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and encourage them in every good word and work. To teach them to give of their abundance as the Lord has prospered them to all needy objects of charity for the success of the great cause. To see that all the church ordinances are observed and to be faithful in his attendance at all times.

A. M. NEAL, Chairman.

5th. Duties of Churches to Pastors.—Dear brethren, we believe that it is the duty of the members to meet their pastors at the stated meetings and to administer to their necessities; for as they administer unto the church spiritual things the members should not withhold their assistance for the support of a needy pastor—Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn.

W. F. RUCKER, Chairman.

On Documents.—We find from the reports from the many churches that God has prospered his cause in our bounds the past year. That through the earnest preaching of the Gospel many have been brought to a knowledge of the truth, which should strengthen and encourage us to even greater efforts during the coming year. We further find that from the letters that no church directly petitioned for the next session of this body; but we find one delegate asking for the Association to meet with the church at Mt. Ida, viz: DR. R. C. ROBERTS. We recommend that the next session of this body be held with the church at Mt. Ida, Montgomery county. We find that there are twenty-six churches represented, also three corresponding letters of Associations, viz: Ouachita, Saline and Red River. Further, we find that the Second Hot Springs Baptist church asks for a letter of dismission.

Respectfully,

J. M. SMITH,
J. N. WASSON,
D. S. P. BLACK.

P. S. Shiloh church did ask for the Association to meet with them. CLERK.
7th. Obituaries—Sister Margaret M. Surguin, of New Home church, was born June 1857. Joined the church 1875, and departed this life in October 1888, age 31 years.

Brother Jeff Robins, of Pleasant Valley church, departed this life April 2nd, 1889, age 49 years.

Sister Mary A. Gaskin, of Providence church, departed this life April 18, 1889. Sister Ewing, wife of Wm. Ewing, of Mt. Pisgah church, departed this life in June, 1889.

Deacon W. F. Rull, of Forrest Hill church, departed this life May 6th, 1889, aged 72 years.

Bro. Samuel Dillard, of Bethel church, departed this life January 1889, aged 96 years.

Sister Rebecca Williams, of Mt. Zion church, departed this life March, 1889, aged 60 years.

W. D. LEFEVERS, Chairman.

The above reports were all adopted. The body was notified at this stage of business that it was time for preaching, and so business was postponed until 9 o'clock p. m. At 9 o'clock p. m. the body came together by singing. First called for the report of the preaching committee which was adopted as follows:

Saturday night, Elds. J. T. Brown and H. L. Wasson; text, 7th verse of 3rd chapter of John. Closing prayer by Dr. Kenedy.

Sunday morning at 9:30, Elds. H. C. Ridling and J. H. West; texts, Jeremiah 8th chapter and 21st verse, and Isaiah 28th chapter and 20th verse.

Sunday at 11 a. m., Elds. J. E. Kenedy and L. Antrey; texts, 2d chapter 21

Tim, 15th verse, prayer by A. R. Chitwood.

Sunday at 3 p. m., Elds. J. M. Haycraft and J. J. Hughes; texts, 18th chapter of John and part of 38th verse (What is Truth.)

Sunday night, Elds. E. P. Chitwood and H. C. Ridling. (Text not recorded.)

Monday at 11 a. m., Elds. E. Wright and J. M. White; text, 2d Peter, 1st chapter and 14th verse.

Also, on Sunday night at Mountain Home, by Elds. J. T. Brown and O. C. Miller; text, John, 3d chapter and 3d verse. A. R. CHITWOOD, Chairman.

Treasurer's Report.—Received from the Committee on Finance for printing minutes.....\$29 25
From Sunday School Convention..... 2 40

Total\$31 65

JOHN WELCH, Treasurer.

Executive Committee or Missionary Board.—The committee met on the 4th Sunday in November, 1888. Called Eld. J. H. West to the chair for organization. Enrolled committee-men as follows: /

CHURCHES.

