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TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

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TEXARKANA Baptists Association

HELD WITH

GENTER RIDGE CHURCH

BOWIE COUNTY, TEXAS

OCTOBER, 10, 11, and 12, 1902.



Moderator, I. WINHAM, Texarkana, Ark. Clerk and Treas, Eld. O. L. HAILEY, Texarkana, Ark.

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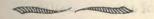
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EXEGUTIVE BOARD.

L. Winham, Chairman, O. L. Hailey, Clerk. R. L. Cole, Allen Winham, J. B. Lumbley, R. T. Fulbright, J. E. Corzine.



STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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ORDER OF BU NESS

- 1. Call to order at 10 o'clock a. m.
- 2. Devotional exercises by Moderator.
- 3. Collect and read letters from the churches.
- 4. Introductory Sermon.
- 5. Election of Officers.
- Call for New Churches. 6
- Seat Correspondents and Visitors.
- Appoint the following committees;
- (1.) Divine Service,
- (9.) Education,
- (2.) Associational Missions, (10.) Deceased Ministers.
- (3.) State Missions,
- (11.) Ministers names and addr's.
- (4) Home Missions,
- (12.) Temperance.
- (5.) Foreign Missions.
- (13.) Finance,
- (6.) Orphan's Home,
- (14.) Publications,
- (7.) Sunday Schools,
- (15.) Historical Committee,
- (8.) Pastoral Support,
- (16.) Nominations.
- 9. Hear Report of Executive Board.
- 10. Hear Report of Treasurer.
- 11. Miscellaneous Business,
- 12. Hear Reports in order,
- 13, Hear Reports of Special Committees.
- Miscellaneous Business. 14.
- Hear and Correct Minutes. 15.
- 16. Adjourn.



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Session held with the Centre Ridge church, Maud, Texas, Oct. 10-12, 1902.

At 10.30 a. m., the messengers met in the school house at Maud, as guests of Centre Ridge church, and sang, "What a Friend we Have in Jesus." Eld. N. J. Rachel, former moderator, who is a member of Centre Ridge church, called the body to order and extended a welcome to the association. He read the 65th, Psalm and led in prayer.

Letters from the churches called for and Rev. R. L. Cole and E. F. Friedell were appointed as reading clerks.

At that time, or during the session the following churches responded by letter and messengers, as follows:

Antioch:-

Bethel, J H Ramsey. C L Quillen, J E Corzine.

Bethsaida, O P Kent, (Dismissed by letter.)

Centre Ridge, N J Rachel, T F Davis, G W Fomby.

College Hill, J F Foster, A J Richardson, J W Smith, J C Lemmons.

DeKalb, Letter, no delegate.

Eylau, BF Eubanks, RG Nelson.

First Church Texarkana, W H Tilson, E F Friedell, O L Hailey, J B Sellman, C T Wilson, Allen Winham, Jonathan Paulk, T W. Dunn.

Harmony Grove, J P Teeguarden.

Hubbard's, Chapel:-

Magnotia, A U King, J A Hooker,

Malta:-

Mt. Pisgah, CC Elkins.

Myrtle Springs:-

New Boston, J B Lumbley, R T Fulbright, Mrs. A 6 Sims.

New Prospect, J E Cox.

Olive Street, R L Cole, B Chance, W B Scott, Mrs I Lary.

Park, W J Simmons, W C Echols.

Pisgah, Frank Crabtree, W. L Mitchell.

Pleasant Grove, W T Meredith, Miss Amelia Meredith

Rock Creek, T D Kenney, D E Sydner, J R. Walker.

Salem:-

Sand Hill:-

Tennessee, L Winham, D W Johnson, C P Meador.

Wards Creek:-

West Bowie:-

Election of Officers.

Upon motion of R. T. Fulbright the body proceded to the election of officers. Eld. N. J. Rachel and L. Winham were put in nomination, W. J. Simmons and R. L. Cole acting as tellers, L. Winham was elected. Bro. Rachel made appropriate remarks upon retiring and welcomed Bro. Winham to the chair.

Upon motion of N. J. Rachel, the moderator was directed to east the ballot of the the association for O.L. Halley as clerk and treasurer, which was done.

By order of the body, the introductory sermon was deferred till the evening hour.

A Resolution.

J.. B. Sellman introduced the following resolution;-

Whereas, it has been the custom of former bodies in this association to work and co-operate with the Baptist General Convention of Texas, and whereas such co-operation has been good and satisfactory,

Therefore, be it resolved that we continue to so co-operate with the sald Baptist General Convention in all our work,

And upon motion to adopt, remarks were made by N. J. Rachel, B. Chance, J. B. Sellman, J. K. Walker and W. H. Tilson when upon motion of W. H. Tilson, the resolution was laid on the table.

Hours of Meeting,

By motion it was agreed to meet at 9:00 a.m., suspend for preaching at 11.00 a.m. (if the brethren desire). Adjourn at 12:00 o'clock noon, meet at night as committee shall direct. Adjourned. Benediction by R. L. Cole.

First Day-Afternoon.

Association reassembled at 1:30 p. m. Sang "Come Thou Fount of every Blessing." Led in prayer by W. C. Echols.

The moderator announced the following committees:

Committees.

Divine Service:—N J Rachel, W J Simmons and T F Davis.

Associational Missions:—JB Lumbley, CP Meador and WT Meredith.

State Missions:—J B Sellman, Allen Winham, T D Kenney.

