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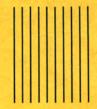
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# BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

1941

JONESBORO · ARKANSAS



# **PROCEEDINGS**

of the

# Arkansas Baptist State Convention

in the

EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION (Ninety-Third Year)

JONESBORO, ARKANSAS

November 11-12-13

1941

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NEXT SESSION WILL CONVENE NOVEMBER 17, 1942 AT 2:00 P. M.

With

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Little Rock, Arkansas

ds

W. J. HINSLEY, HOT SPRINGS

Preacher of Annual Sermon

ALTERNATE: W. M. PRATT, Lonoke

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# ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION DIRECTORY FOR NINETY-THREE YEARS

	Place	President	Secretary	Preacher
1848	Brownsville	Isaac Perkins	S. Stevenson	E. Haynes
	Dallas Co.			
1849		Jesse Hartwell	S. Stevenson	
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1850		W. H. Bayliss	S. Stevenson	F. Courtney
1051	Clark Co. Princeton			
	El Dorado			
		Jesse Hartwell	S Stevenson	E Haynes
		Jesse Hartwell		
	No Report			
		Jesse Hartwell	R. J. Coleman	.W. M. Lea
	Dallas Co.			
1857			R. J. Coleman	
	Dallas Co.			
		W. M. Lea		
		W. M. Lea W. M. Lea		-
	Fort Smith			
	1866 (inc.) No			
		W. M. Lea		S. Stevenson
1868	Little Rock	W. M. Lea	W. H. Roberts	W. D. Mayfield
		W. D. Mayfield		
		A. Gates		
		M. Y. Moran		
		M. Y. Moran	•	
		M. Y. Moran	·	
		W. W. Crawford H. H. Coleman		
		H. H. Coleman		
		H. H. Coleman		
		J. M. Hart		
		J. M. Hart		
		J. P. Eagle		
1881	Little Rock	_J. P. Eagle	B. Thomas	J. B. Searcy
		J. P. Eagle		
		J. P. Eagle		
		J. P. Eagle J. P. Eagle		
		J. P. Eagle		
		J. P. Eagle		
		J. P. Eagle		
		W. E. Penn		
1890	Eureka Spgs.	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	R. J. Coleman
		J. P. Eagle		
1892	Fort Smith	J. M. Hart	J. G. B. Simms	J. W. Lipsey

Place	President	Secretary	Preacher
1893 Conway	W. P. Throgmorton	W. F. Blackwood	W. P. Throgmorton
	J. P. Eagle		
1895 Monticello	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	E. B. Miller
1896 Hot Springs	J. P. Eagle	J. G. B. Simms	A. H. Autry
	J. P. Eagle		
	John Ayers		
	John Ayers		
	John Ayers		
	W. E. Atkinson		
	W. E. Atkinson		
	W. E. Atkinson		
	H. T. Bradford		
	H. T. Bradford H. T. Bradford		
	P. C. Barton		
	P. C. Barton		
	P. C. Barton		
	J. W. Conger		
	J. W. Conger		
	L. E. Barton		
	L. E. Barton		
	A. H. Autry		
	A. H. Autry		
	A. H. Autry		
1923 Arkadelphia	G. W. Puryear	B. L. Bridges	J. W. Hulsev
1924 Little Rock	G. W. Puryear	B. L. Bridges	W. W. Kyzar
	G. W. Puryear		
	H. L. Winburn		
	H. L. Winburn		
1928 Texarkana	H. L. Winburn	S. R. Doyle	Ben L. Bridges
1929 Hot Springs	Otto Whitington	J. B. Luck	Otto Whitington
	Otto Whitington		
1931 Batesville	E. P. J. Garrott	J. B. Luck	A. S. Harwell
	E. P. J. Garrott		
	O. J. Wade		
	O. J. Wade		
1936 Hot Springs	B. V. Ferguson	J. B. Luck	T. L. Harris
	B. V. Ferguson		
			Thomas W. Croxton
			Elmer J. Kirkbride
	Calvin B. Waller		
	Calvin B. Waller		
1941 Jonesboro	J. S. Rogers	Taylor Stanfill	C. C. Warren
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# COMMITTEES OF THE CONVENTION

#### Arkansas Baptist:

W. R. Hamilton

L. A. Myers

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W. C. Tharp

Joe B. Sullivan

S. G. O'Neal

L. R. Joyner

L. H. Davis

Hugh Cantrell

J. F. Queen

L. A. Sparkman

Barney R. Freazier

Dell Hanna

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Harold B. Tillman

Roy C. Maddox

O. W. Yates

J. W. Royal

J. I. Cossey

Ben Wofford

James H. Fitzgerald

P. A. Stockton

Loyal Prior

Aubrey C. Halsell

W. J. Morris

Blake Smith

W. M. Kelley

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J. B. Luck

C. G. Davis

J. F. Brewer, Jr.

Boyd Baker

Ralph B. Glover

W. C. Edwards

Paul Aiken

Byron King

W. R. Vestal

A. F. Muncy

L. M. Keeling

E. F. Simmons

Ralph Kerley Reese Howard

# Foreign Missions:

Otto Whitington

J. S. Compere

Stanley M. Cooper

Calvin B. Waller

Mrs. J. S. Tatum

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George Stuart

L. Y. Lewis

Thos. W. Dove

Golden E. Neely

H. A. Kelley

Russell Armer

D. E. Murphree

O. L. Powers O. R. Richey

Mrs. H. C. Seefeldt

Mrs. G. M. Jordon

Ed Harness

M. C. Burnett

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Curtis Puryear

Stanley Cooper

Byron Cox

H. L. Rutledge

Gray Evans

W. D. Wallace

Stanley Jordan

I. M. Prince

R. A. Cook

# Hospitals:

L. H. Roseman

James W. Kelley

Robert Barker

S. A. Wiles

Charles W. Anderson

Mrs. Irving M. Prince

W. H. Langford

Elmer F. Cox

Lonnie Lasater

Jesse Reed

Gene Bartlett

J. E. Ratliff

O. H. Johnson

L. G. Miller

Hugh Cooper

T. A. Horne

Tom Payne

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J. R. Gregson

C. A. Riley

C. E. Lawrence

T. Shad Medlin

O. M. Stallings

Harold Seefeldt

A. N. McAninch

W. Beaumont

J. A. Edwards

#### Minister's Retirement Plan:

R. E. Navlor

H. M. Robertson

V. H. Coffman

Thurman K. Rucker

R. L. Blackwell

L. G. Scott

J. T. Summers

John B. Stephen

C. L. Davis

Raymond Butler

Leon P. Kimmel

L. D. Eppinette

J. Harold Griffin

J. R. Barnett

Kyle Lawrence

E. T. Smith

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O. C. Harvey

E. E. Griever

C. L. Durrett

T. H. Jordan

O. J. Chastain

Reece Howard

O. L. Gibson

B. V. Ferguson

C. E. Lawrence

Russell Clubb

W. M. Pratt

J. B. Luck

A. J. Hyatt

Otto Whitington

#### Obituaries:

O. J. Chastain

W. C. Rowe

Rolla Nixon

Oscar E. Ellis

T. D. Douglas

G. V. Logan

. P. B. Langley

Carl Bunch

Dali Dunch

Delbert L. Garrett

M. W. Brawner

W. T. Tiner

J. M. Hitt

Roy Johnson

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Mrs. L. A. Sparkman

Floyd Taylor

Mrs. Otto Whitington

L. C. Craig

W. W. Grafton

A. G. Albright

M. E. Wiles

Mrs. Henry Stoker

Earl Lansford

J. Earnest Cox

Mrs. E. J. Kirkbride

James H. Fitzgerald

Mrs. T. L. Harris

Ermon Webb

Roy C. Maddox

Mrs. W. N. Kimbrough

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J. F. Queen

C. E. Lawrence

Conrad L. Dupree

Mrs. J. E. Short

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Mrs. J. S. Compere

B. H. Parrish

E. E. Griever
Leonard Smith
Hubert Williams
Ira Hubbard
Mrs. V. A. Phillips
L. L. Jordon
Morris Ashcraft
Mrs. C. A. Riley
Erwin L. McDonald
J. F. Bow

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E. P. J. Garrott
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B. V. Ferguson
E. Butler Abington
P. J. Crowder
I. M. Prince
W. J. Hinsley

L. C. Tedford

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J. H. Hankins
R. E. Naylor
O. L. Gibson
Cecil H. Franks
O. L. Powers
Otto Sutton
E. J. Kirkbride
Ford Gauntt
Stanley Cooper
W. L. Leach
James Draper
E. S. Elliott
H. L. Lipford

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Gerald C. Rowe
C. L. Durrett
W. J. Hinsley
M. G. Fall
Mrs. Henry Rowton
J. J. Lawson
Elmer Morgan
J. R. Grant
Andy Hall
G. W. McAninch
Frank F. Norfleet
C. B. Hall

A. P. Elliff

#### OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION

President	J. S. Rogers	Conway
Vice-President	O. L. Powers	Jonesboro
Vice-President	E. J. Kirkbride	Helena
Secretary	Taylor Stanfill	North Little Rock
Treasurer	Ben L. Bridges	Little Rock

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ville C. W. Daniel, El Dorado ock T. Shad Medlin, Little Rock H. T. Whaley, Pine Bluff

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# **PROCEEDINGS**

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Arkansas, Tuesday, November 11, 1941.

The Convention was called to order by the retiring President C. B. Waller, at 2 p. m. for the Eighty-Eighth Annual Session (93rd year) and joined in singing, "At The Cross," "He Leadeth Me," and "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," led by Gene Spearman, Little Rock, director of music during the session, with Mrs. Grace Little presiding at the organ. Invocation was offered by J. S. Compere, Corning, and a devotional address was delivered by J. S. Rogers, Conway.

Messengers enrolled.

The report of the committee on Order of Business was presented and adopted subject to necessary change during the session.

# ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 Call to Order—President. Devotional—W. M. Pratt.

2:20 Enrollment.

2:30 Welcome Address-O. L. Powers.

2:40 Response-E. E. Griever.

2:45 Organization.

2:55 President's Message.

3:05. Announcements.

3:10 Introduction of New Pastors and Visitors

3:15 W. M. U. Report-O. L. Gibson, Mrs. C. H. Ray.

3:45 Annual Sermon-C, C. Warren; S. A. Wiles, Alternate.

# TUESDAY NIGHT

- 7:00 Devotional-L. C. Tedford,
- 7:15 Miscellaneous Business.
- 7:25 Announcement of Committees.
- 7:30 Home Missions-T. W. Croxton.
- 8:10 Announcements.
- 8:15 Laymen's Work-Claud L. Durrett, Grover C. Prince.

#### WEDNESDAY MORNING

- 9:00 Devotional—Lloyd Sparkman.
- 9:15 Journal and Miscellaneous.
- 9:25 Seminaries—E.P.J.Garrott.
- 10:15 Executive Board's Report.
- 11:00 Co-operative Program and Hundred Thousand Club— T. L. Harris.
- 11:45 Address-Secretary Ben L. Bridges.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Devotional—Russell Clubb.
- 2:15 S. S., B. T. U. and B. S. U.—Edgar Williamson.
- 2:45 State Missions-

Report of Committee—Clyde Hart, J. H. Hankins. Report of Survey Committee—Blake Smith.

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

- 7:00 Devotional-Minor Cole.
- 7:15 Arkansas Baptist-W. R. Hamilton, L. A. Myers.
- 7:45 Christian Education-Chas. W. Daniel.
- 8:15 Central College-O. J. Wade.
- 8:45 Ouachita College-J. R. Grant.

#### THURSDAY MORNING

- 9:00 Devotional—W. D. Edwards.
- 9:15 Journal and Miscellaneous.
- 9:30 Orphanage-Mrs. C. R. Pugh.
- 10:00 Hospitals-L. H. Roseman.
- 10:30 Ministers Retirement Plan-R. E. Naylor.
- 11:00 Foreign Missions—Otto Whitington.
- 11:30 Sermon—C. B. Waller.

# THURSDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Devotional-Victor H. Coffman.
- 2:15 Prohibition and Social Service-J. F. Queen.
- 2:45 Stewardship-Harvey Hicks.
- 3:10 Arkansas Baptist Musicians—Mrs. B. W. Nininger.
- 3:30 Nominations—O. C. Harvey.
- 3:45 Obituaries—O. J. Chastain.

4:00 Resolutions—Fritz Goodbar. Final Adjournment.

Welcome to the Convention was extended by O. L. Powers, host pastor. Response on behalf of the Convention was made by E. E. Griever, Harrison.

In the matter of election of officers, J. S. Rogers, Conway, was elected President; E. J. Kirkbride, Helena, and O. L. Powers, Jonesboro, were elected Vice-Presidents; Taylor Stanfill, North Little Rock, was elected Secretary; B. L. Bridges, Little Rock, was elected Treasurer.

The following visitors were introduced: Andrew Potter, General Secretary of Oklahoma Baptists; G. W. Puryear, Memphis; J. Norris Palmer, Louisiana; T. B. Lackey, Oklahoma; Hugh Latimer, Memphis; and Miss Mildred Matthews from Cuba.

Sang, "Come Thou Fount."

Retiring President Waller addressed the convention briefly and delivered, to the new President, the gavel.

The following new pastors were introduced: A. B. Van Arsdale, Benton; F. T. Cooper, Horatio; C. L. Davis, West Ridge; T. W. Dove, Arkadelphia; M. G. Fall, Hot Springs; W. W. Grafton, Booneville; H. Gream, Blytheville; Roy Johnson, Osceola; Stanley Jordan, Lockesburg; L. R. Joyner, Clarendon; Relph Kerley, Tyronza; Will Edd Langford, Hughes; W. J. McCawley, Leachville; Loyal Prior, Dardanelle; Thurman Rucker, Searcy; Bernes K. Selph, Smackover; Fred A. White, Lewisville.

Printed reports of Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas were distributed. Mrs. C. H. Ray, Little Rock, moved the adoption of the report. O. L. Gibson, Fayetteville, spoke to the report. The new President of Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. J. E. Short, Gould, was recognized. Miss Margaret Hutchison, Little Rock, made announcement of the R. A. Fellowship Supper.

#### BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF ARKANSAS

With the deepest gratitude to God for His manifest leadership and blessings we present to this Convention the report of the work of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas, Auxiliary to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, covering twelve months ending Sept. 30, 1941. This organization has for its purpose creating and quickening an interest in missions and encouraging the grace of giving among the women and young people of the churches.

A watchword is for inspiration, linked to practical uses. "That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy salvation among all nations," taken from the Psalms, is one of the great missionary messages of the Old Testament, and indicates God's purposes of providing salvation for all nations. Seeking to make this watchword both a prayer and a challenge we have tried to hide it in our hearts to fortify and inspire, to strengthen faith and to quicken to more efficient service.

Linked with this watchword is the Great Commission of the Lord Jesus. He has no other plan for making His way known than that those who know Him and walk His way witness of His salvation to the ends of the earth. The plans and activities of Woman's Missionary Union center around the aim of witnessing by word, by deed, by gift, by life.

# That Thy Way May Be Known

As an aid in helping to make His way known Woman's Missionary Union maintains headquarters at 209 Radio Center, Little Rock. The office personnel consists of Mrs. C. H. Ray, executive secretary, Miss Margaret Hutchison, young people's secretary, Mrs. W. D. Pye, treasurer and program editor, Miss Elma Cobb, office secretary. The following information reveals only part of the work accomplished: letters received, 8,086; letters and cards written, 7,490; mimeograph letters and articles sent, 67,766; leaflets and all kinds of promotional literature sent, 163,715; packages sent, 13,583; special programs prepared and sent for different meetings, 18.

A change in leadership has come during the year, Mrs. L. M. Sipes, president, having moved from the State this past September. In her going the Union sustained a great loss. We shall always treasure in remembrance her gifts of faithful, consecrated and loving service rendered during her long association with us in the work, she having served the Union in many capacities. But God always prepares a leader, and her mantle has fallen on Mrs. J. E. Short of Gould, who is well fitted to assume this place of leadership, having served faithfully and efficiently as president of Southeast District for the past eight years. She believes in and promotes every phase of our denominational work.

Other general officers of the Union are Mrs. W. C. Edwards, recording secretary, Mrs. B. L. Bridges, assistant recording secretary, and Mrs. G. D. Thompson, auditor. The State chairmen, members of the Executive Board, district and associational officers greatly assist in making His way known and in furthering the Kingdom work through this organization.

The amount of \$10,336.37 has been spent for office administration and for traveling expense of the two secretaries and other Union representatives. Of this amount \$6,875.00 was received from the Executive Board of this Convention, and the remainder of \$3,461.37 was received by Woman's Missionary Union direct from its organizations.

We now have on our mailing list 485 missionary societies and 867 young people's auxiliaries, making a total of 1,352. How we long for every Baptist church to have these missionary organizations providing information about the progress of the missionary enterprise as well as teaching the principles of stewardship! Every Baptist church should be deeply interested in all the organizations of the church that train and develop the constituency in the essential things for Kingdom advancement. We covet your interest and prayers in helping to extend these missionary organizations in the churches where none now exist.

# Making His Way Known Through Meetings

Woman's Missionary Union plans and promotes special meetings for inspiration and information. The annual meeting held last April with the Central Baptist Church, Hot Springs, had a total registration of 1,200, there being 509 delegates and 691 visitors. Mrs. W. C. Tyler, recording secretary of Southern W. M. U., Mrs. Aaron W. Hancock, missionary to the Indians, representative of the Home Mission Board, and the Rev. C. J. Lowe, missionary to China, representative of the Foreign Mission Board, brought inspirational messages based on the general theme—"Faith is the Victory."

The eight district meetings held in June registered an attendance of 1,578. These meetings were presided over by the district presidents, and to each one we give credit for the interesting way in which they developed the general theme—"Thy Way and Thy Salvation" in their respective programs. They are: Mrs. J. E. Short, Southeast, Mrs. Albert L. Buck, Southwest, Mrs. Walter Jackson, West Central, Mrs. P. O. Freeman, North Central, Mrs. B. B. Maxwell, East Central, Mrs. J. C. Fuller, Central, Mrs. Julius G. Priest, Northwest, Mrs. Geo. A. Jimerson, Northeast. Visiting speakers at each meeting were Miss Auris Pender, missionary to China, and Mrs. C. R. Pugh and the two secretaries.

In addition to the district presidents and the district counselors, who are contributing much toward making His way known, we are also deeply indebted to the associational superintendents and the associational young people's counselors for their splendid co-operation. These associational leaders hold rallies, promote mission study institutes, send report blanks and gather reports from all W. M. U. organizations within their respective associations. These reports furnish much of the information concerning the progress of the work over the State.

To aid in promoting W. M. U. work, associational methods institutes were held last fall with a total attendance of 1,775. The discussion at each of these forty one-day institutes were led by a State representative, some of the meetings being held simultaneously.

With a desire to further help these leaders in promoting their work, Woman's Missionary Union held a leadership course for them in Little Rock last November, 65 being in attendance.

Eight classes were promoted by Woman's Missionary Union at the Assembly in July with a total registration of 366. As a result of such study 166 certificates and 186 seals were awarded. The executive secretary served as dean and as a teacher, assisted by Dr. and Mrs. John L. Riffey, missionaries to Brazil, guest teachers and speakers, Miss Reba Hayes, Mr. Ralph Davis, Mrs. Nat Brittain, Miss Nancy Cooper and Miss Corrie Chaney. Several classes were held at Ravenden Springs Assembly as well as at the summer camps for young people.

The State W. M. U. Executive Board granted Miss Irene Chambers, field worker, a three months' leave of absence to attend the W. M. U. Training School to further prepare herself for service. She returned to her work the first of March, but due to a serious and continued illness has been unable to work since the latter part of May. Woman's Missionary Union was fortunate in being able to secure Miss Nancy Cooper, a student at the W. M. U. Training School, to do field work among the young people during the summer months. These two workers, together with the two secretaries, have attended 270 meetings, made 168 talks and traveled approximately 34,000 miles. A total of \$1,268.84 has been spent on field work.

#### A Definite Program of Work.

Consecrated Christian women and young people are definitely committed to a world-wide missionary program. As we look back over the record for the past year we find that many have followed the definite program of prayer, enlistment, study, service, stewardship and the missionary education of young people, proving their love and loyalty to Christ and their obedience to His commands. Where missions have been attractively and faithfully presented by W. M. U. leaders in the churches where these missionary organizations function, women and young people have responded to the world needs by the giving of self and substance.

#### Making His Way Known Through Prayer

Members of Woman's Missionary Union are urged to pray both individually and unitedly that His way may be known, setting aside a definite time to pray especially for certain objects of denominational interest; viz., State, Home and Foreign Missions, as well as to remember daily those on the Calendar of Prayer and for world-wide missions. An average of 750 organizations observed the three prayer seasons and made offerings.

In March 848 organizations observed the Home Mission Season of Prayer and gave \$6,556.05; in September 664 organizations observed the Season of Prayer for State Missions and gave \$4,552.49; in December 739 organizations observed the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions and gave \$10,270.30. The total over and above gifts to missions was \$21,378.84, this being an increase of \$2,336.59 over the record of the previous year.

# Making His Way Known Through Enlistment

We enlist that others may join the great task of making His way known which needs the service of every Christian. There were 7,542 new members enlisted in missionary organizations during the year, 3,207 in missionary societies and 4,335 in the young people's organizations.

#### Making His Way Known Through Study

We study that we may know how to make His way known. Mrs. H. M. Keck, State Mission Study Chairman, reports 1,885 classes held, 4,140 certificates and 10,342 seals awarded. Included in these were 171 official seals for completion of mission study courses.

# Making His Way Known Through Personal Service

We engage in personal service that we may make His way known in our own communities. This channel of opportunity to express our love to Christ through service is a vital contribution of our organization plans to us as individuals. Mrs. J. R. Cone, State Personal Service Chairman, reports 617 organizations doing directed personal service with 9,900 members thus engaged, 7,181 among the women and 2,719 among the young people. There were 678 conversions reported from these activities promoted in local communities.

In addition to their personal service work the Baptist women and young people contribute generously toward the support of the charitable efforts of our various institutions. Mrs. R. C. Rudisill, State Chairman of Hospital Supplies, reports a total valuation of hospital gifts and supplies of \$5,508.54. While this amount is less than was reported last year we are reminded that many individuals and organizations contributed toward the furnishing of the rooms in the new Nurses' Annex completed last year.

They also joyfully contribute toward the needs of the Bottoms' Baptist Orphanage. Many societies clothe children in the home, assisted by other church groups and individuals. Through voluntary cash gifts from societies over the State, Woman's Missionary Union has provided funds for a helper in the home for a number of years.

#### Making His Way Known Through Tithes and Offerings

Woman's Missionary Union teaches and practices stewardship, that through the consecration of our tithes, offerings and all the powers of our personalities we may be instruments used of God to spread His salvation among all nations. Total gifts reported for the past year are \$279,596.48, this being an increase of \$13,548.80 over the previous year. The amount of \$190,328.17 was contributed for local church, charity and miscellaneous, and \$89,268.31 for various mission causes. Mrs. E. S. Elliott, State Stewardship Chairman, reports a total of 5,406 tithers, 3,584 among the women and 1,822 among the young people, an increase of 669 over the past year.

Debts are a hindrance in making known the way of the Lord. The challenging slogan of the day is "A debtless denomination by 1945." In this mighty effort toward debt clearance the women and young people are prayerfully and earnestly seeking to do their part. Special emphasis on debt payment has been given at almost every meeting. We have faith to believe that our State goal of \$21,000, our apportionment of the million dollars accepted by Southern W. M. U., to be raised by 1945, will be attained. Many 100,000 Club Memberships are being given by individuals, societies and circles, and many of our women who are able to do so are subscribing a Centennial Membership (\$100) to be paid during the years 1941-1945. Two such memberships have been paid in full, others are paying \$25 per year for the next four years. A total of \$6,246.11 has been contributed during the past year toward debt clearance by the women and young people. We would be reminded that all who are now giving must be true and loyal and, wherever possible, increase her gift as well as to seek special gifts and new memberships, for the challenge demands the best that is in us.

