOTALS:**

| 1172         | 1849            | 1290          | 1112                  | 52                    | 335                  | 301                   | 44                      | 385                    | 4               | 2             | 2                | 2                 | 1250            | 367                      | $23.00 $4.15 $54.55              | $28.69                   | $11.66                   | $14.50                 | $661.27                  | $820.00         |
**ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION**

**EXHIBIT “B”**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT**

**BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1934**

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**TOTAL ASSETS** | **$1,284,575.83**

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**Fund Credit Balances**

| Executive Committee—Southern Baptist Convention—1934 Account | $2,145.76 |
| Administration—1934 Program | 456.49 |
| Promotion and Convention—1934 Program | 662.71 |
| State Evangelism and Enlistment | 2,769.74 |
| Preachers School | 284.05 |
| S. S. and B. T. U. (S. S. Board Appropriation for December 1934) | 400.00 |

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** | **$1,288,555.84**

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that we have audited the books and records of the Executive Board—Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Little Rock, Arkansas, for the year ended December 31, 1934, and that in our opinion, the above Balance Sheet correctly reflects the financial condition as of that date.

RUSSELL BROWN & CO
Members American Institute Accountants.

Little Rock, Arkansas,
January 31, 1935.
**EXHIBIT “C”**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT**

**Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements**

**January 1, 1934, to December 31, 1934, Inclusive**

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Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
January 1, 1934, to December 31, 1934, Inclusive (Continued)

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**EXHIBIT “D”**

**ADMINISTRATION, PROMOTION AND CONVENTION CASH EXPENDITURES**

January 1, 1934, to December 31, 1934, Inclusive

**ADMINISTRATION—Office and Miscellaneous Expenses**

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**PROMOTION AND CONVENTION**

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### EXHIBIT “E”

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS—JANUARY 1, 1934, to DECEMBER 31, 1934, INCLUSIVE**

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69. John D. Freeman, General Secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, spoke concerning mission work.

70. Secretary Bridges discussed the report of the Board.

71. Calvin B. Waller explained the 1935 budget.

72. Arden P. Blaylock read some statistics on State Missions.

73. State missionaries, John Kilburn and E. W. Milner, and Associational missionaries, W. A. Bishop, John Caldwell, W. A. Pollard and W. O. Taylor, were presented to the Convention.

74. An address on State Missions was given by Arden P. Blaylock.

75. E. W. Milner and John Kilburn reported their work as State Missionaries.

76. P. B. Kinsolving told of a meeting at Harrisburg.

77. Convention took recess.

78. Charles W. Daniel led the closing prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

79. President O. J. Wade called the Convention to order at 9:00 o'clock.

80. Herbert Findley led the congregation in singing, "Take Time to Be Holy" and "Come, Thou Fount".


82. The Journal was read and adopted.

83. George Lacy, missionary to Mexico, was introduced to the Convention.

84. Clyde V. Hickerson read the report of the committee on our Book store.

85. Mrs. Nell Helton, manager of the Book Store, made an appeal to the Convention to order books from our own store.
THE BOOK STORE

There is an old proverb which says, "Life without books is death." We think of our Book Store service as of a two-fold nature. It is a business, and therefore must conform to the principles of sound business. The Book Store is, however, more than a business. It provides a needful ministry. Surely next to teaching and preaching the dissemination of good literature takes next place in importance in the spread of truth.

We submit the following facts concerning our Little Rock store:

I. Facts not encouraging
   1. Accounts Receivable over one year old, $3423.58.
   2. The incorrect pricing of the inventory from the beginning of the store.
   3. The operating loss during 1934, $1685.18. This was caused by the incorrect inventory mentioned above, the volume of sales not justifying the overhead. The operating loss is due also to the fact that more than $1000.00 was charged off the books from September 1 to December 1, 1934.

II. Some encouraging facts
   1. Inventory of $3930.29 was taken, priced and extended by the new manager, Mrs. Nell Helton. The stock is priced at cost or market, the lower, also obsolete or inactive stock has been priced at possible realizable values.
   2. Another encouraging fact is the increase in sales. December, 1933, $1614.82; December, 1934, $2153.60, which is an increase of 33%.
      The increase of sales in all of our seventeen stores in the South was only 22.5%. The year, 1933, total sales were $11,310.46, while 1934 sales were $14,678, an increase of $3287.54, which is 28.86%. The southwide increase for the year was 31%.

III. Some ways we may help
   1. Baptists of Arkansas should order all supplies except quarterlies and periodicals through our own store. Our people should bear in mind that our store does not receive credit for orders sent direct to Nashville.
   2. Our Book Store at Little Rock can get any book published anywhere.
   3. Pay what thou owest. Our bills now due and past due amount to $5541.47.

B. L. BRIDGES
J. I. COSSEY
M. F. LANGLEY

86. Thomas L. Harris read the report on the Cooperative Program. After he had discussed the report, it was adopted.
Our State Secretary, assisted by the Executive Board of the
Arkansas Baptist State Convention, has throughout the year sought
in various ways to set forward all phases of the co-operative pro-
gram, and to enlarge its support. This work has included a per-
sistent disseminating of information and education with reference to
the missionary, benevolent, and educational causes included in the
program.

The observance of special days in the Sunday Schools has been
stressed, and God's Acre Plan has been given large emphasis by our
secretary. The board has striven to enlist all our churches in the
regular support of the co-operative program, and to increase the
number of churches making remittance of their gifts to the state
office each month in the year. The practice of regular monthly
support is of inestimable value, and its adoption by all of our church-
es is constantly being urged. The honor roll of the contributing
churches published in the “Arkansas Baptist” has proven a helpful
feature.

In addition to the promoting of the co-operative program and
the other usual phases of the work, a vigorous debt-paying cam-
paign has been successfully promoted the past year, and a more
permanent and definite plan is to be presented for the coming year.

We have given full co-operation to the promotion of the recently
adopted plan of the Southern Baptist Convention for the retirement
of the debts of its several agencies and institutions known as the
One Hundred Thousand Club. Dr. Perry F. Webb at Pine Bluff
has served as chairman of this special movement in our state, and
returns from this effort are heartening, indeed.

During the last vacation time, groups of students under the
leadership of Joe Stiles, president of the Arkansas Baptist Student
Union, conducted a far-reaching volunteer church visitation cam-
paign in the interest of the co-operative program.

The Board has just completed a school for our pastors which
was held in the First Baptist Church in Little Rock and was at-
tended by some two hundred of our ministers from all parts of the
state, who have returned to their fields greatly blessed and better
prepared to put into effect the Great Commission of our Savior. We
understand this school for ministers is to become a permanent in-
stitution.

One of the major efforts of the board has been the promotion of
the Every-Member Canvass by which we hope to enlist all of our
churches in the every-member canvass effort. This includes the
presentation at the district associations, holding associational rallies
and conferences, and every-church-visitatiion campaigns in the as-
sociation. Supplies available to the churches for the every-member
canvass, tracts on stewardship and tithing and denominational work
may be had from our headquarters in Little Rock. The objective
of the Canvass, which is a part of a southwide movement, is to
lead every church to enlist each member in the regular systematic
support of both the local church expenses and of the co-operative
program and its causes and to greatly increase the number of tith-
ers. Each year the number of churches so contributing has increas-
ed, and wherever a thorough canvass has been put on, there is a testimony of its value in increased interest and contributions.

In the agricultural sections of the state where many of the brethren have no regular income we urge that a parcel of ground be set aside and planted as God's Acre, the income from which is to be credited on the every-member canvass.

The officers of the W. M. U. and the Sunday School and B. T. U. have greatly assisted in promoting all the causes of the co-operative program.

The Arkansas Baptist has greatly aided in keeping the interests of the Co-operative Program before our people.

