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CONSTITUTION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Gaston County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the gospel (as we hold it) to the people within the bounds of the Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention in all the work of these conventions.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. The Association shall consist of the officers of the Association, pastors of the churches in the Association, and Messengers from the churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every 100 members or fraction thereof over and above 200 members and also one additional messenger for every five thousand dollars or fraction thereof, contributed to the causes of the two conventions.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice Moderator, a Treasurer and a Clerk, all of whom shall be elected each year by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The duties of the officers shall correspond to the duties of the same officers in like organizations, or as defined by the Association from time to time.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Association shall elect an Executive Committee each year whose duties shall be to look after having the gospel preached in all parts of the Association, and to attend to all business of the Association between the sessions, and to make such reports as they deem advisable at the annual meeting of the Association. The Association may appoint or elect such

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Henry Beeler Moore was born in Dallas, Gaston county, February 8, 1872, the eldest son of the late James D. Moore and Margaret Lewis Moore.

At the age of 11 years, Mr. Moore was converted, joined the church and was baptized in John's river, near Globe, in Caldwell county where he was attending a preparatory school taught by the late Rev. R. L. Patton, of Morganton. It was one of Mr. Moore's joys and pleasures to revisit this scene of his boyhood day. He was educated in the public and private schools of this section and attended Wake Forest College where he was a recognized leader in student activities. Returning to Gastonia after his college days he became associated with his father in the management of the Modena and Morowebb cotton mills and was secretary and treasurer of these mills for 20 years. He was treasurer of the Baptist church for 25 years. In this work he took special pride and no detail of the church was too unimportant for his closest attention. He was a deacon in the church for 14 years. Upon the organization of the Gaston County Association last year he was elected Moderator. For a number of years he was a trustee of Meredith College. He also served as treasurer for the City of Gastonia, a member of the school board of the board of aldermen, of the board of public charities. He was also treasurer of the Y. M. C. A. fund.

He was a true friend and a true and loyal church man. But it was in his immediate family that his devotion shone purest and strongest.

In 1904 he was married to Miss Fannie E. Moore, of Asheville, who survives him. Their home life was beautiful, furnishing an excellent example of the home instituted and conducted according to the divine plan.

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

Moderator-----W. J. Francis, Belmont, N. C.
Vice Moderator-----Joe S. Wray, Gastonia, N. C.
Clerk-----David P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.
Treasurer-----W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. J. Francis, Ex-Officio, Chairman; Dr. W. C. Barrett, R. G. Mace, F. M. Pasour, Dr. J. L. Vipperman, T. H. King, W. W. Rimmer, Prof. F. L. Smith, D. F. Putnam.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

W. B. McClure, Alexis; J. M. Ballard, Alexis; W. A. Hough, Gastonia; G. P. Abernethy, Gastonia; Rush Padgett, Louisville; C. Q. Rhyne, Gastonia; A. W. Setzer, Maiden; C. A. G. Thomas, Mount Holly; D. B. Tritt, Mars Hill; J. J. Waldrop, Lincolnton; C. J. Black, Gastonia; W. J. Hopkins, Mount Holly; G. C. Ivery, Cherryville; W. C. Barrett, Gastonia; C. A. Caldwell, McAdenville; R. G. Mace, Belmont; D. F. Putnam, Cherryville; C. A. Rhyne, Bessemer City; W. W. Rimmer, Lincolnton; C. L. Taylor, Mayworth; E. A. Teague, Belmont; J. L. Vipperman, Dallas; T. H. King, Gastonia; B. B. Brooks, Gastonia; M. L. Barnes, Gastonia; L. A. Bangle, Lincolnton.

MOTTO

Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that we may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.—Col. 4:12.

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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PROCEEDINGS

The Gaston County Baptist Association met in its second session with the Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church, at Dallas, N. C., on Tuesday, October 19, 1920, at 10:00 A. M., and was called to order by the Moderator, W. J. Francis.

After the singing of a hymn, "More Like Jesus," a prayer by W. J. Francis, a Scripture reading, Col. 1:1-19, by R. G. Mace, and a prayer by C. A. Caldwell, the Moderator appointed G. P. Abernethy and R. G. Mace as an Enrollment Committee. The committee distributes and collects enrollment cards, reporting that 69 delegates were present at the opening.

The next order of business, the election of officers, resulted as follows: W. J. Francis, Moderator; Joe S. Wray, Vice Moderator; David P. Dellinger, Clerk; and W. L. Walters, Treasurer.

The churches represented and the delegates enrolled during the sessions are as follows:

Alexis—D. P. Bynum, J. M. Ballard, E. V. Senter.

Belmont, First—W. J. Francis, Geo. H. Johnson, R. B. Suggs, D. P. Stowe.

Bessemer City—W. E. Hull, A. F. Flowers, C. A. Rhyne, C. Lee Hayes, H. B. Flowers.

Bruington—W. W. Rimmer, R. F. Craig.

Cherryville—A. L. Houser, D. F. Putnam, J. W. Kendrick, David P. Dellinger, B. H. Roberts.

Dallas—W. E. Rhyne, Judson L. Vipperman, R. S. Lewis.

East Belmont—R. G. Mace, W. L. Chapman, A. E. Teague, R. L. Long, Mrs. R. L. Long.

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East Gastonia—Augustus McCoy, W. M. Miller, C. B. Newton, W. L. Walters, T. H. King, Mrs. Urula Hurley.

First Gastonia—W. C. Barrett, Jas. H. Taylor, Dr. C. Highsmith, J. D. Moore, J. S. Wray.

Hickory Grove—T. A. Lineberger, D. L. Abernethy.

High Shoals—J. J. Waldrop.

Long Creek Memorial—J. F. Flowers, T. S. Summey, F. M. Pasour, Carl Holland, Joe Holland, John Campo, T. H. Holland, J. L. Hoffman, Julius Hayes, A. R. Holland.

Lucia—William Fisher, B. L. Miller.

Loray—G. P. Abernethy, John Grigg, Forney Lowe, J. L. Alexander.

Lowell—J. W. Hansel, E. A. Clemmer, C. Q. Rhyne, Z. W. Johnson, R. L. Featherston.

Mayworth—W. R. Bush, C. L. Taylor.

McAdenville—Labe Rhyne, C. A. Caldwell, Julia Wagstaff.

Mount Beulah—J. H. Kenley, J. A. Ramsey.

Mount Holly—F. L. Abernethy, A. U. Stroup, W. W. Skidmore, O. L. Hoffman, Mrs. O. L. Hoffman.

Mount Zion—Thomas Dellinger, E. Lee Dellinger, Lee Wacaster, D. H. Dellinger.

Ranlo—M. L. Barnes, Mrs. F. L. Smith, Miss Earl McArver.

Sandy Plains—J. C. Millen, Ralph Pressley, W. E. Beatty, N. A. Jenkins.

Shady Grove—G. C. Ivery, Floyd L. Mauney, D. R. Stroup.

South Gastonia—W. A. Hough, L. G. Redding, T. C. Smith.

Spencer Mountain—Not represented.

Tuckasee—J. D. Smith.

Calvary, Gastonia—S. G. McAllister.

Hull's Grove—G. C. Ivery.

The following were enrolled as visitors: Walter N. Johnson, of Raleigh, representing the State Mission Board; Livingston Johnson, Editor of the Biblical Recorder; S. F. Conrad, colporteur; Mrs. J. W. Kendrick, W. P. Branch, W. O. Glover, Mrs. Jacob Alexander, Zula Lanier, Mrs. Queen, Mrs. M. P. Bumgardner and Lettie Carpenter.

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

On motion it is ordered that the discussion on State Missions displace the Biblical Recorder hour. Dr. Walter N. Johnson delivers a most powerful and appealing speech on Missions, giving something of his ideas and theme for the work of the churches, outlining some of its great opportunities.

A splendid and most cordial address of welcome is delivered by Dr. Vipperman, pastor of the Long Creek Memorial church.

The Association adjourns at 12:15, to meet at 1:15. Benediction by W. C. Barrett.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association meets according to adjournment and is called to order by the Moderator. Devotional service is led by T. H. King.

G. P. Abernethy makes motion that the Moderator appoint a committee to procure a picture and draft a suitable memorial of the late H. B. Moore, the beloved Moderator who died in office. Motion carries unanimously and the committee appointed is: W. C. Barrett, J. S. Wray, and G. P. Abernethy.