Home Missions:—B Chance, T F Davis, J F Foster. Foreign Missions:—R L Cole, W J Simmons, J H Ramsey.

Orphans' Home:—N J Rachel, D W Johnson, W B Scott. Sunday Schools:—Allen Winham, J E Corzine, A J Richardson.

Pastoral Support:—W H Tilson, C C Elkins, C T Wilson. Education:—R T Fulbright, J C Lemmons, J E Cox.

Deceased Minutes:—W C Echols, C L Quillen, C C Elkins.

Ministers Addresses:—JP Teeguarden, TW Dunn, J K Walker.

Temperance: -- R 1 Fulbright, D E Sydner, B F Eubanks. Historical Committee; -- O L Hailey, N J Rachel, Allen Winham.

Nominations;—J B Sellman, R L Cole, R T Fulbright, Publications:—E F Friedell, W L Mitchell, G W Fomby. Co operation;—J B Lumbley, R L Cole, J B Sellman,

Report of Executive Board.

Report submitted by O. L. Harley, chairman and J. B. Sellman, missionary, as follows;

To the Texarkana Association;

Dear Brethren: The members of the Ex. Board held a meeting immediately after their appointment at Pleasant Grove last year. They at once re-elected Rev. J. B. Sellman, as our missionary at a salary of fifty dellars a month and applied to the State Board of the General Convention of Texas for assistance to the amount of twenty-five dollars amount. We are glad to report that the request was promptly granted, and our thanks are thus publicly expressed to them and through them to the brethren of the state who have so generously nelped us.

Bro. Sellman accepted and began work at once. He has been in frequent consultation with the board, and has done diligent and valuable service on the field, as his report—which is referred to and made a part of our report, will show. Bro. Sellman has been unspairing in his efforts to further all our interests, And the encouraging attendance at our Fifth Sunday meetings is due, in no small degree to his untiring efforts to stirup the churches.

We are of the opinion that no better manean be had for missionary. But if possible we ought to have two men employed for all their time. There is crying need for a missionary in the city of Texarkana.

We are pleased to report that the churches, most of them have made contributions to the support of the missionary during the year, and from some six or eight communities where he has labored. So we come to our annual meeting with a very small debt.

We have held regular Fifth Sunday meetings at which important subjects have been discussed. If a more general representation of all the churches could be secured, the cause could be correspondingly advanced.

We ask the association to take account of this matter and see whether some more general interest on the part of our churches can be aroused.

Concerning the Colportage wagon which we were directed to take steps, we have to say, that as yet, we have not seen our way to secure it, but we have some encouragement to hope that one will be provided soon, if the association will continue its instruction to that end.

We suggest that the association ask the churches again to select some one of their members, who shall be the representative of the Board in his church. And that such representative meet with the Board in its regular quarterly meetings, to counsel with them, and to co-operate with the Board in their respective churches.

Respectfully submitted,
O. L. Hailey. Chairman.

Missionary Report.

Dear Brethren:-

With pleasure I present to you my report of work done, as your missionary for the year 1902, commencing on Oct. the 12th, 1901.

This year with your missionary has been one of hard labor and great anxiety. The field is so large, and the calls for help so numerous, that I have not done, altogether as I desired to do. I am very frank to confess to you that I have been wholly unable to please myself. I hoped to be able to present a much better showing for the year's work, than my report will exhibit. I have done however, what I could as I had opportunity and as I thought best for the work in hand, and feel that gratitude demands that I here express to you my kindest regards in placing this important work in my hands, and sincerely hope that the effort put forth; and the work done, will so meet with your approval and good will as that I may be able to merit future favors at your hands, and I feel sure I shall not be criticized for embracing the present opportunity to express to the State Board of the Baptist General Convention, and also to Dr. J. B. Gambrell, Superintendent of State Missions, my profoundest gratitude for the kind words and generous aid, which they have given from time to time as I moved forward, in looking after the interests of this work. And I am sure we shall never know the real good that has been accomplished, until we have crossed the river, entered the gates of pearl, and taken our places with the redeemed of the Lord, in the Paradise of God.

The following is a showing of the work done, for the time indicated:— Stations supplied regular and irregular as follows;—

Pastorless Churches:-

Bethel, Ark.

Pisgah "

Svivarena, "

Olive Street, Texarkana, Texas.

Cooley.

Hubbard's Chapple, "	
Destitute Places:—	
Spring Hill, Ark.	
College Hill, "	
Red Lick, Texas:	
Rose Hill, "	
Liberty Hill, "	
Dalby Springs, "	
Total Stations Supplied Regular and Irregu	lar, 12.
Sermons preached,	162,
Sermons on missions,	
Other exhortations and addresses	
Total sermons and addresses	
Number of conversions	- 54.
No. of baptisms in connection with my work i	
the churches	- 44.
No. rec'd by letter and restoration	- 38.
Total rec'd into the churches	- 82.
Prayer meetings organized	4.
Sunday Schools organized	3.
Religious visits made as follows:—	
Baptist families visited	552.
Methodist families	97.
Presbyterian families	40,
Campbellite families	27.
Episcopalian familes	15.
Catholic families	. 35,
Unchristian and other families	. 13.
Total families visited during the year	779.
	49,488.
Number of miles traveled	2,190,
Subscriptions to "Our Home Field"	5.
Subscribtions to "The Baptist Standard" .	6.
Subscriptions to "The Missionary Worker"	
Subscriptions to "The Associational News"	
No. of circulars and bills handed out for religi	ous
rvices	900.

