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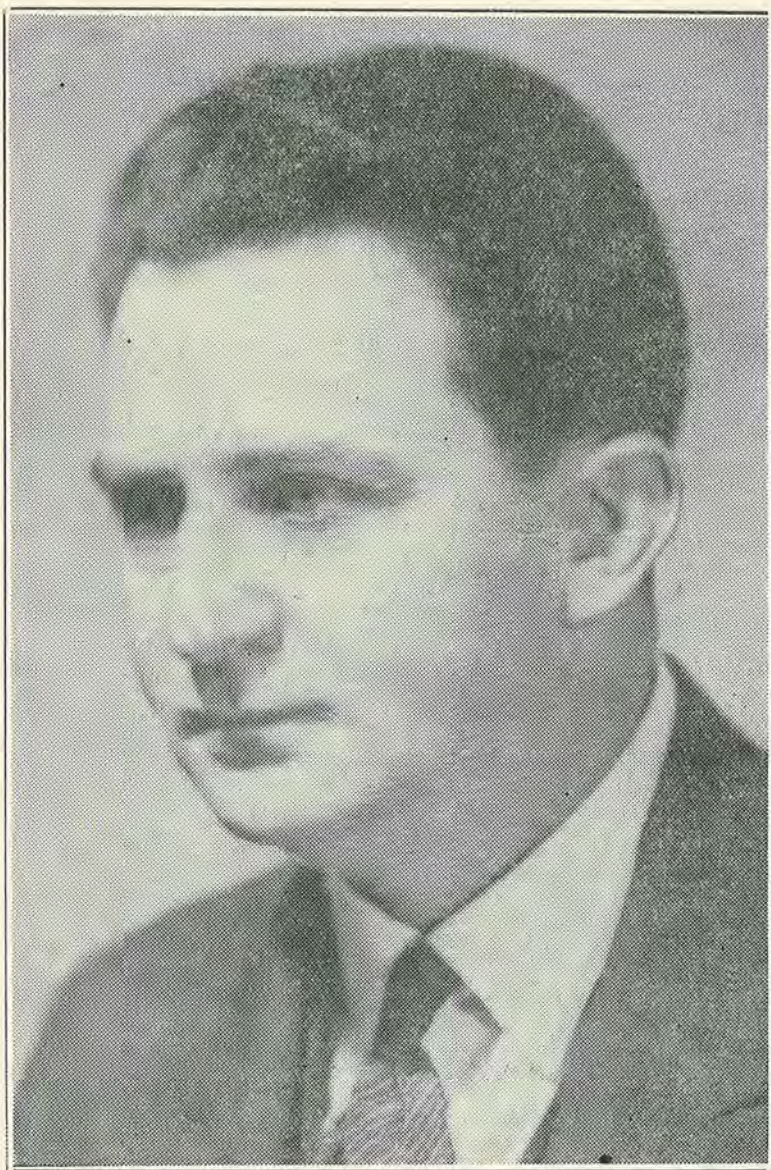
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Baptist Annual



Ft. Smith

1937



ARDEN P. BLAYLOCK, B. A., D. D.
DECEMBER 1, 1897, TO MARCH 18, 1937

By JOE H. HANKINS

The sudden and untimely death of Dr. Arden P. Blaylock in the early morning of March 18, 1937, came as a shock to Baptists throughout

the whole state of Arkansas, and brought sorrow to many hearts throughout the Southland. Death came after a very brief illness, leaving his family and church stunned from the sudden blow. Up to within a few weeks of his passing he had been in perfect health. The last six months of his life were probably the busiest and most fruitful of his great ministry. After an impressive funeral service, attended by the largest company of people ever seen at the First Baptist Church, where he had been pastor for five and a half years, his body was laid to rest in beautiful Rose Lawn Cemetery of Little Rock.

Dr. Blaylock was born December 1, 1897, at Excelsior, in western Arkansas, in a home that had belonged to the Blaylock family for three generations. His father was Joe E. Blaylock and his mother was Alice Smith Blaylock. His father was a country school teacher of marked ability and splendid reputation. At the early age of eleven years, he lost his father in death, and upon his youthful shoulders fell a great deal of the responsibility of providing for his mother and three younger children. He measured up to this responsibility in a most remarkable way. In 1911, he entered Magazine Academy where he finished his high school work. He entered Ouachita College as a freshman in the fall of 1915, ambitious to become a lawyer, but God had different plans for him, and during the summer of 1916 he answered God's call to preach the gospel. His first meeting was held that year and God greatly blessed it. From that time forth his heart went out to the field of evangelism.

As a preacher he was unsurpassed. His sermons were most unique and forceful. His faith in the Bible and the "gospel as the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth" was superb. Every sentence that fell from his lips carried with it the sense that he believed his message with all the power of his being, and that God and Christ and salvation were the most real things on earth to him. No one could hear him and ever question his sincerity, honesty and love for lost souls. He was as fearless and as bold as a lion, and yet as tender as a mother. Truly he loved all men, was a friend to all, and loved his Lord supremely. He was one of the most tireless and earnest workers among all the hosts of Southern Baptists. He labored with a zeal and earnestness and with a passion for the souls of men closely akin to that of his Lord. He was uncompromising with sin and neither gave nor asked any quarters from the devil or the devil's crowd at any time, anywhere. He was at his best when in the forefront of the battle against unrighteousness and ungodliness.

Evangelism was always his first love, and he was preeminent in this field. He followed it from the time of his surrender to the ministry throughout his college career. Graduating from Ouachita College in 1920, he entered the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky., but after one year there the urge to the evangelistic field was so strong that he gave up his seminary work to enter the field as an independent evangelist. In this work the Lord marvelously blessed with literally thousands of souls saved. His reputation as an evangelist grew until he was sought by many of the largest churches of the South for revivals. In 1930, he answered the call of Field Church, Cleburne, Texas, to become its pastor, and spent the rest of his ministry as a pastor-evangelist with the same marked success.

Dr. Blaylock loved Ouachita College and Arkansas Baptists with a deep devotion. After returning to his native state in the

fall of 1931, he gave himself unstintingly to the calls of his denomination. At the time of his death he was a member of the Executive Board, the Ouachita College Board, the Baptist State Hospital Board, and of the board of the Southern Baptist Hospital of New Orleans. His Alma Mater, Ouachita College, conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity, a tribute worthily bestowed. Perhaps his greatest single work for Arkansas Baptists was in the Redemption Campaign. He went almost day and night, speaking in all parts of the state in behalf of this campaign. News came to him while on his death bed of the successful completion of this campaign, and his comment was, "Thank God for victory. Now Arkansas Baptists are ready for a great revival."

To Mrs. Blaylock and the three children, Billie, Betty and Joe, the Arkansas Baptist Convention and a host of friends everywhere, together with more than ten thousand souls won to Christ through his ministry, extend their heartfelt sympathy. May the spirit of his noble, self-sacrificing life lead us all to greater service for our Lord, and a deeper consecration to His cause.

CORRECTIONS

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CHAS. W. DANIEL

Page 77—Signature to Educational Commission,

CHAS. W. DANIEL

PROCEEDINGS

of the

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

in the

EIGHTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
(EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR)

FT. SMITH, ARKANSAS

December 7-9

1937

Next Session Will Convene December 6, 1938,
at 7:00 p. m.,

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Preacher of Annual Sermon
ELMER J. KIRKBRIDE, Helena
ALTERNATE: J. I. COSSEY, Searcy

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ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION DIRECTORY FOR EIGHTY-NINE YEARS

	Place	President	Secretary	Preacher
1848	Bronxville Dallas Co.	Isaac Perkins	S. Stevenson	E. Haynes
1849	Mt. Zion Hempstead Co.	Jesse Hartwell	S. Stevenson	
1850	Mt. Bethel Clark Co.	W. H. Bayliss	S. Stevenson	F. Courtney
1851	Princeton			
1852	El Dorado			
1853	Camden	Jesse Hartwell	S. Stevenson	E. Haynes
1854	Tulip	Jesse Hartwell	S. Stevenson	S. Stevenson
1855	No Report			
1856	New Hope Dallas Co.	Jesse Hartwell	R. J. Coleman	W. M. Lea
1857	Samaria Dallas Co.	W. M. Lea	R. J. Coleman	
1858	Charleston	W. M. Lea	R. M. Thrasher	
1859	Little Rock	W. M. Lea	R. M. Thrasher	
1860	Pine Bluff	W. M. Lea		
1861	Fort Smith			
1862-1866 (inc.)	No Meetings			
1867	Little Rock	W. M. Lea		S. Stevenson
1868	Little Rock	W. M. Lea	W. H. Roberts	W. D. Mayfield
1869	Helena	W. D. Mayfield	J. B. Searcy	J. R. Graves
1870	Arkadelphia	A. Gates	J. B. Searcy	W. D. Mayfield
1871	Monticello	M. Y. Moran	J. B. Searcy	Moses Green
1872	Austin	M. Y. Moran	J. B. Searcy	J. M. Hart
1873	Little Rock	M. Y. Moran	J. B. Searcy	R. M. Thrasher
1874	Dardanelle	W. W. Crawford	J. B. Searcy	J. R. G. W. N. Adams
1875	Arkadelphia	H. H. Coleman	J. B. Searcy	J. B. Searcy
1876	Searcy	H. H. Coleman	J. B. Searcy	
1877	Forrest City	H. H. Coleman	T. P. Boone	W. A. Forbes
1878	Monticello	J. M. Hart	W. F. Mack	M. D. Early
1879	Hope	J. M. Hart	J. R. G. W. N. Adams	R. J. Coleman
1880	Russellville	J. P. Eagle	J. R. G. W. N. Adams	J. D. Jameson
1881	Little Rock	J. P. Eagle	B. Thomas	J. B. Searcy
1882	Lonoke	J. P. Eagle	J. B. Searcy	W. E. Paxton
1883	Fayetteville	J. P. Eagle	J. B. Searcy	W. D. Mayfield
1884	Pine Bluff	J. P. Eagle	J. H. Holland	A. J. Kincaid
1885	Hope	J. P. Eagle	J. H. Holland	A. J. Fawcett
1886	Forrest City	J. P. Eagle	J. H. Holland	A. B. Miller
1887	Morilton	J. P. Eagle	J. H. Holland	A. S. Pettie
1888	Jonesboro	J. P. Eagle	Martin Ball	Enoch Winde
1889	Little Rock	W. E. Penn	J. G. B. Simms	J. R. Hughes
1890	Eureka Sp'gs.	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	R. J. Coleman
1891	Arkadelphia	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	W. T. Box
1892	Fort Smith	J. M. Hart	J. G. B. Simms	J. W. Lipsey
1893	Conway	W. P. Throgmorton	W. F. Blackwood	W. P. Throgmorton
1894	Lonoke	J. P. Eagle	W. F. Blackwood	J. H. Peay
1895	Monticello	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	E. B. Miller
1896	Hot Spings	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	A. H. Autry
1897	Pine Bluff	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	O. L. Hailey
1898	Little Rock	J. P. Eagle	W. Theo. Smith	W. H. Paslay
1899	Jonesboro	J. P. Eagle	W. Theo. Smith	C. W. Daniel

Place	President	Secretary	Preacher
1900 Hope	J. P. Eagle	W. Theo. Smith	J. K. Pace
1901 Paragould	J. P. Eagle	W. Theo. Smith	N. R. Pittman
1902 Conway	J. P. Eagle	Sam H. Campbell	O. J. Wade
1903 Little Rock	J. P. Eagle	Sam H. Campbell	A. J. Barton
1904 Pine Bluff	John Ayers	W. F. Dorris	W. A. Freeman
1905 Fort Smith	John Ayers	W. F. Dorris	Ben Cox
1906 Texarkana	John Ayers	Sam H. Campbell	F. F. Gibson
1907 Little Rock	W. E. Atkinson	John Jeter Hurt	H. L. Winburn
1908 Fayetteville	W. E. Atkinson	John Jeter Hurt	W. T. Amis
1909 Arkadelphia	W. E. Atkinson	John Jeter Hurt	R. F. Treadway
1910 Fort Smith	H. T. Bradford	John Jeter Hurt	J. T. Christian
1911 Pine Bluff	H. T. Bradford	John Jeter Hurt	N. R. Townsend
1912 Hot Springs	H. T. Bradford	E. P. J. Garrott	V. C. Neal
1913 Monticello	P. C. Barton	E. P. J. Garrott	H. M. Green
1914 Little Rock	P. C. Barton	E. P. J. Garrott	A. H. Autry
1915 Conway	P. C. Barton	E. P. J. Garrott	W. J. E. Cox
1916 Malvern	J. W. Conger	E. P. J. Garrott	T. D. Brown
1917 Jonesboro	J. W. Conger	E. P. J. Garrott	B. B. Bailey
1918 Little Rock	L. E. Barton	D. S. Campbell	C. D. Wood
1919 Little Rock	L. E. Barton	D. S. Campbell	B. V. Ferguson
1920 Fort Smith	A. H. Autry	B. L. Bridges	Austin Crouch
1921 Pine Bluff	A. H. Autry	B. L. Bridges	Calvin B. Waller
1922 Little Rock	A. H. Autry	B. L. Bridges	E. P. J. Garrott
1923 Arkadelphia	G. W. Puryear	B. L. Bridges	J. W. Hulsey
1924 Little Rock	G. W. Puryear	B. L. Bridges	W. W. Kyzar
1925 Conway	G. W. Puryear	S. R. Doyle	O. J. Wade
1926 Little Rock	H. L. Winburn	S. R. Doyle	L. M. Sipes
1927 Jonesboro	H. L. Winburn	S. R. Doyle	T. H. Jordan
1928 Texarkana	H. L. Winburn	S. R. Doyle	Ben L. Bridges
1929 Hot Springs	Otto Whittington	J. B. Luck	Otto Whittington
1930 Fort Smith	Otto Whittington	J. B. Luck	Perry F. Webb
1931 Batesville	E. P. J. Garrott	J. B. Luck	A. S. Harwell
1932 Little Rock	E. P. J. Garrott	J. B. Luck	C. V. Hickson
1934 El Dorado	O. J. Wade	J. B. Luck	L. M. Keeling
1935 Pine Bluff	O. J. Wade	J. B. Luck	J. G. Cothran
1936 Hot Springs	B. V. Ferguson	J. B. Luck	T. L. Harris
1937 Paragould	B. V. Ferguson	J. B. Luck	C. W. Daniel
1937 Fort Smith	L. M. Sipes	J. B. Luck	Thomas W. Croxton

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION

President.....	L. M. Sipes.....	Little Rock
Vice President.....	T. L. Harris.....	North Little Rock
Vice President.....	W. J. Hinsley.....	Hot Springs
Recording and Statistical Secretary.....	J. B. Luck.....	Magnolia
Treasurer.....	B. L. Bridges.....	Little Rock

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Members at Large

Term Expires in 1938

John J. DuLaney, Ashdown	A. M. Herrington, Camden
Joe H. Hankins, Little Rock	Elmer J. Kirkbride, Helena
O. L. Powers, Jonesboro	

Term Expires in 1939

B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith	W. R. Hamilton, Hope
E. P. J. Garrott, Conway	W. A. Jackson, Benton
E. Rawlings, Fort Smith	

Term Expires in 1940

Alfred Carpenter, Blytheville	L. M. Sipes (Ex-Officio), Little Rock
Thos. W. Croxton, Monticello	Calvin B. Waller, Little Rock
Chas. W. Daniel, El Dorado	Harvey T. Whaley, Pine Bluff

ASSOCIATIONAL MEMBERS

Term Expires in 1938

O. J. Chastain, Van Buren Clear Creek	W. M. Pratt, Lonoke Caroline
Elmer F. Cox, Cotter White River	Homer B. Reynolds, Paragould Greene County
E. E. Griever, Harrison Boone-Carroll	Blake Smith, Fayetteville Washington County
T. T. James, Rison Harmony	L. D. Summers, Mena Ouachita
Karl McClendon, Waldron Buckner	L. C. Tedford, Bentonville Benton County
G. E. Owen, Conway Faulkner County	S. A. Whitflow, Amity Caddo River
C. F. Wilkins, Newport Black River	

Term Expires in 1939

V. H. Coffman, Fort Smith Concord	O. C. Harvey, Stuttgart Arkansas County
E. L. Cole, Osceola Mississippi County	Claud Jenkins, Clinton Stone-Van Buren
Minor E. Cole, Warren Bartholomew	W. M. Kelley, Judsonia White County
J. S. Compere, Corning Current River	A. F. Muncy, Murfreesboro Little River
Paul Elledge, Tyronza Trinity	O. M. Stallings, Batesville Independence
Fritz E. Goodbar, Russellville Dardanelle-Russellville	George R. Wilson, Smackover Liberty
T. C. Hart, Eudora Delta	W. R. Vestal, Marianna Arkansas Valley

Term Expires in 1940

James Brewer, Augusta Woodruff County	G. H. Miller, Melbourne Rocky Bayou
Oscar E. Ellis, Salem Big Creek	Ira Patishall, Fordyce Carey
T. L. Harris, North Little Rock Pulaski County	Grover C. Prince, Forrest City Tri County
C. V. Hickerson, Hot Springs Central	A. C. Rudloff, Piggott Gainesville
C. E. Lawrence, Heber Springs Little Red River	O. J. Wade, Texarkana Hope
John McBeth, Perryville Fourche Valley	Troy V. Wheeler, Prescott Red River

OUACHITA COLLEGE BOARD

Term Expires in 1938

J. P. Crawford, Pine Bluff	W. J. Hinsley, Hot Springs
Tom F. Digby, North Little Rock	J. F. Queen, Hot Springs
D. D. Glover, Malvern	J. W. Ramsey, Fort Smith
W. R. Hamilton, Hope	E. S. Terral, Tillar

Term Expires in 1939

Chas. A. Gordon, Pine Bluff	Lee Nichols, Booneville
Harold Harris, Wynne	E. Nowlin, Arkadelphia
J. B. Jameson, Camden	L. D. Summers, Mena
T. H. Jordan, Hot Springs	C. C. Tobey, Arkadelphia

Term Expires in 1940

Hugh Benton, Fordyce	W. D. McMillan, Arkadelphia
Harry Bryant Reeves, El Dorado	C. H. Moses, Little Rock
E. L. Compere, El Dorado	Homer B. Reynolds, Paragould
C. L. Durrett, Little Rock	Chester Sturgiss, Arkadelphia

CENTRAL COLLEGE BOARD

Term Expires in 1938

W. S. Campbell, Fayetteville	W. Dale Kirkland, Plumerville
Leslie P. Crafton, Conway	A. J. Reap, Little Rock
A. L. Goatcher, Plumerville	E. F. Simmons, Conway
T. L. Harris, North Little Rock	Fred H. Ward, Gould

Term Expires in 1939

Mrs. W. M. Clark, Little Rock	E. E. Griever, Harrison
B. P. Clayton, Conway	Mrs. W. N. Gregory, Augusta
J. H. Estes, Little Rock	Irving M. Prince, Springdale
L. M. Keeling, Little Rock	L. C. Tedford, Bentonville

Term Expires in 1940

R. S. Boyd, Lonoke	Brooks Hays, Little Rock
E. C. Brown, Benton	J. Frank Jones, Conway
O. J. Chastain, Van Buren	W. R. James, Little Rock
P. J. Crowder, Gurdon	G. E. Owen, Conway

MOUNTAIN HOME COLLEGE BOARD

Term Expires in 1938

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

Term Expires in 1939

John Q. Wolf, Batesville	Sam Casey, Batesville
H. H. Goodman, Cotter	J. H. Landis, Melbourne

Term Expires in 1940

Lon Jones, Mountain Home	Oscar E. Ellis, Salem
R. H. Russell, Mountain Home	T. J. D. King, Batesville

BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL BOARD

Term Expires in 1938

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

Term Expires in 1939

J. E. Berry, Smackover	C. V. Hickerson, Hot Springs
E. L. Compere, El Dorado	Lee Nichols, Booneville
E. D. Estes, Little Rock	Guy E. Williams, Little Rock

Term Expires in 1940

Tom F. Digby, North Little Rock	Steele Hays, Russellville
B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith	J. W. Richardson, Warren
E. P. J. Garrott, Conway	Mrs. Minnie R. Sheppard, El Dorado

PROCEEDINGS

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention convened in the 84th Annual Session (89th year) in the meeting house of the First Baptist Church, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, December 7, 1937, at 7 P. M. and was called to order by President B. V. Ferguson.

Special organ music by Mrs. Glenn Bailey, organist of the entertaining church.

Norman E. Ferguson directed the congregation in singing "Out of my Bondage, Sorrow and Night" and "When My Life Work Is Ended", accompanied by Mrs. Glenn Bailey at organ and Miss Pearl Jerrand at piano.

C. C. Roberts conducted devotional, using Acts 1:8-11.

Warren P. Clark offered prayer.

The President appointed the following brethren tellers of the Convention: Edgar Williamson, J. W. Royal, E. B. Abington, E. E. Griever, E. Rawlings, Karl McLendon, A. P. Elliff, J. H. Caldwell, F. W. Patterson, Don Hook.

The enrollment cards were distributed and messengers were enrolled.

A motion prevailed that messengers who have enrolled, together with all other regular messengers to be enrolled shall constitute the Convention.

Pastor B. V. Ferguson presented Deacon J. W. Ramsey of the entertaining church and Superintendent of Public Schools, Ft. Smith, who spoke words of Welcome.

Response to the Address of Welcome was made by O. J. Wade on behalf of the Convention.

The organization of the Convention.

Lee Nichols nominated Thomas L. Harris; L. D. Summers, W. J. Hinsley; V. C. Coffman, Calvin B. Waller, and A. M. Herrington, L. M. Sipes for president.

L. M. Sipes, pastor of Pulaski Heights Baptist Church, Little Rock, was elected president.

W. J. Hinsley, pastor of Second Baptist Church, Hot Springs, and Thomas L. Harris, pastor First Baptist Church, North Little Rock, were elected vice presidents by acclamation.

J. B. Luck, pastor Central Baptist Church, Magnolia, was re-elected statistical and recording secretary by acclamation.

General Secretary Ben L. Bridges was re-elected treasurer by acclamation.

Special music by choir of First Baptist Church, Ft. Smith.

Announcements were made.

Special music by Hartford Quartet, consisting of J. A. McClung, J. D. Lee, Austin Arnold, Clyde Garner, with Miss Fern Waits at piano.

Troy V. Wheeler read Jno. 17: 1-15.

Song, "Keep Me Near the Cross."

The Annual Sermon was preached by the alternate, Thomas W. Croxton, as our Heavenly Father had called unto Him the appointee, Arden P. Blaylock, since the last meeting of the Convention. Text, Jno. 17-15, Jas. 1:27, Matt. 7:5, Matt. 6:33; Subject, "The Church in the World Order."

The Convention adjourned until Wednesday, 9 A. M.

Thomas W. Croxton led in the closing prayer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

President Sipes called the Convention to order at 9 o'clock.

L. C. Craig led the congregation in singing "All Hail" and "Faith of Our Fathers."

Irving M. Prince led in prayer.

Homer H. Reynolds conducted devotional, using Ps. 46:10, 11.

Prayer, Homer H. Reynolds.
Ouchita College Trio, consisting of Misses Marie Elmore, Maxine Oldham, and Wanda Leigh Johnson, sang.

President appointed the following Committees:

PUBLICATIONS—J. I. Cossey, Howard Halsell, James H. Fitzgerald, E. L. Dunn, Paul Ellege, Hugh Cantrell.

HOME MISSIONS—Robert E. Naylor, Clyde V. Hickerson, Karl McLendon, L. D. Summers, Irving M. Prince.

BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD—E. C. Brown, J. M. Sheppard, C. E. Hinkson, Frank Mowery, J. O. Kincannon, C. L. Randall.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION—J. W. Royal, Joe Shaver, Hugh Cantrell, Mrs. Elmer J. Kirkbride, S. A. Wiles, and C. E. Lawrence.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION—Mrs. C. H. Ray, Mrs. O. J. Chastain, Mrs. A. H. Moore, Mrs. Joe Fred Luck, Mrs. E. E. Griever, Mrs. E. C. Brown.

TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE—Victor H. Coffman, F. G. Dodson, J. B. Maxwell, Lee Nichols, L. C. Tedford, A. F. Muncy.

HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB—E. P. J. Garrott, L. M. Keeling, E. C. Brown, Fred H. Ward, Osbond Taylor, Taylor Stanfill.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BAPTIST TRAINING UNION—Edgar Williamson, A. J. Hyatt, Troy V. Wheeler, Miss Betty Foster, Ralph H. Davis, W. H. Horn.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—H. T. Whaley, W. R. Hamilton, Mrs. R. E. Naylor, A. H. Moore, E. Butler Abington.

ORPHANAGE—M. E. Cole, Mrs. A. P. Elliff, J. R. Hale, H. A. Turner, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney, Aubrey C. Halsell.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—C. W. Daniel, E. Rawlings, Mrs. Lee Nichols, P. J. Crowder, J. S. Compere, A. P. Elliff.

OBITUARIES—E. E. Griever, F. E. Goodbar, W. J. Hinsley, O. M. Stallings.

STEWARDSHIP—O. J. Chastain, C. H. Moses, Guy E. Williams, Thomas E. Berry, Don Hook.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF—W. M. Pratt, James Overton, James F. Brewer Jr., Gray Evans.

NOMINATIONS—A. M. Herrington, Claude L. Durrett, O. J. Wade, L. H. Davis, E. L. Cole, T. H. Jordan, Joe Fred Luck.

Convention voted to request Arkansas Baptist to publish the Convention Sermon.

