



-----EIGHTIETH YEAR-----SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION

Held with Second Baptist Church Malvern, Arkansas

NEXT SESSION

To Convene with Midway Church, in Hot Spring County, Friday, at 7:30 p.m., before the First Sunday in October, 1917. Elder O. C. Robinson to Preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder N. D. Jones, Alternate.

ELDER W. A. CLARK, Moderator, A. B. SHOCKLEY, Clerk and Treasurer Hot Springs, Ark. Slocomb, Ark.

Minutes of the Saline Baptist Association

1916

CONTAINING

THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION-EIGHTIETH YEAR.

HELD WITH

MALVERN SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH, MALVERN, ARK.

SEPT. 29, 30 and OCT. 1 and 2, 1916

ELD. W. A. CLARK, Moderator

Hot Springs, Ark.

A. B. SHOCKLEY, Clerk and Treasurer

Slocumb, Ark.

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PROGRAM AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Friday Night at 7:30

Introductory sermon.

Saturday Morning at 8:30

Devotional service, 9:00 o'clock. Call for letters from the churches. Appoint committee to read letters. Appoint committee on divine service. After letters are read and messengers enrolled. Organize.

Saturday Afternoon

Renew call for letters. Call for petitionary letters. Invite nounce the usual committees. Call for report on divine service.

Sunday

Devotional service.

Monday Session

Devotional service at 8:30.

Call for the reading of minutes.

Call roll of messengers and mark names of absentees.

Call for report of committees, treasurer's report and report of missionary work.

Call for resolutions and miscellaneous business. Adjournment,

PROCEEDINGS.

Friday at 7:30 P. M., Sept. 29, 1916, the Saline Association met with the Second Baptist Church at Malvern, Arkansas, and after a few minutes spent in song and prayer service Eld. H. L. Kirkpatrick preached the introductory sermon to a large and attentive audience.

Saturday, Forenoon Session

Met at 9:00 A. M. Called to order by Eld. O. C. Robinson. Eld. W. A. Clark led in devotional services, when letters from the churches were called for and read by Bros. J. C. Ross, Jno. S. Jehnson and W. F. Daniel as reading clerks.

The body effected permanent organization by electing Eld. W. A. Clark, Moderator, and A. B. Shockley, Clerk and Treasurer. It now being 11:00 A. M., Eld. Ben M. Bogard preached an interesting sermon, his theme being "The Power and Duty of a Church," Adjourned to meet at 2:00 P. M.

Sunday Afternoon Session

Assembled at 2:00 P. M.

The Moderator appointed the Deacons and Pastor of Landmark Church, with which we are assembled, as a committee on preaching. Visitors were recognized as follows:

Eld. J. A. Smith, editor of the Baptist paper, published at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Eld. Ben M. Bogard, editor of the Baptist Commoner, published in Texarkana, Arkansas.

A petitionary letter was presented from Oak Hill Church, represented by Bros. J. B. Sublett and Willis Car, but owing to the fact that the letter did not state whether or not they had adopted any church covenant or articles of Faith, also it was rumored a certain sister association had refused to accept this church, therefore a committee composed of Bros. W. T. Whitten, T. G. Goza and J. L. Fowler were appointed to investigate the matter and report at our next session.

Bro. — — Hardage of Oak Grove Church was present and stated that his church failed to send messengers or a letter, but that he would like to have the church represented. He was informed that the Association had no power or authority to appoint or elect messengers for any church; therefore he could only he recognized as a visitor, and this was done.

The churches were represented as follows:

Antioch-R. H. Tillery.

Bellview-W. B. Harden, Will Burgess.

Big Creek-Charley Roblin, J. A. Robinson.

Bismarck-G. R. Diffie.

Brush Creek-A. S. Rhodes, W. R. Toler, J. D. Stiles.

Caney-Lee Whitley, J. D. Ledbetter.

Cedar Grove-R. S. Elliott.

Center Hill-J. C. Sissell.

