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## MINUTES

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# Randolph Baptist <br> cAssociation 

## NORTH CAROLINA

Held With<br>RANDLEMAN BAPTIST CHURCH October 22-23, 1942

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The next session will be held with Deep River Baptist
Church October, 21-22, 1943
Mid-term session will be held with Asheboro Baptist
Church, April 8, 1943


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Central Falls

Talley, C. G. .-................................................- Reidsville

Young, E. D. .-.-.......................................... Greensboro

## CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

## ARTICLE 1.-NAME AND OBJECT

Section 1.-The name of this organization shall be "The Randolph Baptist Association."

Section 2.-The object of this Association shall be Missionary, Educational, and Benevolent; the promotion of harmony and fellowship among the Churches; and the evangelizing of the territory of the Association.

## ARTICLE II.-MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.-This Association shall be composed of duly-elected messengers of Baptist Churches.

Section 2.-Each Church shall be entitled to three messengers to every one hundred members and one additional messenger for every fifty more members.

Section 3.-Any church desiring membership shall be referred to a committee who shall examine its Church covenant and articles of faith, and upon favorable report by said committee shall be received by a majority vote.

ARTICLE III.-POWERS
Section 1.-Each Church co-operating in this Association is independent and sovereign and must be so regarded and guarded.

Section 2.-This Association reserves the right to say who shall become a member, and who shall remain in its fold.

ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS
Section 1.-This Association shall meet on Thursday and Friday before the fourth Sunday in October.

Section 2.-The Executive Board shall have power to act and call meetings between sessions of the Association.

ARTICLE V.-OFFICERS
Section 1.-This Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-

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Moderator, and Clerk-Treasurer.
Section 2.-The officers shall be elected the first day of the Associational gathering and serve through the next session.

Section 3.-The Moderator shall not be eligible to serve more than two years in succession.

ARTICLE VI.-RULES OF DECORUM
Section 1.-This Association shall be governed by such rules and by-laws as may be adopted, amended, or set aside as the majority vote may decide.

ARTICLE VII.-EXECUTIVE BOARD
Section 1.-The Executive Board shall be composed of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, along with two other members from each of the four divisions of the territory.

Section 2.-This Association shall be divided into four parts, Highway Nos. 90 and 70 constituting the division. The north-east division shall be District No. 1. The south-east division District No. 2. The south-west division District No. 3, and the north-west division Distriet No. 4.

Amendments can be made to this constitution at any regular session of the messengers, provided that the amendment shall be presented in written form upon the first day of the session.

## OUR DEAD

ASBURY-
Mr. Joel Latham
Mr. Marshall Garner
ASHEBORO-
Mr. R. M. Cagle
BEULAH-
Mr. Thomas Ad Huling
Mr. Marlham Lambert
CENTRAL FALLS -
Miss Esther Cockman
DEEP RIVER-
Mrs. Mary E. Strout
Mrs. M. C. Yow
Mrs. Corrina Marley

## LIBERTY-

Mrs. J. M. Deaton MT. LEBANON-

Mrs. Rosa Lawrence

RAMSEUK-
Mr. E. M. Siler, Deacon
Mr. A. D. Wilsu.
RANDLEMAN-
Mr. R. C. Moser, Deaco.. Mrs. John Elmore
SHADY GROVEMr. Frank L. Williams Mr. Denver Hicks UNION GROVE-

Mrs. Mary Belle Hancock Mrs. Belinda Hancock . Miss Kathleen Cagle
WHITES MEMORIALMrs. Jennie Webster
WORTHVILLE-
Mr. John T. York

## Proceedings

## RANDLEMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Randleman, N. C. October 22, 1942
The Eighth Annual Session of the Randolph Baptist Association convened with the First Baptist Church of Randleman.

At 9:50 A. M. the congregation sang "Come We That Love The Lord" led by Mrs. C. W. Scott of Asheboro.

1. Bro. G. H. King called the body to order. He then called on Rev. Bruce H. Price, pastor of the Asheboro Baptist Church to introduce Miss Velma McConnell, who is the Educational Director of his church, who is to have charge of the music for the Association. Miss McConnell then led us in singing "Higher Ground".
2. Rev. L. C. Chandler, pastor of the Randleman Church conducted the devotional, using Matt. 28:18 and part of John 14. Before reading he called on Bro. Winston Harrell probably the oldest member of the Association, to lead us in prayer.
3. The Clerk read the report of the Program Committee, after which the program was adopted, subject to change or modification as may be necessary for orderly procedure.
4. Report on Religious Literature read by W. M. Green.

## Religious Literature

The Bible: In Christian Literature the Bible comes first. It is the accepted word of God by all true Christians. We should not only read the Bible, but should study it regularly.

Our faith, our loyalty, our consecration, our service, our growth in grace, cannot go beyond our knowledge of the Word of God.