Next is the matter of report of the Trustees of South Fork Institute. There being no formal report at hand, W. C. Barrett reads the facts from the minutes of the South Fork Association touching the subject. Upon the facts the following committee is appointed to investigate and report the final action of the Trustees with reference to sale of the property and the present status of the funds and other matters in relation thereto: J. S. Wray, R. B. Suggs, and W. L. Walters.

W. C. Barrett presented the following report on State Missions:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Through our State Mission Board, located at Raleigh, the Baptists of North Carolina are supposed to furnish the gospel, as we believe it, to all the destitute sections in the State. The board has always been hampered in its work on account of limited funds. The 75 Million Campaign has and will enable the board to enlarge its work greatly, if the pledges are all paid. Perhaps the most important and most successful work of the board for the past few years is the enlisting and the developing of all the churches in all the work of the denomination.

Financial.

The receipts for State Missions for the year ending Nov. 1, 1919, were \$74,066.20. The largest amount ever given in one year up until that time. For this year it will be much larger than that. This Association has given directly \$42,368.73 this year, with \$24,134.08 sent undesignated.

Evangelization.

There were 1,012 additions to our mission churches in the State last year by baptism. The board is committed to evangelism but it has no evangelistic department or force. We believe it would be wise for the board to organize such a department, in order that the mission points and weaker churches might have the strongest help in their meetings.

Church Buildings.

While the housing of our people in adequate, comfortable and attractive church houses is one of the most important matters connected with the Kingdom work, our board spent only \$3,100.00 in that department last year. We believe this amount ought to be increased largely and that the board take a more active interest in encouraging and assisting churches in erecting church buildings.

We suggest that this Association suggest to the State Convention that steps be taken as soon as possible to erect adequate church buildings at the State Colleges, that our Baptist boys and girls might be under the best of Baptist Church influence while in college.

Colportage.

The furnishing of good books and papers for our people to read has been neglected too long. The literature of an age or a people lives long after the age has past and the people have perished. We believe this work should be pushed more vigorously, and on a large scale, if possible.

Mobile Schools.

The Mobile Schools have accomplished much in the training of our people. The work should be continued until every branch is able to train its own members.

The Sunday School work and the Young Peoples' work, which are departments of the board's work, will be discussed under separate reports.

W. C. BARRETT,
For the Committee.

Geo. H. Johnson reads the report on Home Missions:

HOME MISSIONS.

The work done by and through the Home Mission Board has been a great and telling work. Here are statistics given by Dr. B. D. Gray covering seventy-five years of its service, divided into three periods:

	Missionaries				Churches
	Amount Raised.	Commis- sioned.	Stations.	Baptisms.	
1845-1903	-----\$3,520,000	20,586	38,793	82,742	3,649
1903-1913	-----3,584,000	10,407	27,498	187,299	3,068
1913-1920	-----5,337,000	10,770	25,094	255,210	1,347

These figures speak eloquently of effort and achievement on the part of Southern Baptists and of God's wonderful favor upon them.

For more effective work the work of the Home Mission Board is divided into several departments: Mountain Schools, Evangelism, Enlistment, Church Building, Foreigners, Indians and Negroes, Cuban and Canal Zone Work, and Publicity.

In 1919 the Home Board maintained thirty-nine schools with 5,065 students, 210 teachers, 103 ministerial students and had 244 baptisms during the year in the student body.

Southern Baptists are second to none in their passion and zeal for soul-winning. This year under the Home Mission Board there are about fifty evangelists and evangelistic singers and Dr. Victor I. Masters says, "For soul-winning the equal or like of which is not to be found in the whole world." This year they have baptized 12,000 converts, brought 17,000 into the churches and have secured 2,336 volunteers for missionary service and the ministry.

The Home and State Boards have had this year about eighty enlistment workers laboring within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. Their success is shown in churches built and improved, parsonages built, fields formed and pastors located, contributions to benevolent objects and pastors' salaries increased.

There are at present about 4,000 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention that are without church buildings. These are worshipping in the open air, in brush arbors, school houses, union chapels forsaken store houses, lodge rooms, and anywhere they can. The church building loan fund is not at all adequate for the demand. The present cash capital is only \$716,337. This is less than the amount secured by the Methodists or Disciples. The Home Board is seeking to raise our fund to \$1,500,000:

Within the bounds of our convention there are about 4,000,000 foreigners, 140,000 Indians and 9,500,000 Negroes. The Home Board has working among these in all about one hundred and fifty missionaries, evangelists teachers and pastors, and reports of great progress are being made.

Our work in Cuba comprises sixty churches and preaching stations in the four Western provinces, forty-eight missionaries, about 1,800 members, a large day school in Havana, and sixteen day schools in other cities and towns. Mr. M. N. McCall, Superintendent of Cuban Missions, says: "Every year makes increases along all lines, and we believe the work is gathering force for far greater advancement in the not far distant future."

In the Canal Zone we have under the supervision of the Home Mission Board eight churches and stations. One, Balboa Heights, for the whites, the others are for the blacks.

The work of the publicity department of the Home Mission Board is not to be despised nor underestimated. The effort put forth here is in a great measure responsible for the marvelous progress that is being made in the other departments. Through its printed tracts and articles to Baptist papers it keeps the great Southern Baptist hosts informed upon what is being done, our opportunities and what is needing to be done by Home Missions.

In the light of what has been and is being done, and the doors of opportunity that are now open to us, we know that God is with us and blessing us in our Home Mission work, and we may press forward in certain faith of greater success yet to come.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. JOHNSON,

For the Committee.

R. G. Mace reads the report prepared by Chas. A. G. Thomas on Foreign Missions:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

There can be no greater report for the Gaston Association or any other Baptist body to consider than the report on Foreign Missions. It embodies the last command of our Lord and Master, and is for the Twentieth Century as well as the first. For the churches of Gaston county and North Carolina as well as for the churches in Jerusalem and Judea.

The last command of Jesus Christ makes the duty of Foreign Missions imperative. We must go or send. We must go or give so others can go as our substitutes. The greatest investment in the world is that made in the Foreign Mission enterprise. The

most stupendous business on earth is that of Foreign Missions. The most colossal proposition ever considered by men or angels is that of Foreign Missions. And yet, God's redeemed ones are simply playing with it. The greatest work of the ages has been made a plaything by the churches which Christ has purchased with His Own precious blood. It is our business because

1. God has stamped His approval upon our work in Foreign Fields. He has in a peculiar way placed this work on us, and He has blessed the work of Baptists over the seas as no others. He has placed great honor on Baptists by making their workers the pioneers and leaders; and by His Providence He has guided them into the prominent places, and stationed them at the pivotal points. Our growth has been greater than others, and in consideration of this, our fidelity to the truth, the appeals become more powerful to Baptists than others in all places. The honor placed upon those eleven men by Our Master, is placed upon you, their successors—and not upon Rome, her children and grand children. They have been and are by the authority of tradition the assassins of the rights and liberties of childhood. We must stand fast against every effort to break down believers baptism beyond the seas, as well as on our own shores.

2. Gratitude should prompt us to greater activity in this work. But for the Foreign Mission enterprise we would have been groping in the blackness of darkness without Christ in the world. Millions of our ancestors would have perished in their sins, and been forever lost had not Paul heeded the call for help. Surely this should stir our hearts and cause us to express our gratitude in larger gifts.

3. The Providence of God has broken down every barrier, removed every great difficulty, and opened the way for the advance of His Truth. The world's great war, the greatest conflict of the ages, perhaps, has broken into pieces the Kingdom of the world. The fragments are being scattered upon the sea of humanity and are drifting or being driven to some hidden haven. The Baptists are to build the Harbor for this floating humanity on the Rock of Ages as revealed in the New Testament. Baptists alone, and only Baptists, can build this Haven of safety for those drifting to the world's sandy shores. God's Providence is clearing the deck of the old Ship of Zion for the coming of the King of Glory. If we lift the New Testament banners and follow close upon the heels of God's Providence, the nations of the earth will not gather in battle array, nor in the trenches of deception, nor in a League

of Nations, but in a procession of penitent and trusting sons and daughters of God to welcome the Prince of Peace as He marches to the heavenly portals. This procession must be led by the Baptists, for they are the only soldiers who have obeyed the last great command. If the Baptists of the country are loyal, they will hear the tread of the army of the Lord upward and from the skies will come the song, "Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be yet lifted up, ye everlasting doors and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is this King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, even lift them up ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is this King of Glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.

