

PROCEEDINGS

ANNUAL SESSION

of the

CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH FRUITLAND BAPTIST CHURCH OCTOBER 1 AND 2. 1914.

The next session will be held with Balfour Baptist church on Wednesday before the first Sunday in October, 1915.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Names.	Post-offices.
-Anders, J. T	
Brown, T. L	East Flat Rock, N. C.
Brookshire, J. L	East Flat Rock, N. C.
Jase, M. P	
_Cawthon, K W	Hendersonville, N. C.
~Cole, C. D	Hendersonville, N. C
-Corn. R. P	.R. F. D. 5, Hendersonville, N. C.
Conner, G. W	Bat Cave, N. C.
Davis, W. H	Hendersonville, N. C.
	Hendersonville, N. C.
Elsom, P. G	Hendersonville, N. C.
	Hendersonville, N. C.
-Freeman, H. R	
	.R. F. D. 4, Hendersonville, N. C.
Hamilton, R. F	Bat Cave, N. C.
	Gerton, N. C
	Hendersonville, N. C.
Liner, J. R	
-Mason, J. A	
Miller, R. V	
	Hendersonville, N. C.
	Saluda, N. C.
Morris, W. A	
	k. F. D. 2, Hendersonville, N. C.
-Pratt. R. N	Hendersonville, N. C.
-Puett, C. E	
Phillips, N. B	
	Hendersonville, N. C.
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-Wall, J. O	
	Hendersonville, N. C.
Wharton, George	Clyde, N. C.
Wooulln, J. F	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · Arden, N. C.
wright, Geo. F	

MESSENGERS

Balfour-W. B. Justice, E. J. Rhodes, Mrs. J. E. Allen. Bat Cave-J. B. Freeman, M. A. Barnwell, W. F. Pryor. Bear Wallow-T. M. Merrill. Beulah-By letter. Crab Creek-D. A. McCrarv. Broad River-W. P. Searcy. Ebenezer-E. M. Hudgins, R. M. Rector, J. B. Guice, T. C. Anderson, Bradley Love. Tast Flat Rock-J. H. Pace. East Hendersonville-A. I. Justice, J. F. Justice, D. S. Pace Geo. F. Wright. First Baptist-J. F. Stepp, K. W. Cawthon, C. K. Hale, W. S. Shitle, R. N. Pratt, Mrs. J. F. Brooks, Mrs. G. W. Thornton, Mrs. D. H. Young, Mrs. Roy Young, Mrs. N. E. Gaines, Mrs. J. T. Sossaman. Fruitland-J. L. Whitaker, J. M. Garren, J. R. Townsend, A. M Maxwell, Jno. Hutchinson. French Broad-J. C. Morgan. Green River-P. J. Hart. Holly Springs-W. N. McCall. Horse Shoe-W. B. Case. Laurel Springs-L. N. Owenby, J. L. Ledbetter. Liberty-By letter. Locust Grove-J. N. McMinn. Mountain Home-R. M. Gilbert. Mills River-By letter. Middle Fork-By letter. Mt. Moriah-S. B. Nanney, W. F. Hill. Mud Creek-R. S. Steadman, F. P. Kuykendall. Mt. Gilead-J. H. Kimsey. Pleasant Grove-T. H. Blythe, T. J. Shipman. Pleasant Hill-G. J. Lambeth, D. G. Wilkie. Refuge-J. N. Guice. Salem-W. J. Baldwin, A. M. Cark, H. Lance. Shaw's Creek-Carl Anders, W. A. Merrill, Mrs. W. A. Merrill. Tryon-O B. Kelly. Tuxedo-S. C. Mullinax, J. O. Bell. Valley Hill-G. W. Hefner, Sisters J. L. Redden, Lillie Anders.

PROCEEDINGS

The Carolina Baptist Association met in annual session with the Fruitland Baptist Church on Thursday, October 1, 1914. The annual introductory sermon was preached by Rev. T. L. Brown, from the text, James 2:8.

The Moderator, Rev. A. I. Justice, called the meeting to order and appointed Rev. T. L. Brown and Rev. T. A. Drake as Reading Clerks.