The Bible itself emphasises the reading, teaching and study of God's Holy Word. In all Christian Literature the Bible is fundamental.
1 Religious Books: Dr. W. L. Poteat says "Jesus did not write any books but he inspired a world of books." And there are a lot of good books we should read. Every Church should have a well filled library of good sound religious literature, a good librarian, and its members encouraged to read. A reading membership is an

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informed membership. Reading helps develop the latent talent of the members, helps make them more cooperative and useful in the work of the kingdom. Most people are going to read something anyway and it is all important that we include first on our list of books, the best, in Religious Literature.

Baptist Periodicals: For our North Carolina Baptist Churches, we have the following Periodicals, that wherever possible should be in every Baptist home.

First: The Biblical Recorder, The Organ of our Baptist State Convention.

Second: Charity and Children, our Orphanage paper.
Third: Home Missions, The Home Mission Journal.
Fourth: The Commission-Our Foreign Mission Journal.
We cannot keep up with what our denomination is doing in the work of kingdom without reading these Periodicals.

The total membership of the Baptist Churches in North Carolina is about 500,000 and the number of subscribers to the Biblical Recorder is between ten and eleven thousand, or a little over two per cent of our membership. We ought to have at least twentyfive or thirty thousand subscribers to the Biblical Recorder.

In this association there are according to last year's minutes, 4,178 members and 112 were taking the Recorder. That is about two and three-fourths per cent of our membership. Last May our Balfour Church put the Biblical Recorder on our Church budget and we send it to every family in the Church that wants it. We had one subscriber, our Pastor, when we did that, now we have forty-two subscribers. Our collections have increased and we have nearly doubled our gifts to the cooperative program.

We also have Charity and Children on the budget and we get thirty copies for our Sunday School.

We think this plan is practical and we recommend it to the Churches. I am sure the Lord wants us as his disciples to be well informed about the work of the kingdom because our interest in the Kingdom and our service, will not go beyond our knowledge of the work and its needs.

God wants and needs intelligent workers in the Vineyard and the Bible emphasizes reading. Jesus says to the Lawyer, Luke 10-26. How readest thou. And in Revelations 1-3 John writes, Blessed is he that readeth and they that hear the words of the prophecy.

Yes for growth and development we need to read good sound Christian Literature.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. Green

The report was adopted.
5. The Moderator addressed the Association emphasizing the three branches of the Church Program, Sunday Schools, Training Unions, and the Woman's Missionary Societies.
6. Report on Baptist Hospital read by J. C. Edwards.

## Baptist Hospital Report

The last three years have been eventful in the expansion of the hospital. Three years ago the hospital had a bed capacity of 100 and by overcrowding, we were caring for about 4,000 patients per year.

Today, we have a modernly constructed and equipped hospital with a bed capacity of almost 10,000 patients annually, and now caring for about 650 patients per month. Owing to a shortage of nurses caused by war conditions, the hospital has been unable to open a few rooms.

We shall have this year not less than 2,500 service or free patients. This will represent, including hospital and medical service, about $\$ 250,000$ in free service for this year.

The hospital has a staff of 26 internes and about 100 doctors practicing in the hospital. In addition, it has the free service of the entire staff of the Medical School whenever desired for consultation and diagnosis. Every department is thoroughly organized to give most efficient service possible.

The equipment, as well as the building, is entirely modern The hospital recently added $\$ 20,000$ worth of new instruments to the operating rooms and $\$ 44,000$ worth of new X-Ray equipment. making an X-Ray department "None better in the South."

The hospital in conjunction with the Medical School, has a floor-space of four acres and represents a value to the denomination of $\$ 2,000,000$ with only a very small amount of indebtedness.

The purpose of the hospital shall remain as ever-to give hospital treatment to those who are unable to pay for same, educate nurses with Christian ideals, and at the same time maintain a standard of scientific efficiency "second to none in the country." It is the abiding purpose of the management that it shall be definitely a Christian Institution with all that it implies.

This greatly expanded service is growing more and more into every section of the state, of course, requires an increased support. This, we are glad to report, is growing year by year. In addition to the Mother's Day offering by the churches and Sunday Schools, which has increased in the last few years from $\$ 11,500$ to about $\$ 38,000$ this year, the hospital linens contributed by the W
M. U.'s and other church agencies has increased year by year . Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Edwards

Bro. Parker, Hospital Pastor, spoke to the report telling of the religious work among the hospital staff and nurses in regard to the teaching of the Bible there.

He remarked that: "When people begin to go to cocktail parties and socials, they lose all interest in Christian work."

In the hospital there is a definite Christian atmosphere.
Report adopted.
7. Song: "Come Thou Fount."
8. Bro, W. M. Green was given time to present the cause of Religious Literature.
9. Bro. Bruce H. Price recommended that the Association go on record as favoring the lowering of the subscription price of the Biblical Recorder to one dollar per year, and thereby double the subscription list. The recommendation was accepted.
10. Bro. R. E. Heath suggests the Recorder be put in the church budget.
11. The Moderator appointed the Committee on Committees.
12. Time for the Introductory sermon having arrived we were led in singing "Stand Up Stand Up For Jesus."

