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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE
CONVENTION

IN THE

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
(NINETY-FIRST YEAR)

CAMDEN, ARKANSAS
December 5-7
1939

Next Session Will Convene December 3, 1940 at 2:00 p. m.

with

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Monticello, Arkansas

O. L. POWERS, JONESBORO
Preacher of Annual Sermon

Alternate: Minor E. Cole, Warren
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Joe H. Hankins, Little Rock  Elmer J. Kirkbride, Helena

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E. P. J. Garrott, Prescott  W. A. Jackson, Benton

R. A. Butler, De Witt

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Ira Patishall, Fordyce  T. L. Harris, No. Little Rock
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O. J. Wade, Texarkana  G. H. Miller, Melbourne
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Woodruff County

Term expires in 1941

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Black River  Clear Creek
E. E. Griever, Harrison
Boone-Carroll

J. H. Byers, Hartford
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Buckville

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Caddo River

G. E. Owen, Conway
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Harmony

L. D. Summers, Mena
Quachita

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Washington County

Term expires in 1942

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Concord

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E. L. Compere, El Dorado

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W. D. McMillian, Arkadelphia

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Tom F. Digby, No. Little Rock

D. D. Giover, Malvern

W. R. Hamilton, Hope

A. P. Elliff, Clarksville

J. F. Queen, Hot Springs

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T. H. Jordan, Hot Springs

Lee Nichols, Booneville

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Taylor Stanfill, Little Rock T. J. D. King, Batesville

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B. V. Ferguson, Fort Smith E. C. Benton, Fordyce
E. P. J. Garrott, Prescott Mrs. Will F. McWilliams, El Dorado

Term expires in 1941

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W. I. Moody, Little Rock C. C. Warren, Little Rock
Oates F. Neely, No. Little Rock C. D. Wood, Little Rock

Term expires in 1942

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E. L. Compere, El Dorado Lee Nichols, Booneville
H. L. Winburn, Little Rock Guy E. Williams, Little Rock

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Term expires in 1941

W. E. Bobo, Pine Bluff H. F. Dial, Pine Bluff

Term expires in 1942

Chas. A. Gordon, Pine Bluff W. P. Keith, Pine Bluff
BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BOARD

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T. H. Jordan, Hot Springs  Irving M. Prince, Springdale
P. R. Turner, Marianna

Term expires in 1941

J. T. Sanders, Forrest City  W. H. Moreland, Tyronza
J. B. Luck, Magnolia

Term expires in 1942

Elmer J. Kirkbride, Helena  E. P. Moore, Helena
H. L. Lipford, Earle

BOTTOMS' BAPTIST ORPHANAGE BOARD

Term expires in 1940

Marvin Bankston, Monticello  J. P. McNulty, Pine Bluff
C. E. Fish, Star City  Miss Theresa Scheu, Pine Bluff

Term expires in 1941

T. H. Berry, Crossett  B. E. Hart, Arkadelphia
C. B. Hall, El Dorado  Mrs. J. E. Short, Gould

Term expires in 1942

Boyd O. Baker, Lake Village  C. D. McMillan,
R. F. Hyatt, Monticello  C. C. Smith, Monticello
Mrs. G. W. Bottoms, Texarkana, (Honorary)

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ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

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Jackson Crouch, Hazen  Mrs. W. I. Moody, Little Rock
Joe H. Hankins, Little Rock  Jas. A. Overton, No. Little Rock
J. F. Hammett, Little Rock  J. K. Smith, Little Rock
The Arkansas Baptist State Convention convened in the Municipal Auditorium in the 86th annual session (91st year) and was called to order by President L. M. Sipes at 7 P. M.

The Convention adopted the following order of business.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM
TUESDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 5

7:00 Call to order, President. Devotional—Glenn A. Moore.
7:20 Enroll the messengers.
7:30 Welcome address—John L. McClellan.
7:40 Response to welcome address—T. H. Jordan.
7:45 Organization.
7:55 President's message.
8:05 Announcements.
8:10 First Baptist Church Choir.
8:20 Annual Sermon—A. M. Herrington.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 6

9:00 Devotional—J. F. Brewer.
9:10 Miscellaneous.
9:20 Committees Announced.
9:30 Recognition of New Pastors and Visitors.
9:35 Call of Committees.
9:40 Report of Executive Board.
10:25 Song.
11:20 Message from the Southern Baptist Convention by its president.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 Devotional—H. C. Seefeldt.
1:45 Journal and Miscellaneous Business.
2:35 Orphanage—J. E. Berry.
3:05 Baptist Bible Institute and Address—W. W. Hamilton.
3:45 Southwestern Seminary.
4:00 Southern Seminary.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT**

7:00 Devotional—J. B. Maxwell.
8:00 Christian Education—L. M. Sipes.
8:15 Central College.
8:45 Ouachita College.

**THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 7**

9:00 Devotional—C. H. Franks.
9:10 Journal and Miscellaneous Business.
9:25 Hospital work—E. E. Griever.
9:50 Publications—J. L. Cossey.
10:15 Cooperative Program—W. A. Jackson and Joe H. Hankins.
11:40 Address—J. B. Lawrence.

**THURSDAY AFTERNOON**

1:30 Devotional—W. F. Couch.
1:45 Journal and Miscellaneous Business.
2:00 Brotherhood—W. J. Hinsley.
3:15 Obituaries—O. C. Harvey.
3:30 Baptist Beginnings in Arkansas—Dr. L. T. Jerry and Memorial Address by Dr. M. E. Dodd.

**THURSDAY NIGHT**

7:00 Devotional—Ralph Davis.
7:15 Prohibition—C. F. Wilkins.
7:45 Hundred Thousand Club—C. W. Daniel and J. E. Dillard.
8:30 Foreign Missions—C. C. Warren.
9:30 Reading Journal.
9:40 Adjourn.

Byron B. Cox, song leader of Convention, led in singing, "All Hail the Power."
President Sipes led in prayer.
Song, "He Leadeth Me."
Prayer by J. S. Rogers.
The following served as tellers in the organization: L. H. Davis, Ira Patishall, A. P. Elliff, Harvey Hicks, P. A. Stockton, Wallace Hale, Joe Fred Luck, J. H. Fitzgerald, L. B. Burnside, and W. M. Pratt.

The enrollment cards were distributed, and messengers enrolled.

Welcome address was made by John L. McClellan.

T. H. Jordan responded to the welcome address.

The Convention was organized by electing Calvin B. Waller, pastor, Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, president; W. J. Hinsley, pastor, Second Baptist Church, Hot Springs, and J. R. Grant, president, Ouachita College, vice presidents; J. B. Luck, pastor, Central Baptist Church, Magnolia, recording and statistical secretary, and Ben L. Bridges, treasurer.

As he took the gavel, Calvin B. Waller made appropriate remarks and led in prayer.

Choir of First Baptist Church, Camden, sang the anthem, "Hark, Hark, My South," C. J. Allen leading, with Mrs. Jack Newton at piano.

A. M. Herrington preached the Convention sermon, using as his subject, "Transforming Touch of Jesus," and as his text, Matt. 17:7.

J. A. Overton led closing prayer.

Convention Adjourned.
WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

President Calvin B. Waller called the Convention to order at 9 o'clock.

Byron B. Cox led the congregation in singing, "Break Thou the Bread of Life."


A. J. Hyatt led in prayer.

The president announced the following committees:

**Hospitals**—E. E. Griever, J. H. Fitzgerald, L. B. Burnside, Harvey Hicks, Lee Nichols.

**Home Missions**—Alfred Carpenter, Joe Fred Luck, Mrs. Lee Nichols, Jas. A. Overton.

**Bottoms Baptist Orphanage**—J. E. Berry, W. E. Chadwick, Mrs. L. C. Craig, Mrs. O. J. Wade.


**Publications**—J. I. Cossey, W. A. Bishop, Wallace Hale, F. G. Dodson, H. C. Seefeldt.


**Obituaries**—O. C. Harvey, Mrs. A. P. Elliff, L. G. Miller.

**Ministers' Retirement Plan**—Calvin B. Waller, Joe H. Hankins, T. L. Harris.

**Co-operative Program**—W. A. Jackson, Joe H. Hankins, Clyde Hart, Taylor Stanfill.


**State Missions**—B. V. Ferguson, Virgil L. Barr, Miss Bernice Galloway, T. H. Jordan, Joe H. Hankins.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

W. M. U. WORK—Mrs. C. H. Ray, Mrs. Joe Fred Luck, Miss Eugenia Callahan, Mrs. L. M. Sipes, Mrs. J. R. Grant.


The following new pastors were introduced: L. T. Wallace, professor Bible and Greek, Ouachita College, Arkadelphia; J. A. Wilson, Berryville; V. E. Yarbrough, Cauthron; B. H. Duncan, First Baptist Church, Hot Springs; Cecil Meadows, England; E. H. Acuff, Marshall; Maurice M. Hall, Judsonia; Yancy T. Shehane, Sparkman; J. Manson Burrows, Waldron; George W. Archer, East Side, Paragould; William F. Shearin, Piggott; Dale House, Warren; Ernest Baker, Hartford; W. D. Wallace, Wilson; V. A. Higgs, Texarkana; E. T. Smith, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Jonesboro; Robert B. Mathis, Portland; William Huffman, Central, Jonesboro; Ralph L. Douglas, Gould; H. D. Boyd, El Dorado.

The following visitors were introduced: Hugh F. Latimer, Associate Secretary, Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Memphis, Tenn.; Ralph B. Glover, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dodge City, Kansas; H. C. Goerner, Assistant Professor of Missions and Comparative Religion, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; L. R. Scarborough, President, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas; Prince E. Burroughs, Secretary of the Educational Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; J. E. Dillard, Director of Promotion Executive Board, Nashville, Tenn.; E. F. Haight, Professor of Christian History, Baptist
Bible Institute, New Orleans, La.; R. S. Jones, Home Secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary of Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas; A. C. Millar, President of Anti-Saloon League, Little Rock, Arkansas; Noble Y. Beall, Field Secretary of Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; C. D. Wood, pastor of First Baptist Church, Haynesville, La.; H. E. Kirkpatrick, pastor of First Baptist Church, Minden, La.

A. C. Millar, president of Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas, brought greetings from the League.

General Secretary Ben L. Bridges read the report of the Executive Committee, and it was adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention assembled in Camden, December 5-7, 1939:

Dear Brethren:

It is with deep but humble joy that your Executive Board brings a report for the first ten months of this calendar year. Your Board has followed the policies and instructions of this Convention throughout the year, and has witnessed a year of spiritual prosperity and denominational advancement. Definite gains have been very noticeable along all lines. In searching for a feature of our work upon which the Lord's blessings have been more pronounced than upon others we found that such a thing was difficult to decide. All phases of our work have had the Father's blessings in an unusual way. Our work has run more or less smoothly through the year. There have been no rough places to speak of. Wise planning and incessant labors and prayers have been the concern of our work throughout the year.

There has been a noticeable gain this year in the number of baptisms which, after all, is the one point that determines our numerical increase. To have additions by letter and statement is fine and may represent new strength, but to have additions by baptism means that souls have professed to have been born again. There has also been a noticeable increase in Cooperative Program receipts during these
ten months, and there has been also some good contributing to one or two special causes. The condition of the churches seems to be much better this year, and we have never found so nearly a unanimous spirit of harmony and good feeling and good will among the brotherhood as has existed this year.

A THREE-FOLD PROGRAM

The three foundation stones upon which our Lord built His great Kingdom work were preaching, teaching and healing. A well-balanced program launched on these three basic ideas and undergirded with prayer will invariably receive the blessings of God. The churches cooperating with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention are endeavoring to build the kingdom of God along these lines, and your Board is glad to report that it has carried out the instructions of the messengers of the churches in Convention assembled last year. It has operated on its income, and so far as we can determine the Convention's institutions have done likewise.

I. BENEVOLENCES

We call your attention to the fact that during the last six years the State and the Federal governments have, more than ever, assumed unusual responsibility in benevolent operations. Various agencies of both the State and Federal governments have been created for the purpose of alleviating human suffering and caring for the unfortunate. Millions of dollars have been appropriated for these purposes. The work has become so pronounced that it somewhat overshadows the efforts that are being made by Christian denominations. We must not forget, however, that the motive prompting such service on the part of Baptists is that of love and tenderness; and with the help that is given there is a heart of love that seasons every effort. We desire to remind critics of Christianity that Christianity and Christ are responsible for all the benevolent work that even governments and secular agents are now at last doing. We do not find such work being done to any great extent where the influence of the Christian gospel has not reached. Christianity paved the way for all the great benevolences of the present day. It is not enough, however, to give help to the unfortunate—this help must be seasoned with a love and a devotion which comes only from Christ and from Christ's people. Surely, governments can do a great deal of this type of work now because the churches and the Christian people have shown them how.

1. Orphanage

One of the most outstanding accomplish-
complishment for Arkansas Baptists, which gives us a commodious plant for orphanage work. With large emphasis being placed upon the building program for the year there may be a small deficit at the end of the year in operating expenses unless receipts for November and December are better than they were for the first ten months of the year. Such a deficit, however, if any, will be very small. Your Board has remitted to the Orphanage during these ten months $7,481.73 for current operations, and $26,055.96 for building and furnishings. Health and spiritual conditions of the children (approximately seventy) are good.

2. Hospitals

Your Board has very little information from the Davis Hospital in Pine Bluff, but has received regular reports from the Baptist State Hospital in Little Rock. This institution has had a very prosperous year. The auditor's report, as of last June, showed a net profit during the fiscal year of $63,928.48. The hospital has begun a new nurses' home next to the main building. This institution furnished approximately $150,000.00 two years ago to assist in settling the Convention debts. This left a mortgage on the property of the hospital. But this mortgage has been lifted and a new one of $75,000.00 placed on the property to enable the management to erect a nurses' home. This will give us a great hospital plant. We commend the superintendent and board for their far-sightedness and efficiency.

All these institutions will make their separate reports to this Convention.

II. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. Our Schools

The Orphanage and the Baptist State Hospital are not the only institutions of Arkansas Baptists that have made progress during this year. Ouachita and Central Colleges have both made great gains. Ouachita College has by far the largest enrollment of its history, numbering about five hundred sixty (560) students. There are more than one hundred (100) ministerial students. The management reports that its finances are better than last year. Its income is better. It is collecting money from its students. Central College likewise reports a large enrollment of substantial students. The dormitory is crowded. Central College has no endowment. From the auditor's report we gather the following information concerning Ouachita's endowment. The invested funds are pledged to repay a loan which now stands at approximately $74,000; consequently the college gets only approximately $12,000 per annum from the fund to be used on current operations. We hesitate to say more about these institutions because they are making their own reports to this Convention. It should be said, however, that Arkansas Baptists have every reason for Christian pride concerning these institutions. Our
work needs them. The fact is, they are not large enough now to serve our great constituency adequately. We should support them liberally. They are really great institutions. We must keep them true in faith and clean in life. Your Board has remitted to Ouachita College $6,180.76, and $862.18 to her ministerial students and to Central College $2,273.06. Ouachita College reports that it has received $6,540.32 in other contributions. Your Board authorized the Ouachita College Board to go afield this winter to raise additional finances, and the college Board will present its plan to this Convention.

2. Christian Education in the Churches

There is another phase of Christian Education which can be properly mentioned here, the work of the Sunday School, Training Union and Student Union; the work of the Woman's Missionary Union, and the work of the "Arkansas Baptist" and the Baptist Book Store. The department of Sunday School, Training Union and Student Union work is under the leadership of Secretary Edgar Williamson. This department is doing a magnificent work in enlarging the scope of the work and increasing its efficiency. This department is reporting to this Convention. The Woman's Missionary Union is doing a good work of Christian training and education. This department has no organic connection with this Convention. Your Board supplied $5,000.00 for this year for its operation. The work of the "Arkansas Baptist" and the Baptist Book Store in supplying good literature and good books is invaluable. The present editor announced a year ago that he would not be an applicant for the editorship at the close of this calendar year, whereupon your Board appointed a special committee to work out a policy for a full-time editor and to find the man. Rev. L. A. Myers of New Orleans, Louisiana, has been chosen by your Board for this work. He has had due preparation and some experience in this line of work. He will begin his work January 1st. Your Board plans to have a full sixteen-page paper under this new plan. In order to have a larger paper it will be necessary to increase the price to $1.50 a year. The Baptist Book Store, 716 Main Street, is owned and operated by the Sunday School Board.

III. MISSIONS

Your Board believes that the main task of our denomination is evangelism and missions. In the Great Commission missions is primary both in emphasis and in order. The first task of a church or denomination is making disciples. Without this there can be no work of training. The growth of a denomination is measured by the number of souls won and baptized, and its strength is largely measured by the training and development given to the souls that have been won. Major efforts of Baptists should be directed toward this goal, and all Baptist institutions and causes should be dedicated to this
task. Surely, it is not difficult for us to see that our first task is winning to Christ. Jesus said, "I came to seek and to save that which was lost." Then He said, "as My Father hath sent me even so send I you into the world." If the purpose of the coming of Jesus in the flesh was the salvation of the lost, and if the Father has sent us as He sent Him, then it is evident that the Christian's task is to win the lost to Christ. A church that does not evangelize and baptize will fossilize, and it is only a question of time until dissension and trouble will confuse its ranks. It is likewise true in a larger sense with groups of churches called a denomination.