# Making His Way Known Through Missionary Education of Young People

We engage in the missionary education of young people that the work of making His way known may go on from one generation to another. From the ranks of the young people of today must come the denominational leaders of tomorrow. "Wisdom had fled from us" if we fail to recognize this great fact and capitalize on it. The Young People's Department is under the capable leadership of Miss Margaret Hutchison. She has written 2,770 personal letters and promoted the work among 867 missionary auxiliaries, chaperoned a group of young women to Ridgecrest Y. W. A. encampment, taught 12 mission study classes with a total of 337 enrolled, wrote and edited 10 programs, attended 113 meetings or series of meetings and traveled 10,019 miles. Among the larger group meetings she has planned and executed are: G. A. Conference and Banquet, 330 present; annual Y. W. A. Banquet, 445 seated; Y. W. A. House Party, Junior and Intermediate Camps for boys and girls with 328 total registered attendance, and promoted the first State R. A. Fellowship Supper in connection with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention with 301 seated. She has attended two District Camps with 126 registered, visited 5 colleges and the hospital in the interest of Y. W. A. work, and arranged itinerary for 2 Southwide workers for college visitation. During the period covered by this report the young people have given \$23,522.57, this amount being included in the total gifts of Woman's Missionary Union.

#### Acknowledgments

This report does not represent the efforts of just one person, but of many. It represents hours of loving and sacrificial service. I want to acknowledge my gratitude to God for His blessings, and to each individual who has contributed in any way toward the achievements attained during the past year.

At this crucial time in the world's history, when there is so much strife and hatred, when the way of the Lord seems almost lost amid the ways of abounding sin, may we be more loyal than ever as we go with utmost effort to make His way known upon earth. May "God be merciful unto us; and cause His face to shine upon us; That His way may be known upon earth, His salvation among all nations."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. H. RAY, Executive Secretary.

Gene Bartlett sang "I Won't Have To Cross Jordan Alone."

Time having arrived for the annual sermon, C. C. Warren, Little Rock, elected to preach the annual sermon, read Ephesians 5:22-30 and led in prayer. The theme of the annual sermon was "Our Glorious Church Challenge."

The Convention adjourned with prayer by C. C. Warren.

# FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION, 7 P. M.

The convention was called to order by Vice-President E. J. Kirkbride, Helena.

Gene Spearman led in singing, "Glory To His Name."

L. C. Tedford, Bentonville, conducted the devotional and led in prayer.

Committees were announced. (See Committees of Convention.)

Sang "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

Choir from the Arkansas State College sang.

The report on Home Missions was read by T. W. Croxton, Monticello and spoken to by Jacob Gartenhaus.

Report adopted as follows:

#### HOME MISSIONS

It has been well said that the mission of the church is missions. This is quite true, but so often the question of missions, according to the thinking of many, is a very indefinite and intangible sort of thing, having little to do with the world as a whole or with life in its entirety. The world is one and life is one, and the gospel was meant for the whole world and all of life. To save the whole world and every life and soul in the world was the thought in the mind of Jesus when He inaugurated his kingdom on earth. The church, if it is to be true to

the mind and spirit of Jesus, can think of nothing less than the salvation of the whole world and life in all of its parts, the salvation of every individual in the sum total of his personality and experience.

When we speak of Home Missions, we do not mean that the mission of the church is divided, and that one part of the world is set over against another part. The divisions of labor and operation are of human origin of course, but such divisions were never meant to do any injustice to the one mission of the church. So, when we think of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and State Missions, we should do so with the idea that they are parts of a whole and that such divisions are merely for the sake of convenience, for the better administration of affairs, for more efficient and effective service.

It cannot be said too often or with too much emphasis that the Homeland is the base of supplies, and that it is necessary to have a strong base in order to operate effectively far afield. To make America thoroughly Christian, therefore, is a task of commanding importance. This does not just mean giving the gospel to all those within our borders; it does not mean merely to win people to Christ; but it has reference also to relating the gospel to every phase of life, charging the atmosphere with the spirit of Jesus, making the Kingdom of God the ruling passion of the lives of people.

The Home Mission Board, in its ministry, is concerned particularly with the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, but in this hour of world crisis, we are not only thinking of the Southland, but our entire country—America. How we do need a Christian America now—above all times now! Yet, when we think of the many subversive influences, of the many destructive forces, of the many contrary winds blowing against our Christian faith, how we do tremble for this great country of ours, once rocked in the cradle of Christianity, born and bred Christian.

Time and space forbid any lengthy mention of the destructive forces at work among the people of our country. Dr. J. B. Lawrence, in his annual report to the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, characterizes the situation in this way: "There is at work among us materialism, the destroyer of spiritual values; atheism, the destroyer of faith; radicalism, the destroyer of brotherhood; fear, the destroyer of peace; liberalism, the destroyer of sacred traditions; lawlessness, the destroyer of civic order; paganism, the destroyer of the Christian faith. With these evil influences boring from within, the great things which have characterized the life and history of this country are being seriously threatened. There are enough evil forces at work in this country to destroy it. On the other hand, we have enough power in our hands to save it. "The gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth . . ." The gospel in our hands is our hope. To get people to believe, surrender, and obey-that is the task before us.

The responsibilities of the Home Mission Board are many and great, and these responsibilities are increasing. This year, by action of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Home Board was made the responsible agency in handling our Baptist work in connection with the Defense Program. This is a task of tremendous proportions, and the Home Mission Board is keenly alive to what is involved. To nourish the faith of the Baptist boys, do its share in winning to Christ, and help to return these men to useful life in community and church in the postwar era are things that ought to appeal to the best in the heart of every Baptist in the land. It is with a feeling of joy and pride that Arkansas Baptists regard the selection of Dr. Alfred Carpenter one of our own pastors, as the superintendent of religious works in camps and camp areas in the South. He is well fitted for the place and with the support of the Baptist forces in all the States, we look for a work of far-reaching influence to be done.

Despite the handicaps of indebtedness, too few workers, and limited income, the Board was able to make, for the past Convention year, one of its best reports. The report showed that 391 missionaries were employed; 915 mission stations occupied, 71 of these being new stations; 14 new pieces of property acquired; 5,375 professions of faith; and total income of \$560,168.00. The report further showed that \$181,130.00 was applied to the reduction of the Board's indebtedness. In this connection, it is of interest to note that, during this year, the Board refinanced its bonded indebtedness of \$850,000.00 at a much lower rate of interest, thus saving \$9,000.00 per year in interest payments. These items, briefly mentioned, are sufficient to indicate the blessings of God upon the operations of the Board.

The Home Board has been fortunate to have as its leader, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, who came to the Board at a time of great discouragement, distress, and serious financial loss. By patience, persistence, and good judgment, he has handled the affairs of the Board in such a way as to win the increasing favor and support of all Southern Baptists. This continued increase in favor and support, manifested by continued increase in receipts, will place the Board in position, along with all the other Boards and Agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention, to eliminate all of its indebtedness by the year 1945. We commend the work of the Home Mission Board to the favor and good will of Arkansas Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. W. CROXTON, CURTIS PURYEAR, GRAY EVANS.

Choir of the First Baptist Church sang, "Open The Gates Of The Temple."

C. L. Durrett, Little Rock, read the report on Laymen's Work. The report was discussed by Hugh Latimer, Memphis, J. E. Berry, Smackover, and C. L. Durrett, Little Rock.

Adopted as follows:

#### LAYMEN'S WORK

Last year you elected me president of a State brotherhood. Being unable to attend last year's convention, on account of illness, I was not present at the time this was done.

Unfortunately, no organized movement has been conducted by me due to the fact that it would take a full time man on the job to get an organization moving. This we have been unable to do because of lack of funds.

Personally, I have spoken before churches and groups of men on an average of once a week during the past year trying as best I could to interest, inspire and enlist laymen in Kingdom work. As to the success of my efforts, I do not know.

There has never been a time when we have needed to enlist men of our churches in promoting religious work as today. Men of the churches have an interest in religion and religious activities, but it seems to be only passive. What we need to do is to inspire and teach men the value of spending some of their time in "the Vineyard of the Lord." Only a few men are willing to do that.

We can never bring the world to Christ with a passive attitude toward religion. Opportunities must be created—desires must be intensified—then there must accrue some "here am I, send me" fellows to do the task that needs to be done. Laymen have such fine opportunities today to expend some of their energies and talents in religious tasks.

We have gotten into the habit of depending too much on our Pastors for "the feeding of the five thousand." Laymen must furnish the fishes and loaves. Men are naturally the bread winners in the field of business. They are the producers. They think they do not have the time for side issues. If in the strife and turmoil of life they would turn aside and expend just a little extra time for things eternal, it would add so much to their lives and to their happiness. It would build up their spiritual value to the point where their influence could really count for the bringing in of the Kingdom.

To a large number of our lay churchmen, spiritual values mean very little. They continue to sow to the flesh. If we could interest and harness the man power of our churches, what a revolution we would have in the field of religion.

Men usually spend their money on the things in which they are interested. They put their surplus time and energy into clubs, lodges and various other forms of civic activities. Where the heart is there the treasure also.

The reason so few laymen attend our conventions is because they are not interested. If it were a commercial convention they would be here and they would have expensive high-powered speakers to tell them what and how to promote their best interests in business.

These facts you already know—I present them to you again. The problem should be solved. The solution I leave to you.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. DURRETT, GROVER PRINCE, H. C. SEEFELDT.

Convention adjourned.

President Rogers led the closing prayer.

# SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION, 9 A. M.

Convention convened, by singing, "Glory To His Name," and "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

L. A. Sparkman, Pine Bluff, led the devotional, using II Corinthins 1:3-7.

Journal was read, corrected and approved.

Communications read and clerk instructed to give proper response and an additional word of greeting be sent to Methodist Conference in session at Fordyce.

President Rogers named C. B. Waller, E. P. J. Garrott, R. E. Naylor and B. L. Bridges as a committee to work with the Program Committee in an effort to abbreviate the program.

E. P. J. Garrott, Prescott, made the report on Seminaries. L. M. Sipes, representing the Central Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas, spoke; J. W. Shephard spoke concerning the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans; and J. M. Price represented the Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth.

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SEMINARIES

Southern Baptists early showed an interest in the vocational training of their ministers. Perhaps the prime motive in the establishment of the numerous colleges was that an educated ministry might be provided for the churches. All the colleges for men, and the co-educational colleges as well, have maintained through the years departments of Bible and religious education. In some of the colleges these departments have been, from time to time, miniature theological seminaries.

It was soon realized, however, that the colleges could not give the desired training in addition to the academic curriculum, so in 1859, fourteen years after the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Southern Seminary was established at Greenville, South Carolina. On account of the War Between the States and its aftermath, this institution had a checkered career for many years. After the war it was removed to Louisville, Kentucky, a region less impoverished by the civil strife than was the section in which it had been established. There friends of means and influence were found who provided adequate grounds and buildings, and who gave liberally toward endowment.

From the founding of the Seminary until the close of the school year of 1940-41 there were 8,117 students enrolled. During this last year 496 men were in attendance, which is the largest on record. The latest report is to the effect that 481 men have been enrolled to date this year. The mortgage debt as of May 1, 1941 was \$345,000, bearing an interest rate of  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ . The administration is putting forth strenuous efforts to retire this indebtedness before 1945.

The Southwestern Seminary grew out of the Bible Department of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, which was established with Dr. B. H. Carroll as dean in 1901. In 1906 the Board of Trustees of the University made a Theological Department a full Theological Seminary. In 1907 the Baptist General Convention of Texas took over the Seminary as a separate institution, procured for it a charter under the laws of Texas, vesting the title to the property in the Baptist General Convention and a Board of Trustees chosen by that body and co-operating Baptist conventions of neighboring States, and moved the school to Fort Worth. In 1924 the Seminary with its property and management was transferred to the Southern Baptist Convention. The enrolment for 1940-41 was: ministerial students, 372; laymen, 88; married women, 180; single women, 147. Total in residence, 787. Number in correspondence, 236. Total in residence and correspondence (without duplicates), 940. President Scarborough reports an enrolment of nearly 600 for the new session. The total indebtedness, which is being refinanced at a lower rate of interest, was, as of May, 1941, \$401,993. This is being steadily reduced.

The Baptist Bible Institute, located in New Orleans, was founded in May, 1917, and began its first session in 1918. At the first it was operated by a Board of Directors representing the Home Mission Board and the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and members from various States. In 1925 the property and management were transferred to the Southern Baptist Convention. Unlike the Southern and Southwestern Seminaries, the Institute has no endowment except small amounts provided for two lectureship foundations. The property, valued at more than \$500,000, comprises twenty-five buildings located on parts of eight city blocks. The total indebtedness as of January 1, 1941 was \$160,000, bearing interest at

4½%. This debt is being reduced. Resident enrolment for 1940-41 was 266, with 135 in correspondence, making a total of 401. On October 2 President Hamilton reported an enrolment in residence of 217.

The American Baptist Theological Seminary for Negroes, located at Nashville, Tennessee, was opened October 1, 1924. The physical property, valued at about \$90,000, has no debt. There is no endowment. For the year 1940-41 146 students were enrolled as follows: Dormitory (regular), 48; night, 12; summer term, 17; Extension Department, 69. In addition, there were 16 enrolled in the Woman's Training School.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. J. GARROTT, Chairman, ROBERT E. NAYLOR.
E. BUTLER ABINGTON,
W. J. HINSLEY.

The report of the Executive Board was distributed and parts of it were read by B. L. Bridges, Little Rock. The entire report was adopted and filed for information except the suggested budget for 1942. Motion prevailed to defer adoption of the suggested budget for 1942, until the convention had heard the report of the Special Committee on State Missions Survey.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

Dear Brethren:

This is the 93rd year and 88th meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and your Executive Board brings its 88th report for the year 1941. Inasmuch as our fiscal year is of even date with the calendar year, we can make only a 10 months report on finances, but the report for the entire year will be published in the Annual. In one of the most serious times that we have ever experienced your Board has exercised itself to be faithful to the trust and in the responsibilities which you have committed to it, and gladly gives an account of its stewardship. We have found that it has been difficult again this year to obtain spiritual results. In our judgment the reason is three-fold. First, the international hatred that is rife in the world today probably has bubbled over into the hearts of Christian people, and Christian people cannot possibly obtain great spiritual results with hatred in their hearts. Second, it is difficult to get lost people to hear and heed the Word during a time of prosperity such as we are experiencing at present. There has been a tremendous increase in employment. Many more people are earning money, and most people are earning more money than they have at any other time during the last decade. Material prosperity has always made men more or less self-sufficient in their own thinking and has caused them in their

self-satisfaction to have a deaf ear to the gospel appeal. Third, we wonder if Christian workers have not worked less diligently than we do when material benefits are reduced.

We give thanks to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit for the manifold grace of God as an active and dynamic force among our people and churches, ever remembering that it was the Father's prerogative to love and elect; the Son's to die and redeem; and the Holy Ghost's to regenerate and seal. In practically every direction Arkansas Baptists have made marked progress this year. The Lord has graciously blessed all phases of our work this year, and our institutions are making splendid progress in the administration of Kingdom tasks respectively committed to them. While our churches have not baptized as many people perhaps as they did either of the last two years, yet they have approached those figures and we consider that under the circumstances, the number of baptisms for the year has been gratifying. We are making a report on the number of baptisms as reported by the churches to the associations. In most every instance, the churches reported for the last quarter of 1940 and the first three quarters of 1941. Hence, we are giving a full twelve months report on the number of baptisms, and when the minute of this Convention is made up, the statistical table will be made up from the reports of the churches to their associations instead of their figures for the calendar year. Your Board's fiscal report, however, will be for the months of this calendar year.

#### I. Missions

Your Board has endeavored to keep alive the responsibility of promoting and supporting missions. We believe that it is the will of the churches that this be done, and we try to be as faithful in the promotion of missions as we are to the trust committed to us by the churches through the Convention. Your Board would point out a peril that lurks among us, a peril that can easily enlarge itself among us under our present method of operations, if we are not diligent indeed. We are financing our mission causes through a budget. It is easy for us to emphasize the needs of this budget without preaching the great underlying and fundamental principles of missions. There is danger that we may become satisfied in giving larger financial support and fail in informing and inspiring our people on the vast mission needs of this world and the scriptural responsibility placed upon us in meeting these needs. We mean to say that even though we should give adequate financial support to missions, we would not be acquitting ourselves properly in the light of scriptural teaching, unless we bestir ourselves on the doctrines of missions and the great heart-stirring Macedonian calls. We do not mean to say that we are giving adequate financial support, but we do mean to emphasize the importance of stirring the hearts of our people on the vast world-wide field of missions which the Bible so clearly presents to us, and which is clearly the Lord's plan of making known the manifold wisdom of God. Perhaps our greatest mission needs of today lie in the field of mission propaganda. Our preaching and our teaching and our institutional work should not only be justified by the needs of missions but all such preaching and teaching and Christian activity should be shot through with the doctrine of missions in fulfilling our responsibility as a great Christian denomination.

1. SOUTHWIDE CAUSES. During the first 10 months of this calendar year, your Board has remitted for Southwide causes \$32,562.31. This is \$5,300.12 more than we had remitted for the same period last year. \$20,123.19 of this was undesignated.

World conditions are making many difficulties for our Foreign Mission Board and for the foreign mission enterprise. In some countries the Foreign Mission Board has been forced to withdraw its missionaries. All but one missionary has been recalled from Japan. This lone missionary is Dr. Maxfield Garrott, a native son of Arkansas Baptists and a son of one of our faithful pastors, who is remaining in Japan to witness for his Saviour by whatever Christian methods the national government may permit him to use. Missionaries in other countries have been withdrawn. However, the work in Africa and in South America and even in China present the greatest challenges of our time. We should not only support these great causes financially, but more than ever we should earnestly pray that the will of the Lord may be done and that we may be able and willing to measure up to the responsibility that the Lord is placing upon us in such a time as this. Perhaps there was never a greater challenge to home missions than today. Without a doubt the Lord is depending upon Southern Baptists more today than upon any other people in the world, and if we are to minister abroad, we must see to it that our home base is continually strengthened. Other causes under the direction of our Southern Baptist convention are experiencing the blessings of the Lord. Arkansas Baptists have given more to the Hundred Thousand Club this year than we did for the same period last year, the amount being \$9,345.28. Southwide causes represents the work of the Lord away from our local situations. We should strengthen these causes and enable them to do a more dynamic ministry to the ends of the earth.

2. STATE MISSIONS. During this year your Board has continued to follow the four-fold plan of State Missions. The four points stressed are evangelism, stewardship, missions and education. The results of the work so far this year have been gratifying. During the year we have assisted 22 associations in employing their missionaries. We have allocated funds for other associations that did not succeed in employing a missionary for this year, but are planning to do so at the earliest possible date. These associational missionaries have held more than 100 revivals. In some instances your Board is paying as much as one-fourth of the salary of the associational missionary. Four years ago it was helping ten associations and the plans of your Board were

within three years to help twice as many, bringing the number up to 20. Now we have exceeded that number and others must have help next year. Your Board started this year's work with five State missionaries. Early in the year one of the missionaries resigned and Rev. James Overton was elected to fill the vacancy. Later another missionary resigned and went into the pastorate and this vacancy has not been filled; hence we have had only a partial force at work during this year. They are: James Overton, Arkadelphia; E. Butler Abington, Fort Smith; Elmer Cox, Omaha, and O. M. Stallings, Pittman. The two men who terminated their service with us early in the year were C. L. Randall and W. R. Vestal. During the summer months your Board enlisted many preachers, principally ministerial students, for special revivals, paying each man an honorarium in each meeting. Most of these meetings were arranged by your State missionaries with the aid of associational missionaries and moderators. Many of these men did some fine work and some new churches have grown up out of this summer campaign.

The Lord has blessed our work this year in spite of the handicaps. There have been in 10 months 2,664 professions of faith and 1,784 baptisms. Many other fine results were accomplished in our State mission work this year. 27 churches were organized, 71 Sunday Schools and 30 Training Unions. In addition to all this, our State mission program has undergirded all our work. It has promoted the Cooperative Program and all special offerings, and especially the Ouachita College Campaign. It has conducted five sectional Bible schools and promoted in a splendid way the Stewardship and Budget Campaign, and assisted in work among migrants. Perhaps there has never been greater State mission results in Arkansas.

Early in the year your Board employed P. A. Stockton as missionary to the soldiers. Brother Stockton has worked incessantly and diligently day by day, carrying his work on into the late hours of the night many times in ministering to those men in uniform, many of whom have come to Camp Robinson from other States. We have found that many soldiers have been astonished to find Baptists unselfishly taking a definite interest in the material and spiritual welfare of soldiers. Many of them have inquired about the details of our plans and have thought it all so unusual. Your Board established a Soldiers' Center in Little Rock in August, leasing for ten months a spacious and commodious building just off Main Street at 116 E. 6th. This building was equipped for religious services. A room was fitted for reading and writing with stationery furnished and many magazines and books donated. Another large room was fitted for a reception room where mothers and fathers and other relatives and friends may visit with the men in uniform. Another large room was left open for a play room. Brother Stockton was put in charge of this Center. A number of friends of the soldiers made special donations for furnishing the play room with checker boards, ping pong tables, a shuffle

board and other innocent amusements. A house mother was employed to be in the Center a reasonable number of hours every day. Mrs. J. L. Fisk, who has one son in the Army, is the house mother and is peculiarly adapted to this type of work. The boys are very fond of her because of the interest that she takes in them. Many, many khaki-clad men have gone in and out of this Soldiers' Center, and they all go away praising the Baptists of Arkansas. Much spiritual good has been accomplished in this Center. Men have been won to Christ and many others have been led to renew their religious vows and many others have been put in touch with their parents through this work.

At the time this report is being written the special offering for State Missions is just getting well under way in the churches, and we cannot tell how much it will amount to. We believe it will approximate the amount we received last year. Due to the intensive summer campaign we had a heavy drain upon the State Mission fund, hence the current balance in this fund is somewhat lower than it was at this time last year. The present balance is \$8,800.41. If we do not have a nice balance accumulated by December each year we cannot run on a cash basis during the severe winter months and lean summer months.

#### II. Benevolences

Arkansas Baptists may justly be proud of our benevolent work. We have three institutions that minister to the needs of orphaned children and to those who need hospitalization. We do not believe that any finer institution of its kind exists than the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. There are larger institutions, but we do not think there are any better ones. The Home has had about 90 children in it this year. The Home does not "farm out" the children any more. It does seek to place the children into worthy homes by adoption. If we had additional dormitory space we could care for more children in our Home because the Administration Building and dining hall are sufficient to accommodate a larger number, but the dormitory space is not large enough for us to materially increase the number of children. Your Board has seen to it that our Orphanage has received as much as \$1,000 per month this year in addition to clothing that has been given by W. M. U. organizations and food stuffs that have been donated by the churches in large amounts. To meet the growing needs of the Orphanage, we are recommending that \$13,000 be placed in the State budget for this institution in 1942.

Our two hospitals are still making progress and are managed well, and their finances are in good shape. We commend these great institutions to our people. They will make their reports to this Convention.

#### III. Christian Education

Your Board continually promotes Christian education and endeavors to increase its appraisal among our people. Christian education as promoted by Arkansas Baptists is constantly growing in favor with the people. Baptists are not only strong on evangelism, but we challenge any other Christian denomination to excel us in our evaluation of Christian education or in making provision for the service that it renders to the youth of our State. Baptists have for a long time believed that Christian Education goes hand in hand with evangelism and enlistment, and we have determined that the principles that are embodied in Christian education are not obscured by the popular trend of changing ideals in secular education.

- Ouachita College has a very large enrollment this year. Your Board has co-operated with the Ouachita College Board in presenting the \$150,000 Campaign throughout the year. During the first ten months of this year, it has received for this campaign \$23,633.35 and has disbursed \$46,350.00 as directed by the committee in charge. This fund was for the payment of the indebtedness of the college and for the erection of an auditorium building. We are heartily in accord with the program of the college to finish this building which is now in the course of erection. The auditor reports that the Ouachita College endowment now stands at \$512,546.20. Mr. C. A. Gordon of the Simmins National Bank of Pine Bluff is managing this fund. Ouachita College is receiving from the State budget month by month its share according to the arrangement of allocations. In addition to the \$150,-000 Campaign funds, we have remitted to Ouachita College during these 10 months \$7,590.32. Dr. J. R. Grant, Arkadelphia, is President of the College. For ministerial education we have disbursed \$789. This accrued to the benefit of Ouachita College.
- 2. Dr. O. J. Wade of Conway is President of Central College, which is a standardized junior college for girls, and is beginning a promising year. The enrollment is good and the moral is high. Many fathers and mothers delight to praise Central College for the splendid work it is doing for their young girls. \$4,000 was allocated from the State budget this year and \$3,767.03 including designations has been remitted already.
  - 3. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE CHURCHES. In this connection we believe we should mention the departments of our work which are doing a splendid work along the lines of Christian education. The fact is, they are the very heart of Christian education localized. We refer to the department headed by Secretary Edgar Williamson which we call the Sunday School Training Union and Student Union Department, and the Woman's Missionary Union headed by Secretary Mrs. C. H. Ray. Secretary Williamson is peculiarly adapted to this type of work. He is ably assisted by Miss Blanche Mays, who specializes in the Training Union work and by Mrs. Grace Hamilton and Miss Emma Jean Webster, office secretaries. Many of the churches both large and small look to this department for direction and assistance in enlarging and making more efficient the work of these splendid organizations within and around their doors. \$5,200

was allocated to this department this year, which is supplemented by \$3,600 from the Baptist Sunday School Board.

