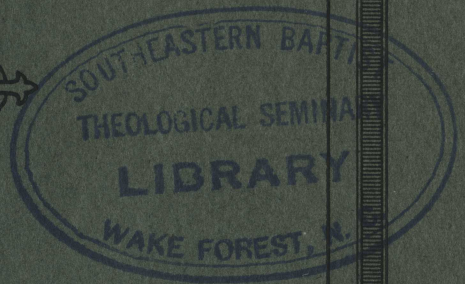


One Hundred & Thirty-fourth
Annual Session

Virginia
Portsmouth Baptist
Association



1924

Nineteen Hundred & Twenty-four



MINUTES

OF THE

Virginia Portsmouth Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE

COURT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

September 30th and October 1st, 1924

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Vice-Moderator	W. F. WATKINS
Clerk and Treasurer	W. T. L. SHEPHERD

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Burfoot, A. W., Fentress, Va.	Love, A. R., Portsmouth, Va.
Campbell, S. A., Norfolk, Va.	Martens, H. H., Norfolk, Va.
Cole, H. B., Fentress, Va.	Melton, S. W., Norfolk, Va.
Cuthriell, W. E., Portsmouth, Va.	Mustain, A. P., Ocean View, Va.
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Hardy, F. L., Norfolk, Va.	Riddick, J. T., Norfolk, Va.
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Portsmouth—G. T. Lyndall, P. H. Clements, Noah B. Farris, W. S. Leary, Christopher T. Hutchins, W. E. Cuthriell, Neil Mason, J. W. Leafe.

CLERKS OF CHURCHES

1. Berkley Avenue	Geo. W. Daughtry, Norfolk, Va.
2. Bethel	Mrs. Margaret Davis Williams, Fentress, Va.
3. Blackwater	Milton Mansfield, Hickory, Va.
4. Burrows Memorial	Willis Hutchings, Norfolk, Va.
5. Calvary	H. C. Duerr, Portsmouth, Va.
6. Campostella	R. R. Pierce, Norfolk, Va.
7. Central	S. N. Woodard, Norfolk, Va.
8. Centerville	Archer E. Roach, Hickory, Va.
9. Churchland	J. S. Lawrence, Churchland, Va.
10. Court Street	C. T. Joyner, Portsmouth, Va.
11. Cradock	M. G. Gallimore, Cradock, Va.
12. Deep Creek	R. E. Meiggs, Route 2, Portsmouth, Va.
13. East Brambleton	W. F. Berry, R. F. D. 2, Norfolk, Va.
14. Fairmount	W. J. Edwards, Norfolk, Va.
15. First, Norfolk	Geo. E. Kirkwood, Norfolk, Va.
16. Fourth Street	Mrs. M. E. Boncer, Portsmouth, Va.
17. Freemason Street	C. L. Whichard, Norfolk, Va.
18. Gilmerton	Grace Smith, R. F. D. 3, Portsmouth, Va.
19. Grace	Miss Lucy Tribble, R. F. D. 3, Portsmouth, Va.
20. Jackson Memorial	M. D. West, Portsmouth, Va.
21. James Memorial	L. Banks Walker, Norfolk, Va.
22. Kempsville	Mrs. E. I. Herrick, Route 2, Norfolk, Va.
23. Knott's Island	J. L. Miller, Knott's Island, N. C.
24. Lake Drummond	Henry Tuttle, Hickory, Va.
25. Larchmont	Z. B. Sears, Norfolk, Va.
26. London Bridge	T. E. Bristow, Lynnhaven, Va.
27. Nansemond	S. T. Kittrell, R. F. D. 5, Suffolk, Va.
28. Northwest	L. Powers, Northwest, Va.
29. Oak Grove	J. W. C. Dudley, Back Bay, Va.
30. Ocean View	W. F. Johnson, Ocean View, Va.
31. Park Avenue	C. W. Jones, Sr., Norfolk, Va.
32. Park Place	John E. Johnson, Norfolk, Va.
33. Park View	J. L. Robertson, 220 Hatton St., Portsmouth, Va.
34. Pleasant Grove	J. W. Smithson, Hickory, Va.
35. Port Norfolk	J. P. Murphy, Portsmouth, Va.

- 36. Raleigh Heights-----B. F. Wintze, R. F. D. 3, Norfolk, Va.
- 37. South Norfolk-----F. E. Barnes, South Norfolk, Va.
- 38. South Street----W. G. Stoakes, 1049 North St., Portsmouth, Va.
- 39. Spurgeon Memorial-----J. H. Stanton, Norfolk, Va.
- 40. St. Johns-----E. M. Seneca, Princess Anne, Va.
- 41. Virginia Beach-----G. M. Baker, Virginia Beach, Va.
- 42. West Norfolk-----C. G. Dennis, West Norfolk, Va.
- 43. Westhaven-----G. W. Hamer, Portsmouth, Va.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the VIRGINIA PORTSMOUTH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Membership.

Article 2. It shall be composed of white delegates, elected by the churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate.

Objects.

Article 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

Powers and Prerogatives.

Article 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council, nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches, and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects, and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Article 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for its dismission.

Rights of the Churches.

Article 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches have the right to advise when desired in a case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches.

Article 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practical, their most capable members, to insist upon their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for the printing of the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Article 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send annually a letter to the Association giving: 1. Location; 2. The names of the pastor and clerk and their respective postoffices; 3. The Sabbaths of regular service; 4. The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female; 5. Sabbath-school statistics; 6.

Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; 7. Names of the Delegates and Alternates; 8. Any other information deemed of special importance.

Organization.

Article 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer; who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual session. As soon as the officers have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and ready for business.

Duties of Officers.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the time appointed, to enforce the rules, to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Association Fund, as directed by the body, and to make an annual report of same.

Article 14. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own selection.

2nd. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hour fixed upon by the body.

3rd. All the meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4th. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor longer than twenty minutes, without permission from the body.

6th. No member shall be allowed to stand up, talk, read or move about the house during the business, except to gain or impart information on the subject under discussion.

7th. No committee shall be in session during the hours of business without permission of the body.

8th. The business of the Association shall be as follows: 1. Read and enroll names of Delegates and of Ordained Ministers. 2. Organize. 3. Appoint Committees on Program, Religious Exercises and Finance. 4. Introductory sermon. 5. Invite Visiting Brethren and Corresponding Messengers to seats. 6. Call the names of those churches that failed to represent themselves at the previous session, and inquire their reason for such failure. 7. Reception of New Churches. 8. Reports of Standing Committees. 9. Appoint Committees on Time, Place, Preacher and Alternate for Introductory Sermon, also Preacher and Alternate for Doctrinal Sermon. 10. Time of Preaching the Doctrinal Sermon shall be appointed by the Association. 11. Receive reports of other committees. 12. Miscellaneous Business shall be provided for at the pleasure of the Association.

9th. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by rules of Mells Parliamentary Practice.

MINUTES

Portsmouth, Va., September 30, 1924.

1. The Virginia Portsmouth Baptist Association met in its One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Session at the Court Street Baptist Church, and was called to order at 10:00 A. M. by Moderator W. F. Robertson.

2. The devotional exercises were conducted by R. G. Kendrick.

3. The roll of churches was called and the following delegates enrolled:

Berkley Avenue—J. M. Lawrence, J. H. Privott, P. M. Pritchard, E. A. Culpepper, and Howard Privott.

Bethel—Chas. Harris and Mrs. Maud Harris.

Blackwater—Letter only.

Burrows Memorial—Willis Hutchings, G. D. Yarbrough, Mrs. S. A. Campbell, Mrs. Herbert Copeland, Mrs. Walter Anderson, and Mrs. G. R. Martin.

Calvary—H. C. Duerr, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. L. Shepherd, Mrs. D. P. Harris, Mrs. D. V. Higginbotham, Mrs. A. F. Ozment, and Mrs. L. C. Channel.

Campostella—Mrs. J. J. Swindell and Mrs. D. A. Baker.

Central—Shelton N. Woodard, W. B. Hogg, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Abel, Jr., and Mrs. F. M. Williams.

Centerville—Dr. A. M. Burfoot, T. E. Etheridge, and Basil Wood.

Churchland—Mrs. Julia A. Griffin, H. L. Deans, J. R. Carney, and C. J. Duke.

Court Street—O. L. Williams, John A. Morris, Mac H. Beale, M. P. Claud, W. A. Tyler, Mrs. W. P. Harrell, Mrs. J. H. Belote, Mrs. C. P. Brownley, Mrs. J. M. Overton, Mrs. Geo. E. King, Mrs. John T. King, and Miss Clyde White.

Cradock—Mrs. C. J. Rice and Mrs. J. W. Fox.

Deep Creek—W. H. C. Deal, Mrs. J. F. Culpepper, and Mrs. J. G. McCoy.

East Brambleton—Letter only.

Fairmount Park—Letter only.

First—J. M. Robertson, W. G. Collings, E. A. Watkins, Geo. T. Banks, J. L. Abbitt, and Miss Delma Maher.

Fourth Street—L. C. Brinson, R. A. Hutchins, Jr., E. L. Staples, Chas. H. Myers, L. B. Pendergraph, Clarence H. Rowe, Ernest Lewis, Mrs. R. V. Palmentary, Mrs. L. C. Brinson, Mrs. W. E. Brinson, and Mrs. Walter Fulford.

Freemason Street—M. Winston, W. F. Robertson, E. D. Kibler, and Mrs. C. L. Whichard.

Gilmerton—Letter only.

Grace—J. E. Tribble.

Jackson Memorial—Geo. Anderson, W. A. Vance, L. W. Pierce, Mrs. J. C. Cotton, Mrs. J. R. Craft, and Mrs. J. C. Felton.

James Memorial—Mrs. T. L. Harrell, Mrs. L. C. Higgason, and Mrs. Branson Bell.

Kempsville—Mrs. Annie Davis.

Lake Drummond—Bennie Lynch and J. J. Spence.

Larchmont—S. A. D. Parker, Mrs. J. W. Seay, and Mrs. L. E. Barton.

London Bridge—Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Owens and Mrs. R. B. Carter.

Nansemond—J. E. Jordan and F. M. Pierce.

Northwest—Letter only.

Oak Grove—J. W. C. Dudley.

Ocean View—Mrs. J. W. Hall and Mrs. W. R. Greenville.

Park Avenue—J. W. Belote, Mrs. T. E. Baird, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Griffith, Rev. J. D. Howell, S. O. Sale, and C. W. Jones, Sr.

Park Place—R. W. Outland, R. R. Richardson, Mrs. W. T. Crafton, Mrs. E. M. Moore, Mrs. M. J. Norman, Mrs. C. M. Brannon, and Mrs. I. D. S. Knight.

Park View—A. R. Williams, L. M. Harrell, Mrs. W. J. Deans, and Mrs. Fred W. Beasley.

Pleasant Grove—Jerome B. Eason and Sydney Charlton.

Port Norfolk—Mrs. S. B. Johnson, Mrs. White, Mrs. John Barnes, Mrs. Vermillion, Mrs. Chas. F. Harper, Mrs. Nanie Harris, Mrs. J. K. Bailey, Mrs. W. C. Thurston, Mrs. E. S. Johnson, Mrs. H. G. Lindauer, L. C. Collier, and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Haycock.

Raleigh Heights—S. S. Leary, W. S. O'Neal, and I. R. Dozier.

South Norfolk—Mrs. W. O. Bancom.

South Street—T. O. Williams, W. F. Smith, E. T. Baker, W. F. Felton, Mrs. H. M. B. Jones, Mrs. Mattie Butler, and Mrs. Annie Gray.

Spurgeon Memorial—O. S. Hart, C. P. Etheridge, W. C. Simpson, W. W. Gordon, P. D. Barco, and Mrs. R. J. Dogan.

St. Johns—Letter only.

Virginia Beach—John Freeman and Mrs. L. A. O'Briant.

Westhaven—O. G. Hundley, C. J. Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Monell, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reaser, Mrs. John Bomar and Mrs. Herman Parker.

West Norfolk—J. E. Dennis, Sr., Z. D. Owens, and C. G. Dennis.

4. The Association organized by the election of the following officers:

Moderator—A. R. Love.

Vice-Moderator—W. Frank Watkins.

Clerk and Treasurer—W. T. L. Shepherd.

5. Report of Program Committee was read and after a few changes the same was adopted.

6. W. V. Savage introduced the following new pastors: S. A. Campbell, Burrows Memorial; John Bomar, Westhaven and West Norfolk; W. S. O. Thomas, Cradock; C. C. Hedrick, Pleasant Grove; J. F. Ingram, London Bridge.

7. H. F. Jones read the report on Temperance and after being discussed by David Hepburn of the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia, the report was adopted.