On motion of Brother T. L. Brown that a committee on Digest of Church Letters be appointed, the Moderator named the following as this committee: Revs. T. L. Brown, T. A. Drake, and K. W. Cawthon.

On motion of Rev. K. W. Cawthon, that the committee on Digest of Church letters enroll the delegates, the Association proceeded with the organization with the following results:

Moderator—A. I. Justice. Clerk—F. K. Poole. Treasurer—D. S. Pace. Historian—T. A. Drake.

The Moderator appealed to the delegates for their cooperation in making this the best Association in its history. He then announced the following committees:

Foreign Missions-K. W. Cawthon, chairman, M. L. Underwood, E. J. Baldwin.

State Missions-T. L. Brown, chairman, R. P. Corn, J. L. Whitaker.

Home Missions—G. F. Wright, chairman, C. D. Cole, E. J. Rhodes. Education—R. N. Pratt, chairman, J. B. Freeman, L. P. Pittillo. Orphanage—W. S. Shitle, chairman, D. A. McCrary, S. B. Nanney. Sunday Schools—D. S. Pace, chairman, J. H. Kimsey, P. J. Hart. Periodicals—N. A. Melton, chairman, B F. Orr, G. W. Ledbetter. Temperance—J. R. Liner, chairman, J. H. Pace, H. A. Case.

State of Churches—Freelow Kuykendall, chairman, J. C. Morgan, W. P. Searcy.

Aged Minister's Relief-T. A. Drake, chairman, C. K. Hale, T. J. Shipman

W. Cawthon.

Order of Business-R. N. Pratt, chairman, N. A. Melton, J. B. Freeman.

Finance-W. B. Case, chairman, F. H. Blythe, R. S. Stedman.

The Moderator then recognized Brother F. B. Hamrick, represent-

ing the orphanage, after which the Association adjourned an hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Geo. F. Wright. The Moderator then recognized Rev. W. R. Beach, representing the Biblical Recorder. He then announced the following committees:

Time and Place of Next Meeting-H. T. Justus, chairman, G. J. Lambeth, J. B. Freeman, T. A. Drake.

Nominations for Appointments-N. A. Melton, chairman, W. J. Baldwin, J. H. Kimsey.

Obituaries-C. D. Cole, chairman, F. J. Huntley, E. M. Hudgins.

Union Meetings—D. S. Pace, chairman, T. A. Drake, N. A. Melton. The report on the Orphanage was read by Brother G. J. Lambeth. Pending motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Brother G. J. Lambeth, and Brother F. B. Hamrick, of the Orphanage, gave an interesting, inspiring and encouraging address on this phase of cur work. Short talks showing the hold this institution has on che hearts of our people, were made by Brethren K. W. Cawthon and W. A. Sinclair. Brother J. B. Freeman offered an amendment to the report, to the effect that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the possibility of sending a car of provisions to Thomasville. The following were appointed on this committee.

Geo. F. Wright, chairman, J. B. Freeman, E. J. Rhodes. The report was then adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The care of the unfortunate is a natural and fundamental expression of Christianity. Jesus was in his ministry what he would have us be. He emphasized things fundamental and cast the program for all ages. He glorified childhood and so related his gospel to the physical wants of life that we cannot hope to save the soul unless we also provide for the body.

Children are already being received at the Kennedy Home. We now have fifty there. The Miles Durham nursery, for very small chi'dren, at Thomasville, will be completed before the winter months. If this is filled with children, and we provide for those that are being received at the Kennedy Home the current expenses must be increased \$10,000 over last year. Will not this Association endeavor to raise not less than \$600.00 of the \$50,000 over the State.

Among North Carolina Baptists nothing has so enlisted men and women in the work of the kingdom as the Orphanage work. It has been the agency for the promotion of harmony, liberality, and consecration. This in the larger work of the kingdom the little child is the leader.

Since the reception of the first child, Nov. 11th, 1885, 1516 children have been enrolled, and the present number is 480. Average cost per child is \$107.64 a year. The health record of the children children is the children of the children

dren for the past year has been remarkable, there being no deaths and few cases of serious illness.