Damascus-S. H. Masters, J. A. Paul, W. C. Brown.

Fairplay-J. A. Langley, J. M. Floyd, W. H. Hendrix.

Franceway-W. J. Cooper, R. E. Clardy, G. J. Samons.

Friendship-J. L. Fowler, R. T. Foreman, M. C. Fowler.

Haskell-John S. Johnson.

Hot Springs, First Church-A. T. Moody, Dana Terry, Mrs. Terry.

Hickory Grove-By Letter.

Hot Springs, Second Church—C. F. J. Tate, J. W. Mc-Donald, J. D. Brock.

Landmark-B. C. Fitzhugh, L. R. Sweeney, Fred Harkins.

Lono-Ed Ross, W. D. Brooks,

Lonsdale-Henry Houpt, W. F. Daniel, Mrs. W. R. Carpenter.

Magnet Cove-J. A. Verser, R. F. Orr.

Malvern, First Church-J. T. Howell, J. C. Ross, W. A. Haley.

Malvern, Third Church-J. O. Keith.

Midway-Chas. M. Hughes, C. C. Orr, D. M. Ayers.

Nebo-By Letter.

New Hope, No. 1-E. A. Funk, T. O. Phillips, B. C. McDermott. Oak Lawn-R. H. Hinson, Mrs. Wm. Smith, Mrs. Ben Hall, H. E. Kirkpatrick. Ouachita-W. A. Hammond, T. G. Goza, W. T. Goza. Park Place-T. H. Jordan Pleasant Hill-Leon Johnson, J. E. Taylor, D. K. May. Red Oak-Jack Farr, Lant Epproly, Garland Walker. Reyburn Creek-W. F. Westerman, A. L. Sims. Saline-S. A. Newcomb. Smith Creek-R. M. Zeigler, J. H. Rigsby. Sulphur Springs-W. A. Clark, D. D. Denton, Mrs. Denton. Springdale-W. T. Whitten, A. E. Lowley, H. Helms. Sweet Home-By Letter. Taylor's Chapel-Mrs. J. K. Hall, Matte Ledbetter. Ten Mile-S. F. Funk, O. C. Robinson, A. B. Shockley. Traskwood-B. F. Landreth, J. W. Roland, T. J. Woodall. Union-By Letter. Valley-W. T. Shuffield, J. F. Taylor, J. L. King.

Forty churches represented by 88 messengers.

A motion carried to select speakers to discuss the temperence question at 10:30 A. M., Sunday at the several church houses in the city and the following named brethren were selected: A. B. Shockley, at the First Baptist; A. T. Moody, at the Second Baptist or Landmark; Eld. T. H. Jordan, at the Methodist; Eld. Dana Terry, at the Presbyterian, and Eld. W. A. Clark at the Court House at 3:00 P. M. All these meetings were well attended and some good speeches made, telling of the great evils brought about by the liquor traffic.

Eld. J. A. Smith made a good talk on State Missions and a collection of \$26.00 was taken for this work and paid to Eld. Smith.

A committee on resolutions, composed of J. A. Verser, J. E. Taylor and D. D. Denton, were appointed by the Moderator to consider a resolution offered by the Lardmark Church.

B. C. Fitzhugh, J. A. Langley and R. F. Orr were appointed as a committee on Orphan's Home.

Adjourned to meet in husiness session Monday at 8:00 A. M. Saturday Night

Eld. O. C. Robinson preached at the Landmark Church, but as the preaching committee made no report for this hour that came into my hands I have no record of services at the other churches.

Sunday Services

At 11:00 A. M. there was preaching at the First Baptist by Eld. J. W. McDonald; Landmark Church, Eld. W. A. Clark; Third Church, Eld. W. T. Whitten.

7:30 P. M. at the First Church Eld. Dana Terry; at the

Landmark Church, Eld. N. D. Jones; at the Third Church, Eld. T. H. Jordan.