Forrest Hill.....G. B. Willis.
Bethel.....W. F. Willis.
Mt. Pisgah.....R. Tallant.
Black Springs.....J. W. Kerby.
Liberty.....J. Colier.

The election of officers was as follows: G. B. Willis, Pres.; W. F. Willis, Sec'y; R. Tallant, Treasurer. Amount on hand, \$8.90.

G. B. WILLIS, Pres.

Report from the Sunday School Convention.—The Sunday School Convention of the C. R. B. A's., met pursuant to adjournment with the church at Mountain Home, Montgomery county, Ark., on Friday, 11 o'clock a. m., before the second Sunday in August, 1889. The introductory sermon was preached by Elds. J. M. Smith and T. J. Welch. Text, John, 16th chapter and 7th verse. After some appropriate remarks by the President the body adjourned until 3 p. m. At 3 p. m. the convention was called to order by the President, who read the 37th Psalm. Prayer by J. F. Wisener.

1st. Called for letters from schools and churches, which were read and the names of the delegation enrolled.

2nd. Went into the election of officers which resulted in the choice of W. J. Kennedy, President; Eld. T. J. Welch, Vice President; Eld. J. M. Smith, Sec'y; D. S. P. Black, Treasurer. A committee was appointed to arrange a programme for this session of this body, consisting of Brethren J. C. Thomas, W. D. Ward and Eld. J. J. Hughes. Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Friday night preaching by Elds. W. H. Caldwell and J. M. Smith. 2nd Day—9 o'clock a. m. Convention was called to order by the President who read the 14th chapter of Job, prayer by Eld. D. T. Driggers. First read and adopted the minute of first day. Next heard reports from Sunday Schools. Next appointed a committee to arrange the programme for the next session of this body, consisting of Brethren D. S. P. Black, J. F. Wisener and J. M. Tidmore. Adjourned until 3 o'clock p. m. At 11 o'clock a. m. preaching by Elds. J. H. West and D. T. Driggers, text, 8th verse, 4th chapter 1st Timothy. 3 o'clock p. m. the convention was called to order by the President who read the 4th chapter of Gallatians, prayer by Eld. T. J. Welch. Discussions on the Scriptures occupied the most of the evening. Time

and place of next session of this body is Valley Grove, Pike county, Ark., at 11 o'clock on Friday before the 4th Lord's day in August, 1890.

Programme for Next Session of This Body.—Introductory sermon by Eld. T. J. Welch with Eld. W. W. Carson, alternate. An essay by G. B. Willis, title, "Are Sunday Schools a Help to Parents." An essay by Sister Sue Hollingshead, title, "A Model Sunday School Teacher." An essay by W. W. Smith, title, "Who Ought to Teach in Sunday Schools." An essay by J. N. Wasson, title, "Duties of Parents in Sunday Schools." An address by Dr. J. E. Kennedy, subject, "To Whom is the Work of Preaching the Gospel Committed; The Church or the Ministry?"
Respectfully submitted,

D. S. P. BLACK, Chairman.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock Sunday morning. Preaching Saturday night by Dr. J. E. Kennedy and Eld. T. J. Welch. Sunday morning convention called to order by the President, who read the 60th chapter of Isaiah and offered prayer. A Sunday school lesson was recited with our worthy President, Dr. J. E. Kennedy, teacher. Collected \$2.40 to help to pay for the printing of the minutes with the Association. Convention adjourned to meet at Valley Grove church Pike county, Arkansas, Friday, 11 o'clock a. m., before the 4th Sunday in August, 1890.

Dear brethren we had a pleasant time in the convention with 10 churches and 8 schools. The number of students is 304. Brethren let us get up a deeper interest in the Sunday school work and try to bring the rising generation up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

W. J. KENNEDY, President.

ELD. J. M. SMITH, Secretary.