No. of books sold during the year as follows:-

	Song books
	Baptist manuals , 60.
	Baptist annuals 50.
	Bibles and Testaments . , 10.
	Other books sold
	Number of books given away 6.
	No. of Bibles and Testaments given away . 15.
	Tracts and leaflets given away, several hundred,
	Total value of books sold and given away \$60.
	Money rec'd for our various interests dur-
ing	the year as here stated
	State missions
	Home missions
	Foreign missions , 2.25.
	The Orphans' Home 9.00.
	Old ministers' relief 2.00.
	Church repairs
	The Associational News 54.50.
	The Missionary Worker 1.00.
	The Baptist Standard 7.50.
	Our Home Field 50.
	Total rec'd during the year \$111.05.
	Days labored , 365.
	Salary promised \$50 per month \$600.00.
	At the close of our last association, there
wa	s a balance due me of 53.50.
	This amount was settled by Eld. O. L. Hailey, secretary and treasurer
as l	here indicated;—
	Oct. 12, Cash, \$20.00.

Oct. 17, Cash, \$15 95.

Oct. 19, Cash, \$17.55.

Total to balance account \$53,50.

Paid by Dr. O. L. Hailey, on the present year's work, as follows:-Nov. 3, Cash, \$10,00.

· 24, Cash, 15,00.

Dec. 23, Cash, 6.25.

38, Cash, 2.50.

Jan. 5. Cash, 5.00.

Feb. 11, Cash, 10,00.

" 20, Cash, 5.00.

" 24, Cash, 55,00.

Mar. 6, Cash, 20.00,

Apr. 10, Cash, 10.00.

" 16, Cash, 3.00.

25, Cash, 5.00.

May, 13, Cash, 5.00.

June, 25, Cash. 1.00.

July, 27. Cash. 10.00.

Sept, 12, Cash ,50,

By Dr. Haitey through Dr. J. B. Gambrell, \$32,45.

Total received from Eld. O. L. Hailey on the present year's work, \$205.70. In the months of Feb. May and Aug. I received from the State Board of the Baptist General Convention, through Dr. J. B. Gumbrell, Superintendent of State Missions, \$225.00.

Received in the month of Sept. and the present month, Oct. 27.55.

Total received from State Board, \$252,55.

New Poston church -

Received from churches and individuals on the field as here stated.

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New Boston enurer	1	-	-	-	100	12.00.
Olive Street Church	1	-		+		25.00.
Bethel Church				-		20.00
Sylvarena Church	-		-	-		9.30,
Pisgah Church .		-		-	-	7.40.
DeKalb Church	+	-	-	-		4.55.
Eylan Church -		-	-	-	-	4,50,
Dalby Springs Con	1.		*		~	4.40.
College Hill Church	1	-		-	*	4,25.
Mount Pisgah Chu	rch			-		2.25.
Park Church -				-	*	3.50.
Harmony Church	-		-	-		3.00,
Magnolia Church						2,25.
Antioch Church						2.30.
Cool r Com						2.00:

Rock Creek Church						,		1,25.
Hubbard's Chappel	Ch	urch	1					1.50.
Spring Hill Com.		,		,				3 00.
Liberty Hill Com,	,							1.00.
Red Lick Com								1.00.
Boyd Com. ,				186	192			1,00.
W. G. Eubanks		ă.						1.00,
Rev. N. A. Rogers			ş					1.00.
Total received on t	he	field			*		5	137.15,
Total received from	all	8011	rce	8			51	95.40,
Balance due the mis	210	nary						4 60,

All moneys not paid direct to me but to Dr. Halley, have been accounted for. Our most likely places on the field, where good can be accomplished are as follows:—

College Hill in the city of Texarkana, also Rose Hill in the city of Texarkana.

Spring Hill, Texas in the N. W. part of Bowie County.

Red Lick Community, N. W, Park, Texas.

Red Water on the Cotton Belt R. R. West of Texarkana, Texas.

Garland City, on the Cotton Belt R. R. East of Texarkana, in Ark.

Boyd, Ark, on the T. S. & N. Ry, 9 miles south of Texackana.

Churches without pastors, needing attention are:—Hubbard Chappel. 3 mlles south of DeKalb, Texas. New Prospect church at Sims, Texas and Myrtle Springs, some 3 miles north of Hooks, Texas.

These churches and communities are surrounded by good lands, good farmers and a moral, industrious class of permanent white citizenship.

Yours truly, J. B, Sellman, Missionary,

Texarkana Baptist Association, & State Board of Baptist Gen'l Convention Remarks made by O. L. Hailey and R. L. Cole, and the report was adopted.

Place of Next Meeting.

Upon motion of Bro. N. J. Rachel, the next session of the body is to be held with Tennessee church, and upon motion of J. B. Sellman, Bro. R. L. Cole was elected to preach the introductory sermon, N. J. Rachel, his alternate.

Messenger to S. B. Convention.

Upon motion O. L. Hailey was elected messenger to the S, B. Convention and J. B. Lumbley alternate.

Historical Committee.

O. L. Hailey read a partial report on the history of the association, covering the first ten years. And the body by vote publicly expressed their appreciation of the work. Sang, "Standing on the Promises." Prayer by J. B. Sellman, and at 3;30 association adjourned.

First Day -- Evening Session.

Mct at 7;30 pursuant to adjournment. Sang; "When the Roll is Called up Yonder" and "Come Thou Fount."