4. Let the churches quit playing at Foreign Missions, and get down to earnest endeavor, according to the best business methods. We have been fiddling and dancing while the world is burning to ruins with the fires of greed and lust. Lust is burning the bodies of our young men to ruin, and thousands of temptresses are marching the streets with as scant robes as Bathsheba when she caused David to fall. David had one temptress, our young have thousands. The churches must quit playing at religion and make it felt as a purging fire from Gaston County to the ends of the world. We study the best business methods for every temporal enterprise, and leave Foreign Missions to sicken and die for support. It is time to get down to business and we urge every church to get down to real work for Missions. To this end we recommend that the pastor and deacons of our churches divide the membership into groups of 10, 25, 50, according to size of same, and press the campaign pledges, as well as new contributions for this great work. It will require work, patience, tact and push to do this regularly, but it will bring the church to its Divine place as the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

CHAS. A. G. THOMAS, Committee.

W. W. Rimmer makes the following report on Sunday Schools:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

There was never a time when we needed to emphasize the work of every religious agency so much as now. Our Sunday School work has such large possibilities in winning the lost to Christ and training the saved for efficient service that we cannot afford to treat it lightly.

Southern Baptists have undertaken a great Sunday School program. As one of the features of the 75 Million Campaign our

Sunday School Board, with the campaign workers, have outlined for us a great challenging talk, therefore, we in our Association, commit ourselves to the following policies for next year and the years following:

1. Enlargement. There are at least 500,000 people in North Carolina unreached by any Sunday School for whom white Baptists are responsible if we do only our proportionate part of reaching the unreached. We commend the religious census as the best way of performing this task effectively.

2. Adequate organization and equipment are necessary if we are going to properly take care of these people and those already enrolled. This means that our workers must learn how to group or grade, our pupils into the right kind of classes and departments. Then again, we must not forget the physical equipment that will at least meet minimum educational standards. We must provide class rooms, suitable seats, maps, blackboards, etc.

3. Teacher training is a basal necessity in such an hour as this. Our Sunday School Board is urging our people to so press this work that by 1924 we shall have 150,000 people holding the Normal Diploma. This means a great forward movement in our work. We urge the heartiest co-operation on the part of our pastors, officers and teachers.

4. Organized classes are the most effective organizations for reaching, training and using the men and women of our churches and congregations. No other plan has succeeded so well as this. We commend the "Organized Class Magazine" as the best periodical available for the officers of these classes.

5. Evangelism should be the main objective in the work of every Sunday School. Every year in our Baptist constituency at least 20,000 children reach the year of accountability. This does not include thousands and tens of thousands of larger boys and girls and men and women who are not saved and yet who must be reached by us if they are ever reached for the Kingdom. We commend a study of the book, "Winning to Christ," by all of our Sunday School workers.

6. Co-operation with the Sunday School Department of the State Mission Board is our duty. This department stands ready at all times to send helpful tracts on practically every phase of Sunday School work. These are absolutely free and can be secured from Secretary E. L. Middleton, Raleigh, N. C. He will also aid in every possible way in providing Training Schools and

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Institutes for groups of churches in cities, towns or country. He urges inquiry from every one who has an unsolved Sunday School problem.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. RIMMER,
For the Committee.

Dr. J. L. Vipperman read the following report on Boiling Springs High School:

BOILING SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following:

1. The school plant itself. There are three buildings, the Administration Building, the Moore Cottage and the Boys' Dormitory. The Main Building was erected at a cost of \$26,000.00, a three and four-story building, with 44 dormitory rooms and 19 recitation rooms. A basement with dining room, kitchen and storage room.

The Moore Cottage has five rooms. The Boys' Dormitory has 24 rooms. This building cost \$3,700.00. This building is not sufficient for present needs, one-half of the boys rooming in the community.

The old church building possibly should be mentioned also. It is, indeed, a very poor building, but is being mightily used as a magnificent art room. The art would challenge any one with an observant eye.

2. Land. The School owns nine acres of land in connection with the School, and the School is planning to add an agricultural department soon. They now teach one year in soil and fertilizer. The value of the whole property at present is put at \$100,000.00.

3. New Building. They are now erecting a Memorial Building at a cost of \$60,000.00 or \$40,000.00 which is provided for and the remaining \$20,000.00 will be as the building progresses, since the committee determines that no debt shall be on it when completed. It is to have 15 rooms with auditorium to seat something like 1,000 people.

The new church building to be completed by January 1st is about the last thing to be said on church equipment. It is to cost \$50,000.00.

4. Plans for improvement. (1) The following is needed: (2) A central heating plant; (3) A lighting system; (4) Water system, new system, of course, your committee means, since the pres-

ent arrangement is insufficient in every way.

5. Expectations and desires. They desire that we, as an Association, come in for joint ownership and control; that we co-operate by helping to raise money; that we submit what we are willing to do and what we think we ought to do.

6. Possibilities are almost without limit. One hundred new pupils are expected next year. They now have 381 students and have had to turn down some for lack of room. They have a faculty of 15, nine females and six males. They have 1,200 volumes in Library and four live Societies, two for boys and two for girls.

7. Management. The management under the cautious hand of that genuinely blessed and true man, Prof. J. D. Huggins, is seen in the fact that the collections for the first quarter was \$9,956.25. This, as you will see, means \$40,000.00 during the school year. They paid the running expenses of the School last year. It put \$2,600.00 in permanent improvements. The expenses for a single pupil for the year is \$188.00.

Your committee would recommend the appointment of a committee, of which neither member of this committee shall be a part, who in the light of these facts brought by this committee and such other facts as they may obtain, shall report with recommendation to this body, the final disposition of this Association, of and with the Boiling Springs proposition.

Respectfully submitted,

JUDSON L. VIPPERMAN,
J. W. SUMMEY,

Committee.

On motion all the foregoing reports are adopted.

W. C. Barrett makes report on the work of the Executive Committee:

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Marked success has attended every effort of the Committee, in the first year of its existence, to extend the Kingdom work, for which we are thankful to God. Owing to the fact that the Committee had to organize, gather information and secure men for the work at the different points, which delayed the work some, we feel highly gratified at the results for the year. Work has been carried on at five different points.

1. The Mt. Zion-Shady Grove Field. This field is composed of

Mt. Zion and Shady Grove, in this Association, and Leonard's Fork and Hull's Grove, in South Mountain Association. Brother G. C. Ivey moved on this field the first of February and took charge of the work. The Lord has greatly blessed the work, 33 have been baptized and others added to the churches by letter and restoration. Mt. Zion Church has secured a lot and is planning to build a parsonage. They hope to have it complete by the first of the year.

2. South Gastonia. The church was organized three years ago under the direction of Brother W. A. Hough, who was acting as missionary under the direction and support of the three Baptist churches in Gastonia. They have built a splendid brick church and have bought a parsonage. They have full time preaching, and if no disaster comes to them they will be off the board in a few years and one of our strong churches. They have 232 members and are well organized for the work of a Baptist church. There are eight cotton mills in the territory of this church, with a population of about 4,000. They have received by baptism this year 39 and by letter 39.

3. Calvary. This church was organized in a school house near the C. & N. W. Ry., in what is known as South Gastonia, on March 21, 1920, with 19 members. They have received by baptism 1, by letter 48, by restoration 5, making a total membership of 73. Brother M. L. Barnes was secured by the committee to take charge of this work. It was through his efforts that the organization was effected, and he has since given half of his time as pastor to this point. The collections have amounted to \$650.70.

4. Ranlo. This church was organized in 1917 under the pastoral care of Brother G. P. Abernethy with ----- members. When Brother Barnes took charge of this work last Spring the work was somewhat disorganized on account of labor troubles. They hold their services in the school building and the work is steadily growing. They have contributed to all causes this year, \$1,212.11. They have received by baptism 12, by letter 51, making a total membership of 83. A few of the brethren bought an acre of ground in Ranlo a few months ago and are holding it for a Baptist church. The treasurer of the Association will make a report as to conditions as regards this lot.

