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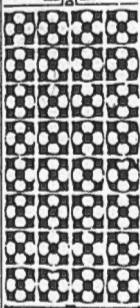
OF THE

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OF THE

**LIBERTY BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**



**Held With First Baptist Church of
Camden, Ark., September 24-6, '09**

MINUTES

LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CAMDEN, ARK., SEPT. 24-26, 1909.

PROCEEDINGS:

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Liberty Baptist Association met with the Camden First Baptist Church, in its 64th annual session, September 25th, 1909. The body was called to order by the moderator, G. W. Hays, for preliminary organization.

A helpful prayer and song service was conducted by J. D. Sayers.

The clerk, W. E. Clark, being absent, Geo. W. Mason was elected temporary clerk.

The following order of business was outlined by the moderator and was unanimously adopted: Appointment of Enrolling Committee, Reading Letters, Report of Enrollment Committee, Permanent Organization, Annual Sermon and appointment of regular Committees.

The following were appointed as enrollment committee and made reports as they were able: M. P.

Muse, Henry Voltz and F. E. Morgan. The following is the roll of churches and messengers given by this committee, taken from the letters:

CHURCHES AND MESSENGERS.

Antioch—Not Represented

Beuna Vista—Ed. Bearden and G. C. Mullins.

Camden—Jno. M. Lide, C. A. Dorris, A. G. Elliott, G. W. Hays, J. R. Rogers, M. P. Watts, T. J. Watts, R. F. Tredway, J. M. Flenniken, Mesdames J. M. Warren, M. P. Watts, R. F. Tredway, Mattie Greening. Mabel Bowers, L. M. Annis and A. S. Pipper.

Cane Creek—Not Represented.

Center Point—W. G. Simmons and L. F. Duke.

Champagnolle—J. J. Bramley, Miss Ethel Bramley.

Calion—N. G. Murphy, D. D. Davis and Mrs. Lela Goodwin.

Ebenezer—H. H. Leverett, J. A. J. Harrell.

El Dorado—H. C. Rosamond, Geo. W. Mason, A. Flenniken, Mrs. A. Flenniken.

Elliott—B. F. Elliott, J. E. Marks.

Emanuel—Mrs. R. J. LaGrone, Almon LaGrone, Austin Hardin.

Hillsboro—W. T. Hudson.

Holly Grove—Not Represented.

Hopewell No. 1—Not Represented.

Hopewell No. 3—J. C. Neely, Ed Lewis.

Huttig—J. W. Prestrige, Mrs. C. Howard, Miss Mary
Jeffries.

Felsenthal—Not Represented.

Green Grove—Not Represented.

Junction City—W. A. Moore, M. P. Muse. J. T. King.

Lonoke—L. O. Parks.

Lapile—S. M. King, B. F. Poole.

Lisbon—J. M. Dumas. J. P. Crawford.

Lawson—T. J. Willoughby, Elton McGough.

Liberty—W. A. Marlor, Lee Simpson, Leon Simpson,
Walter Simpson.

Midway—Exile Scarbrough, A. B. Sessoms.

Mt. Moriah—Not Represented.

Mt. Olive—Alfred Worthington, Ernest Goodwin.

Mt. Hope—J. B. Tatum.

New London—Represented by Letter.

Norphlet—C. Lee Stocks, Ed. Murphy.

New Hope—C. P. McGraw, J. D. Sayers.

Okolona—Represented by Letter.

Pleasant Grove—Tony Martindale, Hardy Ogden.

Philadelphia—Not Represented.

Salem—J. T. Hawkins, B. B. Hawkins, W. U. Haw-
kins.

Sandy Land—Blake Steelman.

Spring Hill—Jno. Kinard, Frank Brazeal.

Three Creeks—J. D. Crawford, H. W. Jean, A. C. Jones.

Union—D. F. Jackson.

Union Chapel—D. W. Garner.

Victoria—W. S. Young, T. M. Garmon, J. D. Blackwood, J. A. Trammel.

Vernon Hill—Ed. Harrell, John Stott, J. M. Primm.

Zion Hill—Mark Ward.



GREETINGS FROM THE METHODIST.

At this point, R. F. Tredwell introduced Presiding Elder R. W. McKay, of the Camden District of the M. E. Church, who gave the Association a hearty welcome congratulating the Baptists on their great work in Arkansas.

The moderator introduced Rev. W. C. Watson, pastor of the M. E. Church, of Camden, who greeted the brethren in the name of the Lord, commending them for their zealous works in giving the Gospel to the world.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON.

A motion was carried to suspend the order of business and hear the introductory sermon, which was preached by J. T. King, of Junction City. It was an earnest appeal for greater missionary activity, based on Luke 24:47.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION

By motion, the body went into permanent organization. The following officers were chosen: G. W. Hays, Moderator; Geo. W. Mason, Clerk; B. F. Rogers, Treasurer.

The body then adjourned to meet at 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After a helpful prayer and praise service conducted by H. C. Rosamond, the body was called to order by the moderator and the committees announced as follows:

State Missions—J. T. King, T. J. Willoughby, D. F. Jackson, J. M. Prestridge, J. M. Dumas.

Foreign Missions—Capt. A. C. Jones, C. A. Dorris, H. H. Leverett, N. G. Murphy, B. F. Poole.

Home Missions—H. C. Rosamond, Wiley Wilson, Alfred Worthington and E. Lewis.