Rev. J. B. L. mbley read from the 5th chapter of John. verses 17-47. Sang, "More about Jesus."

Rev. J. B. Lumbley preached the introductory sermon from John 5;39-40, revised version—"Ye search the Scriptures, because in them ye think ye have eternal life, and these are they that bear witness of me. And ye will not come to me that ye might have life." After the excellent sermon the body was led in prayer by Rev. E. A. Stone of Dallas, Texas.

Committee on Co-Operation,

Moderator in the chair. Upon motion of O. L. Hailey a special committee on co operation was appointed, consisting of J. B. Lumbley, R. L. Cole, J. B. Sellman. (See committees.)

Bethsaida Dismissed.

Letter from Bethsaida church presented by O. P. Kent. They request a letter of dismission.

Upon motion the church was granted a letter to join the Red River Association,

Sylvarena Dropped.

Information having come to hand that Sylvarena church had dissolved, upon motion the clerk was authorized to drop the name from the list of churches.

Stood and sang, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?" And the benediction by J. B. Sellman.

Second Day == Morning Session.

Met at 9:00, sang, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" Led in prayer by W. J. Simmons. Sang, "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Body called to order—Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Miscellaneous.

N. J. Rachel moved that the time of meeting be changed from Friday morning to Saturday morning. The motion was lost.

Visiting Brethren.

.Upon invitation the following brethren accepted seats in the body:—

Rev. J. M. P. Morrow representing Paptist General Convention, Rev. E. A. Stone, of Dallas, Texas, representing the S. S. Dept. of the A. B. P. Society. R. J. Grant, representing the Buptist Standard.

Committee on Co-Operation.

Report submitted by J. B. Lumbley and adopted as follows:— We, your committee on Co-operation submit the following report:—

Co-operation is in strictest harmony with Baptist and Bible principles. Each courch, being independent, is a complete executive body within itself and comes into and goes out of associations at will, co-operates with other churches in associational capacity, co-operates either in part or in all of the work of the denomination as it chooses, using the association or conven-

tion as an advisory council, through which, with united effort, it joins with other churches in carrying out the commission and commands of our Lord in mission work.

With the increase of population and multiplicity of opportunities, comes greater responsibilities. The greatest question with the people of God is how we may meet these responsibilities. It is plainly taught in God's Word and demonstrated by the work of God's people that a busy life for christ is best. To be much at work and in many kinds of gospel work is:

1st. Best for the church. Nothing is better for a church than development, Teaching, living, praying and paying are all wholesome exercises In church development.

2nd. It is healthiest for the cause of Christ. God's people must be a willing people in the day of his power. Christ says of himself, "I must work the works of Him that sent me, for the night cometh when no man can work."

3rd, It is the best way to honor God. Not even a cup of cold water can be given in the name of a disciple without bringing a disciple's reward.

We, your committee, therefore recommend that the entire Board of this association be requested to act as a committee on co-operation.

1st. To correspond with churches that may be disposed to work and encourage them in our work.

2nd. To hold one or two day's meetings with such churches as may in vite the committee, to help these churches.

3rd. That we use all scriptural and right and laudable means to enlist the association in co-operation in our Lord's work,

J. B. Lumbley.

R. L. Cole, Committee.

J. B. Sellman,

Order of Business.

By vote the order of business as printed in the minutes of last year was adopted by the body.

Associational Missions.

Report submitted by J. B. Lumbley, as follows: -

Your committee on Associational Missions, submit the following:-

We find in our association a field white unto harvest with but few la-

borers. Our territory is rapidly filling up with immigrants.

It is a sad fact that our work of giving the gospel to the people is not equal to the increase of our population. To add to our sad condition many of our churches are very small and weak, and some of them without pastors. We feel our need of a number of strong preachers in our association. Are we following our Savior's instructions to pray the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers into the vineyard? We have much of the territory, in our association unoccupied, How shall we prove ourselves equal to our responsibilities?

We, your committee, recommend the appointment of one or more missionaries in the association as the Ex. Board may be able to do.

We further recommend that the Executive Board attempt to secure the services of some good revivalist for all or as much of his time as it is possible to give, to hold revivals in weak churches, and labor for the salvation of the lost in our midst.

Wefurther recommend, that the Board arrange for the colportage wagon if possible.

J. B. Lumbley,
P. C. Meador,
W. T. Meredith,

Upon motion to adopt, the body was addressed by J. B. Lumbley, N. J. Rachel, J. B. Sellman, W. J. Simmons, E. F. Friedell, C. T. Wilson, R. J. Grant. A collection was taken amounting to \$20.55. And the report was adopted.

Preaching.

Committee on devotion reported that J. M. P. Morrow would preach tonight at 7;30. A S. S. mass-meeting will be held to morrow at 9:00 a. m., conducted by C, T. Wilson. At 11:00 O. L. Hailey will preach.

State Missions.

Report read by J. B. Sellman.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the matter of State Missions, beg to submit the following report:—

State Mission means, mission work done in the State of Texas, or in any other state.

We deem this work the most important, connected with all our labors in the extention of the Master's Kingdom.