We would again urge and recommend: (1) That every Sunday School set aside one Sunday in each month as Orphanage Dav. (2) A club of Charity & Children in each Sunday school and an individual copy to pastors and all homes that are not represented in the Sunday School; (3) A liberal Thanksgiving offering emphasizing the importance of WORK DAY, giving not less than one day's work to the Orphanage. We would suggest that in many churches it is best to select a Sunday nearest Thanksgiving day to hold this special service. This can be done to advantage on country fields.

Finally brethren, let us constantly keep in mind the appeal of the larger Orphanage and remember as we save the child we not only save the State, but we save ourselves, and in doing this we find the greatest happiness.

This Association has six children at the Orphanage costing \$107.64 each, or \$645.84. Our minutes show that we paid only \$365.17 of this amount last year.

W. S. SHITLE, For Committee.

Brother D. S. Pace then read the report on Sunday Schools. Pending motion to adopt the report was discussed by Brethren D. S. Pace, W. B. Case, H. R. Freeman, C. K. Hale, K. W. Cawthon. The report was then adopted as read.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

I. What are the conditions of our Sunday Schools?

It is reasonably well established that not over thirty-five per cent of our church members are now enlisted in Sunday school.

II. The attendance is very irregular. Probably not over sixty per cent is the average attendance.

III. Fully fifty-five per cent of our Sunday school membership are not church members and two-thirds of all the people are not enlisted in any Sunday School.

IV. Have all churches Sunday Schools? We find that most all churches have Sunday Schools, but the equipment is very poor. No Sunday school rooms. All forced to use one auditorium for classes.

V. Are the teachers well qualified? By observation we find that a large number of the Sunday School officers and teachers do not understand the Bible and are not qualified to point the lost to the Lamb that was slain, and cannot furnish food for the poor hungering soul.

VI. In consideration of the above, what ought we to do?

1. A vigorous campaign to enlist more of our church members. Our Sunday Schools will never be what they should until more of these are reached.

2. A teacher's training course must be pressed. Our teachers may be doing the best they know, but they need to know more.

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The Normal Course, or the Reading Course is commended to all. 3. There ought to be a Sunday School convention with representatives from all the Sunday Schools.

Let pastors, superintendents and teachers secure literature on the various phases of up-to-date Sunday School work. This can be secured free from our Sunday School secretary, E. L. Middleton, Raleigh, N. C. D. S. PACE, E. C. PACE,

For Committee.

The Committee on Order of Business presented their report which was adopted. The Moderator announced that Brother T. L. Brown would preside at the evening session, and requested Brother F. J. Huntley to conduct the opening exercises on Friday morning. Adjournment was then taken until eight o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

Rev. H. R. Freeman preached a suggestive and earnest sermon on Love.

The Association then convened with Rev. T. L. Brown in the chair. Bro. J. R. Liner read the report on Temperance. After discussion by Brethren T. A. Drake and J. F. Justice, the report was then adopted by the Association.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

There has been a great work done for the cause of temperance throughout the nation in the past few years. Several states have voted to abolish the manufacture and sale of strong drink. We are hoping and praying for the time to come when this will exist no more. The word of God speaks in tones of authority against it, lor it biteth like a serpant and stingeth' like an adder." We are proud of the steps already taken in many parts of the country against this mighty evil. May the time soon come when the nations shall know strong drink no more.

> J. R. LINER, For Committee.

Bro. T. A. Drake then offered the report of the Committee on Time and Place, but on request, by vote of the Association, the matter was tabled until the session tomorrow.

Adjournment was then taken until nine-thirty o'clock Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Brother F. J. Huntley. The Association then convened with the Moderator in the chair. Rev. J. D. Moore, representing the State Mission Board, and Prof. J. H. Highsmith, representing Wake Forest College, were recogrized.

The report on State Missions was read by Bro. T. L. Brown. This report was ably discussed by Rev. J. D. Moore of Ridgecrest. Remarks were made by Rev. G. F. Wright. On motion of Bro. D. S. Pace, the Association voted to raise six hundred dollars for this object. The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The wisdom of our fathers in organizing the Baptist State Convention with the evangelization of our people as the chief end to be accomplished has been amply justified by the results attained. Marvelous indeed has been the growth of our denomination since the Convention's organization in 1830. Then, there were 272 churches with 15,360 members, white and colored. Now, there are 2058 churches with a membership of 246,208 white Baptists. The The number of white and colored Baptists in the State is something more than 400,000. Nearly one-half of the State's Christian population are members of Baptist churches; and one-sixth of the State's total population are Baptists.