Your Board has again this year laid stress upon evangelism. We have cooperated with the forces of the Home Mission Board in the Southwide evangelistic emphasis. We trust that our cooperation has been some help to the movement at large, and certainly the general idea and movement have accentuated our efforts. We have contributed to missions at home and abroad and we have prayed for the success of missions. In our own home state we have not only contributed and prayed, but we have actually worked at the task. We are glad to say that the Lord has signally honored our efforts and has blessed us in our desires. This has been the greatest year for evangelism that Arkansas Baptists have ever had. A year ago we reported that our churches in Arkansas had baptized about 10,400 converts. During the past year we have had more than a ten per cent gain over the year before. The reports given to the associations from the churches at the close of this year revealed that there have been baptized into the fellowship of our churches 11,592. Never did Baptists baptize so many in Arkansas in any one year.

1. Southwide Causes

We are not unmindful of the fact that in Arkansas our contributions are yet too small and our support for Southwide causes has not measured up to that which the Baptists of other states are giving. The per capita contributions of Baptists in Arkansas to the Cooperative Program during 1938 was less than a penny per week. During 1939 it looks like it will be just slightly more than a penny per week. During 1938 the churches contributed for the Cooperative Program only about six and one-half per cent of their income. The percentage will remain about the same for this past year. This is a pitifully small percentage. Some churches in the Southland are giving fifty per cent of their income through the Cooperative Program. Perhaps the highest percentage in Arkansas is twenty per cent of the church's budget for the Cooperative Program and only a very few are giving that amount.

Southwide Causes have prospered during this year. The reports of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards as well as those of the other South-wide agencies will reflect a prosperous and blessed year. These agencies should have larger support from our constituency. The
Foreign Mission Board has suffered much loss occasioned by the destruction of property in the war zones; especially in China. During the first ten months of the year your Board has remitted to Southwide causes $26,248.56. This includes $5,105.78 for the Hundred Thousand Club, which fund is used to retire Southern Baptist Convention debts, but does not include the contributions that have been made direct to Southwide causes. Your Board has planned and is recommending to this Convention a larger budget for this year in which $40,000.00 is allocated to Southwide Causes.

2. State Missions

Your Board has a four-fold plan for State Mission work. The four points stressed are evangelism, stewardship, missions and educational work. We are most happy to say to you that this has been the best year for State Missions in Arkansas that we know anything about. For two years your Board has had this four-fold program in operation. The first year was a good year, but this second year has been much better. The details of this phase of the work will be brought out in the report on State Missions. We have had five district evangelists at work in different sections of the state and we have been assisting, during the year, as many as 26 associational missionaries, many of whom worked all the year, but some worked only a fractional part of the year. The reports coming from all these missionaries, which your Board has paid or helped to pay, are encouraging indeed. During the first ten months of the year 2,333 souls have professed faith in Christ as a result of these missionary operations. Good stewardship and budget results have been obtained also.

Your Board believes that this program of missions has more than vindicated itself and should be strengthened as the years come and go. To carry out this plan of work as it should be, we ought to have $20,000.00 more to put into it every year, than we are getting. Such an increase would enable us to accomplish a great deal more than we are accomplishing. But we think that any increase for missions ought to be shared with Southwide agencies.

3. Other Activities

Your Board is glad to announce the completion of the new administration building of the Bottoms' Baptist Orphanage at Monticello. This building was designed with care and was built with a purpose and is, therefore, one of the most commodious buildings that we have at all among any of our institutions. It was erected for one special purpose and every part of the building was made with Efficiency as the watchword. The building is paid for. We now have a splendid plant at our orphanage. We can accommodate nearly one hundred children. This new building will accommodate two hundred children in so far as it is intended to serve, but, of course, the dormitories will
not house that many children as they now stand. The other institutions of the Convention are constantly enlarging their quarters and increasing their facilities for service.

In addition to the gathering of funds and the completion of the building at the Orphanage, your Board has conducted five district Bible schools intended especially for preachers and other Christian workers. These schools were conducted last February and we have had many echoes of their splendid results. Our leaders who attended these schools were lavish in their praise and were enthusiastic about the information and inspiration which they received. Your Board also conducted an Evangelistic Conference early in June which reached approximately two hundred preachers. There was much enthusiasm gained at this conference. There is no doubt but the large number of baptisms this year is partly due to the spiritual power and evangelistic fervor given to us in this conference. Full-time and part-time preachers alike praised the Lord for the blessings that came to them in this meeting.

IV. STEWARDSHIP

Your Board has also led in the promotion of one of the most profitable stewardship movements that we have ever had in the state. Many churches that were struggling and discouraged have been made happy and have a hopeful outlook since this stewardship movement awakened within them their possibilities and enlisted their members in a more liberal support of their work. The number of tithers has been greatly increased this year throughout the state. Your Board believes that the weakest point in our Baptist work is our failure to qualify as good stewards of the Lord. Just as the Levites and singers forsook the house of the Lord in the days of Nehemiah and went into the fields, even so many preachers and Christian workers are forsaking the work of the Lord to earn their bread in the fields and in industries and in the marts of trade in our day. Many churches are pastorless because they have not emphasized the Lord's plan of financing the Lord's work. Many churches that have pastors keep them on starvation wages—keep them poor and discouraged so that the work that is in their hands does not prosper. We believe that if the Lord's people would bring the Lord's tithes into the Lord's house on the Lord's day, the Lord's work would be amply cared for and every church could have its pastor. There would be "meat" in the Lord's house. Your Board has endeavored to strengthen the cause at this weak point.

V. THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

We desire to impress upon our constituency the value of the Cooperative Program as a method of operation, and we urge all Baptists to give their major support to our work through this channel. Our causes are many and they cannot go afield individually for funds.
Such would be impractical and it would be impossible for the churches to answer the many appeals. The Cooperative Program has proven to be the best method we have ever tried and it is scriptural; and there will be little trouble encountered if we all give support to our work through this method. It is evident that it is increasingly necessary to correlate the manifold activities and unify our objectives and pool our money in a unified budget which will yield a relatively fair support for our causes embraced therein. This cooperative plan will not only be a means of giving satisfactory support to all the phases of our work, but it will also make us a happy people.

We would call attention to the fact that many of our churches simply through negligence are failing to share in the constant victories that the Lord is giving to us, and are allowing a blank to follow their names when the quarterly receipts are published. So far as we have been able to see in most instances, there are at least some members in the churches who are anxious to give support to our Cooperative Missionary Program, and will do so when called upon in their churches. Our Board feels that this one great central method of operation should be unanimously supported by all our churches.

Your Board feels that the time has come when an unusual effort should be made to enlist our churches in the support of our causes through the Cooperative Program. It has been throwing its strength into the task of helping the churches through the stewardship and tithing movement during the past two years and it feels that the churches are in a better condition, and that it is now possible for them to give a much larger support to missions. Accordingly, your Board is planning an unusual approach to the churches to enlist them in making regular contributions through the Cooperative Program for 1940, to the end that the entire budget for the year may be realized. We wonder if the rank and file of our people really know that when we give financial support through the Cooperative Program that they are contributing to the support of the Orphanage? Do they know that when they are contributing through the Cooperative Program that they are giving the main financial support to Foreign Missions? Do they know when they are contributing through the Cooperative Program they are helping to support Ouachita College, etc.? If we can realize this we will know that a failure to support properly the Cooperative Program, and to designate gifts to one object means that several sacred causes are suffering. We would ask the churches to welcome an earnest appeal from your Board to give a larger financial support and subscribe and to pay the full Cooperative Program budget for 1940.

VI. FINANCES

Although we have not been able to collect, month by month, all that the budget calls for, yet we find some consolation in reporting that the contributions during the first ten months of this year were approximately twenty-five per cent greater than they were for the
same period last year. Unless we make a special effort in December we will not reach our budgetary goal by any means. To October 31, we had collected $64,281.11 for Cooperative Program (undesignated). Designated receipts for this period amount to $25,536.36. Other receipts amounted to $5,075.42. Our total cash receipts, therefore, for the ten months' period amount to $94,892.89. $23,628.47 has been sent direct to objects embraced in the Cooperative Program, from Arkansas donors. Your Board is on a cash basis and is making no debts. At the close of the year the auditor's report for the entire year will be printed in the annual, as we did last Convention year.

VII. EXPANSION STILL NECESSARY

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention has come on to the brink of an immense future. A wide expanse of unlimited opportunities stretches out ahead of us. The field is the world, and the world is torn by war and sin. What we have called civilization has taken a strange turn. It has become a Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde. Today it is altogether Mr. Hyde, it seems. The eastern hemisphere is largely a literal battlefield, while the western hemisphere is a battlefield of human wreckage, torn to pieces by indulgence and sin, and strife. The whole world is prostrate. It appears that only the supernatural can lift it. Human reason and human integrity seem only to serve to make things worse. When conditions like these prevail it is God's day. It is God's opportunity. God exults in taking hold of a hopeless situation and transforming it altogether. It is a mighty task but Jesus Christ did not come to catch sparrows and subdue rabbits. "He is a lion tamer, and has been so from the beginning."

While it is God's day and God's opportunity we are God's people and working at God's task. Our opportunity is absolutely unlimited. It is circumscribed only by our failure to give our own selves to the Lord and then to lay our wealth and endowments on His altar. God's blessings in giving us the greatest year we have ever had is only an earnest of what He has in store for us. If Baptisms would put into State Missions as much money as each of several of the other Southern states, we could build up a mighty Baptist work in Arkansas. But we cannot afford to put larger sums into State Missions until we also enlarge the financial support to Southwide and World-wide objects; and we ought to be giving thirty-five or forty thousand dollars to State Missions. Nearly every other item of our work also needs a larger financial support. When will we take seriously the liquor curse and give financial support to prohibition? When will we step into the Negro race and do as much for them as the Catholics are doing? The Negroes are by nature peculiarly susceptible to the Baptist message and they want to be Baptists. We are not doing much to make them Baptists or to make them any kind of Christians. It is a shame that when the Lord constructs a large section of the race for the Baptist cause that the Baptists neglect it or refuse to take an interest in it.
There are numbers of communities where church houses ought to stand and where a good live church organization should exist. Then, too, we must more carefully define our State Missions objectives and operations.

We believe that we ought to pause for a period of thanksgiving to the only wise God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for His abounding mercy and grace, and for the blessings upon His work in the hands of Arkansas Baptists, and by giving us results unsurpassed in any year of our history. We can enter into the fellowship of joy with the seventy disciples who returned from the mission upon which Jesus sent them with joy because the devils were subject unto them through His name. It is never a good thing to forget our task ahead, even for one moment; and yet we think that there come times when we ought to rejoice over the victories of grace. In searching for a feature of our work upon which the Lord's blessings have been more pronounced than upon others, we found that such a thing was difficult to decide. We found that He has greatly blessed all phases of our work.

VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend:

1. That the Cooperative Missionary Program and the unified budget be heartily supported by all of our churches during 1940, and request that the churches increase the mission percentages in their budgets.

2. A well organized effort to get six hundred fifty (650) churches to contribute regularly to Cooperative Missions.

3. 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.

4. That "tithes and offerings" be emphasized as the scriptural method of supporting the Kingdom Work.

5. A rehabilitation of our Baptistically neglected communities, through the efforts of our missionaries assisted by nearby pastors.

6. A vigorous evangelistic campaign during the year, and that we commend the Southern Baptist Convention for its evangelistic movement, and that we cooperate with President Scarborough and Dr. Leavell of the Home Mission Board in their plans for the movement.

7. 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 ever 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 hearti-
By the special seasons of emphasis provided for in the Calendar of Time of the Southern Baptist Convention and urge the churches to use the program as a means of instruction and to take the offerings as a method of enlarging the grace of giving among our people.

EXHIBIT "A"

EXECUTIVE BOARD
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Balance Sheet
December 31, 1939

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WE HEREBY CERTIFY that we have audited the books and records of the General Secretary and Treasurer of the Executive Board, Arkansas Baptist State Convention, for the year ended December 31, 1939, and, in our opinion, the above Statement correctly reflects their financial position on that date.

RUSSELL BROWN COMPANY
Members American Institute of Accountants

Little Rock, Arkansas
February 16, 1940
EXHIBIT "B"
EXECUTIVE BOARD
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939, Inclusive

Cash on Hand and in Bank—January 1, 1939 $34,909.38

Cash Receipts
Cooperative Program—Undesignated Contributions $79,687.39

Designated Contributions:
- Baptist State Hospital 44.00
- Bottoms Baptist Orphanage 953.07
- Bottoms Baptist State Orphanage Building Fund 6,005.05
- Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Furnishings Fund 911.81
- Ouachita College 1,138.48
- Central College 45.05
- S. S. and B. T. U. Specials 295.00
- State Missions 8,047.97
- State Evangelism 4,127.89
- Radio Broadcast 37.00
- Foreign Missions 2,047.14
- Home Missions 536.47
- Hundred Thousand Club 6,002.95
- Baptist Bible Institute—Interest 10.00

Total Designated Contributions 30,201.88

Total Cash Contributions 109,889.27

Miscellaneous Cash Receipts
- From Baptist Sunday School Board—
  For S.S. and B.T.U. Dept. 3,825.00
- For Arkansas Baptist Assembly 200.00
- For District Training Union Conventions 100.00
- For Summer Field Work 820.13
- For Vacation Bible Schools 200.00
- For S.S. & B. T. U. Specials 303.36

District Training Union Registrations 55.68
B. S. U. Retreat at Ferncliff 198.45
B. T. U. Convention Registration 114.54
Proceeds from Sale of Desk and Chair 25.00
Interest on State Mission Endowment Fund 50.18
Drew County Committee Remitted Through Error 260.25
Less: Refund to Drew County Committee 260.25

Total Miscellaneous Cash Receipts 5,892.34

Total Cash Receipts 115,781.61

Total Cash to Be Accounted For—Carried Forward $150,690.99
### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements—Page 2.

**January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939**

**Total Cash to Be Accounted For—Brought Forward** $150,690.99

#### Cash Disbursements

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**Total Cash Disbursements**  
**133,381.78**

Balance Cash on Hand and in Bank December 30, 1939  
**$17,309.21**

**EXHIBIT "C"**

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939, Inclusive**

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**$79,687.39 $30,201.88 $27,723.71 $137,612.98**
EXHIBIT "D"

STATE MISSION FUND

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939, Inclusive

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Total State Mission Receipts: 25,068.13
STATE MISSION FUND

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
January 1, 1989 to December 31, 1989, Inclusive

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**Total State Mission Disbursements** 20,035.26

**Balance in State Mission Fund December 31, 1989** $8,621.17
### EXHIBIT "E"

**SUMMARY OF WORK DONE BY STATE MISSIONARIES AND BY ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES WHOSE SALARIES WERE SUPPLEMENTED BY STATE BOARD DURING 1939**

**JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31, INCLUSIVE**

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Song, "Footsteps of Jesus."

B. V. Ferguson read the report on State Missions and discussed it. Our district missionaries, E. Butler Abington, W. R. Vestal, C. L. Randall, Earl Herrington, and Elmer F. Cox were introduced. It was adopted.

### STATE MISSIONS

Your committee rejoices in being able to bring to this convention the best report in many years.

State missions is basic in our mission program. The stronger the home base, the more effective we will be to the ends of the earth.

Therefore, we lay great stress on evangelizing the people in the home land and enlisting them in Christ's world wide cause.

**THE TASK IN ARKANSAS:** We are confronted with a gigantic task. We are confronted with an opportunity that challenges our best in man power, consecration and resources.

Arkansas is still a great mission field. There are nearly one million souls above ten years of age who are unsaved; and about one million and a half not in Sunday School. This vast multitude is practically untouched by vital Christian contact. Hundreds of thousands of these are under anti-Christian influence. Many vile influences are at work in our state. Many debauching and damning evils are organized against the Christian forces. No reforms or moral uplift are to be looked for without a militant evangelistic Christianity.
The Baptists must lead the way. We are almost as strong in numbers as all the other Christian bodies combined. Therefore, our responsibility exceeds all others. If the masses are won to Christ, they will be won largely by the Baptists. We must count in quality as well as in numbers. Some four hundred Baptist churches gave nothing to missions last year. We dare say they did little soul winning in their respective communities. They have refused to be enlisted and to be counted among the higher type of Baptists. They must be rescued from the dry rot of do-nothingism or a better type of Baptists must be won and developed and planted where these dying churches have dug their own graves. Our mission task is to grow a missionary evangelistic church in every place where the needs justify it. Every unsaved person in Arkansas is entitled to hear the Baptist message.