STATISTICS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

CHURCHES.	MESENTERS.	P. O.		
Amity.....	T. A. Hollingshead, W. B. Bush, Sister Vane Thornton.....	Amity.		
Caney Valley.....	W. W. McLain, J. M. Tidmore.....	Amity.		
New Hope.....	L. L. Porter.....	New Hope.		
Valley Grove.....	J. J. Hughes, Jr.....	Rock Creek.		
Salem.....	W. D. Ward, J. P. Wilson.....	Wilson.		
Mountain Home.....	J. C. Thomas, S. Caldwell, Sister M. Driggers.....	Hickory Sta.		
Bethel.....	Sister Alice Sloan.....	Rock Creek.		
Pilgrims' Rest.....	By letter.			
Black Springs.....	J. M. Hawthorn.....	Black Springs.		
Forrest Hill.....	E. Burns.....	Hickory Sta.		
SCHOOLS.	SUPT.	MESENTERS.		
		NO. STU.		
		P. O.		
Mountain Home.....	W. H. Caldwell.....	D. S. Hawthorn, Ada Driggers, Sister N. E. Thomas.....	50.....	Hickory Sta.
Bethel.....	J. F. Wisner.....	Miss A. Kelly, L. Lomax.....	42.....	Rock Creek.
Valley Grove.....	W. J. Kennedy.....	Effie Black, Mary Hughes .. D. B. Hughes.....	25.....	Rock Creek.
Amity.....	D. G. Kennedy.....	D. Hollingshead, Sue Hollingshead.....	80.....	Amity.
Salem.....	E. G. Baggett.....	W. D. Ward, J. P. Wilson.....	44.....	Wilson.
Caney Valley.....	L. W. Herring.....	Miss Anna R. Smith, H. S. Adams.....	63.....	Pine Land.
Total.....			304	

Report on finance adopted as follows: Amount sent up by the churches for Associational purposes.....\$29 25

From the Convention.....	2 40
Total.....	\$31 65

J. C. REECE, Chairman.

By action there was a collection taken up for the support of a home mission in our terrota. The amount subscribed was a little over \$103. (The clerk has not the precise amount.) Saturday, embracing the the first Sunday in December, is appointed for the Missionary Board to meet with the committee-men, one from each church, at Bethel church. The pastors of the several churches are appointed to collect money of their churches and others to support said Home Mission. The following resolutions were passed:

1st. RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this body to withdraw hereafter from any church holding in their fellowship any member who is engaged in manufacturing or selling ardent spirits.

2nd. RESOLVED, That this association adopt the "Baptist Hymnal" as their hymn book. And that each church, as far as they can, supply themselves with this book. And that they purchase them from the Baptist Book House, Little Rock, Ark.

D. S. P. BLACK.

3rd. RESOLVED, That the clerk have 500 copies of the proceedings of this body at its present session printed, and that he have the remainder of the funds after paying for the same.

4th. RESOLVED, That this body tender its heartfelt thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of the community at Forrest Hill church for their kind hospitality during our stay with them. Also to our able and efficient Moderator and Clerk for the manner in which they have so ably served us.

By action this body agreed to hold its next session with Mt. Ida church, meeting on Saturday, 11 o'clock a. m., before the 2nd Lord's Day in September, A. D. 1890.

First District Meeting is appointed at.....	Valley Grove.
Second " " " " ".....	Mountain Home.
Third " " " " ".....	Macedonia.
Fourth " " " " ".....	New Prospect.

They are to meet at 11 o'clock on Friday, embracing the 5th Lord's Day, and each district to meet according to number. The First District, the first 5th Sunday; The Second District, the second 5th Sunday, &c.

E. P. Chitwood with E. Wright (Elds.) are appointed to preach the next Introductory sermon. Elds. W. H. Caldwell and T. J. Welch, also brethren G. B. Willis, W. A. Thomas and D. S. P. Black, are appointed messengers to Red River Association. T. J. Welch to write.