At the close of the eleven o'clock service at the Landmark Church a public collection of \$14.83 was taken for Associational and State Missions, to be, as we understood, divided equally between the two missions.

Monday Afternoon Session

Met at the hour appointed, and the Moderator, after calling the house to order, called for reports of committees, when the committee on Foreign Missions made the following report:

Foreign Missions

We, your committee on Foeign Missions, beg leave to revisiting brothers and corresponding messengers to seats. Anport as follows:

We believe in the commission which was given to the churches, which command was, "Go preach the Gospel to all nations of the earth." When we look on the foreign fields and see the millions for whom Jesus died, and for whom He suffered, that are lost, and then see how little we, as Christians, are doing to carry the Gospel to them that they might be saved, we are made ashamed of our efforts in the past. We know according to the teaching of God's Word, that unless the Gospel is carried to them, and they accept it and are saved by the blood of Jesus, that they will be eternally lost.

Therefore, we recommend that all the churches of the Saline Association make liberal contributions to our missionaries in the foreign fields, who are making a sacrifice of their lives to obey God's Word and to carry this commission out as given to the churches.

> Respectfully Submitted, O. C. ROBINSON, A. S. RHODES,

Committee.

The foregoing report was discussed by Elder's O. C. Robinson, Dana Terry, W. A. Clerk, C. F. J. Tate and adopted.

The report on State Missions was read and discussed by a number of the messengers and adopted, as follows:

State Missions.

We, your committee on State Missions, ask leave to submit the following report:

If we are to retain the name of missionaries in truth and in fact, we must prove our right and title to the same by our works. Our Master said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." A part of the world of missions, applied to our life, is the State in which we live. State Missions is to our state, what Associational Missions is to Saline Association. If missionaries are to go and preach under the commission and command of the Master, a necessary part of the field is the State, and in order that the commission and command of our Master shall be carried out, we must give of our means to these missionaries.

We recommend that the churches give this question more prayerful consideration, and that they give more liberally to this cause as the spirit of God may direct them to the end that each church may directly aid in the carrying out of the great Commission.

> Respectfully submitted, J. C. ROSS, JNO. S. JOHNSON, Committee.

Elders R. W. Glover, E. L. Page and Bros. R. R. Adams and W. H. Evans were welcomed as visitors from Pine Bluff Association.

Report on Prayer Meetings read, discussed and adopted as follows:

Prayer Meetings

One of the greatest needs of any church today is a wideawake prayer meeting. The greatest factor in any Christian life is prayer. The praying Christian is the working Christian and never sits on the stool of do-nothing in God's vineyard. And the church that maintains a live prayer meeting is not and cannot be a dead church.

We therefore recommend that every church have a regular weekly prayer meeting, and we urge that the messengers to this body, on their return to their churches, if they have no regular prayer meeting, that they do all they can to organize and maintain one.

> Respectfully submitted, T. H. JORDAN, W. A. HAMMOND, ED ROSS,

Committee.

Change of Constitution

Your committee recommends that the following article be added to our Constitution and numbered Article 2, and the succeeding articles be numbered in their order.

This Association in all co-operative work agrees that it will co-operate only along lines in harmony with Acts 13th chapter, as exemplified by the Landmark Baptists.

> J. A. VERSER, D. D. DENTON, J. E. TAYLOR,

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Committee.

After a spirited discussion by quite a number of the messengers the foregoing report was adopted by a standing vote— 43 to 12—when a motion prevailed to adjourn until 2:00 P. M.

Monday Afternoon Session

Met at 2:00 P. M.

J. C. Ross made a statement of the work done by the Executive Committee. The following is the report of the committee:

We, your Executive Committee, appointed at the last session of Saline Association, ask leave to make the following report:

In obedience to the duties imposed upon us by this Association and after prayerful consideration, we selected Brothers W. A. Clark and L. E. Holt as Missionaries to work if possible two months each at a salary of \$75,00 per month. From reports made by these two missionaries they were unable to do two months work each, Brother Clark having been able to work but 20 days, and Brother Holt but six weeks. The reports of the missionaries are filed with the clerk of the Association who will make suitable reference thereto in the minutes of the present session of the Association. We are thankful that at least some good has been accomplished by each of these missionaries. This Association has elected its missionaries for next year and we, in making this report to you, ask that you pray for the blessings of God to rest on the work. May God prosper it and may much good be done next year in His name.