During the years of our debt and the depression we did little for State Missions. We have now come to better days. We are rebuilding effectively and solidly our state mission program. The results of this year are most heartening and assuring. The blessings of God have been poured out on us in a most encouraging manner. When we consider the results it humbles us to think that we have done so little.

We have five district missionaries who have been most successful in promoting our entire program. They have given special attention to evangelism and stewardship. We are also helping to pay the salaries of twenty-six associational missionaries. We give the following report of their work and results.

Eighteen new churches established.

Thirty-eight new Sunday Schools. Thirty-six New Training Unions. Two thousand three hundred thirty-three Professions of Faith, and 1700 Baptisms.

These glorious results challenge us to enlarge our support of missions and to increase our staff of workers.

We recommend that new district missionaries be added when increased funds justify it.

Secondly, that special emphasis be placed upon enlisting the unenlisted churches in our 1940 program.

Thirdly, that we continue to press vigorously our stewardship and tithing campaign.

Signed:  B. V. Ferguson  
         Virgie L. Bass  
         Miss Bernice Galloway  
         T. H. Jordan  
         Joe H. Hankins
B. V. Ferguson led in a prayer of thanksgiving for the work of the year.

Song, "Jesus Saves."

L. R. Scarborough, President of Southern Baptist Convention and President of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, addressed the Convention.

Prayer by President L. R. Scarborough.

Convention adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Song Leader Byron B. Cox led the congregation in singing, "My Jesus, I Love Thee."


Journal was read and adopted.

Mrs. C. H. Ray, Executive Secretary of W. M. U. of Arkansas, read the report on Woman's Work, which was adopted. She introduced the following workers and officers of W. M. U.: Mrs. L. M. Sipes, Miss Margaret Hutchison, Miss Irene Chambers, Mrs. G. D. Thompson, Mrs. J. T. McLain, Miss Elma Cobb, Mrs. C. R. Pugh, Mrs. T. Shad Medlin, Mrs. Albert L. Buck, Mrs. B. B. Maxwell, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney, Mrs. L. M. Keeling, Mrs. J. R. Grant, Mrs. J. R. Carpenter, Mrs. C. B. Waller.

Mrs. L. M. Sipes, President W. M. U. of Arkansas, spoke to the report. Report was adopted.
At no time during the life of Woman's Missionary Union has a more compelling watchword been chosen than the one we have had during 1939—"The Love of Christ Constraineth Us." With the victories achieved through the Golden Jubilee fresh in mind, we perhaps needed the challenge of this rich expression from Paul which really means, "The love of Christ overmasters me, lifts me up, crowds me on."

In the midst of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, then President of Southern W. M. U., said—"Many a time a great celebration has exhausted the missionary energy for years to follow. We want no nervous collapse to follow this anniversary." Again this warning was sounded throughout the fiftieth anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union, and as we entered upon the new half-century in the life and work of our missionary organization, the love of Christ has constrained us to go still further on our way. The knowledge of His blessed leading through other days has served to quicken our purpose to more abundant service.

General Officers

The work of Woman's Missionary Union has gone forward in a marvelous way during the past year. The record of achievements testify of the loyal co-operation of the general officers and chairmen of all departments of the Union. The general officers are: Mrs. L. M. Sipes, President; Mrs. W. C. Edwards, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. C. Fuller, Assistant Recording Secretary; and Mrs. G. D. Thompson, Auditor. Through the co-operative efforts of local, association, district and State officers we are able to report a gain in every phase of W. M. U. activity.

Office Work and Expenditure

The Union has four office employees. They are: Mrs. C. H. Ray, Executive Secretary, Miss Margaret Hutchison, Young People's Secretary, Mrs. W. D. Pye, Treasurer and Program Editor, and Miss Elma Cobb, Office Assistant. From the Union's Headquarters maintained at 510 Donaghey Trust Building, Little Rock, has gone the largest number of letters and promotional literature of any previous year. Number of letters received 7,764; personal letters and cards written 9,406; mimeograph letters and articles sent 98,541; packages of literature sent 17,678; leaflets and other pieces of literature distributed 195,965; number programs prepared 21.

The amount of $10,050.05 has been spent for office administration and traveling expense of the two secretaries and other Union repre-
sentatives. Of this amount $5,000 was received from the Executive Board of this Convention and the remainder of $5,050.05 was raised by Woman's Missionary Union direct from its own organizations.

Organizations

We now have 485 missionary societies and 915 young people's auxiliaries on our mailing list, making a grand total of 1,400, the largest number of organizations in the history of the Union, being an increase of 129 over the corresponding period of last year. These are grouped together in 39 Associational Unions which are divided as equally between the eight Districts as territory will permit.

Meetings

The annual meeting was held in April at the First Baptist Church, Little Rock, with an attendance of 512 delegates and 988 visitors, making a total of 1,500. The challenging theme was “Follow Me.” Miss Juliette Mather, Miss Wilma Bucy, and Miss Lena Lair, representatives of Southern W. M. U., the Home Mission Board and the Foreign Mission Board respectively, were out-of-State speakers. To this meeting were brought reports of victories achieved during the Golden Jubilee, which were accepted with gratitude and praise to God for His blessings and favor upon the work of Woman's Missionary Union.

In June eight District Meetings were promoted by the District Presidents with a total registration of 1,578, breaking all previous attendance records. Mrs. W. H. Gray of Birmingham, Alabama, representing Southern W. M. U., together with Miss Hutchison and Mrs. Ray, representing the State Union, Mrs. R. C. Rudisill, the Hospitals, and Mrs. C. R. Pugh, the Orphanage, attended each meeting, speaking on the work of the Union and the above named institutions. Christian Education was presented by local women from each District. The ministry of the eight District Presidents has been a blessing and their co-operation in promoting the work of their Districts most gratifying. They are: Southeast, Mrs. J. E. Short, Gould; Southwest, Mrs. Albert L. Buck, Texarkana; West Central, Mrs. Walter Jackson, Fort Smith; North Central, Mrs. P. O. Freeman, Thayer, Mo.; East Central, Mrs. B. B. Maxwell, West Helena; Northwest, Mrs. Julius G. Priest, Bentonville; Central, Mrs. T. Shad Medlin, Little Rock; Northeast, Mrs. T. E. Tate, Armorol.

Instead of the usual conferences prompted each September in the eight districts, forty Associational Methods Institutes were held from September 12 through November of this year. While complete statistics as to attendance and results are not available at the time this report is being prepared, we do feel that they will help Woman's Missionary Union to better perform its function—"to stimulate the missionary spirit and grace of giving among the women and young
people of our churches” and also to enable them to “show themselves approved workmen.”

Classes for all grades were held at the Assembly with a total enrollment of 343. There were 100 certificates and 147 seals awarded. Mrs. H. M. Keck served as dean, assisted by Mrs. L. M. Sipes. Miss Bertha Wallis, Director of the Good Will Center at Birmingham, Alabama, Mrs. Wilford Lee, Mr. Wilford Lee, Mrs. Julius G. Priest, Mr. Louis Gustavus and Mrs. Hal VanDuyn composed the W. M. U. faculty.

The Associational W. M. U. organizations have met together either quarterly or in conjunction with the monthly workers’ council for inspiration and to plan for better work in their respective associations. Quarterly programs prepared by Mrs. Pye, together with suggested materials, have been furnished from the W. M. U. office. The associational young people’s counselors have promoted 29 rallies, Miss Hutchison preparing and sending suggested programs for these. Woman’s Missionary Union is grateful for the service rendered by all these associational leaders.

Miss Irene Chambers, field missionary for Woman’s Missionary Union has held an average of about three meetings in each of the forty associations, in addition to many local meetings, traveling a distance of 14,666 miles. A total of $1,200 has been spent for field work. The field missionary and the two secretaries have attended a total of 408 meetings, made 240 talks and traveled 36,115 miles.

Chief Aims

The why and how of the growth of Woman’s Missionary Union and the development of its members in Christian service can best be answered through its six Chief Aims.

PRAYER:—Individual and United, has ever been the first preparation for growth in service. We would remind ourselves anew that plans for deepening the prayer life will not go deep unless we are moved to a deep sense of need and feel the urgency of prayer. In 464 homes last year the great need of prayer was felt which resulted in the establishment of family altars.

In March 749 organizations united in prayer for Home Missions and gave $5,395.27. In September 575 groups observed the Season of Prayer for State Causes and contributed $4,379.43. In December 690 organizations prayed for Foreign Missions and gave $8,194.59. There was an increase of 152 organizations observing one or more of these three Seasons of Prayer and an increase of $536.72 in gifts over the previous year.

ENLISTMENT of that great host of unenlisted women and young people in our Baptist Churches always remains a responsibility never completely discharged. We report for last year the enlistment of 3,666 new members in missionary societies and 4,613 new members in young people’s organizations, making a total of 8,379. This is a
slight gain but we shall not be satisfied until every enlisted member determines to enlist some indifferent woman in missionary service.

**STUDY** of the missionary message of the Bible and world missions is the basis for interest in and enthusiasm for missions. Benjamin Franklin once said—"An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest." The results from the study of missionary program material and books on missions by our W. M. U. constituency verify the truth of this statement. Mrs. H. M. Keck, State Chairman of Mission Study, reports 439 classes held, 6,010 certificates and 9,819 seals awarded, revealing the fact that many more women and young people have been enlisted in study over the previous year.

**PERSONAL SERVICE** is Christ-like living in our own community, active, busy, constructive living, organized and directed through the local organization towards a definite end—soul winning. Mrs. J. T. McLain, State Chairman of Personal Service, reports several hundred organizations engaged in directed personal service and a total of $6,319.44 spent in personal service activities resulting in 878 conversions.

The love of Christ has constrained the members of Woman's Missionary Union to extend their ministry to the Baptist Hospitals and the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. By special gifts to the Charity Fund, linens, canned fruit and vegetables and other miscellaneous gifts, including a gift of $1,000 from Woman's Missionary Union to complete the Dixie Jackson Memorial previously established at the Baptist State Hospital, Mrs. R. C. Rudisill, State Chairman of Hospital Supplies, reports a total valuation of hospital gifts and supplies of $5,155.21.

Many of the children of the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage are clothed by missionary societies, and through voluntary cash gifts from many societies Arkansas W. M. U. has provided funds for an Orphan's Home Helper for a number of years. Societies also assist in providing canned fruits and vegetables and linens for the home. Some associations and individual members contributed largely toward the furnishing of the new Administration Building completed this year.

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS** are not an optional matter and so we do well to make it one of the Chief Aims of Woman's Missionary Union. If the records show that members of missionary societies are not tithing-givers to the regular Co-operative Program through their church budget, it is because the individual fails to follow this aim of her organization. That all special offerings should remain over-and-above the gift of the tithe through one's own church is an aim of Woman's Missionary Union. Gifts reported for the past twelve months total $225,211.65, the amount of $151,079.56 having been contributed to local church, charity and miscellaneous and $74,132.09 for the various mission causes. These figures show an increase of $17,753.16 over last year, the increase being largely in gifts to local
church, etc. Mrs. E. S. Elliott, State Chairman of Stewardship, reports a total of 4,330 tithers, 2,730 among the women and 1,600 among the young people.

**THE MISSIONARY EDUCATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE** completes the six Chief Aims and is accorded a large place in our sum of missionary service. This department of our work is under the direct supervision of Miss Margaret Hutchison, who has made a very definite contribution to the lives of the Baptist young people of our State. In addition to her office duties and field trips of 12,673 miles she has planned and executed various meetings for young people, some of the larger groups being the G. A. Conference in March with a registration of 264, the Y. W. A. Banquet, preceding the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union when 300 were in attendance, the Y. W. A. Houseparty with 84 registered, Junior and Intermediate Camps for girls and boys with a total attendance of 340, assisted in a District Y. W. A. Camp with 33 in attendance, besides chaperoning a group of young women to Ridgecrest Y. W. A. encampment. She has visited six colleges, organized a Y. W. A. in two of these, taught mission study classes at two, and was guest speaker for the annual banquets and two other meetings of these Y. W. A's. For the period covered in this report the young people gave $23,155.85, the largest gifts reported for any such period on record. This amount is included in the total gifts of Woman's Missionary Union.

**Conclusion**

The marked progress revealed in this report calls forth thanksgiving and hope. That God has been leading is manifested by the record of achievements. These gains have been made possible by the increased interest and efforts on the part of officers, members of our W. M. U. constituency and denominational leaders, to whom we desire to express our sincere appreciation. Had we had the hearty cooperation of the great host of unenlisted Baptist women and young people in our State the year's record would have been more God honoring. The past year has revealed to us possibilities in ourselves which God can use to His glory if we submit ourselves to Him. May the “Love of Christ constrain us”—yea impel us to continue steadfast as a praying, educating, studying and giving force for missions in our churches.

MRS. C. H. RAY  
MRS. JOE FRED LUCK  
MISS EUGENIA CALLAHAN  
MRS. L. M. SIPES  
MRS. J. R. GRANT

J. E. Berry read the report on Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. It was discussed by Mrs. C. R. Pugh, Frances Hayes, and E. P. Moore and was adopted.
This Orphanage lies close to the heart of many Arkansas Baptists, as it knits our hearts together in practical love. "As laborers together with God" we have the privilege of sharing in the problems as well as the miracles of building the Kingdom of God on Earth.

The story of the year's work in the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage is just another chapter in our past of this age-long business.

"He that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he. Be ye therefore merciful as your father also is merciful."—Luke 6:36.

A Merciful God plants within us by regeneration His own merciful nature, and then leave with us the Command that in this world we are to be like Him. Mercy is love going out in helpfulness to the needy, in comfort to the sorrowing, feeding the poor, clothing the naked and caring for those in distress. Your Baptist Orphanage at Monticello has shown mercy to hundreds and hundreds of helpless children during its forty-five years of service. At present eighty-one children are sharing and enjoying the protection and opportunities found there.

August 15, 1939, our new Administration Building was dedicated to the Lord, with more than four hundred friends present. Dr. O. J. Wade of Texarkana preached the dedicatory sermon and many others had a part on the program. We wish that everyone who had any part in making this dream come true could have been with us on this memorable day. We are indeed singing a Song of Victory.

Our Heavenly Father has multiplied and blessed our service in giving us this building completely equipped without debt. We now have three modern fire-proof buildings, namely, "Hyatt Hall for Girls," "Pugh Hall for Boys" and the new Administration Building.

The children enjoy playing on the spacious playground under the spreading oaks, swings, sand-beds, acting bars, and a merry-go-round provide fun and happiness.

Health

It is encouraging to note that the health of the children has been unusually good; however, there has been some sickness among our number. Dr. J. P. Price has acted as Orphanage Physician. Two accidents that required hospitalization were taken care of in the Mack Wilson Hospital by Dr. Wilson of Monticello. Two girls were patients in the Davis Hospital, Pine Bluff, for appendectomies, Dr. Lowe attending. A number of the children had dental work done by Dr. Leslie. We wish to thank Supt. Steele, Doctors Lowe, Price, Wilson and Leslie for their splendid cooperation in helping us take care of the emergency cases which arise through the years. These men have rendered valuable help to the children without remuneration.
Education

Seventy-six of the eighty-one children attend the public schools in Monticello. Twenty attend High School and two of these are seniors, Frances Hayes and Albert Williams. The Board of Trustees at their last meeting voted to employ Frances Hayes to teach typewriting to a number of boys and girls in the home during the summer of 1940.

A number of the girls were especially blessed this year by having an opportunity to take piano lessons, voice and expression. This has been accomplished through the cooperation and unselfish spirit of Mmesdames Croxton, Garrett, Durand and Bennett, all of Monticello, who have willingly given their services.

“For whatever dies or is forgot—
Work done for God, it dieth not.”

Religious Education

Our religious organizations are maintaining the Standard of Excellence. The regular Mission Study classes were conducted this summer with 90% taking the work and passing the examination; 80% of the children are tithers and have made liberal offerings to missions this year. All attend Sunday School and church in Monticello. Fifty-six are members of the First Baptist Church, and twelve have united this year. Dr. Wade Croxton is pastor.

“The child is the hope of humanity; every child is a new hope for the world, and the greatest need of the child is to be warmly and intelligently loved and to feel that he is so loved.”

“Into the twilight of the world we launch each year
These millions of Tiny Ships.
Under a Sky of Cloud and Stars, they grope out of
The Great Waters and the Great Winds.
Little Sloops of the Life on whose voyaging the Future depends.”

Appreciation

We wish to thank Dr. Ben L. Bridges and his office force for their fine cooperation and help, Bro. Cossey and Mrs. Reagan for publishing news items about the Orphanage in the Arkansas Baptist, Bro. Edgar Williamson for helping Frances Hayes attend the Baptist Assembly in Siloam Springs, Mrs. C. H. Ray and her co-workers for the encouragement, support, and sympathy they have always given to the Home; to the members of the Missionary Societies for clothing the children; to Bro. E. P. Moore for his services in directing the campaign to raise funds for the erection of the administration building; to the county chairman who worked with Bro. Moore. We are grateful to the noble pastors and members of the churches who have supported this work by contributing through the cooperative program; to those who have worked to get supplies together and those who gave supplies; to every friend who had any part in bringing
cheer and happiness to the children, let it be much or little, we thank
you and we give expression to grateful appreciation of blessings from
our Heavenly Father.