Schools and Colleges—J. D. Crawford, Chas. Rodgers, J. C. Neely, J. E. Meeks.

Publications—M. P. Watts, Mark Ward, Henry Volz.

Temperance—Dr. W. A. Moore, T. J. Watts, J. D. Blackwood, J. J. Bramley, James Tramble.

Sunday Schools—Chas. Rodgers, Geo. W. Mason, Dr. J. M. Flenniken, Ed. Harrell.

Orphans' Home—Dr. J. T. Hawkins, J. E. Marks, Ed. Murphy, S. M. King.

Woman's Work—Mesdames A. Flenniken, M. Perrien, R. J. LaGrone, B. B. Durham, Miss Ida Rogers.

Nominations—B. F. Rogers, B. B. Hawkins, J. B. Tatum, J. C. Neely.

Obituaries—W. S. Young, W. G. Simmons, J. D.

Sayers, J. P. Crawford.

Ministerial Education—R. F. Tredway, W. G. Simmons, Dr. W. A. Moore. Jno. M. Iide.

Ministerial Relief—J. D. Crawford, H. C. House, A. B. Sessoms, Elton McGough, Hardy Ogden, T. M. Gorman.

Finance—M. P. Muse. Dr. J. M. Flenniken, H. W. Jean.

Young Peoples Work—C. P. McGraw, J. D. Sayers, Lee Simpson. B. B. Hawkins.

VISITING BRETHREN.

A motion was adopted to introduce visitors. E. J. A. McKinney, of the Baptist Advance; S. E. Tull, pastor of Pine Bluff 1st. Baptist Church; H. L. Winburn, pastor First Baptist Church, of Arkadelphia; H. A. Munn, Sunday School Colporteur of Bartholomew; T. R. McKenny, Missionary of the General Association; C. R. Powell, of the Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas. F. P. Turner, of the Orphan's Home, were heard with great interest as they brought greetings to Liberty Baptist Association.

LETTERS READ

The following Committee was appointed on reading

Associational letters: E. J. A. McKinney. S. E. Tull and H. L. Winburn. Most of the letters showed great advancement along all the lines of work.

PETITIONARY LETTERS

Petitions from new Churches were called for. The Churches at Calion, Huttig and Okolona asked fellowship in the Liberty Baptist Association and all were unanimously voted membership in this body. The delegates of these Churches were called to the front and the Moderator gave them the right hand of fellowship.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

HOME MISSIONS.

The committee on Home Missions asked the privilege of making the following report, which was adopted:

The signs of the times are favorable for Home Missions. The million alien immigrants who come to our country each year, the still larger number of native people who move annually into the Southwest and West, the wonderful industrial change now in progress in the South—such facts as these have been used of God to arouse his people to the urgent necessity

of taking and holding this land for Christ.

The task proposed is great and demands devoted attention. Of the 90,000,000 people in the United States, only 20,000,000 are members of evangelical denominations. Of the remaining 70,000,000, 12,000,000 belong to Catholics and other sects, while 58,000,000 make no profession of religion. The forces which tend to make this situation worse are active, powerful and determined.

Among the Christian denominations none has such a great opportunity and responsibility in winning America for Christ as have Southern Baptists. No other mission board in America last year showed results in conversions, baptisms and additions to churches at all comparable to those which attended the efforts of the missionaries of our Home Mission Board, which is located at Atlanta, Ga. Yet the Northern Baptists, Northern Presbyterians and Northern Methodists each spent more than three times as much for their home mission work as Southern Baptists spent. Northern Baptists raised for home missions \$904,789 and had 8,462 baptisms; Southern Baptists raised \$288,436 and had 25,190 baptisms. The total additions to mission churches last year from our work was 47,308, which is more than two-thirds the

entire membership of the home mission churches of Northern Baptists:

In the Southern mountains, at a cost to the denomination at large of only about \$5 for each student, our Board last year conducted mission schools in which 4,316 mountain boys and girls were educated.

In the Southwest great gains came to Southern Baptists through home mission endeavor. Home Board work in this department cost about \$70,000 and there were in it 33,000 additions to mission churches. The State Boards had a large share in this work, but the result is none the less gratifying.

Among the negroes the evangelistic work of the Board in co-operation with the National Baptist Convention (colored) is wonderfully successful. In fact the Home Mission Board, in each department, brought in a harvest for the brotherhood and for Christ which was beyond precedent, yet the board feels that it is but beginning to enter upon the larger work of administering for Southern Baptists their larger gifts which will enable them indeed to take and hold the Southland for Christ.

The Home Board has assisted our State Board this year to the amount of \$5,300 and has helped our church buildings about \$15,000. Our contributions

to this Board last year went from \$7,000 to \$10,150.

We recommend more liberal and frequent collections for this work, and that each church get up a club of subscribers for the Home Field, the admirable monthly magazine of the Board, and that our pastors make it a point to preach more frequently to their churches on home missions, and earnestly endeavor to get every member to make a contribution to this great work.

H. C. Rosamond,

E. Lewis,

Alfred Worthington,

Wiley Wilson.

The Association adjourned to meet at 7:30 o'clock
p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

At 7:30, the body met and enjoyed a thirty minutes song and praise service, after which, the report of the Committee on Orphan's Home was called for.

ORPHAN'S HOME.

There are in the Home more than one hundred children, about, if not 100 per cent. more than a year ago. The crop on the farm, as in many sections, was a failure.