> Respectfully submitted, J. C. ROSS, A. B. SHOCKLEY, B. C. FITZHUGH, W. K. JOHNSON,

Committee.

The report of Elder L. E. Holt as missionary, was made and adopted as follows:

Missionary Holt's Report

On the 30th of April, this year, the Executive Committee of the Saline Association elected me as one of its missionaries to serve a period of two months. On account of some arrangements made to hold a meeting out of the Saline Association some months before I was elected missionary, I have been unable to give only six (6) weeks to the mission work. In this short time I could not begin to reach all the places that should have been reached; however, I tried to do my best for the Association and the Lord. I desire to report the following:

Churches and missions visited, 12; sermons preached, 63; revival meetings held, 4; sinners who howed asking for prayer, 84; professions of faith, 15; baptisms, 9; additions to churches, 12; religious homes visited, 37; unsaved homes visited, 4; miles traveled, 200; Sunday Schools organized, 1; preachers licensed, 1; money collected on the field—from Reyburn Creek Church, \$6; from Taylor's Chapel Church, \$2.10; Malvern, First Church, \$1; Smith Creek Church, \$18.50; Bellview Church, \$5.06; Park Place Church, \$21.65. Total \$54.31. Balance due, \$58.19.

Respectfully,

L. E. HOLT, Missionary.

Missionary Clark's Report

To the Executive Committee of the Saline Association, Greeting: In harmony with your electing me to do evangelistic work in the bounds of the Association, I submit this report:

I went to Saline Church August the 1st and labored with the pastor, preaching nine times and witnessed four baptisms. I then went to Kentucky Church and held 8 services; one profession. August 19th I went to Magnet Cove Church, put in 6 days service and preached seven sermons. There were 5 professions and 4 baptisms by the pastor. I then held a 10 days meeting with Sulphur Springs Church, resulting in 10 baptisms and 3 received by letter. I spent the 3rd Sunday in September with Mountain Brook Church. A good field, but needs cultivation. 4th Sunday in September I visited Center View Church and Teager Creek, another good neighborhood, but distracted by false teachers, both these fields want me to hold meetings with them.

Summary of Work

Days worked 20, Sermons delivered 30, professions 11, baptized by pastor, 9, collections—Saline church \$5.50, Kentucky Church 80c, Magnet Cove Church \$5.52. Total \$11.82. My work was greatly impared by false statements circulated against me by enemies of Landmark Baptist. Then my health was not equal to the task undertaken.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. CLARK.

The committee on Associational Missions made its report and after being discussed by Brothers Fitzhugh, Robinson and others it was adopted as follows:

Associational Missions

From the best information we have there are communities in our association that are destitute of the Gospel, and some churches destitute of pastors. We believe this Association should supply this destitution. We therefore recommend that this body elect as many missionaries as it sees proper to supply the destitution in this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

B. C. FITZHUGH,R. H. HINSON,W. F. WESTERMAN,

A motion carried to elect missionaries and to pay them \$75 per month for the actual time they are engaged in the work. Elders N. D. Jones and W. A. Clark were nominated and elected to do what mission work they can in the real destitution when not engaged in their pastoral work, it being understood that each of them have the care of churches for half their time.