As to the influence of State Missions on our denominational life. eternity alone will reveal this. Although no tabulated reports of the work on the field were kept until 1880, still it is a conservative estimate to say that 70,000 have received baptism at the hands of our missionaries, and that one thousand churches-about one-half of the total number of churches at preesnt-were organized by hem. It is a significant fact, too, that these churches are givitg about two-thirds of all the funds that find their way into our denominational treasury. In his "Christian Statesmanship," Secretary Johnson says, "The total amount contributed last year to Missions, Orphanage, Education, Ministerial Relief, and Educational Institutions, was \$255,586. Two thirds of that amount wou'd be \$170,390, or an average of \$170 per church for the thousand churches that were beneficiaries of the Board. At six per cent \$170 is interest on nearly \$3,000. That is, every church planted by the Board since it began work is worth \$3,000 in the way of endowment, and the total amount represented by the thousand churches would reach \$3,000,000. Among the beneficial results of State Missions we must note, too, that it has contributed very largely to the crystallization of our forces and the creation of a denominational spirit.

Yet, notwithstanding these achievements of the past, the demand for State mission work has never been more imperative than now. Only forty per cent of our people are Christians, leaving sixty per cent unevangelized. Leaving the children out, nearly one-half of the adult population are not Christians. North Carolina, according to the last census report, is one of the four states in which the percentage of gain in church membership was not as great as the increase in population. And, too, North Carolina is one of the seven states in which Roman Catholics made a greater percentage of gain than the Protestants. With the agricultural development and the vast industrial progress now being made, it is only reasonable to suppose that the next census report will show a greater percentage of increase in the State's population during the present lecade. If our growth and prosperity are to become a blessing to reigion, and not a curse, the Gospel of Christ must be strenuously preached at the very centers of prosperity. Our problem is to see that the progress of religion keeps pace with the material progress of our people.

In our own section of the State owing to the zeal and earnest efforts of our fathers, churches are found everywhere. As indicating conditions throughout this western section, we point to the 39 churches of our own Association, with a membership of 4,867 amid a total population of 16,262. The stress, hitherto, has been an evangelization: the great need now is for development and enlistment. So far as the general work of the denomination is concerned, about one-third of the total number of churches in the State are inactive. A glance at the financial table in last year's Minutes shows that we are doing our full part to maintain this ugly proportion. In the state only 1,501 churches made contributions to State Missions, leaving 553 giving nothing to this object; in our Association 22 churches gave to State Missions, leaving 17 giving nothing. All the other objects of the Convention were supported in about the same ratio.

The chief need for evangelization is confined to the East. In the Roanoke and Neuse-Atlantic Associations, covering twenty counties, only one white person in thirty-eight is a Baptist, while, as we have seen, in the State at large one in every six, and in our own county one in every three or four is a Baptist.

Last year the Board had 155 missionaries preaching at 320 churches and outstations in 42 Associations. 2,137 baptisms were reported. For the last several years more than 2,000 souls have been led to Christ and baptized each year by the missionaries of the Board. The work of the present year was laid out on a basis of \$55,000. The amount contributed by the churches last year was \$50,421,68, but enlarged opportunities demand larger contributions. Your committee recommends liberal advances for this object by our churches. T. L. BROWN,

For Committee.

The Moderator then recognized Rev. Mr. Latham, the local pastor of the Methodist church. The report on Education was then read by Rev. R. N. Pratt, Prof. N. A. Melton, principal of Fruitland Institute, gave an encouraging report of the progress of the Institute. Pending motion to adopt, Professor J. H. Highsmith of Wake Forest College, gave an interesting, instructive, and inspiring address, in which he set forth clearly the necessity of Christian Education for the existence of both Church and State. Rev. Geo. F. Wright then made a brief, but pointed and suggestive talk. On motion, the time for further consideration of this topic, was extended. Rev. A. I. Justice, President of the Board of Trustees, made some statements in regards to the progress of Fruitland Institute, and especially in regard to the completion of the Administration Building. He urged the contributions of the churches for this purpose. The quest'on was discussed by Brethren R. N. Pratt, K. W. Cawthon, G. F. Wright, T. A. Drake, E. J. Rhodes, J. H. Highsmith and D. S. Pace. On motion of Bro. D. S. Pace, an amendment to the report, to the effect that an every member canvass to raise funds for Fruitland Institute was passed. The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

As a part of the great family of Baptists in our State, we rejoice

in our schools and colleges. Much has been attained and enlargement is the great need. There is a just reason why we should be leaders in the great work of Education. May our prayers and activities be united in the work.