Bro. Colon M. Strickland preached the sermon, using Matt. 26:32 and Luke 24:36.

Bro. Strickland used as his subject "What It Cost Christ to Keep His Word."

Bro. Price led in prayer.
13. Bro. J. C. Kidd asks that two be appointed on committee to examine church letters. The Moderator appointed Bro. Price and W. F. Cates, the latter temporarily.
14. Report of Committee on Committees, by Mrs. Horace Anderson.
15. L. L. Morgan S. S. Secretary for the State Convention, addressed the body. He asked: "Are We teaching our Pupils how to walk rather than where?"
16. Special music: "O, May My Walk be Close With God," Mrs. Dempsey Barnes, accompanied by Mrs. E. S. Millsaps at the piano.

Adjournment.

## Thursday Afternoen

Song: "I Am Bound for the Promised Land."
Devotional E. C. Williamson.
Song: "Have Thine Own Way Lord." Prayer by Bro. Williamson.
17. C. M. Strickland called for committee on Time, Place and Preacher to meet him.
18. Election of officers.

Bro. Kidd, nominated J. C. Edwards as Moderator. Bro. W. M. Green nominated R. E. Heath.

On motion, the one receiving the least number of votes be declared Vice Moderator, the one receiving the most votes be Moderator. The vote was by ballot. Bro. Heath received 42 votes Bro. Edwards 36.

Bro. G. H. King had asked that his name be not considered as Moderator.
W. F. Cates, was elected Clerk-Treas.
19. Committee on Time, Place and Preacher report as follows:

Time: Thursday and Fridav hefore the Fourth Sunday in October 1943.

Place: Deep River Church.
Preacher: J. T. London.
Alternate: J. C. Kidd.
20. The committee for the examination of church letters recommended the following churches be received into the Association: Cool Springs; High Rock; and Ward Street.

Panther Creek church is also under consideration by the committee.
21. Bio, Bruce H. Price offered an amendment to Article 5 of the by-laws, by inserting section 3 to read: "The Moderator shall not be eligible to serve more than two years in succession.
22. State Missions, C. L. Moffitt.

Home Missions, no report.
Foreign Missions, Mrs. Horace Anderson.

## State Missions

At the beginning of State Mission Work more than one hundred years ago the primary purpose was to promote evangelism, to establish churches, and support the pastors until the churches could become self supporting.

But as Baptists have increased in number and their vision has enlarged the result is that now the activities carried on through State Missions are many and varied, 1st two general missionaries for a number of years have been giving the major portion of their time to the development of all the Churches they can reach through the teaching of stewardship and through emphasis on Missions 2nd. Much is being done through the leadership of Mr. L. L. Morgan for the promotion of Sunday School work. 3rd. Much is being done through the B. Y. P. U. for the training of the membership of the Churches. 4th. One other way we are seeking to develop the Churches, is by helping to develop their pastors, this is done through Pastors Conferences and Schools. 5th. There is also a ministry to other races namely: Indians and Negroes, yet after all our enlargement there are great demands, there are perhaps one million people in North Carolina to whom the Lord Jesus means nothing, there are scores of places in North Carolina where probably no religious services at all would be held were it not for the help extended through State Missions, and there are places where religious services ought to be held but cannot because the State Convention does not have the funds to provide the services. An offering of twenty-five cents on an average from those enrolled in Baptist Sunday Schools in North Carolina would provide about $\$ 100,000$ thereby enabling the board to undertake a real program of State Missions. The board is expending only about one half as much as was being expended fifteen years ago solely because it does not have the money. Also present day conditions have created new opportunities, there are probably 100,000 men concentrated in the, Military Camps of North Carolina and there is also a great civilian population, which have been attracted to these centers, some work has already been done along this line but much more needs to be done, and we as Baptists must share our responsibilities. May we look up and see the fields already ripe to harvest.

> Respectfully submitted,
> C. L. Moffitt

## Foreign Missions

"For whatsoever is begotten of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that hath overcome the world even our faith." I John 5:4.

For 97 years the Baptist Churches of the South, through the agency of the Foreign Mission Board, have been trying to make Christ and His saving gospel known to some of the heathen and pagan peoples of portions of Asia, Europe, Africa, South America and Mexico. The Board at this time has on its rolls 455 active missionaries to whom it pays $\$ 800$ annually with an allowance of $\$ 100$ for each child. At present 285 children of missionaries are receiving allowances from the board. In addition there are 78 missionaries, men and women, who have given their all for Christ and who are now enjoying a well earned rest as they face the sunset years. The Foreign Mission Board in cooperation with the Relief and Annuity Board pays to each of these a pension of $\$ 500$ a year.

The income of the Foreign Mission Board in 1941 from all sources was $\$ 1,489,290.24$. The 1941 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering reached the amazing figure of $\$ 437,439.13$. This is an increase of $\$ 77,524,42$ over the amount given in 1940. From the churches through the Cooperative Program, the board received $\$ 624,364.43$, designated gifts $\$ 274,962.08$, on the debt $\$ 59,687.21$, China Relief $\$ 50,794.84$, British Missions Relief $\$ 9,019.36$, from securities, funds, and miscellaneous sources $\$ 108,379.40$, legacies $\$ 20,692.82$.