Signed: C. R. PUGH, Superintendent.
MARVIN BANKSTON, Pres. Board of Trustees.
R. F. HYATT, Sec. Board of Trustees.

E. F. Haight, Professor of Christian History, Baptist Bible Institute, addressed the Convention.

President L. R. Scarborough spoke on the work of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

H. C. Goerner, Assistant Professor of Missions and Comparative Religion in Southern Seminary, brought a message to the Convention.

L. R. Scarborough led the closing prayer.

Convention adjourned.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

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

Byron B. Cox led in singing, "Blessed Assurance."

Devotion was conducted by J. B. Maxwell. He read verses from first and second chapter of Colossians and led in prayer.

Secretary Edgar Williamson read the report on Sunday School, Baptist Training Union, and Baptist Student Union. After speaking to the report, Secretary Williamson introduced the following workers: Miss Blance Mays, Glen A. Moore, Mrs. Edgar Williamson, Mrs. Dan Webster Jr., Mrs. Rel Gray, Mrs. A. C. Kolb, Miss Fay Matthews.
Prince E. Burroughs, Secretary of the Educational Department of Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention, gave an encouraging message.

The report was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL, TRAINING UNION AND STUDENT UNION

This is a report of the work done and the results accomplished by Arkansas Baptists through the Sunday Schools and Training Unions in the churches and the Student Union council in the colleges. This in a very real sense is your report. It reveals another year of progress. God has continued to bless the teachings of His Word; the training of church members; and the enlistment, conservation and training of our young people while in college.

Your Workers

There are four workers connected with this department. These are your Secretary, Miss Blanche Mays, who became associated with this department at the first of the year and who has rendered faithful and efficient service in the office and on the field in all phases of the work; Mrs. Grace Hamilton and Mrs. Rel Gray, who as office secretaries, have been efficient, zealous, and untiring in their efforts to faithfully promote the work of the department.

During the year your workers have conducted enlargement campaigns, training schools, conferences, conventions, and other services in 125 churches in every section of the state, and have travelled 38,537 miles in the interest of the three phases of the department’s work. In addition to this, your office secretaries have written 6,232 personal letters and 9,680 general letters and have distributed 97,373 pieces of free promotional literature.

Your Sunday School Work

In February, the Annual State Associational Sunday School Workers’ Conference was held in the Central Baptist Church in Hot Springs. There was a total registration of 603. Thirty-nine associations were represented.

In March, District Vacation Bible School Conferences were conducted under the leadership of Rev. E. J. Kirkbride, Rev. George R. Wilson, Rev. L. C. Tedford, and Norman O’Neal. These well-trained and experienced leaders rendered noble and efficient service.

During the week of September 17, five simultaneous Sunday School Conferences were conducted. These conferences were located in Pine Bluff, Hot Springs, Little Rock, Fort Smith and Jonesboro. There was a total enrollment of more than a thousand in the five conferences.

Your State Approved Workers have been busy during the entire year and have by correspondence and conferences helped materially
with the promotion of your Sunday School work. In addition to this, they have served in many enlargement campaigns and training schools. The State Approved Workers for the year were: Adult, Rev. Glenn A. Moore; Young People, Mrs. Irving M. Prince; Intermediate, Mrs. A. C. Kolb; Junior, Mrs. Dan Webster, Jr.; Primary, Miss Fay Matthews; Beginner and Cradle Roll, Mrs. Edgar Williamson.

This has been a year for building new church buildings or repairing and adding to those already in use. Your department has assisted in the planning of many of them. It is estimated that during the year more than 25 churches have made provision for larger Sunday Schools and Training Unions. We are glad to note that practically all new building projects include provision for the Training Union at the evening hour in the same space occupied by the Sunday School during the morning hours.

With the assistance of associational superintendents, missionaries, key workers, pastors and other workers, many association-wide and individual church enlargement campaigns and training schools have been conducted with gratifying results.

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Your Training Union Work

During April, the Annual State Associational Training Union Workers' Conference was held in the Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, with a total registration of 421. Thirty-four associations were represented.

In August, eight district Training Union Conferences were conducted. There was a total registration of more than 2,000 in the eight conferences.

During the year, with the assistance of the associational directors, missionaries, key workers, pastors, other church workers and the organized group of summer field workers, many association-wide and local church enlargement campaigns and training schools were conducted.
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Your Student Union Work

This report marks the end of the second year that this work has been the direct responsibility of this department. Again marked progress has been made. Student Union councils have now been organized in 12 different colleges, a business college, and a hospital.

During the year several tours have been made visiting the colleges in the interest of this movement. College pastors have greatly assisted in promoting this work.

In April the Annual Student Union Retreat for all council officers was held at Ferncliffe with an enrollment of 125. Representatives from every college were present. In November the Annual Student Union Convention was held in the First Baptist Church of Jonesboro. More than 200 students registered, representing every college in Arkansas. During the year this department has printed and distributed free of charge a state Student Union paper, entitled "THE CHALLENGER."

For two years perhaps the most fruitful outcome or result of your Student Union work has been what has been termed Summer Field Work. By this we mean the work done by the students in the churches during the summer vacation months. We have no record of the work done by students working independently. We submit here a record of the training union work done in the rural churches of Arkansas during the past two years by an organized group of college students under the direction of this department. This report does not include souls won, lives dedicated to the Lord's service, Sunday Schools or churches organized or revived.

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Your Assembly

Your Assembly, located at Siloam Springs, promotes each year "An All-Baptist Program for All Arkansas Baptists." Every phase of the church's work is presented and considered. For three years there has been an increase in enrollment over the preceding year. In 1937 there were 671 paid registrations; in 1938, 829 registrations; and this year, 1,019.

At no extra expense to the Convention or those attending the Assembly, considerable improvements have been made to the buildings and grounds. Under the leadership of Mr. Shelby Ford of Springdale, the business men of Siloam Springs gave more than $1,000.00 toward the erection of a new dining hall. This has been built and paid for and was used for the first time this summer. New roads have been graded and old roads cleaned out and put in use. Dormitory and recreational facilities have been improved. At the present time new buildings are being erected and all old cottages and dormitories repaired. Dr. Blake Smith was re-elected president for another year.

During the past two years, Rev. Irving M. Prince has rendered much valuable assistance as Director of Grounds and Buildings. It was he who in addition to his busy pastoral duties gave much valuable time to the supervising of the building of the new dining hall and the beautifying of the grounds. The Convention owes Brother Prince a debt of gratitude for much service rendered the Assembly free of charge. We should be negligent if we did not also express your appreciation and thanks to Rev. J. F. Bow, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Siloam Springs, for his personal interest and efforts on behalf of the Assembly; and to Mr. Harry Turner, the caretaker, for his faithful and efficient service.

Your Appreciation

Arkansas Baptists should appreciate the cooperative effort that makes such a report as this possible. It is made possible only because your pastors, missionaries, Sunday School, Training Union and Student Union workers individually and collectively are willing to work and to work together. All that Baptists have been able to do; all the glorious records of the past have been made possible by those Baptists who have been willing to WORK TOGETHER.

Arkansas Baptists should be grateful to their Sunday School Board. Much of the results recorded in this report would have been impossible without the aid of this agency of our great Southern Baptist Convention. It is the Sunday School Board that publishes and distributes our books, quarterlies, and magazines; that is constantly sending trained, experienced helpers to lead and work with us; that, through the mails, corresponding with practically every church, is constantly seeking to supplement and encourage all phases of church work. In addition to all this, the Board every year puts back into the state for the promotional work of this department thousands of dollars. A portion of every dollar paid to the Board for books, literature and quarterlies is given back to the state for promotion of the work of the churches through this department.
More and more we are learning and demonstrating that the best way to reach souls for Christ is to reach and enlist them for the teaching and preaching of the Word of God; that the best way to reach, enlist and train church members for useful and active service is to reach and enlist them for the Training services of our churches. We are also learning that the best way to help our churches is to work in and with the individual church.

This has been a resultful year. May we by working together under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, make our report for 1940 more to the praise of His glory than ever before.

EDGAR WILLIAMSON, Secretary
R. A. BUTLER
S. E. POWELL
IRA PATISHALL
CROVER C. PRINCE

Violin number—"Deep River" by Powell was given by Miss Helen Lyon of Central College, with Miss Fay Holiman at piano.

L. M. Sipes read the report on Christian Education. It was adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your Committee on Christian Education, make the following brief report:

According to a report published by the Education Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention: "Southern Baptists have every reason to be heartened by the steady progress which has been made during the past year by their schools, and the outlook for the future." Southern Baptists have 65 schools and colleges. These schools enrolled 26,513 pupils the past year. The enrollment for summer sessions was 7,295, making a total enrollment of 33,795. The endowment for all Baptist schools and colleges in the South, totals $27,425,027.68, to date. The total property and endowment value of these schools and colleges now stands at $70,321,924.67. Southern Baptists have three great seminaries, the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; the Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas; and the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La. These seminaries are rendering a service of unspeakable value, and deserve our most hearty, prayerful, and liberal support. We have two colleges in Arkansas. Ouachita College, co-educational, at Arkadelphia; and Central College, a junior college for girls only, at Conaway. Ouachita College has a present enrollment of about 560; Central College has an enrollment of more than 100. Ouachita has an endowment of about $560,000.00, but three-fifths (3-5) of the income from this endowment is mortgaged to pay off an indebtedness on the college, which was incurred
several years ago. Central College has no debt, and no endowment, but needs additional library equipment, and funds for enlargement.

Ouachita College faces the imperative necessity of raising $150,000.00 in order to free the income on its endowment, which calls for $74,000.00, and to erect a new building containing an adequate chapel hall, and other needed equipment, which calls for $76,000.00. We, your committee, most heartily solicit the full support of our churches and of this convention for Ouachita and Central Colleges. For fuller information, and we trust inspiration, we refer you to an article on "Christian Education In Southern Baptist Schools," published in the Arkansas Baptist of November 30, 1939. Detailed reports from Ouachita and Central will be found elsewhere in this Annual.

Signed: L. M. SIPES
E. C. BROWN
W. M. PRATT

President J. S. Rogers read the report of Central College. Central College speech and music departments gave an interesting program. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE

Central College was founded in 1892. So this is the forty-seventh year of the life of this Christian College, and we are bringing to this Convention the forty-sixth annual report. During the past year the college has met many difficulties and has had to overcome many discouraging circumstances and solve a lot of perplexing problems but the grace of God has been sufficient and the leadership of the Holy Spirit has been evident on every hand, we believe. Our hearts are warm in gratitude to God and we rejoice to add our thanks to the churches and brotherhood for every favor. We must say that we could not carry on without the monthly assistance that the college gets from the churches through the Executive Board and Dr. Bridges.

The Aims of the College

It is well to bear in mind in this hectic day when there are temptations to turn over all education to the state that originally all colleges were church colleges. Christianity showed the state the way, and now is there not a tendency for many state schools to turn against Christianity, at least in spirit? May we here state the aims of Central College as we understand them? First, it should be said that this college is entirely submissive to this Convention in fact and in spirit. To help carry out the will and program of this Convention is the unfailling purpose of the college. We stand for every teaching of the Bible and every doctrine of the Baptist faith. There is no equivocation at this point. Second, the college aims to offer and does offer standard education through two college years according to the requirements of the North Central Association of which associa-
tion the college is a member in good standing. Third, Central proposes to be and is a really Christian College and takes seriously the task of winning the lost and training the saved to be efficient leaders and workers in the churches. This aim of the school is outstanding in the life of the college. We invite you to come and see. A fourth aim of Central is to operate a Conservatory of Fine Arts second to none in efficiency in the state. We solicit investigation of teachers and results. Fifth another aim of the college from the opening hour of the first semester each year to the closing hour of Commencement is specifically to emphasize in the lives of the young women culture, refinement, modesty, poise, and all the other finer and better things of life. Lectures by experts reinforce all this until it is now a familiar saying that a Central College graduate is "at home" under any imaginable social circumstances. This is a highly desirable goal in this day and time. There are other aims, such as sending out highly trained homemakers, well qualified grade teachers, and so on. Because of her aims we believe Central College is of unspeakable value to Arkansas Baptists and to the State of Arkansas.

Buildings and Grounds

The campus of Central College consists of fifteen acres of land with an abundance of beautiful trees, flowers and evergreens. We have three brick buildings and four wood buildings. The college is five blocks from the business section of the city of Conway. The president of one of the other colleges in Conway says that Bruce Hall is the best dormitory in the South. The value of the grounds and buildings must certainly be put at not less than $200,000 and there is, of course, no debt against them.

Faculty

The fourteen 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; Doctor Christine Wilton, Professor of Science; Miss Fay Hollman, Dean of Women and Associate Professor of English; Dr. W. H. Haynie, Professor of Social Science and Modern Languages and Bible; Mrs. Pearl Sauls, Professor of Education and Psychology; Miss Eileen Watt, Professor of Home Economics; Miss Lucy Hall Pack, 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; Miss Corrine Hilliard, College Secretary; J. S. Rogers, President and Business Manager, and Mrs. Harry Aymond, Hostess. Every literary teacher has an M. A. or a Doctor's degree and all teachers meet the requirements of Standardizing Agencies. Our teachers are prayer-meeting-going Church members. Blessed is the girl who is taught by and lives with such teachers. Only two changes were made in the faculty the past year.
Placing Graduates

The officers of the college work consistently and persistently in helping our graduates find positions. We are happy to say that such efforts have been very successful. It's seldom that a Central College graduate fails to get a remunerative position the first year she is out of school, if she desires such. Our graduates are in demand as teachers, office secretaries, religious workers and otherwise.

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.

Students in School

We have 116 fine young women enrolled and others are expected for the second semester. They are a noble group, as select young women as you can find in the South. The enrollment for the eleven years of the present administration has averaged 138. Our graduating class last May numbered 40. The number of graduates including fine arts for the eleven years closing next May will reach nearly 550. During these years not more than a half-dozen graduates, if that many, have returned home unsaved, and a very large percentage of the other 550 have gone back home to do faithful services in the churches. Where else in all our Baptists program has the same amount of money that the denomination has put into Central College done more good?

Standing of the College

Central has been a member of the North Central Association some sixteen years. To date our standing has not been questioned, but we cannot continue to say this unless more can be done by the denomination to help the college raise its standards. This is especially true touching the library. The local Board and administration see this very clearly and have warned the College Board and the Convention in recent years of this danger. Every year the college sends a representative to the meeting of the North Central Association. Then we receive the Association Journal, charts, and other literature, and once a year the college is called on to make an extended and minute report. So we are not guessing when we warn the denomination. We plead for a hearing and for more help.

Finances

Central College is staying out of debt. Our current bills are all paid as of November 1 and our teachers are being paid month by month. There are not any obligations brought over from last year or any other year. Our books are now being audited up through June 1939 by an expert accountant, and this audit will be turned over to the Executive Board of this Convention as soon as it is completed.
Also a statement of receipts and disbursements covering in period of July 1, 1939, to January 1, 1940, will be completed in January and a copy of this furnished the Executive Board and each member of the Central College Board. The college has three installment obligations totaling $505.59, made for repairs and replacements this school year and to be paid in installments between now and May, 1940. We are not going to make a debt. At this point the college wishes to express profound gratitude to the Conway Corporation for the donation of the light and water bill for three months in 1939.

A Close-Up View

A so-called "close-up" observation and first hand study of the work of Central College will convince the most skeptical. It has done it again and again. When the opposer views the personnel of the Central teachers, studies their training and degrees and efficiency, he weakens tremendously. Then when the used-to-be opposer beholds the 120 to 130 beautiful young women and sees that they are really a select group of great promise and that they are being developed in strength, grace and poise of body, and in alertness and brilliancy of mind, and Churches, the opposer is no more. Further observation of even one of Central's average graduates with her beautiful refinement, her charming culture, her keen intellect, and her unusual Christian soul eager for the Spiritual fray, the once-opposer becomes an enthusiastic booster. We invite even critical investigation. A "close-up" convinces.

Pray for Central College

This child of Arkansas Baptist State Convention seeks your prayers and support. We major on safety, utter, unqualified safety for girls. You can afford to sleep well, if you send your daughter to Central. Safe! Safe! and the very best training physically, educationally and spiritually.

Central College Needs

While the equipment and buildings of the college have been adequate so far to keep the college in the North Central Association, the college sorely needs 1,500 volumes of books added to the library, a new fire-proof library building, at least $1,000 in science equipment, a heating plant for Main Hall, repairs on Main Hall to the amount of some $2,000, and of course, an endowment. The College board urgently requests the Convention to get to at least a large part of these needs as soon as possible. Every member of the Central College Board and every person connected with Central stands ready to help put over the Ouachita movement and then!