In the Carolina Association there is before us a task of supreme importance—that of maintaining and enlarging Fruitland Institute.

The ten thousand dollar building now in process of erection, while not so near completion as we had hoped, still with united effort on the part of all our churches we shall be ready, at least for the closing exercises of the present session.

R. N. PRATT, For Committee.

REPORT OF FRUITLAND INSTITUTE.

During the year 1913-1914 there were enrolled 230 pupils, 5 of whom were studying for the ministry, and 11 completed the course of study.

The present session opened Aug. 18, with a good attendance. The faculty consists of eight teachers, 2 men and 6 women.

In our Literary Department we give instruction through the fourth year of high school. The special departments are: Music, Art, Expression and Home Economics.

The blessings of our Father have been, and are now, resting upon us in our efforts. We earnestly request the prayers of all God's people in our behalf, as we face the tremendous responsibility of training our young men and women for the Master's service.

N. A. MELTON, Principal.

The Association then adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convened with the Moderator in the chair. The roll of churches was called and messengers were enrolled. (List published elsewhere.)

Mr. J. Foy Justice presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the delegates to this Association extend to the Fruitland church, the Faculty and students of Fruitland Institute, and the people of the community their sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks for the cordial entertainment and hospitality accorded them during the session of the Association.

The motion to adopt was carried by a rising vote.

Bro. K. W. Cawthon then read the report on Foreign Missions. Pending motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Brethren K. W. Cawthon, J. H. Highsmith and G. F. Wright. On motion of Rev. K. W. Cawthon the Association voted to instruct the clerk to write to Rev. J. M. Justice, the representative of the Association in Argentina. The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The problem of missions is the problem of the ages and upon its successful solution depends the destiny of the world.

As Bishop Huntington has said: "Every impulse and stroke of missionary power on earth is from the heart of Christ. He sows

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and there is a harvest. He touches nations and there arises a brotherhood, not only civilized by His light, but sanctified by His love. The isles of the ocean wait for him. He spreads His net, and gathers of every kind, and lo! the burden of the sea is not only fishes, but fishermen, who go and gather and come again. If there are activity, free giving, ready going, a full treasury, able men who say, 'Here am I send me,' it is because through all the organization Christ lives, and His personal spirit works. There is no other possible spring for that enthusiasm."

-Those who believe in Foreign Missions proceed upon the fundamental doctrine that God is building His temple in the world for His own habitation. The Holy Spirit is the Master Builder and He builds following the plan of the owner. The triumphs of Foreign Missions mean that God's will is being done for which we are taught to pray.

There can be no question but that the Holy Spirit knocks at the door of every man's heart and at the door of every church in which He does not dwell in His fullness and He knocks in the interest of the greatest enterprise that has ever commanded the attention of mankind. The failure of the church to evangelize the world means that by many the call has gone unheeded. The present age is great by means of its opportunities and the opportunities of Foreign Missions are the greatest of them all. In our time God has given great leaders and more or less perfected machinery and we rejoice in the success achieved but deplore the failure.

The greatest need now is a revival of prayer. To use the machinery we now have we need more power. Many of our people seem to have lost connection with the great source of power. Great and impassioned appeals, the marshalling of facts and the emphasis and re-emphasis of the needs have met an increasing response but it is not adequate. We would urge a renewed study of the Ministry of Intercession. Do we realize that we pray and God opens the doors, people give more money, and men and women give their lives. A pastor who really prays for Foreign Missions always works for Foreign Missions. The layman who really prays for Foreign Missions, always gives liberally to the great work. And we would urge definite and continued and intelligent prayer for the Secretaries and the Board, for the missionaries by name, for the churches and pastors that are indifferent or dead to the surpassing call. It is a fact that a Revival of Prayer would mean an increase of power, gifts, efficiency, and largest success.