TEMPERANCE

"I do not wonder that every thoughtful man is prejudiced against this vile stuff called alcohol. Intemperance cuts down youth in its vigor and hopefulness, manhood in its strength and age in its weakness. It breaks the father's heart, bereaves the doting mother, extinguishes natural affection, erases conjugal love, blots out filial attachment, blights parental hope and brings premature age in sorrow to the grave. It produces weakness, not strength; sickness, not health; death, not life. It makes wives widows, children orphans, fathers fiends and all paupers. It feeds rheumatism, nurses gout, welcomes epidemics, invites cholera, imports pestilence, embraces consumption, covers the land with misery and crime. It engenders controversy, fosters quarrels, cherishes riots. It crowds your penitentiaries and furnishes victims for the scaffold. It is the blood of the gambler, the element of the burglar, the prop of the highwayman and the support of the midnight incendiary. It countenances the liar, respects the thief, esteems the blasphemer. It violates obligations, reverses fraud, hates love, scorns innocence and virtue. It invites the father to butcher the innocent offspring, and the child to grind the parricidal axe. It burns up men, consumes women, curses God and despises heaven. It suborns witnesses, nurses perfidy, defiles the jury box, and stains the judicial ermine. It bribes voters, disqualifies votes, corrupts elections and endangers the government. It degrades the citizen, debases the legislator, dishonors the statesman and disarms the patriot. It brings shame, not honor, terror, not safety; despair, not hope; misery, not happiness.

It is the sum of all villainies, the father of all crimes, the mother of abominations, the devil's best friend, and God's worst enemy. But when we seek by law to subdue and control this sinister and evil thing, we are told that violations of such a law are merely "artificial crimes."

"Labor's welfare depends upon the prosperity of the nation, and upon its ability to secure its proper share in the profits of industry. In this struggle during the past five years, prohibition has rendered signal service. Booze never secured or held a worth-while job for any working man. Sobriety, industry and thrift have made labor more powerful, more successful and more prosperous.

Billions of dollars formerly wasted for drink now create new demands for the product of labor and returns a higher wage. Labor gets more and has more to spend for useful things.

With the removal of the saloon, the personal health, trade efficiency and well-being of such workers as once patronized them, has been increased. This has made possible increased mass production, lowering the cost of production and the price to the consumer in many cases, thus enlarging the market for such goods, creating more jobs to be filled and giving the worker a legitimate claim upon his portion of the augmented profits.

A drinking fellow-workman is a menace. His elimination greatly reduced industrial accidents, thus adding to the safety of the workers by cutting production costs and increasing his claim for a larger wage.

Thrift has been stimulated. Labor banks receive in deposits millions of dollars from union men who formerly spent more than they could afford in the corner bar-room.

We now possess labor temples in many cities where formerly the influence of liquor dealers prevented such buildings through their offer of free meeting rooms above saloons.

Labor disputes are settled without strikes more readily since prohibition. Men whose brains were not muddled with drink have won greater victories in conference with employers than could have been won by costly strikes. It is impossible today to stampede a union into unconsidered action because drink does not inflame the minds or destroy self-control of our members. Such strikes as have occurred show that labor is better able to make a successful fight today than in saloon days. The workers have savings to finance them. The saloon no longer provokes rioting which would justify the invocation of martial law, and liquor cannot be introduced as a factor to induce the weaker members to surrender.

Wider fields for activity, higher standards of living, more intimate acquaintance with the better things of life, more wholesome amusement, all have come to labor since the saloon, the so-called poor man's club, is closed. Our children are better clothed. They have a longer school life. Our families have better homes and more of the comforts of life.

Labor freed from booze looks with confidence to still better days in the future. We appeal to all who put the welfare of the whole people first, to help maintain, obey and enforce this truly American policy of Government.

The agency which made possible Nation and State-wide prohibition is still alive and needs the support of all good citizens for the enforcement of the laws of the Nation against the liquor business. We call upon all churches to give the Anti-saloon League their moral and financial support."

H. FREDERICK JONES.

8. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Marinus James, former Executive Secretary of the Baptist Council. Text: 25th verse of the 10th chapter of Hebrews.

9. At this and succeeding times the following visitors were recognized: R. D. Garland, of Richmond; W. J. Kendrick, of Suffolk; G. W. Sawyer, of Battery Park; W. T. Purdy, of Blackwater Association; B. F. Robinson, of Onancock; L. F. Paulette, Clerk Blackwater Association; F. O. Criminger, Suffolk; Dr. W. W. Staley, pastor Christian Church of Suffolk; W. A. Snyder, E. J. Wright, of Richmond; J. P. Craft, of Averett College; F. W. Moore, of Petersburg; A. W. H. Jones, of Windsor.

10. Dr. Savage called attention of the Association to the illness of Dr. A. B. Dunaway, who formerly held pastorates in the Association. Attention was also called to the illness of J. T. Riddick, and the Association was lead in prayer at this time by Dr. Savage.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

11. The Association convened at 2:00 P. M. and was called to order by Moderator Love.

12. Devotional exercises conducted by S. B. Overton.

13. Moderator announced the following committees:

Time, Place and Preachers—John A. Morris, H. B. Cole and W. H. C. Deal.

Finance—M. P. Claud and Willis Hutchings.

14. The matter of State Apportionment was taken up at this time and Dr. Savage told of the action of the State Board in regard to same. After discussion by F. L. Hardy, a motion was made by H. M. B. Jones that the Association accept the apportionment of \$115,000.00 with the condition that 15% be reserved for work of the Baptist Council in the Association. After much discussion the motion was adopted.

15. Motion offered by Dr. Melton that a committee of two from each church be appointed to make apportionment of each church. This motion was adopted and committees appointed and announced. W. Frank Robertson was named as chairman.

16. Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Henry A. Griese-mer.

TUESDAY NIGHT

17. Association convened at 8:00 o'clock and was called to order by Moderator Love.

18. Devotional exercises conducted by W. S. O. Thomas. Prayer by F. L. Hardy. Selection by Court Street choir.

19. Report of Baptist Foundation was read by F. L. Hardy and adopted.

THE BAPTIST FOUNDATION

The Virginia Baptist Foundation, Incorporated, came into existence by the act of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, in session at Newport News, Va., November, 1922.

The Baptist brotherhood realized that the constant change of denominational agencies to meet, successfully, new conditions made it necessary to form a central corporation under the direction and con-

trol of the Baptist General Association of Virginia. Hence, the Virginia Baptist Foundation, Incorporated, was formed to meet this need. The Foundation has a twofold purpose.

1st. That of soliciting funds for the various agencies supported and endorsed by the Baptist General Association of Virginia.

2nd. To hold such funds as may be given in trust for these agencies, and invest the same under the direction of the General Association, and subsequently pay over the income accrued to the School, Hospital, Church or Board to which the gift is designated. In the event the gift is not designated to any special agency, then the Trustees of this Foundation are to hold such funds derived from the gift, invest the same and pay out the income as it accrues to such agency as the Trustees of the Foundation and the General Association may think is in great need.

The Foundation is intended to satisfy four long felt needs of the denomination. (1) An agency through which Baptists may have brought to their attention the need of making gifts by will to the Baptist cause; (2) A means whereby Baptists may make gifts to the Baptist cause in general and let responsible and responsive Trustees designate from time to time the needs of the denomination to which the available funds shall be applied; (3) An assurance that trust funds for the Baptist cause will be preserved as a sacred trust and at the same time administered in a progressive manner; and (4) The creation of a great reserve fund upon which the denomination may call in any hour of emergency or to meet an extraordinary need.

The Trustees of the Foundation will be answerable to the Baptist General Association of Virginia, and its personnel will be determined by the action of the General Association.

The total gifts made in wills to the Foundation already will exceed \$250,000.00.

Your Committee suggest that our pastors at some time in the near future present this matter from the pulpit to their people.

(Signed) FRANK L. HARDY.

20. Dr. Jacob Gartenhaus, a Jewish convert, connected with the Home Mission Board, was introduced and made a most interesting address on the work he is doing in the advancement of the Gospel to the Jews.

21. Address on Rounding up the Seventy-five Million Campaign was delivered by Dr. George W. McDaniel.

22. Adjourned with prayer by Dr. R. D. Garland.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

23. Meeting of the Apportionment Committee was held in the church parlor at 9:00 o'clock. Meeting called to order by Chairman W. F. Robertson.

There being so many present, a motion was made and adopted that a committee of seven be selected from the number to make up the allotment. The following were appointed to serve with the chairman: F. L. Hardy, D. P. Harris, W. V. Savage, E. A. Watkins, J. H. Nininger and M. L. Haycock.

24. Association was called to order at 10:00 o'clock by Vice-Moderator W. Frank Watkins.

25. Devotional exercises conducted by R. J. Dogan. Prayer by L. F. Paulette.

26. Report on Combined State Interests by Sparks W. Melton as follows:

COMBINED REPORT OF STATE INTERESTS

Your Committee begs leave to report as follows:

The Orphanage.

No department of our work is more worthy, nor has a firmer hold on our affections.

255 children have been cared for, at Salem, and these children are taken thru two years of High School work. A new dormitory, the "Veterans Memorial Cottage", a memorial to the Orphanage boys who sacrificed their lives, in the World War, has been erected. This dormitory cost \$21,026.13, and has a capacity for thirty-two boys.

The last annual report shows that the farm, garden and dairy made a net profit of \$6,667.81, and the Treasurer's Report at the last Convention showed total resources of \$97,492.38 with disbursements of \$87,512.83 leaving a cash balance on hand, as of November 1st, 1923, of \$9,979.55.

The additional equipment added during the present association year will show that our expenditures have exceeded our receipts from all sources.

Hospital.

The proposed Hospital of 1919, has gone forward and on July 12th, last, the first unit, 52 beds was opened. This building, beautifully located in Lynchburg, will, when completed, be one of the outstanding institutions of the country. Up to the present time, in two months, 93 patients have been cared for.

State Missions.

The Board of Missions aided 153 Missionary Pastors, at an outlay of \$64,808.12 and contributed \$1,628.94 to co-operative work among the negroes in the State. These missionaries occupied 447 stations, preached 14,770 sermons, reported 2,454 conversions, and 2,695 baptisms and made 40,389 visits. Sunday Schools organized 37. Churches organized 10. Church houses erected 15. These missionaries collected on their fields for buildings and repairing church houses \$174,582.19.

Evangelism.

This important work of our Board shows results, for which we are profoundly grateful.

SUMMARY.

	Conversions.
Missionaries report -----	2,454
Evangelists report -----	1,275
Secretaries report -----	112
Total -----	3,841
	Baptisms.
Missionaries report -----	2,695
Evangelists report -----	1,066
Total -----	3,761

Education.

We have made splendid progress in our educational work, and we present a program which should challenge our best. We point with pride to our system of schools.

Name.	Enrollment.	Property and Endowment.
1-4. University of Richmond -----	984	\$3,200,000
(1) Richmond College		
(2) Westhampton College		
(3) T. C. Williams School of Law		
(4) Summer School		
5. Averett College, Danville -----	234	250,000
6. Virginia Intermont College, Bristol -----	350	450,000
7. Bluefield College, Graham -----	118	450,000
8. Fork Union Military Academy -----	176	275,000
9. Chatham Training School -----	180	225,000
10. Oak Hill Academy, Kindrick -----	162	31,000
11. Buchanan Mission School, Council -----	259	110,000
12. Blue Ridge Mission School, Buffalo Ridge -----	140	30,000
13. Piedmont Mission School, Alhambra -----	85	10,000
14. Lee Baptist Institute, Pennington Gap -----	174	60,000
Total -----	2,862	\$5,091,000

NOTE. Lee Baptist Institute is owned by the Home Mission Board.

Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.

Under the indefatigable efforts of Secretary J. T. Watts and his assistants, the work of this department has gone steadily forward. The present time in the Sunday School is the period of efficiency. The improvements in material equipment, the introduction of graded lessons, the holding in institutes in both city and country, the two great assemblies, at Virginia Beach and Bristol, have made our Sunday School work what it is today.

The B. Y. P. U. has grown in four years from 368 Unions to 860. And more than 500 book credits have been given during the present year. During the past year the B. Y. P. U.'s reported 15,000 sick visits, 2,000 ministries to the needy, \$12,000.00 given to charitable objects, 2,000 religious services held and 704 confessions of faith.

The great cloud which rises on our horizon is the huge debt on the Board of Missions, which fosters the worthy objects we have mentioned. To the solution of this problem we must give our best thought, our earnest prayers, our liberal contributions.

For general information we give herewith General Financial Statement:

RECEIPTS:

From Seventy-five Million Campaign	\$146,769.86
From State Mission Specials	3,216.99
From Evangelists' Collections	4,435.22
From Refunds	609.33
From Home Board—Co-operative work	3,691.58
From Sunday School Board, S. B. C.	7,348.75
From Sunday Schools—Specials	299.32
From Arlington Hotel lessees	2,564.43

\$168,935.48

DISBURSEMENTS:

State Mission Department—administration, including interest on current debt	\$ 7,705.30
Mountain Mission Schools—expenses	34,403.58
Evangelists—salaries and expenses	13,553.07
Missionaries' salaries	66,437.06
Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and Colportage Department	34,488.69
Baptist Councils	33,065.00
Proportion general expense	7,194.50
Overdraft State Mission Department, 1922	3,340.39

\$200,187.59

Current indebtedness, 1923	\$29,407.11
Current indebtedness, 1922	30,729.34
Current indebtedness, 1923, S. S., B. Y. P. U. and Colportage Department	1,798.62

Total \$61,935.07

We are also carrying for Buchanan School, for buildings and improvements, \$49,158.62, and on account of lots purchased at Charlottesville looking toward a church near the University of Virginia, \$9,514.92.