Brother Neely resigned early in the past Associational year. Sister Neely resigned two or three months ago. Bro. J. N. Williams and wife have been employed as superintendent and matron, in the Home. Had best school in history of the Home. Two girls, without expense to the Home, are in Central College.

It is with sadness we have to report the Home several hundred dollars on expenses of last year. We would recommend that every pastor and church in this Association assist in every possible way in this grand and noble work, that does, or should, appeal to us as nothing could, when we think of those helpless children without anyone to care for or protect them from the many temptations and vices to which they are exposed when not in such an institution,

Dr. J. T. Hawkins,

J. E. Marks,

Ed. Murphy,

S. M. King.

LIST OF PLEDGES.

The following pledges were made for the Orphans Home:

Camden.....\$150.00

Center Point 10.00

Champagnolle	\$ 5.00
Calion	5.00
Ebenezer	5.00
El Dorado, Church and Sunday School ..	200.00
Elliott	10.00
Emanuel	5.00
Hopewell No. 3	5.00
Junction City	50.00
Lapile	10.00
Lisbon	10.00
Lawson	5.00
Midway	5.00
Huttig	25.00
Huttig Ladies Aid	25.00
Mt. Olive	2.50
Mt. Hope	50.00
Norphlet	5.00
New Hope	5.00
Pleasant Grove	2.50
Sandy Land	2.50
Salem	25.00
Spring Hill	5.00
Three Creeks	25.00
Union	20.00
Union Chapel	5.00

Victoria	Clothe one
T. M. Gorman	5.00
Vernon Hill	5.00
Junction City Sunbeams	10.00
Junction City Woman's Union	5.00
W. B. Rogers	5.00
Camden Ladies Aid	50.00
Camden Sunday School	10.00
Philathea of Camden	5.00
G. W. Newton	100.00
T. J. Watts	50.00
Camden Y. W. A.	5.00
J. E. Lide	5.00
Cash	27.08
TOTAL	\$1.014.58

The following amounts were pledged for the building of a \$10,000.00 addition to the Orphanage:

C. E. Tull	\$100.00
M. P. Watts	100.00
F. E. Morgan	50.00

YOUNG PEOPLES WORK.

We, your Committee on Young Peoples Work, submit the following report:

For long years our Baptist Churches did little, if anything in any organized way to train the membership of our churches. But 19 years ago there was started what is known as the Baptist Young Peoples Union. This is a movement which has been, from its very beginning distinctively a church movement. The first organizers were pastors and deacons of some Chicago churches, and the First Baptist Church, of Ann Harbor, Mich.

From that small beginning it has grown to include nearly the whole Baptist world.

In Arkansas the B. Y. P. U., was first organized about 14 years ago, but it died down for several years. The work was reorganized at the Pine Bluff Convention in 1904, and since that time the growth has been continuous and gratifying. In 1904 there were 12 Unions in the State. At present the imperfect statistics show not less than 140.

The purpose of the Baptist Young Peoples Union is well expressed in its motto, "We study that we may serve." The underlying idea in all its work is training for better service.

The agencies used for accomplishing this end are: Mission Study, Doctrinal Study, Study of Methods of Work, Bible Study and the weekly devotional meet-

ing.

Ample and helpful literature for all this work is gotten out by the Sunday School Board, at Nashville, Tenn., which also maintains a field force of six men who are ever ready to come to the help of the churches in organizing or bettering this work for and among young people. Our State work centers about the B. Y. P. U. Summer Assembly, which meets at Arkadelphia, each year in July. This meeting has proved to be a great power for the uplift and enlargement of the work. We recommend that each church in the Association organize and maintain a B. Y. P. U., for the training of its younger members.

C. P. McGraw,

J. D. Sayers,

Lee Simpson,

B. B. Hawkins.

This report was read and adopted after an able discussion by C. E. Tull, of Pine Bluff.

A motion was carried to carry the subject over until Saturday morning at nine o'clock.

A motion to adjourn till 9:00 a. m., Saturday was carried.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted, as follows:

Sept. 24, 1909.

B. F. Rogers, Dr., to Liberty Association.

By bal. from 63d, session Liberty Association \$245.30

Credits as follows:

To check, R. G. Bowers.....	\$104.77
“ “ F. P. Turner.....	37.70
“ “ O. J. Wade.....	14.67
“ “ W. E. Clark.....	81.91
Now on hand.....	6.32
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	\$245.37
Now to credit of Association.....	\$6.32

B. F. Rogers, Treas.

A motion was made to appropriate the item of \$6.32 carried over for two years for associational purposes, to the building of the new house of worship at Calion.

At this time, the discussion on Young People's Work was resumed and a very helpful talk was made by H. L. Winburn, of Arkadelphia.

A motion was carried to cut all speeches to fifteen minutes for chairman of committees and five minutes for other speakers.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The report on Ministerial Education was submitted and adopted as follows:

In this day of progress and enlightenment the need of an educated ministry is imperative. If the church is to do her best work our preachers, who are the leaders, must be well equipped that they may be able to note the conditions now existing. The church must have leaders who know how to bring things to pass in the Kingdom of God. To do this, we must have trained leaders. We therefore commend to our churches our Ministerial students in Ouachita College and the Seminary, and urge the churches to take collections for their support.

There are more students by more than thirty per cent asking aid of the Ministerial Board than at this time last year.