President J. R. Grant gave the report on Ouachita College. Report was adopted.
OUACHITA BAPTIST COLLEGE

Ouachita Baptist College opened its fifty-fourth session September 12, 1939. This is the seventh annual report of the present administration. The growth of Ouachita College during these seven years has been steady from year to year. This development has been gradual, as shown by the increase in the student body, the number of ministerial students, the faculty personnel, the physical plant, the Christian atmosphere, finances, and in the general statewide interest shown for Ouachita College.

The Student Body

The present enrollment of five hundred sixty students is the largest in the fifty-four years of Ouachita's history. Ouachita College has no field secretary or student solicitor. We are not really prepared to take care of five hundred sixty boys and girls. For this reason, we made an effort this year to limit the enrollment to five hundred. Our student body is not only the largest, but we believe it is one of the best that Ouachita has ever had.

The Faculty

While the student body has doubled in number during the last 7 years, the faculty has increased very little in number. The greatest gain in the faculty has been in special training required by accrediting agencies. The number of Ph. D's on the faculty has increased from two (1933) to ten (1939). In the selection of degree men and women, Christianity has not been sacrificed. We think the faculty has never been more Christian than it is today. The successful applicant for a position on Ouachita's faculty must be a scholar and an active Christian worker, who is vitally interested in helping students to be better and more enlightened Christian citizens. Others need not apply.

Christian Environment

No college can be more Christian than its faculty. In this age, it is difficult to have an ideal Christian atmosphere at home, at school, at church, or in any place of business. The aim of every member of our faculty is keep Ouachita Christian. Without a Christian atmosphere in the classrooms and on the campus, Ouachita cannot train young men and women to be better Christians. We believe that the Christian environment on Ouachita's campus has never been better than it is now. This is not only our opinion; it is the calm judgment of some people on the outside who have observed Ouachita during most of its half century of service.

One Hundred One Ministerial Students

Last year we had one hundred and twelve ministerial students at Ouachita College. At present, there are one hundred one, with more to enter the second semester. There are about thirty former Ouachita College ministerial students now studying in Baptist theological seminaries. The Ouachita faculty and Board of Trustees appreciate what the ministerial students have done and are doing to build a
better Ouachita College.

Not only are the ministerial students a power for good on Ouachita's campus, but their work throughout the State has meant much for the Lord's cause.

During the past Convention year, from December to December, Ouachita's ministerial students have held seventeen daily vacation Bible schools; they have helped to organize 114 churches, B. T. U.'s and Sunday schools; they have officiated in 310 weddings and funerals; they have conducted 224 revivals; they have preached 9,683 sermons; they have witnessed the conversion of a little more than 3,000 souls; baptized in their churches more than 2,000 people, and have received into their churches 2,776; and they have worked in 118 study courses.

The Buildings and Grounds

The one hundred percent increase in enrollment has compelled us to find more room for students. We have not been able to meet all this demand with new buildings. When the girls' dormitory lacked thirty girls taking care of all who applied for admittance last September, we rented a large, two-story dwelling joining the campus, which is taking care of twenty-four girls. Others are staying out in town. Ouachita building program has been going on during the past three years. The college plant is now worth $150,000 more than it was three years ago. A great deal of building material has been contributed. The College has furnished much labor.

During the past summer, Ouachita College finished, furnished, and equipped the Physical Education Building and the Little Theatre Building. Many repairs were made on other buildings. This program amounted to a little less than $10,000. To secure the funds, one hundred people signed a statement saying that they would be one of one hundred people to give $100.00 each to the Ouachita College building program. The Berry family of Smackover and the Terral family of Tillar each contributed $500.00.

Summer Session

The summer session at Ouachita College started about six years ago. It was more of an experiment, but it has grown until last summer the enrollment was a little more than two hundred. The summer session is now regarded as one of our regular sessions.

Finances

Ouachita is in better condition financially than it has been at any time during the last ten years. This is brought about partly by a larger enrollment and partly by a greater percent of students paying a greater percent of their college expenses. The Convention is also helping more this year.

For seven years, Ouachita College has not guaranteed faculty salaries. The Administration has been unable to guarantee salaries because Ouachita must not make obligations beyond its income. During these years, the policy has been to pay all bills at the end of each month and to divide the balance among the teachers. We are glad
to say that there has been something to divide every month—except through the summer months.

The faculty deserves much commendation for its sacrificial service. To stay with a college and put one's heart and soul in the work under conditions which we have had at Ouachita during the last few years calls for teachers with the true missionary spirit. Three years ago, when the College had its fire and collected about $50,000 not a faculty member asked for a salary check from this money. All of it went back into buildings for Ouachita College.

This year, we are paying our teachers twice the salary that we paid them six years ago. All September, October and November bills and salaries are paid. We have a few unpaid December bills. To run the dining hall, make necessary repairs, add necessary equipment, etc., call for new bills daily. We are glad to report that we have enough money on hand to pay all bills and all salaries to date. Last year, we got a little behind when we bought $3,500 worth of furniture to go in the boys' new dormitory, but this bill was paid without delay from endowment income, which was due the faculty.

Some of our best friends have said that one of our greatest weaknesses at Ouachita is in letting students enroll and stay without money. The North Central Association last year made a similar criticism. Last year, Ouachita gave right at $25,000 in work, free tuition, and scholarships. We are trying to correct this weakness. Some of our people think that we are helping too much; others think we are not helping enough.

If we should entirely quit helping worthy students, we should be compelled to send some of our best boys and girls home. We want to aid worthy students, but any institution is limited in the amount of charity work that it can do. Hundreds of good boys and girls do not want charity—they want work that will enable them to pay their college expenses. We get letters almost daily from students wanting work, but there are not enough jobs to go around. Ouachita has filled every available job with student workers. It has even made jobs for worthy boys and girls. Many business firms in Arkansas have done the same thing, and yet the calls for help continue to come.

There are about four ways to finance a Christian college:

1. Student tuition and fees can be raised sufficient to pay college expenses.
2. College endowment and special contributions from different educational foundations may furnish necessary funds for a college.
3. The denomination which looks to a college for leaders may finance the college.
4. A combination of these ways.

It is generally known that Ouachita has depended on the fourth plan and that it will continue to do so. The students and their parents should have a part in paying college expenses. The church should largely determine the policies of any college that trains its leaders. Many colleges that were once Christian institutions have
received so much outside help that they no longer look to the church for financial aid or for the determining policies. Churches need their colleges, and should not permit them to die or force them to look elsewhere for a way to live.

**Ouachita Graduates in Demand**

The Placement Bureau of Ouachita College has more calls for Ouachita students than it can meet. All of Ouachita's seventy-one graduates of last year are well employed except those who are going on for higher degrees. The Placement Bureau is already receiving calls for the 1940 graduates.

**Three Immediate Needs of Ouachita**

1. The endowment income should be set free. This income amounts to a little more than $20,000 a year. The greater part of it goes to pay a mortgage that was made almost ten years ago. Since 1933, the College debt has been reduced from $165,000 to $74,000. It will take the endowment income another six years to finish paying the debt.

2. Ouachita needs a chapel hall and music conservatory building. There is no auditorium on the campus large enough to seat the Ouachita student body.

3. An annex to the girls dormitory sufficient to house fifty girls. We lacked thirty this year of being able to take care of all the girls who wanted to room in the dormitory. We should also like to have a few rooms to take care of lady teachers who are looking for room and board.

There are other immediate needs, but these three will help Ouachita get some of the others. Ouachita needs a higher rating by the accrediting agency. We feel sure that these three would give this rating, and probably the higher rating would be given even if needs one and two are supplied.

Ouachita College choir gave several numbers during the evening session, with Ernest Lee Holloway directing and Miss DeLois Curry at the piano.

The following resolution which had been passed by the Ouachita College Board and the Executive Board was presented by C. H. Moses, president of Board of Trustees of Ouachita College. It was unanimously adopted by a standing vote.
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, Ouachita Baptist College has been running on its income for almost a decade; and
WHEREAS, It is rendering an excellent service in the training of men and women for the Master; and
WHEREAS, The enrollment has more than doubled, thus outgrowing the capacity of the present college plant; and
WHEREAS, The mortgage on the endowment income hampers Ouachita's usefulness and jeopardizes her scholastic rating; and
WHEREAS, The lack of a chapel hall is a real handicap to the spiritual life on Ouachita's campus; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the State Baptists Convention meeting in Camden, Arkansas, do hereby authorize and request the Ouachita Baptist College Board of Trustees in connection with the Executive Board of the State Baptist Convention to make immediate plans for a statewide campaign to secure $150,000 for two purposes: first, to free the endowment income of its mortgage, which is about $74,000; second, to erect and equip a chapel hall and music conservatory on Ouachita's campus; and be it further

RESOLVED, That it is the wish of this Convention that the Ouachita College Board execute these plans in time to have the endowment free and the chapel hall and music conservatory erected by the opening of Ouachita College September 12, 1940; be it further

RESOLVED, That we, the messengers, and others present, promise to do all that we can to promote this campaign.

J. R. Grant led in closing prayer.
Convention adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

President Waller called the Convention to order.

Byron B. Cox directed the congregation in singing "Trust and Obey."

Vice-President Hinsley was called to chair by President Waller.

Devotion was conducted by C. H. Franks, reading and commenting on 1 Cor. 11:22. He offered prayer.

Journal was read and adopted.
The following resolution was read by the chairman of the Committee on Credentials and adopted.

REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Credentials recommends that matters which it was asked to consider be referred to the Executive Board with power to act.

L. M. SIPES
H. F. VERMILLION
ALFRED CARPENTER
C. C. WARREN

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

HOSPITALS

One of the conditions on which the companionship of Jesus is promised is, "Teaching to observe all-things whatsoever I have commanded you." One of His great teachings is that of healing the suffering of humanity. So in order to prosecute the full teachings of Jesus we believe in carrying the Gospel of healing through our well planned and efficiently operated Baptist Hospitals.

Southern Baptists have institutions of healing all over the Southland and in the foreign fields where we are preaching and teaching. We believe that the Gospel of healing goes hand in hand with the Gospel of preaching and teaching.

We are especially interested in our State and South-wide institutions. Our Southern Baptist Hospital, located at New Orleans shows a very satisfactory work for the year and reports a substantial gain in every line. They report that all operating expenses, including the cost of charity, are paid; and more than $65,000.00 from current revenues have been paid on new construction. During the year they cared for 12,769 patients, giving them 69,477 days of service. They gave 567 patients 3,925 days of free service, and 2,565 patients 13,760 days of part service free. This free service cost the hospital $51,624.41. This does not include the services of physicians and surgeons. They received from the Cooperative Program and Hundred Thousand Club a total of $25,146.18, and from direct gifts $6,395.54.

The Baptist Memorial Hospital, located in Memphis, is now valued at $3,000,000. It is owned and controlled by Baptists, a board of trustees being appointed by the State Baptist Conventions of Arkansas, Mississippi and Tennessee. Its doors are opened to people of all faiths, or no faith at all. This hospital completed a new pavilion last fall which added 100 beds to its capacity, also a new chapel with a seating capacity of 300. The total number of patients treated in this institution since its opening has been 277,647.
(Now our Baptist State Hospital in Little Rock). It is a matter of vital concern to Arkansas Baptists to know that from year to year this institution, our accredited agency for carrying on the ministry of healing in our state, is increasing day by day in its sphere of influence and the number of patients cared for. This year there was scarcely a community in the state that was not reached by the hospital in its ministry to the sick and suffering, and many patients were received from other states.

Many improvements have been made during the year, and just now the hospital has begun the much needed Nurses' Home, a building that will be a credit to the Hospital and the denomination.

It is marvelous that we Baptists of Arkansas have an institution that is fighting a great battle with disease and death, saving life, restoring health, adding years to the span of many of our most useful men and women.

We also have the Davis Hospital at Pine Bluff, but your committee has been unable to get a hearing from that institution, to include in this report.

We, your committee, recommend that the Baptists of Arkansas respond to the support of these noble institutions both with patronage and with their means, not forgetting to place them also on their prayer program.

E. E. GRIEVER
L. B. BURNSIDE
LEE NICHOLS
JAMES H. FITZGERALD
HARVEY HICKS

E. C. Brown read the report of the Board of Trustees of Baptist State Hospital. It was adopted.

BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL

The Board of Directors of the Baptist State Hospital humbly submit the following report:

The last paragraph of the 1938 report to the Convention at Arkansas was a plea to the Denomination based upon the need for a Nurses' Home, and the great need that space used by the School of Nursing be available for patients' use. The Convention authorized the Board of Directors to borrow money with which to build the Nurses' Home.

The Hospital has been mortgaged for $75,000. The building was started on November 1, 1939, and the foundation completed, other work proceeding according to plan. The finished building will be five stories, "L" shape, harmonizing as to brick and trim with the present hospital building. It will house 120 nurses, supervisors, and women technicians. The first floor will contain the drug store, beauty parlor, tea room, as well as reception rooms, library, two lecture halls, a
class room, diet laboratory, chemical laboratory, and matron's quar-
ters. Each floor will be connected with the hospital building.

Excellent plans for a permanent building were made, and most
advantageous contracts awarded. This new addition will be complet-
ed May 1, 1940, to cost, unfurnished, $130,837.00.

Financial Condition

The Hospital enjoyed a good business year. Extraordinary con-
tracts, previously reported, remained in force, and were utilized to
the hospital's financial advantage. There was an increase in the
number of patients treated, and an increase in the amount of money
the hospital earned.

The annual audit, reporting each and every transaction of the
hospital, shows Earned Income of $193,228.02; Expenses, $134,906.15;
Charity, $34,828.93; Donations, $7,105.03; Total patients treated,
4,400; Present mortgage, $75,000, at 5% interest, payable $20,000 an-
ually, plus interest. The Hospital owes no past due accounts.

The Hospital has the problem of supplying from income the dif-
ference in the amount of money borrowed for the building and the
total cost, as well as the annual payments on the mortgage. This is
indeed a challenge and means that a heroic effort will be made by the
hospital to meet the financial situation in order to provide added fac-
ilities and the much needed Nurses' Home.

Memorials

It is our prayer and our hope that efforts to memorialize the new
building will be successful. Over the beautiful entrance is to be
placed a stone sufficiently large to have cut thereon the name of
some outstanding person. We pray that the Lord will direct some-
one to make a generous gift, in this way contributing to the cause of
Nursing Education and the care of the sick.

The new building must be furnished. The Baptist women of Ar-
kansas indicate their desire to help in this necessary expenditure.
The Dixie Jackson Memorial of $2,000 is the beginning. We hope the
hospital has earned the goodwill and appreciation of all Baptists, to
the extent of giving financial help in furnishing the Nurses' Home.
Any room or a whole floor may be memorialized.

Religious Work

Many of our Baptist Hospital friends know that we have treated
over 51,000 patients since the beginning of the Baptist Hospital's
ministry to the sick. We are proud of each patient coming to us,
and the reputation the hospital has made in these years, but we are
proud to acknowledge that it is through the blessing of Almighty God
that great things have been accomplished by the hospital. The Lord
has indeed smiled upon this institution as a small unit of His work.
His servants in hospital work ever marvel at His power. The Hos-
pital owes its existence, its past and its future to the Lord. Each
person connected with the hospital worships the Lord, and each one
tries in his way to serve and further the Master's cause.
Our Christian worker, Mrs. S. A. Stearns, has served Him in the Baptist Hospital for eighteen years. Her consecrated Christian spirit touches every employee and every patient. Her work is tireless. She reports: Twenty-four conversions; Seven reclaimed; A standard Y. W. A.; Year round B. S. U. work conducted; Chapel and prayer service each day; Religious services with C. C. C. patients each week; Two Bible classes each week, and services in wards of the hospital.

Our Sorrow

The Grim Reaper has taken from Baptist ranks Mr. John W. Richardson, of Warren, Arkansas, who served six years as a member of the Board of Directors. Brother Richardson’s loss will be keenly felt. The beloved Secretary of the Board of Directors since 1921, Mr. James R. Riley, passed away on October 20, 1939. We honor the memory of one who gave without stint of his time and best efforts to the institution he loved so loyally and so well.

Woman’s Work

We again report the love and consideration of Arkansas Baptist women, demonstrated by their gifts, encouragement and prayers. To the Women’s Missionary Union, the Missionary Societies, the Young People’s organizations, and to the local Hospital Auxiliary, we would give our grateful thanks. To State White Cross Chairman, Mrs. R. C. Rudisill, and Mrs. J. M. Flenniken, President of the local Hospital Auxiliary, we would express deep appreciation for the work done.

The Future

The Hospital is in the “do or die” position now and for the next few years. Debts, in days gone by, have held the Hospital to practices and policies not conducive to full appreciation of the Denomination. The old debts that represented original building expense, and the monthly deficits that occurred for the first four years of the existence of the present plant, took us ten years to pay. We are again in debt for a building, but there is not the operating deficit that previously swamped the institution. Our present debt must be paid before we can enter into a full justification of the existence of the hospital. The Hospital will do its part. Will the Denomination help?