Our debt in ten years has been reduced from $\$ 1,110,000, t$, $\$ 90,000$. We hope to have this debt entirely wiped out by 1943. Our debts are now a barrier to preparation for a post-war program. These debts must be paid before this program can be started Money given for debt retirement now is, in fact, mission money two ways: It pays for mission work of the past, and prepares for future advancement.

The new mission opened in Hawaii has proven a great success. Fifteen missionaries have been transferred there from China and Japan, and others will be sent as soon as transportation can be secured to the islands.

The sudden and treacherous war thrust upon America on December 7th caught 105 missionaries of our Board in China, Japan and Manila. We have 14 missionaries in Free China, 10 in Manila and over 80 in Occupied China. According to meager informations received, many of these missionaries are interned in their homes and compounds, while some have a measure of freedom to go about their work. We also have ten beleaguered missionaries in the Philippine Islands. We pray God for the safety and deliverance of these workers.

Overshadowed by war clouds, shattered by enemy bombs, scattered by Japanese devastation of their land, China is indeed a
land of sorrow and suffering. But God is not unmindful of his people in the Orient and in these days of turmoil when the Foreign Mission Board is unable to keep in direct communication with the several missions in the land, God's ear "is open to their cry" and the work of evangelism is going forward in a truly marvelous wav.

Today amid the Babel of greed and aggression in Japan, Southern Baptists have not been silent. Our consecrated and dauntless missionary hero, Dr. W. Maxfield Garrott, who chose to remain as Christ's witness in Japan, was a living epistle, knowr and respected and read by the Japanese people. He was one of thirteen Americans interned in a monastery in Tokyo, but at the time of this report we are thankful to know that he has arrived safely in America.

The work in Africa is growing. Our chief difficulty at present is that of securing transportation for missionaries who wish to return from furlough and those who are eager to begin their careers as missionaries. At present we have 40 missionaries representing Southern Baptist in Nigeria and 16 on furlough in America.

All European missionaries are safe. Mrs. N. J. Bergston has been privileged to remain at her post in Spain, and all others alc either in this country or on their way home. The European work has suffered many hindrances and dangers during this war, and yet in spite of it all God's spirit is moving among the people and they are being steadfast in times like these.

Because the conflagration of war was spreading in the direction of Palestine our missionaries were advised to leave that region Despite their absence the leaven of the gospel continues to work in the Master's country.

With doors temporarily closed in other parts of the world, and in spite of present war restrictions, we rejoice that the doors still swing wide in Latin America. While it is dfficult to send new missionaries to Brazil, young workers may be sent out to replace those who have retired. New work has been opened during the year at Barranquillo, Columbia. The cause of Christ and New Testament Christianity are advancing in Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Uruguav. South Brazil, and Amazon Valley, and there are the beginnings of work in Paraguay.

Our Foreign Mission work is indeed great as we may realize in reporting 1,997 churches in the fields, 3,461 out stations, 19,101 baptisms in 1941 and a total membership of 254,282 .

We rejoice in the evidence of renewed interest in the support of this work. Our treasurer's report shows more interest today in Foreign Missions than ever before.

May God help us all to measure up worthily to the task ahead, for the sake of Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Horace Anderson
Reports adopted.
23. Rev. C. F. Laughlin, who was to have addressed the body at this time graciously agreed to defer this until Friday Afternoon, in order that Bro. A. R. Gallimore, returned Missionary to China might be heard.

He said: "Because the 'Missionaries stayed in China until they were taken prisoners, they have made the Chinese to know we are their friends May we keep them so."

After this Bro. M. O. Alexander addressed the body.
24. The Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to those churches where were received into the Association.
25. Song: "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone."

Prayer by M. O. Alexander.
Adjourn.

## Thursday Evening 7:30

On this evening the Sunday School and B. T. U. Work was presented by the respective leaders.
26. Song: "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus," led by Bro. Carl King, with Miss Robbins at the piano.

Devotional: Rev. C. L. Smith, reading Luke 18: 31-34. Using for his topic "With God at the Front."
27. Sunday School Work. J. C. Pearce visited 16 churches, taught one Study Course; traveled 400 miles; 14 of these churches were members of the Association and two others were admitted today. Bro. Pearce says: "Any Sunday School whose Pastor, supt., teachers and officers will willingly work together can reach the Standard of Excellence,"
28. B. T. U. Work: Miss Julia Underwood. The B. T. U. of the Randleman Church presented a play entitled "Three Visitors." These were Knowledge, Co-operation and Consecration. The play was well given and instructive.