Respectfully submitted,

SPARKS W. MELTON.

The various phases were discussed as follows:

B. Y. P. U.—Miss May Campbell and E. J. Wright.

Orphanage—D. P. Harris.

State Missions—B. L. Rhodes.

27. The following report on Home Missions was read by J. A. Willoughby:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

There is cause for gratitude to God for the wonderful progress made during the five-year period of the 75 Million Campaign, which has been unique and outstanding in Baptist annals. A study of the Board's annual reports for these five years reveals a record of great achievement. Notwithstanding the embarrassment of a heavy debt that has rested on the Board for four years, God has bestowed un-

wanted favor upon the labors of the Missionaries and Evangelists of the Board. Meetings of great power have been held in various fields, and thousands have been brought to Christ. Fields notably hard, where for years the Home Board has been laboring and laying foundations, are coming to self-support; and in turn, are having a part in our denominational work. Enlargement is called for from every direction. The calls are many and heart-searching from weak churches needing help, and destitute fields needing Missionaries in the countryside and in our growing towns and cities.

Changing conditions in the industrial world, the migration of the negroes by hundreds and thousands to the North—the test of our civilization by the creeping in of insidious error in our schools and colleges. All these call for the learning power of the Gospel. Who is he that reads our daily papers that can deny that there is throughout our land, a deplorable attitude on the part of multitudes of people with respect to law and government? The Gospel is the pure corrective for all these things, and our Home Mission Board furnishes for Southern Baptist a South-wide agency for giving the Gospel in its purity and power.

The Home Mission Board, notwithstanding its burdensome debt and consequent retrenchment in its forces, presents a wonderful outlook for the future. So marvelous have been God's favors upon our people in the last few years, and especially during the five-year campaign, that we are able by virtue of our forces and resources to seize the present situation and make Southern Baptist the greatest single religious force in the South and throughout our Nation. The South constitutes the nursery, the training ground, the granary, the source of **Where!** If we succeed here we can succeed every **Where!** May God help our people in this great day of opportunity with High resolve to meet the issues worthily and hasten the coming of His Kingdom throughout the Earth.

The following is a brief summary of some features of the Board's work for the last five years: Sermons and addresses, 802,382; prayer meetings, 101,075; religious visits, 1,238,210; Baptisms, 203,532; total additions to churches, 324,086; workers conferences held, 4,667; volunteers for Christian service, 15,049; church houses built or improved, 2,225; Sunday Schools organized, 3,183; copies Scripture given, 55,533; pages tracts distributed 35,812,479.

The 75 Million Campaign closes with December, 1924, and it has been stated that if we raise the full 75 million dollars and Home Missions receives its due proportion the Board can pay off all of their debt and be ready for an aggressive work for the future.

J. A. WILLOUGHBY.

Discussed by J. A. Willoughby and adopted.

28. Report on Foreign Missions was read by J. E. Welsh as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Southern Baptists have greatly expanded their work in the last twenty years in the department of Foreign Missions and by so doing have added much to their responsibility. This large work began under the leadership of the stirring Willingham. His was a soul truly great. He has been rightly termed a Christian Imperialist. His enthusiasm for the world-wide conquest of his blessed Saviour was contagious and boundless. We have followed him in a measure in lengthening

the cords, but not in strengthening the stakes. The spirit of our great God has mightily moved among the peoples in foreign lands until now we behold the unusual and striking spectacle of these people moving toward us much faster than we can possibly hope to receive them.

The circumstances and issues of the recent World War also forced upon us a fresh expansion of our Foreign Mission work, an enlargement of opportunity and service which we joyously assumed and attempted.

Sending the immortal Gambrell and the peerless Mullins abroad on a historic world-wide missionary tour, we aroused the fervent hopes of millions living in the darkness of spiritual night. Now, however, bitter and poignant is the sense of disappointment felt by these millions who note our helplessness to bring to a joyous fruition the rich promises of a few years ago.

Our missions, according to that eminent missionary authority and intelligent Christian statesman, W. O. Carver, are winning their way in a glorious fashion, everywhere. But this very success calls for the strengthening of stations already established and the taking of new spiritual frontiers.

For well nigh two years now, we have been forced to meet this cry for help with denials, neglect, and indefinite postponements. God has furthered our work and almost miraculously, it would seem, enlarged our opportunity. But because of the shortage of funds we have been unable to meet the challenge of increased service and enlarged usefulness.

The war ploughed up Europe like a vast fallow field. The pitiable religious failure in Europe has not been that of Christianity, but rather of a severe and extremely mechanical ecclesiasticism. Europe, according to many, today, constitutes one of the greatest missionary opportunities ever presented by any continent in any age. In Europe the crisis in religion is nothing short of just this: What shall the future religion of the overwhelming majority of the white race be?

The marvelous growth from a few thousands to several millions of Baptists in Russia within a few years is one of the most encouraging and heartening facts of our whole foreign task. Today we are distinctly challenged in Italy, Spain, Jugo-Slavia, Hungary, and Rumania.

Sherwood Eddy, with a far-seeing grasp of conditions obtaining in the Orient, tells us that with China's millions gradually drifting away from their historic conceptions of spiritual things, Christianity must be so rightly presented as to win the allegiance of these people, else see the world's most populous country drift into chaotic atheism and agnosticism. Such a catastrophe is appalling to contemplate, but it is by no means beyond the border of possibility. The Chinese nation which has undergone such an amazing transformation politically, educationally, industrially, and socially, is in a most precarious situation religiously, unless Christianity comes to its rescue.

Christianity in critical Japan is rapidly forging to the front so that shortly it will rank in influence along with Buddhism and Taoism. Japan is leading the Orient, but whither shall it lead it?

Consider that at the foot of the Pyramids in the University of El Azar there are ten thousand Mohammedan youths who are preparing to give themselves without pay to the propagation of the faith of Islam in Africa. Are American Christians in general, and Southern Baptists in particular, ready to be outstripped in their religious devotion and chivalry by the followers of Mohamet? Are Southern Baptists willing to follow a languid missionary policy in Africa, or do they hear the voice of God bidding them to go forward.

trained nurses. There are 19 native physicians and 29 native nurses. We have nine hospitals with a total bed capacity of 796. These hospitals last year treated 6,229 patients. Outside the hospitals more than 70,000 were treated. The total treatments given reached the amazing figure of 294,422.

We have publishing houses in China, Japan, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, and Italy. Embryonic publishing houses are in all other lands.

The Foreign Mission Board in its annual June meeting, with an unusually large attendance of its members, found itself in a most embarrassing financial situation. At this meeting, just a few months ago, the Treasurer of the Board revealed the unhappy and unfortunate fact that the Board was burdened with a debt of nearly \$882,000. This is an increase over the debt of last year of slightly more than \$107,000.

Ninety-five candidates for overseas service in the army of the World's Redeemer were forced to postpone their launching out into the great work of winning the world to Christ. Since that time, happily however, gifts from generous and consecrated laymen and laywomen have made it possible to send a number of the ninety-five. Between the staggering debt and the outpouring of this consecrated and highly trained young life, the Foreign Mission Board stands back baffled and dismayed.

Brethren and sisters, this great Board of Foreign Missions, perhaps dearer to the heart of Virginia Baptists than any other one denominational enterprise, is looking to the churches of this great old historic association to do nothing short of their best to relieve some of the conditions briefly outlined above. And if the Baptists of Tidewater Virginia are true to their history, their tradition, their ideals, and their abilities, I am sure that this great work of carrying the glad tidings of Jesus and His love to earth's remotest bounds will receive such an encouragement as to gladden the hearts of our secretaries and rejoice the very soul of our Saviour Himself and His angels.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. WELSH.

Discussed by Sparks W. Melton and adopted.

29. Report of the Committee on Apportionment of the Churches follows:

LIST OF APPORTIONMENTS OF THE CHURCHES

Berkley Avenue.....\$	3,900.00	Knotts Island.....\$	25.00
Bethel	190.00	Lake Drummond	225.00
Blackwater	230.00	Larchmont	2,000.00
Burrows Memorial...	3,500.00	London Bridge.....	1,200.00
Calvary	1,800.00	Nansemond	600.00
Campostella Heights	600.00	Northwest	700.00
Centerville	1,500.00	Oak Grove.....	300.00
Central	5,000.00	Ocean View.....	300.00
Churchland	7,380.00	Park Avenue	6,500.00
Court Street.....	10,000.00	Park Place	9,500.00
Cradock	400.00	Park View.....	5,000.00
Deep Creek.....	600.00	Pleasant Grove.....	700.00
East Brambleton....	25.00	Port Norfolk.....	4,000.00
Fairmount Park.....	1,000.00	Raleigh Heights....	150.00
First	15,000.00	South Norfolk	1,700.00
Fourth Street.....	3,000.00	South Street.....	3,500.00
Freemason	17,000.00	Spurgeon Memorial..	3,500.00
Gilmerton and Grace	125.00	St. Johns.....	550.00
Jackson Memorial...	1,000.00	Virginia Beach.....	350.00
James Memorial.....	550.00	Westhaven	400.00
Kempsville	400.00	West Norfolk.....	600.00
Total			<u>\$115,000.00</u>

W. FRANK ROBERTSON, Chairman;
 F. L. HARDY, Secretary;
 D. P. HARRIS,
 W. V. SAVAGE,
 E. A. WATKINS,
 J. H. NININGER,
 M. L. HAYCOCK,

Committee.

Recommendation adopted without a dissenting vote.

30. The Introductory Sermon was preached by W. V. Savage. Text: 3rd and 4th verses of the 15th chapter of 2 Corinthians.

31. Dismissed with prayer by B. L. Rhodes.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

32. The Association assembled at 1:45 and was called to order by Moderator Love.

Prayer by John Bomar.

Singing, "Stand Up for Jesus."

33. H. F. Jones read report on Junior College as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUNIOR COLLEGE, TO THE 134th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PORTSMOUTH ASSOCIATION

Your Committee begs leave to make the following report:

Upon careful investigation, we find that in a radius of forty miles of this City, there are about 60,000 Baptists holding property valued at a million dollars. They gave two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to all causes last year.

Within this territory, there are more than one-half million people, and only high school advantages for the education of our young men and women.

We call to the attention of this body, the fact that this is the oldest Baptist constituency of Virginia. We have given liberally to the educational institutions of our State, and rejoice that we were able to do so, but feel now, that the time has come for the founding of a Junior College of the co-ordinate type somewhere in this section of Virginia.

We recommend that a Committee of five be appointed by this body, whose duty it shall be,

1st: To officially inform the Chambers of Commerce of Norfolk and Portsmouth of this action, and to ascertain from them what inducements they have to offer us, provided this college is established in the vicinity of these Cities;

2nd: To survey the field for a suitable site for their proposed institution of learning;

3rd: To make recommendations to this body at its next annual meeting;

4th: That the Committee submit the matter to other Associations adjacent to Tidewater with a view to securing their interest in matter.

H. F. JONES,
J. E. WELSH,
L. E. BARTON,
ROBT. J. DOGAN,
SPARKS W. MELTON.

Report was adopted and the following committee appointed: H. F. Jones, J. E. Welsh, L. E. Barton, R. J. Dogan and Sparks W. Melton.

34. The following report on Ministers' Fund and Pastoral Support was read by E. A. Watkins and adopted:

PASTORAL SUPPORT AND MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Awakening somewhat to a sense of duty, inspired by the 75 Million Campaign launched nearly five years ago, our Baptist Pastors taken as a whole, receive better salaries at this time than at any time during the history of our Denomination: Yet there is in many instances much room for improvement, in giving to these workers in the vineyard of our Lord, sufficient remuneration, to enable them to live and rear their families, without the stint and pinch, which has been so obvious in the past.

In this age of specializing in nearly all the vocations of life, no mistake could be made in an effort, to cause our Baptist laymen to fully realize, that our ministers, in most instances are and should be regarded as members of a special profession, devoting their time, their energies and their lives, to the most noble cause of today, or at any time, ever espoused by men or women; a cause which should be not only near but dear to the hearts of every true Christian.

The advancement made in the last two decades along scientific and educational lines, makes it not only mandatory but compulsory, that better preparation be made than ever before, for the work; and consequently a larger outlay on the part of those who desire to enter this most important work, because of the dedication of themselves, to such a noble cause.

This preparation must be made, in order to become thoroughly proficient and to be able to draw to the church of the Living God, those who have not accepted His faith, and whose aspirations have never been kindled into an inspiration of His goodness and mercy towards all mankind.