A very intensive evangelistic endeavor is progressing successfully by which it is hoped to arouse the interests of many of our weaker churches to assist in the whole missionary task of the state and entire Southland.

THOS. L. HARRIS
L. M. SIPES
JOHN F. RIFFEY
E. E. GRIEVER
LEE NICHOLS
GROVER C. PRINCE

87. Charles W. Daniel read the report on Foreign Missions. It was adopted.

88. George Lacy spoke of his work as a missionary in Mexico for the last thirty-five years.

89. R. S. Jones, of the Foreign Mission Board, spoke on Foreign Mission.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

"Missions" is the accepted term to designate the cooperative efforts of Southern Baptists under the leadership of the Holy Spirit to bear their witness to Christ in "Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Foreign Missions is that part of this program which seeks through chosen representatives to carry our message to the "uttermost part of the earth"—to peoples of other lands, whose racial, cultural, political, and social characteristics are widely different from our own.

It is manifest that such a program cannot be rightly projected or worthily sustained unless it is based upon a deep and abiding conviction, 1. that our Lord Jesus Christ is the only divinely given and the one available and adequate Mediator between God and man, and, 2. that despite all the external differences that characterize and divide the peoples of the world, the one preeminent, urgent, universal need of humanity is the need of reconciliation to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Such a conviction, we are well agreed, is only born of a personal experience of the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus, that makes really effective the authority of Christ in our lives, and that
gives the point of view and the attitude of heart for appraising the claims of our fellow-men upon us.

In consequence we have a standard of judgment by which we can distinguish between primary and secondary motives in the furtherance of missions, and also by which we can estimate the value or p:ril, as the case may be, of modern so-called "Surveys" of the missionary enterprise.

Christ's method for furthering the gospel has been, through the centuries and remains available to us, the only effective way, viz., the impact of redeemed personalities upon the lives of men. These contacts are being made through personal appeal by word and by life to individuals and groups, through institutions of learning of all grades, and through ministries to the temporal needs of people as opportunity and resources permit in hospitals, orphanages, etc. The tendency to regard these institutional activities as ends in themselves rather than as means through which redeemed personalities express themselves needs to be jealously guarded against no less in the foreign fields than in the home land.

The practical goal of our endeavors in other lands in winning the people to Christ is to assist the baptized believers in Christ in becoming, under the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit, self-supporting, self-directing, and self-propagating churches.

It is not the purpose of this report to give detailed information as to the work of our Foreign Mission Board. This can be found in the annual reports of the Board and the abundant printed matter which the Board will be glad to furnish without cost to any who may be interested. We wish, however, to briefly call attention to some items in connection with the work.

1. This year, 1935, is the 90th anniversary of the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention and the beginning of the work of the Foreign Mission Board. Dr. T. B. Ray has written of these years in his book published since his death, entitled, "Southern Baptists in the Great Adventure".

2. The Foreign Mission Board with the approval of the Convention is sending Commissions, headed by Dr. C. E. Maddry, to consult with the missionaries in the Far East and in South America, with a view to making needed adjustments in our work incident to the rapidly changing conditions going on throughout the world.

3. The year 1934 has marked an upward trend in our foreign mission work after the desolating years of the depression. This is evidenced in the growing receipts from the churches, the enlarged amount of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering of the Baptist women of the South, the definite reduction in the indebtedness of the Board, the return to their fields of many missionaries who have been detained at home on furlough, and by the appointment of several new missionaries.

4. The Board has shared in the receipts of the One Hundred Thousand Club, and by the substantial reduction of its obligations made possible thereby, has been heartened to go on in the confident expectation that our people before long will wipe out this great hindrance to its work.
5. The year 1934 also has marked the loss to the cause of Foreign Missions of two of our most honored and beloved brethren, viz., Dr. T. B. Ray, who for twenty-five years was connected with the executive work of the Board, and Dr. W. D. Powell, who as a young man was missionary to Mexico and in his later years field secretary.

6. We rejoice in the large place Dr. C. E. Maddry is making for himself as the Executive Secretary of the Board, and in the coming of Dr. R. S. Jones to be his associate.

The difficulties are great at home and in mission lands. These, however, are but a challenge to our faith and loyalty to Christ, who will not fail nor be discouraged until he has set judgment in the earth.

CHAS. W. DANIEL
E. P. J. GARROTT
J. E. CALLOWAY
J. D. BURNETT

90. E. J. Kirkbride made a partial report of the committee on Nominations, which was adopted.

91. The Ouachita Singers gave two numbers.

92. John D. Freeman, General Secretary of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, preached from I John: 5-8.

93. The Convention took recess.

94. F. A. Buddin, pastor of the First Methodist Church, South, Pine Bluff, led the closing prayer.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

95. President Wade called the Convention to order.

96. Oscar Gibson led the congregation in singing, "Send the Light" and "At the Cross".

97. Solo, "Beautiful Garden of Prayer", by Oscar Gibson.

98. L. B. Burnside led in worship, subject, "Put on Thy Strength".

99. C. B. Hall read the report of Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.

100. Superintendent, C. R. Pugh, spoke concerning the work of the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.
1934 has passed into history. What we have accomplished has left its mark for good or evil. In administrating our change we have endeavored to make our work count for good.

During the year we have had many things to be thankful for, while illness of some of the children gave us grave concern, we are thankful to the loving Father for His answer to prayer and that we have not had a death this year. During the year the drought hit our farm hard, not having a rain for ten weeks. Our crop was destroyed and our fall garden was also a failure, but we have not wanted because the Lord would see that we were taken care of just when we were out of this or that.

We are indeed grateful that sixteen of our children accepted Christ and are now members of the Baptist denomination, having membership in the First Baptist Church here in Monticello. Our seven religious organizations are still standard. We have an Intermediate and Junior R. A., and Intermediate and Junior G. A. and Intermediate and Junior B. T. U., and a Sunbeam Band. Ruby Stewart won the loving cup at the G. A. Conference at Conway this year, and Woodrow Reese won the cup at the R. A. Encampment in the missionary reading contest and also the award in the State Stewardship declamation.

A number of our children have been adopted into good homes and some have been placed with relatives. Our intake has been less than usual, but none have been turned away who could meet our requirements. We are always glad to consider any application. The orphanage exists for the child, the child has a right, therefore, to expect every person connected with his home to contribute to his welfare.

Our hearts have been made glad by the kindness of so many people to the children. We have not the words to thank those who came, bringing gifts, and those who sent their gifts, gifts of produce, clothing, canned goods, quilts, and other necessities. To every one who has made a gift of any sort THANKS and God bless you. We are also grateful to the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company and other railroad companies of Arkansas for their contribution to the orphanage for free passes and transportation of supplies.

The financial condition of the orphanage is reflected in the report of the Treasurer. Mr. R. F. Hyatt:

Balance forwarded from 1933 $ 340.99
Cash receipts from all sources for 1934 10,460.53

Disbursement as follows:

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Insurance ...................................................... 526.35
Light and Water ............................................. 955.44

Grand Total of Expenses .................................. $10,942.08

This leaves a balance of $140.56

MARVIN BANKSTON, President,
R. F. HYATT, Secy-Treas.

101. The following resolution was adopted by the Convention:

WHEREAS, The sixty ministerial students in Ouachita College are receiving free tuition, and

WHEREAS, The endowment was raised among other reasons for the purpose of taking care of this item, and

WHEREAS, The income from Endowment is so entangled that the College cannot benefit from it for three more years, and

WHEREAS, During this time the faculty are carrying this enormous load out of their meager salaries instead of the denomination carrying it;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the Convention be instructed to pay to the College for the school year 1934-1935 the sum of $3,000, or such amount as may be necessary to reimburse the College for the tuition of all students for the ministry.