At this time we have about 250 missionaries busy in various sections o the state, in preaching the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to lost men and women, visiting the homes of the people, organizing churches, Sunday Schools, prayermeetings, selling and giving away good books. Bibles, Testa ments, tracts, and in many ways enlarging and developing our interests as a people in the state. Some of these missionaries are doing a general work going from point to point where needed most in the work which they are doing. Others are colporters, handling books, Bibles, Testaments and tracts, sowing the state in gospel and Baptist literature. Others are laboring within the boundary lines of associations, and are known as Associational Missionaries. The work this year has been exceedingly prosperous on all lines universal and unparalleled in the history of the state. Hundreds and thousands have been converted, and brought into the Kingdom of God. When we look at the statistics we are at once impressed with the wisdom and importance of statewide co-operation. In 1896 there were 79 missionaries at work on the field under the State Board. Last year there were 203. This year up to this date there are about 250.

The missionaries under the State Board on last year organized 82 churches; Baptized 2,994 converts, and received as a total into the churches 6,062; 50 meeting houses were built, and much other important work accomplished.

For the months of May, June and July of the present year, the State Missionaries, or those working under the direction of the State Board, supplied 634 stations, preached 7,242 sermons.

Gave exhortations and other address	sass			2,551.
Total sermons and addresses .	,			9,793.
Churches organized	-			, 32.
Baptized into the churches .				1,348.
Received by letter and restoration				1,058.
Total received into the churches				2,406
Prayer meetings organized	*0		190	. 73.
Sunday Schools organized .				102.
Ministers ordained				, 8.

Deacons ordained		,			40.
Pages religious literature distri	buted				. 464,785.
Religious visits made , .					14,776.
Church lots secured · .			,		. \$2,425.
Church houses built .					23.
Cost of these houses .					\$11,260.76.
Books and Bibles distributed					3,040.
Cost of books and Bibles .					\$1,731.38.
Miles traveled ,					69,5 35
Number of Bibles given away					280.
Number of Testaments given aw	vy		1		. 103.
Number of other books given av	vay				. 65.

Much more than this which I cannot here give. But the figures given will give some little idea of the vast amount of work that is now being done by the State Board of the Baptist General Convention.

The total experse of doing this work, including the pay of superintendent, bookkeeper, stenographer, traveling expenses, postage, interests etc, is about 6 percent, that is out of every dollar given to this work about 94 cents of the dollar goes directly to the object specified by the giver.

The state mission work now being done by the State Board of the Baptist General Convention is without a parallel in our history as a people, Therefore we would recommend that all our preachers and pastors, deacons and Suuday School superintendents, preach and talk, pray and work for State Missions as opportunity, affords, and that a collection be taken for the work at this time or on tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

Further we would recommend that this association, or the churches of this association heartily endorse the State Board of the Baptist Convention and pledge to the Convention our every sympathy and support, and continue our co-operation.

We would also recommend that we here express our gratitude to the State Board and Eld. J. B. Gambrell for the help given to the association during the past year, 1902, Also we would recommend that constant prayer to God, be made in all our homes and churches for the success of this great work. All of which is submitted.

J. B. Sellman,
Allen Winham'
T. D. Kenney,

Upon motion to adopt J. B. Sellman spoke and introduced J. M. P. Morrow, who spoke also and the report was adopted. The report recommends a collection to be taken on Sunday at 11;00 a. m., for State Missions. Adjourned: Benediction by O. L. Hailey,

Second Day-Afternoon.

Met at 1:30 and sang, "Standing on the Promises." C. T. Wilson led in prayer. Sang; "More About Jesus."

Order Suspended.

Upon motion the regular order was suspended in order to hear the report of the committees on Nominations and on Sunday Schools.

Nominations

Report on nominations read by J. B. Sellman and after amend ments, was adopted as follows:—

We, your committee on nominations would recommend that the following brethren be elected as our Executive Board for the next associational year, 1903.

Rev, R. L. Cole. Rev. J. B. Lumbley. Allen Winham.

J. E, Corzine and R. T, Fullbright to act with the moderator and clerk of the association.

And that this Board when elected proceed at once to elect a missionary to do general missionary work in our bounds at a salary of \$50.00 per month, and that they elect other missionaries or revivalists to do work within our midst as they feel able and that the idea of a colportage wagon be better considered in the future,

That this Board also give to the missionary such instructions regarding the work to be done as they think best. That they also ask the State Board for such help to pay the missionary as they may deem wise.

Also that the location of the 5th. Sunday meeting be left to the Board. We would also name as delegate to the State Convention our beloved

brethren; -J. B. Lumbley, R. L. Cole, R. T. Fullbright, W. C. Echols, Allen Winham,

J. B. Sellman,
R. L. Cole,
R. T. Fullbright

Sunday Schools,

Upon call for the report, Dr. E. A. Stone of Dallas addressed the body. The report was read by Allen Winham, and after remarks by N. J. Rachel and O. L. Hailey, the report was adopted as follows:

The committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following report;—

Twelve churches in our association report to this body that they have Sunday Schools. The aggregate number of scholars is 654; the number of teachers is 60; and the number of baptisms from these schools is 20. We prehend that there are others of our churches having schools, but have failed to report on this subject. We urge upon the assembled messengers to see to it that the letters from these churches each year contain a full and true report of all work done in this capacity during the ensuing year.

Such passages from the Bible as Ps. 78;1-8, Jas. 4:5,7, Hosea, 4:6 and Deut. 37;12, 13, Heb. 8;8 teach us not only that God intended and command ed that the children should be instructed in His statutes but that the failure to do so would be followed by the most awful consequences. This association can have no more important question before it to engage its attention than "How best to direct this work that God's will may be done." Neglect this work and our associational body will be as a plant in an everincreasing dry land. Foster it and we shall grow in power and influence,

We recommend that our Fifth Sunday programme be more and more given up to the discussion of questions pertaining to the Sunday School.