The church is where all of us hear expounded the principles and truths of the Christian religion, and to be able to accomplish these difficult tasks, is not only expected but required of the Pastor, in order that he may attain that success necessary and demanded, by the churches as a whole.

Generally speaking, the members of the Baptist churches, of our entire Southern Baptist Convention and more particularly those within the borders of our own State of Virginia, by making the proper effort without making many sacrifices, should not only endeavor but see that their Pastors are fully provided for; they should know that the meager salaries of a few years ago are absolutely inadequate to meet the requirements of present conditions.

All pastors should receive from their people and from sources provided, sufficient remuneration to enable them to support themselves and their families in a comfortable manner; there should be no lack of funds to provide for their wives and children the necessary clothing for them on all occasions to be neatly dressed; as many calls are made on them for help, they should be in a financial position to respond in some small way to those that are worthy; they should be able to be domiciled in such a way as to be at all times comfortable, thereby enabling them to be at all times at their best.

Since the progressiveness of the church, to a great extent is judged by the general public by its Pastor, each and every member should strive to place him in the position which will cause him at all times to be at his best, and this can never be accomplished by

placing upon him responsibilities for which he was not called to face nor duties which he at no time had a right to expect.

His cares and responsibilities should be minimized so far as his worldly affairs present themselves, in order that his energies may be re-doubled, in the upbuilding of Spiritual zeal among his people.

These things cannot be attained by refusing to supply him with sufficient means to meet legitimate expenses, nor is it consistent with good business principles so to do.

We should be proud of the man we invite to come to us to direct us along Spiritual lines in the upbuilding of the Kingdom of our Lord and Master; we should remove from his path every obstacle, that will tend in any way to hinder, in any way his work; we should place him in a position which is in full keeping with the duties which we invited him to perform and at all times and under all circumstances we should be ready and willing to anticipate his needs and desires, enabling him to concentrate his mind, his energies and his very best efforts in the single thought of the uplift of humanity and the disseminating of the true knowledge of Christian principles and ideals.

These can never be accomplished by a poorly paid Pastor.

As he labors with us to aid us in preparing for the many blessings which we as Christians are striving to obtain, through the sacrifices of a crucified Savior, who was beaten, bruised and gave his life upon the cruel cross, that we through His sufferings and death should inherit eternal life, so should we as His children, give bountifully of what we have or possess, even though it be but a mite, to aid those we choose and who through our invitation come to us, to advise and counsel with us and to lead us in the upbuilding of His Kingdom in this sinful and tumultuous world of ours; this should not be considered by us only as a duty, but rather as a privilege, both great and important.

There are other duties however of equal importance which also confront us; among this army of ambassadors for Christ there will be some upon whom the hand of affliction must necessarily fall; the grim reaper, death, will claim for his portion others; and frequently there will be left to mourn their departure, widowed mothers and helpless children; those who have been taken can no longer supply the necessities of life for those dear ones left behind; there are still others who have grown old in the performance of their sacred duties, and whose hoary locks, wrinkled visuages, together with bent forms and trembling frames, present to us a spectacle that appeals to our whole being.

Why are they in this, the winter season of their existence, appealing to the Baptist brethren for assistance, in order that their few remaining days may be spent without undergoing the bitter pangs of want.

These conditions exist in practically all cases, because of inadequate means having been supplied them during their long and arduous service.

In our own State of Virginia, on the 1st day of September, 1924, there were 1,010 of these worthy dependents receiving aid from our relief fund.

By referring to the figures given below, we will find that this number is gradually increasing, and provision should be made by the members of the denomination, throughout the Southern Baptist Convention and especially in our own State of Virginia, to see that no duty of theirs is overlooked or neglected, in providing for the condition by which they are now confronted.

This comprises the period from May 1st, 1920 to May 1st, 1924.

	Total No. of Beneficiaries	Total paid to Beneficiaries	Relief Assets	Annuity Assets	Total Assets
May 1, 1920.....	500	\$62,217.61	\$70,974.06	\$91,149.04	\$162,123.10
May 1, 1921.....	750	\$118,988.82	\$389,783.43	\$525,114.27	\$914,897.70
May 1, 1922.....	804	\$128,966.88	\$419,027.25	\$730,061.27	\$1,149,088.52
May 1, 1923.....	925	\$113,322.15	\$496,720.61	\$993,472.98	\$1,490,193.69
May 1, 1924.....	1,010	\$156,954.77	\$500,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,700,000.00

What a blessing to those for whom this fund has been created and what a consolation it must be to those who have contributed to it to know that they are factors in this work; what pleasure they must experience in knowing that they have been workers for this worthy object.

But when we make a complete survey of the fields and carefully note the urgent demands that thorough Christian service requires, how little must we recognize we are now doing.

We should prove by our acts to those who are at present beneficiaries and also to those upon whom adversity in one way or another may come, that our Denomination will see that proper provision is made for those whose lives have been so generously dedicated to religious work and service for the upbuilding of the cause of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

May the Lord put it into the hearts of all our Baptist brethren to do their duty and their full duty, in crowning with success, yes complete success, this most important undertaking, which should be considered by us as a real privilege, and may the promptings of His Holy Spirit enable each and every one of us by what we do individually and collectively along the lines of this great work in which we are at present engaged, to receive from our Lord the welcome plaudit, "Well done good and faithful servants".

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. WATKINS.

35. Report on Woman's Work was made by Mrs. G. R. Martin and adopted as follows:

WOMAN'S WORK

The hand of our God is leading us in paths we do not know, and into fields we have not explored. More and more we are convinced that our Union has been planted by the Lord, and is being guarded by His providence and nurtured by His grace. We have every reason to have the joy bells ringing in our hearts and to sing praises unto Him who hath blessed us and led us in the achievements of the past year.

The total contributions for the year are \$46,751.93, this being \$2,006.29 more than last year. Only four societies have paid in full their pledges. These being Centerville, Larchmont, Park View and Port Norfolk.

Our women have studied and studied hard during the past year. Our record in Mission Study is the very best we have ever had. 266 classes have been held, 2,072 awards given. Special mention should be made of the churches leading in Mission Study. Berkley Avenue leads in number of classes, Freemason Street in number of graduates and Burrows Memorial in number of awards. Two very

successful Schools of Missions have been held, one at Calvary and the other at Burrows Memorial. We most heartily recommend this plan of intensive study as an ideal method to enlist the membership in real mission study.

Five new societies have been organized since our last report, making a total of 117 organizations. Slowly but surely are we reaching toward our goal of the full graded union in each of our churches. We ask your co-operation in the accomplishing of this ideal.

We continue the support of three students at our Buchanan Mountain School. The Good-will Center in Portsmouth goes on under the leadership of the Portsmouth women. The hearts of the Norfolk women were saddened indeed when it was found necessary to close the Norfolk Settlement work. The foreigners in Norfolk are so widely scattered that the continuance of this work was found impractical. However, we rejoice in the results and feel that Heaven alone will reveal the great good done by and thru this work. During the past summer our women have co-operated in the conduct of five Daily Vacation Bible Schools. The Norfolk women have about completed a fund of \$300 to be used in the furnishing of a room in our Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg. Much interest has been taken in the making of White Cross supplies for the Virginia Hospital in Africa. Fifty societies engaged in this work, making over 1,952 supplies. The actual value of these articles was \$549.25.

We present you this resume of our year's work, feeling that much has been left undone, and we pray for a more consecrated service of our selves, and for a larger co-operation with us in our undertakings. With praise to Him for whatever has been accomplished, we press forward to larger efforts, remembering

“That God is working His purpose out,
As year succeeds to year,
God is working His purpose out
And the time is drawing near;
Nearer and nearer draws the time—
The time that shall surely be,—
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God,
As the waters cover the sea.”

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. R. MARTIN.

36. The work of the Baptist Council was next on the program. H. M. B. Jones, the appointed speaker, presented M. Winston and L. C. Brinson, two prominent laymen, both of whom spoke briefly of the good work that has already been done by the Council and emphasized the need for a continuance of the same.

37. Bro. M. Winston was nominated and unanimously elected District Organizer of the 1925 Program as adopted by this Association.

38. Report on Periodicals was read by Mrs. L. E. Barton and after remarks by Chas. R. Robertson the report was adopted.

OUR PERIODICALS

The character of the next generation will depend largely upon the reading of the youth of the present.

If our church members are to be developed in religious activity, they must have information concerning religious matters. Man's nearest approach to omnipresence is through the printing press and the daily mails. Every home in America can be reached daily through the press and the mails. The greatest power, next to the living voice, is the printing press. Presidential elections are won or lost by newspapers. Political faiths are dependent upon the same source for their existence.

It would be impossible to carry on the work of the Kingdom of God in any adequate way without the religious press.

Speaking for our own denomination, Baptists must solve three problems concerning the denominational paper. First, we must have papers that are worth reading, of course. What is a worth-while Baptist paper should carry the news of the kingdom. It should be a competent teacher of Biblical principles as Baptists understand them. It should be edited by a denominational seer who can sense the need, point out the danger, and make clear the opportunity of the hour. It should be missionary in heart and soul. It should be intellectual but not heavy, chatty and newsy but not trite and commonplace. It should be a forum, but not a debating society, a clearing house of denominational opinion, not a close corporation for coercing of sentiment. It should exercise freedom without faction. Through its columns should be heard and felt the soul-seeking passion of the heart of Jesus.

But the next problem is to get our people to take the paper. How shall we make them see the need of such reading matter? Perhaps one's own conviction on the subject will be his greatest asset in introducing the paper into new homes. References to its news items from the pulpit will help. A denominational paper day in the Church, with hymns, scripture-reading and sermon all taken from something suggested from the columns of the paper, with setting of each number on the program explained, would emphasize the religious importance of the paper. But last and most potent of all is the organized effort to reach the whole membership with the appeal. We must go after them one by one.

The third problem is to get people to read the paper after it is in the home, for nothing is really accomplished until the life habit of reading religious literature is formed. The best paper has no power to charm and inspire if left to itself on the library table. South Carolina is trying the experiment of sending the Baptist Courier to every Baptist home in the State for the next three months. This shows breadth of purpose and exalts the influence of the denominational paper, but persons must be enlisted to read the paper before it can be of any use to them and the kingdom.

Nothing will mean so much to the 1925 program as the enlarged circulation of the Religious Herald and of Our Home and Foreign Field. This is the period throughout the South that publications are pruned. Then let us remember the importance of enlarging the circulation of these forces which have meant much in the past to all our causes, and which, let us hope, shall have an ever-increasing power in the future.

MRS. L. E. BARTON.

39. Motion by Sparks W. Melton that the District Organizer be empowered to select such committees to assist him in the work as he deems necessary was adopted.

40. Motion by H. F. Jones that a rising vote of thanks be extended to W. F. Robertson for his untiring efforts in making the Seventy-five Million Campaign a success was adopted.

41. Report on Education Board was read by J. H. Ninger and adopted. Report follows:

EDUCATION BOARD AND COMMISSION

In discussing this subject one feels very much inclined to take in all of the activities of the Board of Missions, and the various other objects of the Baptists' 75 Millions Campaign, as well as of the schools, colleges, etc., for they are all really and truly promoting Christian education at home and abroad.

This is especially true when we consider and remember that it was through the efforts of the Education Boards of the various states, together with the Southern Baptist Education Board, primarily for Christian education, that the great idea of the Baptist 75 Millions Campaign was developed and brought to such a splendid reality, with such wondrous results. The result of this great Campaign has been, not only to send millions and men and women to missions, but to save from total loss some of our Baptist schools, to strengthen and enlarge them all, to give them better teachers and equipment, and to send out larger numbers of men and women better trained to do still greater work in the field of Christian education.

In this connection, let us all see to it that our pledges made in this Campaign are paid to the last penny.

The 75 Millions Campaign has enabled us to give scholarships and aid funds to more than twice the number of deserving boys and girls we were able to aid five years ago, and to give them better facilities for using these scholarships and funds.

For the last session of our Virginia Baptist schools there was reported 2,880 students, 224 graduates, 140 students for the ministry (largest in our history), 45 volunteers for Foreign Mission work, 39 young men from Virginia in the Seminary at Louisville, and 22 young women from Virginia in the W. M. U. Training School. This Christian Education department is giving attention to Baptist students in State Schools and Colleges, and in other schools, keeping in touch with these 2,900 or more young people by correspondence, personal visitation, and by Group Conferences.

This is a great improvement over any previous year, perhaps, but it is not yet anything like what it should be. Baptists of Virginia must build more schools, and better schools, and furnish them with the best equipment and facilities possibly to be obtained, and provide for them the very best management and teaching any where to be found. By this method and means only shall we succeed in getting the parents of Baptist churches, and even of other denominations, to send their children to Baptist Schools. A great many Baptists of Virginia, and of the South in general, are sending their children to non-sectarian schools, and to schools of other denominations, because they believe those other schools are superior to our Baptist Schools. This should not be. What are we going to do about it?