## 29. The Moderator through Miss Underwood, thanked the group for the fine program rendered.

## Training Union Report

"But Grow in the Grace and Knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" was the great challenge given us for this past year. Closely relative to the challenge was our aim, "To plant in the heart of each Christian a deep desire to grow in the image of̂ Christ and to take advantage of all the means for Christian growth offered by his church through its fellowship of worship, Bible Study
Prayer, Training, Christian Living and Christian Witnessing at home and around the World." To this our challenge and aim may I add some words of Paul 'I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord." To know Christ is to-love Him. To love him brings a great desire to- follow Him in paths of service. Born of these is the knowledge that we must train and prepare our selves for any task Christ has for us to do, great or small and to lead others into paths of "Training for Service." This brings us to the very motive for the existence of the Baptist Training Union, which is made up almost entirely of Christians who are determined to "Grow in the Grace and Knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

It is useless to mention the obstacles under which we have been laboring during the greater part of the past year. A complete set of official leaders for a fully graded training Uuion was elected at the beginning of the associational year and goals and an outline of the work and programs adopted for the year.

During the first two quarters of the year we held our regula: Training Union meetings. At the January Mass meeting Rev, Nathan C. Brooks, our State Secretary was with us and helped set in mction our program for the year, and brought us a timely messave on "Carrying on a Training Program in War Time."

During February a meeting of the Associational Officers was called and because of the existing traveling conditions we decided to use a "Unified" program the rest of the Associational year. The plan being to hold one mass meeting each quarter with the Sunday Schools-W. M. U.'s and Training Unions giving a joint program For the present time this plan seems to be advisable and is proving quite successful.

We now have general Training Unions with Directors in charge in 14 Churches. We have 46 Unions and 11 Story Hours giving us a total of 57 Unions. During the year we have not lost a genelal Union but in some Churches because of the decrease in member-
ship and leadership it has been necessary to combine Unions. And in one Church disband two Unions. In two other Churches we have organized three new unions.

On Saturday night of July 11th we held our annual banquet at the Asheboro Church with 75 in attendance from 10 Churches. This banquet marked the beginning of one of the greatest weeks we have ever had in the Randolph Training Unions and our first Training Union Revival. Miss Cleo Mitchell acting State Student Secretary assisted by Miss Laura Batmen and Miss Mary Lee Earnest, student secretaries led a group of State field workers and local workers in a week's Training Union Revival-Study course in 9 of our Churches.

I have written 200 postals and letters during the year, visited 7 Churches, held or taken part in 12 meetings, traveled 236 miles, made 15 talks.

I would like to express my deepest appreciation to all thos? who have served with me as Associational officers for the past 3 years. It would have been impossible for one person to even have made the contacts and give the Churches the individual attention they need aside, from the general Associational programs. Each of you have been most loyal in sharing the responsibilities of the work. Thank you.

Then I want to thank you pastors who have stood so faithfuliy by my side and for the many words of encouragement that has made the task light. The officers and leaders in each Church have cooperated in a beautiful way, and I am truly grateful. The love and continued helpfulness of all these mentioned has been the inspiration that kept the Training Program going.

We feel that the Divine Leadership of God has led us so far and as we face the new year we see a larger task than ever ahead. May we then put on the whole Armor of God and press forward with renewed zeal.

Respectfully submitted,
Julia Frederica Underwood.
30. Song: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" Prayer by J. C. Pearce.

Adjourn.

## Friday Morning

At. 10:45 the Moderator called the Association to order.
31. Bro. F. B. Clark who was to lead the devotional could not be present.

Bro. Chandler was asked to conduct the devotional. He used John 15: 1-8. "Love for Christ should be the basis of service, not a sense of obligation," he said.
32. The Moderator reported receipt of a letter from Kale K. Burgess saying he was trying to arrange for some one to represent the Unitel Dry Forces, since he could not be present.

Report of Mills Home.

## Report of Baptist Orphanage

The appeal of the needy child never grows old or burdensome to people who love and follow the one who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not." "For as much as ye did it unto the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

Year after year during our association meeting the challenge of the orphan child has been made.

It is with pleasure that we note growing interest in and support of this worthy cause. The Baptists of North Carolina are looking not only upon suffering children and the appeal they make but they are putting their confidence in the Mills Home as a worthy Baptist Institution.

On November 11, 1885, Mary Presson was the first child to be received in Mills Home. Since her admission, there have been 3,754 children admitted, which includes those admitted at Kennedy Home, 114 children have been received during the past year; 115 have been discharged.

There are three classes of orphans being cared for by orphanages. Full orphans, half orphans, and vietims of desertion by wrecked homes. These orphans are taken care of by mother aids which was made possible by the efforts of the late M. L. Kesler. During the past twenty-one years 2,140 children have received aid from this department.

And at present twenty-two children are provided boarding homes.

An orphanage cares for 650 children at the cost of approximately $\$ 500$ dollars per day.

Surely not one of us would want to shun such Christian duty and privilege as this. Yet we learn from the report of the orphanage, and the 1941 minutes of Randolph Association, that Randolph Association, composed of thirty churches of 4,178 members, only gave to this worthy cause $\$ 1,577.45$ an average of $261-2$ cents per member. With two churches in our Randolph Association contributed the sum total of nothing to our orphanage, this is nothing less than a shame.