We are part of a great whole and this brings a responsibility which none should desire to shirk. Our Southern Baptist Convention sets the mark at above a half-million dollars for Foreign Missions this year. Our State Baptist Convention sets the mark at above \$50,000.00 for Foreign Missions this year. The great Judson Centennial movement would provide a million and a quarter for the strengthening and enlargement of our foreign work. We are a part of the whole. If we fail to do our share, we miss the blessing, store up evil for ourselves, and make the burden heavier for some one else.

Minutes for the past several years show the following interesting figures:

1910 membership 3,842, paid to Foreign Missions \$263.92.

1911 membership 3,678, paid to Foreign Missions \$354.89. 1912 membership 4,132, paid to Foreign Missions \$515.61. 1913 membership 4,022, paid to Foreign Missions \$443.64.

We can and ought to do much better the coming year.

In reading the Scriptures we find that there is no intimation that this great work will fail in the end. Our Savior gave the simple and clear and direct command, "Go ye and make disciples of all nations" and success is implied. We need not be unduly disturbed by the great war of the nations now raging. It may be the greatest war of history, but it is an incident in the great unfolding of the Divine plan. Our Saviour manifested a spirit of sublime optimism. He talked of, planned, and made possible the salvation of a world. He explained the condition of success, trust and obedience; and let all remember, He is depending on us.

K. W. CAWTHON, For Committee.

The report on Aged Ministers' Relief was read by Bro. T. A. Drake, After discussion by Bro. Drake, the report was adopted, Bro. F. B. Hamrick announced that Rev. J. M. Arnette, of Durham, would gladly furnish envelopes for the Christmas offering.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF.

While the contributions to this department of our work have been increasing during the past, there has also been an increase in the number of beneficiaries. The amount, contributed by the churches, is insufficient to give these noble hearted brethren, who have worn themselves out in making the world what it is today, a sufficient support in their last days.

When our minds reflect upon the fact that in the Great Day of reckoning, when all nations are to come before Him, we are to be judged by what we have done for the feeding and clothing of these, it brings the thought of a fearful responsibility. We are sorry to note that such a few of our churches have given anything this year.

We therefore, recommend: That each church make a contribution to the relief fund during the year.

T. A. DRAKE, For Committee.

The report on Home Missions was read by Bro. G. F. Wright. Pending motion to adopt it was discussed by Brethren G. F. Wright and K. W. Cawthon. On motion the Association voted to raise six hundred dollars for this object. On motion of Bro. D. S. Pace the Association voted to raise six hundred dollars for Foreign Missions. The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The field for Home Missions is outlined as being the large part of the world included in the boundaries of the United States and our possessions. The conception generally made manifold by the average Church member is that Home Missions means "My Family." The extent of Home Missions is no longer limited to the boundaries of the United States and our possessions, but the task is a worldwide task—that of "Witnessing unto Christ" at home in our own personal lives before those of the nations of the entire world who have taken up their habitation in our midst, in order that as they return to their homelands they shall be "True Home Missionaries" to their own people.

One of the greatest hindrances to effective Foreign Mission work is the inconsistency in our home lives and activities. We see the mote of heathenism in our foreign fellow creatures' eyes and fail to behold the beam of inconsistency in our own eyes. A consistent Christian at home is one of the best Foreign missionaries to be found, for his life is being watched by the Greek who keeps the fruit and drink stand on the street corner and by all other foreigners in our midst, who are either being constrained to be Christians or impelled from Christ by the way they see Him in our lives.

Another part of Home Missions is the part that costs us something in dollars and cents, and therefore is the part that we do not generally like to hear about-it is preaching the Gospel in the sections of the home land where it is not now preached. Some will sal, "are there such places in this country of ours?" Yes. There are places in the South where the Gospel is not heard in its purity, yet where the isms and creeds of the "God of this Age" are being taught both verbally and by the written age or tract. There are sections of the South where approximately ninety per cent, of the people are bond-servants to the Pope of the Romish Catholic system, and who pay their most sincere allegiance to him, instead of to God first and then to the authorities of this country. The attached clipping from one of the county papers of last week will give us an idea of some of the other religions that are creeping into this country and getting strongholds, soon to be spread to the remotest boundaries of this country:

BUDDHISTS IN CALIFORNIA.