5. Lucia. The Executive Committee held a meeting at Lucia soon after the Association was organized. They found some good Baptists who were anxious to revive the work there. The building was in need of repairs, having no windows or doors, only a

part of the floor was there, with no ceiling or no way of heating, and only a few seats. A committee, in co-operation with the members of the church, asked Brother R. G. Mace to take charge of the work there and have the necessary repairs made. The windows and doors have been put in, floor put down, stove put in and electric lights put in at a cost of \$150.00. Eight added by baptism.

The committee would recommend that the work at these points be continued and that other points be investigated. We are glad to note that Brother T. H. King, pastor of the East Gastonia Baptist Church, has established a mission point at the Groves mill in East Gastonia, where he will conduct services two Sunday afternoons in each month. We would suggest that other pastors keep a vigilant watchout for points within reach of their fields that need service. If the committee can be of any assistance it will be glad to co-operate with the pastors in starting new work and developing weak points within the bounds of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. BARRETT,

W. J. FRANIS,

JUDSON L. VIPPERMAN,

D. F. PUTNAM,

Committee.

The motion to adopt this report is discussed by G. C. Ivery, D. F. Putnam, W. A. Hough, R. G. Mace, Geo. H. Johnson, and is adopted.

G. P. Abernethy reads the report on Biblical Recorder:

BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder is the organ of the Baptist State Convention. It is our own Baptist paper and it is for all Baptists, managed and controlled by the Baptist State Convention and edited by one of our most beloved brethren, Dr. Livingston Johnson. Through its columns the brethren give their views on the various problems confronting the denomination and views of interpretation of various passages of Scripture which are always helpful.

The editorials by Dr. Johnson are a great feature and are always read with helpfulness. The pages of news notes and the letters reporting the work from all the churches is a very interesting feature. The page on Current Events, which is the editor's opinion upon the popular questions and subjects of the times is always timely, and in the wind up comes the Spice Box of the latest jokes which always afford a good laugh.

It is in deed and in truth a Baptist paper and the paper for

the Baptists and every one ought to read it.

Respectfully submitted,

G. P. ABERNETHY,

For the Committee.

Motion to adopt the report is ably discussed by Dr. Livingston Johnson, editor of the Biblical Recorder, and W. C. Barrett, and is adopted.

The Moderator announces the appointment of the following committee:

Place and Preacher for the next session of the Association—C. Q. Rhyne, J. D. Moore, and A. L. Houser.

Order of Business—Dr. C. Highsmith, W. W. Rimmer, and M. L. Barnes.

Boiling Springs High School—R. F. Craig, A. U. Stroup and T. H. King.

W. L. Walters submits his Treasurer's report:

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 19, 1920.

Gaston County Baptist Association:

I submit to you herewith my report as Treasurer for the Associational year just closed.

Receipts.

Minute Fund.

Alexis	\$ 1.00
Belmont—First	5.00
Belmont—East	4.00
Dallas	3.00
Gastonia—First	7.50
Gastonia—East	7.50
Hickory Grove	2.00
High Shoals	1.00
Long Creek Memorial	3.00
Loray	5.00
Lowell	2.00
Mayworth	2.50
McAdenville	2.00
Mt. Beulah	4.00
Mt. Holly	4.00

Sandy Plains	2.00
South Gastonia	2.50
Spencer Mountain	1.00
Tuckaseege	1.00
Cherryville	5.00
Bessemer City	3.00
Mt. Zion	2.00
Shady Grove	1.50
Lucia50

Total Minute Fund	\$ 71.00
Special collection last session	56.25

Total receipts

\$127.25

Disbursements.

David P. Dellinger, Clerk	\$ 15.00
Brumley-Walters Printing Co., printing minutes	56.00
R. G. Mace, repairs on Lucia church	56.25

Total disbursements

\$127.25

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. WALTERS,

Treasurer.

Gastonia, N. C., Nov. 1, 1919.

Received of W. L. Walters, Treasurer, Gaston County Baptist Association, the sum of fifty-six and 25-100 dollars (\$56.25), the amount of special collection taken at the 1919 session of the Gaston County Association for repairs on Baptist Church at Lucia.

R. G. MACE.

Gastonia, N. C., Nov. 10, 1919.

Received of W. L. Walters, Treasurer, fifty-six and no-100 (\$56.00) dollars for printing minutes of the Gaston County Baptist Association.

BRUMLEY-WALTERS PRINTING COMPANY.

By F. Brumley.

Gastonia, N. C., Nov. 1, 1919.

Received of W. L. Walters, Treasurer, fifteen and no-100 (\$15.00) Dollars, for services as clerk and for mailing minutes of 1919 session of Gaston County Baptist Association.

(Signed) DAVID P. DELLINGER,

Clerk.

TUESDAY NIGHT SESSION

The Association meets and is called to order by the Moderator. After singing a hymn, and a prayer by C. A. Rhyne, song service in charge of W. W. Rimmer, D. F. Putnam, pastor of the Cherryville Church, preached the annual sermon, using as his text: Matt. 6:19-20. Subject, "Laying Up Treasures in Heaven."

The report on Sunday Schools is discussed by the following: W. W. Rimmer, J. S. Wray, and Dr. J. L. Vipperman, and is adopted.

Adjournment is taken until 9:30 A. M. Wednesday. Benediction by G. P. Abernethy.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association met according to adjournment at 9:30. Devotional services led by C. L. Taylor; prayers by J. J. Waldrop and R. G. Mace.

Applications for membership in the Association were received from Calvary, Gastonia, and Hull's Grove Churches. On motion the matter is referred to a committee for investigation and report. Moderator appoints on the committee W. C. Barrett, G. P. Abernethy and Dr. J. L. Vipperman.

Archibald Johnson, M. P. Randall, Maggie Friday and D. C. Abernethy are enrolled as visitors.

D. F. Putnam reads the report on Thomasville Baptist Orphanage:

THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

Thirty-five years ago, the first child was admitted to the institution; two thousand have since that time been received and blest by its kindly ministry. There are at present five hundred and twenty-seven being cared for, four hundred and forty at Thomasville and eighty-seven at the Kenedy Home. These are grouped into fifteen families or cottages, where they are being well cared for. They receive food and clothing, medical aid, school advantages to the tenth grade, with wholesome moral and religious training. In addition to the above the children are taught to work; the boys work on the farm, shoe shop, printing office, and dairying, while the girls are likewise engaged in the kitchen, dining room, sewing room, and laundry. The work and school hours are divided so that those who go to school in the forenoon work

in the afternoon, and those who work in the forenoon in the afternoon.

There are forty-three women and twelve men who devote their whole time to the institution. Over a half million dollars is shown to be invested in the properties, with no indebtedness at the last annual meeting. The annual cost of support of a child is \$197.14. This is a wonderful showing for this time of high cost of living.

The institution is well officered and is doing a wonderful work, but could do a much larger work if it was given more means to supply the equipment needed to admit many others who are asking for its help and care. More applications were received last year than there are children now in the two homes. Sixty-six were received in one month.

We recommend that each Sunday School subscribe for a club of Charity and Children, and take a monthly offering for the support of the current fund, and further, that each church make a Thanksgiving offering on the annual date designated by the Chief Executives of the Nation and State. We would also commend the giving of one day's work or the proceeds or profits of one day's business to the Orphanage on Thanksgiving Day.

D. F. PUTNAM,

For the Committee.

The motion to adopt the report is discussed very ably and interestingly by Dr. Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children, Joe S. Wray, W. C. Barrett, and the report is adopted.

The Moderator announces the following as chairmen to write reports for next year:

Foreign Missions—Dr. J. L. Vipperman.

Home Missions—W. C. Barrett.

State Missions—M. L. Barnes.

Woman's Work—Geo. H. Johnson.

Sunday Schools—M. O. Thornburg.

Biblical Recorder—C. Q. Rhyne.

Education—T. H. King.

Ministerial Relief—T. C. Smith.

Obituaries—C. J. Black.

Temperance—M. A. Stroup.

B. Y. P. U.—R. G. Mace.

Orphanage—J. J. Waldrop.

W. W. Rimmer offers the following for next year's Order of Business:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Tuesday Morning.

- 10:30—Enrollment of Delegates.
- 11:00—Organization.
- 11:15—Biblical Recorder.
- 11:45—Report of Trustees of South Fork Institute.
- 12:00—Dinner.

Tuesday Afternoon.