After all, why should we want our children taught in Baptist Schools? Is there any difference between the languages, literature,

philosophy, mathematics, and music, as taught in a Baptist School and that taught in other schools? There may possibly be, but not necessarily so. Education in a Baptist School may be Christian education, and again it may not be. What we need most is Christian education of both the mind and heart from a Baptist viewpoint, or education based on the fundamental principles of Christianity as developed and indoctrinated by the Baptist denomination, because we believe they are to be found most nearly in accord with the teachings of God's Word.

But what are we doing to bring about these results? We learn from good authority that of the 90,000 Baptist students attending schools in the South, under Baptist denominational control or influence, only about one-third of them attend church services with any degree of regularity or consistency. These Baptist students are the fondest hope of Southern Baptists, the very foundation on which rests, not only the best interests of the Baptist denomination, but the best interests of the entire South regardless of sectarianism, for they predominate in quality and numbers, but they must be trained right. Only 30,000 of the 90,000 Baptist students attending any kind of religious services regularly! Where do the remaining 60,000 of these Baptist students get their training in the principles of right living, to say nothing of Christianity? If they do not get the principles of Christianity from a Baptist viewpoint while attending these Baptist schools, they might just as well be in some other schools.

We are pleased to report, in this connection, that about three years ago there was established and appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention, or by the Southern Baptist Education Board, what is known as the Inter-Board Commission of Student Religious Activities, whose purpose and aim shall be to improve the conditions we have referred to by organizing the Baptist Students for better acquaintance and fellowship among themselves, for instilling into them the principles for which Baptists stand, for attending religious services, for developing and deepening the spiritual life, all to the end that Jesus Christ may be pre-eminent on the campus of every school. We are informed that this Commission is doing splendid work and has prospects for great accomplishment.

There is great need for efforts along this line. The President of one of our best schools, when asked what per cent of his sixty seniors were satisfactory products of a denominational school, replied, "Twenty-five per cent." He further said, "Fifteen members of that class will voluntarily do the work of the church—twenty members will if prodded, but there are twenty-five who will not under any circumstances do church work." This is a very bad showing for the graduates from a Baptist school.

Up to this time this line of work is being carried on only from the general headquarters of this Inter-Board Commission at Memphis, Tennessee, but the field is too large and the means and manpower are too meager to do this work as it should be done. The various States should develop organizations of their own for co-operating in this great work. We do not believe that there could be any more effective methods used for building up Baptist denominational interests in the South. Other denominations are leading us in this great line of endeavor, and we must look to our laurels.

During the latter part of October of this year, it has been arranged under the auspices of this Inter-Board Commission to hold a conference of the Baptist students from our own schools and colleges, together with those from State schools, at the University of Richmond, continuing for three days, and it is hoped that much good may be accomplished.

J. H. NININGER.

42. T. O. Williams read report of the Missionary Committee and the same was adopted. Report follows:

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

The writer of this report rejoices with those who are familiar with the advancement of our denomination in more suitable buildings and better methods to conduct our Sunday School and Church work. We recognize the fact that it has cost the deepest interest of many Godly pastors and lay members; some of whom God has already called to their reward.

Conscientious thought should be given in this program of achievements, to the part taken by our State Sunday School Board with its capable Secretary, Jos. T. Watts, and his assistants. Also our Baptist Council, led by the consecrated prayers and services of Dr. R. B. Garrett; Rev. Marinus James, secretaries; Mr. W. Frank Robertson; J. M. C. Duke; Rev. H. F. Jones, and Rev. H. M. B. Jones, Presidents, along with a number of others.

We, at least, suggest that pastors discuss with their deacons the work of their fields in view of rounding out their very best work before they consider accepting another call. We count on the several new pastors who have cast their lot with us to help advance the entire program; namely, finishing the Seventy-Five Million Dollar Campaign, and educating the people as to the great need locally, State-wide, South-wide, as well as the Foreign Mission Fields.

Burrows Memorial continues its forward movement under the leadership of the new pastor, Rev. S. A. Campbell, who succeeded Rev. C. H. Trueblood. Campostella Heights, though not so many in number, are happy in the work with Rev. S. B. Overton, their pastor. Rev. W. S. O. Thomas, successor to J. T. Coburn at Cradock, as well as his little flock, invites you, their beloved friends of the Cause, to ride out over the improved road and view the denominational needs of this war-time village. Consider, if you please, the location and the house of worship. The situation deserves the attention of our loyal Baptists NOW. Cradock is a growing suburb and other denominations recognize the fact as so. The Methodists dedicated a new edifice last Sunday.

Mr. J. J. Gould, of the South Street Baptist Church, has been preaching every Sunday for some months at East Brambleton. This little flock deserves credit for pressing on though handicapped.

At the last meeting of the Association the First Church needed a pastor, as Rev. W. M. Vines had resigned. At this meeting they feel the need of a larger auditorium to seat the congregations that flock to hear Rev. Howard I. Stewart, their pastor. The folks at James Memorial are proud to say they have Rev. J. T. Riddick for their pastor. The work is going on in this new field.

Knotts Island has been located and is no longer a lost child. Rev. Marinus James made it a point to hold services at least once a month in this Church during the last part of last and the first part of this year. The Baptist Council is now planning to have Rev. Boorde, of Virginia Beach-Raleigh Heights field, hold a revival out there during the month of October.

Rev. J. F. Ingram, who was a missionary in India for twenty years, is the new pastor at London Bridge. He succeeded Rev. Frank B. Handley a few weeks ago. This Church is with its B. Y. P. U., especially encouraging. Park Avenue has called Rev. Floyd Talmage Holland, formerly of Isle of Wight County but now of Canada.

The Park Place Baptist, Rev. Ira D. S. Knight, pastor, have acquired the site and have plans for a new church that will cost about \$250,000, and meet the present need, as the old plant is far inadequate. The new Sunday School will accommodate more than 2,000 pupils.

Rev. Henry A. Griesemer, the present pastor of Park View Baptist, anticipates a new building large enough to accommodate his congregation and Sunday School. The contract has been awarded, and the foundation has already been started. It will be a creditable addition to that beautiful residential section, and also the Baptist equipment. The new church when completed will have cost about \$100,000.

The Larchmont Baptist Church, which is nearing completion, and costing about \$32,000, will take the place of the portable chapel used by them for the past five years. The congregation expects to occupy it by Christmas. The Baptist Council can well be proud that it has assisted this congregation, and it has, from the very start.

The Jackson Memorial, under the leadership of Rev. R. G. Kendrick, are worshipping on the lower floor of their new church. As intended, the top floor will be completed later. When completed this church means an investment of \$65,000. It is well located in a growing community.

South Street Baptist has acquired the property adjoining the church property for the purpose of enlarging their present Sunday School building.

West Haven and West Norfolk, with the help of the State Mission Board, have as their leader Rev. John Bomar, of South Carolina. Both congregations express their hearty approval of the present arrangement.

Ocean View, the little church at the seaside resort, needs help, probably more than any other church in the Portsmouth Association. The chapel now being used is located on ground belonging to the Virginia Railway & Power Company, situated in the most conspicuous and noisy location, and is a reflection upon our denomination. The Sunday School is losing out on account of no place to meet. One class meets over the bank across the street from the chapel. Your attention is called to the thousands of people who visit Ocean View every summer, besides the thousands living there, a large number of whom are Baptists, and for whom a place of worship should be provided.

Fairmount Park Church has recently added a new Sunday School plant, costing in the neighborhood of \$15,000.

The Missionary Committee believes there is a large number of members of our churches who did not enlist in the Seventy-Five Million Campaign. Also a number who can afford to give more now than five years ago if stirred to the point of sacrifice will enable our work to go forward next year with leaps and bounds.

Rev. C. E. Hedreck from West Virginia is now pastor at Pleasant Grove and the people feel that their bright day is now in sight.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. MARINUS JAMES,
T. O. WILLIAMS,
W. F. WATKINS,

Committee.

43. Report on Obituaries was read by R. G. Kendrick and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

Your Committee would record with profound gratitude the signal favor of God upon us in that so few of our workers have been removed during the year by death.

Up to this moment only one name has been given to the Committee for mention in this report.

That name is Deacon Jno. W. Lawrence, who died in May of this

year, in his 62nd year. He lived an exemplary Christian. His life was an open book known and read of all who knew him. He was not reared a Baptist but was a professed Christian some time before he became one. He was baptized into the fellowship of the Park View Church, then under the pastoral care of Rev. R. D. Stephenson—September, 1909. Very soon after his baptism he was elected to the superintendency of the Sunday School and served in this capacity about four years.

During the pastorate in this church of the writer of this report, he was elected to the Deaconship, in which he served acceptably to the close of his active life as a Christian.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. KENDRICK, Com.

44. Report of Treasurer as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1923

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand from 1922.....	\$ 1.86	
Associational Fund from Churches.....	251.99	
Total	\$253.85	\$253.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing Minutes and Programs, Postage on Minutes, Stamps and Stationery.....	\$200.70	
Clerk's Salary for 1923.....	40.00	
Total	\$240.70	\$240.70
Balance on hand.....		\$ 13.15

W. T. L. SHEPHERD, Treasurer.

45. Moved and adopted that the Clerk receive usual amount for his services.

46. Motion was adopted instructing the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to secure place of meeting for 1926 and report at next meeting. The following were appointed: L. C. Brinson, W. F. Robertson and Dr. A. M. Burfoot.

47. Motion was heartily adopted thanking the pastor and members of Court Street Church for the cordial and generous entertainment accorded the Association in this its 134th Annual Session.

48. Moderator announced the Standing Committees for the year. (See back cover).

49. The Association closed its 134th Session with prayer by R. J. Dogan.

A. R. LOVE, Moderator,
Portsmouth, Va.

W. T. L. SHEPHERD, Clerk,
Portsmouth, Va.

CHURCHES, LOCATION, PASTORS, VALUE PROPERTY, DAYS OF PREACHING.

	CHURCHES	LOCATION	Estab- lished	PASTORS	Value of Church Building and Lot	Value of Pastori' and Lot	Sundays of Preaching
1	Berkley Avenue	Norfolk, Va.	1873	B. L. Rhodes	\$ 35000 00	\$10000 00	Every
2	Bethel	Norfolk Co., Va.	1889	H. B. Cole	2000 00	-----	2nd & 4th
3	Blackwater	Princess Anne Co., Va.	1774	H. B. Cole	2500 00	-----	1st & 3rd
4	Burrows Memorial	Norfolk, Va.	1894	S. A. Campbell	40000 00	-----	Every
5	Calvary	Portsmouth, Va.	1889	D. P. Harris	80000 00	6000 00	Every
6	Campostella Heights	Norfolk, Va.	1916	S. B. Overton	10000 00	1000 00	Every
7	Centerville	Norfolk Co., Va.	1872	H. B. Cole	2000 00	2500 00	Every
8	Central	Norfolk, Va.	1885	Frank L. Hardy	115000 00	10000 00	Every
9	Churchland	Portsmouth, Va.	1785	W. V. Savage	50000 00	8000 00	Every
10	Court Street	Portsmouth, Va.	1789	J. Elwood Welsh	200000 00	12000 00	Every
11	Cradock	Portsmouth, Va.	1919	W. S. O. Thomas	3500 00	3500 00	Every
12	Deep Creek	Portsmouth, Va.	1869	J. A. Willoughby	2000 00	3000 00	1st & 3rd
13	East Brambleton	Norfolk, Va.	1913	J. J. Gould, Sup.	3000 00	-----	Every
14	Fairmount Park	Norfolk, Va.	1909	J. D. Peebles	25000 00	-----	Every
15	First	Norfolk, Va.	1801	Howard I. Stewart	100000 00	12000 00	Every
16	Fourth Street	Portsmouth, Va.	1855	A. R. Love	44000 00	5000 00	Every
17	Freemason Street	Norfolk, Va.	1848	Sparks W. Melton	140000 00	-----	Every
18	Gilmerton	Portsmouth, Va.	1895	John W. Welstead	2500 00	2000 00	Every
19	Grace	Portsmouth, Va.	1922	John W. Welstead	2500 00	-----	Every
20	Jackson Memorial	Portsmouth, Va.	1906	R. G. Kendrick	60000 00	3000 00	Every
21	James Memorial	Norfolk, Va.	1922	J. T. Riddick	11800 00	-----	Every
22	Kempsville	Princess Anne Co., Va.	1814	H. H. Martens	6000 00	5000 00	Every
23	Knotts' Island	Currituck, N. C.	1876	-----	-----	-----	-----
24	Lake Drummond	Norfolk Co., Va.	1850	L. E. Barton	2100 00	-----	1st & 3rd
25	Larchmont	Norfolk, Va.	1919	L. E. Barton	43000 00	9500 00	Every
26	London Bridge	Princess Anne Co., Va.	1788	J. F. Ingram	3000 00	3500 00	Every
27	Nansemond	Drivers, Va.	1891	W. V. Savage	3000 00	-----	1st & 3rd
28	Northwest	Norfolk Co., Va.	1782	J. A. Willoughby	5000 00	-----	2nd & 4th
29	Oak Grove	Princess Anne Co., Va.	1762	E. J. Harrell	2500 00	1000 00	Every
30	Ocean View	Norfolk, Va.	1910	A. P. Mustian	1500 00	-----	Every
31	Park Avenue	Norfolk, Va.	1885	-----	47000 00	5000 00	Every
32	Park Place	Norfolk, Va.	1902	Ira D. S. Knight	84000 00	-----	Every
33	Park View	Portsmouth, Va.	1889	H. A. Griesemer	10000 00	-----	Every
34	Pleasant Grove	Norfolk Co., Va.	1845	C. C. Hedrick	2000 00	4250 00	Every
35	Port Norfolk	Portsmouth, Va.	1893	H. F. Jones	50000 00	5000 00	Every
36	Raleigh Heights	Norfolk, Va.	1893	T. E. Boorde	3500 00	3500 00	Every
37	South Norfolk	South Norfolk, Va.	1893	C. S. Sawyer	50000 00	-----	Every
38	South Street	Portsmouth, Va.	1889	H. M. B. Jones	50000 00	-----	Every
39	Surgeon Memorial	Norfolk, Va.	1892	R. J. Dogan	70000 00	5000 00	Every
40	St. John	Princess Anne Co., Va.	1856	E. J. Harrell	3000 00	2500 00	Every
41	Virginia Beach	Virginia Beach, Va.	1908	T. E. Boorde	20000 00	-----	Every
42	Westhaven	Portsmouth, Va.	1913	John Bomar	25000 00	5000 00	Every
43	West Norfolk	West Norfolk, Va.	1895	John Bomar	5374 54	1550 00	Every
				Total	1416774 54	123800 00	

MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCHES

CHURCHES	ADDITIONS BY				DIMUNITIONS BY				Present Number		
	Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Statement	Letter	Exclusion	Ereasure	Death	Males	Females	Total
1 Berkley Avenue	63	6		9	15		91	4	244	322	566
2 Bethel	2	2			2		4	2	34	43	77
3 Blackwater	3		1		8				56	50	106
4 Burrows Memorial	36	43			6			6	248	461	709
5 Calvary	32	5		2	10	2	104	3	285	423	708
6 Campostella Heights	5	10		1	9		35	1	56	120	176
7 Centerville		3			4		2	1	78	82	160
8 Central	54	21	1	11	14		45	2	351	474	825
9 Churchland		4			1			2	112	111	223
10 Court Street	20	33		3	24	3	1	6	290	352	642
11 Cradock	14	14			27		2		93	176	269
12 Deep Creek	12	11		1				1	122	142	264
13 East Brambleton											
14 Fairmount Park	48	42		21	16			3	180	196	376
15 First	52	93	1	4	23			5			1130
16 Fourth Street	40	18	3	7	23	4		4	387	497	884
17 Freemason Street	64	43		3	38			9	490	672	1162
18 Gilmerton					2				6	13	19
19 Grace	12				2	1		1	11	18	29
20 Jackson Memorial	38	18		10	11		23	2	242	308	550
21 James Memorial	8	44			3			3	80	128	208
22 Kempsville		3		1	2			1	68	61	129
23 Knotts' Island											
24 Lake Drummond	7			3	8		1		65	62	127
25 Larchmont	5	12			13			2	65	77	142
26 London Bridge	5				14		2	2	60	76	136
27 Nansemond	3	1					1	1	20	13	33
28 Northwest	6	1			1			2	83	159	242
29 Oak Grove	3			2	6			5	176	172	348
30 Ocean View	19	19			2				76	95	171
31 Park Avenue	57	43	1	17	78		3	11	566	633	1199
32 Park Place	41	48		3	44		11	6	490	700	1190
33 Park View	5	20		9	30		109	4	195	268	463
34 Pleasant Grove	7	9		1	4		1	2	79	67	146
35 Port Norfolk	44	20		2	18		4	5	438	509	947
36 Raleigh Heights	10	9	1		3		4		34	49	83
37 South Norfolk	29	24			16		29	6	307	420	727
38 South Street	20	9	1	3	13			3	351	423	774
39 Spurgeon Memorial	62	15	1	5	20			8	363	544	907
40 St. Johns	3	3	1	1	2			6	84	124	208
41 Virginia Beach	3	13			4			4	55	60	115
42 Westhaven	36	15		2	6		1		103	123	226
43 West Norfolk					2			3	48	51	99
TOTALS	863	674	11	126	524	10	477	123	7091	9274	17495

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES		Superintendents and Post Offices	Total Enrollment	Conversions	Church Members in School
1	Berkley Avenue	W. N. Duval, 22 Clifton St., Norfolk, Va.	445		345
2	Bethel	F. H. Williams, Route 1, Fentress, Va.	67	1	36
3	*Blackwater	J. N. Baxter, Hickory, Va.	75		40
4	Burrows Memorial	Walter Anderson, 1042 W. 35th St., Norfolk, Va.	648	20	265
5	Calvary	Luther Martin, Shea's Terrace, Portsmouth, Va.	643	28	269
6	Campostella Heights	R. R. Pierce, 124 Princeton Ave., Norfolk, Va.		3	100
7	Centerville	J. P. Wright, Fentress, Va.	184	3	
8	Central	W. F. Watkins, 806 Spottswood Ave., Norfolk, Va.	645	39	400
9	Chinese	W. L. Sutton, Norfolk, Va.	38		9
10	Churchland	M. J. Kilby, Churchland, Va.	198		109
11	Court Street	N. E. Adamson, 50 Washington St., Portsmouth, Va.	606	18	424
12	Cradock	J. B. Jeffries, 26 Shell Road, Cradock, Portsmouth, Va.	234	6	70
13	Deep Creek	J. T. Forehand, Route 2, Portsmouth, Va.	183	12	165
14	East Brambleton	W. F. Berry, 726 Delaware Ave., Norfolk, Va.	46		
15	Fairmount Park	J. C. Simpson, 2820 Bapaume Ave., Norfolk, Va.	400	44	246
16	First	G. W. Baker, 1500 Westover Ave., Norfolk, Va.	1021	26	628
17	Fourth Street	L. B. Pendergraph, 318 Fourth St., Portsmouth, Va.	963	40	317
18	Freemason Street	W. Frank Robertson, Edgewater Drive, Norfolk, Va.	1067	50	725
19	Gilmerton	G. B. Jones, Route 3, Box 4, Portsmouth, Va.	25		10
20	Grace	T. A. Tribble, Route 3, Portsmouth, Va.	42	19	25
21	Jackson Memorial	S. A. W. Poe, 1706 Richmond Ave., Portsmouth, Va.	638		400
22	James Memorial	J. T. Horne, 208 E. 27th St., Norfolk, Va.	278		
23	Kempsville	J. E. Old, R. F. D., Lynnhaven, Va.	110		70
24	Knotts' Island				
25	Lake Drummond	R. W. Warren, Hickory, Va.	60	7	50
26	Larchmont	S. A. D. Parker, Hanover Ave., Norfolk, Va.	188	5	84
27	London Bridge	R. B. Carter, Lynnhaven, Va.	147	5	
28	*Nansemond	J. E. Jordan, Driver, Va.			
29	Northwest	N. B. Powers, Northwest, Va.	87		56
30	Oak Grove	C. C. Gorto, Back Bay, Va.	279	3	183
31	Ocean View	S. B. Cox, Ocean View, Va.	218	18	75
32	Park Avenue	F. A. Walker, 511 Reeves Ave., Norfolk, Va.	643	35	455
33	Park Place	Dr. W. H. Pearson, Taylor Bldg., Norfolk, Va.	1332	35	600
34	Park View	M. O. Lawrence, 1027 Leckie St., Portsmouth, Va.	448	5	300
35	Pimmers Point	J. E. Shackelford, 215 Maryland Ave., Portsmouth, Va.			
36	Pleasant Grove	A. Charlton, Hickory, Va.	128	6	
37	Port Norfolk	H. W. Dickerson, 500 Broad St., Portsmouth, Va.	986	14	514
38	Raleigh Heights	B. F. Wentz, Route 3, Norfolk, Va.	124		45
39	South Norfolk	G. B. White, 68 Chesapeake Ave., South Norfolk, Va.	884	16	325
40	South Norfolk Mission	J. W. Todd, 9 Perry St., South Norfolk, Va.	246	5	25
41	South Street	E. L. Beale, 1024 B St., Portsmouth, Va.	607	18	360
42	Spurgeon Memorial	O. S. Hart, 726 Park Ave., Norfolk, Va.	915	55	525
43	St. John	Aloiza Lee, Princess Anne, Va.	164		108
44	Virginia Beach	John F. Freeman, Virginia Beach, Va.	82	2	
45	Westhaven	G. W. Hamer, Westhaven, Portsmouth, Va.	313	34	200
46	West Norfolk	A. C. Davis, West Norfolk, Va.	133		67
Totals			16590	572	8625

The figures include Home Department and Cradle Roll.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR HOME PURPOSES

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary.	Current Expenses	Support of S. School	Church Improvements	Aid of Poor	Associational Fund	Other Benevolences	Miscellaneous	Total
1 Berkley Avenue	3000 00	1982 07	673 26	1834 29	102 00	10 09	345 02	630 29	8026 90
2 Bethel	250 00	48 00	127 95	25 00	-----	2 00	5 00	42 00	495 95
3 Black Water	200 00	36 00	80 00	193 00	-----	2 59	8 23	36 00	555 75
4 Burrows Memorial	2700 00	1062 62	808 15	2272 89	-----	5 00	1099 61	-----	7948 27
5 Calvary	3280 00	2918 92	2099 64	40 00	157 85	8 00	347 65	450 24	9922 70
6 Campostella Heights	1430 70	1227 41	276 41	1203 00	100 00	3 52	-----	100 00	4328 04
7 Centerville	1500 00	60 00	231 03	12 09	56 75	3 00	96 25	61 30	2020 33
8 Central	3600 00	2738 55	1763 47	298 49	260 83	16 09	1476 52	2179 04	12322 90
9 Churchland	2500 00	1300 00	200 00	150 00	240 00	5 00	-----	-----	4395 00
10 Court Street	4500 00	7128 35	807 22	1208 37	822 22	15 00	144 65	1761 85	15887 66
11 Cradock	1822 50	63 99	-----	92 00	-----	5 00	-----	345 40	1828 89
12 East Creek	1800 00	87 00	-----	214 39	36 25	5 23	-----	163 49	1806 22
13 East Brableton	112 11	-----	-----	-----	-----	1 00	-----	-----	113 11
14 Fairmount Park	2382 00	600 03	700 00	12000 60	50 00	3 00	300 00	218 13	16233 13
15 First	-----	12699 10	1537 54	-----	602 39	12 00	222 00	5041 49	20114 52
16 Fourth Street	3800 00	3203 67	1834 65	1844 65	727 44	15 00	40 24	379 65	10895 30
17 Freemason Street	6000 00	10626 89	2631 86	1030 00	1284 35	15 00	775 00	4121 22	26434 32
18 Gilmerton	-----	50 00	-----	-----	-----	1 00	-----	-----	51 00
19 Grace	-----	100 00	-----	500 00	75 00	2 00	-----	-----	677 00
20 Jackson Memorial	2400 00	217 27	472 24	11442 17	175 00	5 00	-----	238 00	14949 68
21 James Memorial	1661 61	877 99	922 40	630 87	49 82	-----	-----	405 00	4547 69
22 Kempsville	1600 00	31 00	239 52	12 00	-----	3 00	49 54	285 00	2220 06
23 Knotts' Island	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
24 Lake Drummond	360 00	36 25	37 41	-----	-----	2 50	-----	45 00	431 16
25 Larchmont	3000 00	1094 17	459 46	-----	10 00	2 50	41 80	1509 97	6108 90
26 London Bridge	1200 00	160 06	219 96	-----	-----	3 00	123 52	300 00	2066 54
27 Nansemond	170 00	35 35	23 90	-----	-----	1 50	-----	52 00	282 75
28 Northwest	500 00	35 00	84 00	-----	-----	5 00	-----	200 09	824 00
29 Oak Grove	750 00	103 78	244 35	507 15	21 50	5 00	8 26	120 00	1765 04
30 Ocean View	2200 00	150 00	348 90	30 00	-----	3 00	-----	547 42	3279 22
31 Park Avenue	2475 00	2983 01	1442 04	2277 42	556 94	10 00	641 28	4459 21	14794 90
32 Park Place	4500 00	7613 22	1708 33	10300 00	476 81	20 00	664 89	259 69	25542 94
33 Park View	4200 00	1864 30	977 01	-----	82 00	10 00	-----	250 00	7333 81
34 Pleasant Grove	1000 00	40 00	100 00	700 00	45 00	4 00	-----	65 00	1354 00
35 Port Norfolk	4004 00	2485 35	-----	354 40	124 44	10 00	30 00	285 00	7293 19
36 Raleigh Heights	700 00	477 60	204 50	400 00	-----	3 10	11 51	101 00	1897 71
37 South Norfolk	2500 00	1481 44	932 02	2527 55	195 32	12 00	109 82	479 43	8237 58
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39 Spurgeon Memorial	2400 00	964 32	1359 34	3925 20	750 00	10 00	40 28	1400 00	10899 14
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41 Virginia Beach	800 00	65 00	-----	-----	-----	2 06	-----	36 00	903 06
42 Westhaven	979 06	156 20	194 28	-----	209 75	4 52	13 46	107 50	1664 77
43 West Norfolk	750 00	205 66	527 52	-----	3 70	2 00	-----	96 85	1585 73
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BAPTIST SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION CAMPAIGN