The Woman's Missionary Union also, with Mrs. C. H. Ray as the State Secretary, ably assisted by Mrs. W. D. Pye, the Treasurer, and Miss Margaret Hutchison and Miss Elma Cobb is continuing to stress the study of missions in and among their societies throughout the State. These organizations, of course, will make their own reports to the Convention. \$8,000 was allocated this year for the work of the Woman's Missionary Union and the organization was given permission to retain \$500 of its special receipts for State Missions.

4. THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST. For this year \$3,200 was allocated to the Arkansas Baptist to supplement its income from subscriptions and advertising. This has been scarcely enough to enable the paper to do good work because the subscription price has been lower than the actual cost of putting out the paper, and yet the department has prevented any deficit occurring. We are hoping to give the paper more financial assistance for the coming year. We could say many fine things about the paper and about Editor Myers and his helper, Mrs. A. H. Reagan. Editor Myers is not only a diligent editor, but is untiring in his efforts, and works at the job many of the nights, week after week after the day's work is done. The paper is growing in favor everywhere and a marvelous increase in the number of subscriptions has been witnessed. Editor Myers will make a report to this Convention.

#### Minister's Retirement Plan

Your Board has continued to sponsor the Minister's Retirement Plan and has continued to enlist pastors and churches and denominational employees in this benevolent work. Your Board has not had sufficient working force this year to make as rapid strides in prosecution of this work as it needed, and yet according to the Relief and Annuity Board of Dallas, Texas, there is no other State that has a better rating on this Plan than does the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. To date we have 168 preachers and 312 churches in the Plan. A few have become delinquent in the payment of their dues, but even in this respect the delinquencies in Arkansas are negligible and our standing with reference to keeping the dues paid has a high rating. A definite report will be made by the Committee in this Convention. We are now in the process of signing up many more pastors and churches.

# Stewardship

Your Board has consistently and definitely promoted constantly the responsibilities of Stewardship as set forth in the Word of God, and as a result many churches have been lifted in their financial struggles and the mission causes have been strengthened. Your Board has endeavored to emphasize in the thinking of our leadership the importance of missions having a large share in the division of funds for the expenses of the work of the Lord. This continued campaign has borne much fruit. We have not only offered our good services in the promotion of stewardship and tithing, but we have gathered information and plans and materials and offered them to the churches at scarcely any cost to them. Many, many of our churches have through this assistance caught a vision of their possibilities. Many of them have as a result of this assistance increased their finances. Some pastorless churches have called pastors and other churches have increased their ministry, going from fourth time to half time and from half time to full time. Even some of our rural churches have full time preaching now.

#### Finances

Your Board in addition to helping to promote the \$150,000 Campaign for Ouachita College also responded to the call of the Home Mission Board for an emergency offering to support the work in and around army camps and government projects. This movement was sponsored in a difficult season, when many of our people were on vacation, and yet we have received \$7,841.33 for this fund. Only one State so far as we know exceeded this amount. The Home Mission Board proposes that after expenses of raising the fund are deducted that 10% of the fund shall be remitted to the Home Mission Board to assist weaker States in the work and the balance of the fund shall be used by your Board in promoting the work around the camps and government projects in our own State. Your Board is happy to report that the undesignated cash receipts have been much better this year. For the first 10 months of the year, your Board received in undesignated funds \$83,670.70, which is more than the budget called for. This is \$13,495.84 more than we had received for the same period a year ago. Then your Board has received other designated funds, including the Sunday School Board's donation. The grand total of cash receipts for the first ten months of the year amount to \$159,054.89. This is \$20,133.58 more than the total receipts for the same period last year. This does not include the gifts that have been made direct to institutions and causes, which money did not pass through the office of your Board. These donations when reported will materially swell the total amount that our people have given. Undoubtedly we have come into a better day financially in the support of our work.

The undesignated contributions have amounted to more than those of any other like period since the peak year of 1928.

# The Co-operative Program

Your Board has noticed that there is constantly a material increase in the support for the Co-operative Program. By this we mean undesignated receipts. If we make an offering to a specific object, even though that object may be included in the Co-operative Program, we cannot properly say that it is a contribution for the Co-operative Program. The Program includes all the causes bundled up in our budget,

and if only one cause within the budget is supported, such support cannot be called a support of the Program. One item does not make the Program; neither do two items. If we give support to the Program, we give support to all causes represented in the Program; otherwise it could not be called a "program." We say this to clarify the thinking of the public regarding the Co-operative Program. And so there is constantly an increase of undesignated receipts and a decrease in designated receipts, except in response to some special appeal. This means a better support for the Co-operative Program. If and when it is given a fair support, this Co-operative Program will prove to be the rainbow of hope for a distressed world.

We should be greatly encouraged in the progress that we are making and there is no reason for discouragement at all. Far more churches have contributed to missions during this year than in any previous year in our history, with the possible exception of the Seventy-Five Million Redemption Campaign years. A total of 621 churches made contributions for the Co-operative Program this year. Considering the fact that some churches on our list are overwhelmingly Landmark and some are inoperative and still others pastorless throughout the year, we consider that the percentage is most encouraging indeed. In addition to this, 131 churches have made contributions during the year.

You will be happy to know that our trusted and esteemed book-keeper who some months ago suffered serious illness has recovered and is handling an extraordinarily heavy volume of work.

#### Some Matters of Importance For 1942

- 1. What has been known as the Every-Member Canvass in the churches is being encouraged and urged by your Board. Many, many churches have found it more profitable to work toward a "red letter day," urging all members to be present at the service on that day and make their covenant pledges on that particular day. They have found this much better than organizing teams to run down the members of the church in order to obtain a pledge. Of course, there will be some members that will not attend on such a budget day, but with the proper emphasis the vast majority of the churches' members will do so. The rest of them can be approached by the finance committee, if they can be found. Your Board endeavors to furnish supplies and programs wherever they are desired without any cost to the churches except for pledge cards, and the price on them is lower than one would pay should one have them printed on his own field. Your Board has also offered the help of its employees to churches needing them for this work.
- 2. Your Board hopes to make next year another great year for evangelism regardless of what particular methods we may put into operation.
- 3. Finding that the churches that do not contribute much to the Co-operative Program are usually the churches that have never

adopted the budget system, your Board is urging all the churches to put into operation a budget system of finances, and is offering the services of its employees, and we hope to lay great emphasis on this proposition next year.

- 4. Your Board hopes to make next year a banner year for the advancement of our country churches, many of which are continually pastorless. We are hoping to convince them that they can have a pastor and can pay him. During the last two years your Board has been able to lead many such churches to adopt the budget system and since then they have been able to have pastors. Some country churches, indeed, have pastors on the field for full time. We hope to make further gains along this line next year.
- 5. Your Board plans to provide for and emphasize again next year Bible schools and schools of missions in various sections of the State for all preachers and church leaders and others.

Arkansas Baptists are God's battle axe. We must go out to hew the virgin timbers in the fields of sin. Your Board would ask all the forces of the Convention to join in prayer for a genuine revival of religion throughout the State. Let 1942 be a year of spiritual progress. Let us this year emphasize the call to repentance, and the necessity of regeneration. "Wherefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature: the old things are passed away: behold, they are become new. But all things are of God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and gave unto us the ministry of reconciliation: to-wit, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not reckoning unto them their trespasses, and having committed unto us the word of reconciliation . . . And working together with Him we entreat also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain." II Cor. 5:17-19; 6:1. "But ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit is come upon you, and ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8. Our greatest need is a Holy Spirit revival. Our source is God's riches of grace in Christ, Jesus, and our watchword should be, "Moving forward together."

Your Board recommends for 1942 the budget as follows:	
Administration\$	10,500
Promotion and Convention Expense	6,000
Ministers' Retirement Plan	6,000
The Arkansas Baptist	4,200
S. S., T. U., and S. U.	5,700
Woman's Missionary Union	8,500
State Missions	16,133
Negro Work	1,000
Emergency Reserve	1,467
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	13,000
Central College	5,000
Ouachita College	11,000
Ministerial Student Aid	1,500
	30,000
Grand Total\$1	20,000

Respectfully submitted,

B. L. BRIDGES, Executive Secretary, Arkansas Baptist State Convention, For the Executive Board.

#### EXHIBIT "A"

## EXECUTIVE BOARD ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

## BALANCE SHEET December 31, 1941

#### ASSETS

ASSETS			
Cash-Trust Funds on Hand and in Banks		\$	
U. S. Defense Bonds—Series 'G' Bonds—Central Baptist Church—Hot Springs			2,600.00
Bonds—Central Baptist Church—Hot Springs	-₩	2,000.00	0.015.00
Interest Coupons	-	15.00	2,015.00
Real Estate—Camp Pike Property			
Office Furniture and Fixtures	Ψ	1,000.00	
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	\$	1,400.00	
Less: Reserve for Depreciation	-	1,400.00	
	-		
Promotion and Convention Fund-Overdraft.			158.47
Total Assets		<u> </u>	12 244 62
Total Assets		φ	40,244.02
LIABILITIES			
Fund Balances			
	.\$	769.74	
Administration Sunday School and B. T. U. Department	٠	401.88	
Student Work-Conway, Arkansas	-	33.34	
State Missions		14,699.43	
Emergency Reserve	-	1,957.80	
Ouachita College Campaign			
Central Baptist Church Bonds Donation	-	2,015.00	
Ouachita College Campaign—Debt	-	1,987.19	
Ministers Retirement—Co-operative Program	-	477.84	
Religious Work in Army Camps and Communities	-	3,462.99 $289.59$	
Camp Emergency	-	649.75	
Church Building		65.00	
Flood and Storm Relief	-	63.25	
Benevolent Fund		304.50	
Soldiers Center—Special	-	73.74	
Undistributed Co-operative Program Receipts	_	6,440.95	33,691,99
	_		, .
Special Funds		•	
State Missions Endowment	\$	5,260.14	
Office Building Reserve	-	618.79	
S. A. Apple—Arkansas Baptist Educational Fund	-	2,686.37	
Baptist Church-Wright Plantation-Plum Bayou		987.33	9,552.63
Total Liabilities		9	43 244 62
Total Planifica			±0,444.04

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, 1941, that the above Balance Sheet is in accordance with the books and records and, in our opinion, correctly reflects their financial position on that date.

Little Rock, Arkansas, January 14, 1942 RUSSELL BROWN & COMPANY, Members American Institute of Accountants.

#### EXHIBIT "B"

# ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

January 1, 1941 to December 31, 1941, Inclusive

January 1, 1941 to December			
Cash on Hand and in Bank January 1, 1941 Cash Receipts			\$ 63,380.62
Co-operative Program-Undesignated Contributi	ons	\$103,911.05	
Cash Receipts Co-operative Program—Undesignated Contributi Designated Contributions: Baptist State Hospital \$ Bottoms Baptist Orphanage \$2,103.21 Bottoms Baptist Orphanage 71.56	141 40		
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage \$ 2,103.21	111.10		,
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	9 174 77		
(Christmas)	2,114.11		
Central College	125.00		
Ministerial Student Aid	$\frac{46.95}{34.30}$		
Central College Ouachita College Student Aid Ministerial Student Aid Ouachita College Campaign\$ 23,228,23 Ouachita Col. Campaign.—Bldg\$ 5,264.92 Ouachita Col. Campaign.—Debt			
Ouachita Col. Campaign—Bidg. 5,264.92 Ouachita Col. Campaign—Debt. 15.55	28,508.70		
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State         Evangelism         \$ 1,442.46           State         Missions         5,127.70           State         Missions (W.M.U. Offer'g)         4,692.19			
State Missions (W.M.U. Offer'g) 4,692.19	11,262,35		
Arkansas Bantist College (Negro)	250.00		
Soldiers' Center	93,37		
Camp Emergency	7,904.33 2.477.69		
Home Missions	758.92		
Hundred Thousand Club	11,876.35		
British Baptist Mission Relief	38.64		
Arkansas Baptist College (Negro) Soldiers' Center Camp Emergency Foreign Missions Home Missions Hundred Thousand Club Old Ministers Relief British Baptist Mission Relief Russian Bibles Total Designated Contributions	283.51	. 66,015.73	
Hetel Cosh Contributions		£160,006.79	
Total Cash Contributions		\$169,926.78	
Miscellaneous Cash Receipts: From Baptist Sunday School			
From Baptist Sunday School   Board for   S. S. and T. U. Department   3,600.00   S. S. and T. U. Dept.—Extra   362.35   S. S. and T. U. Promotion   100.00   S. S. and T. U. Fromotion   762.65   Summer Field Work   500.00   Statewide T. U. Assn. Camp'n   200.00   Arkansas Baptist Assembly   100.00   S. S. Enlargement Campaigns   175.00   Rural S. S. Work   200.00   Vacation Bible Schools   100.00   State S. S. Assn. Campaign   200.00   From Relief and Annuity Board for Ministers Retirement Administrative and Promotional Expenses			
S. S. and T. U. Dept.—Extra 362.35			
S. S. and T. U. Promotion 100.00			
Summer Field Work			
Statewide T. U. Assn. Camp'n 200.00			
S. S. Enlargement Campaigns 175,00			
Rural S. S. Work 200.00			
State S. S. Assn. Campaign. 200.00 \$	6.300.00		
From Relief and Annuity Board for Minis-			
ters Retirement Administrative and Pro- motional Expenses	921.13		
From Home Mission Board for Religious			
Work in Army Camps and Communities — Ministers Retirement — Members	6,462.99		
motional Expenses  From Home Mission Board for Religious Work in Army Camps and Communities Ministers Retirement—Members Contributions \$ 8,465.62 Less Refund to Melvin Rob-			
Less Refund to Melvin Rob- erts, Crossett 3.25	8,462.37		
	0,202.		
Ministers Retirement—Churches Contributions 9,662.34 Less: Refund to First Baptist			
Less: Refund to First Baptist	0.055.04		
Church, Crossett 6.50  B. S. H. Retreat (Registrations, etc.)	$9,655.84 \\ 103.49$		
B. S. U. Convention (Registrations)	102.24		
S. S. and T. U. Dept. (Proceeds, sales of			
tholomew and Buckner Assn. Campaigns	16.80		
From S. A. Apple Estate—for Arkansas Bap-	629.91		
Interest on State Mission Endowment Fund	31.03		
From Chas. A. Gordon, Trustee—Final Payment on Ouaghita College Certificates of			
Indebtedness assigned to Ouachita Cam-			
Church, Crossett  B. S. U. Retreat (Registrations, etc.)  B. S. U. Convention (Registrations)  S. S. and T. U. Dept. (Proceeds, sales of "Building a Standard S. S." during Bartholomew and Buckner Assn. Campaigns.  From S. A. Apple Estate—for Arkansas Baptist Educational Trust Fund.  Interest on State Mission Endowment Fund From Chas. A. Gordon, Trustee—Final Payment on Ouachita College Certificates of Indebtedness assigned to Ouachita Campaign	1,460.87		
Total Miscellaneous Cash Receipts		34,146.67	
Total Cash Receipts			
Total Cash to be Accounted for-Carried Forwa	rd		.\$267,454.07

## EXHIBIT "B"—(Continued)

## ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS January 1, 1941 to December 31, 1941, Inclusive

Total Cash to be Accounted for—Brought Forward		\$267,454.07
Administration Expenses \$ 10,016.46 Office Furniture and Fixtures 236.81 \$	10,253.27	
Promotion and Convention Expenses \$\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	1,952.45	
S. S. and T. U. Department Expenses	11,900.02	
Woman's Missionary Union Woman's Missionary Union—Rent \$690.00 Less: Refunds 690.00	8,000.00	
The Arkansas Baptist—Rent. \$ 378.00 Less: Refunds 378.00	3,200.00	
The Ark. Baptist—Employe's Retirem't Dues\$ 180.00 Less: Refunds		
J. S. Rogers Retirement. Ouachita College—Advanced for Campaign Expenses State Missions \$ 27,741.27 Less: Refunds 14.80	300.00 1,350.00 27,726.47	
Ouachita Ministerial Student Aid Remitted to Baptist State Hospital Remitted to Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Remitted to Central College Remitted to Ouachita College Remitted to Ouachita College (Student Aid) Remitted—Ouachita Auditorium Building Fund Remitted to Chas. A. Gordon, Trustee	$\substack{1,148.30\\141.40\\11,598.48\\4,357.91\\9,520.48\\46.95\\39,166.40}$	
Remitted to Arkansas Baptist College (Negro) Remit'd to Relief and Annuity Board, S.B.C.— Ministers Retirement—Members' Contribu- tions \$ 8,462.37 Ministers Retirement—Churches' Contribu-	23,000.00 406.79	
Danistad to Havelon Mission Danid	1 446 94	
tions         9,655.84           Ministers Retirem't—State Convention's Contributions         \$ 5,641.59           Less: Refund         2.17         5.639.42           Remitted to Foreign Mission Board         Remitted to Executive Committee, S.B.C.—         25,397.44           Southwide Causes—Undesignated         \$ 25,397.44         25,397.44           Designated—Foreign Missions         1,031.45         758.92           Designated—Hundred Thousand Club         11,876.35         38.64           Designated—Old Ministers Relief         39.45	39,142.25	
Union Hill Baptist Church\$ 25.00	50.00	
Games for Soldiers' Center	19.63	
Series 'G' Government Bonds (S. A. Apple Ark. Baptist Educational Trust Fund)	2,600.00	
Games for Soldiers' Center Series ''G'' Government Bonds (S. A. Apple Ark. Baptist Educational Trust Fund) Russian Bible Fund Remitted to Louie D. Newton, Secy., Baptist World Alliance Camp Emergency Fund— Promotion Expenses \$ 224.91 Remitted to Home Mission Board 7,389.83  Total Cash Disbursements	283.51	
Promotion Expenses \$ 224.91 Remitted to Home Mission Board 7,389.83	7,614.74	
Cash on Hand and in Bank December 31, 1941		\$ 38,471.15

## SCHEDULE "1"

## STATE MISSION FUND

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS January 1, 1941 to December 31, 1941, Inclusive

Balance in State Mission Fund January 1, 1941		\$ 12,262.69
Receipts Co-operative Program—1941 Budget\$ Designated—State Missions Designated—State Evangelism Designated—W M. U. Offering Interest on State Mission Endowment Appropriation for Soldiers' Center Expenses from Army Camp Emergency Fund Received from Home Mission Board	15,869.83 5,127.70 1,442.46 4,692.19 31.03	
Camp Emergency Fund Received from Home Mission Board	3,000.00	
Total State Mission Receipts		30,163.21
		\$ 42,425.90
Disbursements District Missionaries:		
E. B. Abington, Salary\$ 2,700.00 E. B. Abington, Expenses\$ 449.94 \$ 3,149.94		
E. F. Cox, Salary\$ 2,100.00 E. F. Cox, Expenses\$ 468.77 2,568.77		
J. A. Overton, Salary		
C. L. Randall, Salary\$ 502.87 C. L. Randall, Expenses		
O. M. Stallings, Salary\$ 2,400.00 O. M. Stallings, Expenses 354.73 2,754.73		
W. R. Vestal, Salary		1 1,
D 11 101 15		
Employees' Retirement Dues. \$ 11,434.47  T. C. Hart, Exp. in Organizing S. E. District for Summer Evangelistic Campaign \$ 65.16		
T. C. Hart, Exp. in Organizing		
L. D. Phone Calls to T. C. Hart 4.51 69.67 Letterheads for Dist. and Camp Missionaries. 2.89		
Cardboard for Charts for District Missionaries 5.00		
Summer Revival Meetings Held by Ministerial		
rection of District Missionaries		
Song Books for Summer Revival		
Less: Refunds (song books re-		
sold) 5.50 50.44		
Song Books for Summer Revival         \$           Meetings         \$           Less: Refunds (song books resold)         5.50           Taxes—Camp Robinson Real Estate         .71           Camp Work and Soldiers' Center         Expenses         4,987.94           Less: Refund         2.80         4,985.14		
Expenses \$ 4,987.94		
Less: Refund		
Statewide Conference on Evangerism 477,00		
District Bible Schools 751.67 Set of County Maps 18.36		
W. M. U.—Migrant Center Expense		•
Ark. Baptist - Subscriptions to		
Ark. Baptist — Subscriptions to Pastors — \$ 55.25 Less: Refund		
Mrs. Mattie M. Burke—Interest on Annuity 90.00 Expenses—Special Committee on State Mission		
Plans 34.80 Expenses—Meetings of Committee on Missions		
and Evangelism 44.09		
Cut—Baptismal Scene 2.76		
Totals Carried Forward \$22,241.47		\$ 42,425.90

## SCHEDULE "1"-(Continued)

## STATE MISSION FUND

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS January 1, 1941 to December 31, 1941, Inclusive

Totals Brought Forward	\$	22,241.47 \$	42,425.90
Disbursements—(Continued)			
Chas. Bowen, Missionary, Madison County		$\begin{array}{c} 175.00 \\ 300.00 \\ 300.00 \end{array}$	6
Arkansas Valley, Louis Gustavus\$	300.00		
Bartholomew, M. E. Wiles	300.00		
Benton County, A. L. Hart	150.00		
Black River-Greene County, J. M. Hitt	300,00		
Caddo River, I. M. Kibbe\$ 120.00			
Caddo River, Henry Molof 45.00	165.00		
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Caroline, P. E. Turner	140.00		
Clear Creek, Raymond Butler	335.00		
Current River—Gainesville, W. O. Taylor	360.00		
Dardanelle-Russellville, Gray Evans	360.00		
Delta, Ouachita Ministerial Students	180.00		
Faulkner County, E. F. Simmons	210.00		
Fourche Valley, Allen McCurry	200.00		
Hope, L. Y. Lewis	360.00		
Ouachita, I. M. Kibbe	135.00		
Tri County, J. E. Cox	360.00		
Trinity, F. F. Norfleet	275.00		
Washington County, J. H. Caldwell	300.00		
White County, W. E. Corder	180,00		
Woodruff County, R. D. Hughes	100.00	4,710.00	
Total State Mission Disbursements			27,726.47
Balance in State Mission Fund December 31, 194	1	\$	14,699.43

## EXHIBIT "C"

# SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS January 1, 1941 to December 31, 1941, Inclusive

	Co-operative Program Indesignated	Designated	Designated (Sent Direct)	Totals
State Causes	Φ 0 0 0 0 0 0			Φ 000000
Administration				\$ 9,000.00
Promotion and Convention	1,750.00			5,500.00
State Missione	1,750.00	\$ 11,262.35		1,750.00
State Missions Sunday School, Training Union	15,009.00	ф 11,202.55		27,132.18
Department	5,200.00			5,200.00
The Arkansas Baptist	3,200.00			3,200.00
Woman's Missionary Union	8,000.00			8,000.00
Baptist State Hospital	8,000.00	141.40	\$ 2,276.57	2,417.97
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage		2,103.21	2,542.31	12,388,25
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	1,142.10	2,100.21	2,042.01	12,000,20
(Christmas Offering)		71.56	710.40	781.96
Central College		125.00	1,306.68	5,664.59
Ministerial Student Aid	1,589.13	34.30	1,000.00	1,623.43
Ouachita Student Aid	2,000.20	46.95		46.95
Arkansas Baptist College (Negro)		250.00		250.00
Ouachita College	9,520,48	-00.00	19,654.31	29,174,79
Ouachita College Campaign	-,	23,228.23		23,228.23
Ouachita College Camp'gn (Bldg.)		5,264.92		5,264.92
Ouachita College Camp'gn (Debt)		15.55		15.55
Emergency Reserve	1,952.56			1.952.56
Soldiers' Center-Special	,	93.37		93.37
Camp Emergency		289.59		289.59
Southern Baptist Convention				
Causes				
Southwide—Co-operative Program	25,397,44			25,397.44
Foreign Missions		2,477.69	9,655.17	12,132.86
Home Missions		758.92	5,962.80	6,721.72
Hundred Thousand Club		11,876.35		11,876,35
Old Ministers' Relief		39.45		39,45
British Baptist Mission Relief		38.64		38.64
Russian Bibles		283.51		283.51
Camp Emergency		7,614.74		7,614.74
Undistributed	4,955.97			4,955.97
Totals	\$103.911.05	\$ 66.015.73	\$ 42,108,24	\$212,035,02

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## SUMMARY OF STATE MISSION WORK DURING 1941 January 1 to December 31, Inclusive

	Total State Missionaries	Total Assn. Müssionaries Whose Salaries Were Supplemented By State Board	Total Summer Campaign Work	Total Dyess Colony and Missionary to Soldiers	Grand Total All Mission Work
Months Labored	. 49	199		24	272
Revival Meetings Held	_ 40	139	241	8	428
Revival Meetings Held Professions Witnessed	. 394	840*	1.261	247	2,742
Received for Baptism	262	628	884	56	1,830
Total Additions	382	874		149	1.405
Churches Organized	. 4	10	13		., 27
Sunday Schools Organized	4	38	$\bar{28}$	2	$\frac{7}{7}$ 2
B T U's Organized	6	25	1	-	32
Collected for State Missions	\$1,430,46	43.34	~		\$1,473.80
Received for Baptism.  Total Additions Churches Organized Sunday Schools Organized B. T. U's Organized Collected for State Missions Collected for Co-operative Program Total Services Held	25.00	123.23			148.23
Total Services Held	1.266	5.039		631	6,936
Subscriptions to Arkansas Baptist	152	229		10	391

<sup>\*139</sup> of these were also reported in Summer Campaign.