- 1:00—Devotional.
- 1:15—Reports on the following, viz.: State, Home and Foreign Missions, Education.
- 1:30—Discussion of Missions.
- 2:15—Discussion of Education. Report Executive Committee.
- 7:15—Devotional.
- 7:30—Sermon.
- 8:15—Report on Sunday Schools. Discussion of Sunday School.

Wednesday Morning.

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- 9:45—Report on Orphanage.
- 10:30—Temperance.
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- 11:45—Miscellaneous.
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- 2:15—Report on Boiling Springs.
- 2:45—Miscellaneous.
- 3:00—Adjourn.

DR. C. HIGHSMITH,
W. W. RIMMER,
M. L. BARNES.

On motion the committee report is adopted.

C. A. Caldwell reads the following report on Temperance:

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2. Public sentiment become so strong against it that no man can be elected to any office who is in sympathy with the liquor business.

3. Public sentiment become strong enough that no man be drawn for the jury who is in sympathy with the liquor business.

4. That we create public sentiment strong enough that no lawyer can defend a liquor client in court without feeling embarrassed.

5. That the pardoning of liquor criminals be taken out of the hands of the Governor and placed in the hands of a pardoning board.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. CALDWELL,

For the Committee.

On motion to adopt, the question is discussed by C. A. Caldwell, W. C. Barrett, and G. P. Abernethy, and the report is adopted.

W. C. Barrett makes the following report from the Committee on Constitution and Rules of Order:

(Constitution is printed on second page of cover.)

The report is adopted.

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Education may be conceived in either of two days:

1. A training of the powers, and secondly, as an importation of knowledge. Under the first understanding of education a child is a bundle of possibilities. The training of the powers which leaves out of view the religious training or estimate of the child is wholly inadequate to the child's need. Again, if you think of education as an importation of knowledge, it has to be said that there are only three realms of knowledge: Knowledge of the world outside of us, knowledge of the world inside of us, and knowledge of the world behind us; or to put it differently, the physical universe, psychology, and history. An attempt to impart a knowledge of the physical creation apart from Christ and Creator, ends in hopeless confusion. History is only adequately treated as His story. How can a man teach history, if he ignores the person of Him who lifted the empires off their hinges and changed the course of history for all time. In psychology we have the account of the soul. The physical universe is the sphere of the revelation of God's power; history, the sphere of the unfolding of His Providence; and psychology is the sphere of His redeeming grace—these three realms of knowledge cannot be imparted in any full or adequate way apart from Christ. For one to be fluent in Shakespeare while embarrassingly ignorant on the Songs of Solomon, which is Heaven's Greatest Drama, is a reflection upon both their spirituality and intellectuality, for no one can be profoundly and symmetrically educated while ignorant of the greatest of all "Books"—God's Holy Bible.

Respectfully submitted,

JUDSON L. VIPPERMAN.

The report is unanimously adopted.

Dr. J. L. Vipperman reads the following report on the Calling Out of the Called:

THE CALLING OUT OF THE CALLED

In correspondence with the pastors within the bounds of this Association, I find that during the year eight people have been called to ministerial and Gospel work. All are in school, through school or intend going at once, from the following places: Dallas, 2; Belmont, 1; Gastonia, 1; Cherryville, 1; Mt. Zion, 1; Mt. Holly, 1; Hickory Grove, 1.

Respectfully submitted,

JUDSON L. VIPPERMAN.

Report is ordered printed in the minutes.

Motion is made by W. C. Barrett and passed authorizing the Moderator to appoint a committee to investigate and report the manner or plans necessary to raise sufficient funds for printing and distributing the minutes. Committee is J. S. Wray, W. J. Clifford and C. J. Black.

Adjournment is taken at 12:15 until 1:15. Benediction by G. P. Abernethy.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association is called to order by the Moderator. Song, "Jesus Included Me," and prayer by M. L. Barnes.

W. C. Barrett for the committee concerning the reception of Calvary and Hulls' Grove Churches reports and recommends that both churches be received. Report is adopted, the churches are received and the Moderator extends the hand of welcome to the messengers.

Committee on providing funds for preparing, printing and distributing the minutes and other necessary printed matter for the association reports through C. J. Black and recommends that each church send to W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C., Treasurer of the Association, an amount equal to 4 cents for each church member, they finding that amount necessary to meet such expenses including cost of distribution of the minutes and \$25.00 to the Clerk.

On motion the report is adopted.

T. H. King reads the report on B. Y. P. U.:

B. Y. P. U.

There is no longer any question as to the place of the B. Y. P. U. in our denominational life. Most of the best churches in the towns and cities, and many of the best churches in the country, have them. In many churches, the B. Y. P. U. is the most flourishing and promising organization in the church.

There are many commendable features of the B. Y. P. U. One is that it organizes and brings into active church life our Baptist young people at a very critical time in their religious life. In later adolescence, many church members are lost to any active church work. The disposition at that age to organize and run together makes the B. Y. P. U., or some such organization, a necessity.

Another commendable feature of the B. Y. P. U. is the daily Bible readings, and the quiz at each weekly meeting. This has been the most successful means we have yet found to get any large number of young people to read the Bible daily. Pastors and others have found it very helpful to keep up these daily readings.

Still another very important feature of the B. Y. P. U. is the weekly lessons. They are well edited, interesting and very helpful. Many consider them worth more to those who follow them than the Sunday School lessons. They are so arranged that we have each a doctrinal lesson, a devotional study, a Bible study lesson and a missionary lesson; while the months that have five Sundays give opportunity for special lessons, viz., we had a fine special lesson last Sunday on Winning the Lost. The lesson scheme is magnificent.

Not least of all the important features of the B. Y. P. U. is the fact that almost every member takes some active part in the meetings from time to time. Thus it is a training school. We learn to do things by doing them. Here we practice doing things in public. Here boys and girls offer prayers, read the Scriptures publicly preside over meetings, conduct Bible quizzes, make talks, etc., all of which will be of inestimable value to the Kingdom service through all the years.

We heartily endorse the B. Y. P. U. and commend it to all the churches of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. KING, Committee.

Motion to adopt is discussed by T. H. King and W. J. Francis,

and is adopted.

On the suggestion of D. F. Putnam the following committee is appointed to draft suitable resolution against certain social evils in connection with fairs, etc.: T. C. Smith, J. S. Wray and D. F. Putnam.

C. Q. Rhyne reads the following report on Ministerial Relief:

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Your Committee on Ministerial Relief beg to submit the following:

We believe that the minister who has come to his day of retirement or who for any reason has become disabled is in every way worthy of our sympathy, prayer, and financial support. The same thing is true of their widows and orphan children. These men and women were faithful to God and His cause, in the midst of the greatest sacrifices in laying the foundation for the work of Christ in this State, and surely they should receive our hearty support in their declining years. Other Christian organizations are far ahead of us in this department of work and in the discharge of this Christian obligation. Even railroads and some other business and worldly institutions care for their old and faithful employees. We should not only strive to emulate other Christian and worldly institutions, but we should furnish these old heroes of our faith the support they so richly deserve.

The convention board, located in Dallas, Texas, known as the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, has taken over the work formerly done in our State. The beneficiaries of the State have been receiving their checks with perfect regularity at a sum considerably in advance of what they were receiving when the Convention Board took them over. But this doesn't say that they are being well cared for, because they are only receiving from \$9.24 to \$50.00 per month. It seems that we have forgotten 1 Cor. 9:14, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel."

Respectfully submitted,

C. Q. RHYNE,

For the Committee.

The motion to adopt is strongly discussed by C. Q. Rhyne, W. C. Barrett and C. A. Caldwell and is adopted.

D. P. Dellinger reads for R. G. Mace the report on Woman's Work:

WOMAN'S WORK.

In 1889, at Memphis, Tenn., the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention reported cash contributions to the total amount of \$30,773.69. In 1920, at Washington, they reported cash contributions to the total amount of \$1,324,734.60—thus multiplying their contribution by more than 264 in thirty-two years.

In 1886, when the Baptist State Convention met in Wilmington, N. C., it received its first report from the Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina, showing cash contributions to the amount of \$1,000.00. In 1919, the women reported to the Convention in Raleigh, total contributions to the amount of \$98,310.60.

Phenomenal indeed has been the growth of the Union as it has gone steadily forward adding impetus to every phase of our denominational activity. Like Ezekiel's vision stream, it has grown from a trickling streamlet to a fathomless river.