The following program was adopted as the order of business for the Convention:

STATE CONVENTION PROGRAM

TUESDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 7

- 7:00-7:20 Song Service and Devotional—Norman Ferguson and Pastor C. C. Roberts of Fort Smith.
- 7:20-7:30 Enrollment of Messengers.
- 7:30-7:40 Welcome Address—Pastor B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith.
- 7:40-7:45 Response to Welcome Address—Pastor O. J. Wade, Texarkana.
- 7:45-8:15 Organization.
- 8:15-8:25 Announcements and Special Music.
- 8:25 Annual Convention Sermon—Pastor T. W. Croxton, Monticello.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8

- 9:00-9:15 Song Service and Devotional—Pastor Homer Reynolds, Paragould.
- 9:15-9:20 Special Music.
- 9:20-9:25 Announcements of Committees.
- 9:25-9:35 Miscellaneous Business.
- 9:35-9:50 Introduction of New Pastors and Visitors.
- 9:50-10:15 Christian Education—Pastor H. T. Whaley, Pine Bluff.
- 10:15-10:45 Central College—President J. S. Rogers, Conway.
- 10:40-11:10 Ouachita College—President J. R. Grant, Arkadelphia.
- 11:10-11:25 Baptist Bible Institute—Pastor A. M. Herrington, Camden.
- 11:25-12:00 Southern Baptist Seminary.
- 12:00-12:35 Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00-2:15 Song Service. Devotional — Pastor Irving Prince, Springdale.
- 2:15-2:45 Report on S. S. and B. T. U.—Secretary Edgar Williamson.
- 2:45-3:00 Baptist Book Store—Karl Potter, Little Rock.
- 3:00-3:20 Report on Hundred Thousand Club—Pastor E. P. J. Garrott, Conway.
- 3:20-3:40 Report of Committee to Raise Funds for Debt-Paying—Pastor C. B. Waller, Little Rock.
- 3:40 Special Music.
- 3:45 Sermon, "Arkansas Baptists Must Go Forward"—Pastor J. H. Hankins, Little Rock.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- 7:00-7:15 Song Service. Devotional—Pastor L. H. Roseman, Little Rock.
- 7:15-7:25 Journal.
- 7:30 Report of Executive Board—Secretary B. L. Bridges, Little Rock.
- 1938 State Mission Program—Pastor Alfred Carpenter, Blytheville.

THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 9

- 9:00-9:15 Song Service. Devotional—Pastor E. S. Elliott, Paris.
 9:15-9:25 Journal and Miscellaneous Business.
 9:25-9:45 Old Ministers' Relief—Pastor W. M. Pratt, Lonoke.
 9:45-10:15 Report on Stewardship—Pastor O. J. Christian, Van Buren.
 10:15-11:00 Report on Home Missions—Pastor R. E. Naylor, Arkadelphia.
 Address—Secretary J. B. Lawrence, Atlanta, Ga.
 11:15-12:30 Foreign Missions—Pastor C. W. Daniel, El Dorado.
 Address—Secretary C. E. Maddry, Richmond, Va.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00-2:15 Song Service. Devotional—Pastor W. J. Hinsley, Hot Springs.
 2:15-2:30 Davis Hospital—John Reap, Pine Bluff.
 2:30-2:45 Baptist Memorial Hospital (Memphis)—Pastor E. B. Abington, Earle.
 2:45-3:10 Baptist State Hospital—Lee Nichols, Booneville.
 3:10-3:40 W. M. U.—Mrs. C. H. Ray.
 3:40-3:45 Special Music.
 3:45 Sermon, "The Program and Spirit of Conquest"—Pastor E. J. Kirkbride, Helena.

THURSDAY NIGHT

- 7:20-7:45 Report on Bottoms Baptist Orphanage—Pastor, M. E. Cole, Warren.
 7:45-8:15 Report of the Education Commission—Pastor Chas. W. Daniel, El Dorado.
 8:15-8:20 Special Music.
 8:20 Sermon, "All On the Altar For Christ"—Pastor C. B. Waller, Little Rock.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 10

- 9:00-9:15 Song Service. Devotional—Pastor T. H. Jordan, Hot Springs.
 9:15-9:20 Special Music.
 9:20-9:25 Journal and Miscellaneous Business.
 9:25-9:45 Publications—Editor J. L. Cossey, Searcy.
 9:45-10:00 Baptist Brotherhood—Pastor E. C. Brown, Benton.
 10:00-10:15 Baptist Student Union—Pastor J. W. Royal, Rogers.
 10:15-10:40 Temperance and Social Service—Pastor Victor Coffman, Fort Smith.
 10:40-11:10 Obituaries and Memorial Service—Pastor E. E. Griever, Harrison.
 11:10-11:40 Nominations and Resolutions.
 11:30-11:40 Journal and Miscellaneous Business.
 11:40-11:45 Special Music.
 11:40 Sermon, "The Atonement"—Pastor Blake Smith, Fayetteville.
 Adjournment.

The following new pastors were introduced: L. H. Roseman, Little Rock; Paul Ellege, Tyrnza; M. C. Tooper, Rector; C. J. Rushing, Huttig; W. D. Edwards, Marked Tree; D. H. Rockett, El Dorado; R. B. Middleton, El Dorado; N. V. Drake, Springdale; Paul G. Kirkland, Marion; J. F. Brewer Jr., Augusta; Gordon C. Goodier, Eureka Springs; Will H. Travis, Lincoln; Harvey Gray, Yers; Joe H. Hankins, Little Rock; R. A. Marston, Educational Director, Beech St. Church, Texarkana; Norman O'Neal, Educational Director, Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith.

The following visitors were introduced: President L. R. Scarbrough, Southwestern Seminary; W. H. Tribble of Southern Seminary; W. W. Hamilton Jr., Baptist Bible Institute; J. E. Dilliard, Director of Hundred Thousand Club; J. T. Daniel, Recording Secretary, Oklahoma Baptist State Convention; H. E. Davis; Roe R. Beard, Missionary to Pawnee Indians; J. B. Lawrence, Secretary Home Mission Board; D. A. Ellis, Memphis; E. S. Mizell, Bixby, Okla.; Mrs. E. S. Mizell, Bixby, Okla.

Harvey T. Whaley spoke on Christian Education and wrote the following report for the annual:

"CHRISTIAN EDUCATION"

(A synopsis of address delivered before the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Fort Smith, Arkansas, December 8, 1937)

From the beginning of the modern cooperative Baptist fellowship there has always been somewhere in the deeper recesses of our minds the conviction that education is fundamental and vitally related to the evangelical ends of the Christian enterprise. Our actions, however, have not always embodied our convictions.

Fundamentally, education, as an active element in the development of Christian life and character, began with the great commission, Matthew 28:19-20. In modern times the relation of education to the missionary enterprise is indicated in such significant developments as the creation of the Particular Baptist Fund in England in 1717 for the purpose of assisting young ministers to secure an education and weak churches in supporting pastors. A similar fund was created by the General Baptists in 1725. In 1770, a Baptist Education Society was founded to aid the Academy at Bristol, England, all of these being prior to the organization of the Baptist Missionary Society at Kettering and the subsequent organization of the American Baptists in 1814 for the promotion of foreign missions. Almost simultaneously with the organization of the General Convention in America for foreign missions, education was

adopted as a part of the program, because it was immediately realized that there must be a trained leadership for the missionary awakening.

There are three factors with which we have usually dealt in considering the subject of Christian education—the student, the school, and the supporting agencies, which, of course, in our Baptist fellowships, would be the Conventions, but Christian education demands a larger view and covers a wider scope than this. Actually, the process begins in the home circle, where, it has been discovered, children are capable of religious feeling long before they are capable of religious thought. The elementary departments of our Sunday Schools are operated on the basis of this conviction, and the process may be said to reach its fulfilment, if ever, when the child has attained unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

Let me discuss something of the relations which, what we have always considered the basic institutions in the Christian educational program, sustain to the entire process.

I. THE HOME.

In the report of the section on "Church, Community, and State In Relation To Education", presented to the recent Oxford Conference, there is this significant statement: (Page 132, THE OXFORD CONFERENCE, Official Report) "All mothers and fathers ought to be made aware that their way of life is more influential during the infancy of their children than any oral teaching later on. Deep seated emotional tendencies and moral attitudes are engendered in the earliest years of a child's life by its daily experience of sympathy and love, or antagonism and fear, in its simplest and most necessary relations with its father and mother. The first introduction to worship and to the Bible should be given wherever possible by the parents."

We need to restore in some manner the quality of Christian life to the home circle. One recalls the testimony of such souls as Saint Augustine, who said, "If I am Thy child, O God, it is because Thou didst give me such a mother."

Carlyle said the strongest spiritual influence of his youth was his mother's praying. "The highest whom I knew on earth I saw bowed down to a higher in heaven. Such things, especially in infancy, reach inward to the very core of your being."

Dr. Patton, the Missionary to the New Hebrides, used to crouch outside of his father's bedroom door to hear him pray. He wrote, "If everything else in religion were by some accident blotted out, my soul would go back to those days of reality."

II. THE SCHOOL.

If time permitted, something might be said of the public school system in this connection. I do not know what to suggest as a method by which more of the vital truths of religion might be instilled into the system of public instruction. Certainly we do not want any deviation from the American principle of separation of Church and State, but this does not mean that our public schools are to be

secularized to the point of making them agnostic. There is something to think about in the fact that for a long period in this country much of the reading matter in the public school readers was about God and the Christian religion, and that today they contain scarcely any reference to either. The heathen classics and pagan folk lore have been substituted therefor. The religious ideal is not a sectarian ideal, and religion is not only fundamental to good citizenship, but if Christian civilization is to continue, we must have Christian ideals. It is true now as it has always been that "whatever you would put into the life of the nation, you must first put into the schools of the nation", and that what we want in the educational outcome we must put into the educational process.

Dr. E. P. Alldredge in the 1937 Southern Baptist Handbook quotes from the magazine, FACT, that out of 18,434 high school students in the State of Virginia 16,000 could not name three of the Old Testament prophets, 12,000 could not name the four Gospels, and 10,000 could not name three of Christ's disciples. Whatever else this indicates, it points to an appalling neglect of the Bible. It might be well to recall here Daniel Webster's statement concerning the Bible.

"If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering; but if we neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how soon a catastrophe may overcome us, and bury all our glory in profound obscurity."

Our greatest bulwark in this connection seems to be those consecrated men and women who are teaching in our public schools whose exemplary lives constitute a powerful, moral stimulant to all.

Our denominational schools are our chief concern, not because of any lack of interest in the public school system, or because we are in any sense competitors of that system. All students could not, and would not, attend our denominational schools, and we are grateful for the opportunities offered to them by the State. We, however, have a distinctive task to perform, and the schools which have been created and which are today effectively fulfilling their mission merit our consideration and financial support.

Sometimes reactionary ideas interfere with the efficiency of our educational program, and it seems that in many instances those who are least able to do it are permitted to set the pace for us. Prophets cannot live with halters and bridles on. Two great needs of our entire educational system are freedom and sympathetic support.

III. THE CHURCH.

It has been said that "spiritual illiteracy is the forerunner of moral bankruptcy and national decay." In fact, this is a truism with which all will agree. There are many perils confronting the churches in America. Among them might be mentioned the following:

5,500,000 illiterates above nine years of age; 50,000,000 people above nine who have membership in no church, Catholic, Jewish, or

Protestant; 27,000,000 under twenty-five not in any Sunday School or any institution of religious training (1,492,304 of these in Arkansas).

The following statement recently came to my attention: "Every parish church in its own degree and according to the capacity of its membership must become a center of Christian education." The elementary departments of our Sunday Schools are not waiting rooms where life loiters and where second hand information is to be dispensed, but where teachers with a vital Christian experience and love of children are to impart the knowledge of God's Word and of the church's life and activities. It must be remembered that the teacher's whole outlook will influence the pupil's interpretation of all that he learns. It has sometimes been discouraging to note that with all of our increased emphasis upon education in the churches, enlargement and improvement of our facilities, statistics do not always indicate that we are making substantial progress. It has been reported by the Statistical Secretary that 56% of the Sunday Schools of our largest city churches have shown a consistent loss in enrollment for four years. In 1936 nine of the states in the Southern Baptist Convention showed losses in Sunday School enrollment; nine states showed gains, (Arkansas among them), but when the losses were deducted from the gains we showed **the smallest net increase in Sunday School enrollment which we have experienced in twenty years.** We had a larger number of baptisms in 1921 than in any year since, and for the past five years there has been a gradually decreasing number. In 1920 we had a net gain in membership of 187,998; we have not come very close to that figure in any year since, and in 1936 we dropped from 112,365; in 1935, to 92,898. Statistics are not always final, but they may be, and often are, disturbing.

When the days of the depression were upon us, many of our people made generous resolutions concerning their future course in regard to the financial support of Christian enterprises if ever things should improve and a measure of prosperity be restored. We enjoyed that measure of prosperity in 1936; in that year according to some figures recently published the national income increased over 1932, 61%. The following increases were noted in expenditures also:

Jewelry	25%	Whiskey	220%
Army and Navy.....	30%	Steel Production	248%
Theatres	41%	Radio	302%
Cigarettes	48%	Beer	317%
Automobiles	203%		

And the following **decreases:**

Gifts to Churches	30%
Gifts to General Benevolences	29%
Gifts to Community Chests	24%
Gifts to Colleges	18%

Where is the spirit of the Psalmist who cried, "I will pay Thee my vows which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble?"

A business recession is upon us now. We fear to call it by the more onerous name! God once said to His people, "I spake unto thee in thy prosperity, but thou saidst I will not hear. This hath been thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyest not my Voice." We would not agree with all of the notions of Horace Bushnell, nor even with all of the implications which he intended in the statement, but there is much truth in his words for us: "We have been expecting to thrive too much by conquest, and too little by growth." However, conquest and growth are to be our objectives and we will do well to accept the vision and follow the leadership of our Christian teachers, and as we go forward, to go forward with them in the education of the whole man in the things of Christ.

President J. S. Rogers gave the report of Central College. It was received.

CENTRAL COLLEGE

The College Board and Administration bring to the Convention this forty-fourth annual report of Central College and the ninth annual report of the present administration. We present this report with a note of victory in our hearts and with a note of humble gratitude to God for his good providence that has been about us every day of the past year. We wish also to record here our sincere appreciation of every friendly word and deed on the part of hundreds of brethren, sisters, churches and other friends during the year. Without pretense, we feel we can announce to you another successful year educationally, financially and religiously.

The facts in this report may be numbered as follows:

1. **ENROLLMENT.** The enrollment is 123. Without doubt our enrollment will reach 140 this year. CAN YOU EVEN BEGIN to calculate what it means to a religious denomination and to a state to have year by year 140 leading young women in a college famous throughout and beyond Arkansas for its educational standards, for its excellent conservatory, its fine culture, its high Christian ideals? WITHOUT DISCOUNTING for a moment any other institution of this Convention it can truthfully be said that the real worth of Central College to Arkansas Baptists is beyond estimate. Each year we graduate an average of 45 as fine Christian young women as ever went out from college walls.

2. **LIBRARY.** During the past year many excellent, standard new volumes, covering a wide range of subjects, have been added to the Library. The work of rebinding and repairing scores of valuable books has gone on all the year. Our librarian is a specialist and meets the requirements of the North Central Association.

3. **SCIENCE DEPARTMENT.** Central has a Science Department and Science equipment that meet the requirements for Junior Colleges in the State and in the North Central Association.

4. **SUMMER CAMPAIGN.** All canvassing and campaign expenses of the past summer have been paid.

5. **FINANCES.** All current accounts (running expenses) such as repairs, insurance, lights, heat, water, grocery bills are paid up

to December 1, and all teachers' salaries are paid in full as of November 1. **The College owes nothing at all on salaries or other obligations for last year (1936-1937).** All salaries of teachers for the school year were paid two weeks before school closed in May, 1937. It was necessary this fall to put a new roof on Bruce Hall and on much of Main Hall. All improvements and replacements for this year cost some \$1,250.00 and it is all paid for. Insurance is kept up on all buildings and is all paid up to date. We have received this year from the Executive Board \$1,002.15, for which we are very grateful.

We wish to make it clear that Central College is paying as she runs and is not making one dime of debt for the denomination to pay later.

6. **FACULTY.** The sixteen 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 Bible and Director of Religious Activities; Miss Fay Holiman, Dean of Women and Associate Professor of English; Miss Carol Singleton, Professor of Social Science and Modern Languages; Mrs. Pearl Sauls, Professor of Education and Psychology; Miss Eileen Watt, Professor of Home Economics; Miss Maggie Mae Binion, Professor of Speech and Physical Education; Professor William Lyon Thickstun, Director of Conservatory of Fine Arts and Professor of Pipe Organ, Piano; Miss Ethel Wilkerson, Professor of Piano; Miss Helen Lyon, Professor of Voice and Violin; Mrs. Beulah McHenry, Professor of Art; Miss Eliza Johnson, Librarian; Dr. E. P. J. Garrott, College Pastor; Miss Daisy Bruce, College Secretary; J. S. Rogers, President and Business Manager. Every literary teacher has an M. A. and all teachers meet the requirements of Standardizing Agencies. Our teachers are prayer-meeting-going Church members. Blessed is the girl who is taught and lives with such teachers.

7. Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, who were with the college for nearly one year and a half, have resigned and gone to Russellville, he as pastor. Brother Goodbar was Vice-President, and for a part of the time, Business Manager and Bible Teacher. Mrs. Goodbar was College Hostess. They were both appreciated and greatly loved at the college and our prayers and best wishes follow them to their new field. They are among our finest and most faithful servants of the Lord in this state and deserve to succeed wherever they go. Central College appreciates the friendship and loyalty of Brother and Mrs. Goodbar.

8. **STANDING.** Central College is a member of the North Central Association in good standing. For Central, this is important "world without end."

9. **RELIGIOUS LIFE.** 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., and the extraordinary Christian leadership of Miss Singleton, and other factors make the religious influence of the College superior, indeed. For culture, Christianity, standards of education, and safety, we do not believe Central is surpassed.

10. GREETINGS. Central College extends Christian greetings and best wishes to every interest and institution of this Convention and desires to work in perfect harmony with said interests and institutions.

11. OUR AIM. 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 pastors and people.

J. S. ROGERS, President.

Music by Central College sextet, composed of Misses Margaret Corder, Pauline Mizell, Dorothy Mae Carroll, Mary Dunn, Opal Priest, Margaret Brayless.

E. P. J. Garrott and Fritz E. Goodbar spoke concerning the work of Central College.

Ouachita College report was read by President J. R. Grant. It was received.

OUACHITA COLLEGE

We, the trustees of Ouachita Baptist College, submit our brief annual report.

The death of Rev. Arden P. Blalock, since our last meeting, leaves a vacancy on our Board that will be hard to fill.

Ouachita College is now in its fifty-second year. This is one of the best years since the depression began. For five years Ouachita College has run on its income. During these years it has not only made no new debt, but it has steadily reduced the old debt from \$165,000 to about \$100,000. This debt was not included in the state redemption campaign. It is being paid at the rate of about \$13,000 annually. This amount comes from the endowment income which amounts to about \$23,000 annually. The other \$10,000 goes to Ouachita College for maintenance. At the present rate the college will be free of debt in about seven years.

This is truly a Thanksgiving time for Ouachita College. For several years there has been a united effort on the part of pastors, alumni, W. M. S.'s, Sunday School classes and others throughout the state to help promote a Christian Education program at Ouachita College. The board and the faculty have been inspired by this excellent spirit of cooperation. What have our combined efforts accomplished? The answer to this question is seen by looking at Ouachita College as it was in 1933 and as it is in 1937.

Number Enrolled	1933		1937
	(May)	250	(Nov.) 409
No. of Ark. Counties Represented.....	41		63
No. of Boys in Dormitory.....	0		140
No. of Girls in Dormitory.....	44		130
No. of Students Eating in Dining Hall.....	44		270

Refrigeration Plant	Old	New
Baking Oven in Kitchen.....	Old	New
No. of Ph. D. Teachers.....	2	7
No. of Ministerial Students.....	27	78
Science Laboratories	Old	New
	(in barracks)	(3rd floor)
Library	Old	Repaired-
		made new
No. Enrolled in Summer School.....	0	192
Students in Home Economics.....	0	130 in
		New Bldg.
Total Faculty Salary Budget.....	\$17,448	\$40,450
Amt. Received from Endowment Income.....	0	10,000
Dean of Faculty	0	1
Dean of Men	0	1
College Nurse	0	1
Full-Time Registrar	0	1
Matron At Boys' Dormitory.....	0	1

Factors that determine the true value of a college can hardly be put on paper. Too often the value and growth of a college are measured by the visible growth of its physical plant. We think this is not a good way to judge the true worth of a college. At the same time we are glad to give a brief statement telling of Ouachita's growth in buildings and equipment during the last year.

The library hall has been made over with new hardwood floors, insulite ceiling, stipled walls and modern light fixtures. Three thousand dollars worth of new books and bound magazines have been recently added. New chairs and tables have increased the capacity of the library by at least one-third. New shelves and new magazine racks have been added. Our trained librarian has reorganized the library and has made it much more efficient.

The three science laboratories for Chemistry, Biology and Physics have been made over with new tables, new equipment, better lights, hardwood floors, insulite ceiling, etc. We think the laboratories along with the new library are rapidly approaching the highest standards.

All classrooms and offices in the administration building have been laid with hardwood floors. The walls have been newly plastered or papered. A great deal of new furniture has been put in the classrooms and offices.

Every room in the boys' dormitory has been made practically new. A great deal of new furniture has been added. Some of the rooms are over-crowded and will be until the new dormitory is completed.

Four new brick buildings have been erected or are in the process of being built since our last meeting. Two are already complete and in use; one for our Fine Arts Department and the other for our Home Economics Department. A third building for the Physical Education Department is nearing completion. A fourth to be for a boys' dormitory is well under way. No debt has been made on these buildings, and no debt will be made. The carpenters, brick layers, plumbers, etc., are at work, but they will quit when the money gives out. Prospects look good for the completion of these buildings.

The buildings have been erected with insurance money collected from fires which we had last year and from gifts in money, building materials and labor. The N. Y. A. labor has been used mainly on these buildings. Gifts have come from so many that it is impossible to name the donors in this report. It is fair, however, to say that without gifts and wholesale prices from lumber companies, brick and tile companies in and near Arkadelphia, these buildings could not have been erected. The building committee has also done more with the small amount of money at its command than any one believed possible.

At present Ouachita College has a total of ten brick buildings and two frame buildings. We no longer have any cause to apologize for the homes of our Fine Arts Department, our Home Economics Department and our Physical Education Department. The fourth building will house about eighty boys. Each room will have hot and cold water. The total value of the college plant may well be placed at more than \$600,000.

Other additions and improvements on the college campus which have been made during the last year are as follows:

A \$1,000 concrete tennis court (A gift from the class of 1937)

A new \$600.00 baking oven.

A \$4,000 two-unit central heating plant.

A \$2,400.00 thirty-passenger college bus.

A used Dodge sedan.

A used truck

Two garages—one for the bus, and one for the car.

A small frame building to house the student cleaning and pressing shop.

Several new concrete sidewalks, steps and campus seats.

This year the semester fees have been raised from \$30.00 to \$37.50 and the semester tuition has been raised from \$25.00 to \$37.50. This increase in cost has not decreased our enrollment a great deal. It has made it necessary, however, for the management to find more work for poor but worthy students. The fact that state colleges give free tuition makes competition keen. The state with the aid of Federal funds is erecting buildings and offering courses of study that are attracting our young people. We still need our Christian colleges. Because the environment at Ouachita College is Christian and because each teacher takes a personal interest in each student, we do not hesitate to say that the Baptists of Arkansas can well afford to pay the difference and to give the boys and girls a Christian education at Ouachita College. Without such training the future of our churches and Christian homes is not bright.

Ouachita has made sacrifices to help many of our poor boys and girls who would otherwise not be in college. It has even been criticized for giving this aid, yet it has not given aid to any boy or girl who was not first sent or brought to the campus by some good pastor or layman who said, "This young person must have help to attend college."

At present Ouachita College is giving in tuition more than \$10,000 annually. Most of this aid, however, is to Ministerial students, Ministers' wives, Ministers' sons and daughters, students who are training for Missionary work or evangelistic singing. The State Baptist Convention and a few individual churches are helping Ouachita to render a greater service. During the ten months from February 1st through November, 1937, Ouachita College has received \$1,223.92 from the Cooperative Program. It has received about the same amount from nine churches. One church, however, has given the greater part of this amount. \$438.00 from this amount has been sent to be applied directly on students coming from these churches.

A college is Christian only to the extent that its faculty is Christian. Ouachita's faculty is made up of twenty-eight men and women, eight of whom have their Ph. D. degrees or equivalents. With but few exceptions each member is not only a scholar but an active church worker. The present policy of the administration is to employ only teachers who made high scholastic standards, who are active Christian workers and who are more interested in helping young people than in teaching subject matter.

As we see our situation now, our most pressing need is for an auditorium. At present there is no place where the college can hold its chapel, concerts, lyceum numbers, etc. A second outstanding need is for a fire proof library building. Not only do we need the room, but our library is too valuable not to have this protection. We hope, too, that the Baptists of Arkansas will soon lift the debt off Ouachita's shoulders. This would enable our senior college to get recognition in the highest accrediting agency. Ouachita College also needs a hall where dramatic arts, literary societies, debating clubs can be given proper emphasis. For a reasonable amount of money the old gymnasium can be changed into such a hall. If the cooperative program cannot do more to help Ouachita, we recommend that more churches put Ouachita College in their budget.

A. M. Herrington read the report on Baptist Bible Institute. It was discussed by W. W. Hamilton Jr., and received.

THE BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE

The Baptist Bible Institute at New Orleans was founded in 1917 and has made a record during the timely years of its existence of which Southern Baptists may be justly proud.

Dr. W. M. Hamilton, president, is ably assisted by a faculty of consecrated scholars. A total of 286 students was enrolled this past session, with twenty states and one foreign country represented.

During the twenty years, the Institute has enrolled 4,444 students. This group includes ministers, missionaries and workers in every phase of our church and denominational life. These students have come from every State of the South, and from the North, the East and West of the United States and fifteen foreign countries.

The Institute has graduated 630 students, including 31 doctors of theology, 127 in theology and 247 in Christian training. Grad-

uates are serving in practically every phase of our church life in the homeland, including College and Seminary professors, one College president, and also on eight foreign mission fields.

It is estimated that students do missionary work in New Orleans each year that would cost the denomination at least \$40,000.

One night recently, two officers of the law came, having in charge some of the finest students of the Institute, and the police wanted to know if they had permits to preach. These five men, after their regular assignment, had been led to do some extra preaching. They took their position in front of a gambling place, one preached and the others did personal work. One of the employees protested to the students that they were taking away their patrons. Eventually the management called the police who brought the men away. The preaching and personal work must have been very effective, for sixteen men had made professions of faith between nine o'clock and midnight.