We recommend that each church and Sunday School in this Randolpn Association adopt the plan of sending something once a month to the orphanage, and also make a worthy Thanksgiving offering.

Every individual should take a part in this Christ honoring work.

We recominend that every church in the Randolph Association who hasn't already done so to have a goodly supply of Charity and Children on hand, that our people may be better informed as to the work of the orphanage. This paper is full of wholesome reading as well as information about the home. The circulation of this paper approximately twenty-eight thousand.

We further recommend that along with one offering and subscription for Charity and Children that prayer be made to our heavenly Father for those who are leading this great institution.

And let each of us pledge here and now that our Sunday School will help Jesus care for needy children. "Pure religion undefiled before God is this that we visit widows and orphans in their afflictions.
"We can, We will, We must."
Respectfully submitted,
Rev. S. G. Snyder

## Read by S. G. Snyder

Report adopted.
Miss Sara Elmore, representing Mills Home spoke in behalf of this great institution, presenting an interesting account of the daily activities at the home, illustrating these with pictures.
34. Relief and Annuity by K. E. Bryant.

## Report On Relief And Annuity Board

The Relief and Annuity Board has entered upon the twenty-fifth year of its life and work. During the twenty-four years of its service a great record has been made. It has prospered in a financiai way. Its assets have grown from $\$ 100,000.00$ to approximately five and one half million dollars. Its income during 1941 was $\$ 1,147,678$.84. Its expenditures amounted during the same period to a little more than one-half million dollars.

The Board is serving through its Relief Department and its several Annuity Plans more than 10,000 Ministers, Missionaries, Denominational workers and Widows of Ministers. Two thousand five hundred of these are already receiving benefits from the Board and the other 7,500 persons are due to receive benefits in the years ahead.

A great number of Pastors in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention are participating in the general plan of the Relief and Annuity Board in their respective States.

The Ministers' Retirement Plan in North Carolina has issued a total of 386 certificates. At present there are 262 memberships paid up to date, with some 85 additional in fair standing. Some few have dropped out or moved to other states. Since January 1st of this year we have enrolled 30 new members. Only 18 have retired, while about double that number are eligible for retirement. There are four receiving disability benefits.

A financial statement of the N. C. Plan as of December 31, 1941 shows the following income during the year: Payments by Members $\$ 34,791.15$
Contributions by Church and Convention ........................ $43,062.31$
Interest Earned on the above (3 1-2 percent) $\quad . \quad 2,403.15$
Total Income for the year .................................. 80,256.61
Disbursements for the year 1940-'41.
Payments to Beneficiaries:

(2) Disability annuities … . . . . . . . ........................................... 877.73
(3) Widows' annuities .................................................... 113.37
(4) Deduction for Expenses …..................................... 869.79
(5) Transfer to Annuity Reserve
(6) Cash withdrawals …................................................. 375.64

Total Disbursements …................................569.22
Balance in reserve as of Dec. 31,1941 for future payments $72,687,39$
Our churches are rapidly coming to have a new conception of their responsibility for their Ministers and for their Employees, They are coming to think with conviction that it is quite proper for the Minister to have adequate support during life. As Paul in first Corinthians $9: 14$ says, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that the which preach the gospel should live of the gospel."

Respectfully submitted, K. E. Bryant

Report adopted.
35. Bro. Price asked for a show of hands of the pastors who are in the Annuity plan.

Five signified they were in the plan.
36. Christian Education.

Report by Mrs. E. C. Getzman.

## Christian Education

Baptists are what they are largely because they have believed in and supported, although quite feebly at times, missions, benevolences and Christian Education. Wake Forest College, for example, is only four years younger than the Convention itself, the Convention being organized in 1830, while Wake Forest was founced in 1834.

In the course of time as Baptists have grown other institutions came into existence, namely Chowan, Mars Hill, Meredith, Campbell, Wingate and Boiling Springs. Baptists have believed in the necessity for trained and consecrated leadership. They have had no other way to secure such leadership except as they have built and supported Christian colleges. They know of no other way now. The need for such leadership is all the greater today, what with the world grown well-nigh pagan in large areas.

It must be recorded that all our schools are making progress, although they are working with poor equipment and utterly inadequate support. The most recent report reveals the fact that the total enrollment of college students in the institutions named above for the past year was 2,949 , plus 175 high school students and an additional summer school enrollment of 783 . It is interesting to observe that among this number there were 234 listed as ministerial students and 154 as student volunteers. Another gratifying fact is this: The total net property value, including endowment funds. plants, etc. is $\$ 8,097,409.93$.

There was a time when the Convention owed for these schools about $\$ 1,200,000.00$. The debt now stands at about $\$ 400,000.00$. Thus it appears that the property owned is about 20 times as great as the amount of money owed.