102. The report of the committee on Brotherhood was read by L. D. Eppinette.

BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD

Introduction.

The Lord evidently intended that MEN should be the leaders in His Kingdom. This is indicated by the fact that the official and ordained leadership of the churches was entrusted to MEN. All of the twelve apostles who were called to lead in carrying out the Great Commission were MEN. When it became necessary to relieve the pastors of some matters of business and detail in order that "They might give themselves continually to prayer and the ministry of the word", the task was given to "seven MEN of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom." Baptists were slow in recognizing the importance of organizing the men of the churches along the lines of Missionary Endeavor, and it was not until 1907 that the first "Laymen's Missionary Movement of the South" was organized and established. The present Headquarters of the Movement, now known as "The Baptist Brotherhood of the South", is in Knoxville, Tenn.
Object.

The object of the Movement is to "deepen spirituality, promote religious intelligence, enlarge benevolence, cultivate fellowship, and stimulate activity among the men of the church." It would also seek "in a manly and earnest way to lead men who are unsaved, to Christ." It endeavors to put business in religion and religion in business.

Organization.

The Brotherhood is under the direction of an Executive Committee of about forty men, elected by the Southern Baptist Convention, at least fifteen of whom reside in Knoxville, Tenn., the Headquarters of the Brotherhood. Several other members of the committee live in communities near Knoxville, and the others are state representatives from the different states of the Southern Baptist Convention. The organization provides for a General Secretary, J. T. Henderson, who has his office in Knoxville. He provides literature on the different phases of the work and in a general way directs the activities of the organization.

It is also proposed to form an organization in each state, each association, and each church of the South. All of these are supposed to operate in harmony with the Southwide Organization and to strive to help make its activities more effective. For more details concerning the organizations in each state, association, and church, you may write to the General Secretary at Knoxville, Tenn.

Our Opportunities and Obligations.

There is abundant opportunity for the layman who wishes to work for the Master. All of us realize that only a small part of the manpower of our churches is being utilized. To a great extent the men control the larger part of the wealth of our land. We should not think so much of the wealth of our men, however, as we do of the service which they may render to the world if its manpower is turned into the right channel. There are vast fields of service for the men. It would encourage the pastors and other leaders if they could see a large number of their laymen interested in the work of the Kingdom. If we could get the men to working like the women are doing and have been doing through the passing years, your committee believes that a new day would be here for the Causes of Christ.

There is no good reason that men should not have an opportunity to be enlisted in their field of service the same as any other group in the churches. With the great resources and the business acumen that men are in possession of, a great opportunity exists for Baptists to utilize these resources for the glory of God. Have we not been neglecting the class that has the largest resources and upon whom God placed the responsibility of leadership? The manpower of our churches is a sleeping giant that could move the world for Christ if we could arouse and enliven it to definite action. It is a gigantic task that can be accomplished through much prayer, organization and hard work.
Recommendations.

In keeping with the spirit of the Southern Baptist Convention in its meeting in Ft. Worth, last May, we, your committee, make the following recommendations:

First, that our State Board, at the earliest date possible, consider the election of a State Brotherhood Secretary for Arkansas. That this be a consecrated layman—a leader of men—who shall organize the state and put into operation the Brotherhood Movement in our state.

Second, that if a full time man cannot be employed for this work alone, that a man be employed as soon as is practical, who shall devote at least half of his time to this work and the rest of his time be given to assist the Sunday School and B. T. U. Secretary in his work in the state, or to some other of our state causes.

Third, that each church choose a leading layman to represent that church on an associational committee to organize the laymen of that association into an Associational Brotherhood, and that the Brotherhood Movement be given a place on each associational program.

Fourth, that each church set aside one or more services or Sundays in each year to be known as “Laymen’s Brotherhood Day”, and present appropriate programs on that day about our Brotherhood Movement.

Fifth, that our state evangelists take occasion in their work to promote the Brotherhood movement over the state.

Sixth, that each church write to the General Secretary at Knoxville, Tenn., for constitutions, by-laws, manuals, programs and other tracts for the purpose of learning more about this Movement with the view of putting it into operation.

JOHN J. DuLANEY
L. D. EPPINETTE
LEE NICHOLS
E. E. GRIEVER
GROVER C. PRINCE

103. After discussion of the report by Carey B. Gardiner, it was adopted.

104. Otto Whitington read the report of the committee on Publications.

PUBLICATIONS

Just as faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God, so cooperation comes by enlistment and enlistment comes by information; and information comes by the Arkansas Baptist. How can they believe in that which they do not know? And how can they know except they take and read the Arkansas Baptist?

How can we be cooperative Baptists, reaching the full capacity of our strength and the maximum of our efficiency in denomina-
tional life and effort unless we are all thoroughly acquainted with the work that the cooperative churches are doing? The best and quickest way to become familiar with our denominational work is to take and read the Arkansas Baptist.

It will be increasingly difficult to prosecute our work vigorously, to strive together as one body, to direct our efforts toward accomplishing the same task unless we be of the same mind.

To be of the same mind, we must have the same information, the same vision of the task. We must see eye to eye and face to face. We must have set before all of us alike the dying need of a lost world and the living need of our own people and churches in Arkansas, and throughout the whole world. We must be unified. Brethren, we must get together if we are to get out of debt. If we all will take and read the Arkansas Baptist, it will, at least, help us to see alike, think alike, be of the same purpose and the same mind.

We are in great need of genuine, heartfelt, spirit-breathed unity, Unity of spirit and faith. "How can two walk together except they be agreed?" If two cannot do it, certainly a great group like Arkansas Baptists cannot. We need unity of purpose, of mind and effort. We must think together if we are to work together. There is power, peace and productiveness in the right sort of unity. It will bring about a solidarity in our ranks and cause us to catch step with each other as we march in the same direction. Such a mobilization of our strength in a forward movement of all our people, with all their ability, for all our work, and without a doubt, bring us to a new and better day. It will be at least a step in this direction if we will read what our General Secretary, Dr. Ben L. Bridges, and our Editor, Brother J. J. Cossey, send out each week in the Arkansas Baptist.

We therefore recommend:

1. That our people subscribe for and read OUR STATE paper, The Arkansas Baptist.

2. That the week from February 17 to 24 be set aside as Arkansas Baptist Week.

3. That we patronize our Baptist book store in Little Rock for books and supplies.

4. That our churches use Baptist literature in their Sunday Schools and B. T. U.'s, and that they buy it from the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn.

5. That our people take and read the Home and Foreign Field and all other publications published by our Sunday School Board as they have need for them.

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OTTO WHITTINGTON
THEO T. JAMES
E. E. GRIEVER
LEE NICHOLS

105. It was adopted.
106. A motion prevailed that the Convention endorse the movement of Arkansas Baptist College to pay their debt.

107. Minor E. Cole read the report of the committee on Obituaries. After a brief discussion, it was adopted.

**OBITUARIES**

The Bible declares that "It is appointed with man once to die, but blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. They rest from their labors and their works do follow them".

Death is truly victory for the Christian, for it frees him from the flesh, the world and the Devil. Our departed dead are absent from the body, that they may be present with the Lord, which is far better.

We would extend our sympathy to the loved ones and friends of our dead and remind them that our God is the God of both the living and of the dead and is a very present help in time of trouble.

We recommend that the names of deceased officers of the Convention and pastors of the state be added to this report in the minutes.

MINOR E. COLE
BOYD BAKER
W. A. McCUISTION
E. D. ESTES

The following brethren, W. M. Cooper of Melbourne and William Cooksey of Hot Springs, have gone to their reward during the past year.