Nine years ago the total indebtedness stood at \$353,000. The total now is \$194,900. Another year has passed without borrowing any money on operating expense.

The Institute has three pressing needs: a fire proof library building, adequate endowment and scholarships for monthly students.

The outlook for the future brightens each year, and, with these and other needs supplied, the Baptist Bible Institute will be able to render a larger service to Southern Baptists and to the World.

W. H. Tribble, professor of Theology of Southern Seminary, addressed the Convention.

President L. R. Scarbrough of the Southwestern Theological Seminary brought a message to the Convention.

The Convention adjourned.

L. R. Scarbrough led in the closing prayer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

President Sipes called the Convention to order at 2 P. M. and gave the gavel to Vice President Hinsley, who presided during the afternoon session.

B. B. Cox directed in singing "I Am Thine" and "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?"

Irving M. Prince led in worship, using Acts 1:8 and 4:32.

Prayer, Irving M. Prince.

A gavel was presented to the Convention by Russell Duffer of Nettleton, Ark.

Edgar Williamson read the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and B. T. U. It was discussed by Joe H. Hankins. It was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING UNION

This report is for the Convention year, January 1 to November 30, 1937. It reveals another period of progress for this department. J. P. Edmunds served as secretary of this department during January and February. Your present secretary began his work March first. During the year your secretary has worked in nearly every section of the State with his time about equally divided between the work of the Sunday School and the Training Union. Enlargement campaigns, training schools, conferences, conventions and services have been conducted in more than 60 churches.

In February the Annual State Associational Sunday School Workers Conference was held with an enrollment of 710. During the month of March eight district Vacation Bible School conferences were held with an estimated attendance of 500. In April the Annual State Associational Training Union Officers Conference was held with an attendance of more than 500. During the month of June five district Training Union Conventions were held with an estimated attendance of more than 900. The annual session of the Arkansas Baptist Assembly was held during July with an official enrollment of 670 and a total attendance of more than 1,000. In May your secretary attended the Southern Baptist Field Workers Conference held in connection with the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. The last two weeks in July he was the guest of the Sunday School Board at Ridgecrest during the annual southwide Assemblies of the Sunday School and the Training Union. While there he attended the daily conferences of the Sunday School and Training Union secretaries of the States.

Achievements of the past year as reflected in the minutes of the associations and the records of this department are as follows:

Churches visited.....	60
Miles traveled.....	12,500
Personal letters written.....	5,286
General letters written.....	6,567
Post cards written.....	1,005
Promotional literature distributed.....	111,655
Number of Baptist Training Unions.....	312*
Number of B. A. U.'s and B. Y. P. U.'s.....	1,646*
Total Training Union Enrolment.....	28,212*
Training Union Awards Issued.....	7,467
Standard B. A. U.'s and B. Y. P. U.'s.....	39
Standard Training Union.....	1*
Associations organized or partially organized for Training Union work.....	33
Number of Sunday Schools.....	882*

Sunday School Enrolment.....	95,551*
New Sunday Schools organized.....	89*
Diploma holders in New Study Course.....	511*
Awards in New Study Course.....	14,924*
Standard Sunday Schools.....	35
Vacation Bible Schools conducted.....	82*
Associations organized or partially organized for Sunday School work.....	30*

*Represents gains.

There has been a gain in the number of training unions, B. A. U.'s, B. Y. P. U.'s, and Sunday Schools. The Training Unions increased 44; B. A. U.'s and B. Y. P. U.'s, 92; Sunday Schools, 89; Sunday School enrolment increased 3,331, and the Training Union Enrolment 1,415. We are especially grateful that the number of Vacation Bible Schools doubled this year and that more than 89 new Sunday Schools were organized.

We regret that although the number of Training Unions, B. A. U.'s and B. Y. P. U.'s increased, the number of study course awards and standard awards decreased. There was a decrease also in the number of Standard Sunday Schools.

During the summer months this department employed Hugh Cantrell to work among some of the associations that were unorganized for Sunday School and Training Union work. He worked in five associations and did a great deal of good. This work was made possible by a special contribution to this department by the Sunday School Board.

During the year the services of Rev. L. C. Tedford and Rev. George Wilson were engaged to assist in the promotion of the district Vacation Bible School Conferences. This also was made possible by a special contribution from the Vacation Bible School Department of the Sunday School Board. We are glad to report that the number of Vacation Bible Schools conducted in the State this year doubled that of the previous year. Last year 41 Vacation Bible Schools were conducted; this year, 82.

We are especially grateful to our office helpers, Mrs. Grace Hamilton and Mrs. Rel Gray. Both are consecrated, efficient, zealous and untiring in their efforts to promote the work of this department. In addition to the regular work of the office, Mrs. Hamilton gives special attention to the promotion of Standard Schools and Unions; Study Courses and awards; and Vacation Bible Schools. Mrs. Gray gives special attention to the promotion of the work of the associational Sunday School and Training Union organizations. In this way these splendid workers are able to do promotional work along with the routine work of the department office. If it were not for these capable workers and this division of the promotional work, it would be impossible to do the amount of field work we do. We urge that the churches and workers cooperate fully with these co-workers.

Arkansas Baptists should appreciate the interest of the Sunday School Board in the work of this department. The purpose of the Five Year Program as promoted by the Board is to strengthen the

Sunday School and Training Union work in every church and to help organize a Sunday School and Training Union in every church in the state. Much time, money and work are being put into the promotion of this work through the district associational organizations. Through state associational conferences held for both Sunday School and Training Union workers; by a persistent follow-up on the part of the different southwide departments in Nashville; and by the contribution of \$3,600 a year to the work of this department, the Sunday School Board is making a fruitful contribution to the promotion of the Kingdom causes in Arkansas.

This is all made possible by profits from the literature, periodicals, supplies and books purchased from the Sunday School Board's Book Store in Little Rock and the Sunday School Board in Nashville. It is the desire and purpose of this department to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Sunday School Board in the promotion of the Five Year Program. We believe it is one of the best methods ever devised for reaching the last church and the last individual in Arkansas for the Sunday School and Training Union; or reaching the unreached multitudes on the outside and the unenlisted multitudes on the inside of our churches.

In full cooperation with the Sunday School Board, it is our purpose in 1938 to work through the associational organizations in the effort to reach every church for the Sunday School and the Training Union. A State Associational Sunday School Workers Conference will be held in Conway, February 15 and 16. During March one or more conferences will be held in each district in the interests of Vacation Bible Schools. May 3 and 4 in Little Rock a State Associational Training Union Workers Conference will be held. The annual Arkansas Baptist Assembly will be held in Siloam Springs, July 5-14. Six District Training Union Conventions will meet August 22-29. Six District Sunday School Conventions will meet October 17-24. This department will assist in arranging the programs and help to enlist attendance for the Training Union and Sunday School District Conventions. At least one outstanding inspirational speaker and southwide worker will be on these convention programs. We feel that this is the most effective way to reach and help the Associational organizations.

It is our purpose to work in cooperation with the Baptist Student Union in arranging for summer field work in the needy associations. This work will be done in cooperation with the Associational organizations and will include Sunday School, Training Union and Vacation Bible School work.

According to recent statistics there are still more than 1,500,000 souls in Arkansas unreached by any church. There are more than 100,000 Baptist church members unenlisted for any kind of systematic training. We believe that in the Sunday School the church has one of the most effective means for reaching and bringing lost souls under the influence of the teaching and preaching of God's Word, the Bible. We believe that we have in the Training Union the churches' most effective agency for enlisting the unenlisted and untrained church members and fitting them for efficient church membership. We believe that the work of both the Sunday School

and Training Union are included in the great commission; that we should not neglect either of these organizations, but rather magnify and promote the work of both. We believe that every active member of the church should be enrolled both in the Sunday School and the Training Union.

Therefore, we urge the pastors, deacons, Sunday School and Training Union workers and members to put their best into the promotion of these organizations. We urge the leaders of the different organizations to adopt the Standards of Excellence as programs of work and to build accordingly. We urge the churches to cooperate with the associational organizations in promoting the work of the association, attend the meetings, help to strengthen the weaker churches, and to organize new Sunday Schools and Training Unions wherever possible. Working together with God in and through the local churches and the associational organizations may we do our best this coming year to make a great advance in the work of the Sunday School and the Training Union. May our expectancy and sufficiency be of God. May we expect great things from God and attempt great things for God. "The people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits." Daniel 11:32. May we know Him better that we may serve Him victoriously!

EDGAR WILLIAMSON.

Karl Potter, manager of the Baptist Book Store, made his report.

E. P. J. Garrott read the report of the Committee on Hundred Thousand Club. J. E. Dilliard, Director of the Club, discussed the report, which was adopted.

BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

This debt-paying movement, designed to procure 100,000 givers who would contribute one dollar per month each to a fund for the retirement of the debts of the agencies and institutions of the Southern Baptist Convention, was launched at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1933. These gifts were to be over and above all regular contributions, and the Sunday School Board was to bear all expenses of the movement so that every cent collected would be applied to the liquidation of these debts. It was estimated by its proponents that the entire indebtedness of the Convention could be retired within a few years if the proposed number of subscribers could be enlisted. This has not been accomplished, though perhaps 50,000 people have been members of the Club at one time or another. The total receipts to November 31, 1937, have been \$766,583.28, and the receipts for the first ten months of this year have been greater than for any similar period since the movement was projected.

The distribution of funds varies each year according to existing needs. The following are the percentages of distribution for 1937: Foreign Mission Board, 18%; Home Mission Board, 29½%; Education Board, 5%; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 16%; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 18%; Baptist Bible In-

stitute, 10%; American Baptist Theological Seminary, 00.2%; Baptist Hospital, 1.3%; National Baptist Memorial Church, 2%. Total, 100%.

Disbursements from June, 1933, to October 31, 1937, were as follows: Foreign Mission Board, \$199,172.35; Home Mission Board, \$178,070.36; National Baptist Memorial, \$6,062.45; New Orleans Hospital, \$14,989.43; Education Board, \$37,706.77; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, \$128,471.71; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, \$112,396.54; Baptist Bible Institute, \$75,263.05; American Baptist Theological Seminary, \$1,249.40. Total, \$753,382.40.

In the sisterhood of states supporting this cause, Arkansas stands thirteenth, having contributed \$25,133.85. Of this amount, \$3,808.31 was given between January 1 and October 31, 1937, in spite of the fact that no effort was made to procure subscriptions. An organization was set up in the fall of 1936, but when the Redemption Campaign was projected into 1937, extending beyond the period set for pressing the Hundred Thousand Club, it seemed inadvisable to utilize the organization already perfected.

With the more than three quarters of a million dollars raised through the Hundred Thousand Club added to funds found elsewhere, Southern Baptist agencies and institutions have reduced their indebtedness by more than \$2,000,000. About \$3,800,000 remain unpaid, so there remains a vital place in our plans for this debt-paying agency. Therefore, your committee recommends:

First, that this Convention express itself as looking with favor upon the Hundred Thousand Club project.

Second, that we favor the formation of an efficient organization to press the interests of this worthy cause.

E. P. J. Garrott
Fred H. Ward
E. C. Brown
Osbond Taylor
Taylor Stanfield

C. B. Waller read the report of the Committee on the Debt Paying Campaign. The report was adopted.

BAPTIST DEBT REDEMPTION CAMPAIGN

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention
Brethren:

We, your committee on the Baptist Debt Redemption Campaign, beg to submit the following report:

Frequent meetings have been held during the year, and everything humanly possible has been done to hasten final settlement.

In June of this year, Dr. Otto Whittington, Campaign Director, completed his work and made his final report to the committee. We submit herewith statement of campaign expenses:

Honorarium to Dr. Whittington for Services.....	\$1,500.00
Expenses of the Director.....	1,182.62
Other Items of Expense—Printing, Postage, Other Speakers, etc.....	5,029.35
Total.....	\$7,711.97

It needs to be borne in mind, first, that all expenses were paid out of the State Board funds and not from receipts of the campaign; second, that the total expenses are about 4 1/8% of the amount raised. Dr. Whittington did a good piece of work and the expense was held to a minimum.

We desire also to submit the figures of indebtedness and monies necessary for settlement:

Total Outstanding Bonds.....	\$790,600.00
Total Outstanding Notes.....	151,732.49
Total.....	942,332.49
35% of \$942,332.49 is.....	\$329,816.87
Cash on Deposit:	
People's National Bank.....	\$ 95,278.16
Simmons National Bank.....	65,000.00
Total.....	\$160,278.16
"Assurances"	
First Baptist, El Dorado.....	\$ 10,000.00
First Baptist, Fayetteville.....	2,500.00
Second Baptist, Little Rock.....	6,243.03
First Baptist, Pine Bluff.....	7,215.00
Total.....	\$ 25,958.03
	\$186,236.19
Balance Needed to be Provided by Baptist Hospital.....	\$143,580.18

In July, Secretary Bridges filed an application for order of settlement in the Federal Court in Little Rock. This case was heard October 13, 1937, in the court of Judge Trimble. Though the case was contested, the Judge handed down an order of settlement at thirty-five cents on the dollar.

Final settlement has been held up on the account of the difficulties faced by the Baptist Hospital in providing its share of the necessary funds. Every possible avenue for securing the necessary money has been most diligently followed out by the President of the Hospital Commission and a representative of this Committee.

There has been most thorough co-operation on the part of the Hospital Commission, but, for reasons that are in no sense the fault of the Hospital or its management, the applications for loan have been declined to date, in the open money market.

Your committee is presenting resolution which we believe may provide the necessary funds and permit us to go ahead with immediate settlement.

Calvin B. Waller
C. Hamilton Moses
B. V. Ferguson
Ben L. Bridges
Mrs. W. D. Pye
E. L. Compere
Chas. Gordon
O. L. Powers

The following resolution, read by C. B. Waller, was unanimously adopted by a standing vote:

RESOLUTION

Whereas, At the session of the Convention in Paragould, 1936, amendment No. 9 to the Constitution was adopted, prohibiting the creation of debts by any and all Baptist Institutions, without a vote of approval by the Convention at two successive sessions, and,

Whereas, This action has been interrupted by money lenders as applying to the Baptist State Hospital in the present Debt-paying plan.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That this Convention in session, December 8, 1937, hereby interprets the above named action as NOT applying to the Baptist State Hospital in the present Debt emergency, and,

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Baptist State Hospital is hereby duly authorized and empowered to negotiate a loan for funds sufficient to meet the balance needed on its quota for the retirement of the Arkansas Baptist Convention's Bonded and Floating Indebtedness; and,

Be It Further Resolved, That the Trustees of the Baptist State Hospital be duly authorized and empowered to place a first mortgage on the Hospital property to secure the loan to be negotiated.

A motion was unanimously passed that we reconsider the resolution of Arkansas Baptist State Convention, adopted at its regular session held in Little Rock, Ark., in 1924, said resolution now appearing at page 62, 63 and 64 of proceedings of said Convention as printed in the Arkansas Baptist Annual for said year, such a loan of the endowment funds of Ouachita College is prohibited, and the proposed loan, therefore cannot be made, unless special authority therefore be granted by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

The following resolution was unanimously passed by a standing vote:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, This Convention in a previous session instructed the Baptist State Hospital to supply \$150,000.00 to be used in the settlement of the Convention's Bonds and Notes, and,

WHEREAS, The said hospital has apparently been unable to obtain a loan of sufficient proportion to enable it to comply with this instruction, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Ouachita Baptist College is willing to grant such a loan to the Baptist State Hospital, and has authorized its Investing Committee to effectuate the loan provided said loan can be legally made, but

WHEREAS, By reason of a resolution of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention adopted at its regular session held in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1924, said resolution now appearing at pages 62, 63 and 64 of proceedings of said Convention as printed in the Arkansas Baptist Annual for said year, such a loan of the endowment funds of Ouachita College is prohibited, and the proposed loan, therefore, cannot be made, unless special authority therefor be granted by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention,

NOW, Therefore, Be It RESOLVED, By the Arkansas Baptist State Convention duly assembled in regular session in Fort Smith, Arkansas, December 8, 1937, that the above action of the Convention of 1924 be reconsidered, and that the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College be, and hereby is, authorized by this Convention to make said loan to the Baptist State Hospital, in order to provide necessary funds for the completion of the settlement of the debts of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, said loan not to exceed the sum of \$60,000.00; the said Board of Trustees of Ouachita College to take as security for said debt a first mortgage upon all the real estate and unencumbered personal property of said hospital, and said loan to be amortized on monthly payments covering a period of not exceeding eight years, and

Be It Further RESOLVED, That this resolution is a special action of this Convention passed for the sole purpose of tiding the Convention over a difficulty which it considers the greatest crisis in its history, and that it is not intended that the Resolution adopted by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in its regular session in 1924, above mentioned, shall be in any way, in whole or in part, amended, revoked or rescinded, except as herein specifically provided, and that said resolution shall in all respects, except for the time and purpose herein stated,

remain in full force and effect, and that the special authority herein granted shall never be regarded as an impairment of the binding effect of the Resolutions of 1924.

Special music, Quartette First Baptist Church, Ft. Smith, Dorothy Bass, Maxine Keahey, Dora Mae Newton, Mary Jo Sparks.

Sermon, Joe H. Hankins, Subject, "Arkansas Baptists Must Go Forward."

Convention adjourned.

Closing prayer by J. I. Cossey.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

President Sipes called the Convention to order at 7 o'clock.

C. L. Randall led the congregation in singing "Higher Ground" and "There Is a Fountain."

L. H. Roseman conducted worship, using Heb. 11: 13-24.

Prayer, L. H. Roseman.

J. T. Daniel, Recording Secretary of Oklahoma Baptist State Convention, was introduced to the Convention.

Special music by Misses Pearl Jarrard and Wilma Sue Furrow.

A chalk talk was given by Miss Gracia Halstead of Oklahoma City, assisted by Norman Ferguson.

General Secretary Ben L. Bridges read the report of the Executive Board.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention assembled in Fort Smith December 7-10, 1937, your Executive Board brings a report of the first eleven months of this calendar year.

We give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His long-suffering and tender mercies, for His patience and forbearance, as well as for the unparalleled opportunities which He has opened in Arkansas for a great denomination. There has been only one thing in the way of great achievements in the work of Arkansas Baptists this

year, and that one thing is the failure of nearly all our people to measure up to the standards of good stewardship. Our selfishness and selfish ambitions have stopped the flow of the manifold grace of God to multiplied thousands of people in this state that are destitute of spiritual wealth. Your Board has been unable to collect the amount of money which the budget of the year called for month by month. It has fallen considerably short, partly due to the fact that the small office force has been kept very busy on the program of debt-settlement, which has made it impossible properly to promote the Cooperative Program.

Your Board is happy, however, to give an account of its stewardship. Notwithstanding its inability to collect the full amount of the budget, your Board has operated on a cash-basis. There are no deficits. Moreover, we have handled every dollar exactly according to the instructions of the Convention, which it is the policy of your Board to do. Never is there one dime diverted either from designated or undesignated funds. With great pride your Board points to the fact that honesty and sincerity of purpose have characterized the office of the General Secretary throughout its history. While there have been irregularities and embezzlement of funds in almost all kinds of businesses and enterprises of the world, and many even in religious organizations, there has never been a "shortage" in the General Secretary's accounts. Your Board deplôres the lack of liberality on the part of many churches in the matter of financial support of missions, Christian education, and benevolences. It often finds itself in the midst of great difficulties in trying to operate with a small amount of funds which the churches supply. While we are thus handicapped in promoting a worthwhile program, yet we propose to stay out of debt.

This has been a pivotal year in the work of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. The pivotal point has been finishing the great task of finding money and paying off the notes and bonds of your Board.

This has been, therefore, unquestionably a year of the greatest difficulties which your Board has ever faced. The task of finishing up the Redemption Campaign and obtaining sufficient funds to pay off the notes and bonds has been in reality the main objective and has absorbed more time and energy and has called for more sacrifices than any other task that we have had. At the beginning of the year your Board needed approximately \$25,000.00 to finish the \$200,000.00 objective which you had instructed it to obtain from the churches. It faced the task of securing this amount of money. In addition to this, the Baptist State Hospital has been unable to obtain a loan to supply the balance needed to retire the bonds and notes. The amount that it was necessary for the hospital to borrow, however, was finally offered by the Investing Committee of the Ouachita College Endowment Fund. This money, however, was not available until this Convention specifically authorized it. This situation accounts for the delay in the final settlement of our debts.

Your Board found it necessary to apply for a legal settlement of the debts according to the suggestion made by the committee representing the bondholders. Under the Federal statute, which provides for a compromise settlement of a corporation's indebted-

ness if more than two-thirds of the creditors, in amount, desire to effect such a settlement, a small number of objectors cannot block the settlement. In our case while no one welcomed the idea of discounting his paper, yet more than ninety-five per cent of the bondholders agreed that the proposed compromise settlement, under the circumstances, was fair and was all that could be expected. Nearly all of the noteholders likewise consented. Only one noteholder and one bondholder raised a formal protest. The Court's verdict was that this kind of a settlement was not only all that could be expected under the circumstances, but that it was best for all parties concerned. All technicalities in the matter have been completed, and as soon as the hospital can turn over the funds which it is to supply, the notes and bonds will be taken up. We hope this can be done next week.

When the task of paying off our debts is finally completed Arkansas Baptists will have an open field to carry on the work of Missions, Christian Education, and Benevolences, and should make rapid strides in advancing the Kingdom work. Our program is entirely scriptural. Matthew 4:23 and 9:35 sum up the comprehensive task of Christian people. Jesus and the disciples launched the work of the Kingdom upon three great ideas of activity. They are preaching, teaching, and healing. Around these three great ideas Arkansas Baptists propose to advance the Kingdom of Christ.

I. BENEVOLENCES

Arkansas Baptists have three great benevolent institutions that are healing and blessing multiplied numbers of people. They are the Bottoms' Baptist Orphanage in Monticello, the Davis Hospital in Pine Bluff, and the Baptist State Hospital in Little Rock.

1. The Orphanage

Your Orphanage has experienced untold hardships during this year. The receipts from the Cooperative Program have been insufficient to care for the Home as it should be cared for. In addition to this, the Home suffered a disastrous fire last summer which swept away the Main Building and practically all the contents, including stored foodstuffs, cold storage plant, kitchen equipment, etc. An emergency fund amounting to \$8,594.01 was supplied by the churches so that the management of the Home might arrange temporary quarters until a new building could be erected. On the account of the delay in the settlement of our debts this building has not been started. There was a reasonable amount of insurance on the building that was destroyed, but because the Home was under mortgage, and a mortgage clause attached to the insurance policies which are in the hands of the Corporate Trustee in St. Louis, it was deemed the part of wisdom not to undertake to collect this insurance until the debts are settled and the property released from the mortgage. There was approximately \$25,000.00 in insurance on the building and equipment. Your Board most earnestly hopes that in the next few days an administration building can be begun.

The Orphanage is a part of the unified program. Nearly sixteen per cent of the budget this year was allocated to the Orphan-

age. We urge our churches to support the Cooperative Program budget more liberally than the Orphanage may have sufficient funds upon which to operate. Your Board also recommends that liberal donations in foodstuffs and other supplies be made to the Orphanage, and that a liberal offering be made in the churches near Thanksgiving for the Home.

2. Baptist State Hospital

The Baptist State Hospital continues to grow in favor with patients and physicians, and the demands upon it are constantly increasing. The number of patients during the last fiscal year was 4,094. Twenty-six per cent of these were Baptists. There is a continual knock at the door of the hospital for admission of charity patients. This hospital has not only grown in favor but has increased in patronage and has been able to accumulate a reserve fund which, together with what it will be able to obtain from the Ouachita College Endowment Fund in the form of a loan, will enable it to supply its portion of the amount necessary to retire the Convention's bonds and notes. This house of healing is no longer a liability but is a great asset to the Convention. It is not a local institution. During the last year it received patients from approximately 250 towns or communities outside of Little Rock.

3. The Davis Hospital

The Davis Hospital in Pine Bluff, while a smaller institution, is none the less a blessing to the constituency in that section of the State. It is quietly serving a vast number of people in a most strategic section of Arkansas. It is by far the best hospital in the State south of Little Rock. It is the only hospital of any size in Pine Bluff, and serves a great territory. It is ably managed by Superintendent John O. Steele, who will make a report to this Convention.

For a report of the finances of these institutions we refer you to the reports of their Boards of Trustees.

II. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Your Board believes that Christian education is just as important as it ever was; in fact, more so. The decline in morals and the multiplying influences and institutions of evil call for a tightening of the lines of teaching and discipline in our day. We have two colleges in operation, Central College, a standardized Junior College for girls, in Conway, and Ouachita College, our four-year co-educational college, in Arkadelphia.

1. Central College

Central College has maintained a high standing in the state and nation through the years. During the depression it has cleared up its indebtedness and has maintained its standing in the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. It is a high-class school for girls and is operated under high-class Christian influence. Under the wise leadership of President J. S. Rogers this college has been able to maintain its standing and command the interest of a goodly number of fine young people, and do so

without one dime of indebtedness. Its Board of Trustees will report in detail to this Convention.

2. Ouachita College

Ouachita College is increasingly the pride of Arkansas Baptists. Under the efficient leadership of President J. R. Grant the college has made most rapid strides during these hard years. The income from the endowment has been diminished, which made it difficult to operate during the lean years of the depression, but by the sacrifices of the faculty it has gone on and has enjoyed a substantial development each passing year. The enrolment now is about 425. The college is attracting a larger number of young preachers than ever before in its history. There is a fine spirit in the school, and the hopes for the future are bright indeed. The endowment is now producing income that merits commendation for the Investing Committee. The financial income of the college will be better.

There have been two fortunate fires this year. This statement is paradoxical, but it is true. In January the auditorium and conservatory burned and later in the year a major fire occurred in the Main Building but was extinguished before it became disastrous. Out of the ruins of the fires, together with the money that was collected from insurance companies, came a better Administration Building than it was before the fire. We have never seen the Administration Building look quite so beautiful and substantial. In addition, a remodeling of the Girls' Industrial Home has furnished a hall for domestic science, which is both attractive and commodious. Also the Fine Arts Building has been completed on the second floor of the dining hall building. In addition to this, a large building has been virtually completed, which includes a gymnasium, an armory, besides class-rooms and rooms for other activities. Moreover, the walls of a new boys' dormitory will soon be completed, and with about \$10,000.00, which it is hoped the Baptists of the State will supply, this great building is to be completed in the Spring. It sounds like a fairy story, too good to be true, but it is so, thank the Lord.