Sang "Sweet By and By."

T. L. Harris, North Little Rock, read the report for the Committee on Co-operative Program and the One Hundred Thousand Club.

Chas. W. Daniel, El Dorado, and T. L. Harris, North Little Rock, discussed the report before its adoption as follows:

#### THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Co-operative Program continues to grow in favor with Southern Baptists. There are several reasons to justify this popularity:

- 1. The Co-operative Program is Scriptural. All the causes included in the Great Commission are embodied in the Co-operative Program. And all the causes represented in the Co-operative Program are surely contained in the Great Commission. The Program is promoted according to the Bible principle of voluntary co-operation.
- 2. The Co-operative Program is comprehensive and unifying. It brings all the churches, their members and agencies together in one grand effort to promote all the causes so dear to the heart of our Lord. It saves us from littleness and lopsidedness.
- 3. The Co-operative Program is concrete. Every cause included is a concrete cause. They are State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanages, Hospitals, Ministerial Relief, etc. We do not give to the program, but through the program to the causes represented therein.
- 4. The Co-operative Program is equitable. The funds are distributed to the causes according to their relative needs. All share alike, all are benefited alike, or all suffer in the same proportion. The State Conventions determine the ratio of division between State and Southwide causes; 50-50 being considered ideal. The States determine the percentage of distribution to State causes; and the Southern Baptist Convention determines the distribution to Southwide causes.

The distributable Southwide dollar is divided as follows: Foreign Missions 50%; Home Missions 23 1/3%; Relief and Annuity Board 10 1/3%; Southern Seminary 4 1/5%; Southwestern Seminary, 4 1/5%; Baptist Bible Institute, 4 1/5%; New Orleans Hospital, 2 1/5%; Woman's Missionary Union 8/15%; American Seminary, 1%; total, 100%.

- 5. The Co-operative Program is democratic and Baptistic. It recognizes the right of independence of every individual church and person. No coercion is suggested or implied. It presents a fair scriptural plan of voluntary co-operation in carrying out the commands of the Lord.
- 6. The Co-operative Program is economical and businesslike. Instead of promoting each cause separately and by direct appeal to churches and individuals, it seeks to promote all together and pro-

portionally. The pastor is expected to represent and present all causes. This does away with all extra appeals, employees, and expense, and does not interfere with the regular work and program of the Church.

7. The Co-operative Program is successful and glorious. It enables every church large or small, every person rich or poor, to have a part in all the co-operative work of the denomination in all the world. Thank God that He has been able to reveal to us such a plan of co-operation.

#### Recommendations

For the sake of our churches and people, and for the adequate and systematic support of the causes included in our Co-operative Program we urge the following recommendations:

- 1. That the fires of evangelism be kept burning brightly all the year.
- 2. That we stress continuously Christian stewardship with the tithe as the minimum standard of Christian Giving.
  - 3. That schools of missions be conducted in all our churches.
- 4. That the Every Member Canvass be put on in every church during November and December unless for special reason some other period seem to be better for some individual situations.
- 5. That a reasonable distribution of funds be observed between local support and denominational causes (50-50 being considered ideal).
- 6. That each church help in the realization of a "debtless denomination by 1945" either by providing for it through the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club or by other special effort in January and February.
- 7. That all denominational funds be remitted promptly and properly marked each month to the State secretary-treasurer.
- 8. That special emphasis be given within the associations to the Co-operative Program, its appeal and its need.
- 9. That the association and its program be recognized and given a place on the program of the State Convention in 1942.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS L. HARRIS, Chairman, REASE S. HOWARD, RALPH KERLEY, BYRON KING, W. D. EDWARDS, BOYD BAKER, L. M. KEELING, C. G. HARRIS, W. R. VESTAL, R. B. GLOVES, J. F. BREWER, JR.

#### REPORT OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

With the gratitude of God we call to your attention the following items concerning the progress made by the HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB.

The receipts for the month of October, 1941, \$31,546.16 which is the largest amount received in one month during the duration of this program.

From January through October, this year, the receipts have been \$83,066.00, \$77.00 more than for the same period last year.

We are gratified for the increased co-operation we are receiving and urge upon all the pastors and organizations to stress both the CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM and the HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB.

Of all times, now is the time when we ought to take this debt situation seriously, and put forth a special effort, to get it out of the way of all our causes in order that our denomination may be prepared to go forward in its gracious work when the day of reconstruction comes again.

God is miraculously still preserving our Liberty and Freedom, for a very special cause, and should we fail Him in this time, we will surely have our candle stick moved from its place.

### By committee,

THOS. L. HARRIS, Chairman.

Notice of a proposed change to the Constitution was made a special order for the afternoon session.

Choir from the Arkansas Baptist College, sang "Swing Low Sweet Chariot."

B. L. Bridges, Secretary of the Executive Board, addressed the Convention.

The convention adjourned with prayer by T. H. Jordan, Hot Springs.

## SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P. M.

The convention convened at 2 p. m. at the call of Vice-President Kirkbride. Congregation sang "I am Bound For The Promised Land" and "When We All Get To Heaven."

The devotional service was conducted by Russell Clubb, Piggott, from Philippians 2:5-13.

Ernest Cox, Omaha, led in Prayer.

The motion carried that the report on Ministers' Retirement Plan be made the order for 2:15 Second Day, and Sunday School, B. T. U. and B. S. U. report made the order for 10:30 the Third Day.

Choir from Arkansas Baptist College sang "Keep Me From Sinking Down."

T. W. Coggs, Little Rock, President of Arkansas Baptist College, spoke briefly as an offering was taken for the college choir, which amounted to \$38.90.

The item made special for the afternoon session on a proposed change to the Constitution, was presented by O. C. Harvey, Stuttgart. Motion failed to carry.

R. E. Naylor, Arkadelphia, read the report for the Committee on Ministers' Retirement. Andrew Potter, Executive Secretary of Oklahoma Baptists, addressed the convention.

#### MINISTER'S RETIREMENT

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has had a remarkable record in its financial growth, its management, and in its ever expanding service to our preachers, missionaries, and other groups of the denomination. Since its organization in 1918, the Board has paid in benefits nearly five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00). During the same period the Board has accumulated assets of five and one-third million dollars. The income for 1941 is expected to reach or exceed one million one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,-150,000.00).

In the handling of its investment funds the Board has been unusually successful. It has weathered several depressions with negligible losses. Its Finance Committee is composed of some of the strongest business men in the City of Dallas.

The business affairs of the Board are carried on under a well organized and capable management and the Accounting Department, which now is handling nearly ten times as many accounts as it handled three years ago, has been thoroughly equipped for mechanical bookkeeping.

The Board has retirement plans suited to the needs of all the workers in all the churches, boards, institutions and agencies of our denomination, and there are more than 7,200 ministers and other workers participating in its several annuity plans, and in these plans more than 7,200 churches, boards and other organizations are cooperating by matching the dues of their pastors and employees.

#### The Board's Operations in Arkansas

In Arkansas 312 churches and 168 pastors are participating in the Board's major annuity plan known as the Convention Ministers Retirement Plan. In this plan the member pays 3% of his monthly salary, while his church (or churches) pays a like amount, and to this sum is added 2% by the Executive Board. The minister may move

from Arkansas to another State without the loss of pension credits, and members may come from other States into Arkansas without the loss of pension credits. The maximum that any member may pay into this plan is \$10.00 per month. Retirement benefits are calculated on the basis of the average salary over the last 25 years of service prior to age 65. The maximum benefit payable under the plan during the first five years of its operation is \$600 per year. This maximum after five years is increased each year \$200 until it reaches \$2,000 by the end of the twelfth year. The successful operation of the plan is predicated on the participation of a large majority of the active pastors and the co-ordination of their churches.

The plan not only provides age annuities, it also provides for disability annuities where the disability is total and presumably permanent. No benefit for sickness of a temporary nature is provided in the plan.

In Arkansas there are 38 beneficiaries in the Relief Department and 18 beneficiaries in the Annuity Plan of the Board, or a total of 56 beneficiaries. Of the number, 7 beneficiaries are in the Ministers Retirement Plan, 9 are in the (old) Annuity Fund, none in the Baptist Board's Employees' Retirement Plan, none in the Orphanages' Plan, none in the Service Annuity Plan, one in the Savings Annuity and one in the Special Annuity Department.

The total benefits for the Relief Department in Arkansas for 1941 aggregate approximately \$2,041.96, and the total annuities aggregate on the annual basis approximately \$7,513.58. The combined total of the Relief and Annuity benefits aggregate approximately \$9,555.54.

#### Deadline-June 30, 1942

After June 30, 1942 no minister applying for membership in the Ministers Retirement Plan will be eligible to receive prior service credits. At present and until that date ministers who participate in the plan receive credit for the years of service behind them sufficient to make up the 25 years of service upon retirement after age 65.

#### Young Men Should Begin to Participate Promptly

Many pastors, age 41 and above, will require prior service credits when they retire after age 65, and delay beyond June 30, 1942 will serve to reduce their retirement benefits, but there are many younger men who need to be admonished. We have many young men in Arkansas between the ages of 21 and 40 who, many of them at least, labor under the impression that there is no urgency about this matter and that they can wait and join when it is more convenient without loss. Now, the truth is the preacher who waits from the time he is 30 to 40 to join will find his pension reduced by at least one-third when he reaches age 65. The younger the minister is the greater the reduction in his retirement annuity because more payments will be omitted and there is a loss of interest to the fund as well as principal, and the interest for a long period of time. Every young minister

should, therefore, enter this plan at once. He starts a savings account in reality, and all that he puts in will bear interest until he begins to draw his annuity, and if he dies before having retired under the plan, all that he has paid in with interest accumulations will benefit his widow or go to his estate. Let it be understood that delay is costly and one's regret will be very keen if he neglects it.

#### The Baptist Building

The Relief and Annuity Board, with some of its investment funds, has acquired and improved a piece of property in the heart of the City of Dallas on the corner of Ervay and Pacific Avenues, for the use of our Baptist Boards and agencies whose offices are in the City of Dallas. A portion of this building is used as the home of the Relief and Annuity Board, and excellent accommodations have been provided for the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, with its various departments—Sunday School, B. T. U., B. S. U., Baptist Brotherhood, Endowment and Executive, the Baptist Foundation of Texas, the Baptist Standard, and the Baptist Book Store.

This building is constructed of stone, reinforced concrete, and steel, and is fire-proof and air conditioned. It is provided with burglar alarm, and excellent vaults have been built for the security of the records and papers of the boards and agencies. The building is modernly lighted and heated, and withal it is a beautiful, commodious and dignified headquarters for our Baptist organizations in Dallas.

The completed building and lot represent an investment of \$193,500.00, and the rental income from the building will be used to help pay the retirement annuities of our preachers and missionaries. Your Committee feels that the construction of this building represents a real achievement, and we think the Relief and Annuity Board is to be congratulated for its far-sighted business acumen, and also for its interest in and consideration for our other Baptist causes.

#### Recommendations

- 1. We recommend, as has been done before, that special contributions be taken at least once a year in connection with the Lord's Supper. This contribution should be sent to the State Headquarters and clearly marked "Fellowship Offering for Ministerial Relief." Contributions of this sort will supplement the contributions made through the Co-operative Program and will enable the Board to increase their benefits paid to aged ministers and their widows.
- 2. We urgently recommend that provision be made in the wills of our people for a portion of their estates to go to the great cause fostered by the Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas. This Board's work needs and deserves financial undergirding at the hands of Arkansas Baptists.

ROBERT E. NAYLOR, THURMAN K. RUCKER. Sang "Higher Ground," led by Carl Potter, Little Rock.

Motion carried that the report of the Committee on State Missions and the report of the Special Committee on State Missions Survey, be read before discussion of either report. Clyde Hart, Eudora, read the report for the Committee on State Missions, and Blake Smith, Conway, distributed and read printed report for the Special Committee on State Missions Survey.

Motion prevailed to consider the report of the Special Committee on State Missions Survey first. Blake Smith was recognized.

A motion was offered to refer the reports to both committees as a joint committee. A substitute motion carried that the two reports be referred to a new committee of seven members, none of whom are now serving on the Executive Board. President Rogers appointed J. B. Luck, Magnolia, Chairman of this special committee and T. L. Jordan, Hot Springs, J. F. Queen, Hot Springs, J. E. Berry, Smackover, C. L. Durrett, Little Rock, E. S. Elliott, Paris and E. C. Brown, Warren, as members.

Convention adjourned, Ross Edwards, Marianna, led the closing prayer.

#### SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION 7 P. M.

President Rogers called the convention to order and Gene Spearman led in congregational singing.

Minor Cole, Forrest City, read from Mark, the sixth chapter and used the thirty-fourth verse as a basis for meditation and led in prayer.

Choir of the First Baptist Church sang "Lift Up Your Head."

Lewis A. Myers, Editor of the Arkansas Baptist spoke to the report on Baptist Literature read by W. R. Hamilton, Hope.

#### BAPTIST LITERATURE AND ARKANSAS BAPTIST

"Publish and set up a standard" (Jeremiah 50:2) is as binding on Baptists as "go preach" or "go teach." When we accept the principle that the Bible makes colporters of all of us—of all truly surrendered Christians—the use of the printed page becomes at once a matter of paramount concern to our denomination. To fail to use this medium in the dissemination of divine truth is, we believe, to go but half way in fulfilling God's will in our organized work as well as in our individual lives.

#### What of the Circulation?

To produce a paper, however good, and not provide the proper reach into our Baptist homes is to restrict denominational usefulness. There has, therefore, been a continuous effort to extend circulation, particularly by Baptist families, until today almost every fifth family is securing the paper. The total circulation has reached 8,600, with an estimated 30,000 readers.

In the approval of the report of last year, this Convention committed itself to a circulation of 15,500 by 1945, marking a new day in Zion for Arkansas. Subscription increases for the current year have been restricted only by financial limitations. The co-operation from the field on the part of pastors and churches has been excellent and there is every reason to feel that our highest expectations with reference to circulation are going to be attained. Hope for an ever increasing readership coverage lies in three well defined directions.

First, the Church budgets: Here they are, a splendid galaxy of churches already on the budget plan. We name them for the sake of the record:

CHURCH PASTOR BU	DGET
Arkadelphia First Rev. R. E. Naylor	*
Augusta First	*
Almyra FirstRev. L. T. Daniel	*
Arkadelphia Unity W. C. Smith, Treas.  Arkadelphia Second Rev. S. A. Wiles	**
Arkadelphia_SecondRev. S. A. Wiles	**
Blytheville First Rev. O. J. Chastain	**
Berryville First Rev. W. H. Travis	****
Brinkley First Rev. H. C. Seefeldt	
Boydell Rev. W. E. Payton Bay Rev. Emmett Cross	**
Bay Rev. Emmett Cross	*
Black Fork Friendship Rev. Herman Highfill Blytheville Gosnell Rev. J. L. Newsom	
Bethel Rev. 3. B. Newsom  Rev. 3. B. Newsom  Rev. 3. B. Newsom	*
Crossett First Rev. Aubrey Halsell	*
Cabot Zion Hill Rev. M. D. King	**
Cabot Pleasant Hill Rev. R. L. Blackwell	*
Cherry Hill Mrs. H. S. Hoover	***
Clarksville First. Rev. James T. Draper	*
Calico Rock Rev. D. E. Steely.	**
Cov	***
Daniels Chapel Rev. Geo. Frederick Smith	*
Earle First Rev. H. L. Lipford	*
England FirstRev. Cecil Meadows	*
El Paso	*
ForesterRev. Cecil Gammill	*
Fordyce FirstRev. Ira Patishall	*
Gassville Rev. Alan McCurry	**
Greenwood Mrs. C. W. Hall, Sec'y	
Gentry C. Woody, Treas	
Genoa Rev. Wallace Ely	
Hatfield Rev. C. S. Anderson	
Hot Springs Lake Hamilton	
Hot Springs Park Place Rev. J. F. Queen	
Hardy	*
Huntington M. L. Kelly, Treas.	**
Horatio Rev. T. F. Cooper	*
Hampton Rev. Ermon Webb	*
Knowles Chapel Rev. Ermon Webb	*
Kensett Mrs. Bessie Bevills	**
Little Rock Bellevue Rev. R. H. Dorris	**
Little Rock Second Dr. C. B. Waller	***
Little Rock Second	**
Little Rock Plainview Rev. C. O. Abbott	*
Little Rock Tabernacle Rev. L. H. Roseman	***
Little Rock Reynolds Memorial Rev. B. F. Freasier	* *

CHURCH	PASTOR	BUDGET
Little Rock Nalls Memorial	Rev. Edmund Walker	*
Little Rock Woodlawn.	Rev. D. O. Stuckey	*
Little Rock High Street	Rev. Harvey Hicks	**
Lepanto	Rev. Leslie Riherd	*
London	Rev. Erwin L. McDonald	*
Marianna First	Rev. Ross Edwards	**
Mt. Vernon Smyrna	Mrs. M. L. Nolen, Treas	**
Mineral Springs Central	Rev. D. Wade Armstrong	*
Monticello First	Rev. Thomas W. Croxton	**
McGehee First	Rev. L. C. Craig	*
Nashville First	Rev. R. O. Barker	**
Nashville Old Liberty	Rev. Andy Hall	*
N. L. R. First Sylvan Hills	Rev. E. S. Ridgeway	**
N. L. R. Baring Cross	Rev. Taylor Stanfill	**
Nodena	Rev. J. K. Neal	*
Newport First	Rev. C. F. Wilkins	**
New Bethel (Mississippi Co.)	Rev. F. A. Whiteley	*
North Little Rock First	Rev, T. L. Harris	**
Ozark First	Rev. A. J. Hyatt	*
Osceola First	Rev. Harold B. Tillman	*
	Rev. D. Wade Armstrong	
Plumerville	Dr. A. L. Goatcher, Treas.	*
Paragould First	Rev. I. M. Prince	<b>长</b> 虫
Portland Aulds	Rev. Geo. F. Smith	*
Pine Bluff Immanuel	Rev. Wilford Lee	***
	Rev. Chas. Finch.	*
	Rev. H. A. Turner	*
	Rev. Virgil DeFreece	***
Raynor Grove	- Grace Van Pelt, Treas.	*
Searcy First	Rev. Thurman Rucker	*
Strong First	Rev. Keith F. Babb	**
Salem	Rev. Delbert McAtee	*
Stephens First	Rev. Harold Rutledge	*
Texarkana Harmony Grove	Rev. Delbert McAtee	***
	Rev. Earl Humble	*
Tyronza	Rev. Ralph Kerlev	*
	Rev. R. H. Dorris	
Viola	Rev. P. O. Freeman	*
Wabbaseka	Rev. T. L. Graves	***
West Memphis	Rev. W. H. Lansford	*
Ward	Rev. R. L. Blackwell	*
Wilson	Rev. W. D. Wallace	*
Wynne Harris Chapel	Rev. B. B. Cox	*
West Point	Dr. M. M. Hall	*
*''Every Family''		
**''General Budget''		
***''Official Family''		

There are, in addition to these, many other churches which have indicated their purpose to circularize their memberships beginning with January 1942. Many new budgets will become effective at that time. It is exceptionally gratifying even during the first year, when appreciation for this type of reading was being built by the budget churches, that church memberships receiving the paper are pleased and desire a continuation of the budgets.

The cost is low: \$1.00 per family per year; payments are easy: by the month at the rate of 8 1/3 cents per subscriber. Churches rising to this budget plan of growth have shown noteworthy results in larger giving and more giving, in greater unity and finer fellowship, in deeper interest and more denominational loyalty. It is the testimony of some that the budgeting of the paper has been the salvation of their program.

Second is the Family Group Plan: The "Family Group" is designed primarily for the smaller churches, but, inasmuch as the churches with memberships of 100 or less constitute 60% of our total of more than our 800 active churches, this plan has been exceptionally

popular and exceptionally useful. But grouping into at least 10 paid-in-advance subscriber-groups, they too are able to secure the minimum price of \$1.00 per year. This plan has been developed until there is scarcely a church in any association that has not profited by it. "Family Groups" contemplate reaching the leadership in every small situation. Pastors and Associational Missionaries working with the rural and village organizations are losing much where they are not stressing this attractive opportunity.

Third, is the Individual subscription: Scattered from coast to coast are hundreds of individual subscribers, boosters for our State because they read of our progress. Within the State there are many members of organizations where no stress has been put on the ARK-ANSAS BAPTIST still paying the individual price of \$1.50 per annum.

## What of the Editorial Policy?

It has been a source of pride to note the positive stand of the paper on all matters touching our Christian faith. We know of no case where the Baptist position has not received a vigorous defense. In tone and quality the paper has, we believe, been exceptionally useful in its doctrinal force, in its evangelistic fervor, in its mission information, and its unifying effect, and in its general promotional efficiency. The committee shares the view of the editor that this is no time for vacillation and weak journalism.

#### What of the Finances?

During the current year the Convention voted the paper a subsidy of \$3,200, an increase of \$200 over 1940. Increases in printing have been 33% higher than last year, throwing an unusual financial weight upon the paper staff. To maintain the grade of paper, the size of publication, and the type of printing there was no way to prevent increases. Both the cost of paper and printing labor are much higher and it isn't known now what the ceiling is going to be. However, the editor assures the committee that no deficits have thus far been experienced, although circulation expansion has necessarily been curtailed. We come to the end of October with a slight, though safe bank balance.

As the editor puts it "Faith has been placed alongside of cold business, advertising has been secured wherever possible, and the closest collections have been made on subscriptions. Office expenditures have been kept at a minimum.

#### Recommendations

The editor and the committee beg such support on the part of the Convention as will make possible the continuation of the same high success thus far enjoyed. Together we are set on reaching our people.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. HAMILTON, For the Committee.

The first part of the evening session was given to reports on Christian Education and reports from the Trustees of our colleges. Chas. W. Daniel read the following report on Christian Education. The report was adopted without discussion.

#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The history of Arkansas Baptists has been marked from the beginning by the recognition of the necessity of providing educational facilities for the youth of the State. The ways in which they have sought to meet this need make an interesting and instructive story. Individuals, District Associations, groups of Associations, and the State Convention, largely in the order named, have accepted the responsibility for providing educational facilities for our youth. Many academies and so-called colleges flourished for awhile and then closed their doors. We need not lament such efforts as lost. They lost their life for Christ's sake and the Gospel's and have found it again in the lives of thousands of men and women who were blessed by their ministry, in their testimonies to the eternal values represented in the life of every boy and girl, and in the challenge to those who have come after them to build more adequately and more permanently than they have been able to do.

There is probably no way to appraise the contributions of Baptists and other evangelical bodies to the growth of the conviction that it is the obligation of the State to provide for every child an opportunity to secure an education. That such a contribution has been made cannot be denied. It ought to be more generally acknowledged.

The ever expanding program of public education has relieved the churches of the impossible task of providing schools for all. Out of these necessary and continuing adjustments one conviction has survived, viz.: the churches must establish and sustain institutions for the training of youth for leadership in all phases of our life. The Christian College therefore remains as the inescapable responsibility of the churches, both for their own efficiency and as their contribution to the public welfare.