That each church in this association organize and maintain a Sunday School.

That we have at least one Sunday School institute during this year for the especial benefit of our teachers, and so far as possible to co-operate with Dr. E. A. Stone, the State Sunday Missionary appointed by American Baptist Publishing Society in the development of their great work.

We recommend that the executive Committee of the Association be in structed to take charge in the direction of this work.

Allen Winham, Chairman. J. E. Corzine.

Home Missions.

Report submitted by B, Chance and upon motion to adopt J. M. P. Morrow and R. J. Grant spoke to the subject and the report was adopted as follows:

Brethren of the Texarkana Association, it is high time that we should arouse ourselves to the responsibility of the demands that now confront us. The demand was never greater or more needful and the help more urgent than at this time.

Scores upon top of scores of immigrants who have been reared and educated in lands dominated by Catholicism or Mohammedanism are yearly cast upon our shores and being colonized in our very midst, and some of the isles of the sea in heathen darkness have been added to our domain and opened up to us which increases our responsibility. And we as a denom ination should at once lay hold upon the opportunity that the great and allwise God has given us for honoring him in speaking the glad news of salvation; he has given to the world through his son Jesus. Let, this association therefore lay hold of these opportunities and respond more heartily to the demands in this field of labor than ever before.

B. Chance, Chairman.

J. F. Foster.

J. F. Davis.

Foreign Missions.

Report presented by R. L. Cole, who addressed the body anthe report adopted.

Jesus manifestiy meant by the last commission that the gospel should be preached in all the world. He is no respecter of persons, and to him a soul is as dear in one continent as another. He wishes us to be just as much interested in the salvation of souls in heathen lands, as at home.

This part of our work should be pushed with such vigor as to leave no

middle ground between hardshellism and missionary practice.

The pastor who does not lead his people to participate in the evangelization of the world largely discounts himself as a gospel preacher, and the church that does not take part in it, is practically hardshell.

We are glad to say that at no time in the history of modern missions has the work been so prosperous as now. The present fields are being enlarged and plans are being considered to push the work into new territory.

We recommend that our churches continue co-operation with the Foreign Mission Board, and increase their efforts and contributions to the work

Orphans' Home.

Report submitted by N. J. Rachel, who spoke to the report as did R. J. Grant. A collection was taken amounting to \$10.25. R. J. Grant and J. M. P. Morrow made remarks, and the report was adopted.

The Buckner Orphans' Home is an institution chartered by the state for the care of dependent orphan children. Eld. R. C. Buckner is its founder and general manager.

There have been hundreds of children trained and educated and thus have been made useful men and women. And yet this great work is just as needful as it was years ago. If we could throw aside our limits of vision and see the home as it is with its hundreds of children taken helpless as they are in the home, having proper training and care that brings out the best of their nature and blesses with knowledge so useful for them in life.

We would then be ready to help with the things needful to feed and clothe the orphans, thus visiting them as the Lord has commanded us,

Respectfully submitted.

Historical Committee.

Report adopted as follows:-

We recommend that O. L. Hailey continue his historical investigation into the past history of our association. And that any brethren who ca do so, will give him any information they may have.

Allen Winham. N. J. Racnel.

Pastoral Support.

Report submitted by W. H. Tilson, who spoke to the report, followed by W. C. Echols, Allen Winham, R. L. Cole, C. T. Wilson, J. B. Sellman, E. A. Stone, O. L. Hailey J. B. Lumbley, and J. M. P. Morrow and the report adopted.

Your committee beg leave to report, that it appears from the reading of many of our associational letters, the brethren do not seem to fully understand the obligation to contribute to the support of their pastor. We think that when our Savior said "the laborer is worthy of his hire", that he meant the laborer should give his full time to the prosecution of the work in hand, and that the wages should be adequate compensation thereof: and if our churches could only realize what they really owe to God, to their pastor, there would be a great forward movement along that line and would necessarily result in an advance, along other lines of church work.

Now, since every business worthy of our attention, must be conducted on business principles, therefore, we earnestly urge that our churches adopt some system of contributing to the several objects of church work.

> W. H. Tilson, C. T. Wilson. C. C. Elkins.

Treasurer's Report.

Submitted by the Treasurer, and it was adopted.

Expense Fund. Dr.

To amounts received from all sources \$45.80 Credited by amounts paid out 41.50

Balance on hand - - - \$4.30

	Associational Missions, Dr. To amounts	
re	eceived from all sources \$231.80	
	Credited by amounts paid out 241.65	
	Balance due Treasurer 9.85	
	State Missions Dr.	
	To amounts received from all sources 332.45	
	Credited by amounts paid out - 251,55	
	Balance on hand \$80.90	
	Home Missions Dr.	
	To amounts received from all sources 104.75	
	Credited by amounts paid out 104.75	
	Foreign Missions Dr.	
	To amounts received from all sources 127.70	
	Credited by amounts paid out 127.70	
	Orphaus' Home Dr.	
	To amounts received from all sources 125,05	
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	Educational Commission Dr.	
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	Old Minister's Relief Dr.	
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	Credited by amounts paid out 10,00	
	Balance on hand \$15.00	

An itemized statement accompanied with vouchers was submitted to the Association, and is held now in the treasurer's office for inspection. But only the totals are given here, because to print it all would require a good deal of space and increase considerably the expense.