R. F. Tredway,
W. G. Simmons,
W. A. Moore.
Jno. M. Lidé.

LIST OF PLEDGES.

The following pledges were made for Ministerial education:

Camden	\$100.00
Center Point	10.00
Champagnolle	5.00
El Dorado	100.00
Elliott	12.50
Huttig Ladies Aid	5.00
Hopewell No. 3	5.00
Junction City	10.00
Midway	5.00
Mt. Hope	5.00
New Hope	2.50
Salem	10.00
Three Creeks	5.00
Union	5.00
El Dorado Ladies Aid	10.00
El Dorado Baracca Class	10.00
Cash Collection	9.00

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The following report on Foreign Missions was submitted and adopted:

Your committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to

report:

The sentiment expected by the modern term "Foreign Missions" lies at the very foundation of the Christian religion. "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is the command of our Lord. "Freely ye have received, freely give."

Paul, the great apostle to the gentiles, was the first foreign missionary, and that noble band of followers, Silas, Apolos and Timothy, Priscilla, Aquilla and all the rest who accompanied and aided him in the work were also foreign missionaries. In these early days of Christianity Paul did not have to travel long distances nor to cross the wide ocean to reach the heathen. He had but to step across the border of Judea, to be confronted by the map of Heathenism, Idolatry and ignorance. It was his mission to plant the churches and establish the reign of Christ upon a firm basis, and it is ours to continue the work which he began.

The foreign mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention—as you all know—is conducted under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond Va., and directed by that master hand, Dr. R. J. Willingham, Sec., of the Board. In his last statement, contained in the last issue of the Foreign Mission Journal, he says that the work of the current

year will be concluded upon a basis of \$500,000.00, not one-half of which has been collected up to the present time. So it behooves the churches, not only of this Association but throughout this broad Southland, to bestir themselves and to come to the aid of the Board and enable them to report at the next convention in May, the cause triumphant.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Jones,
H. H. Leverette.
C. A. Dorris
N. G. Murphy,
B. F. Poole.

OBITUARIES.

The report on obituaries was submitted and adopted after an amendment was offered and carried to set aside a page in the Minutes to the memory of Col. H. G. P. Williams, who was so faithfully associated for years with the history of Liberty Association. After which, the body adjourned, to meet at 1:30 p. m.



OBITUARIES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—We, your committee on Obituaries, submit the following:

By reports from the following churches, we note the following names of brothers and sisters who have departed this life.

Victoria—Sister Summie Clark.

Lapile—Sister Mattie Taylor.

Junction City—Bro. W. T. Hatcher.

Camden—Brothers J. H. Carter, Victor Henderson, B. A. Reeves and Sister F. E. Morgan.

Union—Sisters White and Betts.

Hopewell No. 3—Rev. B. T. Powell.

Zion Hill—Bro. S. Cravy.

Champagnolle—Bro. S. D. Betts.

Elliott—Sister Iva Marks.

El Dorado—Bro. Harry Hall, Sisters Annie L. Alphin and Matilda Angell.

Salem—Bro. C. C. Crisp.

Vernon Hill—Sister Loula McClesky.

Midway—Bro. J. S. Davison and Sister Lizzie Primm.

Mt. Hope—Sisters Luphelia Trull and R. Vincent.

New Hope—Sisters Willie Adams and Britt.

Hillsboro—Col. H. G. P. Williams.

We recommend that a page in our minutes be set apart to the memory of Col. H. G. P. Williams.

W. S. Young,
W. G. Simmons,
J. D. Sayers,
J. P. Crawford.

In Memory of
Col. H. G. P. Williams

Born 21st, Feb. 1827

Died 18th, Nov. 1907

Age, 81 years, 8 months, 27 days.

A brave soldier; an officer loved and respected by his men; a citizen without blemish; the noblest of Union County pioneers; a man whose life was closely identified with every good work of church and state, a good neighbor, administering aid, comfort and inspiration to his fellow man; a beautiful and devout christian character; a staunch Baptist, and a man who was faithful and true to the work of Liberty Baptist Association, from its organization until his death.

We bow in humble submission to the will of Him who gave us this noble servant, and who has now claimed him for His own.

We thank God for his life and inspiration.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the house to order and a prayer was offered by J. D. Sayers.

A petitionary letter was read from Beuna Vista church. The new church was received and the Moderator gave the messengers of this church the right hand of fellowship, welcoming their church into this Association.

A motion was carried to recognize L. O. Parks as a messenger of Lonoke church.

DIVINE SERVICE.

The committee on Divine Service reported the following, which was adopted:

CONDUCTED BY BRO. J. T. HAWKINS.

9:30 a. m.—Sunday School Mass Meeting. Addresses of ten minutes each by W. S. Young, C. P. McGraw, W. G. Simmons, J. T. King, J. D. Crawford.

11:00 a. m.—M. E. Church—E. J. A. McKinney.

11:00 a. m.—Baptist Church—F. P. Turner.

8:00 a. m.—Baptist Church—E. J. A. McKinney.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

The report on Schools and Colleges was read and

adopted:

Your committee on Schools and Colleges submits the following report:

Our Lord's commission to us to "go—evangelize—baptize—teach" is ample scripture warrant for Christian education. History has demonstrated the fact that we rise or fall with our institutions of learning. In the measure that we make them safe, sound and strong, do we as a denomination rise in the scale of power, influence and usefulness?