108. Congregation sang "Sweet Bye and Bye".

109. H. L. Winburn preached from the subject, "Death and Resurrection of Jesus".

110. The Convention took recess.

111. The closing prayer by H. F. Vermillion.

**THURSDAY EVENING SESSION**

112. President Wade called the Convention to order at 6:45 o'clock.

113. P. A. Stockton led the congregation in singing, "I Am Thine" and "How Tedious and Tasteless the Hour".

114. E. P. Eliff led in prayer.

115. Congregation sang, "Revive Us".
116. E. D. Estes led in prayer for the committee meeting at this time with the Committee from the Arkansas Senate in Little Rock.

117. The action on the adoption of the 1935 budget was re-considered.

118. The Convention amended the report of the Executive Board as will appear in said report.

119. John O. Steele, Superintendent of the Davis Hospital, read the report from that institution. It was received.

**DAVIS HOSPITAL**

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We carry the following insurance on the Hospital:

- Fire: $40,000.00
- Tornado: $25,000.00

**Operating Staff:**

- Superintendent—John O. Steel.
- Supervisor of Nurses—Mrs. Christine Needham.
- Anaesthetist—Miss Josephine Cook
- Historian—Mrs. Don G. Maxey.
- Bookkeeper—Miss Beatrice Curlin.
- Dietician—Mrs. Ola Sue Bobbitt.
- Dietician's assistant.
- 1 orderly.
- 1 house man.
- 1 cook and assistant.
- 3 domestics.
- 13 Graduate Nurses for Floor Duty.

A total of twenty-seven employees.

**TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE JANUARY 1, 1934**  $2,513.87

**TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE JANUARY 1, 1935**  $1,251.47
It will be seen from the report of the Davis Hospital that we have been able to pay the operating expense during the past year and to reduce the outstanding indebtedness $1,262.40, leaving only $1,251.47 outstanding bills at the present time.

Financial conditions in our section have made it necessary for us to do a considerable amount of free and part-free work. By part-free we mean to adjust our charges in many instances less than the actual cost of care of the patient. The total amount written off for free and part-free work during the year amounts to over $5,000.00. The total cash donations for this year amounted to $174.46.

We have made progress in our effort toward Standardization. The hospital has been placed on the conditionally approved list by the American College of Surgeons.

We want to acknowledge our indebtedness to the Churches and Women's Societies for their contributions of canned fruits and linens. These contributions help us greatly by reducing our expense for these items.

We wish also to thank the Woman's Auxiliary of the Hospital for their cheerful response for any request we have made of them. Their friendly interest has been a help and inspiration to all of us at the hospital.

JNO. W. REAP,
Chrm. of Board.

JOHN O. STEEL
Superintendent

120. The Home Mission report was read by Alfred Carpenter.


122. Alfred Carpenter led in prayer.

123. The report of Home Missions was adopted.

HOME MISSIONS

Your Home Mission Board would invite Arkansas Baptists to rethink Home Missions and to make a new appraisal of the work in the light of present day world conditions.

The Field

The term, "Home Missions," is somewhat misleading. It does not apply, neither is it restricted to local interests, such as city, county, or other circumscribed provinces, but rather the term means Home Missions in the home-land.

The field comprises a territory from the northeast tip of Maryland to the southern tip of Florida; thence west along the Gulf coast to Mexico, up the Rio Grande to California; thence from the northwest corner of Arizona eastward to the Atlantic; also the Western provinces of Cuba and Panama. This territory is equal to that of the British Isles, Norway, Sweden, France, Spain, and Italy.
The sun never looked down upon territory of its size comparable to it in material wealth. Attracted by the South's material resources, north-east capital has poured into this section, rapidly making it the industrial center of our nation. Measured by money, the Home Mission field is not only one of the greatest opportunities, but it creates one of our greatest problems as well.

The human wealth of this territory is measured by 45,000,000 living souls, one-half of which are unchurched. Of this number, 5,000,000 are foreigners, who present a foreign missionary opportunity. 200,000 are Unknown Americans or better known as Indians. The 25,000,000 lost souls in the Southland, Cuba, and Panama should give us deep concern and abiding interest in Home Missions.

But the real measure of a mission field is not in vast territories, but in soul eternities; not by funds but folks; not by products, but people; not by material possibilities, but human responsibilities. Measured in this light, Home Missions knows no geographical bounds. The wide expanse of the western prairies as a mission field has somewhat been replaced by rapid growing cities, creating industrial centers, thickly populated with foreigners. The responsibility of Home Missions is not only on the far-flung western horizon, but also in these congested sections of our industrial centers. These centers alive with foreign and under-privileged souls cover our Southland like dew on a spring morning. Yes, the old western frontier has given place to industrial centers with their many social and racial problems.

The Work

Our Home Mission field, therefore, cannot be defined by geographical bounds, but rather in terms of human needs and soul destinies. The races living within the Southland are a cross section of a world field. The rapidly developing industrial life, together with the world currents that flow through our Southland, creates an ever enlarging opportunity for missions.

Here in the Southland (as elsewhere in the world) well organized forces are at work on a gigantic scale to re-set our social and moral life. Vast changes are taking place. A new world is being created in our midst. The religious life for a generation to come is in the making. The present day trend is: to revolt against tradition; throw off the restraint of authority; build up marshallistic materialism; educate in atheistic communism and generate racial antagonism.

We cannot combat the mighty enemies of the Cross in isolated groups. In this field of adverse elements we must bring to bear the impact of the whole denominations. This is the supreme challenge to Home Missions.

The Workers

The Home Mission Board has in all departments and fields of its work, 202 missionaries and workers. It is maintaining in all 400 mission stations and preaching places; it is operating in whole or in part five Good-will centers, two rescue missions and a Seaman's Institute; it has fifteen schools operated by missionaries, and is furnishing the property of eight mountain schools, free to the local trustees for the operation of these schools; it is operating a Tubercular Sanatorium; and has a Building and Loan Department with over a million dollars loaned to churches on their buildings.
The Wonders

The outlook for the Home Mission Board is brighter now than it has been since 1928. This is not because it is receiving more money throughout the Convention territory evidence in the Board, and because there is a conviction registered everywhere by our people that the Home Mission Board is still doing and will continue to do a necessary and valuable work.

There is not a year since 1928 that the Board has not lived with in its income and paid some on the principal of its debts. During this time over $700,000.00 has been paid on the principal, and that part of the work which has to do directly and specifically with making and baptizing disciples has not only been maintained, but in fact has enjoyed a healthy increase.

Through the magnificent offering of the women to the Annie Armstrong offering during the March Week of Prayer, the Home Mission Board put thirty-two new missionaries in the field. It is now in the process of so adjusting its debts that it can go on with its mission program and pay its debts as it gets the money. The overhead operating expenses of the Board this last convention year was only $10,063.49. The many expressions of appreciation for the way the affairs of the Board are being handled are indeed encouraging.

The Call

Never before has the work been so prosperous. The Lord is pouring out His blessings upon our missionaries in every field. Reports come from the mission stations of the glorious wave of revivals and deepening of spiritual interest.

From the nine developed fields; from the eleven undeveloped fields and from every section of the Southland, Cuba, and Panama our Home Mission Board hears the Macedonian call, "Come over and help us." It is the call to new and larger frontiers; the call of the lost from every tribe and nation; the call of our neighbor, wounded and robbed by the side of the road that passes by the door where you live; it is the call to a more difficult, more important and vitally related to our whole denominational task; a call to denominational strategy in our Southland: Yes, it is the call to preach the gospel in the homeland as a demonstration of what Christ can do for the nations that accept Him.

May Arkansas Baptists be wise in answering the call of the homeland. God's Kingdom must come here if it would come in the world. The Home Mission Board craves the privilege of helping to bring in that Kingdom.

"The call is sounded for you and me,
Not only from the nations across the sea—
It comes from the land that lies at our feet,
It comes from the needy we meet on the street,
It comes from the homes of want and woe,
It comes to our ears wherever we go,
Oh, hear ye the Home Mission call."