(Western Carolina Democrat, Sept. 24, 1914.)

Buddhist temples in California are located as follows: San Francisco 1, with 2 priests: Oakland 3, with 3 priests; Vacaville 1, with 1 priest; Sacramento valley 3, with 3 priests; Stockton 1, with 1 priest; San Jose 2, with 2 priests. Total, 19 temples and 21 priests. There are Buddhist missions in Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah, and in Seattle, and Portland, Ore,

Our Home Mission schools are worthy of our support, and should be institutions with which we are familiar, as to their results, both spiritually and literarily.

Without neglecting our Foreign mission obligations or losing any of our zeal for the evangelization of the countries of the world let us be more zealous for our own land and people, thereby bringing back the King and His Kingdom.

G. F. WRIGHT, C. D. COLE, E. J. RHODES, Committee.

Rev. W. R. Beach, representing the Biblical Recorder, presented the report on Periodicals. He then addressed the Association on this topic. The report was discused by Brethren R. N. Pratt, J. H. Highsmith and A. I. Justice. It was then adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Biblical Recorder has been the organ of the Baptist State Convention for more than four score years, and has stood for every movement that has meant the educational, moral, or spiritual uplift of our people. It is the medium of communication and the bond of unity among our people. It is the means of informing our people about the work of the Kingdom and inspiring them to do their best.

The Recorder is only reaching about one family in five among our Baptist people and can never do its greatest work till read more widely. This is a reading age, and the trashy literature scattered broadcast over our State is poisoning the minds of the young. We must watch well the books and papers that come into the hands of our people. Let every pastor, and all the present readers, endeavor as far as possible to increase its circulation.

W. R. BEACH, i For Committee.

Rev. C. D. Cole read the report on Obituaries. It was then adopted by the Association.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee, submit the following report:

Since the last meeting of this body our all wise Heavenly Father has seen fit to take thirty-eight of our number unto Himself. We note among this number our much loved brother and laborer, Bro. Robert Corn, who was a faithful, consistent member of Ebenezer church. He lived to be ninety-two years and six months old. Bro. R. F. Orr, who was a faithful member and deacon of Beulah church.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

C. D. COLE, For Committee.

The matter of putting the picture of Bro. Robert Corn, deceased, into the minutes was referred to the Executive Committee.

Mrs. J. F. Brooks then read the report on Woman's Work. On motion of Bro. N. A. Melton, the Association voted to have the report incorporated in the Minutes. The Moderator asked the cooperation of the pastors of the Association in assisting the Vice-President to visit all the churches in the Association.

Report of Woman's Meeting held at Fruitland Church:

The women of the Carolina Association met in the school chapel for organization. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. J. F. Brooks, Associational Vice President.

After devotional exercises the enrollment of delegates was made. Thirteen churches were represented . Officers were then elected as follows:

President-Mrs. J. F. Brooks.

Secretary-Mrs. Luther Brown.

Treasurer-Mrs. Redden.

A talk on "Our Works and Plans" was given by Mrs. Brooks. The thoughts she presented were instructive and inspirational.

Several short talks on different phases of Woman's work were

listened to with interest, and consciousness of God's presence and power was keenly felt.

The keynote of the meeting was prayer. Everyone felt the need and the support of one praying for the other.

We present the following recommendations:

I. That we do all we can to enlist all the women of the Association in our work.

II. That we strive to stimulate a deeper missionary spirit by organizing Mission Study Classes, subscribing to our Biblical Recorder, and other missionary magazines.

III. That we have a definite aim in our gifts and endeavor to reach it.

IV. That "Woman's Work" be discused at Union meetings, and at our General Associations and that time be given and notice made in the minutes of such a meeting.

V. That we, as church members, stand for all the various objects of our denomination and do all we can by co-operative praying and giving support the Boards and our Orphanage in their work for the Master. MRS. J. F. BROOKS.

For Committee.