	CHURCHES	Quota	Pledged	Paid to Date
1	Berkley Avenue	11344 24	27618 00	17244 83
2	Bethel	1727 14	1424 25	740 39
3	Blackwater	981 20	1280 00	949 50
4	Burrows Memorial	10397 87	28500 00	16776 61
5	Calvary	5222 45	12713 25	6402 39
6	Campostella Heights	2172 94	3026 00	2326 40
7	Central	16335 74	38423 00	20579 08
8	Centerville	6286 50	6341 00	4646 92
9	Churchland	61153 84	62251 80	42733 38
10	Court Street	44812 77	62237 10	38742 70
11	Cradock		1589 00	1493 48
12	Deep Creek	1364 81	3200 00	2212 27
13	East Brambleton	1249 41	1000 00	78 85
14	Fairmount Park	1351 29	5582 00	3364 55
15	First	61853 03	90000 00	63379 31
16	Fourth Street	20439 97	31270 00	10506 35
17	Freemason	72154 01	111705 71	66030 25
18	Gilmerton	500 00	1005 00	
19	Grace			
20	Jackson Memorial	7302 03	10124 25	4546 95
21	James Memorial			995 27
22	Kempsville	4394 22	5000 00	1712 98
23	Knotts' Island			
24	Lake Drummond	2685 14	3764 50	893 38
25	Larchmont	2200 00	8632 00	7488 84
26	London Bridge	7220 16	9195 00	5028 52
27	Nansemond	2668 07	4025 00	2546 19
28	Northwest	2798 12	3272 00	2530 86
29	Oak Grove	3144 80	1761 70	1713 81
30	Ocean View	1734 12	2197 00	2318 63
31	Park Avenue	26445 83	43879 75	23059 47
32	Park Place	42189 56	79786 00	36749 91
33	Park View	25362 50	27230 40	18906 49
34	Pleasant Grove	4567 47	5157 00	2039 90
35	Port Norfolk	15316 72	32753 60	16792 55
36	Raleigh Heights	1476 34	3000 00	608 10
37	South Norfolk	12319 93	12467 00	6807 52
38	South Street	14464 62	26146 00	14054 81
39	Spurgeon Memorial	39023 64	40175 50	15132 41
40	St. John	5923 84	4477 00	2172 95
41	Virginia Beach	1319 91	2000 00	1355 25
42	Westhaven	2383 74	3653 00	1397 38
43	West Norfolk	3393 61	4364 40	2539 31
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HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PORTSMOUTH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Session.	Year.	WHERE HELD	MODERATORS	CLERKS	PREACHERS	Churches.	Membership.	CONTRIBUTIONS
117	1907	Pleasant Grove	L. Lankford	Geo. J. Hobday	W. F. Watson	39	9564	97660 45
118	1908	Fourth St.	W. J. Kendrick	Geo. J. Hobday	W. Mosby Seay	37	10156	102472 01
119	1909	Suffolk	W. J. Kendrick	Geo. J. Hobday	A. J. Fristoe	38	10478	189495 68
120	1910	London Bridge	W. J. Kendrick	Geo. J. Hobday	S. W. Melton	39	10182	140031 59
121	1911	Deep Creek	W. F. Robertson	Geo. J. Hobday	J. T. Anderson	40	10521	1077 62
122	1912	Churchland	W. F. Robertson	Geo. J. Hobday	Geo. W. Swope	40	9905	95163 76
123	1913	Port Norfolk	R. B. Garrett	Geo. J. Hobday	R. D. Stephenson	38	10627	127146 82
124	1914	South Street	R. B. Garrett	Geo. J. Hobday	L. F. Paulette	39	10717	118914 98
125	1915	Oak Grove	R. B. Garrett	H. M. Fugate	W. M. Black	39	118 ^v	129897 97
126	1916	South Norfolk	R. B. Garrett	J. A. McKaughan	W. A. Snyder	39	118 ^o	39304 26
127	1917	St. John	R. B. Garrett	A. O. Boda	B. K. Mason	39		
128	1918	Central	W. W. Gordon	J. B. Jackson	R. A. Williams	39	10617	151734 52
129	1919	Centerville	H. F. Jones	J. B. Jackson	G. W. Cox	40	13553	246801 87
130	1920	Kempsville	L. C. Brinson	W. T. L. Shepherd	R. J. Dogan	41	14985	336048 77
131	1921	Northwest	L. C. Brinson	W. T. L. Shepherd	H. F. Jones	41	16727	495568 58
132	1922	Freemason Street	W. F. Robertson	W. T. L. Shepherd	I. D. S. Knight	43	17454	339782 53
133	1923	Churchland	W. F. Robertson	W. T. L. Shepherd	F. L. Hardy	43	17415	346432 43
134	1924	Court Street	A. R. Love	W. T. L. Shepherd	Marinus James	43	17495	355138 67

NOTE—In 1906 the old Portsmouth Association was divided into three separate bodies. Viz.: Portsmouth, Blackwater and Petersburg Associations. The above is table of Portsmouth Association since divided.

MINUTES
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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION
—of—
PORTSMOUTH ASSOCIATION.

The W. M. U., auxiliary to the Portsmouth Association, met in its twenty-fourth annual session with Centerville Church, Thursday, June 19th, at 10:30 A. M., with the Superintendent, Mrs. G. R. Martin, presiding. Because of illness of the Secretary, Miss Nottingham, a temporary Secretary was appointed by the chair, and proceedings of the day were begun by singing "How Firm a Foundation."

Enrollment Committee was announced as follows: Mrs. A. M. Burfoot, Mrs. Helen Wright, Miss Lee Wood, Miss Alma Thorne.

Constitution and By-Laws were read by the Secretary, after which the opening devotional service was conducted by Mrs. W. G. Martin, of Portsmouth, who read a short scripture selection and made an earnest appeal for greater consecration: 1st, to the completion of the 75 Million Campaign; 2nd, to the general work of our Church, and 3rd, in our individual lives.

Report of Enrollment Committee showed 95 delegates and 84 visitors present, who upon motion of Mrs. L. E. Hall, were voted to constitute the body, with others arriving later to be added.

The printed program was presented by the Superintendent and upon motion was adopted as the program for the day.

Mrs. F. L. Lilly extended a cordial welcome to delegates and visitors, to which a fitting response was made by the Superintendent.

A special welcome was extended those present not members of the Association, among whom were the guests of honor, Miss Kathleen Mallory, Dr. W. B. Bagby and Mrs. Ada Willett, of Oak Hill Academy. Upon motion of Mrs. Jas. Richardson these were accorded the privilege of the floor.

Mrs. Gordon moved that greetings be sent Miss Nottingham and Mrs. Sadie Culpepper. Carried.

A motion was made and carried that the printed Plan of Work be accepted as distributed instead of consuming time to have it read from the platform.

The following Committees were named:

Time and Place—Mrs. H. F. Jones, Mrs. C. E. Holland, Mrs. W. V. Savage, Mrs. B. F. Owens.

Resolutions—Mrs. Jas. Richardson, Mrs. J. E. Welsh, Mrs. Jno. Freeman.

Obituary for 1925—Mrs. W. E. Brinson, Mrs. M. E. Hillard, Mrs. J. J. Swindell, Mrs. J. C. Sawyer, Mrs. O. L. Gilbert.

To Nominate Delegates to S. B. C.—Mrs. W. T. L. Shepherd, Mrs. W. W. Gordon, Mrs. C. E. Johnson.

Attractive posters were displayed by Group Leaders showing the accomplishments and needs of each group. These posters made a very striking appearance, that for Norfolk group representing the deformed and perfect Hand; Portsmouth group the imperfect and perfect Wheel; Berkley group the perfect Chain; Norfolk County group the Rainbow, and Princess Anne County group the Ladder.

Mrs. Gray gave the report of White Cross work, displaying, by means of a poster, accomplishments during the year. Mrs. B. L. Rhodes followed with a report on Young People's work, while representatives of the Sunbeam Band held aloft emblems of the four Young People's Organizations showing number of members in each. The report showed an increase of eight societies for the year, making a total of 75. Mrs. Crafton, of Park Place, spoke on this report and made a plea for more leaders of these organizations.

The next report was that of the Mission Study Leader, which, in the absence of Mrs. H. E. Hood, was read by the Acting Secretary, and was spoken to by Mrs. C. L. Whichard, of Freemason Street Church; Mrs. W. T. L. Shepherd, of Calvary, and Mrs. Walter Anderson, of Burrows Memorial. The speakers told of the plan for Mission Study as observed in their respective churches; the first observing the fourth Tuesday in each month as Mission Study Day, when several classes meet to study different books; the second plan provided for a men's class, which had proved very successful; the third plan included examinations on certain books in real school-day fashion—with books closed. The report showed a grand total of 266 classes, 2,072 seals and 160 graduates for the year. All of the above reports were accepted by the body as given.

Badges were presented by the Superintendent to all honor graduates in Mission Study and to those completing the various courses, of whom a large number was present.

Banners were presented by Mrs. Rhodes, after a report by Mrs. S. A. D. Parker. The highest percentage and banner for W. M. S. was received by Centerville; Y. W. A., by Burrows Memorial; G. A. and R. A., by Park Avenue, and Sunbeam by Deep Creek.

The next number on the program was an address by Miss Kathleen Mallory, who was presented by Mrs. Martin and told of her recent trip to the Orient, announcing at the outset that as Virginia women we should be gratified to know that the women of the State and the Union have completed their quota to the 75 Million Campaign fund, but urged that those who had paid their pledge in full would give more to make up for some who were unable to pay. Miss Mallory told of a beautiful offering box, suitably inscribed and designed by Miss Emma Whitfield, one of which would be placed in the hands of those who were willing to make a sacrificial offering for this purpose. In speaking of what she saw while in the Orient, Miss Mallory told of the suffering among the women, suffering from bound feet; from physical burdens imposed upon them by the men; from poverty, the average wage for a woman in Kai Fung being two cents (2 cts.) per day. Instances were given of the gross superstition practiced by natives of Japan and Shanghai, notwithstanding the advantages of the latter as a great port city of China.

Dark as was this side of the picture, yet there was another and brighter side as Miss Mallory saw it in the healing for bodily suffering as furnished by the various well equipped hospitals, and healing for the sin sick souls as furnished by the love of Christ in many lives. This very interesting talk closed with an earnest, plea for more praying and larger giving to relieve conditions in the Orient.

A few verses of "O Zion, Haste" was sung, followed by a special prayer for Mrs. Burfoot, a member of Centerville Church, whose mother was in a dying condition at this time, offered by Mrs. W. W. Gordon.

After some announcements, a motion was made and carried to adjourn the morning session immediately at the close of the devotional service conducted by Mrs. S. A. Campbell, of Burrows Memorial Church. The dominant thought of Mrs. Campbell's remarks was the proper use of our individual talents, bidding us to not bemoan our fate because of those talents which we have not.

Mr. H. M. B. Jones offered the closing prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with the women's hymn for the year, "O Zion, Haste," after which the Watchword for the year was repeated in unison, followed by prayer, Mr. S. A. Campbell leading. After minutes of the morning session were read and accepted, the

Treasurer gave her report, showing the amount of \$178.67 expended during the year, with a balance in treasury of \$50.13. Report accepted.

The Superintendent presented Dr. W. B. Bagby, of Brazil, who spoke of South America as the continent of opportunity, of wonders, and of tomorrow, bidding fair to exert a great influence on the future of the world.

Just preceding an attractive and impressive pageant, "Seeing Is Believing," furnished by members of Park Avenue Church, under the direction of Miss May Campbell, a duet was rendered by Mrs. Clyde Dozier and Mrs. Ryland Ashburn.

This pageant set forth the accomplishments wrought by the 75 Million Campaign in Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Christian Education, Orphanages, Ministerial Relief, Hospitals and State Missions.

"Our Measuring Rod," stressing by use of posters the ten points of the Standard of Excellence, was presented under the direction of Mrs. Guy Herr.

Mrs. Jno. Freeman, of Virginia Beach, spoke on the value of the Standard of Excellence.

In the absence of Mrs. H. M. B. Jones, who was to have given a report of the Atlanta Convention, Mrs. Ada Willett, a teacher in Oak Hill Academy, gave a very interesting account of the work carried on among the boys and girls of this institution.