ALFRED CARPENTER
JAS. T. DRAPER
WALLACE R. ROGERS
J. S. ROGERS
124. The report of the Baptist State Hospital was read by Joe F. Suffield.

125. After discussion by Guy Williams, it was received.

THE BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL

In offering the report of our stewardship of one of the units of this noble Convention, we first proclaim our thanks to Almighty God for His tender mercies and evidences of His blessings upon our works.

Financial Condition

The fiscal year for this hospital closed on June 30, 1934. Report is made for the fiscal year. Quoting from the Audit Report of Russell Brown & Company, Little Rock Auditors:

"The operations for the year resulted in an operating profit of $8,094.08. After considering other extraneous income and expense, the net result for the year was a gain of $17,916.88."

The Assets of the Baptist State Hospital are carried at $964,303.50. No debts stand in the name of the Baptist State Hospital except the debt owed to this Convention. The Certificates of Indebtedness issued by the hospital have been settled by payment of 25% of face value. All current accounts are discounted each month. Money given to the indigent sick as hospital service amounted to $31,250.33 during the fiscal year.

Sources of Income

Approximately 21% of the patronage of the Baptist State Hospital is from membership of Baptist Churches. Approximately 80% of Charity is given to membership of Baptist Churches.

Your hospital could not operate if it were entirely dependent upon the average citizen's ability to pay for hospital service. We have been forced to go out for business contacts for pay patronage, and have been successful in securing business arrangements for hospital service to such activities as the Rock Island Railway, Civilian Conservation Corps, several Casualty Insurance Companies, Arkansas National Guard, Army & Navy personnel stationed in Arkansas as well as local factories and industries. Over 50% of our income is from these sources and represents the difference between success and a terrible annual deficit.

The Baptist State Hospital receives no assistance from any City, County, State or Federal government relief agency whatever, nor does any private philanthropy, such as community chests, etc., render any aid to the great demand and need for hospitalization of the indigent, unemployed, or unemployables.

Too much cannot be said of the devotion of our Baptist women to the cause of hospital charity through the local Hospital Auxiliary under the leadership of Mrs. J. M. Flenniken, and the state hospital work maintained by the Woman's Missionary Union through their State Hospital Chairman, Mrs. R. C. Rudisill. The love gifts of
home canned fruits, linens and the charity dollar are the only assistance the hospital receives in its work of caring for the needy.

**Improvements**

Hospital equipment is technical equipment and not unlike automobiles is of short life. Operating equipment, x-rays, laboratories, metabolism machines and equipment wear out and become obsolete in a very few years. Constant repair and replacements are necessary and expense must be incurred if a high level of service obtains. The hospital must deal with scores of doctors, nurses and patients, all most exacting as to their working tools and facilities. We have furnished and we do maintain the best procurable in professional equipment and we keep the plant in the highest state of repair, ever ready for any emergency it is within our power to cope. The Baptist State Hospital is second to none.

**Social Welfare and Hospitalization**

In the last few years a new thought has arisen and is finding many followers. This is called by many names, principally “Social Welfare”. This Social Welfare covers our whole form of civilization and takes strength from all our accepted aids to humanity whether it be religion, medicine, law or teaching. This Social Welfare seems to tell us what to do without making possible the way to carry out existing needs. Your hospital has been told repeatedly by paid workers of different relief agencies under Social Welfare to render service to the needy sick, but no one or any agency has ever made possible our expending even ten cents upon the needy. We are praying that the churches will never permit any activity NOT FOUNDED UPON CHRISTIANITY to usurp the credit for healing humanity’s diseases or to become organized and professionalized to the point of controlling or replacing Christianity in the hospital.

**Professional Activities**

Your hospital has reported very proudly the decrease in cost of hospitalization. We have mentioned in past years new methods and improvements in hospitalization. We have reported the great improvement and national recognition of the Baptist State Hospital. We now tell you that the death rate in hospital is the lowest ever known in its existence.

This is due to knowledge and ability of our doctors, nurses, technicians, our whole organization and the hospital plant. The spirit of Christianity is being translated to the sick through the hands of our professional staff.

**Religious Activity**

Mrs. S. A. Stearns, our Religious Worker, has rendered the following service: Good cheer visits 6,082, religious conversations 194, Bible read to 141, religious literature distributed 953, prayer meetings 24, conversions 20, reclaimed 2. One week’s Mission Study Course was held with 16 awards given, weekly prayer meetings held and other contacts made with CCC patients in separate units, kept ministers of different denominations informed of members of their respective churches who were in hospital, and saw that out of town patients were visited by some minister, and many other duties and services.
Growth

During the past seven years the Baptist State Hospital has shown a steady and constant growth. Each year shows improvement over the preceding year in number of patients treated, financial condition such as debts paid, improvements, replacements and innovations to keep abreast of the improvements in Medical Science, and, may we say also, a growth in the hearts of our Baptist people.

The personnel of the hospital is most humble when we realize the need for hospital service, and especially when we know our limit of ability to render free service. All personnel are proud of the sacrifices made in salaries, in economies, etc., that we might continue to help the sick through co-operative service.

It appears that a new era in our growth is about to come to pass. We are being a little less worried about daily finances to operate the hospital, etc. It seems we can expect more of our people to love their hospital, to help, to patronize, to pray for it, and to speak a word of endorsement to the people. We are praying for the full realization of the value of this hospital not only to the sick but the value to every Baptist and to every Christian as their institution, theirs only, through which human suffering may be alleviated and cured, and on a business basis that will permit the elimination of all debts now hanging over us.

LEE C. GAMMILL, Superintendent

126. The congregation sang, "O, How I Love Jesus".


128. The Convention took recess.

129. Closing prayer by W. E. Atkinson.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

130. The Convention was called to order at 8:45 by the president.

131. Song service was conducted by Byron B. Cox, using, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone" and "I'll Live for Thee".

132. E. S. Elliott led in worship.

133. E. J. Kirkbride read the report of the committee on Nomnations, which was adopted. (See Boards).

134. The report of the committee on Resolutions was read by A. M. Herrington. It was adopted.
We, your committee on resolutions, beg leave to submit the following report:

Be It Resolved, First, that the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, in session assembled, express its grateful appreciation to the citizens of Pine Bluff, to the several churches of the city and their pastors and especially to the First Baptist Church and her noble pastor, who have so effectually anticipated our every need, and at whose hands we have received such gracious hospitality.

Second, that we are grateful for the courtesy of the Arkansas Power and Light Co. for issuing passes over the bus system of the city to all of the ministers in attendance upon this session of the convention.

Third, grateful acknowledgement is hereby made to the City Administration for courtesies extended for our protection and comfort.

Fourth, that we express our sincere appreciation to the Davis Hospital for the services of a trained nurse and for the open house reception accorded us at the hospital.

Fifth, that we express our profound appreciation to the Cotton Belt, Missouri Pacific, Rock Island, Frisco, M. & A. and L. & A. railroads for transportation given during the year to our ministers and denominational workers, and for the transportation of cars of provisions to the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, and that our recording secretary send a copy of these resolutions to officials of the railroads, which have so graciously favored us.

Sixth, that we wish to thank the two daily newspapers of this city, The Pine Bluff Commercial and the Pine Bluff Daily Graphic, also the two state papers, and the associated press for the full and accurate reports covering the sessions of our Convention, and also to the local radio station KOTN, in broadcasting parts of our Convention program.

Seventh, that we extend a vote of thanks to our presiding officers for the marvelous way in which they have directed the various sessions of our Convention, and that an honorarium of $50, be paid to each of our secretaries for service rendered, and that one thousand copies of the minutes of this annual session be published for distribution.