Arkansas Baptists began the solution of these problems 23 years ago when they founded Ouachita College. From an humble beginning our educational work has grown until at present we have two colleges and four academies. Last year there were 1500 students under about 50 teachers in our schools and colleges. We have property conservatively valued at \$225,000.00 with a debt of approximately \$80,000.00. Today the Board of Education is pushing a vigorous campaign led by R. G. Bowers to liquidate this indebtedness and endow Ouachita College. Already \$55,000 of the debt has been raised since last December and it is confidently expected that the entire amount will be raised by the end of the present year.

Reviews of the glorious past, the stern necessities

of the present and the unbounded outlook of the future, we recommend:

First: That prayer be made in all the churches for our great educational enterprises.

Second: That the people of our churches patronize our own schools and college.

Third: That we open our hearts and purses liberally and help in the debt-lifting and endowment campaign.

J. D. Crawford

C. B. Rodgers

J. E. Marks

J. C. Neeley.

L. F. Barnett of Magnolia and from the Columbia Association was introduced.

STATE MISSIONS

The committee on state Missions read a fine report which was adopted.

Last year was a glorious year in the cause of State Missions. The State Board employed 85 men who reported 5,342 conversions, 3,411 baptisms, 5,421 additions to churches, 42 churches organized and 100 Sunday Schools organized. We raised in Arkansas for this work \$20,215 and expended more than \$30,000 on the work. The first three quarters of this year

show results as follows: Conversions 2,046, baptisms 1,222, additions 2,083, churches organized 12, Sunday schools organized 56. And we learn from Bro. Rogers that August the greatest harvest shows a fruitage almost equal to all those of the first three quarters. The work of State Missions is done on the following lines:

First: State and District Evangelists who give all their time to revival work.

Second: All parties who sell books and hold meetings as opportunity affords.

Third: By supplementing the salaries of pastors of weaker churches on needy fields in order to maintain the work on a good basis.

Fourth: A department of information, education and agitation in the mission room forces.

These forces give us access to almost every needy field of every kind, and we rejoice in their efficiency. But when we look out upon the field and see so much that is needed to be done we feel that we all need to enlarge our gifts to this work. Several county seats yet have no Baptist churches. We can see much need of mission work in South Arkansas and yet half the Baptists in this state live south of the Arkansas river among one third of the state's white population. The

field north of the Arkansas river has only the same number of Baptists among twice as many people. Let us go up and possess the land.

In order to pay our debts for work done this year and to cover this deficit for last year we must raise at least \$20,000 in Arkansas for State Missions during the next six weeks. We urge our churches to do their "dead level best" for this work during the remaining few weeks of the convention year and we would recommend the taking of pledges here to be paid by November 8,

J. T. King

T. J. Willoughby

D. F. Jackson

J. W. Prestrige

J. M. Dumas

LIST OF PLEDGES

To be paid for the State Missions by the first of November

Camden.....	\$100.00	Beuna Vista.....	\$ 5.00
El Dorado.....	200.00	W. T. Hudson..	5.00
Junction City..	100.00	Hopewell No. 3..	5.00
Salem.....	-25.00	Lisbon	5.00
Three Creeks..	15.00	Lawson	5.00
Union.....	10.00	Norphlet.....	2.50
Mt Olive.....	5.00		

A motion was carried to consider the reports on Woman's Work and Temperance at the evening session.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The following report was adopted on Sunday school work:

We are delighted to see the wonderful growth in Sunday School interest during the last few years. Two years ago only 15 Sunday schools were reported in this Association. This year very few churches report no schools. There is no greater field for service than in the teaching service of the church. Pastors and church workers should study this work more closely as this is the only service of the church that furnishes every member active work and thus means development in service to every member of the church. The country schools need encouragement and need developing. To do this, the city and town churches should pay the expenses of workers from their own members to go out and organize and develop these schools. Many of these churches are struggling to run schools, but for the lack of developed workers are discouraged. Our larger and better developed churches, in this way, can do great service to the glory of God. Many of our pastors are asleep to the possi-

bilities of service in this line and should make a closer study of these conditions and exert greater energy in maintaining Sunday schools in their churches.

Chas Rodgers

Geo. W. Mason

Dr. J. M. Flenniken

Ed Harrell

NOMINATIONS

The report on nominations was made. The place of next meeting brought out a lively discussion. The committee recommended Hopewell No. 3. A motion was made to strike out Hopewell No. 3, and insert Mt. Hope at Wesson. The motion was lost and the report was then adopted as follows:

We your committee on nominations beg leave to submit following report:

We recommend that the next and 65th session of the liberty Baptist Association meet with Hopewell No 3, 15 miles south of Camden, on old Camden and El Dorado road, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1910. B. F. Treadway to preach the annual sermon. C. P. McGraw alternate; Messenger to Southern Baptist convention, J. T. King; H. W. Jones, alternate; M.

P. Muse, member state board.

Executive board of Liberty association J. T. King,
Dr. W. A Moore, Junction City; A. W. Jones, Wes-
son, John L. Green, B. W. Reeves, El Dorado.