O. L. Hailey, Treasurer.

Deceased Ministers,

Report read by W, C. Echols and adopted as follows:

We, your committee would report that we are glad to say, that through the providence of God, the lives of our ministering brethren have been spar ed, for which we are thankful.

W. C. Echols, Chairman.

Publications.

Report read by the clerk. And pending motion to adopt the body ajourned. Benediction by C. T. Wilson.

We, your committee on Publication. beg leave to subm it the following r_{e^-} port:—

- 1. We deplore with no little concern the lack of knowledge among the rising generation in reference to the teachings of the Bible. ffle would therefore, recommend that parents and Sunday School teachers place much stress on the reading of the Bible often in the homes and in the Sunday Schools, so that the young people may become familiar with its truths.
- 2. We recommend for the use of our Sunday Schools the periodicals published at Nashville, Tennessee, under the direction of the Southern Baptist Convention, as being sound Baptist literature, and well adapted for the use of our schools. And the publications of the A. B. P. Society we also deem worthy of our liberal patronage.
- 3. We would also recommend that our young people be well supplied with such books as teach our distinctive Baptist doctrines, whereby they may become thoroughly grounded in the faith of our fathers, and remain loyal to the denomination.
- 4. We would further recommend that each Baptist family supply itselfor the use of the family, with one or more religious Baptist papers, and we should be very careful not to patronize any so-called religious paper, which is full of vituperations and deals in personalities in reference to our brethren.
- 5. Lastly, we would recommend that our Baptist mothers and fathers be careful to place before their children only such literature as is morally pure and elevating in character.

 E. F. Friedell

W. L. Mitchell Geo. N. Fomby.

Second Day -= Evening Session,

Met at 7;15. Sang "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood." Led in prayer by R. J. Grant.

Consideration of the report on Publications, being in order, remarks were made by R. J. Grant. The report was upon motion amended in the second recommendations so as to include all the periodicals of the A. B. P. Society.

Further discussion was had, participated in by J. B. Sellman and the report was adopted.

Education.

R. T. Fulbright presented the report and it was adopted with out discussion, owing to the lack of time,

Your committee on education beg leave to submit the following. We note with pleasure the trend toward higher education. We believe in higher education. But we fear that higher education in schools where the Bible is ignored may be more a curse than a blessing. We favor an education that is looking to the wellfare of the soul as well as the development of the intellect. We believe in Christian education, and as Baptists, we recommend one correlated school in Texas, to-wit; Baylor University at Waco, Burleson College at Greenville, Decatur College at Decatur, Howard College at Beaumont, East Texas College a Buckner and Baylor Female College at Belton, All of which, thanks to our able management stand out free from the shackels of debt and offer facilities for literary training unsurpassed by any system of schools anywhere in the South, The curriculium of Baylor University is equal to the State School at Austin and her discipline far superior.

Let us then send our sons and daughters to our own denominational schools and thereby increase the great army of christian workers that are being yearly prined out therefrom who are battling for God and our country.

R. T. Fulbright

J. E. Cox.

J. C. Lemon.

Temperance,

R. T. Fulbright presented the report and followed with remarks upon the subject as also did J. B. Lumbley, and the report was adopted.

Your committee on temperance indulge a hope that they may be able to offer some thought that will develop great activity among christain people against this gigantic evil King Alcohol. We resolute and we resolute, but do we think and do we act? Drunkenness, the distressing cry of women and children that follow in its trail has become so common that we look upon it as a necessary evil and fail to arouse ourselves to action. Strange as it may seem to us the masses do not see this evil. They need eye openers, We recommend for special information on that line that we encourage all to subscribe for and read The New Voice, published in Chicago, \$1. a year, and if their eyes are not opened to the enormity of this monster evil, fear they are hopeless. We would further recommend that Baptists, when they cast their ballot for judicial and executive officers, should be careful to vote for men that will respect their oath and do right when a question of dealing with the liquor traffic confronts them. In other words, vote as they pray.

R. T. Fulbright,

B. F. Eubanks,

D. F. Snider.

Representatives of the Executive Board.

O. L. Hailey, for the Executive Board presented the following which was unanimously adopted by the association.

The Executive Board hereby asks the association to name the following brethren in their respective churches, And ask them to represent the Executive Board. And we hereby ask the churches in regular conference to ratify these appointments, and hat these brethren be requested to meet and confer with the Board at its regular quarterly meetings.

Bethel, J. H. Ramsey,

College Hill, A. J. Richardson,

Centre Ridge, N. J. Rachel. DeKalb, N. E. Laurence.

Eylau. B. F. Eubanks. Hubbard, S. M. Braswell, Magnolia, A. U. King, Myrtle Springs, B. F, Lumbley. New Boston, J, A. Ellis, New Prospect, J. E. Cox, Pisgah, Frank Crabtree, Rock Creek, J. K. Walker. Tennessee, W. P. Bankston, Ward's Creek, R. T. Brown,

Harmony Grove, J. P. Teeguarden, Mt. Pisgah, C. C. Elkins. Malta, W. L. Dunu, Olive St. Chas. Todd, Park, E. D. Meredith, Sand Hill, Charley Lindsey, 1st, Texarkana, Allen Winham. West Bowie, F. L. Williams. O. L. Hailey. Clerk.