A. M. HERRINGTON
V. H. COFFMAN
H. M. FINLEY
W. N. DEATON

135. Clyde V. Hickerson read the report on Temperance and Social Service.

136. After some changes by amendment, the report was adopted.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Baptists are committed to the whole Gospel of Christ, to profess, practice and promulgate it. It is tragic when a partial and
emaciated message is offered to meet the world's deep needs, for nothing less than the full Gospel of Christ is sufficient.

Jesus has left on record a summary of religion,

"Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."


These two commandments are put together by Jesus and what He hath joined together let no man put asunder. Christianity has a two-fold message for man's redemption, that of individual regeneration and social righteousness. One is as vitally a part of the Gospel as the other. The individual and social values are the two sides of the same coin. Unfortunately the history of Christianity shows that there have always been groups who have emphasized individual regeneration in their enthusiasm for the social values of Christianity. These attitudes will not harmonize with the teachings of Christ, Who makes love of God and love of man a unity.

The Baptists of this generation, if they are to be true to their principles, must be keenly alert and deeply concerned to apply the teaching of Christ to the grave problems which exist today in the social order. John Bunyan, our spiritual ancestor, who wrote the world's greatest allegory on individual redemption, was also a social seer,

"Know that it is thy duty so to behave thyself to thy servant that thy service may not only be for thy good, but for the good of thy servant, and that both in body and soul . . . . Take heed thou do not turn thy servants into slaves, by overcharging them in thy work through thy greediness. To make men serve with rigor is more like to Israel's enemies than Christian masters . . . . The New Testament hath an inspection also into men's trading, yea, even with their weights and measures . . . . All these injunctions and commandments do respect our life and conversation among men with reference to our dealing, trading, and so consequent they forbid, false, deceitful, yeal, all other doings that are corrupt."

It is not true to say that if we could only get men converted we would solve all our social problems.

Let us now consider briefly some of the serious situations which confront society today and what our attitude should be toward them in the light of the Gospel we profess.

1. We are confronted by the very grave problem of the liquor evil. Our country has experienced the effects of the repeal of the 18th Amendment for more than a year. Now is the logical time to consider three questions in relation to the liquor problem. We
need in the first place to refresh our minds with the question, What was promised by those who worked for the defeat of prohibition? Secondly, with more than a year of trial, how are those promises being fulfilled? And thirdly, what shall we do about the perilous situation now existing?

Many glowing promises were made by the proponents of repeal. They insisted that all the evils of prohibition would be quickly abolished. The bootlegger would be no more, the speak-easy and the night club would go out of existence and the saloon would not return. Light wines and beers would be the popular drinks and hard liquor would not be consumed in any alarming quantities. Prophets of repeal declared also that crime and lawlessness would decrease and kidnapping would end.

Now, that more than a year has passed, let us look at the record in the light of these promises. On the 25th of April, 1934, Mr. Joseph H. Choate, director of the Federal Alcohol Control Administration, said, "As concerns liquor, the United States is living in a fools' paradise . . . . Bootleg production continues on so large a scale as to constrain us to the conclusion that our people must now be consuming greater quantities of spirits than they did in pre-prohibition days." The wet Boston Herald reported the results of its investigation last August as follows: "The bootlegger is more prosperous than ever he was during the fourteen years of prohibition."

Mr. Leeds Johnson, president of the Madison Square Boys Club in New York City, declared recently. "Boys are drinking more under repeal than under prohibition." Drinking among women is on the increase, in some states as high as 49%, since repeal. New York has 55.5% more drunkards in 1934 than in 1933; Los Angeles, 95.5% more; Denver, 116.8%, and Portland, Oregon, 116.8% more. The International Association of Police Chiefs, meeting in Washington last September, pointed out that drunken driving had increased 100% in Rhode Island, 122% in New Orleans, 300% in Philadelphia, 380% in Cincinnati and 473% in Los Angeles.

There is another fact which is painfully impressed upon us. The saloon is back. Out of respect to our president's pledge that the saloon must never come back, it is not called by the old name, the words, "bar" and "grill", are being used in the place of the word "saloon".

Lawlessness and crime in America are as aggressive as ever. Many people who voted for repeal are sickened by the present conditions. In the light of the facts concerning the liquor problem we believe that the repeal of the 18th Amendment will go down in history as one of the most colossal economic and moral blunders ever made by a civilized nation. More and more people are beginning to see that liquor cannot be controlled. In the words of Dr. John Hains Holmes, "There are only two roads before us . . . . We cannot treat liquor as any other manufactured commodity. We can allow it to be produced, distributed and sold . . . . without any other restrictions than . . . . to be lightly taxed for revenue . . . . but otherwise to be released for those to enjoy it who will. On the other hand, we can treat liquor as we treat any other commodity or practice, which for good and sufficient reasons we regard as fatally hostile to the health and happiness of men. We can outlaw it, that is, prohibit all traffic in it. We can treat liquor as we have for years past treated
poisons, narcotics, prostitution and slavery . . . In one case the traffic is invited to enjoy the shelter of the law and to act under its protection. In the other case it is thrust beyond the pale, and the law used as a weapon to destroy it."

Parents, teachers and preachers need to re-gird themselves for battle against this ancient foe of humanity. We must again lay the foundation of a mighty individual conviction and a righteous public sentiment against the liquor traffic, by wise and faithful instruction in every possible way. The strongest argument against liquor is liquor.

II. Motion Pictures.

We are glad to be able to make a more encouraging report on the subject of moving pictures than we did last year. The public has been aroused over the disastrous effects of the low type movie on the youth of the land. During the past year several movements have done good work toward cleaning up the picture industry. Better pictures are being produced and, incidentally, the box office records show that the highest type pictures are paying. The battle for decent, honest and sincere pictures is not won, in reality it has only begun. The motion picture industry is still monopolistic and block booking and blind selling hold the local exhibitors in a tight grip and prevent them from selecting the pictures that their better public deserves and demands.

We can all help in making our partial victory complete and permanent, and to that end we give herewith some suggestions which appeared in November 14, 1934, issue of the Christian Century.


2. Help your children select the pictures they see by referring to the independent appraisals of the National Film Estimate service and other approved agencies.

3. Co-operate with others throughout the country who are working in this cause by joining the Motion Picture Research Council, 366 Madison Ave., New York. It will supply you with facts and constructive leadership.

4. Educate your community with these facts by providing for the holding of forums and discussions in civic and religious organizations.

5. Bread block-booking and blind-selling. Legislation is the only way. Ask your representatives in congress to support the bill that will be introduced to this end.

III. Gambling.

The gambling spirit grows stronger day by day in our country. Cities and states are looking to this source for revenue. Increasing efforts are being made in the various legislative bodies to enact laws to popularize and legalize lotteries and betting devices and thus spread gambling mania throughout our nation. History shows that all such legislation is both economically unsound and morally degrading. No country or nation has permanently prospered which looked to this source for its income. We believe the time has come
when we should by individual and co-operative efforts do our best to stem the rising tide of gambling. Surely, God's people should by their example protest uncompromisingly against everything that encourages this mania.

IV. Peace and War.

We believe that war as a method of settling international differences is contrary to both the teaching and example of our Lord. "because it involves, the slaughter of human beings, lying propaganda, deliberate breeding of the spirit of hate, vast destruction of property, it puts in place of moral law the doctrine of military necessity, it distorts the religion of Jesus into the religion of a war god." As we think of the war evil we need to ponder the significant words of the British Commander Field-Marshall Earl Haig, "It is the business of the churches to make my business impossible."

It is encouraging to know that there exists in this country today a greater peace sentiment than ever before in its history and that some things have been accomplished for the cause of peace. A recent writer reminds us that "the government of the United States has joined with all other governments in a solemn pact renouncing war as an instrument of national policy and promising never to resort to it for the settlement of any disputes whatever their nature or origin may be. The Kellogg Pact outlawing war is the highest achievement in history on the war question."