The report of the Committee on Time and Place was submitted by Bro. T. A. Drake. It recommended that the next meeting be held with the Refuge Baptist church on Thursday before the first Sunday in October. Bro. C. D. Cole offered an amendment to the effect that the Association meet on Wednesday instead of Thursday. The amendment was accepted. On motion of Bro. N .A. Melton the Association voted to carry the next meeting to Balfour instead of Refuge, as suggested by the committee.

Bro. D. S. Pace made his report as Treasurer as follows:

Report of the Treasurer of the Carolina Baptist Association for the year 1913-'14:

Amount received	.\$576.28
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To Walters Durham \$278.62	
To W. A. Morris 72.31	
To F. D. Brown 22.82	
To S. H. Everett 30.82	
To Prof. N. A. Melton 160.00	
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This report was received, and on motion of Bro. Geo. F. Wright the Association voted to allow Bro. D. S. Pace to use the amount in the treasury (\$11.71) on the indebtedness for minutes of last year.

Bro. Pace then read the report on Union Meetings. He then discussed methods of putting this work on a firmer basis. Prof. J. H. Highsmith suggested that it might be a wise move to make each session devoted to definite teaching for better service in our work. The report was then adopted.

REPORT OF UNION MEETINGS.

The Committee on Union Meetings beg leave to make following report:

Two Union Meetings have been held during the year, one at Ebenezer during the last winter, the other at Balfour during the summer.

The Ebenezer meeting was not well attended, but it was a very spiritual meeting and was enjoyed by all those who attended, while the meeting held with the Balfour church was very well attended and the spirit of the meeting was good. There were in attendance upon the meeting, fourteen ordained ministers, besides the large number of laymen who attended and took part in the discussions. It was a great spiritual uplift to all who attended. On the other two fifth Sundays no meetings were held, the one on account of the small attendance at Ebenezer, which tended to discourage the committee, the other because of the intense interest taken in the singing conventions held over the county.

The committee desire to make the following recommendations:

That all the pastors and Christian workers endeavor to arrange their work so that they can attend the Union Meetings during the entire sessions, and that the meetings be held on Saturdays and Sundays.

Respectfully submitted.

D. S. PACE, T. A. DRAKE,

N. A. MELTON.

Bro, N. A. Melton then read the report of the Committee on Nom'nations as follows:

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Bro. N. A. Melton then read the report of the Committee on Nominations as follows:

Trustees of Fruitland Institute—For one year: J. L. Whitaker, A. I. Justice, J. L. Brookshire, W. J. Baldwin, R. N. Pratt.

For two years: J. B. Freeman, B. Jackson, K. W. Cawthon, D. S. Pace. J. Foy Justice.

For three years: G. J. Lambeth, G. F. Wright, R. M. Pryor, N. A. Melton, E. J. Rhodes.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention-K. W. Cawthon. Alternate, D. S. Pace.

Delegate to State Baptist Convention-Geo. F. Wright, alternate, J. Foy Justice.

Executive Committee—D. S. Pace, G. J. Lambeth, T. L. Durham. To Preach Introductory Sermon—R. N. Pratt, alternate, C. D. Cole.

Bro. T. A. Drake asked that the Committee on Revision of the Constitution be continued, this was granted by the Moderator.

Prof. J. H. H'ghsmith then made some helpful remarks in regard to Ministerial Education and urged advancement in all lines of our work. He asks the cooperation of the churches of the Association in completing the church building at Wake Forest.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bro. Geo. F. Wright announced that he would be glad to furnish free tracts to any who desire them.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees for the next Associational year:

State Missions—R. N. Pratt. Home Missions—K. W. Cawthon, Foreign Missions—N. A. Melton. Education—T. L. Brown. Orphanage—D. S. Pace. Periodicals—Geo. F. Wright. Sunday Schools—G. J. Lambeth. Temperance—T. A. Drake. State of Churches—W. A. Morris. Aged Ministers' Relief—C. D. Cole. Obituaries—H. R. Freeman. Union Meetings—J. R. Liner. On motion of Bro. J. L. Whitaker the Association adjourned to

meet at Balfour, Wednesday before the first Sunday in October 1915. The congregation sang, "God be with you till we meet again," and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. D. Moore. A. I. JUSTICE, Moderator.

Compiled by F. K. Poole, Hendersonville, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

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