Pledges were made to Associational Missions by messengers as follows:

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Antioch\$ 5.00	0 Ouachita 10.00
Brush Creek 5.00	Pleasant Hill 5.00
Cedar Grove 5.00	Reyburn Church 5.00
Fairplay 10.00	Smith Creek 5.00
Franceway 10.00	
Haskell 10.00	Taylor's Chapel 5.00
Lonsdale 5.00	Ten Mile 10.00
Landmark 10.00	Traskwood 5.00
Midway 5.00)
	Total \$115.00

Sunday Schools

The following report read, amended and adopted as follows: We find that there is great improvement in the bounds of cur Association along the line of Sunday School work, and we thank God for the interest that is being taken by the churches and we recommend that every church have a Sunday School if it be only a small one. The Landmark Sunday School Literature is published at Texarkana, Ark., by the Baptist Sunday School Committee.

> A. T. MOODY, S. A. NEWCOMB, E. A. FUNK, Committee,

Nominations

Report adopted as follows:

We recommend that the next session of this Association convene with Midway Church on Friday night before the first Sunday in October, 1917, and that Elder O. C. Robinson preach the introductory sermon Friday night; alternate Elder N. D. Jones.

> Respectfully submitted, R. F. ORR, J. M. FLOYD, Committee

Woman's Work

Report adopted as follows:

We find that in some churches the women are doing a great work. We should give them every encouragement. We refer to last report of the State Association for further information where it mentions 12 auxilaries and the amount they have contributed to the work they are doing. We pray that their hands and hearts may be guided by the Holy Spirit to do a greater work.

> W. T. WHITTEN, W. T. SHUFFIELD, LEON JOHNSON,

> > Committee.

Old Minister's Aid

At the last meeting of the District Meeting of the Fourth District of this Association it was agreed to ask the Association to adopt some plan by which we may relieve the distressed condition of old worn-out ministers who have spent their lives in the service, and by reason of that service have not accumulated a sufficient amount of this world's goods to support them in their declining years, we, the undersigned, were appointed to present this matter to your body.

B. C. FITZHUGH,

J. A. LANGLEY,

J. A. VERSER.

In response to the foregoing report a motion carried to request the churches to take collections to aid old indigent ministers and report to the next session of the Association.

A motion was made and carried that a public collection be taken for the relief of Eld. C. C. Warnock, who was an active minister and pastor in this Association for many years and was missionary a few years ago and did a good work in the real destitute parts of our Association, but now is and has been for the past two years an invalid, and much of the time suffering untold misery from blood poison. The collection amounted to \$21.30.

Obituaries

Report adopted as follows:

We, your committee on Obituaries, find from the letters that the following named members have died since the last session of this Association:

Ten Mile Nancy Carden	head and J. A. Melton.
Oak Lawn Etta Shaw	Center HillDoll Burgess
Oak LawnAshley Wood	New Hope Nancy Rucker
Bellview Herman Long	Antioch Ben Tucker
Damascus Francis Masters	Saline-J. A. Moore, G. W.

Springdale...W. C. Somerville

- Fairplay-Ben Clift, Geo. Miller, Minnie King and Eliza- Magnet Cove-Martha Ross, beth Otts.
- Pleasant Hill-E. D. Goza, M. Haskell......Epsie Hyten Williams, W. W. Wallace.

Malvern...Sister W. A. Haley

Pleasant Hill-Delilah Dowell,

and Mary Nix.

Lonsdale.....Eld, A. Tucker Friendship.....Mary E. Day

Lono-Emaline Gray, Melsouri Sulphur Springs-Ida Tramel, Yates, Florence Samuels.

Cedar Grove-Sandford White-

Edgin.

- Franceway Richard Sims Hot Springs, 1st-Sister J. F Henderson.
 - Martha York.

Revburn.....Sister Horn

Landmark. Sister J. R. Wallace

Ouachita-Nettie Collie, Loy

Shipp and Joe Hudson.

Sister Johnson.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. ORR,

N. D. JONES.

JNO. S. JOHNSON,

Committee.

On motion Bros. J. A. Langley, Bud Floyd and W. K. Johnson of Slocumb, Ark., were appointed a committee to raise funds to crect a monument at the grave of Eld. A. Tucker in the cemetery at Fairplay Church.