Ouachita and Central Colleges stand today as the institutional expressions of our denomination's interest in and loyalty to the cause of education. We record with gratitude to our Heavenly Father the service which these schools have rendered. In the detailed reports which will be made to this Convention, we will have good reasons to rejoice.

In these days of social and political revolution there is imperative need that both the denomination and our schools understand clearly and maintain courageously the ideals of the Christian Colleges.

The trustees and faculties of the schools have the responsibility of keeping before the denomination the reasons that justify their right to existence. Pastors and leaders in turn owe it to the schools and the members of the churches to be well informed themselves as to Christian ideals in education and seek to enlist all our people in a Godhonoring effort towards their realization.

We would, therefore, emphasize the importance of the following practical activities:

- 1. The creation and distribution of suitable literature, by which the people may be informed;
- 2. The importance of making "Education Day" in our Sunday Schools and Churches interesting and effective;
- 3. To give emphasis to the claims of our schools in Worker's Councils, District Associations, Regional Rallies, etc.;
- 4. Earnest efforts to bring to the attention of Baptist high school graduates the opportunities which these schools offer;
- 5. An ever enlarging number of our men and women who will highly resolve that so far as in them is, our schools shall not be lacking upon the part of all our people in understanding sympathy, in unceasing prayers, and in unwavering loyalty.

#### CHAS. W. DANIEL.

The trustees of Central College, Conway, presented their report through O. J. Wade, President of the College. The report was received. O. J. Wade presented some musicians from the college. The college choir sang.

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE

In the opening words of this report, we would record our gratitude to Him from whom all blessings flow, and would acknowledge His leadership through forty-nine glorious and eventful years. We would not fail to bear witness, also, to our appreciation for the sympathetic and kindly word, and for the generous deed so manifest through all the year now drawing to its close.

#### Commencement 1940-1941

On the twenty-seventh of last May, thirty-two young women were graduated from Central College. The Commencement sermon was preached by Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Sunday School of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Commencement address was delivered by Dr. Doak S. Campbell, Dean of Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee.

#### Finances

Our records show that the amount received from June 1, 1940 to June 1, 1941, was \$24,956.03. This amount, itemized, shows that the student fees amounted to \$20,577.36; received from the Co-operation Program \$2,917.20, and from other sources \$1,460.97. Since June 1, 1941 up to November 5, 1941, the College has received from all sources \$8,598.86.

#### Enrollment

In view of the many things tending to reduce College enrollment, we feel that the number of students in our school is encouraging and prophetic of even better days to come.

#### Faculty

There have been no changes in our faculty. Every literary teacher has her Master's degree and all teachers meet the requirement of the North Central Association. Our school is fully accredited.

#### Our Needs

We suppose there will never be a time when a worthwhile institution will not be in need of something. It is to be hoped that the churches will joyfully and readily contribute the \$20,000 recommended by the Executive Board of this convention and heartily adopted by the convention now in session. This entire sum is to be expended on much needed repairs. Campaign to raise \$20,000 to begin March 1, 1942.

#### Central's Fiftieth Anniversary

In 1890 the Arkansas Baptist State Convention met in Eureka Springs. At that meeting, a Committee was appointed to consider the matter of founding a college for women. Col. G. W. Bruce, of Conway, was chairman of this Committee. The College opened in 1892 in the First Baptist Church of Conway. In the following year, the College entered the new building, now known as the Administration Building. The friends of the school look hopefully forward to the coming year, and to all the years. They rejoice in the glorious past, and look forward to a future still more glorious. We make our appeal to the friends of cultured and Christ-like womanhood to make Central's Golden Anniversary forever memorable in the history of Christian Education in Arkansas.

### O. J. WADE, For the Board of Trustees.

Sang, "On Jordan's Stormy Banks."

J. R. Grant, President of Ouachita College, presented the report for the Board of Trustees of the college and introduced the college choir.

The college choir sang.

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OUACHITA COLLEGE

God has greatly blessed Ouachita College. We are trying to show appreciation and gratitude by making Ouachita His institution.

Truly this is a thanksgiving year for Ouachita. The enrollment of 566 boys and girls fills all classrooms, laboratories, dormitories, the dining hall and the library to capacity. There has never been a better Christian atmosphere on the campus. This is attributed not only to the Christian faculty and the 113 ministerial students, but to the entire student body.

#### Four New Faculty Members

For nine years the Board of Trustees has not been financially able to guarantee salaries to the faculty. No deficits have been allowed. Pay-as-you-go has been our policy. Each year, however, the faculty fund has been greater than it was the year before. This has enabled the Board to increase salaries until the salaries at Ouachita are approaching the minimum for the standard college. This year we expect the salary fund to be still greater, but there has been no salary increase. Instead, we have added four new teachers. During recent years the student body has more than doubled. We have therefore been compelled to add more teachers. One teacher has been added to each of the following fields: Chemistry, Biology, English and Social Science. Besires these, we have added a full time student secretary, whose duty is to promote a social, recreational and religious program on the campus.

#### The Physical Plant

Since our last report, one new building, the Flenniken Memorial Hall, has been erected on the campus. This beautiful, two-story, brick building was erected by Miss Emma Riley as a student center, a social and religious building for all Ouachita students. It is already proving to be a real blessing to the social and religious life on the campus.

A second building, a chapel hall and music conservatory, is more than half finished. It is a result of the \$150,000 Campaign. At this time, the roof is being put on. The windows, doors, floor, plastering and ceilings are yet to be finished. Ouachita has no chapel hall large enough to seat its student body. The Little Theatre auditorium seats about 400. Here we have chapel for a part of the student body. The Music Department and the Art Department are crowded in rooms above the dining hall. The completion of this new building will not only enable Ouachita to have chapel for all the students, but it will enable Ouachita to give proper emphasis to music and art.

#### Science Laboratories

A Professor of Chemistry in one of our State colleges recently inspected our laboratories. After the inspection, he said: "Not a college in Arkansas has better-equipped laboratories than you have here at Ouachita." A great deal of the equipment has been made in our own shops, by our own students, but not many of us would recognize this equipment as being home made.

#### Library

A high school principal came to our library this fall to do some research work in the fields of English and social science. Before he left, he said: "I have had occasion to study libraries in Arkansas. In my opinion, yours at Ouachita is second only to the University of Arkansas library." The library tables and shelves in the reading room were made in our shops. We recently bought steel book cases. Last summer, we installed a fluorescent lighting system. There are now 24,000 books in the library.

#### The Dining Hall

Nearly 400 students eat at the college dining hall. Dining hall and kitchen labor, for the most part, is done by students. Most of the dining tables, shelves for pans, dishes, etc., were made by students. Each month we use about 2,000 gallons of milk, which is supplied by our own college dairy, where the work is done by Ouachita boys. We recently purchased an electric milk cooling plant that can cool about 70 gallons per hour. We are now installing a 40-gallon electric ice cream plant, which will save us a little more than \$20.00 per month.

#### **Dormitories**

Last summer all rooms in all three dormitories, two for boys and one for girls, were reserved several weeks before school opened. About 50 girls were soon on the waiting list. This created an emergency. The Board, by swapping some property, managed to secure from Dr. Roy Golden his large, two-story residence joining the campus near the girls' dormitory. The residence was repaired, enlarged and furnished to take care of the girls on the waiting list. It is now known as West Hall and is one of the best dormitories on the campus, though the other three are brick.

#### Repair Work

Reference has already been made to the fact that students make a great many of Ouachita tables, shelves, etc. Last summer about twenty boys worked on the campus to help pay their expenses for this year. They did many kinds of repair work in every building on the campus, helped building sidewalks, set out shrubbery, built a new road across the ravine—anything that unskilled and semi-skilled labor could do. Last summer and this year student labor on Ouachita's campus will amount to \$29,000. This helps in two ways: first, it increases the value of Ouachita's property; second, it enables many worthy students to secure a college education.

#### **Finances**

We are running on our income. The college debt has been reduced to \$21,000. Ouachita has been able to give work to poor students, largely because of \$15,000 received from Miss Emma Riley for the Flenniken Memorial Hall; \$7,240.40 from the N. Y. A. for work done by students who could not otherwise be in college; \$8,412.31 received from the State Baptist Co-operative Program; and \$14,000 from the endowment income. This money also made it possible for Ouachita

to give free tuition to the 120 ministerial students, to ministers' sons and daughters and to high school honor graduates. In other words, Ouachita College is giving annually \$50,000 aid to students in work and tuition.

#### Ministerial Students

In 1940-41, there were 120 ministerial students at Ouachita College. Besides doing a good work in the classrooms and on the campus, they rendered a worthwhile service in the State. Some were ¼-time pastors, some ½-time, and some full time pastors. During the twelve months, beginning June 1, 1940, Ouachita's ministerial students served 155 churches, preached 8,824 sermons, witnessed 2,830 professions, baptized 1,678, organized 52 B. T. U.'s, 23 Sunday Schools and 11 W. M. U.'s, taught 73 B. T. U. study courses and 76 Sunday School courses, witnessed the rededication of 3,058 lives, completed a total of 2,276 semester hours of college work and traveled a total of 467,641 miles.

We recommend that the \$150,000 Campaign continue until February 28, that quotas and pledges be paid, if at all possible, by that time and that if necessary the Executive Board be authorized to make a suitable plan to finish the auditorium and music conservatory.

J. R. GRANT,

For Trustees.

The matter for the special committee on State Missions was introduced by J. B. Luck, Magnolia, and their report was read by E. C. Brown, Warren, Secretary of the Committee.

Motion carried that the report of the Special Committee be broken into two parts and the first seven recommendations of the Committee were adopted without discussion.

The second part of the Committee's recommendation requested that the convention decide on the following resolution: "That the present plan of using District Missionaries be abandoned as soon as possible to do so, without working injustice to any man now so employed."

Blake Smith, Conway, moved the adoption of the resolution. After long and varied discussion, the resolution failed to carry. Blake Smith then moved that disapproval be made unanimous.

Section Eight of the Special Committee's report, as herein printed, now marked 8, was adopted. (See page 60.)

Action of the Executive Board, creating the office of Promotional Secretary and the election of Otto Whitington to the office, was affirmed by the Convention and the Budget, as set forth in the Report of the Executive Board, was adopted.

Report of the Special Committee was then adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS

We understand this phase of our Mission work to mean: the diligent and continuous promotion of the four-fold plan of State Missions, viz.: Evangelism, Stewardship, Missions and Education, together with the gathering and distribution of mission funds and enlisting and enlightening our churches in our whole mission program.

We are happy to be able to report the best year in all phases of our State mission work that Arkansas Baptists have had for more than 15 years. At the annual Board Meeting last December, \$7,500.00 was allocated from this year's State Mission Budget to be used in supplementing salaries of associational missionaries. During the year twenty-two associations and the Dyess Colony have been assisted in this manner in the sum of \$4,640.00, and money to the amount of \$1,758.00 was allowed upon applications of six other associations but was not used because the associations did not succeed in securing a missionary. These associational missionaries whose salaries have been supplemented, have held more than one hundred revivals during the first ten months of this year. Other results of our State Mission work include 2,683 professions of faith; 1,799 baptisms; 27 churches organized; 71 Sunday Schools and 30 Training Unions organized; 5 Bible Schools conducted; a Stewardship and Budget campaign promoted; work among migrant laborers started; a Soldiers' Center established and maintained in Little Rock for three months; and a most gratifying summer evangelistic campaign promoted, in which 125 Ouachita ministerial students and other preachers were used very effectively and with encouraging results. An appropriation of \$15 per meeting was made out of State Mission funds, or a total of \$3,715.85, for the purpose of supplementing the offerings to these brethren who went into these destitute places to conduct revivals. Practically all of these meetings were held in the most destitute and most difficult sections of our State, such as consolidated school communities, centers where there was no Baptist work of any kind, and in dead country churches. These meetings were largely arranged for by the district missionaries working in conjunction with the association missionaries and moderators and the campaigns were supervised by them.

#### Our Task.

The fields are white unto harvest in our State. There are still nearly a million lost souls within our borders. There are more than one hundred pastorless churches and hundreds of our other churches are weak and struggling along with a pitifully inadequate program largely because of a lack of vision and enlistment. We believe that one of our most pressing needs is increased emphasis upon enlightenment; a more persistent effort through our State Mission program

to assist our churches and associations in inspiring our people with a greater vision and a more adequate program of enlistment. We recognize, of course, that our major task and our major emphasis must forever be on evangelism and reaching the lost for Christ. But unless we promote alongside of our evangelistic program a more intensive and effective enlistment program we will always be confronted with the tragic fact of finding most of our evangelistic results unconserved and dissipated.

In an effort to state the task before us we must not overlook the need of our colored brethren for our assistance in their work. We believe that this is one of our most challenging and fruitful possibilities and that this Convention cannot afford to go on from year to year merely calling attention to this need and doing nothing about it. We also call attention to the fact that the migrant labor problem is increasing from year to year in our State and that our work on this line thus far is a mere beginning. This should receive our prayerful and earnest attention.

#### Recommendations

- 1. That the work of the Soldiers' Center and in Camp Robinson be continued along the same general outline as pursued during the past year.
- 2. That the work in government colonies, rehabilitation projects, and with the seasonal migrants be continued and increased as fast as funds will permit.
- 3. Another State-wide evangelistic campaign this year along the lines of last year, seeking to reach every needy place in the State with a revival meeting.
- 4. That our four major mission offerings, viz.: Home Missions in March, Associational Missions in July; State Missions in October; Foreign Missions in December, be emphasized, and the State organized for the taking of these offerings as per the denominational calendar.
- 5. That the Executive Board work out some definite plan to assist our negro brethren.
  - 6. That our district Bible Schools be held as heretofore.
- 7. That our State Mission Budget be increased from year to year, and that we vigorously promote a program which majors on missions, and side by side with this, an intensive enlistment campaign.
- 8. Since the special Mission Survey Committee report recommended that the Convention elect Dr. Otto. Whitington as Superintendent of Missions and Evangelism and since the Executive Board's report recommended that Dr. Otto Whitington be elected Promotional Secretary, we, therefore, recommend that the office of Promotional Secretary.

tional Secretary be created and that Dr. Otto Whitington be elected Promotional Secretary at a salary to be fixed by the Executive Board.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. LUCK,
J. F. QUEEN,
E. S. ELLIOTT,
T. H. JORDON,
C. L. DURRETT,
J. E. BERRY,
E. C. BROWN.

Convention adjourned until 9:00 a.m. President Rogers led closing prayer.

#### THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION 9 A. M.

The Convention convened at 9:00 a.m. and sang "He Leadeth Me." W. D. Edwards, Batesville, led the devotional, reading Galatians 6:14. Prayer was led by W. D. Edwards.

Journal was read and approved.

Under the item of Miscellaneous the Convention asked the Committee on Nominations to weigh carefully all matters before making one half the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College pastors or ministers.

The following Resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, the Davis Hospital, Pine Bluff, must have extensive repairs, increased facilities, etc., in order to meet the hospitalization needs of Pine Bluff, and,

"WHEREAS, there are not now any funds for such improvements; and

"WHEREAS, a reversionary clause in the title of this property makes it impossible to borrow money on the institution:

## "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That this, the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, assembled in Jonesboro, November 13, 1941, does hereby authorize the Executive Board to take whatever legal procedure that may be necessary to remove any restrictions or reversionary clause in the title to the Hospital property, or to transfer possession and title of the property, at the Board's discretion, to any other organization, group, Board, Commission or Municipality that may desire to improve and increase Hospital accommodation for the city of Pine Bluff and the surrounding territory."

Mrs. C. R. Pugh read the report of the Trustees of Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. A number of the children from the home were present and presented a beautiful playlet.

#### REPORT OF BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE FOR 1941

As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. (Gal. 6:10)

Reports to you year after year must necessarily be confined to facts and figures. The deeper emotions of the children and employees cannot be expressed in a report of this nature.

The children who compose the population of the Baptist Orphanage in Arkansas may be classified under three heads; full orphans, half orphans and victims of desertion and wrecked homes. The transplanting of a child into a new home requires special care and scientific treatment. Those who work with these children have learned from experience, as many of you have, that "It is more blessed to give than to receive," so they give their best services to each individual. The Orphanage has cared for ninety children this past year; present population, eighty-three.

PHYSICAL EQUIPMENT: Three fire-proof buildings stand on the campus with modern equipment and free from debt, making it safer and easier to care for the children.

REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS: The laundry was overhauled and some new parts purchased. Two sheds were erected: one of these to house the farm implements, tractors and trucks, the other furnishes a place where the trucks can be unloaded when supplies are brought in.

FARM AND DAIRY: During the summer a pit silo was made and eighty-five tons of silage was cut and stored; also thirty tons of hay. We are in need of dairy cows, as these we have are getting too old to produce enough milk for our growing population.

HEALTH: A number of children were sick with measles, mumps and influenza over a period of weeks.

OPERATIONS: Twelve tonsillectomies, three fractured bones, and others have had minor injuries. All of these were patients in Mack Wilson Hospital, Monticello. Two boys were in Davis Hospital, Pine Bluff. One boy had a major operation with three weeks hospitalization. We are happy to report no bad results from any of these cases. To the physicians who performed these operations, we thank you.

EDUCATION: Eighty-one of the eighty-three children attend the public schools in Monticello. The W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church of Monticello has made it possible for two of the children to attend kindergarten. Fanny Russell, one of the older girls, is a senior and plans to enter one of the Baptist Hospitals in the South in June to begin training as a nurse.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Through the six religious organizations in the home the children are taught the plan of salvation, missions, stewardship and tithing. Mission study seals and certificates issued, 134. Conversions, 22. All attend Sunday School and Church

at the First Baptist Church in Monticello. A number of the children attended G. A. Conference, G. A. and R. A. Camps and two attended the Baptist Assembly at Siloam Springs.

THE PLAN FOR FINANCING THE ORPHANAGE: Through the Co-operative Program and special gifts at Thanksgiving and Christmas the Orphanage is supported. In co-operation there is strength, power and success. The Co-operative Program is fair; it is the safest and best method yet discovered. May all Churches make a greater effort to enlist their entire membership to do more through the Co-operative Program. Arkansas Baptists united in a great way last year, bringing their Thanksgiving offering as they came to the Convention, which met in Monticello. We believe more churches participated in the offering than ever before.

TREASURER'S REPORT: From January 1 to November 1, 1941: Receipts:

Balance on hand January 1, 1941 \$\\$496.19	\$ 496.19
January	
February 861.41	
March	
April998.63	
May 1,094.60	
June1,183.45	
July 718.71	
August 998.40	
September 999.02	
October 998.88	
Total amount of receipts	\$9,342.50
	\$9,838.69
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Disbursements:	
January\$ 966.19	
February	
March 853.80	
April 1,121.73	
May1,045.80	
June1,148.37	
July715.19	
August 1,043.63	
September 976.03	
October855.96	
	\$9,598.70
Balance in Bank November 1, 1941.	\$ 239.99

Let us take a look at some of the other States and see what they are doing for their orphans. I quote Dr. Bernard W. Spillman of North Carolina, (just giving even thousands).

#### Let us look at-

Tennessee Baptists	46,000	cash	to	orphanage	work
Alabama Baptists	62,000	cash	to	orphanage	work
Kentucky Baptists	76,000	cash	to	orphanage	work
Virginia Baptists	89,000	cash	to	orphanage	work
South Carolina Baptists	96,000	cash	to	orphanage	work
Georgia Baptists	114,000	cash	to	orphanage	work
Texas Baptists	153,000	cash	to	orphanage	work
North Carolina Baptists	189,000	cash	to	orphanage	work

You will notice that North Carolina Baptists gave more to their Orphanage work than Arkansas Baptists gave to all causes.

LEST WE FORGET WE WILL MAKE A FEW COMPARI-SONS: During the past twenty-one years under the administration of the present superintendent, it might not be out of place to make some comparisons. In referring to a question asked by some, "Why is it that at one time they had two hundred children in the Orphanage and now less than one hundred?" Let's see what are the facts as reported in the minutes of the Convention held at Conway, Arkansas in 1915.

At that time they reported that the population was one hundred eighty-four with a debt of \$17,619.58. The Convention passed a motion that the Board of Trustees reduce the number. At the Convention in 1916, held at Malvern, Arkansas, the Board of Trustees reported that they had placed out the children until they had ninety-eight children left. Further reductions were made in the intervening years and in the report of 1920 at the Convention at Ft. Smith, Arkansas, they had cared for seventy-five children that year with a resident population of sixty-one at a cost of \$26,575.59.

Referring to Dr. Bridges' annual report under benevolence, last year quote: "We have made comparison of the operating cost of our Orphanage with that of four other Baptist State orphanages in sister States, and we find that the operating cost of our institution is far below the average. The annual operating cost of the Baptist orphanage in one border State is approximately \$327.00 per child. The annual operating cost in another border State is approximately \$222.00 per child. In another State the average is \$212.00 per capita and in still another it is \$290.00 per capita; while the per capita operating cost of our institution is approximately \$164.00 annually, or \$98.00 below the average.

The auditor's report for 1940 showed that the cost of caring for ninety-two children was \$14,515.10, with an excess of receipts over expenses of \$871.10; that the total receipts of cash clothing and sup-

plies were \$15,387.08. Dividing \$14,515.10 by 92 gives a cost of \$157.77 per year per child. Reduced further gives us a cost of \$13.15 per month per child, or a cost of \$0.44 per day per child.

The value of the property in 1916 was \$40,000.00.

The value of the property in 1940 was \$205,286.14, auditors' report. An increase in value during this period of \$165,286.14. So we feel that we have wisely, carefully and prayerfully given value for the confidence placed in us.

OUR GRATEFUL APPRECIATION: The deep and abiding gratitude of our Board, Superintendent, Employees and Children is due Dr. B. L. Bridges, the Executive Secretary of Baptist work in the State, Mrs. C. H. Ray, Dr. Lewis Meyers, Mr. Edgar Williamson and their co-workers, the Pastors and members of the Baptist Churches in the State. We are grateful for the timely and effective service rendered by these devoted people. May the Lord help all of us continually to be committed without reservation to the example of our Lord and Savior who said of himself, "For I came not to do my own will but the will of my Father who sent me."

Respectfully yours,

MARVIN BANKSTON, Pres. R. F. HYATT, Secy.-Treas. C. R. PUGH, Supt.

L. H. Roseman, member of the Board of Trustees of Baptist State Hospital, Little Rock, read the report for the Committee on Hospitals. C. B. Waller moved that the report be amended by endorsing the appeal of the Hospital for a Gracious Mother's Day Offering designated as Charity.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL

It is with the deepest gratitude of our hearts to God that we, the Board of Trustees of the Baptist State Hospital, submit our annual report to this Convention.

#### Financial

The past year has been the best year in the history of the Hospital. We have treated 6,489 patients—a total of 58,362 patient-days in the Hospital. Our gross income for the year has been \$314,603.99. We have been able to reduce our bonded indebtedness during the year by \$45,000, which leaves our indebtedness on the new Nurses' Home \$25,000. We hope to pay this amount in full during the next year. During the year, we have rendered charity service to the amount of \$43,763.00, and, in addition to this, we have charged off bad accounts to the amount of \$20,965.19. Medical, surgical, and administrative costs are not included in the amount given to charity.

#### National Defense Expansion

The several large National Defense factories that have been assigned to the Little Rock area are due to lay upon the Hospital heavy additional burdens for taking care of the thousands of workmen who will build these factories, and the other thousands who will be employed in them. Much of this business has already been assigned to our Hospital. It is a source of much satisfaction and justifiable patriotic pride that our own Baptist Hospital stands ready to play so large a part in the Defense program that our National emergency has brought about.

But, to do our part as we ought to do it, and to assume the responsibilities that will inevitably fall upon us in connection with the Defense program, we have felt the urgent need of an additional building. Our utilities, laundry, kitchen, ice-plant, and heating-plant should be removed from our crowded basement to another building. This need was reported to the Convention last year, but nothing has been accomplished with the problem thus far, except for plans and specifications.

Some months ago, the Government enacted a law, known as the Community Facilities Act, by which the Government proposed to grant money to hospitals and other vital institutions in Defense areas for enlargement and improvement, to take care of the extra burdens of population which the Government had brought into these areas. The Board of Trustees of the Hospital made application for the sum of \$196,000 under this Act, which was to represent seventy per cent of the cost of a new building. We were to raise thirty per cent of the cost of the building, or \$84,000, which amount we believe that we can raise without placing our properties under an extra mortgage.