The educational process embraces vastly more than formal teaching. A true education comprises a great deal more than mere subject matter. There must be a definite interest taken in human personalities, characters must be developed, men and women must be built. With the organized influence of Communism, a lowering of social standards, class hatreds, social strife, and multiplied influences of evil, there must be a renewal of our effort to establish righteousness upon the earth. Perhaps the next twenty-five years will determine whether we shall enter upon a new spiritual renaissance or enter a moral decline characteristic of the Dark Ages. While our churches must take the lead in creating a conviction for higher ideals and for morality, yet the Christian school must follow in a dynamic effort to establish in the minds of the youth the worthwhileness of Christian character and righteous living.

And we can do it. There is no use saying that we cannot. We will not, of course, if we follow the course of least resistance. The potency of Christian culture depends largely upon the persis-

tent influence of our evangelical denominations. We must not yield to opposing influences nor allow our courage and hopes to falter. Baptists must vigorously press the program of Christian education. Your Board has remitted to Ouachita College, including designated contributions, \$3,053.21, and to Central College \$1,002.15 during these eleven months.

3. The Woman's Missionary Union

The Woman's Missionary Union, whose work your Board largely finances, has had another good year. There is not a harder working force in the Kingdom of God than you will find in the office of the Woman's Missionary Union. The results of its work are not always seen in material results. Who can measure the fine influence cast upon our children and young people through the organized work of this department? Who can ever calculate the far-reaching power of the zeal which characterizes our women in their missionary convictions and in the teaching which they constantly carry on. The good women have always been at the forefront in Christ's cause and there has never been a time when it is needed more than in this day when much of the young womanhood is drifting into beer joints and becoming addicted to the use of cigarettes and other things that are destructive to the body and mind and soul of young women. The Woman's Missionary Union promotes every phase of our denominational life and work. While they have their own organization and their own channel of activities, yet they are generous in their support of the activities of the Convention. They raised more than \$4,000.00 for State Missions, giving \$500.00 to your Executive Board to be used in its department of Missions and Evangelism. This organization reports 320 mission study classes conducted during the first nine months of the year; \$4,303.29 given for Home Missions. Their Foreign Mission offering comes this month. Their Convention held in El Dorado last April was a high point in the history of their organization. Your Board is grateful also for a gift of \$2,000.00 from this organization to the Redemption Fund to be used in the settlement of our debts. These women are busy in training human souls. Your Board has contributed to this organization \$4,583.33 during the first eleven months of this year.

4. Sunday School and Baptist Training Union

This department has enjoyed a good year under the leadership of its new secretary, Rev. Edgar Williamson. This is an exceedingly important department of our Baptist work. It would be difficult to find an organization that accomplishes such far-reaching results in the matter of training and developing our Baptist constituency. Its accomplishments in training Sunday School teachers and church workers are not duplicated anywhere else in the Kingdom of God. The department sponsors study courses, assists in enlargement campaigns, supervises other activities and disseminates such information as is needed by the workers of the churches over the state. One assembly has been conducted. Other meetings held were: eight district Vacation Bible School Conferences; five District Training Union Conferences; one State Associational Sunday School Officers Meeting in February; and one State Associational Training Union Meeting in April.

While your Board deplored the losing of Secretary J. P. Edmunds, yet it is gratifying to see the department succeeding under the supervision of Secretary Williamson. He is so well qualified and knows so much about this type of work that there was not even a lull in the continuity of service rendered by this great department. For details we refer you to his report.

5. Baptist Student Union

The Baptist Student Union is rapidly becoming a useful and important phase of our work. Your Board has not created a department for this work, but gives encouragement through the Headquarters' offices to the work of the B. S. U. Convention, as well as to the local organizations in the colleges. At present there are seven of these organizations. There is one in Monticello A. & M. College, one in Central College at Conway, one in State Teachers College in Conway, one in the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, one in Ouachita College in Arkadelphia, one in Henderson State Teachers College in Arkadelphia, and one at Magnolia A. & M. College. Mr. Walter Brewster of Monticello is the president of the state organization. A very successful convention was held in Conway early in November.

6. "Arkansas Baptist" and Book Store

The "Arkansas Baptist," our state paper, is still under lease contract to Rev. J. I. Cossey, the Convention paying \$2,000.00 annually for space in the paper.

The Baptist Book Store is owned and operated by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

III. MISSIONS

Unquestionably the supreme need now of Arkansas Baptists, spiritually or otherwise, is for unquenchable missionary fires increasingly to burn in New Testament fashion in everyone of us. Some of our churches have grieved the heart of Christ this year by giving nothing to missions. Others have given no more in a whole year for missions than they have paid the pastor for one month. Some churches have made plans to do something for missions but have not carried out the plans. Others have had no plans at all. Even the angels of Heaven cannot justify such a course. If we try to excuse ourselves on the plea that our people are not able we only have to remind ourselves that in the membership of practically every church there are many times as much money put into automobiles and the operation of them, as well as into other things, some of which are not essential, than is given to missions. We do not say this by way of harsh criticism but in agony of soul as we have seen the precious cause of missions neglected and forgotten in the scramble for worldly possessions.

Arkansas Baptists are not doing enough for Foreign Missions. We are well aware of this fact. Neither are Arkansas Baptists doing enough for Home Missions, or any of the other Southwide Causes. We ought to be giving forty-five or fifty per cent of the State budget to Southwide Causes. We can do it if our churches

will finance a larger budget and support missions with a conscience. Your Board has remitted during the first eleven months of this year, both in designated and undesignated receipts, \$16,304.11 to Southern Baptist Convention agencies for Southwide Causes.

Missions is preaching the gospel of the Son of God to lost souls regardless of their geographical home. Missions is grounded in the Divine plan of the ages. In reality there is little justification in quibbling over the net results. It is ours to carry the Words of Life to men in sinful strife. If God were saving men without our ministry, it would still be our responsibility to share the love of Christ with this lost world.

1. State Missions

This has been a good year in our State Mission operations. During most of the year we have had three general evangelists at work. On September 30, Evangelist E. W. Milner tendered his resignation and since that time has not been connected with the Board. Earl Herrington of Hope and C. L. Randall of Little Rock are still with us. All three of the evangelists gave a month and a half of their time early in the year to the Redemption movement. Hence one of them has worked at State Missions only seven and a half months and the other two have worked nine and one-half months. They have reported 614 professions of faith during these months. We urge our churches to use these men.

Your Board has also assisted the following associations in employing associational missionaries: Big Creek, Current River-Gainesville, Independence, Rocky Bayou, White County, White River, and Woodruff County. These brethren have reported 227 additions to the churches through their ministry. A tabulated report of State Mission results will be found under "Exhibit C" of this report.

During the eleven months of the year your Board has received for State Missions and evangelism through the Cooperative Program and designated gifts \$13,084.78, of which \$5,838.27 was received through State Mission special offerings which began in October.

FINANCES

During the year your Board majored on the task of settling our debts. In April the General Director of the Campaign resigned and the General Secretary was instructed to carry out the plans and program for the settlement of the debts. Finally we reached the goal, in cash and assurances, of \$200,000.00. May and June were spent in getting the creditors to give us written consent on the plan of settlement. In July the legal end of the plan was worked out with the Corporate Trustee and the plan was filed, looking toward a court settlement of the obligations. August and September were given to working out the technicalities, and in October the Court approved the plan. In October details were completed and the action of the hospital awaited. There has been very little time this year for the promotion of the work of the Convention and for stressing in an organized way the Cooperative Program.

The Cooperative Program, therefore, has suffered this year, although we have collected nearly as much in eleven months as we

did in twelve last year. As we gather reports we find there are five reasons for the main plan of our current work falling short of the goal. First, as above stated, it was not vigorously promoted because our major interest was the settlement of our debts. Second, many churches gave heavily to the Redemption Fund, some even borrowing the money and taxing their budgets to repay. Third, later in the year some of the brethren lost patience and faith in the possibility of the settlement of our debts. This might have been an excuse, but excuses hinder. Fourth, in many instances churches had large debts and had side-tracked the payments thereon giving the Redemption Campaign preference. Many of these debts had had little attention during the depression and something had to be done about them this year. Fifth, many of our church leaders have not recognized missions as a part of the Divine Plan and program. We regret to say that some treat it as a side issue and give to missions only when there is a surplus of funds in the church treasury. The amount of the budget receipts for the eleven months is \$43,753.99; the amount of specials for items in the budget, \$14,753.84; other designations, \$10,209.23; total amount received by your Board, including contributions from the Sunday School Board but not including the Redemption receipts, is \$74,867.06. The Redemption receipts are as follows: cash: \$160,278.16; securities, \$14,193.58; reported raised but held in trust by certain churches, \$25,958.03; amount expended, none. Your Board has received also for Flood Relief \$1,350.00 from the S. B. C. Executive Committee.

Inasmuch as the year is not yet completed a complete financial statement cannot be given but will be published as usual in the Minutes of the Convention.

THE FUTURE

There is nothing that we can see now that might prevent the settlement of our debts during this month. With an open field ahead Arkansas Baptists can and will go forward on their great triple program of Benevolences, Christian education and Missions. God has opened marvelous opportunities for Baptists in Arkansas. In our own field there is absolutely nothing that is difficult in the work except the problem of getting our people to give financial support. Baptists are in the lead numerically. Its people are mostly agricultural and are peculiarly susceptible to the New Testament doctrines. There are very few who do not speak the English language and there are no other difficulties that prevent our entering any field in the State.

We are not a small people. We are as strong as the great grace of God can make us. Many of us are crushingly ashamed of the little we have been doing. The depression gave us an inferiority complex from which we have not been willing to recover.

For the year 1938 we plan for our State Mission program to include a general evangelist in each of the four quarters of the State and to assist in paying the salaries of at least twenty associational missionaries.

Within the next four years we ought to have at least six general evangelists and be helping thirty-five associations to pay their missionaries, add two more great buildings to Ouachita College

and give the College another \$100,000.00 endowment, and have sufficient buildings at the Orphanage to care for at least two hundred children.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Missionary Program is the program employed by practically all the Southern States as a method of unifying and coordinating the work of both the State and Southern Baptist Conventions. It is simply a method in which the Southern Baptist Convention joins with the State Convention and through which the two conventions support the various enterprises of benevolence, Christian education, and missions. The unified budget, which includes all phases of benevolences, Christian education, and missions, is the financial plan of financing the program.

As we have said before so say we once again, the Cooperative Program is our brightest hope for the future development and unity of our work. Of course, any one has the inalienable right to designate funds, but designations are discriminations, and discriminations finally lead to eliminations, and eliminations are nothing short of exterminations. Arkansas Baptists cannot hope to carry on successfully without a unified program, and a unified program calls for a unified budget. Your Board believes that the churches of this Convention can find no better method of supporting the New Testament program than the Cooperative Program offers. We cannot hope to go afield for a special offering every time one of our causes needs money. We must soon come to the day when each one of our causes may have an adequate allocation of funds in the unified budget and redouble our efforts to enlist our churches in this plan of financing the work.

OUR DEPARTED

We would not close this report without mentioning the incalculable loss which your Board sustained in the home-going of Dr. Arden Blaylock. His perpetual prayer-life, his sacrificial service, his far-reaching vision, his earnest application, and his persistent determination made him of immeasurable value to the work of our organization. In his home-going last March your Board lost one of its best and most faithful members.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Your Board recommends the following program and budget for 1938:

1. That the Cooperative Missionary Program and the unified budget be heartily supported by all of our churches during 1938.
2. An organized movement to interest farmers in the God's Acre plan.
3. A well organized effort to get 500 churches to contribute regularly to Cooperative Missions.
4. A vigorous evangelistic campaign during the summer months.
5. A rehabilitation of our Baptistically neglected communities, through the efforts of our missionaries assisted by nearby pastors.

6. A concentrated effort to enlist fourth-time churches in contributing to Cooperative Missions monthly if possible, or at least quarterly and all other churches at least monthly.
 7. An urgent request that the churches increase the mission percentages in their budgets.
 8. That "tithes and offerings" be emphasized as the scriptural method of supporting the Kingdom work.
 9. We recommend unreservedly to our Baptist people the adoption of the Cooperative Missionary Program as the safest, simplest and most economical method of working together which we have yet tried, and we urge all our pastors and church members to join with enthusiasm in the campaign to carry information about the program to every church. As a means of instruction and as a source of supplemental income for some of our agencies, we recommend heartily the special seasons of emphasis provided for in the Calendar of Time of the Southern Baptist Convention and urge the churches to use the programs as a means of instruction and to take the offerings as a method of enlarging the grace of giving among our people.
 10. We also recommend that the agencies of the convention respect the Calendar of Time suggested by the Southern Baptist Convention and refrain from any plans to go before the churches with appeals for designated funds except during the seasons provided for such appeals, and we fraternally request South-wide Boards and agencies to refrain from straining our fellowship and disarranging our programs by seeking out-of-season designated funds from our churches.
- II. We recommend that the churches subscribe to the following budget for 1938:

I. PROMOTIONAL BUDGET (Preferred)

Administration	\$ 8,000
Promotion	3,000
W. M. U.	5,000
S. S. and B. T. U.	7,500 (\$3,600 from S. S. Board)
	\$23,500

II. STATE BUDGET

Orphanage	\$12,000
Missions and Evangelism	14,000
Ouachita College	3,000
Central College	2,000
Baptist State Hospital	5,000
Ministerial Education	1,000
	\$37,000

III. SOUTHWIDE OBJECTS..... 28,000

TOTAL.....\$88,500

L. M. SIPES, President

B. L. BRIDGES, Gen'l. Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"
EXECUTIVE BOARD
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION
BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1937

ASSETS

Cash—Trust Funds on Hand and in Banks		\$ 17,166.77
Advanced on Bonds—Baptist State Hospital's Tender in Debt Settlement (Paid January 7, 1938)		3,500.00
Stock—Arkansas Printing and Lithographing Company		100.00
Furniture and Fixtures—Office		1,504.15
Other Assets		
Real Estate—Book Value	5,400.00	
Real Estate Expense—Taxes Paid	15.47	
Funds Deposited With St. Louis Union Trust Company, Trustee—Old Bond Issue	21.20	5,436.67
Fund Overdrafts		
Baptist Advance	449.40	
Baptist State Hospital	14.34	
Arkansas Baptist Assembly	723.56	
Central College	1,587.73	
Christian Education Debt	907.98	
Mountain Home College	151.22	
Ouachita College	849.33	
State Missions Debt	1,734.70	
Baptist Woman's Missionary Union	340.58	6,759.34
Total Assets		\$34,466.93

LIABILITIES

Reserves and Special Funds		
Mrs. Julia E. Davis—Donation	1,500.00	
Home Mission Board—Southern Baptist Convention	900.00	
Office Building Reserve	2,535.52	
State Missions Endowment Fund	15,686.08	20,621.60
Fund Credit Balances		
Church Building Fund	180.00	
Flood Relief	620.75	
Administration—Current	2,384.23	
Ministerial Education	103.00	
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage—Building Fund	88.68	
State Missions	6,964.37	
Sunday School and B. T. U.	783.39	
Sunday School and B. T. U. Special	400.00	
Student Work	33.34	
Unappropriated	2,023.39	
Debt Service	264.18	13,845.33
Total Liabilities		\$34,466.93

WE HEREBY CERTIFY That we have audited the books and records of the Executive Secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention for the year ended December 31, 1937, and that, in our opinion, the above statement correctly reflects the financial condition as of that date.

Little Rock, Arkansas,
January 18, 1938.

RUSSELL BROWN & CO.
Members American Institute Accounts.

EXHIBIT "B"
EXECUTIVE BOARD
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

**Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements January 1, 1937, to
 December 31, 1937, Inclusive**

Trust Funds—Cash on Hand and in Banks January 1, 1937		17,839.29
Cash Receipts		
Cooperative Program Contributions—Undesignated	49,548.16	
Designated Contributions:		
Baptist State Hospital	73.78	
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	1,417.53	
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Building Fund	88.68	
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Emergency Fund	5,528.89	
Ouachita College	1,446.24	
Ouachita College Building Fund	250.00	
S. S. and B. T. U. Enlargement Campaigns	60.00	
Vacation Bible School	1.80	
State Missions	6,616.89	
State Evangelism	3,162.04	
Ministerial Education	5.75	
Church Building Fund	180.00	
Arkansas Baptist Assembly	100.00	
State Floating Debt	225.00	
Flood Relief	77.99	
Foreign Missions	2,275.22	
Home Missions	367.66	
Hundred Thousand Club	4,356.39	
Old Ministers Relief	132.76	
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Endowment	3.40	
Total Designated Contributions	26,370.02	
Total Cash Contributions	75,918.18	
Miscellaneous Cash Receipts:		
From Sunday School Board—		
For S. S. and B. T. U. Dept.	3,900.00	
For S. S. and B. T. U. Special	500.00	
For S. S. and B. T. U. 1938 Promotion Work	400.00	
For Jonesboro Enlargement Campaign	50.00	
For Student Work	500.00	
For Vacation Bible Schools	250.00	
Less: Refund to S. S. Board	31.12	218.88
	5,568.88	
Interest on State Mission Endowment Fund	50.00	
From Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention, for Flood Relief	1,350.00	
Total Miscellaneous Cash Receipts	6,968.88	
Total Cash Receipts	82,887.06	
Total Cash to be Accounted for—Forwarded	100,726.35	

EXHIBIT "B"—(Continued)
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements (Continued)

Total Cash to be Accounted for—Brought Forward 100,726.35

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Administration Expenses	8,485.71	
Less: Refund	33.70	8,452.01
Promotion & Convention Expenses	3,296.82	
Less: Refunds	15.05	3,281.77
Office Furniture (Steel Storage and Filing Cabinets)		71.35
S. S. and B. T. U. Dept. Expenses		7,913.13
S. S. and B. T. U. Special Expenses		439.18
S. S. and B. T. U. Vacation Bible School Expenses		170.68
STUDENT WORK:		
First Baptist Church, Fayetteville	300.00	
First Baptist Church, Conway	66.66	
First Baptist Church, Monticello	166.63	533.29
State Mission Expenses		8,126.33
Woman's Missionary Union	5,258.00	
Less: Expenses Refunded	258.00	5,000.00
The Arkansas Baptist—Rent	204.00	
Less: Expenses Refunded	204.00	
Camp Pike Real Estate Expense		3.00
Bond Loan Expenses		474.44
House, Moses & Holmes, Attys. (Printing, Court and Other Legal Expenses)		261.73
Otto Whittington, General Director, Debt-Paying Campaign	2,650.00	
Less: Refund	54.53	2,595.47
Debt Paying Campaign Expense		13.50
Mrs. Mattie M. Burke Annuity		215.00
Mrs. Julia E. Davis Annuity		120.00
Paid on Principal of Notes		616.66
Interest Paid on Notes		16.00
H. D. Morton, partial payment on his claim against Mountain Home College		1,800.00
Ministerial Student Aid		402.75
Flood Relief—Remitted to Churches Damaged by Flood		745.00
Debt Service—Expenses, B. L. Bridges		54.60
Remitted to B. L. Bridges, Trustee Redemption Fund		1,980.02
Remitted to St. Louis Union Trust Co., Trustee, Arkansas Baptist State Convention Bonds		1,772.89
Remitted to Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention:		
Southwide Causes—Undesignated	11,659.27	
Flood Relief—Designated	62.24	
Hundred Thousand Club—Designated	4,356.39	
Foreign Missions—Designated	674.05	
Home Missions—Designated	364.66	
Old Ministers Relief	130.76	17,247.37
Remitted to Foreign Mission Board		1,601.17
Remitted to Home Mission Board		3.00
Remitted to Southern Baptist Theological Seminary		3.40
Remitted to Relief & Annuity Board, Sou. Bapt. Conv.		2.00
Remitted to Baptist State Hospital		73.78
Remitted to Arkansas Baptist Assembly		100.00
Remitted to Central College		1,165.92
Remitted to Bottoms Baptist Orphanage		9,328.96
Paid to Arkansas Gazette (Ad for Orphanage)		1.17
Remitted to Bottoms Baptist Orphanage (Emergency Fund)		5,498.39
Orphanage Emergency Relief Expense—Telegrams		30.50
Remitted to Ouachita College		3,195.12
Remitted to Ouachita College—Building Fund		250.00

Total Cash Disbursements

83,559.58

Trust Funds—Cash on Hand and in Banks December 31, 1937

\$ 17,166.77

EXHIBIT "C"

EXECUTIVE BOARD
 ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

SALARIES:

B. L. Bridges, General Secretary	3,900.00	
Ruth DeWoody, Bookkeeper-Stenographer	1,800.00	5,700.00
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Extra office Help		537.02
Postage	806.70	
Less: Refund	33.70	773.00
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Office Supplies, Printing and Stationery		296.76
Telephone-Telegraph		225.72
Office Rent		339.00
Auditing		150.00
Adding Machine Maintenance		9.00
Todd Check Writer—Overhauling and New Parts		13.25
Typewriter Repairs		1.62
Pro Rata Expense of Cleaning and Repairing Mimeograph		3.33
Brief Case		5.31
Ice and Janitor's Service		16.60
Water		7.50
Bank Charges		4.17
Express Charges on Associational Letter Blanks		
From Nashville, Tennessee		1.55
Premiums on Employees' Surety Bonds:		
B. L. Bridges	50.00	
Ruth DeWoody	40.00	90.00
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Books on Baptist History		9.85
Floral Design—A. P. Blaylock Funeral		50.00
Associational Leaders' Expenses in Securing		
Information for General Secretary's Office		3.46
H. D. Morton—Expenses incurred in transfer of		
vacant lot at Mountain Home		5.90
E. L. Bridges, Traveling Expenses		208.97
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Total Administration Expenses		8,452.01

PROMOTION AND CONVENTION EXPENSES

The Arkansas Baptist—Back Page		1,000.00
The Arkansas Baptist—Extra Space Used in		
November 25 Issue		6.00
The Arkansas Baptist—Extra Charge for		
Publishing Quarterly Receipts		22.50
Cuts	30.56	
Less: Refund	2.80	27.76
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E. L. Bridges, Traveling Expenses		439.97
Printing 1,200 Cooperative Program Posters		149.46
Printing 10,000 Catechisms		188.88
Printing Address Labels		11.98
Tithing and Stewardship Tracts		62.91
State Evangelistic Conference		223.41
Executive Board and Committee Meetings		543.37
Printing 1,000 State Convention Enrollment Cards for		
Meeting at Paragould		3.75
Printing 1,000 State Convention Enrollment Cards for		
Meeting at Ft. Smith		5.87
Printing 1,000 Badges for State Convention at Paragould		24.99
Printing 1,000 State Convention Programs for		
Meeting at Paragould		16.49
Printing 800 Copies Executive Board Report		
to State Convention at Paragould		49.98

EXHIBIT "C"—(Continued)

EXECUTIVE BOARD
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Printing 300 Copies Executive Board Report to State Convention at Ft. Smith	50.24
J. B. Luck, Recording and Statistical Secretary (Paragould Convention)	109.75
J. B. Luck, Recording and Statistical Secretary (On Account—Ft. Smith Convention)	25.00
Printing 1,000 Minutes State Convention at Paragould	142.52
Postage Used in Mailing Paragould Convention Minutes	31.50
Freight Charges on State Convention Minutes Shipped from Magnolia	2.38
L. A. Sparkman, Expenses Incidental to Work of Committee to Report to Convention at Paragould on Military Training in Ouachita College	11.00
V. E. Wolber, B. S. U. Convention Expenses	20.00
B. S. U. Bulletin Expenses	10.00
Earl Herrington, Expenses Attending Associations	20.00
B. V. Ferguson, Expenses Attending Crooked Creek Assn.	8.00
L. M. Sipes, Expenses Attending Dardanelle-Russellville Assn.	3.25
O. M. Stallings, Expenses Attending Rocky Bayou Assn.	4.00
E. B. Abington, Expenses Attending Arkansas Valley Assn.	4.00
Printing 10,000 Cooperative Program Tracts	44.17
10,000 Pledge Cards	10.72
Cloth Banner for State Convention at Ft. Smith	4.00
600 Printed Letters	16.17
Total Promotion and Convention Expenses	3,294.02
Less: Expense Refunds	12.25

3,281.77

EXHIBIT "D"
STATE MISSION FUND

**Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements January 1, 1937, to
December 31, 1937, Inclusive**

State Mission Fund Balance January 1, 1937			581.02
STATE MISSION RECEIPTS			
Transferred from "Unappropriated Fund"		600.00	
Pro Rata 1937 Cooperative Program Undesignated Receipts		4,080.75	
Designated Receipts—State Missions		6,116.89	
Designated Receipts—State Evangelism		3,162.04	
W. M. U. "Week of Prayer"		500.00	
Interest on State Mission Endowment Fund		50.00	
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Total State Mission Receipts			14,500.63
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Total State Mission Fund to be Accounted for			15,090.70
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STATE MISSION EXPENSES			
PAID TO STATE EVANGELISTS			
Earl Herrington, Salary 10½ months	2,362.50		
Earl Herrington, Expenses	215.81	2,578.31	
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E. W. Milner, Salary 7½ months	1,500.00		
E. W. Milner, Expenses	116.65	1,616.65	
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C. L. Randall, Salary 10½ months	2,100.00		
C. L. Randall, Expenses	57.08	2,157.08	
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			6,352.04
ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION WORK			
Big Creek Association—W. B. O'Neal	130.00		
Buckner Association—W. A. Bishop	180.00		
Current River—Gainesville Associations— W. J. Taylor	300.00		
Independence Association—G. G. Wright	150.00		
White River Association—P. W. Clappitt	300.00		
Woodruff County Association—Ira Cooper	170.00		
Caddo River Association:			
Reese Howard	15.00		
H. H. Bridges	15.00		
Hugh Cantrell	15.00		
Cecil Gammill	15.00		
Keith Babb	5.00		
D. A. Dalby	15.00		
Sam Sherman	10.00	90.00	
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Rocky Bayou Association:			
F. F. Weaver	20.00		
Curtis Puryear	10.00		
W. H. McCuiston	10.00		
J. N. Weaver	10.00	50.00	
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Rocky Bayou Association—Hugh Cooper	162.00		
Mississippi County Association—Harvey Gray	25.00	1,557.00	
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MISCELLANEOUS STATE MISSION EXPENSES			
Printing 10,000 State Mission Tracts	61.81		
Overprinting Offering Envelopes for State Mission Day	21.00		
Extra Charge by the Arkansas Baptist for Evangelistic Issue of the Paper	11.00		
The Arkansas Baptist—Extra Charge for Space and Expense of Publishing State Mission Receipts	9.50		
Postage—State Mission Day Promotion	75.28		
State Mission Day Program Material	32.45		
D. D. Seger, Expenses Promoting State Mission Offering in Miss. Co. Ass'n.	6.25	217.29	
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Total State Mission Expenses			8,126.33
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Balance in State Mission Fund December 31, 1937			6,964.37