B. F. Rogers

B. B. Hawkins

J. B. Tatum

J. C. Neeley

PUBLICATIONS

The report on Publications was made and adopted:

The need of intelligence in regard to the work which our churches are undertaking to do is imperative. No concert of action, no harmony of purpose, no wide outlook, can be had without some clear knowledge of what is to be done and some adequate conception of the reasons why it should be done. As our work now stands in southern states, it is divided according to state lines and sub-divided according to district lines. Through these divisions run another, on economic lines, into foreign, home, state, and district missions, education and charity. These divisions require their own organs of information.

The general organ for the state seems to stand

first in importance, because this in a way is a common organ for every good word and work. The state denominational paper, therefore, seem clearly to be a necessity for the prosecution of our work. Its success should be fostered by every church and every pastor in the state. It is a matter of common observation that our work goes on far more successfully in churches where the state paper is widely read. Your committee has no hesitation, therefore, in earnestly recommending the Baptist Advance, as an impotent aid to pastors and a means of securing larger intelligence concerning the work of Arkansas Baptists in particular and the work of Southern Baptists in general, together with an occasional glance of the progress of the Kingdom in all the world.

It goes without saying that the state organ should have an adequate support. It is cruel to those who have it in charge, and it hinders the usefulness of the paper itself, to keep it on the verge of collapse, and its editor on the threshold of starvation.

Your committee asks that every pastor in bounds of Liberty Association urge and insist on every member of their churches subscribing for and reading the Baptist Advance. By so doing they will keep in touch with all the interests we foster and help carry on

the work of advancing our Lord's Kingdom on earth.

The publications of the Sunday School board of the Southern Baptist convention are admirably adapted to the needs of our Sunday work, and deserves the hearty and earnest support of all our Sunday schools. The best learning of our times is subsidized in the effort to make these publications equal to the needs of the work. We unqualifiedly commend them.

The Foreign Mission Journal, in its enlarged form, is more and more a necessity for those who wish to keep posted in regard to the mighty movement of modern times. All the profits accruing are turned into the treasury of the foreign mission board, and one of the most effective ways of pushing the foreign mission work is to increase the circulation of the Journal.

Our Home Field is the organ of the Home Mission board of the Southern Baptist convention. A handsome, well edited magazine, devoted to the problem of supplying the Gospel to the destitute in the southern country, in our cities and in Cuba, it commends itself to our people as a necessity to all who wish to be informed in regard to this work.

Your committee earnestly commends all those publications as important helpers in all the work

which Southern Baptists are trying to do.

W. P. Watts

Mark Ward

Henry Volz

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The committee on Ministerial Support reported the following which was adopted:

One of the weakest points in our Baptist work in Arkansas is the little financial help we are giving to our agent preachers who, after wearing out their lives in the service, are left almost without a support. We lament this fact and would here and now memorialize our state convention to give more emphasis to this work. Furthermore that our churches in this association take collections for the same and forward to Elder O. J. Wade, Little Rock, who is treasurer of this fund.

J. P. Crawford

Elton McGough

A. B. Sessoms

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The following statement of Finance was reported and adopted:

We your committee on Finance beg leave to make

the following report:

For Minutes and Clerk.....	\$70.72
For Orphanage.....	41.81
For State Missions.....	13.80
For Home Missions.....	4.95
For Foreign Missions.....	2.35
Total.....	<u>\$133.63</u>
Hat collection to Orphanage, receipt filed...	27.08
Ministerial education, receipt filed.....	9.00
Total.....	<u>\$169.71</u>

M. P. Muse

Dr. J. M. Flenniken

H. W. Jean

MINUTES READ

A motion was carried to allow the clerk \$20 for this service and to spend the rest of the associational fund for minutes. That the clerk be instructed to submit bids for printing the largest number possible and in the shortest possible time.

The body adjourned to meet at 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION

The Moderator called the house to order, and had the clerk to read the minutes which were adopted after a few corrections.

At this point E. J. A. McKinney asked permis-

sion to make a statement. He said he had received a letter from Bro. Hart whom we all love and revere. The letter stated that our beloved old friend is in fine health. He requested all to stand who had received baptism at the hands of Bro. Hart. Seven in the house testified that they were baptized by him.

WOMAN'S WORK

At this point the Woman's Missionary Union submitted a very fine report which was adopted:

The Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Liberty Baptist Association, held its fourth annual meeting Saturday, September 22, 1909.

The session was the most pleasant and profitable yet held by this body and the coming year will bear the fruit of the help and inspiration received. At the present there are only eight Associational Missionary Unions in our state, but the interest is growing and before many years we will have the women in every Association organized. The progress made this year is encouraging. We now have seven Aid and Missionary societies in our bounds with prospects of others in the near future.

The five unions that were represented this time reported more than \$2,000 given to the various interests fostered by our churches since our last annual

meeting--a gain of \$700 over last year.

One of the greatest causes for thanksgiving is that Miss Florence Davis has become our State organizer for Woman's Work and Children's Bands in Arkansas, and we were greatly blessed by her presence and helpful talk in our meeting.

We respectfully recommend that Mesdames G. C. Howard of Huttig and M. P. Muse of Junction, be elected as associational vice presidents and that our pastors help in this work in every way possible until we have a Woman's Aid and Missionary Union in every one of the thirty-six churches in Liberty Association

Mrs. Eylmer Flenniken

Mrs. M. Perrine

Mrs. R. J. LaGrone

At this point Miss Florence Davis, of Little Rock, the state organizer of the Woman's Missionary Union, was introduced and made a few interesting remarks of greeting.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance should be enforced personally, morally, legally and religiously. A man should be temperate for his own personal good and then for the sake of others. Every moral precept inforces sobriety.