The Superintendent announced that owing to some mistake in credits given at headquarters to the Memorial taken out by this Association for Mrs. Sadie Culpepper four years ago, the amount of \$108.75 was due on this fund, and asked what disposition should be made of the matter. On motion of Miss Annie Arrington, seconded by Mrs. A. R. Turnbull, it was decided that the Executive Committee of the Association apportion the amount among the groups.

The Plan of Work for 1924-25 was presented and, upon motion, was adopted.

The next point of business was the report of committees, the first being that on Revision of Constitution and By-Laws, presented by Mrs. Turnbull. Report adopted.

Committee on Recommendation of Delegate to S. B. C. reported Mrs. G. R. Martin delegate and Mrs. B. L. Rhodes alternate. Adopted.

Committee on Time and Place recommended Port Norfolk Church, Thursday after third Sunday in June, 1925. Adopted.

Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved I. That we, the women of the Portsmouth Association, hereby express our appreciation for the cordial welcome extended us, the kind hospitality and bountiful luncheon served by our hostesses.

Resolved II. Our appreciation of the inspiring addresses of Miss Kathleen Mallory and Dr. W. B. Bagby.

Resolved III. Our thanks to the faithful officers for their un-tiring services and those who assisted in giving us a most excellent program.

(Signed)

MRS. JAMES H. RICHARDSON,
MRS. JOHN FREEMAN.

Report adopted.

The Obituary Committee's report was read by Mrs. W. B. Hogg while the audience stood out of respect to those who had passed away during the year, as follows:

"Blessed are they that dwell in thy house."

Since our last annual meeting the following have been enrolled in our Union Triumphant. They are done with time, have shaken off the remembrance of earth even while casting off their well-worn

garments, their freed spirits arise more beautiful, more glorious, blessed with greater privileges and joys a thousand fold.

"Our world is brighter and better, fairer too,
Because they have lived and journeyed thro';
Only gone before, in the morning we'll clasp hands,
When our life barque has sailed o'er the golden sands."

Mrs. French, James Memorial Church; Mrs. Charles Hart, Mrs. W. J. Wilkins, Mrs. J. P. Holland, Mrs. Elizabeth Warren, First Church; Mrs. Holman, Mrs. Dalby, Mrs. Fred Fairer, Mrs. C. O. Corbell, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. E. B. Johnson, Mrs. T. F. Rogers, Freemason Street Church; Mrs. Anna Fanshaw, Mrs. H. M. Hayman, Mrs. W. C. Jones, Mrs. Elizabeth Belote, Mrs. Viola Keefe, Park Avenue Church; Mrs. C. H. Culpepper, Mrs. Sallie Butt, Mrs. Mary E. Walton, Court Street Church; Mrs. Sarah Cotton, Mrs. Helen Mason, Port Norfolk Church; Mrs. Warren, Calvary Church; Mrs. Virginia Fiveash, Central Church; Mrs. Mollie Eason, Pleasant Grove Church; Mrs. Mary E. Smith, Park View Church; Mrs. Alice Deal, Deep Creek Church; Mrs. M. C. Kulm, Mrs. M. A. Stephenson, South Norfolk Church.

MRS. B. E. CARHART,
MRS. W. B. HOGG,
MRS. B. F. OWENS,
MRS. SALLIE BALL,
MRS. D. A. BAKER,
Committee.

The reading of the report was followed with prayer led by the Superintendent.

Mrs. Turnbull was asked to take the chair while the Nominating Committee gave their report as follows:

We, the Nominating Committee, present the following names as officers of the Association for the ensuing year:

Superintendent—Mrs. G. R. Martin.

Assistant Superintendent—Mrs. S. A. Campbell.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. A. L. Gray.

Treasurer—Miss Annie Arrington.

Leader of Mission Study—Mrs. H. E. Hood.

Group Leaders—Norfolk Group, Mrs. W. W. Gordon; Portsmouth Group, Mrs. S. B. Johnson; Berkley Group, Mrs. B. L. Rhodes; Norfolk County Group, Mrs. J. E. Johnson; Princess Anne County Group, Mrs. Julian Sawyer.

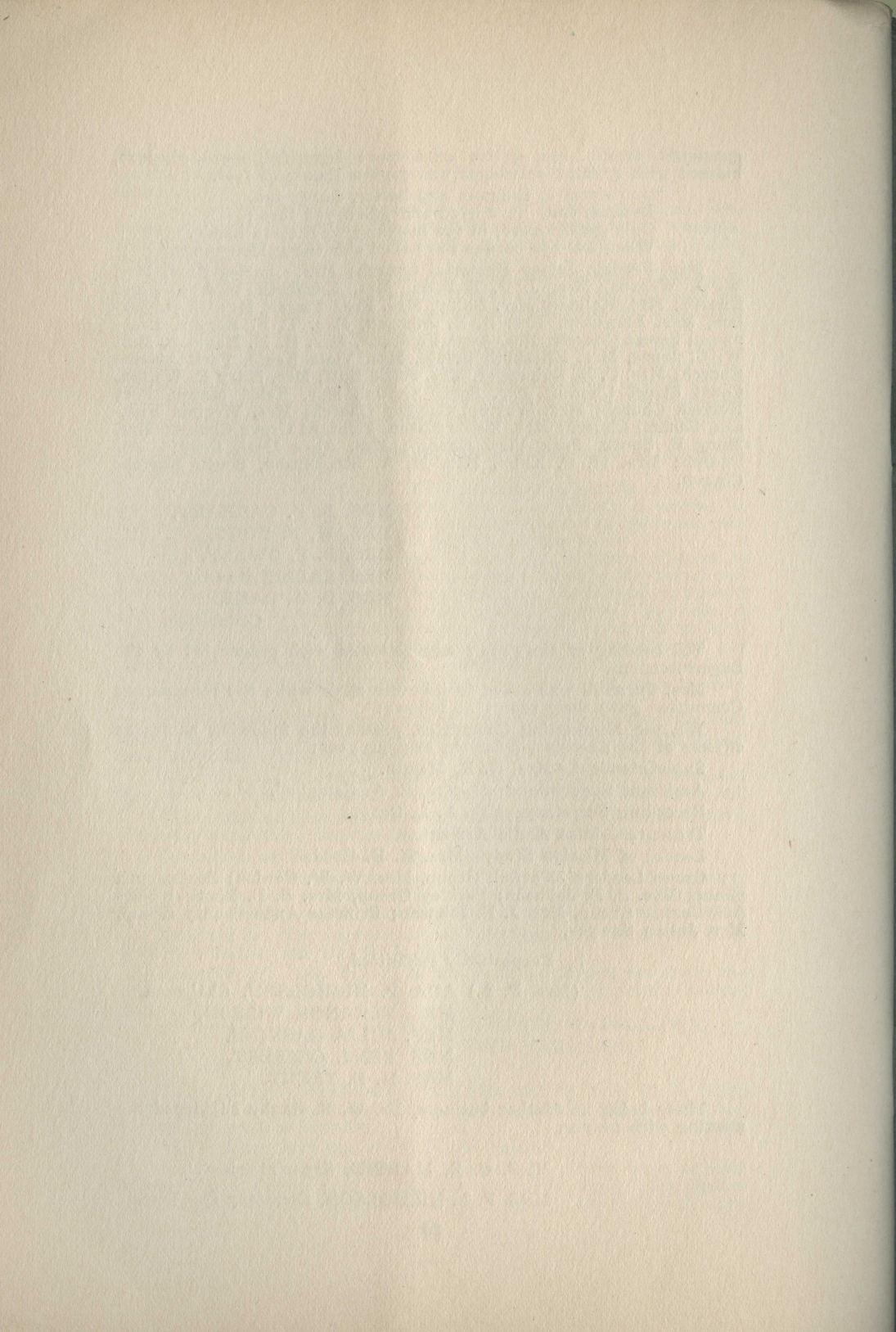
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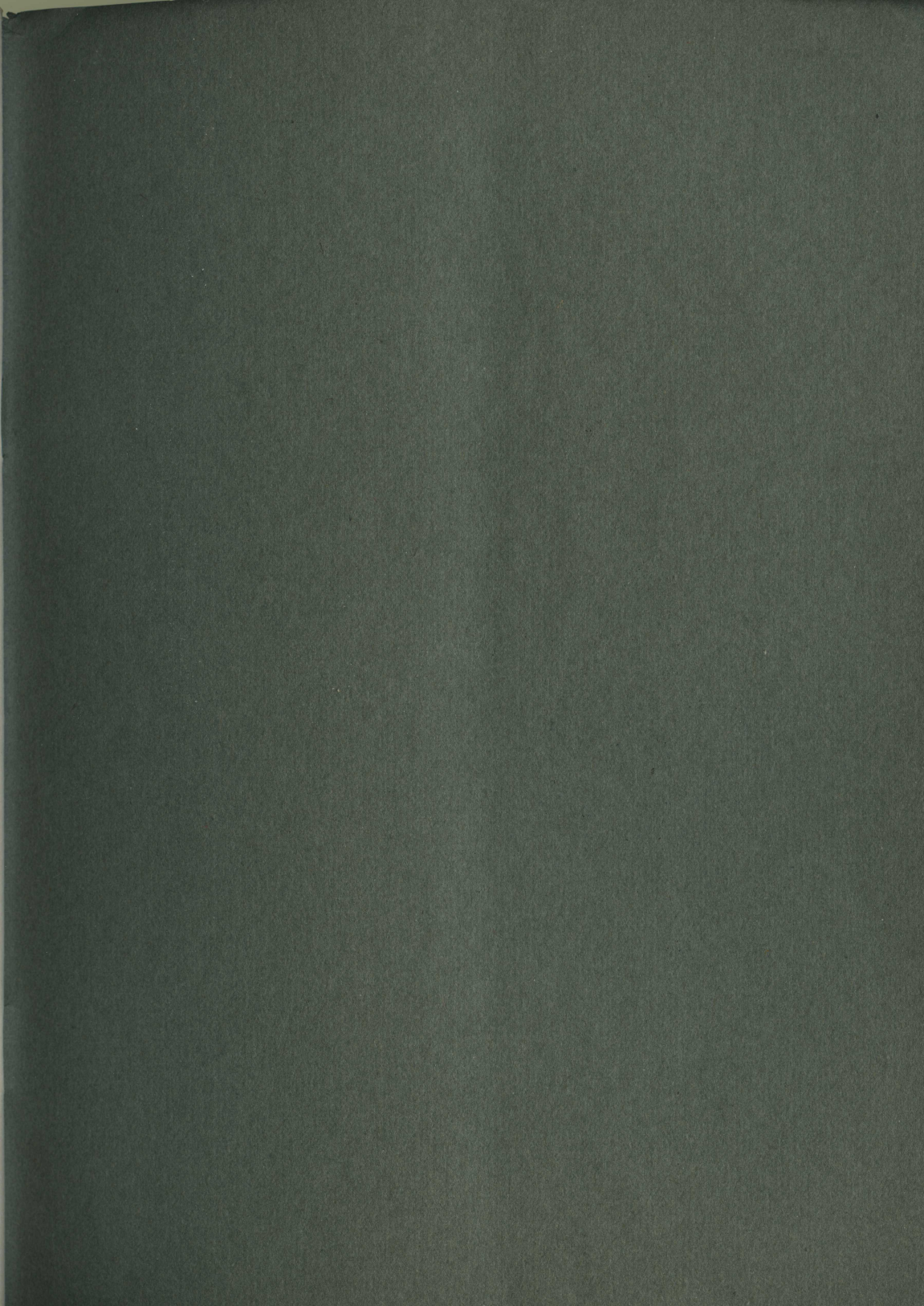
(Mrs. F. L.) ADA P. NICHOLSON, Chairman,
MRS. ELEANOR WILSON,
MRS. JULIA GASKINS,
MRS. BENJ. GIMBERT,
MRS. H. E. TRENT.

There being no further business, Dr. W. B. Bagby adjourned the meeting with prayer.

MRS. G. R. MARTIN, Superintendent.

MRS. F. L. NICHOLSON, Secretary Pro Tem.





STANDING COMMITTEES

Foreign Missions.....	H. A. Griesemer
Home Missions.....	H. I. Stewart
Combined Report of State Interests.....	D. P. Harris
State Missions.....	John Bomar
Sunday Schools.....	C. S. Sawyer
Orphanage.....	W. V. Savage
B. Y. P. U.....	Mrs. M. E. Boncer
Education Board and Commission.....	S. A. Campbell
Ministers' Fund and Pastoral Support.....	Dr. W. T. Smith
Periodicals.....	Dr. A. M. Burfoot
Temperance.....	J. T. Riddick
Woman's Work.....	Mrs. W. W. Gordon
Laymen's Movement.....	E. C. Mathews
Digest of Church Letters.....	L. C. Brinson
Obituaries.....	A. P. Mustain
Missionary.....	H. F. Jones, N. E. Adamson, W. W. Gordon
Program.....	H. M. B. Jones, H. B. Cole, R. J. Dogan