W. R. DONHAM, President Board of Directors.
LEE C. GAMMILL, Administrator.
E. C. BROWN, Member Board of Directors.

A motion prevailed that secretary print report of Davis Hospital if he received it.
## DAVIS HOSPITAL—TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

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### Operating Staff:

- **Superintendent**—John O. Steel
- **Supervisor of Nurses**—Miss Roxie Stone
- **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 Domestics**
- **One Telephone Operator**
- **Seventeen Graduate Nurses**
- **Orderly**

A Total of Thirty-three Employees

From the figures given on the preceding page, it will be seen that our total cash collections for the year amounted to approximately $1,500.00 more than the amount collected during the preceding year. While the total cash donations reported are only $87.85, we received a great many fine contributions from the churches of linens and canned foods which relieved the Hospital of an expense of more than $600.00. We want to express our gratitude to your women’s organizations for their interest in the Hospital and for their generosity. During the year, we treated 1,508 patients, this being the largest number to receive treatment in this Hospital in any one year of its history.

During the year we took care of 105 patients who were entered under the State Welfare Department and for whom we received on an average only about 60% of the cost of their hospital care. We also had in the Hospital, 25 crippled children under the Crippled Children’s Program in the state department for which we also received less than our cost. Including the hospitalization of our employees, charity patients, discounts to ministers and physicians, adjustments of bills to meet the patient’s financial situation, and the
Welfare Patients and Crippled Children mentioned above, we have given a little more than $4,500.00 of hospital service without remuneration.

During the year, we have purchased more than $600.00 worth of new furniture, have installed an attic ventilation fan in the nurse's quarters at a cost of $200.00, have purchased new sewing machine and typewriter costing $180.00, and have spent approximately $200.00 on repairs and replacement of other equipment, making a total of $1,180.00.

Through the generosity of one of our finest women of our community, we have acquired another oxygen tent and now have two of these tents for treatment of patients.

The members of the Board of Control elected by this Convention are as follows:

W. P. Keith ....................... Term expiring December, 1939
Charles A. Gordon ................. Term expiring December, 1939
E. W. Freeman ...................... Term expiring December, 1940
John W. Reep ...................... Term expiring December, 1940
H. F. Dial .......................... Term expiring December, 1941
W. E. Bobo .......................... Term expiring December, 1941

We recommend the re-election of W. P. Keith and Charles A. Gordon, each for a full three years term.

As this is the twentieth annual report of the Davis Hospital since it was taken over by this Convention in 1920, it might be interesting to discuss some of the work done by the Hospital during these twenty years.

Accurate records have not been kept during all these years showing the amount of work which has been done for charity patients and for other patients who were not able to pay the full amount of the cost of their hospitalization. However, taking the figures which are available, and estimating very conservatively the amount of free work done in other years, it seems entirely clear that this small institution has contributed in these twenty years at least $100,000.00 worth of service to charity and part-pay patients.

The total amount of work done in any one year, including full-pay, part-pay, and charity patients has varied from $23,000.00 in 1921 to more than $50,000.00 during the past three years.

Early in 1932 we discontinued our training school for nurses. We believe this was an excellent move since recent surveys by the National Association for Nursing Education indicate that the young women get much better training and the patients better service in schools conducted in much larger hospitals who can afford to give the student nurses lecture and laboratory work for eight or nine months before allowing them to do any bedside nursing. This move has greatly increased our nursing service expense, but we believe it has also resulted in a great improvement in our service to the patients. It has been our policy for several years to allow no one to have anything to do with the care of the patients except fully trained and graduated nurses.
As an example of the increased cost of our nursing service, in the month of November, 1929, just ten years ago, the amount paid for nursing service was $325.00. In the month just past, November, 1939, our nursing service payroll was $1,102.50 or $777.50 more than in the same month in 1929. This indicates that each year we are spending approximately $9,000.00 more money in order to give our patients this very best possible care.

For the past five years our Hospital has been fully approved by the American College of Surgeons and it is our purpose to maintain a high standard of service, in order that we may continue to merit this recognition.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN W. REAP, Chairman Board of Control
JOHN O. STEEL, Superintendent

The report on Publications was read by J. I. Cossey, editor of the Arkansas Baptist. After the reader discussed the report it was adopted.

The entire Convention stood, expressing appreciation to J. I. Cossey for his excellent service as the editor of the Arkansas Baptist for the last seven years.

**PUBLICATIONS**

The Wise old writer of Ecclesiastes wrote, “Of making many books, there is no end,” and indeed this must be so since the third largest item of shipping in the United States is paper—coal first, iron second and paper third. Thousands upon thousands of tons of paper are used every year to print the 7,000 secular weeklies, more than 2,000 dailies to say nothing of the thousands of magazines and tens of thousands of books. And yet there seems to be very little conviction as to our denominational papers. So why have denominational papers? God, Himself, said: “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” And again a wise man has said that after a battle has been won, some particular group may receive the applause of men, but no battle was ever won, much less the war, when the lines of communication were broken down.

The denominational paper is just that, “the line of communication.” That is just how important the religious press is; it is imperative, and we need a new vision of the importance of this phase of God’s work. In a recent survey made of a popular secular newspaper, it has been discovered that out of 47,000 column inches, just a little over 200 were given to religion and this space always in an obscure place.

In the field of medicine, we have the general practitioner. We could not go on without him. He does not specialize but he is always
Some one has said that our state paper is to the denomination what the general practitioner is to medicine. The Arkansas Baptist, unlike the Royal Service, The Commission and Home Missions which specialize, is an open forum for Baptists. Through its pages the denomination can keep step with the progress of all the Lord's work. Information from the various departments is given out each week. Space is allotted to the Sunday School and B. T. U. Departments, to the W. M. U. Department, to the Executive Board of the Convention, to the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. Space is given our colleges, to our orphanage and to our hospitals. The Sunday School lesson is presented by one who is amply able to make this contribution and other contributions of inspiration and interest are published as far as space will allow. We wish that we might be able to offer more space, but that brings up another question, the financing of religious papers.

No paper can live on its subscriptions alone, much less a religious paper. With the secular press, most of the income is from advertising. The Saturday Evening Post costs fifty-five cents to print every single copy and sells for five cents. The difference comes from advertising. The religious press gets very little advertising and often is severely scored for taking any at all. The cost of securing a new subscriber is from 20 to 100 percent of the subscription price. The special edition plan is a great help, but it is impossible to make each edition a special. This committee believes that some things might be done to make the financial burden lighter. The paper ought to be put in church budgets and sent to all the families of the church. But you say, "All of them will not read it." We might answer, "All do not read the Bible, but our aim is at least one Bible in every home." Some one has said that if all the frog eggs laid in one season were hatched, that the plague sent upon Egypt would not be a drop in the bucket. But if the churches will put the paper in the budget and the state board will supplement with contributions, the thing can be done, and we will soon find out that an informed people is a giving people. If they do not know, they do not do. Our belief is that if the denominational paper went into every home in every church that in a few short years, our denominational life would be completely transformed.

Much credit should go to our fine Sunday School Board and Mission Agencies who are giving to the reading public such a wealth of fine wholesome material. The Royal Service, The Commission and Home Missions, The Window and World Comrades are "specialists" and fill a great place. The Literature put out by our Sunday School
Board is most excellent and it is a tragedy to find some of our Baptist Churches ordering literature from non-denominational houses and "Union" publishing houses. We recommend that when you are buying books, magazines or literature that you patronize our Baptist Book Store, our Sunday School Board and our other Mission agencies.

J. L. COSSEY, Chairman
W. A. BISHOP
F. G. DODSON
WALLACE M. HALE
H. C. SEEFELDT

Song, "How Firm a Foundation."

W. A. Jackson read the report on the Co-Operative Program. It was adopted after it had been discussed by W. A. Jackson, Mrs. C. H. Ray, James MacKrell, Joe H. Hankins, Ben L. Bridges, W. J. Hinsley.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

A church is a group of Christians organized to do the two-fold task assigned by the Lord. This task is worship, with all that worship in its fullest sense means, and the extension of Christ's kingdom. Hence, each local Baptist Church is a group of Cooperating Christians.

An association is a group of these same churches voluntarily associating themselves together through their chosen messengers that they may, by their united effort, carry out a missionary program in the territory embraced in the association—hence each association is composed of messengers from cooperating churches.

A state convention is a still larger group of churches from the whole state voluntarily coming together by messengers to carry on a missionary program. Therefore, the Arkansas Baptist state convention is composed of cooperating churches. The Southern Baptist Convention is a similar body of those same cooperating churches from our southland united in a voluntary organization to carry on a cooperative program of missionary activity.

This program of cooperation is two-fold. First, we come together, we cooperate, in sessions of this kind where fellowship, inspiration, and information send us back home better fitted and more determined to carry on the Lord's work in our local churches. Second, we cooperate by pooling or putting together our money to do that part of the Lord's program that has to be financed or paid for with money given by individuals through the cooperating churches. Section 2, Article 1 of our constitution, says, "The object of this convention shall be to aid the churches in their divinely commissioned
work of evangelism, education, and benevolence." Therefore, the carrying on of a well-rounded missionary program, which involves raising and spending money, is certainly the primary task of this convention, a task that must not be minimized, subordinated to, or sidetracked for anything else.

It is ours to do in a great cooperative way, not a man-made or human-devised work, but a work outlined and followed by the Savior himself while here on earth and which He passed on to us in the Great Commission.

Down through the generations churches realizing the responsibility of carrying out this commission, have sought the best plan of doing it. Various state conventions, including our own, and the Southern Baptist Convention have tried various plans to finance a worldwide program for Christ. And out of all the experiments—out of all our experience, has come what has been appropriately named the Cooperative Program, that plan which appears to be the divine answer to the question, "How shall we do it?"

The Cooperative Program simply means that all of the causes dear to our Lord and which He directed us to work at till He comes again, are recognized as important and given their rightful place. The Cooperative Program may be compared to a great rope; it takes the strand of evangelism, as represented by association, state, home and foreign missions; the strand of teaching, as represented by our Sunday Schools and Training Unions, and by our colleges and seminaries; the strand of healing, as represented by our hospitals and the medical work on home and foreign fields—it takes all these strands and weaves them into one great Gospel rope which we can all lay hold of, and thus help pull along together all the Kingdom's causes. In other words, the many dollars of the big church and the few dollars of the small church; the many dollars of the large individual giver and the few cents of the poorest church member, are, through the Cooperative Program, divided proportionately among all the missionary causes that should be supported by Christ's followers. Thus, each church and each individual contributor can have the assurance that every gift, no matter how small, helps to carry on the full missionary program of Christ.

Not only is the Cooperative Program financed Cooperatively, but it is planned and directed by cooperative thinking and effort. This means that messengers from the churches make the allocation of funds to the various causes and if there should at any time appear an unequal or improper distribution of funds it is our privilege and duty to make the adjustment. We in this convention here assembled say how our Cooperative Program funds should be spent in Arkansas and how much should go to Southwide Causes. In like manner, funds contributed by churches from all states to Southwide Causes, are allocated and ordered spent by messengers from the churches.

Since the Cooperative Program is the method adopted by this convention it follows then that every church ought zealously to support it. Membership in, or cooperation with, this convention carries
the implied obligation to support the Cooperative Program. There ought not be any withholding of support by a single church, for to withhold support or to give half-hearted support to the Cooperative Program means not only failure to support the causes included, but it means also failure to share with other churches in the great cooperative mission enterprise.

A great responsibility rests upon pastors, first, in being themselves well informed about and in full sympathy with the Cooperative Program, and second, in keeping before their churches and in using the power of their position and influence to lead their churches to allot to the Cooperative Program a worthy share of the funds coming into the church treasury. It seems that no church or its pastor should be content to see less than the tithe of its income go to the support of the great missionary causes included in and dependent upon the Cooperative Program.

Pastors and churches are urged to see that funds for the Cooperative Program are remitted monthly to the Executive Board so that there may be a constant receipt of money on which to operate. While we recognize that every individual giver and likewise every church has the right and privilege of designating contributions, yet since the Cooperative Program is our adopted plan of supporting our missionary program, we recommend and urge that funds be sent in undesignated so that no cause may be over-emphasized at the expense of the others, but that all the causes included in the Cooperative Program may receive their allotted and proper share of support.

W. A. JACKSON
JOE H. HANKINS
TAYLOR STANFILL
CLYDE HART

The Co-Operative Budget for 1940 was read and adopted.

| 1940 BUDGET |
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| Administration   | $ 10,000.00  |
| Promotion and Convention | 2,000.00 |
| Ministers' Retirement (or such amount as is necessary to finance the plan) | 4,500.00 |
| W. M. U.          | 8,500.00    |
| S. S. and B. T. U.| 5,200.00    |
| Arkansas Baptist  | 3,000.00    |
| Southwide Causes  | 40,000.00   |
| Orphanage         | 12,000.00   |
| Ouachita College  | 10,000.00   |
| Central College   | 4,000.00    |
| State Missions    | 18,000.00   |
| Ministerial Student Aid | 2,000.00 |
| Negro Work        | 1,000.00    |

Total.................................................$120,200.00
Congregation sang, "Send the Light."
T. W. Croxton led in prayer.

Alfred Carpenter read the report on Home Missions, and it was adopted.

Noble Y. Beall, Field Secretary of Home Mission Board, brought the message.

HOME MISSION

About two thousand years ago our Lord set His Kingdom in action, by establishing a home base, instructing a mere handful of redeemed men to be His "Witnesses both in Jerusalem and all Judea and Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Later, one of these same men said, "For His sake we went forward." (III Jn. 7). A strong home base was necessary before they could go, "Everywhere preaching the gospel."

Maintaining a strong home base has been the task of the Home Mission Board for more than ninety-four years. During this period our Home Missionaries have baptized 865,000 people which is equal to one out of every five of our present church membership. These same missionaries have organized 8,600 churches or one to every three of the total number of churches cooperating with the convention. These years have been one pageant of glory, many times through blood and tears, yet moving from conquest to conquest.

I—The Field

The term "Home Missions" is somewhat misleading. It does not apply, neither is it restricted to local interests or circumscribed by provinces. It has no geographical bounds, social restrictions or racial prejudices. We usually describe the field as including our Southern states, the Western Provinces of Cuba, the Canal Zone and Panama. The sun in its daily rounds smiles on no country more richly blessed with resources than this vast empire.

The real measure of a mission field is not its vast territory nor material resources but rather its soul value. Not in products but people; not funds but folk; not material possibilities but in human responsibilities. Measured in this light Home Missions knows no bounds.

On this field of activity live 46 million souls, one-half of them unchurched. They are foreign speaking people of every nationality; our Spanish neighbors, the Jews, the Indians and the colored people. The activities are not only on the far flung horizon but also in the new rural government projects and mountain work; in the congested cities through Good Will Centers, Rescue Missions, also city wide
evangelistic and enlistment campaigns. These centers cover the Southland like dew on a spring morning and are hot beds for all sorts of 'isms.

II—The Force

The working force numbers 371 missionaries, operating 756 stations. This year 39 missionaries were added to the force, 64 new stations were opened and 20 chapels acquired. These missionaries have preached 29,454 sermons and reported 5,250 souls won to Christ, and 29,226 Bibles and Testaments with 790,000 tracts were distributed. This does not mention the activity of the Church Building Loan Fund, nor the newer departments of Missionary Promotion—Publicity Department and the Department of Evangelism.

III—The Facts

During recent years of unruly conditions when drastic changes have taken place and the whole missionary enterprise is in a transitional period, the Home Mission Board has not feared to discard obsolete methods when necessary. Laborers have been sent forth to replenish broken ranks, to reoccupy forgotten fields and in conquest of new ones.

Recent reports reveal this has been one of our best financial years. Total receipts are $513,841.80. Of this amount $163,660.89 was paid on principal of the debt. A debt paying program is in progress which will liquidate the debts by 1945 provided receipts remain up to par.

Of special interest to Arkansas Baptists is the Bottoms Trust Fund, which has not only stabilized the finances but has wonderfully inspired the work. Last year’s income from this fund was $55,488.47. This was used to open new fields, employ additional missionaries and erect chapels.

Emphasis should be placed on the “Baptist Home Missions,” a monthly publication of the Board which is the authentic source of information on Home Missions. It has a circulation of above 32,000 and the subscription price is only 25 cents per year.

IV—The Future

Home Missions is more necessary today than ever, in that the work that ought to be done is more vital to our whole Kingdom task. Our social order is more complex with more elements of disaster and dynamite in it. Two decades ago we were possessed with the impression that this country was Christianized and our task was to go abroad to win the world to Christ. Such slogans as “China for Christ in this generation” and “Cuba for Christ” were our rally cries. Today we wake up to the realization that although the United States has more church buildings and religious organizations than any like territory, yet paganism saturates every phase of our life.