Let this final word be recorded. No real Baptist church ean possibly say that the welfare of these colleges is of no concern to it. In a world such as ours today trained leadership is not only desirable but absolutely imperative.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. E. C. Getzman

## Report adopted.

37. Woman's Work. Mrs. Arthur Presnell.

## Report On Woman's Missionary Union

In making the report of Woman's Missionary Union of Randolph Association for the Associational year 1942 I am reminded of the words of St. John "I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labor, other men labored and ye are entered into their labors." This report is truly the accomplishments of Woman's Missionary Union under the direction of Mrs. V. L. Andrews, my predecessor, the faithful leaders and members in the different organizations.

Our watchword for the year is "O send out Thy Light and Thy Truth" and with this prayer of the Psalmist in our hearts we came to our annual meeting in April at the First Church Asheboro. Splendid reports were given by 18 Woman's Missionary Society presidents or her representative, this being the largest number of socie-
ties represented in the history of Woman's Missionary Union of Randolph Association. One new Society has been organized this year, this one at Sandy Creek Church makes a total of 20.

Mrs. J. S. Farmer, new State President, Mrs. W. D. Briggs, Executive Secretary and Mrs. Gilmer Cross, Divisional Young Peoples Leader, were our guests.

Mrs. T. S. York, our efficient Young Peoples leader, held the Rally at Ramseur Church in August with a splendid representation of young people present. Mirs. Gilmer Cross and Miss Pearl York, student at Woman's Missionary Union's Training School, were guests and made talks.
\% Mrs. York has been instrumental in organizing one Girls' Aux iliary, two Royal Ambassador chapters and one Sunbeam Band this year, making a total of 12 Girls' Auxiliaries, 6 Royal Ambassador chapters, 10 Sunbeam Bands and 5 Young Women's Auxiliaries.

Forty-two Mission Study Classes were held and almost all organizations reported some Personal Service done.

Our women and young people have given this year:
To Cooperative Program Young People \$ 346.43
Women 1,176.69
To 100,000 Club:
Young People 82.95

Women ................................................................ 385
To all causes including special offerings for State,
Home and Foreign Missions $\$ 2,690.07$
Since becoming superintendent 1 have written 43 letters, 30 cards, visited 2 Societies, attended 4 meetings, held 1 meeting and 2 Conferences, taught one Mission Study Course and traveled 125 miles.

As we look ahead at the New Year we realize there will be problems and handicaps as we have not had before but may we be reminded that we are "Lighted to Lighten" and may we keep our lamps trimmed and burning steadily and true and brightly for Him, in our home and in our church and "even unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Arthur Presnell, Supt.
Report adopted.
Miss Mary Herring, the speaker for the hour, was introduced by Miss Velma McConnell.

Miss Herring's address was intensely interesting, and heart moving having just returned from China, she gave first hand information concerning the status of the Missionaries there.
38. Special Song: "O, He is Wonderful" by Mrs. C. W. Scott and Mrs. R. S. Allred accompanied by Miss McConnell.
39. Doctrinal Sermon, Bruce H. Price.
"The Doctrine of Giving."
Give Not: Ostentatiously; Grudgingly; as of Necessity; but give: Willingly; Cheerfully; Humbly; Worshipfully, Systematically.
40. Song: "I Am Thine O, Lord.

Adjournment.

## Friday Afternoon

Devotional, P. C. Gantt, Hebrews 11.
41. Report of Committees.
C. M. Strickland presented the idea of the Association meeting in two churches next year, one day in each church. After discussion by J. C. Kidd, C. L. Smith moved the Association meet for two days with Deep River Church, as recommended by the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher.

The motion was carried.
42. The amendment offered by Bro. Price relative to the term of the Moderator was taken up and the amendment was adopted.
43. Resolutions Committee. B. H. Price.

## Report Of Resolutions Committee

11. We are grateful to God for the blessings of the past year and we look to the future with faith.
12. We wish to express our thenks to the First Baptist Church, Randleman for the entertainment of the Association during the past two days.
13. We pledge our loyalty to the united efforts of Southern Baptist Churches in the spread of the Gospel.
14. We urge our pastors and churches to consider the Minister's Retirement plan.
15. We express our thanks to the Moderator, Vice Moderator, and Clerk of the Asosciation for their labors during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce H. Price, Chmn.
J. C. Edwards

Lacey Green
44. B. H. Price moved the Association go on record as favoring the opening of Wake Forest College to women. After discussion, the vote was taken and the motion carried.

The report attached reveals three times as much money is being spent for liquor as is being spent on education.

An offering was taken, which amounted to $\$ 13.64$. This was given te Mr. Harrell.
51. Treasurer's Report.

Financial Report
Received:
From retiring clerk $\$ \quad 18.87$

From Churches ........................................................ 119.20
Paid out:
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Clerk Remuneration ........................................................... } & 25.00\end{array}$
Incidentals 1.76

Exchange on check ................................................. 10
$\$ 208.07 \quad \$ 208.07$
Respectfully submitted, W. F. Cates, Clerk-Treas.

Note: 1942 Minutes to be paid for out of this Bank Balance.
52. Bro. Heath, the incoming Moderator, expressed his appreciation for the fine work done by the retiring Moderator, G. H. King. The body rose to its feet in expression of its thanks to Bro. King.
53. Inspirational address.