EXHIBIT "E"

S. S. AND B. T. U. DEPARTMENT—REGULAR FUND

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements January 1, 1937, to
December 31, 1937, Inclusive

Cash Reserve Fund—January 1, 1937		675.70
Receipts		
1937 Budget (Cooperative Program)	3,900.00	
From Sunday School Board	3,900.00	
Transferred from S. S. and B. T. U.		
Special Funds	220.82	8,020.82
		<u>8,696.52</u>
Disbursements		
SALARIES:		
J. P. Edmunds (2 months)	450.00	
Edgar Williamson (10 months)	2,250.00	
Mrs. Grace Hamilton	1,350.00	
Mrs. Ref Gray	900.00	4,950.00
Extra Office Help		9.20
J. P. Edmunds, Traveling Expenses		124.79
Edgar Williamson, Traveling Expenses		641.73
Edgar Williamson, Moving Expenses		67.00
Postage		413.24
Office Rent		219.00
Telephone-Telegraph		148.56
Incidental Office Expenses		18.05
Ice and Janitor's Service		16.10
Books		6.57
Shrader Studio—4 Glossy Prints, E. Williamson		4.08
Arkansas Baptist Subscriptions (36 Associational B. T. U. Directors and S. S. Supts., for 3 months)		4.50
Dictaphone Stand		4.69
Costumer		6.12
Rug		3.46
Electric Fan		12.25
L. C. Smith Silent Typewriter		117.60
Royal Portable Typewriter		55.90
Typewriter Rental		1.50
Underwood Typewriter Repair Service		10.08
Dictaphone Repair Service		4.55
Electric Fans—Repair Service		4.80
Pro Rata Expense of Cleaning and Repairing Mimeograph		3.33
The Arkansas Baptist—Space Used in Paper by S. S. and B. T. U. Dept.		500.00
Roland Lawrence, Rural Work		15.00
State B. T. U. Conference Expense		32.45
State S. S. Conference Expense		55.47
Expenses to Ridgcrest and Return, of State Contest Winners of Intermediate Sword Drill and State Better Speakers' Contests		68.00
Jonesboro Enlargement Campaign Expenses		21.46
Framing Picture		1.75
Office Supplies, Printing and Stationery		371.90
Total Cash Disbursements—Regular Fund		<u>7,913.13</u>
Cash Balance—S. S. and B. T. U. Dept. Regular Fund December 31, 1937		783.39

EXHIBIT "F"

S. S. AND B. T. U. SPECIAL FUNDS

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements January 1, 1937, to December 31, 1937, Inclusive

Receipts—Special Funds

FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD FOR:			
Vacation Bible Schools	250.00		
Less: Refund to S. S. Board	31.12	218.88	
Jonesboro Enlargement Campaign		50.00	
Assembly and Other Expenses		500.00	
S. S. and B. T. U. 1938 Promotion Work		400.00	1,168.88
DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS:			
Vacation Bible Schools	1.80		
Jonesboro Enlargement Campaign	50.00		
Trumann Enlargement Campaign	10.00	61.80	
			<u>1,230.68</u>

Disbursements Special Funds

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL EXPENSES:			
Geo. R. Wilson, Honorarium and Expenses	48.31		
Edgar Williamson, Expenses	66.97		
L. C. Tedford, Honorarium and Expenses	17.00		
E. B. Abington, Expenses	3.44		
A. H. Moore, Expenses	7.17		
Bert R. Kime Co., Moving Picture Material	27.79		
S. S. and B. T. U. Dept.—V. B. S. Promotion Expense	50.00	220.68	
JONESBORO ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN HONORARIUMS:			
Mrs. E. Rawlings	20.00		
Mrs. H. N. Bleir	20.00		
H. B. Reynolds	20.00		
R. E. Naylor	20.00		
Mrs. R. E. Naylor	20.00	100.00	
Trumann Enlargement Campaign—H. B. Reynolds		10.00	
FORREST CITY ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN:			
Geo. R. Wilson	10.00		
Clio Wolf	10.00		
Mrs. Edgar Williamson	10.00	30.00	
Paid to Arkansas Baptist Assembly	125.00		
Arkansas Baptist Assembly—Postage	29.41		
Sign for Auditorium, Baptist Assembly	2.50		
Badges, Baptist Assembly	3.00	159.91	
Postage		25.00	
R. W. Lawrence, Honorarium, Work in Big Creek Ass'n.		25.00	
Hugh Cantrell, Honorarium and Expenses, Work in Woodruff County, Fourche Valley, Carroll County and Little Red River Associations		89.27	
S. S. and B. T. U. Dept. Expenses		170.82	
			<u>830.68</u>
Balance on Hand for 1938 S. S. and B. T. U. Promotion Work			400.00

EXHIBIT "G"

**EXECUTIVE BOARD
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION**

**B. L. Bridges, Trustee
Redemption Fund**

Information relating to Retirement of Bonded Debt and Outstanding Notes of Executive Board of Arkansas Baptist State Convention, in accordance with offer of Bondholders Protective Committee and upon approval of Federal Court.

Requirements			
Bonds to be Retired		* 821,700.00	
Less:			
Bonds turned in by Baptist State Hospital for Credit	21,500.00		
Bonds Acquired During Campaign	9,600.00	31,100.00	
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Bonds to be Paid at .35		796,600.00	276,710.00
Notes to be Retired		182,685.57	
Less:			
Notes Acquired During Campaign		30,953.08	
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Notes to be Paid at .35		151,732.49	53,106.37
Funds to be set aside for purpose of completing partial payment of 16 2/3% on Coupons due February 1, 1931			586.00
Expenses in Connection With Debt Settlement			6,365.28
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Total Requirement			336,767.65
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Funds Provided			
Cash Contributions from Churches and Members	186,406.17		
Cash from Baptist State Hospital	142,580.18		
Expenses Charged to Debt Service Fund	3,873.56		
Requirement for completing partial payment of Interest			
Coupons paid from Funds held by St. Louis Union Trust Company, Trustee		586.00	
Paid on Expenses from Funds held by St. Louis Union Trust Company, Trustee		2,084.98	
Funds sent to St. Louis Union Trust Company, Trustee by Bondholders Committee to be used for Expenses Advanced by Executive Board		406.74	830.02
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Total Funds Provided			336,767.65
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* Included in outstanding bonds to be retired were \$10,000.00 turned in to Executive Board by Baptist State Hospital, to be collected by Executive Board at .35 and proceeds to be used in settlement of Bonds and Notes.

EXHIBIT "H"

Summary of Work Done By State Missionary-Evangelists and By Associational Missionaries Whose Salaries Were Supplemented By State Board During 1937—January 1 To December 31, Inclusive

	EARL HERINGTON	E. W. MILNER	C. L. RANDALL	GRAND TOTALS STATE EVANGELISTS	TOTALS ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES	GRAND TOTALS— STATE AND ASSN. MISSIONARIES
Days Labored	365	273	365	1,003	1,798	2,801
Sermons and Addresses	350	476	738	1,614	1,478	3,092
Religious Visits	445	421	364	1,230	3,799	5,029
Revival Meetings Held	12	13	17	42	54	96
Professions Witnessed	92	230	299	621	190	811
Received for Baptism	86	157	287	530	126	656
Total Additions	136	241	377	754	241	995
Churches Organized	—	—	—	—	4	4
Sunday Schools Organized	1	—	—	1	9	10
B. T. U.'s Organized	4	—	—	4	4	8
W. M. Societies Organized	—	—	—	—	2	2
Subscriptions to Arkansas Baptist	1	—	56	57	51	108
Tracts Distributed	—	15,602	24,650	40,252	8,159	48,411
Collected for State Missions	\$1,005.04	\$ 968.31	\$1,248.69	\$3,222.04	\$ 61.21	\$3,283.25
Collected for Cooperative Program	—	—	—	—	44.38	44.38
Collected for Redemption Campaign	—	—	—	—	33.10	33.10
Collected for Other Causes	423.00	—	5.00	428.00	2,138.16	2,566.16
Total Collections	1,428.04	968.31	1,253.69	3,650.04	2,276.85	5,926.89
Salary Paid by State Board from						
State Mission Fund	2,362.50	1,500.00	2,100.00	5,962.50	1,532.00	7,494.50
Expenses Paid by State Board:						
From State Mission Fund	215.81	116.65	57.08	389.54	—	389.54
From Promotion Fund	20.00	—	—	20.00	—	20.00
Salary Paid by General Director of						
Redemption Campaign (1 1/2 mo.)	337.50	300.00	300.00	937.50	—	937.50
Expenses Paid by General Director of						
Redemption Campaign	83.35	90.10	82.17	255.62	—	255.62

NOTE—During last half of February and the month of March the State Evangelists worked in interest of Redemption Campaign and their salary and expenses during this time were paid by the General Director of the Redemption Campaign and were not charged to State Missions.

EXHIBIT "I"

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS
JANUARY 1, 1937, TO DECEMBER 31, 1937, INCLUSIVE**

	Cooperative Program— Undesignated	Designated	Designated (Sent Direct)	Totals
State Causes				
Administration	\$ 8,500.00			\$ 8,500.00
Promotion & Convention	3,000.00			3,000.00
S. S. and B. T. U.	3,900.00			3,900.00
S. S. and B. T. U. Special		60.00		60.00
Vacation Bible School		1.80		1.80
Arkansas Baptist Assembly		100.00		100.00
State Missions & Evangelism	4,080.75	9,778.93		13,859.68
Woman's Missionary Union	5,000.00			5,000.00
Church Building		180.00		180.00
Baptist State Hospital		73.78	3,015.22	3,089.00
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	6,412.60	1,417.53	2,733.06	10,563.19
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Specials			3,924.41	3,924.41
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Bldg.		88.68		88.68
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Emergency		5,528.89	3,065.10	8,593.99
Central College	1,165.92		293.78	1,459.70
Ministerial Education		5.75		5.75
Ouachita College	1,748.88	1,446.24	64.52	3,259.64
Ouachita College Bldg.		250.00		250.00
State Mission Debt			5.00	5.00
State Floating Debt		225.00	101.70	326.70
Debt Service	4,080.74			4,080.74
Flood Relief		77.99		77.99
Southern Baptist Convention Causes				
Southwide Causes—				
Cooperative Program	11,659.27			11,659.27
Home Missions		367.66	3,830.61	4,198.27
Foreign Missions		2,275.22	11,628.38	13,903.60
Old Ministers' Relief		132.76		132.76
Hundred Thousand Club		4,356.39		4,356.39
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Endowment		3.40		3.40
	<u>\$49,548.16</u>	<u>\$26,370.02</u>	<u>\$28,661.78</u>	<u>\$104,579.96</u>

NOTE—The foregoing statement does not include contributions to the Redemption Fund, which totaled \$200,599.75, of which \$46,545.36 was received by B. L. Bridges, Trustee, during 1936 and \$153,924.39 during 1937.

EXHIBIT "J"
ARKANSAS BAPTIST REDEMPTION CAMPAIGN
OTTO WHITINGTON, GENERAL DIRECTOR
1936-1937

Received of B. L. Bridges, General Secretary, for Expenses of Redemption Campaign		7,600.00
Less: Amount Refunded		54.53
		<hr/> 7,545.47
Expenses Paid by Otto Whittington, General Director		
Otto Whittington, Honorarium	1,500.00	
Otto Whittington, Expenses	1,182.62	
Immanuel Baptist Church Pulpit Supply:		
J. H. Reynolds	10.00	
Marsh Whittington	10.00	20.00
Albert DeMers, for chauffeuring Otto Whittington, General Director, on trips over state in interest of Redemption Campaign		120.00
Mrs. Harold Williams, Stenographer		879.00
Extra Office Help		6.25
Printing, Stationery and Office Supplies		484.02
Postage		418.65
Telephone-Telegraph		252.98
Bank Charges		2.77
Debt Paying Campaign Committee Luncheon, 10-5-36		3.57
B. V. Ferguson, Expenses Attending Debt Paying Campaign Committee Meeting		4.75
O. L. Powers, Expenses Attending Debt Paying Campaign Committee Meeting		7.00
Geo. R. Wilson, Expenses to Hamburg to Speak on Campaign		9.40
Geo. R. Wilson, El Dorado Radio Broadcast		6.75
Rental on Loud Speaker at All State Rally, 10-5-36		7.50
Expenses of Ouachita Quartet to All State Rally, 10-5-36		5.00
Arden P. Blaylock, State Organizer, Traveling Expenses		315.17
T. H. Jordan, Expenses of Trip to Arkansas Valley Association in Interest of Redemption Campaign		8.78
Expenses of Associational Organizers Attending All State Rally in Little Rock, 10-5-36		40.40
Associational Organizers' and Speakers' Expenses:		
E. Butler Abington, Earle		21.56
Alfred Carpenter, Blytheville		15.92
O. F. Walker, Paragould		3.20
Russell Duffer, Marmaduke		11.85
L. D. Eppinette, Pine Bluff		15.00
E. D. Estes, Little Rock		17.50
T. C. Hart, Eudora		10.00
Reese S. Howard, Amity		39.27
A. J. Hyatt, McCrory		5.64
Joe Fred Luck, Carlisle		30.45
Grover C. Prince, Forrest City		12.98
E. Rawlings, Pine Bluff		16.00
L. M. Sipes, Little Rock		12.00
O. M. Stallings, Batesville		12.72
L. A. Sparkman, Augusta		32.20
L. D. Summers, Mena		174.17
H. F. Vermillion, Melbourne		12.40
W. R. Vestal, Marianna		5.32
C. B. Waller, Little Rock		12.24
Perry P. Webb, Pine Bluff		29.94
Troy V. Wheeler, Russellville		35.00
H. E. Williams, Harrisburg		5.22
Geo. R. Wilson, Smackover		16.80
S. A. Wiles, Arkadelphia		21.28
Thos. W. Croxton, Monticello		10.70
G. E. Owen, Conway		5.00
C. F. Wilkins, Newport		5.00
L. C. Tedford, Bentonville		5.00
R. E. Naylor, Malvern		6.12
W. O. Taylor, Corning		8.58
O. J. Chastain, Van Buren		4.60
J. I. Cossey, Searcy		10.00
Totals Carried Forward	\$5,898.27	\$7,545.47

EXHIBIT "J"—(Continued)

**ARKANSAS BAPTIST REDEMPTION CAMPAIGN
OTTO WHITINGTON, GENERAL DIRECTOR**

Totals Brought Forward	5,898.27	7,545.47
Expenses Paid by Otto Whittington, General Director—Continued		
L. G. Miller, Mt. Zion Assn., Salary.....	150.00	
L. G. Miller, Mt. Zion Assn., Expenses.....	31.46	181.46
State Missionary-Evangelists:		
Earl Herrington, Salary 1 1/2 mo.	337.50	
Earl Herrington, Expenses.....	160.76	
E. W. Milner, Salary 1 1/2 mo.	300.00	
E. W. Milner, Expenses.....	277.93	
C. L. Randall, Salary 1 1/2 mo.	300.00	
C. L. Randall, Expenses.....	89.55	1,465.74
Total	7,545.47	7,545.47
Redemption Campaign Expenses Paid by B. L. Bridges, General Secretary		
L. O. McCracken, expenses contacting note holders (January-February, 1936).....	150.00	
Perry F. Webb, expenses attending Debt Campaign Committee meeting, (February, 1936)....	3.00	
The Arkansas Baptist, extra charge for publishing list of Redemption Fund Receipts (September, 1937)	7.50	
O. L. Powers, expenses attending Debt Campaign Committee meeting, (November, 1937).....	6.00	
Total Expenses Paid by General Secretary	166.50	
Total Redemption Campaign Expenses to 12-1-37..	\$7,711.97	

The report was amended by striking out of the state budget the item of \$1000 for Davis Hospital.

The report was adopted.

Motion carried to give State Missions the place on the program Thursday, 2:45 P. M., that was to have been used by the Baptist State Hospital.

General Secretary Bridges introduced a number of the state workers.

The Convention adjourned.

J. B. Lawrence led the closing prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Vice President Harris called the Convention to order at 9 o'clock and presided during the morning session.

W. J. Morris directed the congregation in singing "Higher Ground" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

E. S. Elliott led in worship, reading Luke 17:1-6.

Prayer by E. S. Elliott.

Journal was read and adopted.

A motion was carried that a committee of five be appointed to confer with a committee from Jonesboro College.

The Committee appointed was Alfred Carpenter, B. V. Ferguson, Joe H. Hankins, B. L. Bridges, C. W. Daniel.

A motion was carried that the secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention be instructed to notify the President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary that the teaching of alien immersion and open communion is objectionable to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Telegrams were received from Ralph B. Glover and Perry Webb. Convention requested secretary to make suitable replies to them.

A telegram was sent from Convention to Otto Whittington, expressing appreciation for his loyal work in Redemption Campaign.

The report on Old Ministers Relief was read by W. M. Pratt. After being discussed by W. M. Pratt and B. V. Ferguson, the report was adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

The time has come when no church can have the respect of the community in which it serves if it neglects to support its pastor. The presence in the community of past or retired pastors who are dependent upon the generosity of friends, or upon public charity, is certain to bring a stigma upon the church. The social conscience of the community will no longer approve inaction on the part of the church in these matters.

As citizens, our aged ministers and their widows, we believe, can apply for relief from the Social Security Act of our Government. Baptists who would not accept money from the State or National Government for the maintenance of their active Ministers should be consistent by making provision for their inactive Ministers and their widows.

The Relief Department of our program will not adequately provide for our needy Ministers or their widows. There are approximately 1200 on our Relief roll. Our offerings through the Cooperative Program, the Fellowship Offerings, and Woman's Missionary Union amounts to around \$70,000.00 annually. The average amount paid by our Board is not more than \$6.00 per month. Some other denominations are paying far more than Baptists. We are failing to provide for our needy Ministers and their widows.

WE URGENTLY SUGGEST:

1. That all our churches take a Fellowship Offering for aged Ministerial Relief.

The Relief and Annuity Board was instituted by the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in Hot Springs, in 1918. With a small beginning, as with all our work, this work has steadily grown. In 1919, the Board had assets of \$106,428.00; today its assets are \$4,500,000 or more. It has earned on its invested funds more than \$2,500,000.00.

Southern Baptists have a plan that will render service not alone to churches and Ministers, but to its Boards, Institutions, Agencies and employees of the denomination. There are several plans now in operation by the Board. For information regarding any of them, write the Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas.

The Board has provided benefits to aged Ministers and their widows on the Relief side of its work, to April 1, 1937, nearly \$2,000,000.00. The Board has paid benefits each year to approximately 1200 families.

2. That this Offering be taken at the time of observing the Supper of our Lord, and in April, if possible.
3. That we preach and teach more about Old Ministers and their need.

W. M. Pratt
J. F. Brewer Jr.
Gray Evans
James A. Overton

O. J. Chastain read the report on Stewardship and discussed it. It was adopted.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Who then is the faithful and wise steward, whom his Lord shall set over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his Lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Luke 12:42f.

From the Standard Dictionary we find that: "A steward is a person intrusted with the management of estates or affairs not his own." The original meaning of a steward is a house keeper for the master. Stewardship implies ownership by another. The personal responsibility of protection and management assumes an honesty that will bear to be checked upon, also a commensurate amount of ability and trustworthiness, according to the affairs entrusted.

The Lord is the owner of all things, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth". Gen. 1:1. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." Ps. 24:1. "For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills." Ps. 50:10. "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith Jehovah of hosts". Haggai 2:10. "Behold, all souls are mine . . ." Ez. 18:4. ". . . the souls that I have made." Is. 57:16. "Ye are not your own; for ye were bought with a price: glorify God therefore in your body". 1 Cor. 6:19f "So then each one of us shall give account of himself to God" Rom. 14:12

"Here, moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful". 1 Cor. 4:2. This statement was not made in connection with money. We find that stewardship has a far broader meaning than mere material matters. Faithfulness has to do with one's integrity, honesty, virtue, trustworthiness, reliability and veracity. Faithfulness knows no difference between small and great duties. Faithfulness in small duties is even greater than being faithful in that which is great.

If a man is faithful he will not ask "How much must I give?" but "How little can I get along with?" Not "How much time can I spare for the Lord?" but "How much time can I give to the Lord's work?". Faithfulness does not question the Lord's Tenth, but it says, how may I use the nine-tenths for his glory? Faithfulness does not begrudge the seventh day for the Lord's work but asks "How may I make use of the other six days, that I might honor Him?"

The minister truly must be found faithful, for he is the "steward of the mysteries of God". 1 Cor. 4:1. We are commanded to preach "The Word", preach without fear, for it is the power of God unto salvation.

I have yielded Him my life forever,
 All I am, or have, or hoped to be;
 Naught on earth, my hold on him, can sever,
 While I hear Him say to me,
 "My Child, just Trust Me, then Try Me, Prove Me."
 —L. S. LEECH.

O. J. Chastain
 C. H. Moses
 Guy E. Williams

Special Music by Star City Trio, Misses Evelyn McGuffy, Majorie Easton, Lois Miller.

R. E. Naylor read the report on Home Missions. After being discussed by J. B. Lawrence it was adopted.

HOME MISSIONS

A missionary church is grown around two great convictions, or dominant interests: Christ is for the individual and for the world; He loved me and gave Himself for me, but He also tasted death for every man. No one has a right to receive the glorious gospel for himself without giving it to others. It is just as much the duty of the church to give the gospel to the world as it is to receive it for itself. A missionary church is neither near-sighted nor far-sighted, or rather it is both. It sees and seeks to minister to spiritual needs at home and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

The hope of the world lies in the uplifted Christ. There is no solvent for sin save the blood of Christ. There is no redemption for man apart from the atonement of Christ. Social adjustments do not heal the ills of the human race. Education falls short of the spiritual needs of man if it ignores the great Teacher of Nazareth. Christ and Him crucified alone can redeem and save the world.

The task of Home Missions is to lift Christ up and make Him Lord in the life of the homeland. Each generation in the homeland must be evangelized. Each person must be evangelized.

Serving The World

In this work of Christianizing the homeland, we are serving the world. A triumphant missionary program in our own country is necessary if we would push our conquest for Christ in lands afar. A Christianity which does not conquer at home will not be able to conquer abroad. We cannot give what we do not have.

The Home Mission Board is lifting up Christ in the homeland among the Indians, the foreigners, the Negroes, the under-privileged

in the cities and congested industrial sections, and in Cuba and Panama. In all of its departments of work, including the field force, the Sanatorium, the rescue missions, the good-will centers, and schools, the Board has 327 missionaries working in 850 mission stations. During the past convention year we have placed in the field 35 new missionaries. This enlargement of our work was made possible by the receipts from the Bottoms Trust and unsolicited designations.

A Year of Progress

On fields in the South, missionaries opened 39 new stations last year, bringing the total number of churches and stations to 640. The churches have a membership of 11,755; during the year 2,137 were added by baptism, and there were 3,633 professions. The missionaries delivered 16,431 sermons, distributed 5,858 Bibles and gospels and 256,335 tracts.

Three new churches were organized in Cuba, where the Board has 72 workers. These missionaries made 42,383 visits and distributed 552,994 tracts.

A new department of the Board's work is that of evangelism, of which Dr. Roland Q. Leavell is superintendent. The purpose of the department is, through evangelistic conferences, the circulation of fresh and stimulating literature, and simultaneous revival campaigns in strategic centers, to keep aflame the spirit of evangelism.

Operating On Cash Basis

The Board has adjusted its budget so as to operate on a cash basis. For the past three and one-half years no money has been borrowed for current work. The budget fixed for the year was \$150,000 for mission work and overhead, and \$203,826 for interest and principal on the debt. For the calendar year 1936, the Board received from all sources, \$443,453, which was \$46,291 more than was received in 1935. Of this amount the women gave \$113,981 in the Annie W. Armstrong offering, all specially designated, and \$56,720 came from the Bottoms Trust. During the past year, \$108,313 was paid on the debt.

Since The State Baptist Convention

Since the meeting of our State Baptist Convention in New Orleans in May, God has graciously blessed our missionary work in the homeland; 37 new missionaries have been added to the personnel of our homeland evangelizing force; 25 pieces of mission property have been secured; \$150,000 has been paid on the principal of our debts. The prospects for the work of the board are brighter than they have been for many years.

Marshaling Forces For World Conquest

The purpose of the Home Mission Board is to evangelize the homeland and to marshal the forces in the homeland for world-conquest for Christ. Home Missions is not, therefore, simply a matter of emotional concern or evangelistic zeal. It is an essential part of our world campaign for Christ. A saved homeland holds the key to a world's saving. All of our missionary enterprises, near and

far, should realize that the saving mission is and can only be the welling forth of the saved life. We must have for our mission of salvation in lands abroad the motivation of a great denomination saved by the blood of the Lamb here at home.

“What makes a nation great?

Not serried ranks with flags unfurled,

Not armored ships that gird the world,

Not hoarded wealth nor busy mills,

Not cattle on a thousand hills,

Not sages wise, nor schools, nor laws,

Not boasted deed in freedom's cause—

All these may be, and yet the state

In the eye of God be far from great.

“That land is great which knows the Lord,

Whose songs are guided by his word;

Where justice rules 'twixt man and man,

Where love controls in art and plan;

Where, breathing in his native air,

Each soul finds joy in praise and prayer—

Thus may our country, good and great,

Be God's delight—man's best estate.”