We rejoice in the noble way in which the women are finding their place in God's plan and the splendid manner in which they are filling that place.

At their recent meeting in Washington, they declared as their motto That in all things He might have the pre-eminence."—Col. 1:18; adopted as their hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun;" and announced as their chief aims: Individual and united prayer, soul winning, regular Bible and mission study, systematic and proportionate giving, organized personal service and development of the young people.

In our Association the work is progressing splendidly under the very efficient superintendency of Mrs. H. B. Moore. There are 35 societies in the Association, 14 of which are W. M. Us., 11 are Y. W. As., 10 are Sunbeams.

The annual meeting was held with the Mt. Holly Church on Tuesday, Oct. 9, with a record attendance and meaningful enthusiasm.

The contributions from the societies of the Association totalled the past year \$9,921.25.

We recommend that our pastors give this work their hearty support and encouragement and that all our women and young people be urged to find a place in some department of the Wo-

man's Work.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. MACE,
For the Committee.

Motion to adopt the report is discussed by Mrs. H. B. Moore and is adopted.

C. Q. Rhyne makes the following report for the Committee on Place and Preacher:

PLACE AND PREACHER

We, the Committee on Place and Preacher for the next session of the Gaston County Association, beg to submit the following:
Place—Cherryville.

Preacher—T. H. King, of East Gastonia. Alternate—G. H. Johnson, of First Church, Belmont.

C. Q. RHYNE, Chairman,
A. L. HOUSER,
J. D. MOORE.

Report is unanimously adopted.

T. C. Smith reports for the committee appointed at last session of the Association on the matter of encouraging churches to make pledges and put in the church budget the item of paying the expenses of the pastors to the State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, that the following churches have responded and taken favorable action in the matter: Shady Grove, Loray, Lowell, Gastonia First, South Gastonia, High Shoals, Dallas, Long Creek, Mt. Beulah, Bessemer City, McAdenville, Belmont First, Ranlo, Calvary, Sandy Plains, Bruington, Mt. Zion, Mayworth, East Belmont, Cherrville.

The report is accepted and the committee is continued another year.

J. S. Wray reports for the committee the following resolution against social evils and fair conditions:

SOCIAL EVILS AND FAIR CONDITIONS

Whereas, there is a great wave of worldliness and reckless lawlessness sweeping over the world, our own community not excepted, and, whereas, public opinion must be created, stimulated, and crystalized to counteract these influences, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we commend our officers for what they have done in

law enforcement and urge that they redouble their efforts, that we pledge them our hearty support and co-operation.

2. That we urge the pastors to preach on Christian officers and law enforcement, that the Christian people organize, have meetings to create sentiment in favor of Christian officers and law enforcement.

3. That we urge the Secretary of the Gaston County Fair Association and the Fair Directors to have a board of censors to pass on the fair attractions before they are allowed to open for business in the Fair.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to our county papers with a request that they be published.

(Signed)

JOE S. WRAY,
T. C. SMITH,
D. F. PUTNAM.

On motion the resolutions are adopted and are to be furnished the local officers, officers of the Gaston County Fair, the newspapers and others for publication.

M. L. Barnes read the following report on Bible School and Seminary:

BIBLE SCHOOL AND SEMINARY

In view of the fact that Gaston County Baptist Association has in its midst a man in the person of Dr. J. L. Vipperman, who feels called of the Lord to establish a Bible School, and in view of the fact we realize and appreciate his soundness in the fundamental principles of a new Testament Church, and further recognize that in every worthy way he is eminently qualified and pre-eminently successful in lecturing, Bible Conferences, Institute work and leadership.

Be it resolved:

1. That we express to Dr. Vipperman our thanks and appreciation for his work in lecturing, Bible Conferences, Institutes and instructive sermons on Baptist faith and doctrines in the past.

2. That since he purposes the establishment of a school at the very earliest possible date, and we assure our hearty sympathy

and our prayers in his great undertaking.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. BARNES,
W. C. BARRETT,
G. P. ABERNETHY,
W. W. RIMMER,
J. J. WALDROP.

For Committee.

Motion to adopt is discussed by Dr. J. L. Vipperman, who gave in a wonderfully interesting manner some of his plans and visions and impressions about the matter, and somewhat of the unusual amount of detailed work already fully prepared for the courses. The motion is adopted endorsing his plans.

The Moderator appoints as delegates to the State Convention: David P. Dellinger, M. L. Barnes and J. S. Wray.

Southern Baptist Convention: Dr. J. L. Vipperman.

Member State Mission Board: Dr. W. C. Barrett.

The matter of an Associational or Church paper is merely considered and referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

The special report concerning the Ranlo Church lot is again taken up, and referred to the following committee with power to take action: J. S. Wray, C. Q. Rhyne, M. L. Barnes, C. J. Black and W. J. Clifford.

Dr. J. L. Vipperman reports for the committee and recommends the election of the following Executive Committee: W. C. Barrett, T. H. King, R. G. Mace, W. W. Rimmer, F. M. Pasour, Prof. F. L. Smith, D. F. Putnam and Dr. J. L. Vipperman. Report is adopted.

T. H. King offers the following report of the Boiling Springs High School:

BOILING SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

Your committee recommends that this Association adopt the Boiling Springs High School. By this is meant that we give our full co-operation, moral support and urge our people from this Association to go to this School, and should an emergency arise, by an agreement with the Boiling Springs School, and any of our Churches, we should be glad to have our Churches give such financial aid as they may be able to render, but ask for further time for the exact specification of the exact amount which we

shall assume one year hence. We recommend the appointment of a committee of three who shall give definite recommendation at the next meeting of our Association.

T. H. KING,
For Committee.

On motion the report is adopted.

G. P. Abernethy and J. S. Wray make the following reports under the head:

OBITUARIES

W. W. Rankin.

On Sept. 27 the soul of the beloved brother, W. W. Rankin, took its flight to the Glory World. He was probably the oldest deacon in Gaston County, having been in active service about fifty years. He was for many years the leading spirit of Hickory Grove Church. He has served effectively and efficiently as Church Clerk, Sunday School Superintendent and in various other ways.

G. P. ABERNETHY,
For the Committee.

H. B. Moore.

Since our last meeting we have lost our Moderator. We have lost more in his going; for he was one of the best friends of the cause in the county. He was one of the most exemplary men among us. He was one of the best friends of the poor. He was one to whom we could point as an example in all phases of private and public life.

The Baptist Denomination and our Association will be aware of a great loss almost up to the same limit as the family and the Church of which he was a member. No one of us can see how God could afford to take him from us in our great need. But we know that He doeth all things well and we know that our beloved brother would have it according to the will of the Father in Heaven.

He has left us a great example and at the same time a great task.

Let us try to imitate his example in the family, in the Church, in the Association, and in the Denomination.

The great task is to supply to the Association the devotion, the loyalty, the consecration, and the love that it lost in his death. Then there is the material support to be furnished and the impetus to be furnished to the spirit of giving. It is going to take

every one of us doing a little more than his part to be worthy of our fallen leader.

The prayer of your committee is that God may make us all more like our deceased brother, that we may be the more like the Master; that the Association may always try to be worthy of the ideal and standard that he had set for it in the work of the Kingdom.

J. S. WRAY,
For the Committee.

On motion to adopt reports are discussed by W. C. Barrett, Dr. J. L. Vipperman and W. J. Francis, and the reports are adopted.

T. H. King offered the following:

Resolved, That a rising vote of thanks is hereby extended to the Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church and pastor for their very cordial and hospitable entertainment of this session of the Association.

On motion the Association adjourns at 4:15. Benediction by C. Q. Rhyne.

DAVID P. DELLINGER,
Clerk.

W. J. FRANCIS,
Moderator.

ADDENDA

Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church is evidently the finest and most commodious country church building in the State. It is vastly more than a Memorial to the band of pioneer Baptists who wrought in the community since the organization of the church in 1772. It is a fitting and lasting monument to the living, Christian spirit of the present membership and its great leader, Dr. J. L. Vipperman, by and through whose efforts, prayers, gifts and sacrifices it is built. And more, it is an inspiration to all people who may chance to pass that way. Blessings upon this people.