Rev. C. F. Laughlin, having agreed to defer his address until this period, received a good hearing, and also brought us a fine message.
54. The Moderator urges all to go back to our churches and rally to the cause during the coming Associational year.

Song: "Take My Life."
Final adjournment.
TABLE ONE - CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

TABLE TWO - SENDAY SCHOOLS

TABLE THREE - BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

| CHURCHES | DIRECTOR OF TRAINING UNION <br> Julia F. Underwood <br> Asheboro, Rt. 1 |  | suotun s,oldoed '3u | Intermediate Unions |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 胞 } \\ & \text { B } \\ & \text { 出 } \\ & \text { B } \\ & \frac{6}{6} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | penoxug sxopunf |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { y } \\ & \frac{1}{3} \\ & 8 \\ & 0 \\ & \frac{3}{6} \\ & \frac{10}{5} \\ & \frac{1}{5} \\ & \text { m } \\ & 0 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & \frac{1}{5} \\ & \frac{5}{4} \\ & 5 \\ & 0 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | Students in College |  |
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|  | Mr. Perkins, Ashebor |  |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 15 |  | 22 | 14 | 6 | 57 |  | 32 | 13 |  |  | 5 |
| Balforr | S. S. Stevens, Asheboro. |  | 1.1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 18 | 13 | 14 | 10 |  | 50 |  |  | 39 |  |  |  |
| Cedar Ealls | Mrs. Jessie Thorpe, Cedar Falls |  |  | 1 | 1 |  | 2 |  |  | 8 | 11 |  | 19 |  |  |  |  |  | 15 |
| Center Cross | Mrs. Frank Freeman, Asheboro |  | 1 |  | 1 |  | 2 |  | 19 |  | 10 | 12 | 29 |  | 22 | 17 |  |  | 12 |
| Central Falls | Mrs. W, H. Conner, Central Falls |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 4 | 11 | 6 |  | 16 | 12 |  |  |  | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| Franklinville | Miss Grace Groce, Franklinville... |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |  | 12 | 8 | 18 |  | 44 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gienola | Miss Ila Bowman, High Point, Rt. |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 10 | 16 |  | 34 |  | 34 | 34 |  |  | 12 |
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| Randleman, Fir | Hobart Wall, Sophia, R. 1 |  | 1 | 1 | , | 1 | 5 | 12 | 9 | 14 | 13 |  |  |  | 24 | 33 |  |  |  |
| Shady Grove. | I. A. Edwards, Liberty. |  |  | , | 1 | 1 | 4 | 18 |  | 10 | 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trinity.. | Margaret Cook, Trinity |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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TABLE FOUR－WOMAN＇S MISSIONARY UNION

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| Asheboro，First | Mrs，E，C，Getzman，Asheboro． |  | 2 | 1 | 1 |  | 83 | 22 |  | 8 |  |  | 85 | 223，03 | 490.36 |  |
| Batfour．．．il | Mrs，Annie Pearce，Asheboro， | $1{ }^{1} 1$ | 2 |  | 1 |  |  | 17 | 23 |  | 20 | 84 | 6 | 12.92 | 86．52 |  |
| Cedar Falls． | Mrs，A．W．Shaw，Cedar Falls． | $1 . .$. |  |  |  | 1 | 10 |  |  |  | ．．． | 10 |  | 4.00 | 4.00 |  |
| Central Falls． | Mrs，R．B．Ballard，Central Falls | 1 | ，． |  |  | 1 | 16 |  |  | ．．． | $\cdots$ | 16 |  |  | 94.81 |  |
| Deep River | Mrs．I．M．Davis，Coleridge．．．． | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 20 |  |  |  |  | 20 |  | 171.82 3.00 | 31.80 24.00 |  |
| Franklin | Mrs．R．C．Curtis，Frankilnville |  | 2 |  | 1 | 5 | 40 |  | 9 |  |  | 49 | 24 | 401.06 | 179．39 |  |
| Glenola | Mrs A．J．Jones，Trinity ．． | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 19 |  |  |  |  | 19 |  | 10.00 | 12.00 |  |
| Liberty | Mrs，Chester Bourne，Liberts | 1 |  |  | 1 | 2 | 30 |  |  |  | 16 | 46 |  | 48.82 | 75.81 |  |
| Mt．Leban | Mrs，Floyd Williams，Abner | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 18 |  | 12 | 8 | 18 | 56 |  |  | 47.22 |  |
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| Sandy Creek | Mrs．G．A．Patterson，Central Falls．．． |  |  |  |  | 1 | 14 |  |  |  |  | 14 |  | 4.50 | 12.17 |  |
| Shady Grove | Mrs，T，L．York，Staley，．．．．．．．．． | 1.1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 12 | 8 | 7 | 5 |  | 42 | 12 | 10.50 | 75.16 |  |
| Union Grove | Mrs，J．M．Thomas，High Point，R．4．．． |  | i |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |  |  | 28 |  |  |  |  |
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