Robert E. Naylor

L. D. Summers

Karl McClendon

Irving M. Prince

Clyde V. Hickerson

A Quartet, consisting of L. C. Craig, C. B. Hall, Geo. R. Wilson, and R. A. Marston, sang.

C. W. Daniel read the report on Foreign Missions.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The annual report of the Foreign Mission Board to the Southern Baptist Convention contains a full statement of the work of the Board in giving information to and awakening the interest of Southern Baptists more and more in world-wide evangelization. The report also gives a full account of the labors of our missionaries in many foreign lands. In addition, the Board will gladly supply, without cost, to pastors and churches, valuable information concerning all phases of its work.

Announcement has been made of the publication of a quarterly mission journal, “The Commission”, price 50 cents per year, which will enable all who are interested to keep informed on the latest developments in the work on all the fields.

Our missionaries are working in Africa, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Jugo-Slavia, Mexico, Palestine-Syria, Rumania, and Spain. The wars in Spain and China have brought many difficulties, large losses of property, and great opportunities for service. There is no way to forecast the results of these tragic

upheavals. We can only pray that our Board and our missionaries may have wisdom and courage to deal with the problems as they arise.

Our churches number 1715, with 961 of this number self-supporting. There are 2798 outstations. The reports for the year 1936 show 14,822 baptisms, with a total membership of 203,674.

The Baptists of this country should be constantly reminded that the beginning of their rapid increase in members and of their expanding activities at home were coincident with the providential circumstances that committed them to participation in the world-wide program for the gospel of Christ.

No greater calamity could befall all our life and work at home than for us to lose our interest in and to cease our efforts in behalf of preaching the gospel of Christ to all the people of all lands.

Only as the members of our churches can humbly but confidently define their personal relation to Christ in the words of the Apostle John, "He is the propitiation for our sins", will they be able to say, "And not for ours only but for the sins of the whole world."

God's plan of the ages to which all the Bible witnesses will remain hidden, the command of Christ to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, will remain unobeyed, and the ripening harvests of people for whom Christ died will go ungarnered, except to those who through the grace of God have been born again, and so have the mind of Christ.

Chas. W. Davies
Mrs. Lee Nichols
A. P. Elliff
J. S. Compere
E. Rawlings

H. H. Muirhead, Field Representative of the Foreign Mission Board; W. E. Allen and Mrs. Allen, returned missionaries from Brazil, discussed the report. It was adopted.

A change of the program was voted in order that the Convention would close tonight instead of noon tomorrow.

Convention adjourned.

E. E. Griever led in closing prayer.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

President Sipes called the Convention to order at 2 o'clock.

H. C. Seefeldt led in singing "My Jesus, I Love Thee."

W. J. Hinsley led in worship, using Phil. 3:13, 14.

Prayer, W. J. Hinsley.

Mrs C. H. Ray, president and acting secretary of W. M. U. of Arkansas, read the report on Woman's Work. It was discussed by Mrs. Ray and Miss Margaret Hutchison.

BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

DAYS OF PREPARATION

"Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterward build . . ."

—Proverbs 24:27

In presenting the report of Woman's Missionary Union to this Convention for the first three quarters of 1937, there comes to mind the admonition found in the twenty-seventh verse of the twenty-fourth chapter of Proverbs, "Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterward build . . ." The year 1937 has been one of preparation for the enlarged program of Woman's Missionary Union during its Golden Jubilee in 1938. Undergirding all preparatory plans for a worthy celebration of fifty years growth has been the desire and purpose that they would stimulate our constituency to a greater consecration to the ideals and purposes for which we were organized, viz., the promotion of missions. Since our State and Southern Unions were organized the same year, it is our privilege to contribute toward the promotion of state and south-wide plans in helping to make 1938 a memorable year.

A special State Jubilee Committee was appointed in 1935, consisting of Mrs. F. E. Goodbar as Chairman, Mrs. E. L. Cole, and Mrs. J. M. Flenniken, who, together with the officers of Woman's Missionary Union, have diligently and prayerfully sought to prepare plans that would deepen the spiritual life of each individual member of our organization, and challenge them to greater activity in promoting the work in all departments of our Union life. Two of the major preparatory plans were to have a complete history written of the work of Woman's Missionary Union since 1838, and to secure enough money through the Dixie Jackson Offering for State Causes this year to employ some W. M. U. field workers. The manuscript for the history has been completed. The goal for the Dixie Jackson Offering has been surpassed, and Miss Betty Jane Burton, Miss Irene Chambers, and Miss Grace Queen have been on the field working since the first of October. They will have a large part in helping our Union to secure goals of 300 new organizations, 7,500 new members, 150 A-1 organizations, and 100 Full-Graded Unions, as well as all other Jubilee objectives.

Organization and Office

"Preparation for the work without" is made in our W. M. U. Headquarters at 510 Donaghey Trust Building, Little Rock. The

general officers for 1937 are Mrs. C. H. Ray, President; Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. C. Edwards, Assistant Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. D. Pye, Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer; Miss Margaret Hutchison, Young People's Secretary, and Mrs. J. L. Fisk, Auditor.

Upon recommendation of the Jubilee Committee, it was voted by the W. M. U. Executive Board in Annual Session last April, to ask Mrs. W. D. Pye to write the history of Woman's Missionary Union for the past fifty years, and that the history be released for study at the Golden Jubilee Meeting in 1938. At this time Mrs. Pye was granted leave of absence from her office and field duties until October 1 to do this writing, and Mrs. C. H. Ray was asked to serve as Acting Corresponding Secretary during this period of time.

At the October Board Meeting, Mrs. Pye, feeling that she had not gained sufficient strength from her serious illness during the past year to do the large amount of field work required of the Corresponding Secretary, resigned from this office. Her resignation was accepted with deep regret, for in this capacity she has led our organization for the past eight years to heights of glorious achievements and, we feel, has contributed much to our whole denominational life and progress. Our Baptist constituency will be interested to know that she still serves the Union as treasurer, and in addition, will serve as Program Editor, giving half to this work. Upon the acceptance of the resignation of Mrs. Pye, the Executive Board asked Mrs. C. H. Ray to continue serving as acting corresponding secretary until the Annual Meeting in 1938.

We now have on our mailing list 470 missionary societies and 788 young people's organizations, making a total of 1,258 missionary organizations. During the first nine months of 1937 there have gone out from the office 3,748 personal letters, 45,778 mimeographed letters and articles, 5,162 copies of booklets, and various other articles of missionary literature. There have been 16 programs prepared, 125 general meetings attended, 55 talks made, and 14,520 miles traveled by officers at Headquarters. The amount of \$6,496.20 has been spent for office and field work during these nine months. Of this amount \$3,333.34 was received from the Executive Board of this Convention and the remainder of \$3,162.86 was received by Woman's Missionary Union from its own organizations.

Meetings

The forty-ninth Annual Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union was held in El Dorado with the W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church. April 6-8, 1937, the program theme being "Kingdom Builders." There were 336 delegates and 726 visitors registered, making a total of 1,062 in attendance at one or more sessions. The out-of-state speakers were Mrs. Carter Wright, Roanoke, Alabama, Southwide Stewardship Chairman; Mrs. W. E. Allen, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, representing the Foreign Mission Board, and Miss Emma Leachman, Atlanta, Georgia, representing the Home Mission Board.

"In the Steps of the Master" was the theme used in forecasting the State Jubilee Plans at the six District Meetings in June which

were promoted and presided over by the following District Presidents: Mrs. J. O. Spotts, Northeast District; Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, Central District; Mrs. A. L. Buck, Southwest District; Mrs. J. E. Short, Southeast District; Mrs. T. J. D. King, North Central District; Mrs. Walter Jackson, Northwest District. At these meetings Miss Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretary of S. W. M. U., Birmingham, Alabama, was the inspirational speaker. Miss Margaret Hutchison, Young People's Secretary, and Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, State Jubilee Chairman, were the State speakers. There were 985 registered at these meetings.

In September a second series of District Meetings were held in the form of Conferences on W. M. U. methods and plans. In each District group conferences were conducted by the following: Mrs. Eureka Whitaker of Kentucky, Southwide Personal Service Chairman, who was also the guest speaker; Mrs. J. S. Compere, State Stewardship Chairman; Mrs. C. A. Gordon, State Personal Service Chairman; Miss Margaret Hutchison, Mrs. C. H. Ray and the District President. There were 1,103 women and young people in attendance at these meetings.

Six classes for members of W. M. U. organizations were promoted at the Assembly with a total enrollment of 328. There were 142 certificates and 195 seals awarded. Mrs. C. H. Ray was dean of the W. M. U. hour and was ably assisted by Miss Pearle Bourne, Birmingham, Alabama; Mrs. T. S. Medlin and Miss Margaret Kime of Little Rock; Rev. T. L. Harris, North Little Rock, and Miss Fern Jones of Fort Smith.

In most of the Associations, quarterly W. M. U. rallies have been promoted by the 41 Superintendents. Suggested rally programs with source material for each talk have been prepared by Mrs. Pye and furnished each Superintendent. Last May a special day's meeting was held in Little Rock of associational superintendents and young people's leaders, together with district and state officers for the purpose of arriving at equitable associational goals and other Jubilee objectives. This day of preparation served to make ready the work in the field for future Kingdom building. We are grateful for the volunteer service rendered by our faithful associational leaders.

Hospitals

Baptist women and young people have shown their interest and loyalty in the ministry of healing by their support of our two Baptist hospitals in Little Rock and Pine Bluff. During the last nine months Mrs. R. C. Rudisill, State Chairman of Hospital Supplies, reports \$668.60 given to the Charity Fund; 1,817 jars of fruits and vegetables valued at \$402.53; 2,142 pieces of linen valued at \$429.03; house furnishings \$538.00; miscellaneous gifts valued at \$271.61; making a total valuation of hospital gifts and supplies of \$2,309.85.

Orphanage

Various missionary organizations provide most of the clothing for the children in the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. During the past nine months clothing valued at \$2,145.85 has been sent and

\$343.85 has been given to provide the salary of a dietitian for the Home.

Training Schools And Margaret Fund

The W. M. U. Training School in Louisville, Ky., Southwestern Training School in Fort Worth, Texas, and the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, La., are training stations for young women who desire to render special Christian service. Mrs. J. C. Wallis, State Trustee for the W. M. U. Training School, reports that three young women from Arkansas and one Japanese student have secured scholarships from Arkansas W. M. U. for study there this year. Through special appeals by Miss Margaret Hutchison, representing the Baptist Bible Institute, and Mrs. J. M. Flenniken for Southwestern, funds have been provided for student religious activities at the Baptist Bible Institute and for the nursery for children of married students at Southwestern.

Miss Elma Cobb, State Margaret Fund Trustee, reports that a change has been made in the Margaret Fund Charter to include in the work of the Margaret Fund the education of children of home missionaries. Heretofore only the children of foreign missionaries have benefitted from this fund. Funds will be designated each year in the offerings made for both home and foreign missions to aid in this work, beginning with the 1937 (Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions and the 1938 Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions.

Prayer

Realizing that "The preparation of the heart—is from the Lord," prayer has been emphasized as the one thing most needful in all our work. The observance of the three Seasons of Prayer have been stressed, and in March, 584 organizations observed the Home Mission Prayer Season and contributed \$4,303.29. A partial report of the observance of the Foreign Mission Season of Prayer for December, 1936, was reported to this Convention last January. Since that time we have had reported 116 more organizations observing this Prayer Season and contributing a total of \$820.76. As the State Mission Season of Prayer was observed on September 29, 1937, two days before the close of the third quarter, we report only 19 organizations having reported as observing this prayer Season and gifts of \$73.75.

Enlistment

During the past nine months 32 new missionary societies and 102 new young people's organizations have been added to our mailing list. New members enrolled in missionary societies were 2,118 and in young people's organizations 2,558, making a total of 4,676 new members. Our total estimated membership is 20,520.

Study

Mrs. H. M. Keck, State Mission Study Chairman, reports a total of 320 mission study classes held, 1,632 certificates issued, 3,896 small seals, 58 officials, and 12 seals on the Advanced Course awarded. A number of Mission Study Institutes and Pioneer Classes, two of our Jubilee objectives, have already been promoted in some of

the districts and associations, and a revival of interest has been manifested in the study of world-wide missions.

Personal Service

Presenting the Saviour through personal service activities by the members of W. M. U. organizations have resulted in 372 conversions. The department of Personal Service is under the direction of Mrs. C. A. Gordon of Pine Bluff, who reports that a total of \$4,395.17 has been spent in doing personal service and local charity work.

Gifts

Woman's Missionary Union has, through teaching and training in stewardship, sought to increase the number of tithers among the women and young people. Mrs. J. S. Compere is State Superintendent of Stewardship and diligently promotes this phase of the work. She reports a total of 2,976 tithers, 2,125 among the women and 851 among the young people. Gifts reported for the last nine months total \$143,207.73, the amount of \$88,372.87 having been contributed to local church, charity and miscellaneous, and \$54,834.86 given to the various mission causes. Of the above total the young people gave \$10,377.91. During the past three quarters \$17,832.77 has been reported to this office as having been contributed by the women and young people to the State Redemption Campaign and to the Hundred Thousand Club.

Missionary Education Of Youth

The Young People's Department of Woman's Missionary Union is under the capable leadership of Miss Margaret Hutchison. She has promoted a Y. W. A. banquet for members who attended the W. M. U. Annual Meeting in El Dorado last April, a Girls' Auxiliary Conference at Central College in March which was attended by 223 girls and counselors, and three camps for Y. W. A., G. A., and R. A. members held near Little Rock in July, at which time 68 young women registered at the Y. W. A. Camp, 36 girls attended the G. A. Camp, and 43 boys were in attendance at the R. A. Camp. Because of the infantile paralysis epidemic the attendance at these three camps was very small compared with other years. In addition to these state meetings, Miss Hutchison chaperoned a group of 10 young women to Ridgecrest for the Y. W. A. Encampment. She has also planned the observance of Focus Weeks for Y. W. A., Sunbeams, G. A., and R. A., there being one each quarter. These activities are just a few of the many responsibilities of the Young People's Secretary. The work of the Young People's Department has gone forward under her consecrated leadership.

Conclusion

All events of vital consequence are preceded by earnest, thorough preparation. To promote a worthwhile program demands an informed constituency. Because it takes time to inform a large membership of future plans, it has been necessary for us to give much publicity to our Jubilee plans in conjunction with the promotion of our regular year's work. We believe that the presentation of a challenging Jubilee program has given impetus to the general work of our Union during the past few months. Reverting to the

Scripture quoted in the beginning of this report, we find the last suggestion was "and afterward build" We feel that the work has been made ready.

"COME, AND LET US BUILD . . ."

MRS. C. H. RAY,
Mrs. E. E. Griever
Mrs. Brown
Mrs. Luck

The following field workers were introduced: Misses Irene Chambers, Grace Queen, and Betty Jane Burton.

Sermon, Blake Smith. Scripture, 2 Cor. 5:17-21, subject, "Atonement."

Prayer, Blake Smith.

The following report was adopted:

Jonesboro Baptist College
Committee reports that

Under the circumstances your committee recommends that this matter be referred to the Executive Board, without instructions, with power to act within the budget.

C. W. Daniel
B. L. Bridges
Alfred Carpenter
Joe H. Hankins
B. V. Ferguson

Alfred Carpenter read the report on State Missions.

1938 STATE MISSION PROGRAM

We understand State Missions to mean, the promotion of evangelism; the gathering and distribution of mission funds; also, to mean the enlistment of ALL the churches in ALL the program. Is not the latter the most needful at this time, and the one to which Arkansas Baptists are willing to stretch full length, going afield with a missionary program that will reach from center to circumference of our state?

To this end, the committee has been thinking, praying and planning for a State Mission program that will both challenge our churches and be adequate for our opportunities.

TO DO THIS WE MUST:

FIRST: Enlarge our present missionary forces.

1. Double our appropriation to supplement associational missions.

(This will increase the number of men from 10 to 20.)

2. Increase the number of our general missionaries from 3 to 5, each residing in a designated section of the state to promote the WHOLE program in that respective section. He will humbly seek the co-operation of associational and church leadership in a well balanced program of:

- (1) EVANGELISM—Organize and lead city and associational-wide campaigns; constantly hold evangelistic conferences with Leaders; conduct revivals at intervals; distribute literature, and keep program before the people through the press.
- (2) STEWARDSHIP—Promote budget campaigns, study classes in tithing and stewardship, and distribute literature.
- (3) MISSIONS—Organize for four missionary offerings a year in keeping with the denominational calendar; encourage mission revivals and study classes.
- (4) EDUCATION—Lead in associational census and enlargement campaigns, and in organization of Sunday Schools and Training Unions where needed, direct study courses.

SECOND: Goals for the next three years shall be:

1. Baptisms—14,000 in 1938; 16,000 in 1939; 20,000 in 1940, or 50,000 baptisms in the next three years.
2. Tithers—25,000 in 1938; 30,000 in 1939; 40,000 in 1940.
(This claim needs pressing on peoples' hearts).
3. Budget—\$14,000 in 1938; 20,000 in 1939; 25,000 in 1940.
(This portion for state missions).
4. Churches giving regularly to the co-operative program: 600 in 1938; 700 in 1939; 800 in 1940.

THIRD: This program, vigorously promoted over a period of three years, will largely remove the heavy load that now handicaps our convention, namely:

1. 125 pastorless churches.
2. 80 preachers who are churchless.
3. 400 churches not giving to co-operative missions.
4. 300 churches giving nothing to missions outside ass'n.
5. 140 churches reporting no baptisms.
6. 110 Baptistically neglected communities in the state.

FOURTH: This convention appeals to our churches and leadership for:

1. Not only a co-operative spirit, but above all, a co-ordinated program, directed by a consecrated leadership.
2. That we discourage sectional preferences, selfish group emphasis, or enthusiastic agencies of the convention to monop-

olize the convention's interest or side-track the convention's missionary program.

3. That ALL ARKANSAS BAPTISTS launch an ALL-STATE program that includes ALL MISSIONS.

FIFTH: That a committee be appointed to encourage, to enlist and probably to assist our colored brethren in an enlarged missionary program among their people in this state.

General Secretary Ben L. Bridges addressed the Convention on State Missions.

The report was adopted.

A. M. Herrington read the report of the Nominating Committee. It was adopted after some amendments. (See Boards).

Motion carried that present Board of Mountain Home College be continued.

D. A. Ellis spoke concerning Baptist Memorial Hospital.

The reports of the hospitals were filed for information.

BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

The Board of Directors of the Baptist State Hospital offers this report of their stewardship for the year just closing.

In addition to monthly comparative reports of the entire business transactions of the hospital, certified audit of all hospital business has been submitted to and approved by the board. All personnel handling money at the hospital are bonded. The hospital was inspected by the board at its last meeting, December 4, 1937. The physical plant is in perfect condition. The hospital entirely justifies its high national ratings as to professional service and physical plant. It is of untold value to suffering humanity and to Arkansas Baptists.

The management of the hospital has been able to retain all of the extraordinary hospital business, such as that coming from Army, Rock Island Railway, industrial sources, etc., and helped to obtain passage through the last session of the Arkansas General Assembly an act providing assistance from the state for the treatment and care of charity patients, certified as such by the State Welfare Department.

The hospital shows marked improvements during the year. Necessary parking space at rear of hospital was made by grading to drainage level a six-foot wall, and the paving of Twelfth street side

of hospital property with hospital paying for materials only. The main office has been systematized and new fixtures added to insure efficiency and improve appearance. New operating equipment has been purchased and installed, new ice boxes designed and made to fit space, and to prevent waste of ice, nurses' time and labor, new equipment for laundry, new beds to replace all beds in bad order that could not be reworked, and new mattresses on every bed have been purchased. All equipment is kept in perfect working condition. The hospital is closely inspected for needed repairs and replacements each week by the Superintendent.

A new record of hospital earnings has been established. Quoting from the audit, certified by Russell Brown and Company, "The gross operating income was \$209,368.06. Allowance for charity was \$30,150.84. Operating expense \$124,298.06. There was a reduction in operating expenses of 7 per cent, which was occasioned by a reduction in the bad debt charge."

The increasing costs of all supplies and foods is most serious. Hospital rates may have to be increased.

The principal objective of the hospital, from a financial standpoint for the past three years, and especially for the period of this report, has been to pay the \$150,000.00 assessment to pay debts. The Board of Directors appreciates the hospital's effort, and praises the hospital personnel and staff for their efforts to make the Redemption Campaign a success.

The Hospital treated 4,094 patients this fiscal year, the greatest number in the history of the Hospital. This is a total of 34,370 hospital days. There were only 90 institutional deaths. There was not an increase by percentage of Baptist patients. **Our denomination has not yet learned that they own and should patronize the best hospital available to the denomination.**

Our religious activities have grown with the hospital. Our faithful religious worker, who has labored with the patients and taught Bible in the School of Nursing since the hospital was established, reports: Good cheer visits 5,655 - Religious literature distributed 1,026 - Bible classes taught 57 - Y. W. A. meetings 16 - Bible read to 431 - Religious conversations 143 - Conversions 26 - Reclaimed 14 - CCC services held 70 - Three noon-day prayer meetings daily - Ministers of different denominations called to visit the hospital daily.

The Woman's Missionary Union has signally honored and helped the hospital by the establishment of the Dixie Jackson Memorial. One thousand dollars has been paid, creating a permanent memorial with an additional one thousand to be paid. The hospital Auxiliary has constantly given of their assistance in the operation of the hospital. This organization has equipped every door to patient's room with half-doors with double action hinges. This fills a great need that existed, to insure proper privacy of the sick. Other great things have been done by the Baptist women of Arkansas for their hospital. The hospital and its workers receive great encouragement from Baptist women.

The future program of the hospital is to earn, save, and pay the balance necessary to borrow to complete the \$150,000.00 assessment as quickly as possible. It is believed that the hospital needs to give

Christian charity above what it is now able to do. A new day is dawning on the horizon for Arkansas Baptists and for the Baptist State Hospital when it becomes free of the demon, "Debt".

The Hospital appreciates every kind word, every deed, and every prayer for its work from the many friends and churches in the state. The hospital has received glorious blessings from our Heavenly Father. Special providence has guided and guarded this institution, and the realization of such makes the submission of this report to be done in all humility.

Lee Nichols
Lee C. Gammill
W. R. Donham

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL

Resolution offered by Judge W. R. Donham:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Baptist State Hospital Board and each member hereby express deep appreciation for services which have heretofore been rendered by Major Lee C. Gammill, Superintendent of the hospital, and they hereby pledge to him their individual and combined efforts in his work in the future as Superintendent of the hospital. It is recognized by the Board that the success of the hospital is due largely, if not almost altogether, to the individual efforts and the outstanding ability of the Superintendent. It is recognized that when he became Superintendent of the hospital, the hospital was on the rocks, so to speak; that it was greatly indebted for local bills for supplies for the hospital; that its credit was practically ruined; that in this condition, he took over the hospital, paid all of its floating indebtedness, and for the time which he has served as superintendent, he has discounted all of the bills of the hospital as they became due; and that, aside from the bonded indebtedness, the hospital owes nothing. That, in addition to this, the income of the institution for the past two years testifies to his ability as a Superintendent. The net profits of the institution, during these two years, amount to more than \$98,000.00. During these two years, more than \$30,000.00 a year in charity has been done by the hospital.

Especially does the Board commend him for his sterling Christian character and his consecrated efforts in behalf of the hospital, the personnel and all concerned.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this resolution be made a part of our report to the Baptist State Convention, which will meet the 7th, 8th and 9th of this month, in session at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

This resolution was unanimously adopted.

W. R. Donham
James R. Riley

**DAVIS HOSPITAL
EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT**

Cash on Hand January 1, 1937.....	\$	455.52
Total Operating Receipts.....	\$45,137.47	
Total Cash Donations Received.....	227.96	45,365.43
Total		45,820.95
Total Disbursements		45,557.44
Bank Balance 12-1-37.....		\$ 263.51
Total Number of Patients Treated During Year.....	1,272	
Number of Hospital Days.....	9,569	
Average Day Stay Per Patient.....	7	
Average Patients Daily.....	28	
Deaths During Year.....	54	
Cost Per Hospital Day.....	\$4.76	

OPERATING STAFF:

Superintendent	John O. Steel
Supervisor of Nurses.....	Mrs. Etta N. Dudley
Night Supervisor	Mrs. Anna Wolf
Anesthetist.....	Miss Martha Brown
Historian	Mrs. Don Maxey
Bookkeeper	Miss Phoebe Jean Owen
Diet Kitchen—Two	
One Cook and Assistant	
One Houseman	
One Laundrywoman	
Three Domestic	
One Telephone Operator	
Sixteen Graduate Nurses	
One Orderly	

A Total of Thirty-Three Employees.

During the eleven months ending November 30, 1937, we have rendered free service to the amount of \$2,262.30. A part of this amount was due to our participation with the State Welfare Department in a program for the hospitalization of indigent sick.

Our cash receipts for these eleven months amount to \$5,059.34 more than our total receipts for the twelve months of 1936. This increase in collections enabled us to pay our operating expenses out of our income, although the increased cost of supplies and labor have added to our expense of operation.

During these eleven months we have paid approximately \$1,700 for permanent improvements, such as furniture and fixtures, payments on air conditioning, X-ray equipment, etc.

We are grateful for the increased patronage our hospital has enjoyed during this year and are grateful, too, to the churches and societies for their contributions of linens and canned vegetables and fruits. We hope to render the type of service that will merit your continued confidence and support.

Jno. W. Reap, Chr. Board of Control
John O. Steel, Superintendent.

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
REPORT OF BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

"By their fruits ye shall know them"

Memphis, Tennessee

Owned by 750,000 Baptists in Mississippi, Tennessee, and Arkansas, who elect nine Trustees each, twenty-seven in all, by their State Conventions.