We believe that Christian people should think and talk peace rather than war and that our denomination should refuse to encourage the war spirit in anyway. We repeat a statement in our last year's report. We believe that an institution built upon the principles of and dedicated to the cause of the Prince of Peace should not be in any way a recruiting station for the War Department.

V. Marriage and Divorce.

We again deplore the widespread divorce evil and the ninety-day divorce law upon the statute books of our state. We regret that Arkansas is one of the leading competitor states for the divorce business of our country.

We call the attention of the Convention to what we believe to be an increasing laxity on the part of some preachers in re-marrying of divorced people. Baptists should be as orthodox in following the teaching of Jesus on this vital matter as they are on any other subject upon which He has spoken.

VI. Inter-Racial Relations

We commend every movement toward a better understanding among the various racial groups. We hope that the time is not far distant when the negro shall have equal protection by the laws of our state and equal justice in our courts.

We are happy to report again that Arkansas during the year just passed had no lynchings.

Recommendations

1. Whereas, the licensing of liquor dealers in Arkansas is in plain violation of the pledges and promises made before the repeal
of the 18th Amendment to protect the rights of dry states, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That the Arkansas Baptist Convention does hereby earnestly protest against such violation of said pledges and calls upon our representatives in the legislatures to strengthen the dry laws of our state and to withstand the attacks being made upon them.

2. Be It Resolved, That we do affirm our belief in the World Court as a valuable agency for promoting international good will and peace and that we express to our Arkansas Senators in the U. S. Senate our hope of an early ratification of the World Court Protocol providing for an official adherence of our government to the World Court under conditions that will not involve the United States in European politics or other foreign entanglements.

3. Be It Resolved, That the Convention appoint a Commission to report at the next annual meeting in definite form the Baptist position on the matter of the re-marriage of divorced persons.

4. We recommend that that the Convention petition the Arkansas Legislature now in session to pass a bill providing for the public notice of the issuance of marriage licenses at least three days in advance of the ceremony.

Adopted Amendments to the Social Service Report

5. Be It Resolved, That the Convention instruct the executive committee of the Executive Board to prepare and present to the churches of the Convention an initiated act to repeal the proposed bill to legalize the pari-mutuel betting on horse races in Arkansas, in the event the bill becomes law.

6. Be It Resolved, That the Convention instruct the executive committee of the Executive Board to prepare and present to the churches of the convention an initiated act to repeal the proposed bill to legalize the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors in Arkansas, in the event the bill becomes law.

Clyde V. HICKERSON
E. J. A. McKinney
O. J. CHASTAIN
J. S. ComperE

137. J. H. Glass, secretary Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas, spoke on "The Needs of Better Laws".

138. Miss Mary B. Ervin, field secretary of National W. C. T. U., was introduced to the Convention.

139. A motion carried that the committee appointed by the Convention to meet with the committee from the Arkansas Senate be made a standing committee to function during the year.

140. Joe Stiles spoke in behalf of the B. S. U. of Arkansas.
141. A quartet, consisting of B. B. Cox, Norman Ferguson, Herbert Findley and L. C. Riley, gave a number.

142. Perry F. Webb made some observations on the One Hundred Thousand Club.

143. Frank Tripp, General leader of the One Hundred Thousand Club addressed the Convention.

144. M. E. Dodd, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, who has just made a tour of the world, spoke on "World Missions".

145. The Convention adjourned to meet January 21st, 1936, at 7:00 P. M. at the meeting house of the First Baptist Church, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

O. J. WADE, President.

J. B. LUCK, Recording Secretary.
LIST OF MESSleshoot TO 1935 CONVENTION BY ASSOCIATION AND CHURCHES

Arkansas County (Not Meeting):
Almyra—H. E. Williams, pastor; Mrs. H. E. Williams, Mrs. Roy Vice, Mrs. Earl Gere.
DeWitt—R. A. Butler, pastor; Mrs. R. A. Butler.
Stuttgart—O. C. Harvey, pastor; Mrs. R. G. Brewer.

Arkansas Valley:
Helena—T. H. Jordan, pastor.
Hughes—H. L. Lipford, pastor.

Bartholomew:
Monticello, First—T. W. Croxton, pastor; C. R. Pugh, Mrs. T. W. Croxton.
Warren—Minor E. Cole, pastor; Mrs. W. M. Hester, Miss Cynthia Hester.

Black River:
Black Rock—J. R. Barnett, pastor.
Hoxie—Homer Bridges, pastor.
Walnut Ridge—M. F. Langley, pastor.

Buckner:
Hartford—James T. Draper, pastor; Mrs. James T. Draper.
Poteau—W. A. Bishop, missionary.
Waldron—W. L. Leach, pastor.

Caddo River:
Amity—Theo T. James, pastor.

Carey:
Fordyce—W. I. Elledge, pastor; C. J. Hall, Mrs. C. J. Hall.

Caroline:
Cabot—L. O. McCracken, pastor; J. R. Lockard, Mrs. Pauline Bodie, T. N. Patton, Mrs. T. N. Patton.
Carlisle—B. J. Cox, pastor; Mrs. Sarah Harpstrite.
Hazen—Boyd O. Baker, pastor; Jackson Crouch, Mrs. Boyd Baker.
Lonoke—Fritz Goodbar, pastor; James Kelley.

Carroll County:
Berryville—W. O. Taylor.

Central:
Benton, First—J. G. Cothran, pastor; R. Reed Adams.
Hot Springs—
First—Clyde V. Hickerson, pastor.
Central—Roy L. Hurst, pastor.
Park Place—L. D. Summers, pastor.
Second—W. J. Hinsley, pastor; Mrs. W. J. Hinsley, Vivian Outlaw.
Malvern—
First—L. M. Keeling, pastor; J. D. Burnette.
Third—Ross Edwards, pastor.

Clear Creek:
Clarksville—L. C. Tedford, pastor.
Mulberry—A. P. Eliff, pastor.
Van Buren, First—O. J. Chastain, pastor.

Concord:
Branch—P. W. Clampitt, pastor.
Booneville—Lee Nichols, pastor.
Fort Smith—
First—B. V. Ferguson, pastor.
Calvary—P. J. Crowder, pastor.
Immanuel—Victor I. Coffman, pastor.
Greenwood—J. B. Maxwell, pastor.
Paris—E. S. Elliott, pastor; L. C. Craig, Asst. pastor.

Current River:
Corning—J. S. Compere, pastor.

Crooked Creek:
Alpena Pass—Elmer F. Cox, pastor; Mrs. Elmer F. Cox.
Harrison—E. E. Griever, pastor; Mrs. E. E. Griever.
Jasper—W. A. Pollard.

Dardanelle-Russellville:
Atkins—V. C. Neal, pastor.
Russellville—Troy Wheeler, pastor.

Delta:
Dermott—J. E. Calloway, pastor; Mrs. J. E. Calloway.
Eudora—Clyde Hart, pastor.

 Faulkner:

Gainesville:
Rector—W. R. Vestal, pastor.

Harmony:
Dumas—Clarence Crow, pastor; Miss Sarah Erwin, Mrs. W. C. Trindall.
Gould—Carlton C. Patton, pastor; Mrs. Carlton Patton, T. W. Gill, Mrs. J. E. Short.

Pine Bluff—
Mrs. Mago Barr, J. N. Hall, Mrs. Roy Petters, Miss Ruby Glover, Mrs. Emma Soderman, Mrs. M. Lowry, Harlowe Sanders, Mrs. Harlowe Sanders, Miss Estelle Lammack, Mrs. R. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. McClung.

Calvary—H. A. Welch, pastor; Mrs. D. L. Ridgeway, Mrs. H. A. Welch.