We have recently been advised that further grants under this Act must wait additional appropriation of money by the Congress. This leaves our application in an uncertain status. Your Trustees will continue to seek a solution to the problem, in keeping with the best interest of the Hospital, and with what we feel to be the wishes of this Convention.

#### School of Nursing

Miss Daisy Rose, Directress of Nurses, reports for the fully approved School of Nursing.

The new building, used as a dormitory and having lecture rooms, demonstration rooms, and a laboratory, has greatly improved the value of instructions, as well as giving the student nurses modern living conditions. Too much could not be said as to the appreciation from students, faculty, staff and hospital personnel for the improvement made in all forms of teaching. Proper teaching facilities and living environment is of lasting value to every young lady who enters the School of Nursing.

There are 109 young ladies enrolled for a three-year term in the Baptist State Hospital School of Nursing. A Chemist has been added to the faculty to give lectures and direct the laboratory work. There are twelve doctors giving lectures, in addition to our full-time Instructress and other teaching Supervisors. Eighteen Arkansas young women were graduated as nurses this year.

The School of Nursing has co-operated with the Arkansas League of Nursing Education, the American Red Cross, and other National Agencies, to train additional nurses.

The Arkansas League of Nursing Education gave a refresher course for graduates who have been home-makers for a number of years, and the course was given in our School in co-operation with another School of Nursing and teaching faculty. Nurses from other hospitals, staff doctors, our teaching faculty, and Resident physicians gave lectures. These nurses have been given full instruction in all modern nursing procedures so that, if they are called to work in the National Defense, they will be adequately equipped.

Our fully accredited School of Nursing is making possible nursing education to deserving young women in a Christian institution, under proper Christian environment.

#### Religious Work.

Mrs. J. M. Flenniken, Religious Director, reports: 3,500 Good Cheer Visits made; 150 Religions Conversations; Bible read to 75; Prayer with 300; 1,700 pieces of Religious Literature distributed; Regular services held in wards, with C. C. C. patients, and in Colored wards; 20 Y. W. A. Programs were given; 40 Bible Classes taught; 18 Conversions were experienced, and there were 5 reclaimed. Reports are given to Baptist Ministers.

Little Rock Ministers are called to visit the patients of their Denomination, at the time the physical condition of the patient is such that the Minister may be of most service and benefit.

The Home Mission Study Work has been taught by Miss Margaret Hutchinson, State Young People's Secretary. A talk on the Bible was given by Dr. C. B. Waller, President of the Baptist State Convention.

Every room in the Hospital has a Bible. A verse of Scripture is placed on every breakfast tray each morning. The Nurses have Chapel service every morning, at which time they read the Bible and pray. The Nurses have group prayer meeting on each floor in the Nurses' Home. All of the Nurses are Christians, and each one is a member of a Church. The Nurses give to State, Home, and Foreign Missions. They have a membership in the 100,000 Club. They are required to have a three-year Bible course. Religious tracts are replaced daily in a rack in every sun parlor. Our Baptist Paper is placed in every sun parlor each week. During the Flu epidemic, before the Hospital at Camp Robinson was completed, the Baptist Hospital took

care of over five-hundred soldiers. Every soldier and C. C. C. enrollee was given a copy of "The Gospel of John" to keep.

The Christian atmosphere is being felt more and more in the Baptist State Hospital.

#### Hospital Charity

Mrs. Florence Rudisill, State Hospital Chairman, reports on the Woman's Work for Hospital Charity.

With a deep sense of gratitude, we acknowledge our obligations to the charitably-minded Baptist women of Arkansas who have been so gracious in their contributions to the charity work in the Hospital. Far beyond the gifts, we prize the beautiful spirit of co-operation and helpfulness in this great work of caring for the needy sick.

Through the State Women's Missionary Union, gifts of linens, home-canned fruits and vegetables, and charity dollars have been received, that have helped materially in this work. The total gifts to hospital charity for the year amounted to around \$5,000, but the Hospital's service to the needy sick amounted to \$43,763.00, for the year ending July 1, 1941.

While the gifts the women provided were a significant contribution, and the Hospital contributed generously to the care of the sick poor, yet the calls were not all answered. There are hundreds over the State who could receive this blessed benefit if there were a larger charity fund.

Every day in the year the need is felt for a State-wide charity fund that will be adequate to meet the calls for help that come continually. Behind this fund should be the entire Baptist Denomination, giving willingly to enlarge the great work of caring for the sick poor who should have hospitalization.

It is vitally necessary for the Hospital to improve equipment, replace furnishings, maintain buildings, and make the many sorely needed improvements that are required for proper maintenance of a Hospital fostering advancement in medical science, and with a great teaching program for nurses and interns, in addition to the great healing ministry. No help is asked for the Hospital from the Denomination, but help is asked in opening wider the door to charity, taking in those who are in desperate need of hospitalization.

#### The Future

We, the Board of Trustees of the Baptist State Hospital, believe that the Hospital is facing a new day, when it will be possible for the Hospital to more nearly fill its true mission as a Christian institution devoted to the ministry of healing. Its long struggle with debts is about over, and with our enlarged building and facilities, our Hospital will soon be in the best position it has ever been in to actually carry out the mission that was in the minds of its noble founders.

The struggle has been long and hard, but the day of victory is now in sight.

The Board of Trustees have carefully examined the books and the Auditor's Report of the Hospital, and we feel that much of the credit for the steady growth and improved standing of our Hospital is due to the very aggressive leadership and efficient management of its Administrator, Mr. Lee C. Gammill.

We feel that every Baptist in Arkansas should feel proud of their Hospital, and that they should give it a large place in their prayers. We should support it in every way possible, that it may fulfill an ever increasing ministry on behalf of suffering humanity, and do it in the name of Him who is, and ever shall be, the Great Physician.

L. H. ROSEMAN,
Chairman, Convention Comm.
C. C. WARREN, Vice-Chairman.
H. L. WINBURN, Member.
W. R. DONHAM, President,
Board of Trustees.

W. I. MOODY, Secretary, Board of Trustees.

H. L. Winburn, Jr., Little Rock, member of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist State Hospital offered the following Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions. The Committee on Resolutions, Fritz Goodbar, Russellville, Chairman, later made the following resolution to the Convention:

"The Committee on Resolutions recommend to the Convention that the Resolution concerning an allocation for the Baptist State Hospital of \$5,000.00 earmarked, Hospitalization for ministers and indigent patients, be referred to the Executive Board for earnest and prayerful consideration and action by the next Convention."

#### THE WINBURN RESOLUTION

From year to year, it has been found that there is an increasing need—a pressing need—for free hospitalization of our Baptist Ministers. We are required to present our bodies "a LIVING sacrifice," not marred by preventable or curable diseases, but "wholly acceptable unto God," and

WHEREAS, the Baptist State Convention, recognizing the worth of its ministry and the value of safe-guarding the health and wellbeing of its Ministers; and further,

WHEREAS, our Baptist State Hospital, without any endowment, and with the necessity of maintaining itself and meeting necessary expansion costs without calling on the Denomination for help, cannot

at this time give hospitalization to Ministers entirely free of charge, and

WHEREAS, particularly at this time, there is a dire need of free hospitalization for our Ministers and their families over the State; Therefore.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Convention go on record as favoring the appropriation of \$5,000.00 annually to be set aside for the care of Baptist Ministers of the State in the Baptist State Hospital; this fund to be administered by the Executive Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, with the assistance of the administration of the Baptist State Hospital, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Baptist State Hospital be asked to match the sum appropriated by this Convention.

H. L. Lipford, Earle presented the following information concerning the Memorial Hospital at Memphis. Filed and printed.

# SOME RECENT DATA WITH REFERENCE TO THE BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

In the past seven years we have given \$1,000,000.00 to new buildings and the payment of bonds and have given \$2,000,000.00 to charity.

We are one of the largest charity hospitals in the United States not supported by taxation or endowment, or Community Chest.

Just by comparison to show you the enormous volume of charity —3,500 citizens of Memphis have been working to raise a Community Chest Fund. We give about as much, after salaries, etc., are deducted from their expense, to charity as their entire fund raised.

We give to the Crippled Children \$10,000 per year. The good ladies of this city have spent weeks raising an equal amount to carry on this work.

We are the best hospital in the United States to preachers and their families.

The hospital treated 840 charity patients from Arkansas from November 1, 1940 to November 1, 1941. \$60.00 cost for each—total \$50,400 services given to charity. In addition 224 preachers were given hospitalization the past year from many sections of the South.

#### H. L. LIPFORD.

The following report of the Davis Hospital, Pine Bluff, came to the Secretary after the convention adjourned and is here printed:

#### REPORT ON DAVIS HOSPITAL

Cash on hand November 1, 1940		\$	885.35
Total operating receipts	\$63,730.16	•	
Total cash donations received	247.52	68	3,977.68
Total		\$64	1,863.03
Total Disbursements			,
Bank Balance November 1, 1941		\$	564.10

Total number hospital days, 11,845; total patients treated, 2,063; average patients daily, 32; average day stay per patient, 6; cost per hospital day, \$5.34.

OPERATING STAFF: Superintendent, John O. Steel; Supervisor of Nurses, Mrs. Charlotte Barney; Anesthetist, Miss Martha Brown; Historian, Mrs. Don Maxey; Bookkeeper, Miss Phoebe Jean Owen; Diet Kitchen, three; one houseman, one laundry woman, four domestics, one telephone operator, nineteen graduate nurses, two orderlies, one cook, nine nurses aids—a total of forty-six employees.

As shown by the information given on the preceding page, Davis Hospital has rendered during the past year an amount of service greatly in excess of any previous year of the hospital. The number of patients treated shows an increase of 317 more than last year's report. Our cash collections show an increase of \$8,800 over the preceding year.

We have continued our policy of co-operating with all programs for the care of unfortunate people who were unable without assistance to secure hospital care. Our contribution to these different programs including patients entirely free, others who could pay a part of the expense together with discount to ministers and physicians amounted during the year to \$9,282.40.

On August 1 we took over the management of the Brewster Memorial Hospital which was built by Jefferson County about four years ago at a cost of about \$45,000. This building is being used for the care of both colored and white crippled children and for other white and colored patients.

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

H. F. Dial, term expiring December 1942; W. E. Bobo, term expiring December 1941; W. P. Keith, term expiring December 1942; Harlow Sanders, term expiring December 1942; E. W. Freeman, term expiring December 1943; John W. Reap, term expiring December, 1943.

We recommend the re-election of H. F. Dial and W. E. Bobo each for a full three-year term.

We are grateful for the increasing use of our hospital by the public. We hope that the service rendered to the sick will be such as to justify their continuing patronage.

Respectfully submitted,

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

A printed report of the Sunday School, B. T. U. and B. S. U. Department of the Convention was distributed by Edgar Williamson, Secretary of the Department. High points in the year's work were emphasized. Elmer Morgan, Arkadelphia; Elmer Cox, Omaha; Claud Stripling, Ouachita College and Miss Juanita Lewallen, Central College, helped Secretary Williamson in presentation of the report. Report received and filed for information.

# REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL, TRAINING UNION, AND STUDENT UNION DEPARTMENT

We submit herewith a report of the work done and the results accomplished by Arkansas Baptists through the Sunday Schools and Training Unions in the churches, the Student Unions in the colleges, and the Summer Assembly. Although this report is for but ten months, due to the change in the time of meeting of the convention, it reveals progress. God has continued to bless the teaching of His Word, the training of church members, and the enlistment and training of our Baptist young people while in college.

#### Our Sunday School Work

During the week of March 10-14, eight teams of three, each composed of one worker from the Sunday School Board, one pastor and one Sunday School worker from this State, conducted special Associational Sunday School Conferences in each one of the forty associations in Arkansas. These were the first annual meetings to be held in connection with the new Four-Year Promotional Program of the Sunday School Board. The total attendance was 2,840, with an average attendance of 71 for each of the forty meetings.

It will be seen immediately that these associational meetings reached more of the associational workers than the one, centrally located meeting that was conducted each year during the Five-Year Program. The highest attendance for any one of the centrally located meetings was about 600. More than four times as many workers were reached through the associational meetings than through the centrally located meeting.

During the months of March and April, eight district Vacation Bible School leaders conducted a special conference on Vacation Bible School work in every one of the forty associations. If a report of every Vacation Bible School held were received, we believe we should be able to report more than 200 Vacation Bible Schools for 1941; but it is almost an impossible task to enlist reports from all schools held. Those who directed the conferences were: Rev. L. C. Tedford, Rev. Milton Graham, Rev. E. T. Smith, Rev. E. J. Kirkbride, Rev. Ralph Davis, Rev. W. R. Hamilton, Rev. L. A. Sparkman, and Rev. E. S. Elliott.

Our State Approved Workers have been busy during the entire year and have, by correspondence, conferences, and by assisting in training schools and enlargement campaigns, helped greatly at little expense with the promotion of Sunday School work. The State Approved Sunday School Workers are: Extension Department, Rev. E. C. Brown; Adult, Rev. Rel Gray; Intermediate, Mrs. A. C. Kolb; Junior, Mrs. J. H. Webb; Primary, Mrs. Wilford Lee; Beginner and Cradle Roll, Mrs. Edgar Williamson.

Several association-wide and many individual Sunday School enlargement campaigns and training schools have been conducted with gratifying results.

During the year, with the co-operation of the Ouachita College faculty and students, three association-wide Sunday School enlargement campaigns were conducted in thirty-seven rural churches by seventy-four young men and women. Complete and detailed reports of these campaigns cannot be given, as one of the campaigns is in progress at the time of the writing of this report. The associations in which these meetings were conducted are Bartholomew, Buckner, and Red River.

A complete religious census was taken by each of the thirty-seven churches, and revealed a total of 7,604 possibilities for the Sunday School. Of the prospects located in the census, 2,431 were evangelistic possibilities. Cradle Roll and Extension Departments were organized in most of the churches. Practically every school was graded and provision for more classes provided. 169 new classes were added to the 37 schools, and all schools adopted the Standard of Excellence as a program of work.

During the year, this department, in co-operation with the Sunday School Board, has given advice and suggestions to many churches that have planned the erection of new buildings or additions and repairs to those already in use. It is gratifying to note that practically all of the churches are continuing to make provision in the Junior and Intermediate Departments for both Sunday School and Training Union work by the use of movable partitions between class rooms.

#### A Comparative Sunday School Report

	1940	1941
Number Sunday Schools	1,035	1,166
Sunday School Enrolment	123,839	128,778
New Sunday Schools Organized	119	124
Diploma Holders in New Study Course, Total	1,218	1,565
Awards in New Sunday School Course, Total	35,937	43,725
Associations organized or partially organized for		
Sunday School work	38	40
Standard Sunday Schools	44	51
Number Vacation Bible Schools Conducted	134	172

### Our Training Union Work

During the week of April 21-25, eight teams of three, each composed of one worker from the Sunday School Board, one pastor, and one Training Union worker from this State, conducted one-day special Associational Training Union Conferences in each one of the forty associations in Arkansas. These were the first annual meetings to be held in connection with the new Four-Year Promotional Program of the Sunday School Board. The total attendance was 3,010, with an average attendance of 75 for each of the forty meetings. Again, it will be seen that many more Training Union workers were reached through associational meetings than through centrally located meetings.

This department has, with the help of student summer field workers and others, conducted seven association-wide Training Union enlargement campaigns and many enlargement campaigns and training schools in the churches.

#### A Comparative Training Union Report

	1940	1941
Number Training Unions	558	632
Number B. Y. P. U.'s, B. A. U.'s and Story Hours	2,604	2,869
Total Training Union Enrolment	42,088	44,231
Total Training Union Awards	12,405	12,484
Associations organized or partially organized for		
Training Union work	37	39

## Our Student Union Work

Student Union councils are now functioning in fourteen colleges and one hospital. In January, an Officers' Planning Meeting was conducted in the Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock. This meeting, which was attended by all State officers and the presidents of the different college councils, together with several college pastors and faculty advisers, was for the purpose of planning the work for the year.

In April, the annual State Spring Retreat for all newly elected officers of the college councils was held in the First Baptist Church, Benton. The purpose of this annual meeting is to help the newly

elected officers to plan their work for the summer and prepare for the new college year in the fall.

In October, the annual State Student Union Convention was held in the First Baptist Church, Arkadelphia. One hundred and thirty-five students from colleges other than Ouachita and Henderson registered for this important meeting. It is estimated that including the students from Ouachita and Henderson Colleges, who were not required to register, more than 500 students attended sessions of the convention.

One of the most fruitful results of Student Union work is the organized Summer Field Work, participated in by many of the students. We are submitting again this year the record of the Training Union work done in the rural churches of Arkansas during the summer of this year, and the totals for the past four years. This report does not include souls won, lives dedicated or rededicated, or Sunday Schools and churches organized or revived.

## A Comparative Summer Field Work Report

	F	'our Years'
	1941	Total
Number of workers	32	100
Number associations worked in	9	35
Number churches worked in	105	405
Number classes taught	270	879
Number enroled in classes	6,175	22,890
Number churches where workers were sent that had		
no B. T. U.	47	218
Number new Unions organized	236	878
Number awards earned	2,818	9,684

During the year, the workers in this department, accompanied frequently by workers from the Southwide Student Union Department, made several tours, visiting the different colleges in the interest of Student Union work. A Student Union paper, entitled the "Challenger" has been published, copies of which are sent each month to the campuses for free distribution.

#### Our Summer Assembly

Our Arkansas Baptist Assembly is located at Siloam Springs, and promotes each year an "All Baptist Program for All Arkansas Baptists." Every phase of church work is presented and considered during the ten days of the Assembly. For four years there has been each year an increase in enrolment over the preceding year. The paid registration for this year's Assembly, which met July 1-10, was 1,264. Rev. I. M. Prince, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Paragould, was re-elected President of the Assembly for the present Assembly year. Mr. Shelby Ford of Springdale is the efficient Treasurer, and Mr. O. V. Turner is the resident care-taker.

## Our Department Workers

There are four workers connected with the Sunday School, Training Union, and Student Union Department. These are: Miss Blanche Mays, who continues to render faithful and efficient service in the office and on the field in all phases of the work; Mrs. Grace Hamilton and Miss Emma Jean Webster, who as office secretaries have been efficient, zealous, and untiring in their efforts to promote faithfully the work of the department; and your Secretary.

During the year, these workers have conducted enlargement campaigns, training schools, conferences, conventions, and other services in 193 churches in every association of the State, and have traveled 42,022 miles. In addition, your office secretaries have written 5,651 personal letters and 8,165 general letters, and distributed 103,795 pieces of promotional literature.

The department is grateful for the co-operation of our Arkansas Baptist pastors, district and associational missionaries, and all associational and local church workers. We are especially grateful for the hearty support of the Executive Board. Dr. B. L. Bridges, the Executive Secretary, has given this department the finest possible co-operation.

We also wish to express our appreciation to the Sunday School Board for its generous support and co-operation. The money to finance the work is provided jointly by the Arkansas Baptist Executive Board and the Baptist Sunday School Board. We are grateful to Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Sunday School Board, for the interest, counsel, and help he has given.

#### Plans for 1942

FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM. This department will continue to cooperate with the Sunday School Board in promotion of the Four-Year Program. The second series of special one-day associational conferences will be conducted for the Sunday School in the forty associations during the week of March 9-13.

The special associational Training Union conferences will be conducted in the forty associations during the week of April 20-24.

We urge the associations and the churches to hold these two weeks open for these two special efforts. They are the only two such special efforts that will be made during the year. We urge that so far as possible, revivals, enlargement campaigns, training schools, and other meetings not be conducted during these two weeks.

SUMMER FIELD WORK. During the summer months, with the help of students from all the colleges in the State, association-wide Training Union enlargement campaigns will be conducted in seven associations.

STUDENT UNION WORK. Every effort will be made to continue to strengthen and advance the Student Union work. The objec-

tives of the Baptist Student Union movement are: 1. To enlist every Baptist student to unite with a local Baptist church while in college; 2. To enlist the student to enroll in one of the unit organizations of a local college Baptist church; 3. To encourage maximum Christian living on the campus; 4. To win the unsaved students on the campus to Christ and the Baptist church.

SUMMER ASSEMBLY. An unusually strong Assembly program personnel has already been enlisted for the 1942 session of the Arkansas Baptist Assembly which is to be held at Siloam Springs, June 30-July 9. The paid registration goal for 1942 is 1,400. The attendance goal is 2,000.

This department, through its general promotional work; special one-day associational conferences; association-wide and individual enlargement campaigns and training schools; and through the Baptist Student union councils on the different campuses; will work to make an outstanding contribution to the growth of all phases of our Baptist work.

We are grateful for the many opportunities to serve and for the splendid spirit of helpfulness that exists among our district and associational missionaries, pastors, and workers. Without these helpers, we could do nothing. With them, we can continue to make progress.

We dedicate ourselves anew to the task of helping to take the Word of God to every man, woman, and child in Arkansas; to the enlistment and training of all the members in our churches; and to the whole program of evangelism as commanded by our Lord in Matthew 28:19-20, when He said, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

## Respectfully submitted,

## EDGAR WILLIAMSON, Secretary.

Vice-President Kirkbride called for the Committee on Foreign Missions to make the Foreign Mission Report. Otto Whitington, Springdale read the report and introduced A. M. Mac-Millan, Richmond, and Mrs. J. A. Abernathy, a Missionary to China now on furlough. They spoke of the work of Foreign Mission Board.

## REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board was created by the Southern Baptist Convention in Augusta, Georgia on May 8, 1845. At that time the Convention adopted the following resolution: "We the delegates from missionary societies, Churches, and other religious bodies of the Baptist denomination, in various parts of the United States, met in convention, in the city of Augusta, Georgia, for the purpose of carrying into effect the benevolent intentions of our constituents, by organizing a plan for eliciting, combining, and directing the energies of the whole denomination in our sacred effort, for the propagation of the gospel."

For nearly one hundred years Southern Baptists have been trying, with more or less determined effort, to carry out the intentions of this resolution and the commission of our Lord.

It is the belief of the present members of the board that we have never had our foreign mission work better organized or more efficiently operating than at the present time. The fields have been divided into three general divisions, Africa, Europe and the Near East with Dr. George W. Sadler, Secretary and special representative of the board. The Orient, or the Far East, (composed of China, Japan and Hawaii). With Dr. M. T. Rankin as the secretary. South America and Mexico, called Latin America) with Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., as secretary. Dr. Gill was elected to this task at the last meeting of the board one month ago and has accepted. These men are to have headquarters in Richmond but are to spend most of their time on their respective fields, they are to make surveys of the needs and operations and be the board's contact men. They are the board's agents on the foreign field, representing it to the missionaries and, in turn, representing the missionaries and their work to the board. By this means the board is in closer touch with, and has a clearer view of, the work than we could possibly have otherwise. Dr. Rankin's services in China and Japan during the tragic months of the war have been of immeasurable value. Without his wise and efficient handling of the situation our work and the missionaries would have probably been in almost hopeless confusion.

We thank God for His constant blessings upon our work, for the sacrificial, loyal optimism of our missionaries, under the most trying circumstances, for the ever increasing line of consecrated volunteers to go with the gospel regardless of world conditions and for the increasing generosity of our people at home that we may "carry on" no matter what these world conditions are. We feel that our obligation to give the gospel to the whole world is just as great when the war clouds hang over us as it is when the nations are at peace. So we ask you to continue to pray for your board, your missionaries and your foreign mission work.

## Africa, Europe and the Near East

Dr. Geo. W. Sadler is secretary for this entire field.

1. AFRICA. The one thing that characterizes our work in Africa is the crying need for more workers. The fifty-odd missionaries whom

we have there at present are almost breaking under the load and in every direction the people are calling for the gospel. The difficulty is not in getting volunteers to go but in getting money to pay our present indebtedness and send our new workers. The Foreign Mission Board is between two fires. It is exceedingly difficult to immediately reduce expenditures on foreign missions and yet the people will blame us for going into debt. Dr. George Green writing from this mission field, says:

"New every morning, His blessings have come into our lives—health of body, wisdom, grace, patience, courage, loyalty, and co-opertion strengthen the mind to continue and preserve when the way seemed hard and the going on seemed difficult."

2. EUROPE. The one word that could be written across the report from Europe "as ye yourselves also know" is Tragedy. Earthquakes, pestilences and divers diseases have allied themselves with war to make the situation more intolerable.