Orphan's Home

Report adopted as follows:

We, your committee on Orphan's Home, beg leave to report:

The Orphna's Home is known as the Texarkana Baptist Orohan's Home, and it is owned and controlled by the Baptist State Association.

The property is worth about twenty thousand dollars, and it consists of ten acres of land with a large thirty-eight room, modern brick building, with a good barn and a large lumber room and convenient out-houses. - With the exception of the ground the Home and the barn stands on, consisting of about one acre, the land is all in cultivation and the work is done by the large boys. There is a good crop of corn, potatoes, beans, peas, and other truck. There are twelve hogs, four cows, and some chickens which aid materially in providing a living for the orphans.

There are forty children in the Home, ranging in age from four years old up to twenty years; two or three of the girls having reached maturity. But these older girls are a great help to the Home as they help to manage the other children.

The girls of the Home do the cooking, house cleaning, washing and ironing, sewing and housekeeping. They work as do the average girls in private families. Thus the Home is conducted in as economical a manner as it is possible,

We recommend that liberal contributions be made for the support of the Home. Not only should money be sent but boxes of the things needed in a family should be made up by the sisters and sent to the Home.

Money should be sent to Eld. J. W. Sims, Marvell, Ark., who is the treasurer of the Home. But boxes should be sent to Eld. T. H. Carter, the manager of the Home, directed him at Texarkana, Arkansas.

Respectfully submitted,

B. C. FITZHUGH,

J. A. LANGLEY,

R. H. HINSON,

Treasurer's report read and adopted as follows: Treasurer's Report

For the year ending October 1, 1916:

1915

RECEIPTS

1010 RECEIPTED	
Oct. 4From Finance Committee for Asso. Missions\$	143.46
Oct. 4-From Finance Committee, for State Missions	4,00
Oct. 4—From Finance Committee, for Home Missions	.75
Oct. 4-From Finance Committee, for Foreign Missions	2.82
Oct. 4-From Finance Committee, for Orphan's Home.	10.45
Oct. 4-From Finance Committee, for Minutes and Clerk	52,47
Oct. 4-Public Collection, for Associational Missions	9.41
Oct. 4-Public Collection to pay an amount due clerk	12.50
Dec. 1-From Landmark Church, to pay on Amt. due clerk	1.00
Dec. 1-Postoffice money order to pay on Amt. due clerk	1.00
Dec. 15-From Smith Creek Church, to pay on Amt. due	
Clerk	.50
Dec. 18-From Pleasant Hill Ch. for Associational Mis.	5.25
Oct. 20-From Dist. meeting, for Orphan's Home at Tex-	
arkana, Ark	3.50
Nov. 8-From R. S. Elliott for Associational Missions	1.85
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Jan. 22-From Brush Creek Cb., Associational Missions	
by J. C. Ross	5,00
April 26-From Taylor's Chapel Ch., Associational Mis.	2.65
Sept. 23-From Ten Mile Ch., Associational Missions	10.00
Sept. 23-From Ten Mile Ch., for Orphna's Home	.50
Sept. 23-From Ten Mile Ch., for Minutes and Clerk	1.58
Sept. 29-Neboch Ch., for Associational Missions	1.00
Sept. 29-From Neboch Ch., for Home Missions	.50
Sept. 29-From Nebo Ch., for Orphans Home	2.00
Sept. 29-From Nebo Ch., for Minutes	1.00
Sept. 29-From Union Ch., for Orphans Home	.31
Sept. 29-From Union Ch., for Minutes	1.00
Oct. 1From Third Ch., Malvern for Minutes	3.00
Oct. 1-From Franceway for Minutes	1.00