The Bible School and Seminary to be built near the church, embodying the wonderful vision of Dr. Vipperman, and upon the details of which he has spent a large part of his life's work, now seems to be assured. The Association endorses his plans and pledges its moral support to the undertaking. When his prayers and visions are a reality there will be located within the bounds of the Association one of the greatest institutions in the world. There is no other like it. All are interested because they believe in the man. Dr. Vipperman promises something tangible within a few months.

The Business and Dispatch of this session handled by Moderator Francis has surpassed any we have seen anywhere. No delay, no friction anywhere. Harmony and deep spiritual interest everywhere.

The Association Year closes with the last Sunday in September. It is to be hoped all pastors, church officers and members will be governed accordingly in closing their records.

IMPORTANT

All church clerks are requested to mail church letters to the clerk of the Association at least 10 days before the meeting of the Association for making up the Digest of Church Letters. Resolution, Nov. 4, 1919.

CLERK.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

NAMES OF CHURCHES	GAIN			LOSS			Males	Females	Membership
	Baptism	Letter	Restoration	By Letter	Exclusion	Death			
1 Alexis -----	3	10	1				58	75	133
2 Belmont First -----	11	26		14		2	112	140	252
3 Bessemer City -----	20	46	3	12	2	3	119	201	320
4 Bruington -----	9	20		8	2	1	63	90	153
5 Cherryville -----	14	21	2	21	1		136	220	356
6 Dallas -----	2		4	2		2	80	87	167
7 East Belmont -----	39	43		22	3	1	125	221	346
8 East Gastonia -----	29	47		58		2	185	283	468
9 First Gastonia -----	47	73	1	36		2	241	348	589
10 Hickory Grove -----	7	9		17	1	2	73	75	148
11 High Shoals -----	23	12		15			30	62	92
12 Long Creek Memorial -----	5	16	1	13	1		102	156	258
13 Lucia -----	8			7			19	25	44
14 Loray -----	8	18		68	113	2	144	265	409
15 Lowell -----	64	25	4	9		3	91	136	227
16 Mayworth -----	7	8		21	2		36	70	106
17 McAdenville -----	38	26	13	21	22	3	119	167	286
18 Mount Beulah -----	15	4		1			52	50	102
19 Mount Holly -----	1	26	3	35	1	2	116	173	289
20 Mount Zion -----	9					2	77	79	156
21 Ranlo -----	12	45		5			29	54	83
22 Sandy Plains -----	25	2	1	9		1	86	98	184
23 Shady Grove -----	3	2		1			76	70	146
24 South Gastonia -----	39	39		26	1	2	88	144	232
25 Spencer Mountain -----	3			6			18	43	61
26 Tuckaseegee -----	4	21		7		3	33	47	80
27 Calvary, Gastonia -----	1	48	5				38	32	70
28 Hull's Grove -----	13	2	2			1	36	80	116
Totals -----	459	596	40	436	149	34	2382	3491	5873

CHURCHES, WHEN ORGANIZED, PASTORS, TIME OF PREACHING, CLERKS AND POST-OFFICES

CHURCHES	When Organized	PASTOR	Time of Preaching	CLERKS AND P. O.
1 Alexis	1903	A. W. Setzer, Maiden, N. C.	1	S. M. Stroup, Alexis, N. C.
2 Belmont First	1874	Geo. H. Johnson, Belmont	*	W. H. Stowe, Belmont
3 Bessemer City		C. A. Rhyne, Bessemer City	*	J. R. Rollins, Bessemer City
4 Bruington	1853	W. W. Rimmer, Lincolnton	1-3	J. O. Smith, Stanley
5 Cherryville	1893	D. F. Putnam, Cherryville	*	D. P. Dellinger, Cherryville
6 Dallas	1877	J. L. Vipperman, Dallas	2-4	J. R. Lewis, Dallas
7 East Belmont	1312	R. G. Mace, Belmont	*	W. L. Chapman, Belmont
8 East Gastonia	1901	T. H. King, Gastonia	*	D. M. Robinson, Gastonia
9 First Gastonia	1884	W. C. Barrett, Gastonia	*	C. M. Moore, Gastonia
10 Hickory Grove	1913	W. B. McClure, Alexis	2-4	J. Lee Abernethy, Lowell
11 High Shoals	1902	J. J. Waldrop, Henry	1-3	A. S. Kendrick, High Shoals
12 Long Creek Memorial	1772	J. L. Vipperman, Dallas	1-3	A. R. Holland, Dallas
13 Lucia		R. G. Mace, Belmont	3	U. B. McIntosh, Mt. Holly
14 Loray	1905	G. P. Abernethy, Gastonia	*	J. Mack Jenkins, Gastonia
15 Lowell	1892	C. Q. Rhyne, Gastonia	1-2-3	Jake Hendrix, Lowell
16 Mayworth	1911	C. L. Taylor, Mayworth	1-2-3	A. W. Young, Mayworth
17 McAdenville	1887	C. A. Caldwell, McAdenville	*	H. B. Walters, McAdenville
18 Mount Beulah	1916	J. L. Vipperman, Dallas	1-3	J. A. Ramsey, Bessemer City
19 Mount Holly	1890	Chas. A. G. Thomas, Mt. Holly	*	Miss Osie Skidmore, Mt. Holly
20 Mount Zion		G. C. Ivery, Cherryville	2	D. H. Dellinger, Cherryville
21 Ranlo	1917	M. L. Barnes, Gastonia	*	O. G. Payseur, Gastonia
22 Sandy Plains	1863	W. A. Hough, Gastonia	2-4	N. A. Jenkins, Gastonia
23 Shady Grove		G. C. Ivery, Cherryville	1	D. R. Stroup, Cherryville
24 South Gastonia	1917	W. A. Hough, Gastonia	*	G. L. Redding, Gastonia
25 Spencer Mountain	1909	C. Q. Rhyne, Gastonia	4	J. L. Cloninger, Lowell
26 Tuckaseege	1911	None reported	1-3	J. D. Smith, Mt. Holly
27 Calvary, Gastonia	1919	M. L. Barnes, Gastonia	*	W. A. Marley, Gastonia
28 Hull's Grove		G. C. Ivery, Cherryville	3	D. A. Hull, Henry, R. 1

* Every Sunday.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND P. O.					
1 Alexis	S. M. Stroup, Alexis	14	165	179	60	12
2 Belmont First	L. F. Crenshaw, Belmont	14	287	301	187	11
3 Bessemer City	A. H. Mitchem, Bessemer City	16	296	312	150	19
4 Bruington	J. O. Smith, Stanley	10	120	130		8
5 Cherryville	J. T. Allen, Cherryville	9	258	267	155	13
6 Dallas	R. S. Lewis, Dallas	20	379	399	129	39
7 East Belmont	W. L. Chapman, Belmont	17	350	367	220	12
8 East Gastonia	C. B. Newton, Gastonia	19	423	442	54	6
9 First Gastonia	W. J. Clifford, Gastonia	14	153	167		12
10 Hickory Grove (2)	T. A. Linberger and L. M. Flowers, Lowell	14	148	148		16
11 High Shoals	J. W. Wright, High Shoals	8	140	148		12
12 Long Creek Memorial	F. M. Pasour, Dallas	11	200	211	75	4
13 Lucia	B. L. Miller, Davidson	6	20	26	6	8
14 Loray	W. Lee Smith, Gastonia	14	295	309	175	7
15 Lowell	Jake Hendrix, Lowell	11	200	211		12
16 Mayworth	Walter Bush, Mayworth	14	287	301	60	2
17 McAdenville	J. C. Pence, McAdenville	12	348	360		12
18 Mount Beulah	E. H. Biggestaff, Bessemer City	5	90	95	50	8
19 Mount Holly	O. L. Hoffman, Mt. Holly	12	140	152		12
20 Mount Zion	D. H. Dellinger, Cherryville	8	102	110	53	4
21 Ranlo	Member Union School	9	125	134	75	12
22 Sandy Plains	J. C. Mellon, Lowell	3	40	43	30	9
23 Shady Grove	T. L. Mauney, Cherryville	10	191	201	100	31
24 South Gastonia	L. J. Waldrop, Gastonia	8	125	133	40	12
25 Spencer Mountain	W. L. Abernethy, Lowell	8	91	99	40	12
26 Tuckaseege	C. H. Mullis, Mt. Holly	7	130	137		13
27 Calvary, Gastonia	Member Union School	288	5095	5383	1749	221
28 Hull's Grove	S. H. Upton, No. 3, Henry	7	130	137		13