The law should harmonize with all moral laws and religion has one of its glories in making men to be in their right minds. We hail with delight the victories for State-wide prohibition achieved in Oklahoma, North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi. Arkansas has had her first ballot along this line and the forces are now, with nerves of steel and a faith that means victory, planning for the final battle. State-wide prohibition is coming in Arkansas but we must be wisely alert. For once no man should dare vote for any man for Senator or Representative without first knowing that he will stand for State-wide prohibition.

We also rejoice to know that a basis of organization has been reached, under a new constitution of the Anti-Saloon League, that promises to unify our temperance forces so that we can march as one man to the battle. This new constitution which can be seen in this week's Baptist Advance calls for County Anti-Saloon Leagues in every county and we would urge that our Baptist people here and now take the initiative in the procuring of such County Leagues by appointing committees to agitate and secure such orga-

nizations in both Ouachita and Union counties,

Dr. W. A. Moore

T. J. Watts

J. D. Blackwood

J. J. Bramley

Jas. Tramble

Be it resolved that in keeping with the report on Temperance this Association appoint committees to agitate and secure the formation of County Anti-Saloon Leagues in Ouachita and Union counties as follows:

Ouachita county: R. F. Treadway, M. P. Watts and B. F. Rogers.

Union county: Geo W. Mason, J. T. King and J. D. Crawford.

The following report was offered on Temperance. A motion was carried to give F. M. Powell of the State Anti-Saloon League fifteen minutes to discuss the report. A standing vote of all present was requested on this report and the whole house stood as one person. L. Lee Stocks sang very effectively "Vote as You Pray."

A hat collection was taken for Lee L. Stocks a blind man and member of this Association, amounting to \$12.53 and turned over to him by the treasurer.

At this time Judge G. W. Hays agreed to be one of ten persons to subscribe five dollars each for the support of J. D. Sayers, a young minister of this Association to enable him to attend Ouachita college the present session. The following responded readily: Judge Geo. W. Hays, Dr. J. M. Flenniken, T. J. Watts, Dr W A Moore, M P Watts, M P Muse, Dr J T Hawkins, Miss Ola Pryor, H W Jean, J D Crawford and Miss Hawkins.

The following card of thanks was offered by B. F. Rogers and adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved that we tender thanks to the citizens of Camden for courtesies shown during the session of our Association and to the Methodist and Presbyterians for use of their houses of worship.

B. F. Rogers

The house adjourned to meet Sunday at 9-o'clock a. m., after singing and engaging in a hearty hand shaking.

SUNDAY MORNING

As arranged last night, a Sunday School Mass meeting was held, conducted by Dr J. T. Hawkins. The meeting was well attended and a number of very interesting speeches were made in interest of Sunday school work.

This ended, possibly the most harmonious and in many respects the greatest session in the history of this organization.

PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

CHURCHES	PASTORS	POSTOFFICES	CLERKS	POSTOFFICE
Antioch	B. C. Green	Dilolo	C. L. Ramsey	Strong
Buena Vista	No Pastor		L. B. Mullins	Buena Vista
Camden	R. F. Treadway	Camden	E. L. Perry	Camden
Champagnolle	J. P. Crawford	Lisbon	G. B. Armer	Champagnolle
Center Point	B. F. Neil	Conway, La.	T. L. Torrence	Urbana
Callon	W. O. Parker	Smackover	G. B. Armer	Callon
Emanuel	J. P. McGraw	Shuler	Q. C. Murphy	Louann
El Dorado	H. C. Rosamond	El Dorado	H. W. Goodwin	El Dorado
Ebenezer	Chas. Rodgers	Cairo	H. H. Leverett	El Dorado
Elliott	W. B. O'Neal		B. F. Rogers	Elliott
Green Grove	C. L. Simmons	Lapile	Henry Atkins	Urbana
Hillsboro	W. S. Young	Strong	R. D. Newton	Hillsboro
Huttig	A. W. King	Farmerville, La.	J. C. Britt	Huttig
Hopewell No. 1	T. M. Bates	Norphlet	R. C. Hudson	Weason
Hopewell No. 3	J. P. Crawford	Lisbon	J. P. Neeley	Louann
Junction City	J. T. King	Junction City	W. B. Cobb	Junction City
Liberty	C. B. Rogers	Cairo	I. T. Avery	Dilolo
Lawson	J. F. Gardiner	Arkadelphia	F. C. Hill	Dilolo
Lisbon	J. P. Crawford	Lisbon	J. M. Dumas	El Dorado
Lapile	W. S. Young	Strong	W. C. Smith	Lapile
Mt. Hope	H. W. Jean	Three Creeks	W. C. Thompson	Weason
Midway	C. P. McGraw	Tubal	R. T. Huntley	Shuler
New Hope				
Norphlet	Chas. Rodgers	Cairo	E. G. Murphy	Norphlet
New London	B. C. Green	Dilolo	Jesse Stegall	New London
Philadelphia	J. P. Crawford	Lisbon	B. B. White	Wilmington
Okolona	J. D. Blackwood	Oakland, La.	W. E. Gathright	Oakland, La.
Pleasant Grove	J. E. Hampton	Norphlet	W. L. Scale	Hillsboro
Spring Hill	W. H. Johnson	Junction City	Oscar Taylor	Caledonia
Salem	No Pastor		B. B. Hawkins	Mt. Holly
Sandy Land	T. M. Bates	Norphlet	J. H. Gray	Smackover
Three Creeks	J. D. Crawford	Three Creeks	J. D. Jean	Three Creeks
Upland			J. C. Mayfield	Upland
Union Chapel	C. L. Simmons	Lapile	Tony Norris	Lapile
Victoria	No Pastor		T. K. Moore	Strong
Union	J. D. Crawford	Three Creeks	Lawson Graves	Juno
Vernon Hill	J. P. Crawford	Lisbon	Arthur Rowell	El Dorado
Zion Hill	W. H. Johnson	Junction City	Mark Ward	El Dorado



ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Rlackwood, J. B. ✓	Strong,	Ark.
Bates, T. M. ✓	Norphlet.	"
Bishop, J. R. ✓	Junction City,	"
Byrom,	Randolph,	La.
Crawford, J. D. ✓	Three Creeks,	Ark.
Crawford, J. P. ✓	Lisbon,	"
Green, B. C. ✓	Dilolo,	"
Harper, M. A. ✓	El Dorado,	"
Hinson, A. ✓	El Dorado,	"
Hudson, J. W. ✓	Wesson,	"
Jean, H. w. ✓	Three Creeks,	"
King, J. C. ✓	Junction City.	"
Little, W. F. ✓	El Dorado,	"
Morgan, Dr. F. E. ✓	Camden,	"
McGraw, C. P. ✓	Tubal,	"
McGraw, Jesse ✓	Shuler,	"
Newsom, W. A. ✓	El Dorado.	"
Powell, B. F. ✓	Smackover,	"
Rodgers, Chas. ✓	Cairo,	"
Rosamond, H. C. ✓	El Dorado,	"
Sawyer, D. L. ✓	Blanchard Springs,	"
Simmons, C. L. ✓	Lapile,	"
Simmons, W. G. ✓	Urbana,	"
Tredway, R. F. ✓	Camden,	"
Young, W. S. ✓	Strong,	"

LICENTIATES.

Atkins, Henry	Urbana,	Ark.
Chaney, A. C. ✓	Juno,	"
Duke, Lonnie	Urbana	"
Gathright, S. P.	Wilmington,	"
Hampton, J. E.	Norphlet,	"
Lawrence, Paul	Lisbon,	"
Oliver, E. M.	Lisbon,	"
Parks, W. O.	Smackover,	"
Parker, W. S.	Three Creeks,	"
Predy, G. W.	Louann,	"
Taylor, J. W.	Juno,	"
Sayers, J. D.	Tubal,	"
Ward, Dan W.	Juno,	"

Statistical Table

Financial Statement

MEMBERSHIP				SUNDAY SCHOOL				CONTRIBUTIONS TO VARIOUS OBJECTS																				
CHURCHES	INCREASE		DECREASE		Total This Year	Total Decrease	Number Schools	Number Teachers	Kind of Literature	Baptisms this Year	Sunday School Expenses	Minutes	Pastor's Salary	Building, Repairs on Churches	Incidentals	Visiting Ministers	The Poor	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Other Objects	Sunday School and Colportage	Orphans Home	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Total	Value Church Property
	By Letter	By Restoration	By Death	By Expiation																								
Antioch			7	2	18																							
Buena Vista	13	6	19	21	40						\$ 70	\$ 16 25				\$ 2 00												
Camden	13	26	41	340	19	4	23	358	2	227	18	S. B. C.	5	\$179 21														
Champagnolle	10	5	15	40	1	1	2	53																				
Center Point	8	4	12	40	2	2	2	52																				
Calion	12	3	15	7	3																							
Ebenezer	4		4	36	3																							
El Dorado	26	33	160	417	24	3	27	459	1	225	17	S. B. C.	20	72 80														
Emanuel	13	1	14	22	5																							
Elliott	6	4	10	30	2	1	15	70	1	40	3	S. B. C.		3 00														
Green Grove	2	2	4	45	2	2	2	45																				
Hillsboro	2	2	4	45	2	2	2	45																				
Huttig	25	22	47	20																								
Hopewell No. 3	3	1	5	77	1	1	3	79	1	58	3	S. B. C.	2	4 00														
Junction City	12	29	41	196	14	2	16	221	1	150	8	S. B. C.		67 87														
Liberty	4	2	6	69	1																							
Lawson	2	22	24	18																								
Lisbon	19	6	25	100	3																							
Lapile	2		2	45	3																							
Mt. Hope	15	17	32	99	14																							
Midway	6		6	114	5	3	2	8	112	1	50	3	S. B. C.		4 40													
New Hope	11	3	14	98	3	2	5	107	1	40	3	S. B. C.																
Norphlet	8	7	15	35																								
New London																												
Okolona																												
Pleasant Grove	5	2	7	25	1																							
Spring Hill	3	3	6	64																								
Salem	9	2	11	45																								
Sandy Land	1	1	2	19	2																							
Three Creeks	1	4	5	105	3																							
Union Chapel	4	2	6	35																								
Victoria																												
Union	8	6	14	226	10	1	2	13	227	1	45	8	S. H. C.		19 00													
Vernon Hill	1	1	2	32																								
Zion Hill	4		4	10	9	7	25	96	1	40	4	S. B. C.		2 00														

*City Mission \$1285 00

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