On this field we are carrying on in a more or less successful degree in Hungary, Italy, Roumania, Spain and Yugoslavia. Time and space forbid the discussion of each of these fields. But probably the most important thing on this field is the transfer of all our property in Italy to the Italian brotherhood. This seemed to be the only alternative to save our property from confiscation by the Italian government.

3. THE NEAR EAST. Our missionaries are still at work in Palestine, but there are grave difficulties occasioned by the war situation. Here we have three mission points, at Haifa, Nazareth, and Jerusalem. Because of the lack of leaders, Missionary Russell Owens is, at present, serving as pastor at all three places.

#### The Far East

This field is composed of China, Japan and Hawaii, under the direction of Dr. M. T. Rankin. About one hundred missionaries from China and Japan have been brought home or transferred to other fields. For the most part, this was done on the advice of the State Department at Washington, D. C. All whose furloughs were due this year were included in this number.

- 1. CHINA. While the work has been greatly reduced in China still a great deal is being done at most of our mission stations. A new mission field is being opened in West China or in what is called Free China.
- 2. JAPAN. We have only one missionary left in Japan, Dr. Maxfield Garrott, son of Dr. and Mrs. E. P. J. Garrott of Prescott, Arkansas. At present, the situation in Japan with reference to a reorganization of religious denominations does not appear to be as

serious as it was first thought to be. The Board, at its last meeting, passed the following resolution relative to Japan:

"That no action be taken with reference to the continuance or discontinuance of the Japanese Mission but that \$10,000 be set aside in a provisional fund for the Japan Mission for 1942."

3. HAWAII. Our mission in Hawaii is being enlarged and strengthened. Some of the missionaries from China and Japan are being transferred there to work among the Chinese and Japanese on the island and to assist the regular missionaries in their work among the natives.

#### Latin America

This field is composed of all South America and Mexico. Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., was elected secretary for Latin America at the last meeting of the Board. It is the opinion of the Board that South America presents the greatest and most promising mission field in the world at this time. We will soon have missions operating entirely around South America. Our work is going forward in Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile and Mexico and we are sending new missionaries as rapidly as we are able. Six new missionaries were appointed at the last Board meeting, as follows:

Miss Ethel Singleton and Miss Lois Hart to Chile.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Schweinsburg to Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar F. Hallock to Brazil.

The Schweinsburgs are opening new mission work in Columbia in the very near future.

#### The Commission—Our Foreign Mission Magazine

This journal on foreign missions is published by the Board, with Bro. A. M. McMillan as managing editor. 'Tho young it has already become one of the greatest mission journals in America. It gives the mission news from around the world. It is informing, enlightening and inspiring. It is only 50c per year and each copy is worth the price for a year. This journal should be in every Baptist home in Arkansas.

We make the following recommendations:

- 1. That unceasing and united prayer be made for our missionaries and their work.
- 2. That the widest possible publicity be given Foreign Missions through missionary sermons, missionary programs in all departments of our church activities and by mission schools and by urging our people to take and read our denominational paper and our mission magazines.
- 3. That on account of the unlimited task of giving the gospel to the whole world and the comparative few workers we have, that our

people be constantly urged to increase their offerings that we may pay our present indebtedness and increase the number of our missionaries.

> OTTO WHITINGTON, THOMAS W. DOVE, ED HARNESS, H. A. KELLEY, MRS. J. S. TATUM, GOLDEN E. NEELY, L. Y. LEWIS.

Sang "O, How I Love Jesus."

Special prayer was led by Calvin B. Waller for missionaries on Foreign Fields, especially those there from Arkansas.

Time having arrived for the sermon, Calvin B. Waller read from Matthew's Gospel and from Paul's letter to the Philippians and preached a great sermon on "What Think Ye of Christ?"

Sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."

Adjourned with prayer by President Rogers.

## THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION 1:45 P. M.

President Rogers called the convention to order at 1:45 p. m. and the congregation sang a number of Gospel hymns, led by Gene Spearman with Mrs. Little at the organ.

V. H. Coffman, Fort Smith, read from the Gospel of John and spoke on "Why I believe in Christianity" as a Devotional.

Motion carried that Report and Recommendation of Board of Trustees of Ouachita College be re-opened to consider the Recommendation relating to ways and means of completing the Chapel and Music Conservatory. The recommendation as published in the Trustees report was read and the article of the Constitution thus involved (Section 2 of Article IX) was read. The following motion then carried: "That we interpret the recommendation of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita College, to mean that an emergency exists in the building program of the auditorium and conservatory and that the Executive Board be authorized to secure the money to complete the building, FIRST by the moral risk of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention or by placing a mortgage on the Endowment Income for sufficient funds to finish the building."

J. F. Queen, Hot Springs, read the Report for the Committee on PROHIBITION and SOCIAL SERVICE. C. C. Coulter, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League spoke to the Report.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROHIBITION AND SOCIAL SERVICE

The general subject of this report is Prohibition and Social Service but we shall confine it to two of the most outstanding evils to society—the Liquor Traffic and Gambling. First, we will review the liquor traffic. Many times public speakers on the prohibition question become radical in their assertions and give exaggerated opinions for the actual facts, but this report deals with actual facts. Since 1933 an effort has been made by our government to regulate or control the Liquor Traffic. It has been done well in regulating the consumption of liquor by placing it on every street corner possible, in the suburbs of towns and cities, out in rural communities without police protection, and making it popular for men, women, and boys and girls to drink it. Drinkers of Arkansas, alone, spent at lowest estimate in 1940 for liquors, \$17,500,000. The revenue received from this liquor cost the State of Arkansas eighteen times more than the revenue to meet the expense of the crime that resulted from drunkenness. In that same year automobile accidents, caused by liquor, cost the State \$4,000,000. The cities of Hope, Pine Bluff, Little Rock, and Jonesboro have been investigated as to arrests in prohibition days and in days since the repeal, and it is found that the arrests because of drunkenness has been twice to nearly five times as many since repeal of our State Prohibition Laws. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, according to the Congressional Record, May 22nd, 1939, says: "Our annual crime bill is \$15,000,000,000, or about \$120.00 for every man, woman, and child. This represents 400 per cent more than we annually spend for education; it equals our annual food bill; and exceeds the amount annually paid in Federal, State, and municipal taxes. Our homes and our lives are threatened by an army of lawlessness numbering over 4,750,000 individuals. Every 22 seconds a crime is committed in our supposedly civilized land; every day, from dawn to dawn, thirty-three of our citizens are murdered." It is estimated that more than 75 per cent of all our criminals and more than 90 per cent of all our murderers have fallen through intoxicating beverages. On April 5, 1941, the Post Exchange commander, Camp Robinson, stated that there had been sold, January 1st to April 5th, in that Camp, 25,000 cases of all makes of soft drinks, and that in the same period there had been sold, 30,700 cases of beer. The Committee of Fifty, after making a ten-year study of the alcohol problem, found that liquor was the cause of 20 per cent of divorces, 25 per cent of insanity, 47 per cent of child-misery, and 50 per cent of all crime.

Next to the liquor traffic, if not equal to it, in destruction to good society, is gambling. The interest in gambling has grown in wide measure the past few years. No doubt it has been brought about partly by legalizing dog and horse racing in our State and others. Too little has been said against betting on football and baseball, from our public schools to the national leagues. Boys and girls in school have no conscience against placing bets because a father or some other influential gambler has taught some of them how to place them. Some boys and girls will take their lunch money and do without their lunch at school to take chances on bets placed by some one who has been taught the game. It is reported that a leading Judge in our State attended the horse races at Hot Springs last March and placed a number of small bets. He did not appear to be very interested in whether he won or lost but when he counted his returns he had won \$70.00. What we need more than laws is a sentiment aroused against the gambling craze so prevalent among our people of today. Revenue from race-track gambling amounts to a small measure. The politicians in favor of it boast of the help its revenue gives the public schools which amounts to about two to three cents per pupil per year. Business men from towns and cities including Hot Springs dread the coming of the racing season because it demoralizes business interests. Ask business men in Little Rock, Pine Bluff, Benton, Malvern, Arkadelphia, and other towns as well as Hot Springs what the racing season means to their business. Men and women use their money in placing bets and lose it and let their gasoline, grocery, and other bills wait. Because of the legalized race-track gambling it has caused the bookies to flourish in many of our towns and cities. It causes them to feel more respectable and they draw a more respectable patronage. Governor Adkins has requested that all bookies and gambling joints be closed, including slot machines. In a measure that has been done but many of the bookies are still operating with the report out that they have closed.

#### WE RECOMMEND:

- 1. That we go on record as a convention as being in full harmony with our Governor in demanding that gambling in violation of the laws of our State cease, and that we give him all the aid and assistance in our rightful powers in keeping the bookies and gambling joints closed; and that we give our best interest and support to every move by the good citizenship of our State to eliminate legalized racetrack gambling.
- 2. Since people have been aroused against the liquor situation in our State to the point that 12 counties, 11 townships, and 32 towns have voted dry under our Local Option Laws, that we encourage and urge more Local Option Elections to be held until our entire State becomes a more respectable place in which to live; and that we pray and work for the day to come when the Citizenship of Arkansas will vote the State dry again.

3. That we reaffirm our faith in Anti-Saloon League and urge our people to support it.

J. F. QUEEN, E. E. GRIEVER, MRS. J. E. SHORT, J. F. BOW, ERWIN L. McDONALD, C. C. WARREN.

An offering was made to the amount of \$30.22 for the expense of Mr. Coulter.

The following Resolutions were adopted:

## RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, bloodshed and the destruction of war are threatening the whole world today; and

WHEREAS, the world listens, during these devastating times, for the attitude and position of the Christian forces; THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Convention go on record as urging the utilization of every honorable means looking toward the cessation of hostilities and toward an equitable and lasting peace. We believe that the time has not passed when a just solution of the present problem can be reached without further resort to arms. We, therefore, join Christian forces everywhere in insisting that the moral factors must be respected if the highest in our Nation and in other Nations is to endure.

We also affirm our faith in Christian principles as being adequate to meet the needs of the present world situation and that they offer the only practical solution to the problems of human relationships among the Nations of the world.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we memorialize Congress through our Senators and Congressmen that, so far as possible, help be given the unfortunate of Europe in danger from want and hunger.

To make effective the voice of this body, be it resolved that the Recording Secretary of this Convention be instructed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to our Senators and Congressmen from Arkansas now in Congress in Washington.

H. L. WINBURN, JR., Little Rock, JOE H. HANKINS, Little Rock, C. C. WARREN, Little Rock, W. J. HINSLEY, Hot Springs, C. L. DURRETT, Little Rock, GUY WILLIAMS, Little Rock E. T. SMITH, Jonesboro.

By common consent Harvey Hicks, Chairman of the Committee on Stewardship handed in the following report to be printed in the annual.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

- 1. The words "Steward" and "Stewardship" occur many times in the Bible. A steward is one who manages or uses possessions that belong to another, and stewardship is the state of fact of being a steward. So all of us who get or have or use anything at all are stewards. If we get anything to eat it is God's, because God's earth and God's sunshine and God's rain produce it. Also if we get anything to wear it is God's. The iron and steel that are used to make automobiles and farm implements and railroad facilities, etc., are furnished by God's earth. God gives us power to get wealth. Our voices, our talents, our lives, our children all come from God. You and I, therefore are stewards of the possessions that we say we own.
- 2. God requires us to be faithful stewards toward Him. 1. Cor. 4:2. He requires faithfulness whether we have little or much. Luke 16:10-12. We are not faithful unless we bring back to God that portion that belongs to Him, and this portion has been established by the Bible as the tithe. Lev. 27:30; Mal. 3:8-10; Luke 11:42; Heb. 7:8. No word of the Lord ever changed the proportion. The standards of the Old Testament were never lowered; they were raised wherever they were changed. Therefore, anything less than one-tenth offered to God constitutes unfaithfulness in a steward.
- 3. Moreover, the Lord promises to reward the faithful steward. Luke 12:42-44.
- 4. We also believe that a church that does not regularly support world missions is unfaithful to its trust.
- 5. We recommend that God's people bring to the treasury of the church at least one-tenth of their income as their offerings.

We also recommend that churches give larger support to world missions.

HARVEY HICKS, C. B. HALL, W. C. ROWE, ANDY HALL, ELMER MORGAN, FRANK F. NORFLEET.

Mrs. B. W. Nininger read the following paper, and motion carried that it be printed in the Annual. Gene Spearman read the objectives of church musicians.

#### CHURCH MUSIC

It is with great joy and pardonable pride that we introduce to you today, our new baby, Arkansas Baptist Church Musicians. Born

in answer to prayer and dedicated to the service of Christ in His church, this child solicits the warmhearted and sympathetic understanding of pastors and people alike and the chance to prepare and present an adequate program of training in church music for our entire constituency.

Recognizing a deep need for improvement and elevation of music in the Baptist Churches of Arkansas, Dr. O. W. Yates of Ouachita College sponsored a movement to organize workers in this field. At the first conference of choir directors from over the State, a temporary organization was perfected and a Policy Committee named. Advice and council was solicited from our music leaders of the South namely: B. B. McKinney, I. E. Reynolds, E. O. Sellers, and Inman Johnson. Their replies radiated with praise and encouragement for our efforts in behalf of Church Music. All of these men agreed that our objectives would solve the problem of trained leaders of Church Music, competent accompanists for hymn-playing, and a better type of congregational singing. Wouldn't it be wonderful if every Baptist pastor in Arkansas could count on such a program?

On September 2, 1941, in response to a call from the temporary chairman, 286 delegates from 22 cities and towns in Arkansas gathered at Immanuel Baptist Church for a Statewide Church Music Conference and Festival. These delegates included pastors, educational directors, Sunday School teachers, B. T. U. workers, W. M. S. officers, song leaders, and choir directors and singers. All were agreed that Church Music needs a unified program of training and promotion. Talks and discussions were had on the following phases of church music: the pastor's co-operation; the organist's contribution; the choir, its organization, materials, and training; congregational singing; and a comprehensive method of training leaders for this work. E. O. Sellers of Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, was our Conference guest of honor, speaking on Music in Worship and Hymn Appreciation. He heartily approved our proposed plan for Statewide training in Church Music.

At the business session the following officers were elected and a permanent organization to be known as "Arkansas Baptist Church Musicians" was effected:

President: Mrs. B. W. Nininger, First Church, Little Rock.

Secretary: Mrs. J. B. Daniels, Pulaski Heights, Little Rock.

Treasurer: Mr. Gene Spearman, Second Church, Little Rock.

The district vice-presidents are:

Mr. Gene Bartlett, Pulaski County.

Mr. Norman Ferguson, Northwest.

Mr. Adolphus Turman, Southwest.

Mrs. John Hohman, Southeast.

Mrs. Ben Lincoln, Northeast.

The objectives were read, discussed, and unanimously adopted by the conference. Copies of these objectives were distributed to you and are available for your prayerful consideration. They will be read shortly by Mr. Gene Spearman.

Since music occupies 30% of every service in all departments of church life, isn't it reasonable to give earnest attention and consideration to the kind of music which is used and the training of those who lead and participate in that music? We provide training for workers in Sunday School, B. T. U., W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., R. A., Sunbeams, and B. S. U. If Baptist churches are to render the best in worship and praise to Almighty God we should make adequate provision for training and teaching of Church Music. Such a program was recommended to and adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1940 and Arkansas is leading the South in her establishment of this work.

We hope that all of you here, pastors, laymen, and women, will co-operate with your district vice-presidents, in promoting church music training schools, clinics, hymn festivals, hymn memory contests for Juniors and Intermediates, and carol-singing at the Christmas season for the shut-ins and lonely among your congregation. Let's encourage our young people to make suitable preparation for playing, singing, and leading Church Music. This training is already being given through the B. T. U. schools in many parts of our State with a book on Church Music by I. E. Reynolds which offers a diploma seal. Other books designed to be helpful in enlarging the Church Music program will be available soon in the Sunday School course of study.

Music is a God-given talent and we should return to Him our best. The Old Testament is replete with accounts of the temple choirs, their organization, training, housing, robing and service of song. Their instructors were paid out of the same treasury as were the priests and they were definitely dedicated to the Ministry of Music. Someone may argue that we are a New Testament Church—so we are, but the customs and doctrines of the Old Testament are God's ordinances still. We preach and practice tithing but say nothing about the kind of music that is offered up to God in the name of Worship. Let's replace the cheap and trashy tunes that have crept into our song books with the noble music of the hymns and spiritual songs of Zion.

May we adopt this consecrated child of Arkansas Baptist Church Musicians into our great Baptist family and give it a chance to grow and bless our work to the Glory of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. W. NININGER, President, MRS. J. B. DANIELS, Secretary, MR. GENE SPEARMAN, Treasurer.

## OBJECTIVES OF ARKANSAS BAPTIST CHURCH MUSICIANS

- 1. To glorify Christ in all church music.
- 2. To encourage a closer relationship between all church musicians of Arkansas.
- 3. To encourage our colleges to offer courses in church music leadership.
- 4. To discover and develop leaders among our young people who do not attend college.
- 5. To reach every church in Arkansas with a training program.
- To hold music clinics, festivals and training schools whenever advisable.
- To organize or re-organize our choirs including Junior, Intermediate, Young People and Adult.
- 8. To develop appreciation and zeal for the best in church music.
- 9. To encourage a better grade of evangelistic singing.
- 10. To bring about the right kind of community sing-songs in church music.
- 11. To co-operate with the public school system in teaching better church music.
- 12. To encourage a closer relationship between pastors and music leaders in bringing to pass the above objectives.

Motion carried that the Arkansas Church Music Organization be accepted by the Convention.

O. C. Harvey, Stuttgart, made the Report for the Committee on Nominations. See Boards of the Convention and time, place and preacher in first pages of Annual.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg to submit the following:

#### BE IT RESOLVED:

FIRST: That we express our grateful appreciation and thanks to the churches of Jonesboro and particularly to the First Baptist Church, Jonesboro and O. L. Powers, the host pastor, for their gracious hospitality and for the many provisions made for our comfort and convenience. We are mindful and appreciative of the work of the various committees which functioned so efficiently to make our stay in Jonesboro so pleasant.

SECOND: That we express our appreciation for the faithful service of our officers and for those who have led us in Gospel and instrumental music.

THIRD: That we express to the Daily Press and to E. L. Mc-Donald of the Associated Press and to Radio Station KTBM and to Morris Mays our deep appreciation for all they did to get the proceedings of the Convention to all the people.

FOURTH: The Committee on Resolutions recommend to the Convention that the Resolution concerning an allocation for the Baptist State Hospital of \$5,000.00 earmarked, Hospitalization for ministers and indigent patients, be referred to the Executive Board for earnest and prayerful consideration and action by the next convention.

FIFTH: That we authorize the Secretary to have the usual number of Annuals printed and distributed and that we pay him \$100.00 for his services.

FRITZ GOODBAR, Chairman.
J. RUSSELL DUFFER,
H. J. ADKINS,
J. H. CALDWELL,
FRED A. WHITE.

Adjourned.

Sang "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow."

O. L. Powers led the closing prayer.

TAYLOR STANFILL, Secretary.

J. S. ROGERS, President,

## In Memoriam

A memorial service was conducted as follows:

Prayer\_\_\_\_\_E. P. J. Garrott Solo—"When They Ring the Golden Bells"—



The mantle of Death is no respector of persons. In Arkansas, since the last Convention, many devout souls have drawn this cloak about their mortal bodies and are now awaiting the RESURRECTION MORN-ING.

They shall be missed but we are grateful to God for their memory and for their influence for good. It is our prayer that God will raise up others to take their places who will carry on the work even in a greater way.

By O. J. CHASTAIN.

Gene Bartlett

I Corinthians 15:35-58 I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## LIST OF MESSENGERS TO 1941 CONVENTION BY ASSOCIATIONS AND CHURCHES

#### ARKANSAS VALLEY:

Brinkley—Harold C. Seefeldt, Pastor; Mrs. H. C. Seefeldt, Mrs. L. H. Stout.

Clarendon-L. R. Joyner, Pastor.

Elaine—Marion B. Dunham, Pastor; Miss Sarah Myatt, Miss Roberta Myatt, Mrs. Marion B. Dunham.

Hughes-Will Ed Langford, Pastor; Mrs. Will Ed Langford.

Helena-Elmer J. Kirkbride, Pastor; Mrs. Elmer J. Kirkbride.

Marianna-Ross Edwards, Pastor.

West Helena-Cecil H. Franks, Pastor.

#### BARTHOLOMEW:

Crossett—Aubrey C. Halsell, Pastor; Mrs. Aubrey C. Halsell. Hamburg—Reese S. Howard, Pastor; Mrs. Reese S. Howard. Monticello—Thomas W. Croxton, Pastor. Warren:

First—E. C. Brown, Pastor; M. E. Wiles, Associational Missionary; Mrs. M. E. Wiles, Mrs. G. H. King, Mrs. C. E. Stuard.

Second-Rolla Nixon, Pastor.

Willmar-Floyd Taylor, Pastor.

#### BENTON COUNTY:

Bentonville-L. C. Tedford, Pastor.

Gravette-John B. Stephen, Pastor.

Siloam Springs-J. F. Bow, Pastor.

Sulphur Springs-Roy C. Maddux, Pastor.

Rogers—J. W. Royal, Pastor.

#### BIG CREEK:

Salem—Hugh Cooper, Pastor; Oscar E. Ellis. Flora—Russell Armer, Pastor.

## BLACK RIVER:

Black Rock—Chas. D. Tibbels.

Center-W. T. Tiner, Pastor, New Bethel.

Hoxie—A. G. Albright, J. M. Hitt, Missionary.

Newport—Chas. F. Wilkins, Pastor; Mrs. Chas. F. Wilkins, Mrs. W. S. Steenburger, Mrs. O. T. Richardson, Mrs. T. R. McNees, Mrs. Willis McAuley, Mrs. Ransom Hayden, Mrs. Jno. C. Darden, Mrs. O. T. Hubert, Jr.

Tuckerman-W. M. Kelley, Pastor; Mrs. W. M. Kelley.

Sedgwich-W. G. Mathis, Pastor.

Walnut Ridge—A. W. Wilcoxson, Mrs. A. W. Wilcoxson, Mrs. J. A. Hill, Mrs. Len Downen, Mrs. Lillie LeVan, J. J. Hitt.

#### BOONE-CARROLL:

Grand Springs-G. V. Logan, Pastor.

Harrison-E. E. Griever, Pastor; Nancy Whitaker.

Omaha-Elmer F. Cox, Mrs. E. F. Cox.

#### BUCKNER:

Fellowship-Ernest Baker, Pastor.

Mansfield-J. I. Owens, Pastor.

Waldron-A. F. Muncy, Pastor; Mrs. A. F. Muncy.

#### BUCKVILLE:

Harvey's Chapel-Lonnie Lasater, Pastor; Mrs. Lonnie Lasater.

#### CADDO RIVER:

Forester—Cecil L. Gammill, Pastor; Mrs. Bernie Bailey, Roy Douglas; Mrs. Roy Douglas.

Sulphur Springs-Dell Hames, Pastor.

#### CAREY:

Bearden-L. D. Eppinette, Pastor.

Hampton-Ermon Webb, Pastor.

Sparkman—Paul Aiken, Pastor.

#### CAROLINE:

Cabot-W. J. Morris, Pastor; Marven M. Keath, J. T. Lockard.

Chaney Creek—E. Rawlings, Pastor.

Coy-Morris Ashcraft, Pastor.

Des Arc—Chas. W. Anderson, Pastor; Mrs. Chas. W. Anderson, Mrs. H. M. Caskey, Mrs. H. A. Morris, Mrs. R. H. Romunder.

England—Cecil Meadows, Pastor.

Hazen-J. O. Young, Pastor; Mrs. J. O. Young.

Lonoke-W. M. Pratt, Pastor.

Stuttgart—O. C. Harvey, Pastor; Mrs. O. C. Harvey, Mrs. E. N. Robertson, Mrs. H. A. Burton.

Ward-R. L. Blackwell, Pastor.

#### CENTRAL:

Bauxite-Elmo Johnson, Pastor.

Bethel-Miss Hazel Fletcher.

Benton—A. B. VanArsdale, Pastor; S. G. O'Neal, H. A. Kelley, Mrs. H. A. Kelley, W. A. Jackson.

Hot Springs:

Central—T. H. Jordon, Pastor; Raymond Marston, Associate. First—B. H. Duncan, Pastor.

Park Place—J. F. Queen, Pastor; Mrs. J. F. Queen, Virginia Queen, A. Turman, Mrs. A. Turman, Mrs. A. Standiford.

Second—W. J. Hinsley, Pastor; Mrs. W. J. Hinsley, M. G. Fall, Associate.