We are giving you a brief condensed report right up to date, we have declared our usual dividend of approximately \$275,000.00 to charity. This charity was given to approximately 5,000 charity and part-charity patients. \$50,000.00 worth of this charity work was done for patients from Arkansas. As you know what figures mean by comparison, as will state that this is by far the largest amount given to charity by any hospital in the South not supported by taxation; that we not only give far more to charity than any other hospital in the South, but we are one of the largest in the United States not supported by taxation or endowment. We have admitted 247,500 patients since we opened twenty-five years ago. We will admit this year about 15,000 patients and perform over 9,000 operations. We not only are the largest hospital in the South, but the largest Baptist Hospital in the world. This is not stated in a boastful or bragging spirit, but with a heart full of gratitude and thankfulness unto God that we have been so useful for the purpose for which this hospital was created. We know of no hospital in the United States so broad and liberal in its policy to ministers, giving to them alone about twice as much as we receive from all the churches combined.

There are two outstanding events of the past year. One, how the Baptist Memorial rose to the occasion when tens of thousands of refugees rolled into Memphis when their lives and homes were threatened with disaster. We gave them cash and services and our superintendent, George D. Sheats, gave doctors and nurses, and over a hundred beds to start the Red Cross organization. We gave cash and services amounting to over \$5,000.00, and possibly this is the only hospital in the United States that does not charge the Red Cross for services rendered when great tragedies have happened. We did the same thing for Tupelo last year, and the Red Cross Department in Washington has paid us the compliment of stating that no hospital in the United States gives them the same cooperation as the Baptist Memorial Hospital. We have a right to be proud of our institution when tragedy or disaster threatens. We are ever in the forefront to help those when they need it most.

The other outstanding event is that we are now building over \$500,000.00 in new additions, and when completed, our plant will represent over \$3,000,000.00. The contractors say that it will be ready by April 1st. We will owe, when completed, about \$250,000.00, and this will be paid out of revenues received from the commercial enterprises we operate. Not one dollar we receive from patients

will go to pay the cost of the new buildings, but every dollar that we receive from patients will go to service and charity.

Dr. A. U. Boone is maintained as full time pastor of the hospital, misistering spiritually to many patients, nurses, and doctors.

Surely, God has wonderfully blessed this hospital, and made us a blessing.

E. Butler Abington.

J. H. Glass, Secretary of Anti-Saloon League, represented his work.

The report of the committee on Publications was read by J. I. Cossey and adopted.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS

The Arkansas Baptist is the official source of news for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention; its departments; institutions and agencies. It is our medium of cooperation between the churches.

The present circulation is around 6,000. Most of the circulation is within this state. About a half dozen churches have the paper in their annual budget. Many churches have clubs of five or more names, and pay 10 cents weekly or monthly until each subscription is paid out. Most of our subscriptions have been secured through individual contacts and by correspondence from our office in Little Rock.

The Arkansas Baptist in our Baptist homes will go a long way in counteracting the poisonous literature which is being distributed in the homes of our people by all kinds of sects. While these sects are freely distributing their literature, we Baptists are not distributing our literature, and less than one-fourth of our Baptist homes are receiving The Arkansas Baptist.

The editor of The Arkansas Baptist is publishing the paper on a lease basis, whereas the executive committee formerly appropriated annually.

In 1930, \$3,000 was appropriated. Since about 1932, the paper has been operated on a lease basis with an appropriation of \$2,000 annually; \$20.00 per week for the General Secretary's page; \$10.00 per week for the B. T. U. and Sunday School Secretary's one-half page; \$10.00 for the W. M. U. Secretary's one-half page. During these years on the lease basis, there has been no deficit, because the lease contract forbids a deficit.

We want to take this means to thank the pastors and other friends for their fine spirit and cooperation in helping increase the circulation of the paper.

We want to call your attention to the publications of the Foreign and Home Mission Boards and the Sunday School Board. Everything published by the boards should be read by our people.

We, also, recommend that our people patronize the Baptist Book Store, located at 716 Main St., Little Rock, Ark.

J. H. Fitzgerald
Howard Halsell
Paul Elledge
Hugh Cantrell
J. I. Cossey

C. W. Daniel read the report of the Educational Commission, and it was adopted.

EDUCATIONAL COMMISSION

The Committee on Educational Policy was authorized by the Convention a year ago to study the conditions and to suggest to the Convention a policy for our activities in behalf of education.

The unsettled condition of the Convention's affairs has not been favorable to the consideration of a permanent program for this work.

Your committee is of the opinion that before we adopt any new program we should assemble the best thinking of our people on the subject, and take time to mature our opinions.

We, therefore, recommend the continuation of this commission for another year, with the request that nine be named to constitute the membership.

Chas. D. Daniel
T. W. Croxton
H. B. Reynolds
B. V. Ferguson

E. E. Griever read the report on Obituaries, and it was adopted.

OBITUARIES

In the all-wise and providential dealings of God, he has deemed it best to call from our ranks a great number of our loved ones and co-laborers in Kingdom work. We do not attempt to understand his dealings and the mysteries of life. We do know that life is a mystery and not death, because we have it recorded in the sacred scripture that, "It is appointed unto men once to die".

Those who have been called to meet this appointment with God, leave vacancies with us, but we can only submit ourselves unto Him and say, "Thy will be done".

We remember the words of Job when he said, "Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not".

We know that we are but pilgrims in a strange land; and time and space in this report would not permit us to list all the names

of those who have answered the summons since our last convention, but your committee suggests that at this time we pause to pay tribute to some of those whose lives have been given in the promotion of God's Kingdom and the interest of this convention.

We especially call for some expressions of tribute in honor of our friends and brethren, Arden P. Blalock and Will C. McClung.

E. E. Griever
W. J. Hinsley
J. S. Compere
Fritz E. Goodbar
O. M. Stallings

W. J. Hinsley spoke to the memory of Arden P. Blaylock.

L. M. Sipes spoke to the memory of W. C. McClung.

Sermon by Elmer J. Kirkbride, Text, Josh. 3:4, 5, and subject, "The Program and Spirit of Conquest."

Convention adjourned.

Claude L. Durrett led in the closing prayer.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

President Sipes called the Convention to order at 7 o'clock.

Rowland Lawrence directed the congregation in singing "Shall We Gather At the River?" and "Down At the Cross."

Prayer, H. F. Vermillion.

Thomas H. Berry conducted worship, using Ex. 3:1-3.

Minor E. Cole read the report on Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.

Talks were made by Pearl Hayes, Frances Hayes, Mrs. C. R. Pugh, and T. W. Croxton.

BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

As stewards of God, we are privileged again to give an account of our stewardship and care of our orphan children.

During the year, eighty children have been cared for; present population is seventy-one.

Health

The health of our children has been unusually good. No epidemics; four appendix operations; all four were cared for by Davis Hospital in Pine Bluff and the surgeon was Dr. Lowe. We haven't words to express our deep appreciation for the many deeds of love extended to our children by Superintendent Steel, nurses and doctors. It matters not what hour of the day or night we arrive with a child who needs an emergency operation, every courtesy is shown us by everyone on duty in Davis Hospital. Pneumonia cases, three; eyes tested and fitted with glasses, four. Many of the children had dental work done.

Education

Sixty-eight attended the public schools of Monticello and sixty-six were promoted. Our children pass from the grades to the high school as easily as other pupils in the school. Reba Wooley was our only graduate this year and she is now attending Central College.

Religious Work

The home has had a splendid year in Religious work. Thirteen have accepted Christ as their Savior and have united with the First Baptist Church in Monticello. Thirty-nine of the children are members of this church. The Intermediate and Junior B. Y. P. U.'s are holding the standard of excellence. During the summer, the children had regular Mission Study Courses and 97% took the work and passed their examinations. The Sunbeams, Royal Ambassadors, and Girls Auxiliaries are 100%.

Needs

The Home always needs canned fruit, vegetables and other eatables. For the live stock, they need dairy feed, corn and hay. The children will always need clothes to wear, and to the Missionary Societies and other organizations, who clothe the children, we are deeply grateful. Societies not clothing a child are urged to make offerings to the Orphans' Home Helpers Fund.

The Home lost its Administration building by fire in July and will be compelled to rebuild as soon as possible. Many applications are received each week to place children in our home, but we are forced to close our doors on them for lack of room. This great fire loss has caused a great deal discomfort to those now in the home. While the Home is in the Cooperative Program, we will surely be of one accord, in that we should do something extra for them in these stressful days.

Finance

Receipts from January 1, 1937, to November 30, 1937.

General Fund.....	\$ 8,324.66
Balance, 1936, General Fund.....	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total.....	\$ 9,824.66

DESIGNATED FUNDS:

Emergency Fund.....	9,061.85
Clothing Fund.....	<u>445.04</u>

Typewriter Fund	248.50
Helpers Fund	96.22
Hospital Fund	18.00
Total Designated	\$ 9,869.61
Grand Total	\$18,931.46
Balance on Hand	5,308.39
Late Check From Bridges	1,022.79
Total On Hand Nov. 30, 1937	\$ 6,831.18

Minor E. Cole
 J. R. Hall
 Aubrey C. Halsell

Quartet of First Baptist Church, Ft. Smith, sang.

The report on Temperance and Social service was read by Victor H. Coffman. Since the report had been discussed by J. H. Glass in a previous meeting, it was adopted without discussion.

TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE

From the days of Christ and the organization of the church which is now called Baptist, the church has been the one organization authorized by Heavenly authority to hold up to the world the gospel of the cross of Christ and His atoning blood as the world's only redemption, and to uphold the righteous standard of living and correct relationship between mankind. Also it has been the successful guiding hand in the building of the nations of the world in all of their successes. Whenever and wherever these standards have been forsaken, failure and ruin have followed in their pathway, as ghosts. The fact that Jesus has told us that we are rightfully our brother's keeper, has placed upon our shoulders as a church and a denomination this awful task and sacred duty of seeking to guide and warn all mankind. The world is facing today perplexing problems with complexity of thought for which the gospel of Christ Jesus is the only solution. We can not hide our faces and dodge the responsibility without inviting the chastisement of the Lord. In the light of the New Testament teachings, it is our business to stand on the wall that surrounds the Israel of God as a watchman, to guard the peace of the brotherhood, and to warn them of the approaching enemy. In the light of the above standard, there are some several things that confront us for consideration.

1—One of the things with which we are seriously confronted, and one of the greatest problems, is that of the liquor evil. Since the repeal of the 18th amendment, the liquor forces have constantly sought and largely succeeded in forcing their way into almost every avenue of society. In 1935, the leader of a great organization for boys in New York stated that drinking had increased tremendously. Drinking among women in some states has increased more than 40% and the terrible thing of this is that it is not only among young women but in a large percentage of our homes. The Interna-

tional Association of police chiefs reports drunken driving increased from 100% to 500% in different cities. It is becoming dangerous to drive on our public highways, and the death toll in accidents is mounting upward every day. From the president of our nation down to our political leadership pledged us that the old saloon would never come back, yet we see the word "Bar" and "Grill" all up and down our streets. Nothing has so demoralized our nation as the liquor business. The little tax that is gained from revenue would not touch the hem of the garment as to what it has cost this nation. We must renew our efforts in the fight against this terrible demon in some successful manner. When national prohibition went into effect it closed 17,000 saloons. Since the repeal of the 18th amendment, we now have over 500,000 outlets or places for sale of intoxicating beverages with almost no restrictions.

2—Still another evil we face is the moving picture business with its many indecent pictures that old and young alike are looking upon. The blind selling and block booking is doing more to further the cause of indecency in the picture business than most anything. At least, it keeps the local theatre from selecting the pictures to be shown. In the last three or four years, with the help of our Catholic friends, we have gone a long way in attempting to clean up the picture industry, but certainly, we as a Baptist people ought to publicly and privately make known our resentment and seek to curb the efforts of the picture show to injure the morals of our young people and to destroy the influence of the church. Above all things, some efforts ought to be put forward in an organized fashion to do away with the Sunday afternoon and Sunday night shows, which are continuously taking folks away from our church service. We sincerely hope the "bank night" will never return to the picture show in Arkansas or anywhere else.

3—The newspapers and radio are constantly warning us that the world is fast approaching another world war. A majority of the world is already at war and nearly every nation that is not actually in war is preparing for war with unheard of speed. The greatest armies and navies the world has ever seen are now prepared to enter combatancy. It seems that every peace conference and arms parley ends in accomplishing practically nothing. The evils of war in the slaughtering of human beings and destruction of property, together with the discredit of the religion of Jesus Christ, can not be estimated by man. Certainly we can call our people to pray and promote the cause of peace and the spirit of brotherly love among nations.

4—It seems that everywhere we face more and more the terrible divorce evil. What a disgrace the ninety-day divorce law on the statute books of Arkansas has brought upon us! We regret very much that our legislature was so unthoughtful as to do this terrible thing. We call the ministers and the people of our denomination to the task of preaching against this terrible evil and putting every effort forward to restore the sacredness of the marriage vows and the teachings of Jesus Christ concerning home life and its sanctity.

5—We are faced with another evil, that of gambling in Arkansas. It has been greatly increased since horse races and dog races have been legalized. One of our largest night clubs in Arkansas was raided and a lot of its gambling devices burned. Yet we are

told that this same institution is even going stronger today. In a large number of public places, gambling devices of the smaller sort, educating to larger gambling, we are constantly observing. God grant that the church and the organizations shall do all in their power to discourage this thing in the lives of its people.

6—We have always been faced with the race problem. We should seek to create a better understanding between the races of our nations and the world. We are all creatures of God and there should be equal protection and equal justice in our courts, and in our relations to each other as far as natural creation justifies. We should favor every movement that will promote brotherly feeling and better relationship between the races of our state and nation.

We, your committee, recommend, 1—That the Arkansas Baptist State Convention go on record, as pastors and members of the several churches, to take a definite stand in taking every opportunity to outlaw the liquor traffic and bring back prohibition. 2—That we as a denomination and convention make known our resentments of the present divorce laws and use every effort to correct the statutes of our state in regard to divorce. 3—Also that we go on record to use every effort and opportunity to outlaw block booking and blind selling, together with Sunday picture shows. 4—And further, that we go on record as a convention, as being definitely against horse racing, dog racing, and gambling of every sort in Arkansas, and that we use our vote and influence against it. 5—Further, that we, as the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, go on record as Baptists and citizens of the United States of America are not pleased with the wide spread of communism in our state and that we will as pastors and churches do everything in our power to defeat the hellish propaganda of any sort of communism in our state and nation.

Victor H. Coffman
A. F. Muncy
L. C. Tedford
F. G. Dodson
J. B. Maxwell
Lee Nichols

E. C. Brown read the report on Brotherhood. It was adopted.

BROTHERHOOD

The Lord evidently intended that men should have a large place in the work of His Kingdom. This is indicated by the fact that He entrusted the official and ordained leadership of His first churches to men. The pastors and deacons in the beginning were all men.

Organization

The plan of organization for the Baptist Brotherhood of the South is as follows:

1. An Executive Committee, composed of zealous laymen, elected by the Southern Baptist Convention, are expected to outline its

general policy and direct its activities. This Committee elected J. T. Henderson and Lawson H. Cooke as Southwide Secretaries.

2. The plan also provides for a strong Committee in each state, to be elected by the State Convention; the Brotherhood also urges the election of a consecrated and capable laymen on salary as Brotherhood Secretary in each state. The men need, and are as much entitled to a zealous State leader of their class, as the women and the young people. Such a Secretary will bring into the treasury much more than the amount of his salary.

3. The plan also provides for the organization of an Associational Brotherhood, which has been found to be a very valuable agency for promoting fellowship, giving information and enlisting backward churches. The Associational Brotherhood usually meets quarterly on the four Fifth Sunday afternoons of each year. It should create a committee to assist churches in organizing local Brotherhoods, also a committee that would give its attention to the enlistment of backward churches. In some cases this Brotherhood has been the means of inducing every church to support the Co-operative Program.

4. The plan also contemplates the organization of Brotherhoods in the local churches, especially when the pastor and a number of his leading laymen are favorable. Every plea that can be made for the enlistment, organization and training of the women and the young people can be made with equal emphasis for a similar work among the men.

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Hamilton National Bank building, Knoxville, Tennessee, is prepared to furnish literature that will be helpful in the organization of these different Brotherhoods.

Purpose

The Brotherhood originated in 1907 as the "Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Southern Baptist Convention". In 1926, its name was changed to the "Baptist Brotherhood of the South".

As a means of quickening the interest of the laymen, thereby leading them to larger activity and more generous support, the Brotherhood seeks to deepen their spirituality, enlarge their information and give them training in service. Men's hearts need to be warmed, their heads informed and then they should abound in good works. It stresses personal evangelism, stewardship, missions and Scriptural support.

The Brotherhood strongly urges the Bible plan of bringing the "tithes into the storehouse upon the first day of the week". J. H. Anderson, Chairman of the Executive Committee, and a layman who contributes far more than the tithe, makes the following statement in regard to the present effort to increase the number of tithes in all our churches: "The Brotherhood has set itself to insist that every church member bring his tithe on every Lord's Day into the church (God's storehouse). There is no greater service you can render to your church or denomination than to induce your fellow church members to pay their tithes. This is a Bible teaching that has been sorely neglected, and needs to be emphasized on every oc-

casion. Christian people are losing one of the greatest joys of their religion when they fail to pay God the tithe that belongs to Him, and upon which He is depending to have the gospel given to all the world".

Progress and Outlook

The leaders of the Brotherhood are very much encouraged by the fact that Brotherhoods, both church and association, are growing in number and efficiency. Hundreds of men who were indifferent a few years ago are becoming zealous and active. Hundreds of men that a few years ago gave indefinitely and in small amounts are now dedicating a tenth to the Lord. These men have been enriched spiritually and have not suffered in a material way.

J. O. Kincannon
C. E. Hinkson
E. C. Brown

Norman O'Neal Educational Director Immanuel Baptist Church, Ft. Smith, was introduced.

The report on Baptist Student Union was read by J. W. Royal. After being discussed by Blake Smith and Ben L. Bridges, it was adopted.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

As reported by our general state Mission Secretary in his report to the Convention, the Baptist Student Union is rapidly becoming a useful and important phase of our work. There are at the present time student unions on the campuses of the following colleges: Monticello A. and M. College, Central College at Conway, State Teachers College in Conway, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, Ouachita College in Arkadelphia, Magnolia A. and M. College, Russellville Tech., and Hendrix College at Conway.

The Baptist Student Union seeks to lead college students to take their church letters and join the church in the college town. In their programs conventions and retreats, the pre-eminent emphasis is the spiritual advancement in the lives of the students. The Master's Minority Movement seeks to deepen the prayer life of the students; to offer opportunities for the exchange of Christian experience and testimonies as to the blessings of God in their lives. The supreme purpose of the Union is to help and encourage the student while in college, and to tie him on to the church and denominational life while there, and to return him to his local church equipped for Christian leadership.

During the year, the Arkansas Baptist Student Union has cooperated fully with the program of the Southwide Baptist Student Union. In November, the annual Baptist Student Union Convention was held in the First Baptist Church of Conway. Walter Brewster of Monticello was elected president of the state organization.

Your committee, after thoughtful investigation, feels that due to the rapid growth and the relative importance of this organization

that the Baptist Student Union in Arkansas should have a more vital connection with our convention. In the Baptist Student Union State Convention held in Fayetteville during October, 1936, the Baptist Student Union expressed itself by resolution as desiring such connection. They expressed the desire that as soon as possible the convention provide for adequate supervision and program. We feel that the time has come when this worthy movement should have more definite encouragement, help and counsel, from this convention.

Therefore, we, your committee, recommend that the convention do everything possible to foster and support this organization. We recommend that the Baptist Student Union be made a part of the promotional work of the state Sunday School and Training Union department and that just as soon as possible some plan be worked out in co-operation with the Sunday School Board and the State Sunday School and Training Union Department which will provide either part or full time special supervision of this important phase of our work.

J. W. Royal
Joe Shaver
Hugh Cantrell
Mrs. Elmer Kirkbride
S. A. Wiles
C. E. Lawrence

Ben L. Bridges offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Be it Resolved, That this Convention approve the action of the Executive Board in drafting the 1938 Budget and Program last September, and that it suggests that the Board do likewise concerning the 1939 Budget not later than September 15th, 1938, in order that it may be properly promoted before the churches conduct the Every Member Canvass.

A motion passed:

That The President appoint a Committee on Resolutions to which all resolutions presented to the Convention shall be automatically referred, and that the Committee on order of business be instructed to provide a place on the program of the Convention for the report of this Committee.

Motion carried that the Secretary have 1000 copies of the annual printed and be allowed \$100 for services.

Motion carried, That any matter which appears to the Executive Board to have been overlooked by

the Convention, be referred to the Executive Board with power to act.

The Convention extended a standing vote of thanks to the First Baptist Church, the other Baptist Churches and the citizens of Ft. Smith for the hospitality shown them during the sitting of the Convention.

C. B. Waller spoke on "All On the Altar For Christ" and led in a dedication prayer.

The Convention adjourned to meet with First Baptist Church, Arkadelphia, December 6, 1938, at 7 p. m. and run until noon Friday.

L. M. Sipes, President

J. B. Luck, Secretary

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS, 1938

- Abbott, C. O., Little Rock, P
 Abernathy, Philip, Big Fork
 Abington, E. Butler, Ft. Smith,
 S. E., P
 Adams, O. M., Little Rock
 Adkins, H. J., Norfolk, P
 Aikin, Paul, Arkadelphia, P
 Allen, C. C., Pitman
 Allen, T. R., Huntington
 Allison, Alvin, Walnut Ridge, P
 Allison, E. D., Florence
 Allison, J. A., Walnut Ridge, P
 Allison, T. B., Attica, P
 Amos, J. A., Booneville, P
 Anderson, C. S., Hatfield, P
 Anderson, E., El Paso, P
 Anderson, Garland, Arkadelphia,
 P
 Anderson, Grady, Pine Bluff
 Anderson, W. B., Rover
 Anglin, J. B., Havana
 Anthony, E. L., Ft. Smith, P
 Applegate, Claud, Etowah
 Applegate, W. A., Grubbs
 Appling, Carl, Lepanto
 Armstrong, G. E., Jonesboro, P
 Arnold, J. R., Arlberg
 Ashburn, A. J., Little Rock
 Ashcraft, Chas., Arkadelphia, P
 Ashley, L. R., Morrilton, P
 Atterberry, B., Wilton
 Atwyater, A. E., N. Little Rock
 Babb, Keith, Malvern, P
 Bailey, J. Q., Van Buren
 Bailey, W. A., Oak Grove
 Bailey, Thurman, Miller, P
 Bain, L. F., Biggers, P
 Baker, Boyd, Lake Village, P
 Baker, J. D., Arkadelphia, P
 Balentine, J. J., Onia
 Balentine, Levi, Onia
 Ballard, T. H., Tuckerman
 Barns, H. L., Mansfield, P
 Barnes, H. C., Monticelle, P
 Barnes, W. M., Bono
 Barnes, Seth, Vandervoort
 Barnes, Tom, Monticello
 Barnett, J. R., Fayetteville
 Barrett, Lloyd, Monette
 Barrett, W. M., Selma, P
 Barton, Lee, El Dorado
 Basinger, John, Mulberry, P
 Bateman, Doynce, Rector
 Bates, Dave, Big Fork
 Bates, Geo. M., Little Rock
 Batson, J. A., Wooster
 Beam, J. T., Boston
 Bean, J. A., Mena
 Beavers, H. E., Clinton
 Belew, Knox, Datto, P
 Belew, Paul, Leachville, P
 Bell, J. B., Pittman
 Bennett, J. H., Hope, P
 Benson, J. T., DeQueen, P
 Berry, F. J., Banner
 Berry, T. H., Crossett, P
 Birmingham, R. L., Barton
 Bishop, Cyril, Conway, P
 Bishop, C. L., Armorel, P
 Bishop, R., Alexander, R. 2, P
 Bishop, W. A., Waldron, R. 1, M
 Black, Parks, Waldron
 Black, T. L., Barber, P
 Blackman, Truett, Mabelvale, P
 Blackwell, R. L., Pine Bluff, R.
 1, P
 Blakeney, Jas., San Francisco,
 Calif., U. S. A. Chaplain
 Blankenship, Adrian, Monette
 Blankenship, G. W., Little Rock
 Bledsoe, J. D., Arkadelphia, P
 Bloomer, Lum, McGehee, P
 Bolding, A. C., Conway, R. F. D.
 Bomar, Otto, Formosa
 Bow, J. F., Siloam Springs, P
 Bowen, J. W., Norman
 Bowling, J. T., Mena, P
 Bowling, W. H., Viola
 Boyd, Eldridge, Leachville, R. 3
 Boyd, H. R., Cabot, P
 Bozeman, R. G., Nashville
 Bradshaw, O. D., Grannis, P
 Branscum, Guy, Shirley
 Branscum, Herby, Onia, P
 Braswell, W., Crossett, P
 Bray, G. W., Hampton
 Breedlove, Geo. F., Russellville
 Brewster, Ed., Arkadelphia
 Brewster, J. W., England, P
 Brickey, R. Allen, Cass, P
 Bridges, B. L., Little Rock, G. S.
 Bridges, Homer, Arkadelphia, P
 Brinkley, E. H., Parkin, P
 Brooks, Alvin, Hot Springs
 Brooks, E. C., Mulberry
 Brooks, J. H., Clarendon, P
 Broomley, W. C., Winslow
 Brown, Bedford, Huntington