FINANCIAL TABLE

Churches	Value Church Property	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministerial Relief	Hospitals	*75 Million Campaign	Pastor's Salary	The Poor	Sunday School Expenses	Minute Fund	Building and Repair	Other Objects	Total For All Objects	Church Members	S. S. Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total Enrollment
1. Alexis	\$ 2,000	\$	\$	\$	\$ 17.63	\$	\$	\$	\$ 603.33	\$ 200.00	\$	\$ 39.83	\$ 1.00	\$	\$ 528.04	\$ 1,372.20	133	14	165	179
2. Belmont First	21,000				128.88				2,962.02	1,311.72		131.50	10.00		1,060.02	5,475.38	252	14	287	301
3. Bessemer City	10,000	187.84	156.00	175.00	225.00	115.00	50.00		908.84	1,820.00		130.00	3.00	3,926.73	658.85	7,498.08	320	16	296	312
4. Bruington	2,000				107.47				622.94	900.00	11.28	38.13	2.00	8.00	127.17	1,709.52	153	10	120	130
5. Cherryville	35,000								2,690.75	1,560.00		62.73	10.00	18,070.00	898.90	23,292.38	356	9	258	267
6. Dallas	20,000				197.12				2,197.12	1,000.00		104.23	4.00	1,500.00	674.61	5,479.96	167	9	140	149
7. East Belmont	10,000	39.52	346.43	20.00	658.43	61.00			4,312.05	2,200.00	35.50	335.44			867.33	8,433.69	346	20	379	399
8. East Gastonia	75,000				737.33				1,737.33	2,288.29	35.35	671.73	5.00	5,998.50	1,566.19	12,302.39	468	17	350	368
9. Gastonia First	30,000	1,694.91	2,262.98	2,225.34	1,491.02	2,385.96	382.94	133.38	10,412.53	2,917.50	5.00	664.46		13,689.16	4,485.52	32,438.43	589			
10. Hickory Grove	2,500		7.13	10.25	131.46				1,166.19	426.63		50.61	1.00		163.32	1,807.75	148	14	153	167
11. High Shoals	5,000	22.00	27.00	28.50		5.00			573.26	600.00		113.80	.80		303.19	1,591.05	92	8	140	148
12. Long Creek Memorial	55,000	5.20			97.50				789.76	1,100.30		522.70	3.00	8,441.67	194.32	11,051.75	258	11	200	211
13. Lucia	1,000								48.50	53.70		6.76		200.00		308.96	44	6	20	26
14. Loray	25,000	94.62	434.60	191.85	331.72	282.40	45.00	20.50	2,328.92	2,600.00	10.88	357.74	5.00	3,518.18	906.38	9,726.11	409	14	190	204
15. Lowell	3,000	150.00	540.00	150.00	222.61	25.00	75.00	25.00	1,269.59	1,144.70	76.95	81.74			372.54	2,945.52	227	11	200	211
16. Mayworth						460.15			1,574.46	1,242.00		171.92	4.00		491.00	3,483.38	106	14	287	301
17. McAdenville	5,729	202.49	205.15	204.10	174.45				2,611.05	1,880.55		442.54		668.90	1,612.75	7,416.29	286	12	348	360
18. Mount Beulah	4,000	9.07							414.72	400.00	14.55	38.02	2.00	242.75	61.55	1,173.59	102	5	90	95
19. Mount Holly			3.85		213.20	3.00	97.47		1,391.88	1,500.00	9.64	106.55	4.00	593.06	236.90	3,842.03	289	12	140	152
20. Mount Zion	3,500								142.82	300.00		68.50		377.81	159.15	1,048.28	156	8	102	110
21. Ranlo	885				51.50			120.00	324.55	346.16			3.50	195.10	171.30	1,040.71	83			
22. Sandy Plains	1,500				282.00	73.00			1,079.00	400.00	75.00	60.70	3.00		170.00	1,748.20	184	9	125	134
23. Shady Grove	700								504.89	200.00		10.00		125.00	160.00	999.89	146	3	40	43
24. South Gastonia	20,000				130.42				541.97	900.00	6.03	46.59	3.00	2,118.65	580.08	4,196.32	232	10	191	201
25. Spencer Mountain ..					228.28				736.43	298.34	12.50	72.84	1.00		42.98	1,064.09	61	8	152	133
26. Tuckaseegee	3,500								270.98	208.77	25.00	129.90		68.00	177.05	879.70	80	8	91	99
27. Calvary, Gastonia...					25.00				65.20	319.00	10.00		3.00	60.00	193.50	650.70	70			
28. Hulls Grove	2,000								87.65	150.00		40.00	2.25	800.00	59.50	1,137.15	116	7	130	137
	\$348,414	\$2,405.65	\$3,983.14	\$3,035.04	\$5,451.02	\$3,410.51	\$650.41	\$298.88	\$42,368.73	\$28,267.66	377.68	\$4,498.96	\$70.55	\$60,601.51	\$16,922.14	\$153,107.23	5873	253	4594	4837

*Totals designated and undesignated for 75 Million Fund.

FINANCIAL TABLE

TABLE 1

Category	Amount	Percentage	Quantity	Value	Percentage	Category	Amount	Percentage	Quantity	Value	Percentage
1. Alaska	2,000	5.00	100	2,000	5.00	1. Alaska	2,000	5.00	100	2,000	5.00
2. Nevada	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	2. Nevada	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
3. New Mexico	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	3. New Mexico	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
4. Arizona	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	4. Arizona	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
5. California	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	5. California	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
6. Texas	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	6. Texas	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
7. Utah	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	7. Utah	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
8. Idaho	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	8. Idaho	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
9. Montana	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	9. Montana	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
10. Wyoming	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	10. Wyoming	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
11. Colorado	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	11. Colorado	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
12. New York	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	12. New York	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
13. Pennsylvania	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	13. Pennsylvania	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
14. Ohio	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	14. Ohio	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
15. Michigan	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	15. Michigan	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
16. Indiana	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	16. Indiana	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
17. Illinois	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	17. Illinois	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
18. Missouri	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	18. Missouri	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
19. Kentucky	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	19. Kentucky	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
20. Tennessee	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	20. Tennessee	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
21. Mississippi	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	21. Mississippi	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
22. Alabama	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	22. Alabama	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
23. Georgia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	23. Georgia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
24. Florida	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	24. Florida	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
25. Louisiana	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	25. Louisiana	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
26. Arkansas	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	26. Arkansas	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
27. West Virginia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	27. West Virginia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
28. Maryland	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	28. Maryland	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
29. Delaware	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	29. Delaware	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
30. New Jersey	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	30. New Jersey	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
31. Connecticut	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	31. Connecticut	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
32. Rhode Island	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	32. Rhode Island	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
33. Massachusetts	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	33. Massachusetts	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
34. Vermont	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	34. Vermont	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
35. New Hampshire	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	35. New Hampshire	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
36. Maine	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	36. Maine	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
37. New Brunswick	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	37. New Brunswick	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
38. Nova Scotia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	38. Nova Scotia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
39. Prince Edward Island	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	39. Prince Edward Island	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
40. Newfoundland	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	40. Newfoundland	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
41. Quebec	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	41. Quebec	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
42. Ontario	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	42. Ontario	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
43. Manitoba	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	43. Manitoba	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
44. Saskatchewan	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	44. Saskatchewan	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
45. Alberta	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	45. Alberta	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
46. British Columbia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	46. British Columbia	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
47. Yukon	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	47. Yukon	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
48. Northwest Territories	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	48. Northwest Territories	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
49. Nunavut	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50	49. Nunavut	1,000	2.50	50	1,000	2.50
50. Total	40,000	100.00	2,000	40,000	100.00	50. Total	40,000	100.00	2,000	40,000	100.00

Amounts are in millions of dollars

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other Boards or Committee from time to time as circumstances may require.

TIME OF MEETING

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually, on Tuesday after the third Sunday in October. The Moderator may at the request of the Executive Committee change the time or the place of meeting of this Association when it may be deemed by him expedient to meet at the time or place appointed.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Moderator in concurrence with the Executive Committee may fill any vacancy occurring between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

Article 8. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the number enrolled on the first day of the Association.

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