Printing Minutes,

Upon motion of N. J. Rachel, the following was unanimously adopted;

Resolved, 1, That whereas Bro. O. L. Hailey has been very dilligent as Secretary of the Board, Clerk and Treasurer of this Association.

Resolved, 2. That we pay him \$25.00 for these services and request him to have 500 copies of the Minutes of this Association printed and distribuet N. J. Rachel. the same.

Thanks.

Upon motion of J. B. Lumbley, the body unanimously adopted the following resolution of thanks.

Resolved. That this body express its gratitude to the membership of Center Ridge church and the good people of this community for their hospitality and the courteous treatment which they have given us during our stay among them, and that we also express our thanks to the clerk and moderator, for their wise and impartial rule over the body during Its ses-J. B. Sellman. sions.

Ministers Addresses.

Bro. J. P. Teeguarden presented the report for the committee and the clerk was authorized to print it .- See page.

Preaching,

Rev. J. M. P. Morrow read from the fifth chapter of Eph.

and announced Eph. 5:32 as his text:—"I speak concerning Christ and the Church." He delivered a most excellent sermon. Stood and sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Supplement Expense Fund.

A public collection was taken to increase the amount of the printing fund. Cash \$7.50.

Parting Hand.

While singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul" we gave each other the parting hand, thus closing what, by general expression was the best and among the pleusantest sessions of the Texarkana Association. Prayer by J. M. P. Morrow.

Sunday.

On Sunday morning at 10 o'clock R. J. Graut spoke on first Cor, 13th chap, At 11 a, m. O. L. Hailey preached from 2 Pet. 1;1-11. A collection for State Missions of \$14.25. At 2 o'clock p. m. Mass-Meeting addressed by C. T. Wilson, N. J. Rachel and O. L. Hailey.

O. L. Hailey, Clerk. L. Winham, Moderator,



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Historical Table.

	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	CLERK.	Introductory Sermon.		NO.	NC.
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1874	Mt. Zion,	J R Alexander,	J M Renfro,	R T Ridlin,	- 1		250
1875	Sand Hill,	John Winham.	J M Renfro,	John Winham,	Rom 1;12,	14	624
1876	Sylvarena,	John Winham,	J M Renfro,	J M Renfro,	Heb. 6;1,	10	
877	Rock Creek,	John Winham.	J M Renfro.	J S Thomas,	Gal. 1:20	11	464
1878	DeKalb,	John Winham,	J M Renfro,	J F Shaw,	2 Thes. 2:12.	9	
1879	1st Texarkana,	J R Alexander.	J M Rentro,	J M Renfro.	Rom. 1:1,	13	420
1880	Ward's Creek.	J R Alexander,	J M Renfro,	J M Renfro,		- 11	
1881	Boston,	John Winham,	L Alexander,	John Winham,	Ps. 17;4.	15	609
1882	Sylvarena	· H B Pender,	T J Patillo,	H B Pender,	Acts 17:6,	16	579
1883	Rock Creek,	H B Pender,	T J Patillo,	H H Echols,	Acts 9:6	16	763
1884	Sand Hill,	John Winham,	L Alexander,	N J Rachel,	Neh. 6:3.	17	609
1885	1st. Texarkana,	John Winham.	W H Tilson,	Williams,	Roms.	16	665
1886	Pisgah.	John Winham,	N J Rachel,	John Winnam,	Luke 12:31,32	. 12	614
1887	Centre Ridge,	H H Echols,	N J Rachel,	E D Meredith,	Eph. 3:10.	17	790
1888	College Hill,	H H Echols,	N J Rachel.	J H Cason.	Mark 16:15.	17	879
1889	Tennessee.	H H Echols,	N J Rachel,	H H Echols,	1 Cor, 3:9.	15	773
1890	New Hope,	John Winham.	RJ Harrison,	John Winham,	Josh, 1:2.	. 18	937
1891	Rock Creek,	W A Forbes,	NJ Rachel,	W A Forbes.	John 4.	24	1129
1892	Park.	W A Forbes.	N J Rachel,	E D Meredith.	John 6:44	25	1148
1893	New Boston,	W A Forbes,	N J Rachel.	John Winham,	Jo. 21:5.6.	24	1215
1894	1st Tearkann,	W A Forbes.	NJ Ruchel.	W T Tardy.	Matt 21:17.	24	1274
1895	D.Kalb.	R T Fulbright.	N J Rachel.	M A Gunter.	Matt. 13:43.	27	1266
1896	Pisgah.	John Winham.	N J Rachel.	E D Meredith,	Acts 10;33.	27	1211
1397	Tennessee.	John Winham,	N J Rachel,		Eph. 3;8,	27	1392
1898	New Hope	John Winham,	N J Rachel,	E D Meredith,	1, Sam. 17-29.	27	1197
1899	1st Texarkana	W A Freeman,	N J Rachel,	J B Lumbley,		27	1265
1900	Rock Creek,	N J Rachel.	O L Halley,	W E Neill,		27	1604
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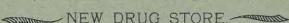
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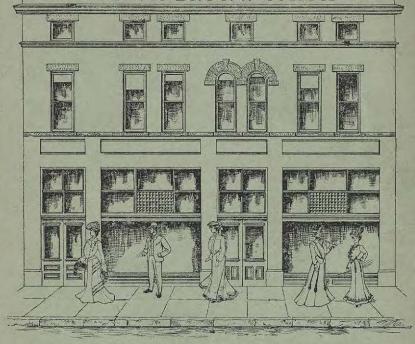
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