In our Southland well organized forces are at work on a gigantic scale to reset our present order. Industrial materialism; militaristic antagonism; racial barbarism; communistic socialism; atheistic cul-
turism and practical agnosticism stalk across our land. Many of our own people are more concerned about social security, crop control and civic clubs than they are about the Kingdom of God. We cannot combat these mighty enemies of the Cross in isolated groups. We must bring to bear the impact of the whole denomination. Southern Baptists have no plan or agency to cope with this situation save the Home Mission Board.

On fields where we are able to center activities, encouraging reports come from the missionaries. Our work was never more prosperous and promising. From the Everglades of Florida to the Reservations in Arizona; from the Seaboard of Maryland to the Rio Grande Valley in Texas; through Sunny Cuba to the farthest Home Mission point in Panama; from the urban cities to the rural horizon; from social, political and economic problems, comes the Macedonian call, “Come over and help us.”

If we would send the gospel to all the world, we must have our resources at home utilized for and vitalized with spiritual power. Conquer our home base for Christ if we expect to conquer with Him in other lands. Arkansas Baptists need to rethink, rekindle and recapture their Home Mission commission.

“Challenge Thy people Jehovah of Hosts,  
Speak as of old at this hour;  
Silence alike, their complaints and their boasts,  
Challenge Thy people with power.

“Speak to them out of a pillar of cloud,  
Speak through a pillar of flame;  
Show them their sins, lest they dare to be proud,  
Show them their weakness and shame.

“Give them a task that will drain their life's blood,  
Lead on a wilderness way;  
Call to conquest through fire and through flood,  
Challenge Arkansas Baptists, Jehovah, TODAY.”

ALFRED CARPENTER  
J. F. LUCK  
JAMES A. OVERTON  
MRS. LEE NICHOLS

Alfred Carpenter led in closing prayer.  
Convention adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION  
Vice-President J. R. Grant called the Convention to order at 1:30.
Byron B. Cox led in singing, "Take the Name of Jesus With You" and "Nearer, Still Nearer."

W. F. Couch conducted the worship, using Eph. 3, closing with prayer.

Journal was read and adopted.

Arkansas Baptist College Glee Club sang several negro spirituals.

T. W. Coggs, President, Arkansas Baptist College, spoke in the interest of the college.

The report on Brotherhood was read by W. J. Hinsley.

Hugh T. Latimer, associate Secretary Baptist Brotherhood of South, discussed the report, and it was adopted.

**THE BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD**

There is real need for greater activity on the part of our laymen in the program of our churches. It is a challenge to every pastor to utilize the unenlisted man-power of his church. No church will ever go very far in the Lord's work until the men in the church are interested and enlisted in the program of that church. Our responsibility as pastors is to lead our laymen to an active support of the whole church program. We believe that our laymen will be glad to assume their responsibilities when they are brought to see their responsibility in kingdom work.

A great deal has been said about the power going to waste in the natural resources of our state. If we could only see the man-power that is going to waste in our churches we would immediately recognize the importance of harnessing this power for Christ and His kingdom. The great tragedy is that the man-power in our churches is often harnessed by other movements and organizations instead of by our churches. If all the men in our churches could be utilized in church work it would be an easy matter to put over our church program. The budget in all of our churches could be paid, we'd give vastly more to missions, our spiritual life would be greatly increased and many more souls would be won to Christ. Man's place in the church is a place of leadership. Christ appointed twelve men to be apostles. He sent 70 men out, two by two, to preach His gospel. The
first seven deacons were men of honest report and full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom.

**The Object**

The object of the Brotherhood is three fold; First, to deepen spirituality through giving prayer a large place in the meetings of the Brotherhood and by devotional reading of the Bible each day; second, information through the informing programs that are given in the Annual and Quarterly, and through class study; third, training in service through assignments of work both in the local church and in other churches that may need our help.

We believe that the enlistment of our men is one of the most important tasks before us, that when they are fully enlisted our churches and denomination will take on new life. Our schools and colleges, our orphanage, our hospitals and our mission program will be amply provided for.

Therefore, we recommend that this Convention look favorably on the matter of securing a competent man to lead in the state in the organization of Brotherhoods in all of our churches.

That the chair appoint a committee of seven, consisting of three pastors and four laymen, looking forward to the formation of a State Brotherhood Organization.

W. J. HINSLEY
A. P. ELLIFF
J. H. BYERS

In keeping with the resolution in the above report, the president appointed the following committee: C. L. Durrett, J. F. Berry, Jeff Shemwell, J. W. Ramsey, Grover C. Prince, Reese Howard, Maurice Hall.

Robert E. Naylor read the report on nomination. It was adopted. (See Boards).

Fritz E. Goodbar read the report on Resolutions. It was adopted.

**RESOLUTIONS**

No. 1. Resolved, That this convention desires to express to Pastor, A. M. Herrington, the First Baptist Church of Camden, the citizenship of Camden, together with all of the organizations that have assisted in our entertainment, our sincere thanks for the splendid way in which we have been cared for.
No. 2. Resolved, That we express to the officers of our convention both the retiring ones and the new ones, our thanks for their efficient and faithful service.

No. 3. Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be instructed to print 1,000 copies of the Annual and that he be paid $100.00 for his services.

No. 4. Resolved, That we express again our disapproval of Sabbath desecration, which we believe is leading to much ungodliness in our land and is sure to bring about terrible results.

Therefore, We call upon our preachers, our church members and Christians generally to observe this day in keeping with the teachings of God's word.

We call upon Christian candidates for office to forego the custom of holding political rallies on Sunday.

We call upon Christian business men to refrain from requiring their employees to work on the Lord's day.

Believing it is for the best interests of our State and Nation, we call upon our law makers and our law enforcement officers to protect and enforce our Sabbath observance laws.

We also deplore the violation of our anti-gambling laws and we call upon our officers to enforce these statutes.

No. 5. Resolved, That we express to the Associated Press and to the newspapers generally our appreciation of the space given the work of the Convention.

No. 6. Resolved, That we express to Rev. J. I. Cossey, retiring editor of the Arkansas Baptist, our hearty appreciation for his zealous efforts in giving us a good Baptist paper and his business like conduct of the same.

J. ERNEST COX
FRITZ E. GOODBAR
L. M. KEELING
C. L. RANDALL

Thomas L. Harris read the report on Ministers' Retirement Plan. After Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board, and Calvin B. Waller had discussed it, the report was adopted.

MINISTERS' RETIREMENT PLAN

To the Arkansas Baptist Convention:

We, your Committee on Ministers' Retirement Plan, beg leave to submit the following report:

By action of the Convention at Arkadelphia, December, 1938, the Ministers' Retirement Plan for Arkansas was adopted and the details
for putting it into operation by January 1, 1940, were committed to the Executive Board.

At the Board's meeting in January, an organization was set up—the undersigned were named as the Committee; the General Secretary's office was charged with the responsibility of details of plans, publicity, etc., for reaching the churches. Five districts were formed, and five district conferences were held; beside numbers of Associational and church conferences. Your Chairman, the General Secretary, or some member of the organization attended these conferences and explained the plan. The response has been most heartening.

Number of participating churches .......................................... 204
Number of participating ministers ....................................... 174
Number of Associational missionaries ................................... 7
Average age ........................................................................ 42.7 years
Total amount of salaries (per mo.) ....................................... $22,746.69

The applications have been forwarded to the office of the Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, and Secretary Watts has informed us that our plan is acceptable and ready to be put into operation January 1, 1940.

Points for Emphasis

1—It is highly important that pastors and churches begin remittances to the General Secretary's office, Little Rock, promptly January 1, 1940—Pastor 3% and Church 3% upon present salary of pastor; and that remittances be made promptly each month thereafter.

2—It is well to keep in mind how the plan operates: (a) No one is eligible for retirement the first year; but thereafter those having passed the age of sixty-five are eligible for retirement on a percentage basis, provided that during the first five years no retirement annuity shall exceed $600.00. (b) In event of forced retirement before reaching the age of sixty-five, after five years of service within the bounds of the Convention, and one year of participation in the Retirement Plan, a disability annuity of 30% on the salary basis is provided; annuity not to exceed $500.00.

3—It is important that the Plan be pressed in every section of the State until all our churches and ministers are enlisted. Our plan is already secure, but it can be made stronger and more secure by increasing the number of participating ministers and churches.

We, therefore, recommend: First, that the Budget Committee be requested to make ample provisions for the Convention's two per cent. Second, that the Executive Board be charged with the responsibility of further carrying forward the plan, by and through such committees and organizations as the Board may decide will be most effective.

(Signed) CALVIN B. WALLER, Chairman
JOE H. HANKINS
THOS. L. HARRIS
L. G. Miller read the report on Obituaries, which was adopted.

**OBITUARIES**

In I. Thessalonians 5:18, Paul says, “In every thing give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” This we know holds true in death as well as in life. We are indeed deeply grateful for the release that comes to us through the experience of death. We are glad that we do not have to live in an unfriendly world forever. We are glad, that in the providence of God, there comes a call from labor to refreshments. We are glad, exceedingly, for the promotion that comes to us when our heavenly Father says to us, “It’s enough, come up higher.”

We make special mention of the promotion of the following:

Bro. B. P. Clayton, deacon 1st Church, Conway, and for many years faithful trustee of Central College; Sister Mae Courtney, last charter member of Dermott Baptist Church; Bro. Fred Tucker, senior deacon of Strong Baptist Church; Sister Monroe Halpane, 1st Baptist Church, Marshall; and Mrs. W. T. Nelson of Nettleton Baptist Church; Bro. Leonard Wilcox, Fisher St. Baptist Church, Jonesboro; G. W. McCarty.

We would like to remind those who are left behind, that our friends and loved ones, who have crossed over, are living still, busy in another room.

“No, not cold beneath the grasses, Not close-walled within the tomb; Rather, in our Father’s mansion, Living, in another room.

Living, like the man who loves me, Like my child with cheeks abloom, Out of sight, at desk or schoolbook, Busy, in another room.

Nearer than my son whom fortune Beckons where strange lands loom; Just behind the hanging curtain, Serving, in another room.

Shall I doubt my Father’s mercy? Shall I think of death as doom, Or the stepping o’er the threshold To a bigger, brighter room?

Shall I blame my Father’s wisdom? Shall I sit enswathed in gloom, When I know my loves are happy, Waiting in another room?”
Let us fight on, "seeing that we are encompassed about by such a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside the weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

O. C. HARVEY
MRS. A. P. ELLIFF
L. G. MILLER

L. T. Jerry read the following paper on Baptist Beginnings in Arkansas. The Convention voted to publish this paper in Annual.

BAPTIST BEGINNINGS IN ARKANSAS

(Text of an address delivered by Dr. L. T. Jerry before the eighty-sixth annual session of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, December 7, 1939.)

It is altogether fitting and proper that we pause in our deliberations today, and pay tribute to the sacred memory of those who carried the Gospel with the tide of civilization as it moved westward across the continent. The founders of our church in Arkansas were so busily engaged in making history that they took little time to record their steps of progress. A century later, to recover authentic data relative to their noble lives and heroic efforts required difficult and painstaking research, but was, notwithstanding, a labor of love.

When this nation was yet in its infancy, the venerable Webster thundered to his colleagues in the Senate chamber that all the region west of the Mississippi was "one vast magnificent wilderness: unknown, unlimited, and unbounded." The words of the famous statesman had scarcely died away when bold frontiersmen ventured across the Mississippi, and began the slow and wearisome task of carving civilization out of the portion of that wilderness which was destined to be known as the State of Arkansas. Here the pioneer easily satisfied his physical wants from the bounties of nature, but his spiritual life was in a state of destitution.

Into the midst of this hardy and roughened race self-sacrificing missionaries voluntarily stepped to minister to their spiritual needs. John Young Lindsey is thought to have been the first minister to enter what is now the State of Arkansas. He was an able man and long remembered for his excellency of speech and the extraordinary length of his exhortations. His activities were confined to the northern part of the state where he began preaching four years before the beginning of the territorial period.

The beginning of our faith in the capital city occurred in 1824, when a church was constituted with Silas Toncray as pastor. The year following a building was erected—the first church building in
the city—which was described as a neatly hewn log structure. This early congregation practiced all the inherent principles of religious tolerance, as first expounded on the North American continent by Roger Williams, and went the second mile by inviting members of other faiths to use their house of worship. Beneath the roof of that primitive building transpired some of the most important events in the governmental history of the state.

In the early thirties the American Baptist Home Mission Society became interested in the situation in Arkansas, and in 1833 commissioned David Orr as missionary to this needy territory. For five years and eleven months he carried on an itinerant ministry in the two tiers of counties adjacent to the Missouri state line. This noble man planted several churches in the region where he labored, and later formed them into the White River Association. Few men were ever more dedicated to their tasks or more zealous in their efforts than was David Orr. From all parts of the Territory he received letters in which the people earnestly pleaded: "Come over .... and help us." Wherever he preached, throngs gathered to hear him. On April 10, 1834, he wrote to the New York headquarters of the American Baptist Home Mission Society: "I have made a protracted tour of the upper settlements of Strawberry River. This settlement evinces a greater solicitude to hear the Gospel than is common in Arkansas. At a two days meeting .... the concourse was great—sinsners were solemn—and shed tears profusely, and those who had named the name of Christ rejoiced." The hardships and privations which he endured were too much for his frail body, and in 1839 a hopeless state of health forced him to withdraw from the field for which he had sacrificed so much.

By 1840 eight missionaries were in northern Arkansas under the direction of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. Among them were William B. Karr and Benjamin Hawkins. Most of the missionaries sent to Arkansas by the society stayed only one or two years. While their services were valuable, their accomplishments would doubtless have been greater had they remained longer.

In the southern section of the state our faith grew most rapidly. The first minister in this region was Lawrence Scarborough. He came to Union county from Louisiana in 1829, having previously removed from Mississippi to that state. Soon after Scarborough's appearance, a large number of ministers entered the new field. Among them was the sagely Isaac C. Perkins. He entered the state in 1830, and established his home in Hempstead county. His field of labor extended over a larger area than any of the saddlebag missionaries of the pioneer period in Arkansas. He traveled and preached extensively from Saline county southward to Louisiana, and westward to and including a portion of East Texas. He was a remarkable organizer, and gathered many churches in the territory where he preached, the earliest being Mine Creek, now known as the First Baptist Church of Nashville. He was the power behind the organization of the "Saline Regular Baptist Association" in Clark county in
1836. This was the first association organized south of the Arkansas River. For twelve eventful years, Rev. Perkins was moderator of this body.

In the early forties the pulpits of this region were graced by the presence of such prominent men as W. H. Bayless, the distinguished Dr. John Meek, Dr. Franklin Courtney, and the eminent Dr. Jesse B. Hartwell.

For years Isaac C. Perkins continuously agitated the proposition of organizing the Baptists of the state into one body. He encountered many difficulties: (1) Lack of concern, (2) There was little harmony among the churches and associations relative to the matter of missions, (3) The transportation facilities of the state were considered inadequate for messengers to assemble at a given point within a reasonable length of time, (4) Some feared that the movement was an effort to establish a dictatorial power over the associations and individual churches.

In 1848 messengers assembled at Tulip Church in Dallas county, and effected the constitution of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Isaac C. Perkins received the distinguished honor of being elected the first president of this body. While ninety-one years have passed, he is still affectionately remembered as the "Father of the State Convention." S. Stevenson was the first secretary, and E. Haynes delivered the first annual sermon. Dr. Jesse B. Hartwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Camden, was present and assisted in details of organization. His presence and counsel must have been a source of great encouragement to the men who constituted this body. Dr. Hartwell was the first secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention. He also assisted in the organization of the State Convention of Alabama, and presided over that body for several sessions. At the second session of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Dr. Hartwell was elected president, and with the exception of one session presided over this body as long as he remained in the state. His service in this capacity was the second longest in the history of the State Convention, the longest record being held by Governor James P. Eagle, who moderated the proceedings of this body for twenty-one eventful years. It is timely to recall that the sixth annual session of the Convention was held with the First Baptist Church of Camden in 1853. Dr. Hartwell was pastor of the entertaining church, and president of the State Convention. During that historic session, and upon Dr. Hartwell's recommendation, the United States Congress and President Franklin Pierce were memorialized on religious liberty for American missionaries in the Empire of China.

For many years the southern section of the state remained the Baptist stronghold of Arkansas, as indicated by the fact that all sessions of the State Convention prior to the War Between the States were held south of the Arkansas River.

Today we pause in the midst of our proceedings to pay tribute to the memory of Porter Clay, a man whose life meant much to our denomination during the period of its establishment in this state.
While his great life and work will be ably treated by our justly beloved Dr. Dodd, suffice it to say that his unwavering devotion to the cause for which he labored, his uncompromising interpretation of his Divine Commission, and his self-sacrificial life are worthy of emulation by us all.

The early Baptists of Arkansas were not indifferent to the value of journalism. They began publication of the Arkansas Baptist in Little Rock in 1859. It was edited by the Rev. P. S. G. Watson, and under his able direction took rank among the first religious journals of the South. This publication was well on its way to prosperity when it was compelled to suspend in May, 1861, because of a prevailing condition of war.