Elds. H. L. Wasson, O. C. Miller and E. P. Chitwood to write, and brethren A. R. Chitwood and Wm. Creps are appointed messengers to Ouschafta Association. Brethren J. C. Goss and Wm. Lefevers are appointed messengers to the South-western Association.

Eld. J. R. Holcomb is appointed to visit the Saline Association.

The Second Hot Springs Baptist church is granted a letter of dismission from this body.

The address of the Missionary Board is as follows: Wm. Willis, Amity P. O.; G. B. Willis, Hickory Station P. O.; R. Tallant, Luckey P. O.

Adjourned in order. The minute read and adopted.

ELD. J. J. HUGHES, Moderator.

ELD. E. WRIGHT, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND POST-OFFICES.

A. Nelson.....	Hickory Station.
W. H. Caldwell.....	Hickory Station.
D. T. Driggers.....	Hickory Station.
J. J. Hughes.....	Rock Creek.
J. M. Smith.....	Rock Creek.
G. C. Smith.....	Wilson.
T. J. Welch.....	Sutton.
R. W. Pate.....	Plata P. O.
J. B. Holcomb.....	Oma.
D. Bright.....	Point Cedar.
G. W. Skates.....	Point Cedar.
W. W. Carson.....	New Hope.
J. C. Goss.....	New Hope.
E. Wright.....	Lucky.
L. Antrey.....	Caddo Gap.
J. M. White.....	Stillwater.
J. M. Sims.....	Point Cedar.
H. L. Wasson.....	Black Springs.
J. M. Haycraft.....	Hot Springs.
O. C. Miller.....	Mt. Ida.
J. H. West.....	Caddo Gap.
M. P. Thomas.....	Point Cedar.
N. H. Harley.....	Bear.

I insist that the clerks of churches take more pains in giving statistics.

E. WRIGHT.

LICENSED MINISTERS AND POST OFFICES.

T. J. Powell.....	Hickory Station.
Elias Burns.....	Hickory Station.
Wm. P. Taylor.....	Kirby.
S. D. Houston.....	Point Cedar.
G. H. Wasson.....	Black Springs.
J. A. Colum.....	Black Springs.
J. M. Corley.....	Mt. Ida.

FORM OF CHURCH LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION.

The Church at.....

To the C. R. B. A. Sendeth Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We desire to remember and be remembered before our Heavenly Father. We send our beloved brethren.....to help in all demands. If the next session of the Association is desired to be with you name it.) May success be to Him that ruleth.

Yours truly,

.....Mod.
.....Clerk.

STATISTICAL FORM.

Name of Church.....	Messengers.....	Pastor, past and future.....	
Clerk.....	Deacons.....	P. O. Contributions.....	Baptised.....
Received by letter.....	Dismissed by Letter.....	Excluded.....	
Restored.....	Died.....	Ordained Ministers.....	Licensed Ministers....
Total in fellowship.....	Sundays of Meetings.....	Clerks.....	

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Call for letters of churches.
3. Call for petitionary letters.
4. Election of officers.
5. Inviting visiting members to seats.
6. Call for correspondence.
7. Appointment of committees.
8. Call for report of committee on preaching.

SECOND DAY.

1. Call for the reading of the minute.
2. Call the roll and mark the absentees.
3. Call for the report of committees.
4. Call for the reading of the circular letter.
5. Call for resolutions.
6. Appointments for next session.
7. Call for treasurer's report.

Cost of printing.....\$18.
Number of copies.....300.

The 32d meeting of this Association was harmonious and sublime. Peace reigned. Love predominated over all opposition, and the preaching was like a chain that was ONE. There was a power made manifest on all sides that shall reach beyond this life.

Surely we have received an hundred fold in this life, and we expect everlasting beyond the tomb. The parting hand was attended with beauty, cordiality and holiness.