Total	\$280.45
1915 AMOUNTS PAID OUT	
Oct. 3-Paid T. H. Jordan, Missionary	9.41
Oct. 7-Paid J. W. Sims for Orphans Home Texarkana	10.45
Oct. 11-Paid T. H. Jordan, Missionary	132.07
Oct. 23-Paid J. A. Smith for State Missions	4.00
Oct. 23-Paid C. C. Winters for Home Missions	.75
Oct. 23-Paid C. C. Winters for Foreign Missions	2.82
Nov. 2-Paid J. W. Sims for Orphans Home	3.50
Nov. 2-Paid C. C. Warnock for Mission Work,	15.00
Nov 12-Paid C. C. Warnock for Mission Work	2.00
Dec. 20-Paid C. C. Warnock for Mission Work	5.00
July 2, 1916-Paid C. C. Warnock for Mission Work	5.00
Dec. 16, 1915-Paid R. R. Adams for Printing Minutes.	30.00
Dec. 16, 1915-Paid Clerk's Fees	20.00
Paid Postage on Letters	.84
Paid Postage on Some Extra Minutes Mailed Out	.46
Paid on Account Due Clerk from Last Year	. 15.81
Oct. 2, 1916-Paid Finance Comittee on Minute Fund	
from Tenmile Church \$1.53, Nebo \$1.00, Union\$1.00	
Malvern Third \$3.00, Franceway \$1.00. Total	7.53
Oct. 2, 1916-Paid Finance Committee, Assocl Missions	
from Tenmile Ch. \$10.00, Nebo Ch. \$1.00 Total.	11.00
Oct. 2, 1916-Paid Finance Committee for Orphans	
Home from Tenmile Ch. 50c, Nebo Ch. \$2.00, Union	
31c. Total	2.81
Oct. 2, 1916-Paid Finance Committee for Home Mis-	
sions Nebo Church	.50
Oct. 2, 1916-Paid Finance Committee for State Mis-	
sions from Franceway Church	1.50

Total to Balance..\$280.45 Fraternally submitted

A. B. Shockley, Treasurer.

Finance

Committee report adopted as follows:

Committee.

Total......\$200.74 J. W. McDonald,

R. S. Elliott,

A motion carried instructing the clerk to have as many minutes printed as there is money on hand to pay for and that he be allowed \$20.00 for his services.

Resolution of Thanks

Resolved that we as the messengers to this session of Saline Association as we are about to depart to our home, tender to the membership of Landmark Church and other Churches of Malvern our most sincere thanks for their most generous hospitality accorded us during this meeting

A. B. Shockley.

The foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted and a motion carried thanking the moderator for the able manner exercised in conducting the proceedings of this session.

It now heing late in the afternoon of the last day of this session and no further business coming before this hody, a motion prevailed to adjourn.

That stiring old song "God Be With You Til We Meet Again" was sung, the parting hand taken. Bro. A. T. Moody led the closing prayer and thus closed the seventy-seventh session of this grand old association organized in 1836, eighty years ago.

> ELD. W. A. CLARK, Moderator. A. B. SHOCKLEY, Clerk.

May Gods bountiful love, His great mercy and forgiving power be with each of us and may the Holy Spirit guide and direct us in the way of all truth and work, and when the time comes a year hence for our association to meet again, may all who are permitted to attend meet in fraternal spirit ready to lift higher the banner of Christ, and do a greater work for His cause and kingdom.

The Clerk.

Ordained Ministers

Churches and Ministers Post Office Fairplay—M. F. Langley, J. T. Kelley, J. L. Waldrup. Slocomb Hickory Grove—J. N. Thornton, M. H. Thornton.....DeRoche Hot Springs First—Dana Terry, W T. Amis.....Hot Springs Hot Springs Second—C. F. J. Tate, J. W. McDonald,

N. H. HarleyHot	Springs
Landmark-L. E. Holt	falvern
Malvern First-J. T. Howell, J. M. Clem	Malvern
Midway-R. F. RussellFri	endship

Licensed Ministers

Constitution

Article 1. This union of churches shall be known and distinguished by the name and title of the "Saline Baptist Association."

Article 2. This Association in all co-operative work agrees that it will co-operate only along lines in harmony with Acts 13th chapter, as exemplified by the Landmark Baptist.