At the outbreak of the War between the States, the Baptists were securely established in Arkansas, but during the four long and weary years of that terrible struggle, organizations ceased to function. The State Convention and most associations did not assemble until after the close of the conflict. Nevertheless the people gathered together in churches and prayed for the boys in gray, and for the success of their cause. In those troublous years people found renewed faith in the teachings of the scriptures, and comfort in the words of the Savior: "...and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

After the war it was necessary to begin anew. Peace for Arkansas and for the Southland did not eminate from Appomattox. For almost a decade, crime, corruption, and chaos prevailed under the protection of the bayonet. The ministry of the state stepped from the battlefield to the pulpit, and taught the people from the greatest sermon ever delivered upon earth: "...Love your enemies...do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which spitefully use you...."

Through the efforts of the consecrated leaders of the tragic era our denomination emerged stronger and more secure than ever. Steadily and securing building, our present membership numbers approximately 140,000 souls within the borders of the state.

In a large measure, that which can be said of one of the founders of our faith in this great state can be said of them all. They were consecrated from above; they were obedient to their Master; they were dedicated to their tasks; they were unceasing in their efforts. While their physical likenesses have been carved in marble or cast in bronze, great honor shall ever attend the memory of their noble lives. They wrought well.

Sirs, you who constitute the ministry of this generation have also wrought well in that field which is ever white unto the harvest. You too have had your rivers to cross, and your difficulties to surmount, and when the historian of tomorrow shall have come to survey the facts of the twentieth century, your efforts shall not be overlooked, nor your accomplishments forgotten.
At this time the Convention retired to the Cemetery of Camden to unveil a monument at the grave of Porter Clay, a Baptist minister and the brother of Hon. Henry Clay of Kentucky. The monument had recently been erected by Liberty Association. Byron B. Cox led in singing, "Faith of Our Fathers."

President Waller led in prayer and introduced Mrs. Dumas of El Dorado, a relative of Porter Clay, who lifted the veil. M. E. Dodd, who came from Shreveport to make the Memorial Address, was introduced by President Waller. The closing prayer was offered by C. B. Hall, moderator of Liberty Association.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

Convention was called to order by President Waller.

Byron B. Cox led in singing, "Glory To His Name," "For He Is So Precious to Me."

Ralph Davis led worship, using I Cor. 3:8. He led in prayer.

Arkansas Baptist College Glee Club sang again.

An offering of $23.30 was taken for Arkansas Baptist College.

Chas. W. Daniel read the report on the Hundred Thousand Club. It was discussed by J. E. Dilliard and adopted.
The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club has helped every cause we have and has actually saved the life of some of our institutions. It has paid over a million dollars upon the principal of the debts of our Southwide agencies. It has stopped approximately $60,000 in annual interest (this is enough to pay the salaries of 75 foreign missionaries). It has strengthened our Baptist morale, and re-established our Baptist credit. We have been able to reduce our debts while carrying on all of our co-operative work. To God and all who have helped we give most hearty and humble thanks.

Points to Ponder

1. The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club is the special debt-paying plan of the Southern Baptist Convention.

2. The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club is an “over and above” plan; that is, the money given through the Club should in all cases be in addition to the regular offerings for church support and the Cooperative Program.

3. The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club membership is $1.00 a month. A person may take several memberships, or two or more persons may join together in taking one membership.

4. Every penny received through the Club is paid upon the principal of the debts.

5. The distribution of funds is according to the relative debt needs of the agencies; the percentages may vary slightly from year to year. The percentages at present are: Foreign Mission Board, 18; Home Mission Board, 29.7; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 18 1-3; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 20 1-3; Baptist Bible Institute, 12 1-3; New Orleans Hospital, 1.3.

6. The expenses of promoting the Club are paid by the Baptist Sunday School Board.

7. The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club should receive constant and prayerful attention throughout the year and a special appeal for memberships should be made during January and February.

Some Suggestions

1. That every pastor and church be urged to make an earnest effort to promote the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club.

2. That every church have a special Baptist Hundred Thousand Club Day for the presentation of the plan and the enrollment of Club members.

3. That every church adopt a worthy Club membership goal, and then plan, pray and work patiently, and persistently to reach it. (We suggest as a minimum, one Club member for every twenty-five church members).

4. That every church appoint a Baptist Hundred Thousand Club committee to promote the club with the chairman as club leader for the year.
5. That effort be made first to secure as many individual memberships as possible and then enroll as many groups as possible for one or more Club memberships.

6. That accurate records be kept and that remittances be made promptly and properly designated to the state secretary.

7. That the Club be kept constantly before the people, that members be reminded of their dues when delinquent and that new memberships be secured when possible so as to hasten the day of a Debtless Denomination.

CHAS. W. DANIEL
W. B. DORMAN
L. J. TUCKER

C. F. Wilkins read the report on Temperance and Social Service. It was adopted.

TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE

Many of our people think of the report on Temperance and Social Service as of minor importance, a kind of appendix to important matters. The truth is that no report considered by this Convention touches our work in so many vital places, and no report considered by this Convention affects our lives and interests more deeply. The social import of the gospel is apparent to anyone who faithfully reads his New Testament. Christ was concerned about the salvation of souls, and he was concerned about the salvation of lives and society and about the brotherhood of man to the ends of the earth. Christians can not be true to his teachings and close their eyes to these things.

In this report your committee has attempted to touch upon and deal with only a few of the many topics with which it might properly deal.

International Relations

Twenty-one years ago the World War ended and we rejoiced that at last the world had been made “safe for democracy.” Today we no longer have any delusion about the world being safe for democracy or, in fact, safe for anything else. Perhaps never in the history of the world were international conditions so dark and confused as this present moment. In reporting the Madras meeting of the International Missionary Council held last December, Dr. Charles E. Maddry writes in the March issue of the Commission: “The Madras Conference met at one of the most critical and fateful moments in world history. Not in the lifetime of this or any other generation, have Christians come together when so many peoples were being so cruelly persecuted or bearing such unspeakable burdens. Never in all history has the world, all nations of the world, been so rent by international misunderstanding, insane bitterness and deadly strife. Throughout the world, there seems to be an utter disregard for law and order.
and for the sanctity of treaties and international contracts. The nations are in the insane grip of fear and the whole atmosphere of relationship is surcharged and poisoned with suspicion and hate. Nations once proud leaders in the realm of justice, good will, and international morality, have forsaken God and turned back to the brutality of the dark ages. The world is filled with the cry of bleeding and broken humanity and there are few in the world who hear or heed the cry. Surely no world Christian gathering ever came together in such an unprecedented and epoch-making hour."

Add to this the world happenings of the past twelve months and we have a most tragic picture of a sin-sick world. Before such a world struggle our nation can not be unconcerned. We are a part of the world politic and can not escape the consequences of this world upheaval. Unless the spirit of peace and international honor can be restored to the earth it appears that our civilization may be doomed.

Crime

In America, we consider ourselves the most favored of all nations, and truly it seems that we are. However, our crime record surpasses that of any other nation in the world. Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, says there is an army of 4,600,000 criminals in our nation. He summarizes the situation by saying that 3,879 serious crimes are committed every day; that nearly 1,500,000 serious crimes, such as murder, manslaughter, rape, robbery, burglary and aggravated assault are committed each year. The cost of this volume of crime is placed at $15,000,000,000 or nearly $120 for each man, woman and child in our nation. This is 400 per cent greater than the national annual cost of education.

Certainly Christian people are not to be held solely responsible for this enormous volume of crime. However, as citizens of the state, we do have our responsibilities and should assume them by going to the polls and electing officials who are not handmaids of crime to run the affairs of state. We are also responsible for seeing that men everywhere are brought under the restraining powers of the gospel. Nothing prevents crime like the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of men.

Liquor

Since repeal of the eighteenth amendment and state prohibition, confusion has existed. Liquor control laws have actually been laws to promote the sale of liquor. The per capita consumption of liquor has increased each year since 1934. The first year of repeal the consumer cost of liquor was some two billions of dollars, which was about $15.00 per capita, last year it was some five billion dollars or about $38.00 per capita.

The National Temperance and Prohibition Council in their findings has this to say: "The American people will not long continue to tolerate the present intolerable liquor conditions. The great increase of drinking and drunkenness among both the adults and the youth of
our land; the frightful toll of human life taken by street and highway accidents due to drinking drivers and pedestrians; the great increase in crime due directly and indirectly to the liquor traffic; the sucking of the life blood of legitimate business from the veins of industry and commerce; the prolonged delay in business recovery in which the liquor traffic undoubtedly is one of the major factors; the general breakdown of moral standards and behavior brought by the liquor traffic—these things one and all, with many others that might be named, make imperative the extermination of the traffic, and, at the same time, furnish the incentive and appeal for such extermination. That the American people will arise in their strength and destroy this traffic and redeem their honor from shame and disgrace which it now bears, we do not for one moment doubt."

**Marriage and Divorce**

The home is the first and most important institution God gave to man. Without Christian homes we can not have true New Testament churches. The sacredness of the home has ever been emphasized by religious leaders. The Bible is very positive in its teachings concerning the sacredness of the home.

There are two phases to marriage, one personal and religious, the other legal, social and moral. The state, organized society, may speak and of necessity must speak if social order is to prevail and public health and public morals as affected by marriage is to be protected and promoted.

One phase of this question which we seldom give any consideration, perhaps from a false sense of modesty and propriety, is that which would seek to safeguard the home and to protect public health by necessary and proper physical examination of the contracting parties before the marriage relation may be entered. At the present time there are several states that make these requirements, and there is no doubt in the mind of your committee that such laws should be enacted and firmly and impartially enforced in our state. Since the regulation of marriage rests with the state, it follows that the obligation is upon the state to enact protective and preventive measures.

Not only do we need sensible laws governing marriage, but we need better and more uniform laws concerning divorce. The divorce laws of our state are a disgrace. They seek to make a business out of broken homes. It is tragic enough for a state to have to deal with its own broken homes without seeking those from other states as a lucrative business.

**Sabbath Breaking**

We realize that living is not so simple today as in Biblical times. It is true that there is, today, what we might call necessary or essential work that must be performed on the Lord's Day. However, we know that much labor that is being performed on the Lord's Day is not of this character. It is simply a pretext for carrying on business seven days a week in utter disregard for the Lord's Day.
Not only is the Lord's Day being commercialized but it is rapidly becoming a day of amusements rather than a day of worship. Many of our people see no inconsistency in attending Sunday school and church service in the morning and going to the picture show, ball game or horse races in the afternoon. Such conduct certainly is not conducive to spirituality. Hear the word of God as recorded by the prophet, Isaiah: "If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, and the holy of Jehovah honorable; and shalt honor it, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: then shalt thou delight thyself in Jehovah; and I will make thee to ride upon the high places of the earth; and I will feed thee with the heritage of Jacob, thy father: for the mouth of Jehovah hath spoken it." Isa. 58:13-14.

Recommendations

1. That in view of the present international conditions, we pledge ourselves anew to the spirit of peace and the cultivation of that spirit among our people and in our relation to all other peoples.

2. That in view of the present crime situation we, ourselves, be more careful in obeying the law and that we assume our responsibility as Christian citizens to bring about better conditions.

3. That we record again our deep and unalterable opposition to the liquor traffic in all of its forms and phases; that we urge upon our people the rule of total abstinence in their personal habits as the only sane, sensible and right course for Christian people concerning any recognized evil.

4. That we again go on record as opposing the present disgraceful divorce laws within our state and look with favor upon all sensible efforts to obtain uniform marriage and divorce laws in our nation.

5. That we again go on record as opposing all unnecessary labor and all commercial amusements and political rallies on the Lord's Day and that we urge our people to observe the Day in truth and in spirit.

J. F. BOW
JAMES MACKRELL
CHAS. F. WILKINS, Chairman

C. C. Warren read the report on Foreign Missions. After it had been discussed by R. S. Jones, Home Secretary of Foreign Mission Board, it was adopted.

FOREIGNS MISSIONS

Ninety-four pages of the Southern Baptist Convention minutes for 1939 were required to briefly outline the work of our Foreign Mission Board during its 94th year.
2:15 to 2:45—The Pressing Needs of Ouachita College...R. E. Naylor,Arkadelphia
2:45 to 2:55—Music....................................................C. B. Hall, Directing
2:55 to 3:25—The Obligation of Baptists to Support Baptist Colleges
Lee Nichols, Booneville
3:25 to 3:45—What Brotherhood Has Meant to My Church
Grover C. Prince, Forest City
3:45 to 4:00—Business Session.
4:00—Adjournment.

After the program these officers were elected for the next year:
President, Grover C. Prince, Forest City; Vice-President, J. E. Berry, Smackover; Secretary, Reese Howard, Hamburg.

W. J. HINSLEY, President
J. E. CALLOWAY, Secretary.

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Fisher St.—L. G. Miller, Pastor.
Walnut St.—E. T. Smith, Pastor; Leonard Smith, Ruby Croom, P. R. Warren.
Central—William Huffman, Pastor; Mrs. William Huffman, Mrs. A. L. Stephens, Mrs. R. F. Barnett, L. E. Rogers.
Nettleton—J. Russell Duffer, Pastor.

OUACHITA:

Mena—B. G. Alexander.

PULASKI COUNTY:

Little Rock—
First—Joe H. Hankins, Pastor; P. A. Stockton, Otto Whittington, C. L. Randall, Mrs. Otto Whittington, C. G. Davis, B. L. Bridges.
Second—Calvin B. Waller, Pastor; Mrs. Calvin B. Waller, James Mackrell, Miss Margaret Hutchison, Miss Blanche Mays, Mrs. T. Shad Medlin.
Pulaski Heights—L. M. Sipes, Pastor; Mrs. L. M. Sipes, C. L. Durrett, Geo. D. Thompson, Mrs. Geo. D. Thompson, Mrs. Fred Adair.
Baptist Tabernacle—L. H. Roseman, Pastor; Miss Anna Mary Cornell, Mrs. G. E. Jackson, Mrs. George T. Bass, Mrs. H. R. Peterson, Mrs. Geo. Cornell, Mrs. W. Guenther.
High Street—Harvey Hicks, Pastor.
Plainview—C. O. Abbott, Pastor; Mrs. C. O. Abbott.
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South Highland—L. M. Keeling, Pastor; Mrs. L. M. Keeling, Mrs. O. P. Stephens, Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney.
West Calvary—Otto Sutton, Pastor.
Bellevue—D. O. Stuckey, Pastor.
North Little Rock—
  First—Thos. L. Harris, Pastor; Mrs. Thos. L. Harris.
  Baring Cross—Taylor Stanfill, Pastor.
  Central—James A. Overton, Pastor.

RED RIVER:
Arkadelphia—
  Second—S. A. Wiles, Pastor; Edgar Harvey, Fred Smith, T. A. Horn.
Beirne—R. C. Nixon, Pastor.
Gurdon—(Beech Street) P. J. Crowder, Pastor; Mrs. P. J. Crowder, Nettie Lou Crowder, Mrs. J. T. McLain, Mrs. O. C. Moseley.
Prescott—E. P. J. Garrott, Pastor; Mrs. E. P. J. Garrott.
Unity—E. L. Lloyd, Pastor.

ROCKY BAYOU:
Melbourne—Milton Graham, Pastor.

STONE-VAN BUREN:
Clinton—J. D. Reeves, Pastor.
Leslie—Claud Jenkins, Pastor.
Mt. View—S. M. Cooper, Pastor.

TRI COUNTY:
Cherry Valley—P. W. Clampitt, Pastor.
Forrest City—Grover C. Prince, Pastor; J. W. Williams.
Marion—Paul G. Kirkland, Pastor.
Parkin—Haynes Brinkley, Pastor.
Togo—Charlie Meek, Pastor.
Wynne—Byron B. Brinkley, Pastor; Mrs. Byron B. Cox, J. Ernest Cox.

TRINITY:
Harrisburg—W. I. Elledge, Pastor; Louis Gustavus.
Lepanto—Leslie Richard, Pastor.
Tyronza—Paul Elledge, Pastor; C. R. Banks, Mrs. C. R. Banks.

WASHINGTON COUNTY:
Springdale—Irving M. Prince, Pastor.
WHITE COUNTY:
Armstrong Springs—L. C. Langley, Pastor.
Bald Knob—(Central) Mrs. Howard King, Mrs. Mary Beal.
Harris Chapel—J. A. McDougal, Bedford Evans.
Judsonia—Maurice M. Hall, Pastor.
Kensett—Homer H. Bridges, Pastor.
McRae—W. E. Carder, Pastor.
Searcy—J. I. Cossey, Pastor.
West Point—J. A. Holden.

WHITE RIVER:
Cotter—Will H. Travis, Pastor.
Mountain Home—W. L. Leach, Pastor.

WOODRUFF COUNTY:
Augusta—J. F. Brewer, Jr., Pastor.
Hunter—D. W. Bolton, Pastor.
McCrory—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 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 Southwide. 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, 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 six (6) members of any Board shall reside in any one city, town or community.

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

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

Article VIII.—Meetings

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

Article IX

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-fourth 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.
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