- Brown, C. R., Panama, Okla., P
 Brown, Clarence, Clarksville, R 2
 Brown, Edgar, Mansfield
 Brown, E. C., Benton, P
 Browning, Mark J., Parks
 Browning, E., Texarkana, P
 Bryan, Milo, Greenwood, P
 Bryant, E. C., Pleasant Plains
 Bugg, Geo., Manila
 Bullock, H. S., Barber, P
 Burche, J. C., Heber Springs
 Burckle, J. C., Heber Springs
 Burge, M. G., Whip
 Burge, S. J., Batesville, P
 Burge, Wash, Moorefield
 Burgess, J. P., Elaine, P
 Burgess, J. W., Hot Springs
 Burgess, Noe, Elaine
 Burk, D. A., Siloam Springs
 Burlison, Irvin, Seminary Hill,
 Texas, P
 Burnett, J. D., Houston, P
 Burns, E. N., Hamburg, P
 Burns, M. V., Bernice, La., P
 Burns, S. J., Van Buren
 Burnside, H. O., Texarkana
 Burnside, L. B., Texarkana, P
 Burton, M. C., Pineville
 Bush, A. F., Vilonia
 Butler, J. O., Black Springs, P
 Butler, R. A., DeWitt, P
 Byars, W. A., Bearden, P
 Byers, Bland, Hartford
 Byers, J. H., Hartford, P
 Caldwell, J. B., Armored
 Caldwell, J. H., Ozark, P
 Caldwell, Roe, Fisher, P
 Calhoun, E. N., Jonesboro, P
 Calhoun, R. E., Des Arc, P
 Callaway, J. E., Lewisville, P
 Calvin, Paul, Blytheville, P
 Calvert, F. E., Fort Smith
 Canady, F. E., Mt. Holly, P
 Cantrell, Hugh, Arkadelphia, P
 Carleton, C. S., Texarkana, P
 Carney, E. A., Osceola, P
 Carpenter, Alfred, Blytheville, P
 Carson, R. L., N. Little Rock
 Carter, E. J. G., Texarkana, P
 Carter, Charlie, Beulah
 Carver, W. E., N. Little Rock, P
 Casey, J. M., Bono, R. 1, P
 Chadwick, W. E., Pocahontas, P
 Chambliss, W. K., College Sta-
 tion, P
 Champlin, Dan, Berryville, P
 Chandler, J. V., Ola, P
 Chastain, O. J., Van Buren, P
 Chavis, J. H., Rison
 Cherry, F. T., Texarkana
 Chisholm, Robert, Leachville
 Christopher, B. W., Monette, P
 Clampitt, P. W., Yellville, M
 Clanton, V. A., Wilmar
 Clark, Ray, Mulberry, P
 Clark, Warren P., Ft. Smith, P
 Coble, W. B., Van Buren
 Coffman, Victor H., Ft. Smith, P
 Colb, Fred, Ft. Smith
 Colbert, J. H., St. Joe
 Cole, Chester, Paragould, R. 5. P
 Cole, E. L., Osceola, P
 Cole, Minor E., Warren, P
 Collier, A., Paragould, R. 4, P
 Comer, J. W., Branch
 Compere, J. S., Corning, P
 Compere, J. S. Jr, Piggott, P
 Connel, W. D., Heber Springs
 Constantz, A. B., Pittman, P
 Cook, D. B., Rosie
 Cooper, Hugh, Arkadelphia, P
 Cooper, Ira, Augusta, M&P
 Cooper, J. N., Mewnata
 Cooper, O. C., Lake City
 Cooper, Roscoe, Almyra, P
 Cooper, Stanley, Arkadelphia, P
 Cooper, M. C., Rector
 Copeland, Andrew, Huntington
 Copeland, C. F., Uniontown, P
 Corder, Perry, Thornburg, P
 Corder, W. E., McRace
 Corker, G. C., Ingalls
 Cossey, J. I., Searcy, P&Ed.
 Covington, J. T., Black Springs
 Cox, B. B., Wynne, P
 Cox, Elmer, Cotter, P
 Cox, J. Ernest, Abena Pass, P&M
 Craig, L. C., McGehee, P
 Crawford, J. A., Jonesboro, P
 Crawford, D. A., El Dorado, P
 Crawford, J. F., Alma
 Crawford, T. J., Gum Springs
 Crawford, Leroy, Siloam Springs
 Crawford, W. M., Siloam Springs
 Crigler, Claud, Cotter, P
 Crittenden, J. H., Arkadelphia, P
 Crocker, G. A., Piggott
 Crowder, P. J., Gurdon, P
 Crow, W. A., Ft. Smith, P
 Crowley, Lee, Little Rock

- Croxton, T. W., Monticello, P
 Cunningham, O. H. L., Pittman
 Dally, R. C., Arkadelphia, P&T
 Dalby, D. A., Arkadelphia
 Daniel, Morris, Sparkman
 Daniel, C. W., El Dorado, P
 Davis, C. G., Arkadelphia, P
 Davis, C. N., Alexander
 Darsey, Luther, Texarkana
 David, E. B., Rogers
 Davis, G. W., Marianna
 Davis, L. H., Ft. Smith, P
 Davis, O. O., Texarkana, P
 Davis, Ralph W., Ashdown, P
 Davis, Zack, Morton, P
 Davison, J. S., Ft. Smith
 Day, T. W., Conway
 Deason, A. J., Rogers
 Defreece, V. E., Rosie, P
 DeLaughter, Geo., Texarkana, P
 Demrod, Albert, Pine Bluff, P
 Denham, T. S., Fordyce
 Derrick, W. J., Jonesboro, P
 Devore, E. L., Imboden, P
 Dickey, J. L., Heber Springs
 Dodd, D. L., Ravenden Springs
 Dodd, Wesley, Walcott
 Dodson, F. G., Dardanelle, P
 Dorris, Rivos, Dermott, P
 Douglas, Thad, Montrose, P
 Drake, J. W., Hackett
 Draper, J. T., Malvern, P
 Dubois, J. E., Cherry Valley
 Duffer, Russell, Nettleton, P
 Dugger, Lawrence, Heber Springs
 Duke, H. M., Black Oak
 Duncan, H., Searcy
 Dunaway, C. H., Little Rock, P
 Dunn, J. P., Hoxie
 Dushod, M. M., Griffithville, P
 Durham, J. P., El Dorado, R. 3, P
 Early, T. R., Van Buren
 East, W. O., El Paso, P
 Edwards, F. F., Mt. Ida
 Edwards, J. R., Caddo Gap, P
 Edwards, W. C., Little Rock,
 R. 3
 Eldridge, Boyd, Cardwell, Mo., P
 Elliff, A. P., Clarksville, P
 Elliff, J. T., Arkadelphia, P
 Elledge, W. I., Jonesboro, M
 Elledge, Paul, Tyrnza
 Ellis, Thurman, Viola
 Ellis, U. D., Pine Bluff
 Ellis, Wade, Manila
 Elliott, C. G., Arkadelphia
 Elliott, C. H., Arkadelphia
 Elliott, E. S., Paris, P
 Elliott, M. W., Curtis
 Elmore, R. R., Magazine
 Elmore, W. E., Washington
 Ely, Calvin, Texarkana
 Ely, W. A., Texarkana, P&T
 Emery, J. P., Story
 Emmons, F. B., Paragould, R. 3
 Emmons, J. G., Collins
 English, James, Alma
 English, Joe W., Gentry, P
 Ennis, Lawson, Gentry
 Eoff, Henry, Shirley
 Eoff, Troy, Harrison, P
 Eppinette, L. D., Pine Bluff, P
 Ersland, S. T., Siloam Springs
 Eskridge, J. T., Arkadelphia, P
 Estes, E. D., Little Rock, M
 Evans, Gray, Mineral Springs, P
 Evans, W. A., Berryville, P
 Faulkner, G. D., Jonesboro, P
 Faulkner, J. D. J., Paragould,
 R. 2, P
 Featherstone, A. R., Glenwood
 Ferguson, B. V., Ft. Smith, P
 Ferguson, H. L., Marshall, P
 Finch, Charles, Pine Bluff, M
 Finch, E. L., Ward, P
 Finney, T. M., Booneville, P
 Fisk, H. A., Hope
 Fitzgerald, J. H., Mt. Home, P
 Flannagan, W. O., Ft. Smith
 Fleming, D., Round Pond, P
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 Clarksville—A. P. Elliff, Pastor; Mrs. A. P. Elliff, Mrs. M. N.
 Rowton.
 Cole Hill—Mrs. Blanche Wilhite.
 Ozark—J. H. Caldwell, Pastor; L. B. Jackman.
 Van Buren—O. J. Chastain, Pastor; Mrs. O. J. Chastain, J. O.
 Kincannon, Mrs. J. O. Kincannon.

CONCORD:

- Bailey Hill—C. L. Acuff, Mrs. E. L. Anthony.

Booneville—Lee Nichols, Pastor; Mrs. Lee Nichols, W. H. Price, A. J. Jenkins, E. E. Bechtel, O. A. Skinner.

Charleston—Don Hook, Pastor; Mrs. Don Hook, T. W. Robertson, Clyde Spiller, Agnes Swift.

FORT SMITH:

Calvary—L. H. Davis, Pastor; Mrs. L. H. Davis, W. A. Fooks, Mrs. William Earl Fentress, Mrs. Gib Fentress, W. A. Brooker, W. C. White, Mrs. T. N. Flanagan, Edgar E. Gardon, T. N. Flanagan, Mrs. Frank Golden.

First Church—B. V. Ferguson, Pastor; Mrs. B. V. Ferguson, Bolin Criner, Charles E. Scott, Mrs. O. D. Sanders, Mrs. George Caldwell, Mrs. S. C. Hunt, Mrs. Mary Shull, Mrs. J. R. Hunt, J. W. Meek, Mrs. S. P. Herring, Mrs. J. W. Wolfe, Mrs. B. F. Strange, Roy Gean, Mrs. A. W. Pharp, Mrs. A. B. Walters, Margaret F. Baird, Mrs. D. E. Allen, Mrs. W. O. Stezier, Mrs. C. H. Harding, Mrs. J. F. Baker, Mrs. F. L. Reese, Mrs. Ben F. Hendrix, R. N. Donohu, Mrs. E. Pogan, E. Pogan, O. M. Glass, J. W. Ramsey, R. D. Irvin, Mrs. R. D. Irvin, E. Rawlings, Mrs. E. Rawlings, Mrs. J. Frank Mowerey, Mrs. J. O. Edmunds, Mrs. A. Furrow, C. C. Newhorn,

Grand Ave.—C. C. Roberts, Pastor; T. H. Caton, Mrs. G. C. Williams,

Immanuel—Victor H. Coffman, Pastor; Mr. and Mrs. Norman O'Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Holland, Mr. and Mrs. William Perkinson, Mrs. Dan Gothard, Mr. R. E. Walden, Mrs. Clay Garmon, Mrs. Roger Workman, Mrs. H. E. Marsh, Mrs. W. E. Lowery, Miss Kate Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Burns, Mr. and Mrs. John Febro, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rhodes.

South Ft. Smith—W. C. Crow.

Greenwood—J. B. Maxwell, Pastor.

Magazine—J. D. Goldsmith, Pastor; Mrs. J. D. Goldsmith.

Oak Grove—Warren P. Clark, Pastor; Mrs. Warren P. Clark.

Paris—E. S. Elliott, Pastor; M. E. Wiles, V. T. Buel, Mrs. V. T. Buel, Mrs. G. C. Freeman, Mrs. Gene Titsworth, Leroy Tinsley, Mrs. Velia Hall.

Scranton—Harold L. Rutledge, Pastor; Mrs. Harold L. Rutledge.

DARDANELLE-RUSSELLVILLE:

Dardanelle—F. G. Dodson, Pastor.

Morrilton—Leroy Ashley, Pastor; Mrs. Ray Cutsinger.

Russellville—Fritz E. Goodbar, Pastor.

CURRENT RIVER:

Corning—J. S. Compere, Pastor.

DELTA :

McGehee—L. C. Craig, Pastor.

FAULKNER :

Conway: First—E. P. J. Garrott, Pastor; J. S. Rogers, Mrs.
G. E. Owen.

Second—G. E. Owen, Mrs. H. P. Barham, Mrs. S. A. Sims.

Damascus—T. W. Hayes, Pastor.

New Liberty—E. F. Simmons, Pastor.

Plumerville—W. D. Kirkland, S. J. McCrim.

GAINESVILLE :

Rector—M. C. Tooper, Pastor; Chester S. Maynard.

GREENE COUNTY :

Paragould—Homer B. Reynolds, Pastor; Mrs. H. N. Bleier.

HARMONY :

DeWitt—R. A. Butler, Pastor.

Dumas—H. A. Turner, Pastor.

Gould—Fred H. Ward, Pastor.

Pine Bluff: First Church—Harvey T. Whaley, Pastor; Mrs.
Harvey T. Whaley, Mrs. J. P. McNulty, Mrs. S. A. Lawhome,
Miss Doris Riley.

Hazel Street—Charles W. Finch, Pastor; Mrs. Charles W. Finch.

Lee Memorial—R. L. Blackwell, Pastor.

Ohio Street—L. D. Eppinette, Pastor.

South Side—Lloyd A. Sparkman, Pastor.

Star City—Joe Shaver, Pastor; Misses Marjorie Eastham, Lois
Miller, Evelyn McGuffy.

HOPE :

Hope—William Russell Hamilton, Pastor; James H. Bennett,
Earl Herrington.

Magnolia (Central)—J. B. Luck, Pastor.

Stamps—A. H. Moore, Pastor; Mrs. A. H. Moore.

Texarkana—(Beech Street)—O. J. Wade, Pastor; Raymond Mar-
ston.

INDEPENDENCE :

Batesville—First—O. M. Stallings, Pastor.

West Batesville—T. J. D. King, Pastor.

LIBERTY :

Camden—A. M. Herrington, Pastor.

El Dorado—First—C. W. Daniel, Pastor; J. M. Sheppard, Mrs.
J. M. Sheppard, C. B. Hall.

West Side—R. G. Middleton, Pastor.

Huttig—C. J. Rushing, Pastor; Osband Taylor, T. L. Dunn.

Joy City—J. P. Durham, Pastor; Mrs. J. P. Durham.

Smackover—George R. Wilson, Pastor; J. E. Berry, G. A. Dodson.

Strong—W. V. Walls.

Union—D. H. Rocket, Pastor.

LITTLE RED RIVER:

Heber Springs—C. E. Lawrence, Pastor; Mrs. C. E. Lawrence.

LITTLE RIVER:

Ashdown—Ralph W. Davis, Pastor; Mrs. Ralph W. Davis, John J. DuLaney.

DeQueen—Taylor Stanfill, Pastor; Mrs. J. C. Leeper, Mrs. John Glassglow.

Lockesburg—Miss Zona Poole.

Mineral Springs (Central Church)—Gray Evans, Pastor.

Murfreesboro—A. F. Muncy, Pastor.

Nashville—Frank Patterson, Pastor.

MISSISSIPPI:

Armored—Chester L. Bishop, Pastor.

Blytheville—Alfred Carpenter, Pastor.

Brown's Chapel—W. H. Horn, Pastor.

Dell—M. R. Griffin, Pastor.

Luxora—L. P. Fleming, Pastor.

Manila—F. A. Whitely.

Osceola—E. L. Cole, Pastor; Mrs. E. L. Cole.

Willowdale—Harvey Gray, Pastor; Mrs. Walter Matlock.

MONROE COUNTY:

(Disbanded).

Brinkley—Harold C. Seefeldt, Pastor.

Clarendon—J. H. Brooks, Pastor.

MT. ZION:

Jonesboro—First—O. L. Powers, Pastor; H. E. Watters.

Fisher Street—L. G. Miller, Pastor.

Nettleton—Russell Duffer, Pastor.

OUACHITA:

Mena—L. D. Summers, Pastor; John Shepherd.

PULASKI COUNTY:

Little Rock—First—Joe H. Hankins, Pastor; C. L. Randall, L. P. Guthrey.

Second—C. B. Waller, Pastor; Miss Margaret Hutchison.

Immanuel—C. H. Moses, Roland Lawrence, Edgar Williamson, Norman E. Ferguson, E. D. Estes, Mrs. C. H. Ray.

Pulaski Heights—L. M. Sipes, Pastor; Claude L. Durrett, Miss Betty Foster.

South Highland—L. M. Keeling, Pastor; L. S. Campbell, Mrs.

L. S. Campbell, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney.

Tabernacle—L. H. Roseman, Pastor; C. E. Hinkson.
 Woodlawn—C. H. Dunnaway, Pastor.
 Levy—O. A. Greenleaf, Pastor.
 North Little Rock—First Church—Thomas L. Harris, Pastor;
 Mrs. Thomas L. Harris.
 Central—J. K. Jobe.

RED RIVER:

Arkadelphia—First—Robert E. Naylor, Pastor; Mrs. Robert E.
 Naylor, J. R. Grant, Mrs. J. R. Grant, E. L. Brewster, O.
 W. Yates, Howard Halsell, Arthur Peterson.
 Second—S. A. Wiles, Pastor; Floyd B. Sloat, C. M. Finley.
 Bethlehem—M. S. Jagers, Pastor.
 Gurdon (Beech Street)—P. J. Crowder, Pastor; Roland E.
 Crowder.
 New Hope—J. T. Esridge, Pastor.

STONE-VAN BUREN:

Clinton—Claude Jenkins, Pastor; J. D. Reeves.

TRI-COUNTY:

Earl—E. Butler Abington, Pastor.
 Marion—Paul G. Kirkland, Pastor.
 Wynne—Byron B. Cox, Pastor.

TRINITY:

Marked Tree—W. D. Edwards, Pastor; Mrs. W. D. Edwards.
 Tyrone—Paul Ellege, Pastor; Mrs. Paul Ellege, W. H. Moreland.

WASHINGTON COUNTY:

Fayetteville—Blake Smith, Pastor; D. W. Read, Miss Carmen
 Read.
 Lincoln—Will H. Travis, Pastor.
 Springdale—Irvin M. Prince, Pastor; Mrs. Irvin M. Prince.

WHITE COUNTY:

Judsonia—W. N. Kelley, Pastor.
 Searcy—J. I. Cossey, Pastor.

WHITE RIVER:

Cotter—E. F. Cox, Pastor; Mrs. E. F. Cox.
 Mountain Home—James H. Fitzgerald, Pastor; Mrs. James H.
 Fitzgerald.
 Mt. Pleasant—H. J. Adkins.
 Yellville—P. W. Clampitt, Pastor.

WOODRUFF COUNTY:

Augusta—J. F. Brewer Jr., Pastor.
 McCroy—A. J. Hyatt, Pastor.

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 and hospitals 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 (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.

Sec. 1. Each Board, agency, and institution of this Convention shall submit to the Convention a detailed statement of its sources of income and a budget of proposed expenditures for the ensuing year. When received and adopted by the Convention, these budgets shall become the basis of operations for the ensuing year. Should any deficit occur in the operation of any board, institution, or agency, the same shall be included in the budget of the following year.

Sec. 2. Any proposal for indebtedness to be placed on this Convention, or any board, institution, or agency of the Convention shall be submitted to the Convention in annual session and approved by two successive annual sessions of the Convention before such indebtedness shall be incurred, except when three-fourths of the members of the Convention present and voting shall decide that an emergency exists which makes immediate authorization necessary.

Article X.—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.

Any proposed amendment shall be presented in writing to the Convention and shall lie on the table until the next annual session of the Convention.

STATISTICAL REPORT BY ASSOCIATIONS FOR 1937

ASSOCIATIONS	When Organized	No. of Churches	No. of Ordained Ministers	No. Pastors	MEMBERSHIP			SUNDAY SCHOOLS		B. T. U.'s		W. M. U.'s		Pastors' Salaries	Raised For Missions and Benevolences	Raised For All Local Expenses	Total Raised For All Purposes	Value of All Church Property
					No. Members Reported Last Year	Baptisms	Total Present Membership	No. Sunday Schools	S. S. Enrollment	No. of Unions	Members	No. Organizations	No. Members					
1. Arkansas Valley *	1920	18	12	8	2,645	124	2,645	17	2,180	24	288	28	210	\$ 8,363.45	\$ 3,405.66	\$ 19,747.32	\$ 23,152.98	\$ 134,869.80
2. Bartholomew	1850	35	20	20	5,642	372	5,931	28	3,313	43	879	25	706	12,818.01	8,088.27	18,916.79	27,005.06	135,150.00
3. Benton County	1885	19	8	8	2,597	105	2,413	18	2,001	31	410	29 *	488	6,639.08	3,032.21	8,758.10	11,790.31	103,700.00
4. Big Creek	1874	11	3	3	601	21	536	5	336	2	61	3	46 *	345.00	* 48.20	* 655.17	1,178.95	3,150.00
5. Black River	1914	16	9	9	1,863	83	1,674	11	1,312	17	231	20 *	354	5,070.00	3,598.36	10,909.63	14,407.99	88,300.00
6. Buckner	1878	38	24	21	2,548	137	2,343	29	1,859	14	618	4 *	83	2,088.01	2,707.37	* 10,598.98	13,306.35	56,214.00
7. Caddo River	1853	20	18	9	680	65	1,357	16	1,141	19	269	8 *	134	3,105.56	2,245.13	4,880.85	7,125.98	19,550.00
8. Carey	1916	13	13	8	1,904	28	1,775	10	941	11	244	7	102	5,175.10	513.62	9,650.66	10,164.28	57,250.00
9. Caroline	1855	28	16	16	3,998	184	4,095	23	2,408	39	843	29	646		5,423.72	5,385.27	23,708.77	96,125.15
10. Carroll County *	1870	10	11	6	985	35	985	6	606	2	215	4	59		143.10	3,046.33	3,189.43	34,100.00
11. Central	1919	20	17	17	4,384	282	5,020	20	4,381	58	968	37 *	891	13,966.70	22,683.44	39,421.16	62,104.60	331,700.00
12. Clear Creek	1872	26	12	12	2,439	166	2,355	20	1,925	46	586	38	376	6,272.00	1,018.66	11,510.62	12,629.28 *	81,551.67
13. Concord	1870	32	25	25	10,650	417	10,874	28	7,500	143	2,100	21	2,001	18,904.87	24,625.70	61,602.12	87,227.82	581,350.00
14. Crooked Creek	1867	14	9	9	1,291	63	1,273	11	603	23	280 *	9 *	78	3,159.53	4,580.97	5,809.58	10,390.55 *	52,500.00
15. Current River	1880	14	8	8	1,639	103	1,615	14	1,408	9	278	24	412	4,476.39	3,519.95	7,996.34	11,516.29	25,700.00
16. Dardanelle-Russellville	1854	21	24	12	2,358	110	2,418	17	1,927	19	328	22	604	6,637.51	2,576.88	18,088.07	20,664.95	162,700.00
17. Delta *	1929	24	17	13	3,022	174	3,022	16	1,666	27	471	35	355	1,746.83	13,969.85	15,216.68	15,216.68	145,000.00
18. Faulkner County	1883	27	20	12	2,540	147	2,643	18	2,108	36	568	13	270	4,189.02	6,517.05	10,741.16	17,258.21	80,950.00
19. Fourche Valley	1881	8	5	5	571	44	807	8	706	13	118	4	53	1,097.00	495.80	2,316.11	2,811.91	14,300.00
20. Gainesville	1874	15	9	9	1,771	65	1,816	15	1,374	8	130	12	71	3,478.97	668.38	6,747.33	9,415.72	54,750.00
21. Greene County	1925	31	18	18	4,280	274	3,984	31	3,300 *	16 *	357	12	311	6,408.85	3,539.87	16,663.48	20,203.35	137,300.00
22. Harmony	1918	22	24	15	6,477	470	6,760	22	4,812	60	1,308	80	616	19,502.35	16,959.58	61,055.04	88,013.62	395,480.00
23. Hope	1908	26	30	17	5,367	210	5,539	22	3,726	51	900	38 *	1,004	14,134.00	21,456.00	35,264.00	56,720.00	295,684.00
24. Independence	1850	14	12	8	1,513	128	1,699	12 *	301	15	412	14	302	17,493.44	3,394.16	13,918.31	17,312.47	82,850.00
25. Liberty *	1845	34	30	18	9,249	431	9,249	31	6,215	88	1,650	61	1,108	24,671.36	14,900.69	60,797.01	75,697.70	390,685.67
26. Little Red River *	1872	15	14	5	1,278	78	1,278	11	1,865	6	254	10	90		239.92	3,795.18	4,035.10	28,500.00
27. Little River	1915	24	11	11	3,129	171	2,969	19	1,913	23	367	13	296	8,333.00	4,237.67	16,932.05	21,170.72	98,000.00
28. Mississippi County	1925	27	32	16	4,244	412	4,410	22	2,935	57	783	30 *	381	11,319.80	10,692.33	27,979.75	28,672.08	168,850.00
29. Monroe County	1931	4	2	2	432	11	513	3	404	5	89	4		2,540.00	1,453.21	6,474.71	7,927.92	40,000.00
30. Mt. Zion	1852	38	38	22	6,128	378	6,126	35	4,457	24	1,133	24 *	348	16,482.65	13,202.56	36,820.78	50,023.34	300,000.00
31. Ouachita	1870	15	7	7	1,010	22	1,047	14	1,131	16	351	7	180	3,054.54	1,124.83	3,654.46	4,779.29	3,470.00
32. Pulaski County	1916	40	35	35	14,620	763	14,593	35	9,334	152	2,628	68	854	29,246.08	51,690.33	112,120.79	163,811.12	660,555.00
33. Red River	1848	22	28	18	3,456	191	3,524	22	2,808	46	825	13	327	7,832.00	8,056.00	19,167.61	27,166.24	149,800.00
34. Rocky Bayou *	1842	17	5	4	876	36	873	11	492	7	95	1	20	1,221.00	760.00	1,362.21	2,122.21	7,550.00
35. Stone-Van Buren Co.	1919	10	11	7	997	68	934	10	691	11	219	4 *	9	1,266.00	490.40	3,014.93	3,505.33	10,900.00
36. Tri-County	1925	14	11	11	2,265	167	2,533	14	1,768	19	342	29 *	323	10,691.26	8,009.91	29,426.79	37,436.70	139,500.00
37. Washington County *	1919	11	6	5	2,136	99	2,136	10	1,879	21	336	16 *	196	2,895.27	12,959.98	15,855.25	15,855.25	81,500.00
38. White County	1926	21	14	14	1,945	77	1,996	15	1,403	18	256	9 *	150	3,371.35	3,068.07	6,596.47	9,664.54	49,530.00
39. White River *	1842	10	12	6	841	28	841	7	433	8	118	7 *	98	2,410.43	432.35	3,857.42	4,289.77	6,900.00
40. Woodruff County	1928	12	3	3	1,004	61	782	5	485	11	146	8	105	2,474.22	2,203.56	2,964.65	5,178.20	26,400.00
Unassociated Churches *		2	2	2	555	60	555	2	495	2	222	2	98	3,180.00	979.15	5,561.35	6,540.50	29,000.00
TOTALS		818	625	474	126,485	6860	127,941	683	91,542	1,240	22,678	822	14,785	\$ 291,418.53	\$ 267,425.16	\$ 751,138.41	\$1,034,391.56	\$5,362,145.00

* Indicates no report this year; latest report given.