Article 3. This Association shall be composed of messengers from churches in union. Each church shall be entitled to three (3) messengers, who shall be required to furnish satisfactory evidenc of their appointment by their several churches before they take their seats.

Article 4. The messengers, when convened, shall organize themselves into a deliberate body by the appointment of a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual Association, and shall continue in office until their successors are chosen.

Article 5. The Association shall not interfere with the rights of the churches of which it is composed. It shall regard them as independent bodies in all matters of internal government, and shall act only as an advisory council, assuming no authority, except what is expressly delegated to it by the churches, or evidently implied by the very nature of the compact. It nevertheless claims authority over its members—the messengers from the churches—and in propriety must have power to withdraw from and disown all churches which depart from the principles of this compact by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice. It should therefore, regard all churches united under this constitution with a vigilant eye for good. Its principal business shall be to promote the declarative glory of God by extending the kingdom of grace on earth, through the medium of preaching the Gospel, and the means in accordance with the Gospel, and to cultivate union and fellowship with all the churches of Christ, especially with those united in this constitution.

Article 6. Newly constituted churches, or churches dismissed from other Associations of the same faith and order may be admitted into this union on their sending three messengers to the annual meeting of the Association, with a petition for admission, and by their messengers agreeing to the abstract of principals herewith published.

Article 7. The churches in this union shall transmit to every annual session of the Association a written communication, specifying the names of their messengers, their number in fellowship, number baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, restored or deceased since the last session, and all other information which the churches may deem important, which shall be read and minutes made accordingly.

Article 8. This Association may have a fund supplied by the voluntary contribution of the churches, and all the money thus contributed shall be transmitted from the churches and paid over through the Committee on Finance to the Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot and hold his office during the pleasure of the Association. He shall retain and manage the funds agreeably to the order of the Association, and shall present annually, for insertion in the minutes, a clear and sufficient statement of all the receipts and expenditures.

Article 9. This Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of every session.

Article 10. This Association shall take cognizance of no query sent up from the churches, unless they have endeavered to solve the same and have failed, nor of any difficulty between churches, unless they have pursued the direction in the eighteenth chapter of Mathew, and have not been able to settle them. Then this Association shall take such matters into consideration and act upon them at its discretion.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of this Association to keep a regular file of the printed minutes of every session of this body, and to deliver over the same to his successor in office.

Article 12. The Constitution may be altered or amended at regular meetings of the Association by the concurring vote of two thirds of the members then present; provided, such alteration or amendment be approved of by the churches comprising this Association.

Memorial of Elder A. Tucker.

To the members of the Lonsdale Baptist Church, and to all. these presents may come:

The Lonsdale Baptist Church, and the Saline Association, are again called upon to mourn the loss of a good and faithful minister of the gospel, as it has pleased God to call from labor to eternal life.

ALEXANDER TUCKER

who died at his home in Lonsdale at 2:00 a. m., Sunday, Sept. 3, 1916. Death is no respecter of persons, but takes all alike, the high and low, and in this case we are called upon to mourn the departure of one of our brothers who had reached the highest position to be attained in the Chris tian work.

Born in Dover, Ohio, April 22, 1844, he moved to Arkansas in the year 1881, where he was ordained to the ministry April 20, 1882.

Resolved, That in the death of Brother Tucker, the Baptists have lost one of thier most valuable and enthusiastic members, the community a good citizen, and the church and Sunday School of Lonsdale an honored and loved member and teacher.

Resolved. That the heartfelt sympathy of this church be extended to his family in their affliction, and that we tenderly condole with them in their hour of trial and devotedly commend them to the keeping of Him who looks with pitving eve upon the widowed and the fatherless.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Lonsdale Church Book, and a copy be transmitted to the Saline Association for publication in the minutes.

Committee. $\begin{cases} W, H. Richardson, \\ T. E. Buffington, \\ Mrs. T. E. Buffington. \end{cases}$

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