Hazel Street—I. B. Hodges, pastor; Mrs. I. B. Hodges, Mrs. W. A. Bobo, Miss Frances Lee Cash.


Ohio Street—C. W. Holmes, pastor; Mrs. G. B. Anderson, G. B. Anderson.

Star City—L. H. Davis, pastor.

**Hope:**

Central, Magnolia—J. B. Luck, pastor; Mrs. J. E. Hawkins.
Hope—Wallace R. Rogers, pastor.

Lewisville—Ira Patishall, pastor; Mrs. Ira Patishall, Mrs. Curtis Landes.

**Texarkana—**

Beech Street—O. J. Wade, pastor; Mrs. O. J. Wade, V. E. Florene, Mrs. V. E. Florene. Garland Hyatt, Mrs. Garland Hyatt, Carey B. Gardiner, Mrs. T. H. Halsey, Mrs. Alberta Buck, Mrs. J. H. Whitehead.

College Hill—L. B. Burnside, pastor; Mrs. O. D. Brackman, O. D. Brackman.

**Independence:**

Batesville, First—Elmer J. Kirkbride, pastor.
Newport—Ralph B. Glover, pastor.

**Liberty:**

Camden—A. M. Herrington, pastor, N. C. Brown.
El Dorado, Second—H. M. Geren, pastor; Mrs. H. M. Geren, Mrs. H. S. Coleman.
El Dorado, Westside—M. F. Swilley, pastor; O. D. Dove.
Louann—A. F. Muncy, pastor.
Strong—W. V. Walls.

**Little Red River:**

Heber Springs—J. B. Hyde, pastor; Mrs. J. B. Hyde.

**Little River:**

Ashdown—L. D. Eppinette, pastor; Mrs. L. D. Eppinette.
Foreman—Arthur G. New, pastor.
Nashville—R. E. Naylor, pastor.
Mineral Springs (Central)—M. E. Wiles, pastor.

**Mississippi County:**

Blytheville, First—Alfred Carpenter, pastor; Mrs. Alfred Carpenter, Mrs. Tom W. Jackson, Mrs. E. W. Simmons.

**Monroe County:**

Brinkley—John L. Riffe, pastor.
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Mt. Zion:
Harrisburg—P. B. Kinsolving, pastor.

Jonesboro—
First—Dow H. Heard, pastor.
Walnut Street—D. O. Jones, Herbert M. Pindley, Mrs. G. C. Buttrey, Mrs. W. A. Yarbrough.
Marked Tree—Lawrence C. Riley, pastor; Mrs. C. A. Worthy, Mrs. Margaret Black.
Tyronza—A. P. Hamrick, pastor.

Pulaski County:
Jacksonville—Joe B. Sullivan, pastor.

Little Rock—
First—A. P. Blaylock, pastor; P. A. Stockton, B. L. Bridges, Mrs. B. L. Bridges, John W. Kilburn, E. W. Milner, C. L. Randall, Mrs. O. B. Stranz, Miss Emily Francis, Mrs. G. J. Francis, C. H. Dunaway, Mrs. J. R. Hall, Mrs. Elmo Cooper, Mrs. G. R. Hearndon, Mrs. A. B. Trimble, Mrs. P. A. Stockton.
Central—M. L. Moser, pastor.
Second—C. B. Waller, pastor; Miss Margaret Hutchison.
South Highland—E. J. A. McKinney, pastor; J. T. Garrett, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney.
Tabernacle—Homer B. Reynolds, pastor; Mrs. Homer B. Reynolds.
Pulaski Heights—L. M. Sipes, pastor; M. A. Mattock, Mrs. M. A. Mattock.
Woodlawn—Loyal Prior, pastor.

North Little Rock—
Baring Cross—M. A. Treadwell, pastor.
Central—J. K. Jobe, pastor; Royal B. Whitecotton.
First—T. L. Harris, pastor.

Red River:
Belkine—Marvin S. Jaggars, pastor.
Arkadelphia—
Prescott—J. F. Queen, pastor.

Rocky Bayou:
Bellevue—W. H. McCvystation, pastor.
Melbourne—H. F. Vermillion, pastor; Mrs. H. F. Vermillion.

Tri County:
Earle—E. Butler Abington, pastor.
Forrest City—Grover C. Prince, pastor; Mrs. Grover C. Prince.
Wynne—“Dan” Patch, pastor.
White County:
Beebe—C. E. Lawrence, pastor.
Searcy—J. I. Cossey, pastor.

White River:
Mountain Home—L. B. Traylor, pastor.

Woodruff County:
Augusta—Lloyd A. Sparkman, pastor.
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

CONSTITUTION

Article I.—Name and Object.

Sec. 1. The name of this body shall be “The Arkansas Baptist State Convention.”

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

Article II.—Membership.

Sec. 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 co-operate with this Convention, and shall be entitled to seats upon presentation of their proper credentials, or satisfactory evidence of their appointment.

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

Article III.—Authority

Sec. 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.

Sec. 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 once consecutively.

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

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

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

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

Article V.—Executive Board

The Executive Board of the Convention shall be composed of 15 members chosen from the State at large and one additional
member from the bounds of each co-operating Association, and none of whom shall hold any remunerative office under the Convention or any of its institutions. One-third of this Board shall be elected annually and 15 shall constitute a quorum. The Executive Board is constituted and empowered by the Convention as its legal and business agent to administer all business committed to it by the Convention, and to employ such paid agents as it deems necessary in carrying out the missionary, educational and benevolent enterprises of the Convention. The Executive Board shall raise, collect, receive and disburse all the funds for the Baptist Co-operative Program, both state and South-wide. The office of the Executive Board is the clearing house for the business side of the Convention's work, and a headquarters for Baptist information. Its books, records and files shall at all times be open for the reference and inspection of anyone who may desire to examine them. The Executive Board shall render to the Convention annually a complete and detailed statement of all its business for the year.

Article VI.—Finance.

The Executive Board shall function for the Convention in the field of financial matters.

Article VII.—Trusteeships.

The Convention shall elect trustees to hold property, to manage and to operate its colleges, hospital and orphanage as follows:

Sec. 1. Ouachita College, 24; Central College, 24; Mountain Home College, 12; Baptist State Hospital, 18; Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, 12; Davis Hospital, 6.

Sec. 2. One third of each Board of Trustees shall be elected annually for a term of three years and not more than six (6) members of any Board shall reside in any one city, town or community.

Sec. 3. All trusteeships of the Convention shall be amenable to the Convention on all matters, through its Executive Board and no trusteeship shall be permitted to conduct extra movements to raise money outside of its regular producing sources of revenue and no trusteeship shall incur a deficit on running expenses or create debt, without the approval of the Executive Board, or the Convention in session.

Sec. 4. All trusteeships shall render to the Convention at each annual session complete and detailed statements of all their business and other activities for the year.

Article VIII.—Meetings.

The Convention shall meet annually, "if God permit," on a date to be fixed by the Convention, and the Executive Board is empowered in Emergencies, to call Special Sessions of the Convention and to change both the time and place of meetings as set by the Convention.

Article IX.—Unalterable.

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Convention, two-thirds of the members voting concurring in the measure, except Article III. which shall remain forever unalterable.
LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS, 1935

NOTE: I am endeavoring to include in this list of ordained ministers only those reported by associations aligned with the Baptist State Convention either as members or pastors of churches in such associations. In a few instances this may cause us to list a few brethren normally aligned with the State Association and also may cause a few Convention preachers to be left off the list. I shall thank any brother who will notify me of any error or omission.

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Convention Baptists in State: 120,886
State Association Baptists in Arkansas: 63,000

Estimated

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Star indicates no report this year; latest report given.

e—Denotes figures are not available for full reports on these items.

†—Estimated.