Yours in the Lord,

EDMUND WRIGHT.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCH'S NAMES.	MESSENGERS' NAMES.	PAST PASTOR.	NEXT PASTOR.	CLERKS.	DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.	Contributions	Baptized		Received by Letter		Dismissed by Letter		Members	Sick	Died
								1891	1892	1891	1892	1891	1892			
vidence.	J R and C C Rowton	H L Wasson	H L Wasson	A D Stovall			\$1.50	2		10					1	23
bel.	W F Willis, A A Lomax, J F Wisener	J E Kennedy	J E Kennedy	J F Wisener		Rock Creek	1.00		1		10				1	45
chiehem.	J R Motley	L Autrey	L Autrey	M J Root	G R Motley	Kirby	1.00	2	2	2						16
m.	S Z Moran, W D Ward, E G Baggett	T J Welch	T J Welch	S G Moran	J B Echols A F Wilson W D Ward and E G Baggett	Wilson	1.75	3							1	52
w Prospect.	Eld J R Holcomb, J B Little	J R Holcomb	J R Holcomb	N W Holcomb	A B Little	Ona	1.50		1	6	1				3	14
Pisgah.	Eld E Wright, W F Rucker	E Wright	E Wright & L Autrey	G W Tidwell	R Tallant	Lucky	.75		2						1	32
w Hope.	J C Goss, W D Lefevers	T J Welch	W W Carson	W L Lefevers	S A Goss	New Hope	1.50			5	1					
ountain Home.	D S Hawthorn, G A Driggers, J C Thomas	Eld J J Hughes	D T Driggers	J C Thomas	F Nelson and D S Hawthorne	Hickory Station	1.40			6	3					
edonia.	Win Creps	O C Miller	O C Miller	J A Johnston	J M Justice	Oden	1.10									
asant Valley.	A M Neal, M A Robins, J N Wasson	L Autrey	L Autrey	Black Springs	W J Anderson M A Robins	Manfred	1.50	5	2							
east Hill.	E Burns, G W Whisenant, J S Nelson	E Wright	W H Caldwell	G W Whisenant	G W Willis	Hickory Station										
grius' Rest.	Eld T J Welch, W C Column	T J Welch	T J Welch	J T Miller	W J Cowart	Sutton	1.00									
erty.	R M Reece, R B West, A Duffie	H L Wasson		R B West	A M Colier and R M Reece	Ophir	1.00	3		2						25
tioch.	Eld L Autrey, John Welch, G W Welch	J J Hughes	J J Hughes	John Welch	J & G W Welch R C Fields	Caddo Gap	.90			10				1	21	2
uge.	J B Bevert, Eld J M White	A H Armstrong	A H Armstrong	J P Blakely	J P Beaverts, J W Peoples and W K Blakely	Story	.75	1	1	11					1	48
y Home.	A B Chitwood	E P Chitwood	E P Chitwood	W A J Gilham	A R Chitwood EM Howard	Bear	1.00	1		2	1			1		33
ck Springs.	I P Holtfield	W W Carson	W H Caldwell	J W Kerby	I P Holtfield L Forrester A N Thornton	Black Springs	1.50		2	6						29
ley Grove.	Eld J J Hughes, J M Smith, D S P Black	J J Hughes	W W Carson	J M Smith	D S P Black W S Bullard	Rock Creek	2.20		1	2	4			2		32
ey Valley.	W M Ponder, O C Smith	J J Hughes	J E Kennedy	W W Smith	L W Herring W W Melain	Pine Land	1.60	2		6	1			1		32
ida.	Dr B C Roberts	O C Miller		W W Sanders												
Zion, Mont. Co.	Wm Pettit, J C Reese	H L Wasson	H L Wasson	J W Hays	G W Pettit	Plato	1.00		1						1	16
Zion, Hot Sp. Co.	J M Brantley, W M Howell	M P Thomas	H T Howell	W B Williams	W M Howell Wm Carson	Point Cedar	.75	3		1				1		11