Lonsdale—Jesse Reed, Missionary; Mrs. Jesse Reed.

Malvern—James W. Kelly, Pastor; D. D. Glover, Jas. H. Bennett. Pleasant Hill—Chas. B. Luck, Pastor.

Walnut Valley-Edgar Griffin, Pastor.

#### CLEAR CREEK:

Clarksville—James T. Draper, Pastor; Raymond Butler, Missionary; Mrs. Henry Rowton; Mrs. Joe Walton.

Ozark-A. J. Hyatt, Pastor.

Van Buren-P. B. Langley, Acting Pastor.

#### CONCORD:

Booneville-W. W. Grafton, Pastor.

Fort Smith:

Calvary-L. H. Davis, Pastor.

First—B. V. Ferguson, Pastor; E. Butler Abington, District Missionary.

Immanuel—Victor H. Coffman, Pastor; Conrad L. Dupree, Associate.

Paris-E. S. Elliott, Pastor.

#### CURRENT RIVER:

Biggers-L. A. Rutledge, S. T. Tipton.

Corning—Golden E. Neely, Pastor; Mrs. Golden E. Neely, J. S. Compere, Mrs. J. S. Compere.

Moark-C. C. Richardson, Mrs. C. C. Richardson.

Mt. Pleasant—O. M. Stallings, District Missionary; Mrs. O. M. Stallings.

Pocahontas—H. E. Williams, Pastor; Ben Lincoln, Mrs. Ben Lincoln, Roy Johnson.

Reyno-J. R. Reynolds, Sr., Mrs. J. R. Reynolds, Sr.

Shiloh-O. R. Richey, Pastor; Mrs. O. R. Richey.

Success-Mrs. J. C. Lewis, Mrs. E. W. Cochrane, Iva Hubbard, Bette Jo Cochran; Mrs. A. T. Hubbard.

## DARDANELLE-RUSSELLVILLE:

Centerville-Gray Evans, Missionary; Mrs. Gray Evans.

Dardanelle—Loyal Prior, Pastor.

London-Erwin L. McDonald, Pastor.

Russellville-Fritz E. Goodbar, Pastor.

#### DELTA:

Lake Village-Boyd Baker, Pastor.

McGehee-L. C. Craig, Pastor.

Montrose—T. D. Douglas, Pastor; Mrs. T. D. Douglas.

Omega-J. M. Holder, Pastor.

## FAULKNER COUNTY:

Beryl-E. F. Simmons, Associational Missionary.

Conway-Blake Smith, Pastor; J. S. Rogers, President, Arkansas

Baptist State Convention; Mrs. J. S. Rogers, O. J. Wade, President, Central College; Mrs. O. J. Wade, Mrs. Fay Lasley, Roberta Best, Mrs. Isabel Hanner.

#### GAINESVILLE:

Piggott—Russell J. Clubb, Pastor; Mrs. Russell J. Clubb, M. H. Potter, Mrs. M. H. Potter.

Rector-H. A. Turner, Pastor; Allen Brooks.

## GREENE COUNTY ASSOCIATION:

Marmaduke—Mrs. Vernie Cupples, Donald Cupples, Dorotha D. Rasberry, Jean Shelby, Verne Cupples.

Paragould—Irving M. Prince, Pastor; Mrs. Irving M. Prince, Mrs. H. N. Benie, Mrs. C. E. Hays, Edity Sheece, Mrs. J. A. Edwards, Mrs. Guy Thornton, Mrs. W. M. Kimbrough, J. A. Edwards, Mrs. Delmar Campbell, Mrs. Buddy Mitchell, Mrs. Henry Stoker, Billie Louis Bierbaum, Louis Bierbaum, Geo. Stuart, Mrs. Louis Bierbaum, Mrs. Geo. W. Stuart, George N. Villimer.

East Side—V. A. Phillips, Mrs. V. A. Phillips.

### HARMONY:

DeWitt-Ralph B. Glover, Pastor.

Gould-Mrs. J. E. Short, Mrs. J. D. Crockett.

Humphrev—M. S. Jaggars, Pastor.

Oak Grove-Ed Harness, Pastor.

Pine Bluff:

Calvary—Ben Wofford, Pastor; Mrs. Ben Wofford.

Lee Memorial—Chas. W. Finch, Pastor; Mrs. Chas. W. Finch.

Matthews Memorial-J. T. Summers, Pastor.

South Side—L. A. Sparkman, Pastor; Mrs. L. A. Sparkman.

Plum Bayou-C. R. Cooper, Pastor.

Reydel—J. E. Ratliff, Pastor.

Rison-Joe B. Sullivan, Pastor.

Star City-W. R. Vestal, Pastor.

## HOPE:

Hope-William R. Hamilton, Pastor.

Lewisville—Fred A. White, Pastor; L. Y. Lewis, Associational Missionary.

Magnolia Central-J. B. Luck, Pastor.

Stamps—James H. Fitzgerald, Pastor; Mrs. James H. Fitzgerald.

Texarkana-J. H. Webb, Pastor, Beech Street.

#### INDEPENDENCE:

#### Batesville:

Calvary—Byron King, Pastor; Mrs. Byron King.

First-W. D. Edwards, Pastor; Mrs. W. D. Edwards, Mrs.

G. M. Jordan.

#### LIBERTY:

El Dorado—Chas. W. Daniel, Pastor; C. B. Hall, Associate Pastor.

Norphlet—Ford F. Gauntt, Pastor.

Stephens-H. L. Rutledge, Pastor.

'Strong-W. V. Walls.

Union—Hugh Cantrell, Pastor; Mrs. Hugh Cantrell, W. S. Jackson, Mrs. B. F. Suggs.

#### LITTLE RED RIVER:

Heber Springs—C. E. Lawrence, Pastor; Mrs. C. E. Lawrence; M. G. Barnett, Theo. M. James, Paul E. Haynes, Mrs. S. B. Rector.

Miller-Tom Poole, Pastor at Concord.

Mt. Olive-H. J. Adkins, Pastor.

Palestine-C. W. Tapley, Pastor; Imogene Bettis, Donice Bivens.

#### LITTLE RIVER:

Ashdown-A. P. Elliff, Pastor.

DeQueen-L. L. Hunnicutt, Pastor.

Lockesburg-Stanley Jordan, Pastor.

Mineral Springs-Wade Armstrong, Pastor.

Nashville-Robert Barker, Pastor; Mrs. Robert Barker.

Old Liberty—Andy Hall, Pastor.

## MISSISSIPPI COUNTY:

Blytheville-O. J. Chastain, Pastor.

Brinkley Chapel—H. M. Robertson, Pastor; Carl Bunch, Jim McCullar, W. J. Webb.

Cole Ridge-L. G. Scott, Pastor.

Dell-M. R. Griffin, Pastor.

Luxora—W. L. Francis.

New Liberty-W. C. Tharp, Pastor; Mrs. W. C. Tharp.

Osceola-Harold B. Tillman, Pastor,

Wells Chapel—B. W. Christopher, Pastor; Mrs. B. W. Christopher, Lawrence Roland, Mrs. J. N. Bunch.

Wilson-W. D. Wallace, Pastor.

## MOUNT ZION:

Brookland-Mrs. J. R. Powell, Mrs. Rex Moore.

Caraway—Kyle Lawrence, Pastor; Mrs. Kyle Lawrence, Miss Florence Jarvis.

Cash—Mrs. Geo. Bundren; W. M. Freeze, Jr.; Mrs. James Green; Mrs. Nell Ellison.

Hickory Grove-John Parrott, Pastor.

Hickory Ridge-Gerald C. Rowe, Pastor.

Inneshoro.

Central—Mrs. J. H. Hambrooke; O. H. Johnson, Mrs. R. F. Barnett.

First—O. L. Powers, Pastor; Mrs. H. L. Robinson, G. W. Pitts,
B. H. Parrish, T. M. Rea, A. E. Fortinberry, J. R. Barnett,
P. S. Osborne, A. S. Smith, J. R. Gregson, Chas. E. Tull,
Hoyt T. Purvis.

Fisher Street—L. G. Miller, Pastor; Mrs. L. G. Miller, T. C. Potter, Mrs. A. A. Dacus, Mrs. W. F. Fletcher, Mrs. T. C. Potter, Mrs. Sam McClish, Mrs. Chas. Bodi, Chas. Duffel, Mrs. Chas. Duffel, Miss Malania Duffel, Robert McCulloch, John Reed.

Walnut Street—E. T. Smith, Pastor; Mrs. E. T. Smith, Mrs. Riddick Coleman, Mrs. C. E. Shaver, Mrs. Ed Bird, Mrs. Fred Watson, Leonard Smith, Mrs. Letcher Langford, Letcher L. Langford.

Lake City—Mrs. A. J. Hunter, Fred Carter, G. T. Alexander, Mrs. G. T. Alexander.

Lunsford-A. B. Jordan, Pastor.

Monette—Russell Duffer, Pastor; Mrs. Russell Duffer.

Mt. Pisgah-S. E. Brinkley, Mrs. J. T. Bradley.

Mt. Pleasant-Mrs. Mabel Houston, Mrs. M. F. Elrod.

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Bierne—Thos. W. Dove, Pastor.

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Prescott-E. P. J. Garrott, Pastor; Mrs. E. P. J. Garrott.

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Trumann—W. C. Rowe, Pastor; Frank F. Norflett, Association Missionary; Aubrey Rye.

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NOTE:—Pastor, (P); Student Pastor, (SP); Retired, (R); Missionary, (M); District Missionary, (DM); Associate Pastor, (AP); Preacher-Teacher, (PT); Evangelist, (E); Student, (S).

Abbott, C. O., Rte. 3, L. Rock, (P).
Abington, E. Butler, Ft. Smith, (DM).
Acuff, E. H., Blevins, (PT).
Adams, J. B., Cedar Glades, (P).
Adams, O. M., Little Rock, Rte. 3.
Adkins, H. J., Banner, (P).
Atkinson, Theo., Marshall.
Ayers, B. L., Eureka Springs.
Agnew, Louis, Alpena Pass.
Aiken, Paul, Sparkman, (P).
Allen, Harmon, Waldron, (P).

Allison, Alvin, Walnut Ridge, (P).
Allison, E. D., Florence.
Allison, J. A., Attica, (P).
Albertson, Elbert, Bentonville.
Altom, J. E., Floral, (P).
Amos, J. A., Booneville, (P).
Anders, F. O., Burdett.
Anderson, C. S., Hatfield.
Anderson, Chas. W., Des Arc, (P).
Anderson, E., El Paso, (P).
Anderson, Grady, Pine Bluff.
Anderson, Thos., Rte. 6, L. Rock.

Anglin, J. B., Havana. Applegate, D. C., Jr., Paragould, Second Church, (P). Applegate, D. C., Sr., Nettleton, Appling, Bill, Arkansas City, (P). Appling, Carl, Etowah, (P). Archer, G. W., Hoxie, (P). Armer, Russell, Viola, (P). Armstrong, D. Wade, Arkadelphia, (SP). Arnold, J. R., Arlberg. Ayers, S. M., Formosa. Ashcraft, Johnnie, Louisville, Ky., Ashcraft, Morris, A'delphia, (SP). Ashley, L. R., Morrilton, (P). Autrey, G. S., No. Little Rock. Atteberry, B., DeQueen, (R). Ayers, B. L., Rogers, Immanuel Church, (P). Babb, Keith, Strong, (P). Bailey, J. Q., Van Buren. Bailey, Thurman, Miller. Bailey, W. A., Oak Grove. Baker, Boyd, Lake Village, (P). Baker, Ernest, Hartford, (P). Baker, J. D., Havana. Baker, Milford, Siloam Springs. Balding, A. C., Conway. Barber, I. N., Little Rock, (P). Barker, R. O., Nashville, (P). Baldwin, E., Ola. Barner, W. M., Bono. Barnes, H. C., Monticello, (P). Barnes, Tom, Portland, (P). Barnes, H. L., Hartford. Barnes, Seth, Vandervoort. Barnett, J. R., Jonesboro. Barrett, W. R., Selma. Barton, Lee, El Dorado. Bashaw, B. H., Cedar Glades, (P). Basinger, John M., Mulberry, (P). Bates, Dave, Big Fork. Bates, Geo. M., Little Rock. Batson, J. A., Wooster. Baxter, Roger M., Portland, (P).

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Bayless, W. W., Gassville, (P).

Bridges, B. L., Little Rock, General Sec., Arkansas Baptist. Brinkley, C. B., Conway. Brister, Harry, Warren. Brooks, Alvin, Hot Springs. Brown, Clarence, Clarksville. Brown, E. C., Warren, (P). Brown, L. E., W. Memphis, (P). Browning, Mark J., Parks. Bryan, Milo, Greenwood, (P). Bryant, E. C., Pleasant Plains. Bullock, H. S., Magazine, (P). Burge, G. W., Moorefield. Burge, S. J., Batesville, (P). Burgess, J. W., Hot Springs. Burlison, Irvin, Seminary Hill, Texas. Burnett, Bill, Arkadelphia, (SP). Burnett, J. D., Houston. Burnett, M. G., Heber Springs. Burnett, W. M., A'delphia, (SP). Burnside, L. B., Texarkana, (P). Burrows, J. M., Mansfield. Burt, Henry, Harrison, (P). Burton, M. C., Pineville. Burton, John, Louann, (P). Busby, Best, Hughes. Bush, A. F., Vilonia. Butler, Irby, Paragould, (P). Butler, J. O., Black Springs, (R). Butler, Raymond, Clarksville, (M). Butler, R. A., Little Rock, CCC Chaplain. Byers, W. A., Bearden, (P). Byers, J. H., Mansfield. Byrd, J. L., Little Rock, (P). Byrum, W. T., Alma, Rte. 2. Cain, James R., Foreman, (P). Caldwell, F. B., Armorel. Caldwell, J. H., Fayetteville, (M). Calhoun, C. N., Centerton, (R). Calhoun, R. E., Des Arc. Callaway, J. E., Junc. City., (P). Canady, F. E., El Dorado, (P). Cantrell, Hugh, El Dorado, (P). Carleton, C. S., Texarkana, (P). Carter, Charlie, Beulah.

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Mooney, Jim, Coal Hill. Moore, C. H., Ink. Moore, C. K., Opal. Moore, David, A'delphia, (SP). Moore, J. C., Russellville. Moore, R. V., Hartford. Moore, W. H., Wright. Morgan, Elmer, A'delphia, (M). Morris, J. A., Rudy, (P). Morris, H. J., Cedarville. Morris, W. J., Cabot, (P). Morrison, O. P., DeQueen. Morton, H. D., Mountain Home. Morrow, L. R., Hope. Mosier, Irwin, A'delphia, (SP). Mosley, Marion, Kensett, (P). Mowrey, H. L., Little Rock, (P). Muncy, A. F., Waldron, (P). Myers, L. A., Little Rock, Editor, Arkansas Baptist. Myers, Paul, A'delphia, (SP). Myrick, C. M., Siloam Spgs., (R). Nall, R. W., Little Rock. Nash, Chas., Arkadelphia, (SP). Naylor, Robert E., A'delphia, (P). Neeley, Golden E., Corning, (P). Neal, J. H., Wilson, (P). Nethercutt, G. E., Paron, (P). Nettles, Orval, Pollard. Newsom, J. L., Blytheville, (P). Nichols, W. F., Alma, (P). Nichols, J. E., Cedar Glades. Nixon, Rolla, Warren, (P). Nobbles, J. B., Greenwood, (P). Norfleet, Frank, Trumann, (M). Norman, G. W., Heber Springs. Norris, Omer, No. L. Rock, (P). Nunn, J. A. L., Little Rock. Oglesby, H. N., Roland. O'Neal, W. B., Floral, (P). O'Neal, M. D., Sparkman, (P). Orr, L. Q., Texarkana, (P). Osborn, Edwin, Monticello. Otey, R. C., Little Rock, (P). Outland, J. C., Conway. Overton, James A., Arkadelphia, (DM).

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Yarborough, Vernon, Hartford,
(P).

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#### 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-fourths of the members of the Convention present and voting shall decide that an emergency exists which makes immediate authorization necessary.

#### Article X.—Unalterable

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

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

## STATISTICAL REPORT BY ASSOCIATIONS FOR 1941

		•	rs		MEM.	BERS			DAY OOLS	В. Т	`. U.		W. M.	U.	D. V	7. B. S.				•		
ASSOCIATIONS	When Organized	No. of Churches	No. of Ordained Ministers	No. of Pastors	Members Reported, 1940	Baptisms	n be	No. S. S.	S. S. Enrollment	No. of Unions	B. T. U. Enrollment	No. of Organizations	Enrollm't All Organizations	Gifts Through All W. M. U. Organizations	No. of D. V. B. S.	1 2 E	Pastor's Salary	Co-operative Program	All Other Missions and Designations	Total Amount Raised for All Local Work Except WMU Including Pastor's Salary	Total Amt. Raised for All Purposes Except WMU	Total Value All Property
3. Benton County 4. Big Creek 5. Black River 6. Boone-Carroll 7. Buckner 8. Buckner	1850   1885   1874   1914   1938   1878	17  41  19  13  29  24  37	17 41 30 5 14 17 32	15 22 12 5 12 17 31	3,954 *6,669 2,763 841 2,487 2,105 3,037 1,316 1,477	277 496 163 25 179 124 181 79 68 76 287	2,353 2,392 2,964 1,482	41 18 10 26 22 31	2,846 5,532 2,437 582 1,983 1,660 2,519 1,408	50 82 68 5 62 *42 49	648 1,352 864 238 627 1,123 681 271	33 3 28 21 8	*868 *1,100 *639 *121 *642 *361 250 157	5,246.90 1,905.95 522.98 1,222.00 652.50	333	946 289 180	\$ 17,251,00  18,345.78  8,445.55  1,470.00  7,599.74  7,035.38  7,220.13	2,910.41 1,243.25 133.00 596.20 1,056.95 680.67 53.00 465.45	4,343.03 1,653.87 371.98 2,159.25 1,841.50 1,688.04 189.92 1,093.01	45,187.53 16,881.87 3,794.51 12,228.80 15,150.96 14,760.28 7,658.78	48,736.00   52,440.97   20,778.99   4,299.49   14,984.25   18,049.41   17,128.99   9,217.24	188,325.00 74,900.00 8,550.00 90,000.00 67,850.00 69,800.00 23,400.00
13. Clear Creek 14. Concord 15. Current River 16. Dardanelle-Russellville	1872 1870 1880 1854 1929	13 27 21 28 28 15 24 30 25	13 27 38 27 16 16 *14 26 15	12 17 16 27 16 11 *14 19 15	2,255 4,517 5,541 2,973 12,391 1,839 3,118 4,122 2,917	434 165 539 90 123 230 107	2,421 4,311 6,259 3,061 12,697 1,955 2,962 4,218 3,105	24 21 26 24 15 21 26 23	1,661 3,231 5,580 2,591 8,326 1,290 2,231 2,967 2,195	40 11 86 83 198 37 32 17	560 723 1,588 1,005 3,189 476 447 818	22 16 44 15 68 21 21 44 13	*370 546 *557 1,438 *449 *554 842	4,893.75 2,830.66 10,236.03 3,960.45 8,038.14 1,155.81 2,511.04 7,999.41	3 13 13 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	87 491 150	8,030.87 15,007.20 18,920.50 9,036.15 25,382.40 5,267.36 9,459.65 16,672.66 6,528.80	1,404.17 2,696.69 3,554.35 1,290.09 8,969.83 433.93 1,053.48 1,308.56 2,575.67	1,513.82 6,337.29 6,549.14 1,899.68 8,060.53 1,675.96 1,615.60 3,211.84 1,215.07	20,731.53 31,038.52 59,445.99 18,552.54 88,134.26 11,043.57 19,097.40 28,217.33 12,784.11	23,649.52 40,072.50 69,549.48 21,742.31 105,164.62 13,153.46 21,766.48 32,737.73 16,574.85	63,975.00 147,200.00 187,150.00 87,850.00 666,400.00 49,100.00 128,950.00 158,650.00 81,771.00
20. Gainesville 21. Green County 22. Harmony 23. Hope 24. Independence 25. Liberty 26. Little Red River	1874   1925   1918   1908   1850   1845   1872	11 15 35 29 31 18 36 13 22	*7 8 20 39 32 10 41 16 15	7 8 20 25 24 10 27 5	698 1,775 4,778 8,604 6,872 1,940 10,695 1,609 3,280	43 154 213 403 287 70 558 158 227	3,636	16 33 32 30 14 35 10 22	767 1,403 3,680 7,506 4,067 1,436 7,506 1,399 2,204	5 34 100 159 124 54 124 4 54	1,117 686 2,077 465 713	5 6 20 67 47 20 88 23 31	69 136 246 1,234 *1,091 *646 1,940 356 535	328.40 1,146.97 3,263.14 17,052.45 8,880.73 1,643.52 21,521.50 1,697.63	3 1 3 5 10 8 4 9 9	117 302 1,097 548 339 1,137	2,538.00 4,816.10 8,720.35 29,874.28 18,442.86 5,370.00 32,548.48 3,108.33 11,335.69	172.70 539.16 2,067.49 7,551.58 5,304.63 553.75 10,191.73 292.15 1,013.56	341.44 2,274.26 4,596.44 15,604.73 6,047.68 668.86 19,072.85 402.15 3,085.37	4,638.00 8,152.13 27,153.61 61,478.83 64,556.88 13,352.89 77,349.05 5,453.54 23,265.59	5,152.14 10,965.55 33,817.54 84,635.14 75,909.19 15,129.25 106,348.03 6,147.83 27,364.52	12,500.00 48,950.00 156,100.00 320,500.00 325,625.00 98,750.00 447,000.00 28,300.00 130,100.00
31. Pulaski County	1870 1916 1848 1842 1919 1925	32 26 16 47 29 10 17 23	36 36 9 78 23 6 15 15	25 20 16 37 20 5 9	5,721 5,164 961 17,905 4,861 828 *1,423 3,531	227 531 203 89 964 177 32 65 296	5,908 5,340 1,013 18,008 5,039 865 1,203 3,795	30 32 15 36 29 9 11 22	4,609 3,884 914 12,608 3,765 623 1,045 3,107	121 73 18 217 83 6 20 66	1,822 4,865 298 2,882 1,202 143 321 992	39 50 7 104 28 3 12 44	*907 741 *315 2,024 432 72 *244 *880	3,461.18 5,844.01 216.19 37,414.96 4,528.47 10.00 290.28 4,657.39	3 3 6 6 9 9 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	817 1,262 654 69 236	20,890.89 19,824.88 1,982.02 43,551.87 13,465.57 1,828.10 4,454.76 13,201.10	2,306.92 3,336.63 86.41 19,590.63 3,898.41 218.07 323.86 3,483.03	5,114.93 17,058.70 552.62 30,577.53 3,964.99 333.40 184.64 5,943.60	63,908.43 48,836.23 7,268.42 202,638.51 31,081.88 3,224.21 6,043.94 31,803.50	71,330.28 69,231.56 7,907.45 252,806.67 38,945.28 3,775.68 6,552.44 44,446.03	214,850.00 153,675.00 18,850.00 912,700.00 195,450.00 10,700.00 20,650.00 150,665.00
36. Trinity 37. Washington-Madison Co. 38. White County 39. White River 40. Woodruff County Unassociated Totals	1938   1919   1926   1842   1928	28 12 21 13 10 904	22 10 19 12 8 8	20 9 12 6 8	$egin{array}{c} 2,425 \ 2,366 \ 2,529 \ *960 \ 1,230 \ 482 \ \hline 154,959 \ \hline \end{array}$	379 85 175 65 76 30 8,923	2,860 2,459 2,549 1,132 1,235 * 482 158,443	12  21  12  10	2,211 1,639 1,788 735 1,191 17,126	48 53 63 13 28 2,347	539 646 941 187 393 39,953	6 28 25 5 10 1,123	180 *388 *501 *155 241 22,227	3,774.28 5,874.33 1,197.54 115.00 2,714.93 \$176,808.52		186 133 117	9,654.31 6,899.00 6,034.72 3,085.83 4,825.60 \$452,767.01	1,136.97 1,335.95 657.29 194.00 554.55 327.30 \$ 98,633.47	7,553.63 2,410.55 1,215.90 366.00 880.98 260.35 \$181,183.13	13,651.42 4,061.00	19,638.16 24,268.05 15,524.61 4,621.00 9,740.14 1,464,302.82	105,350.00 108,500.00 60,425.00 16,950.00 42,700.00

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