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Thursday Morning Session

- 1. The Association was called to order by Rev. H. M. Stroup, Vice Moderator, Rev. H. M. Stevens, Moderator, being unavoidably delayed.
 - 2. Devotional was conducted by Rev. O. P. Dix.
- 3. A roll call of the churches was had with Ninety five messengers from twenty-four churches present.
 - 4. Visitors were recognized.
- 5. Rev. O. P. Dix explained the program for the session, which was adopted.
- 6. The following committee on the reception of New Churches was appointed: J. C. Kidd, O. P. Dix, E. C. Williamson, C. E. Henson, and Mrs. M. T. Lambert.
- 7. The Report on Religious Literature was read by E. C. Williamson. On motion to adopt, J. S. Farmer spoke to the report. Brother Arch McMillan spoke for Charity and Children, and S. F. Morton for the Biblical Recorder.

REPORT

This is a reading age, an age when there are all kinds of religious literature, much of which we condemn, but it behooves us to see that our own household has the opportunity to read the best. We would recommend the BIBLICAL RECORDER as head of the list for denominational information, doctrine, and modern thought on current events.

Second to none is CHARITY AND CHILDREN. The very name appeals to us in a very tender manner, and ever reminds us of that great Institution for which it so nobly stands, and does 30 much for its support, The Orphanace.

Every Sunday School should be a club subscriber and see that

every family in the chuch gets a copy wekely.

E. C. WILLIAMSON.

- The Moderator appointed the following committee on committees: R. E. Heath, Dr. T. L. Helms, Miss Ornice Scotten.
- 9. The report on the Orphanage was read by Mrs. M. T. Lambert. On motion to adopt. Mrs. Lambert spoke very earnestly and effectively to this report, as did also Bro. Arch McMillan for the Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

During recent months, when fortunes have been swept away almost over night, Baptist of North Carolina have found comfort in the following words of Jesus, "Let not your hearts be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions." The assurance that he has a home in heaven, although his earthly home is gone, has given a feeling of peace and security to the Christian, which he has tried to pass on to the orphan child by saying "Don't worry, we have a home prepared for you." Under date of December 31, 1934, Baptist of the state were providing for 490 children at the Thomasville Home and 136 at the Kennedy Home, near Kinston, a total of 626. These dependent children are given, not only the necessities which sustain physical life within their bodies, but they are being 30 trained secularly and spiritually that they will be fitted to go out into the busy, throbbing world in which they live, as self-supporting christians, capable of giving to society the best influence.

Baptist not only provide for the totally dependent child when they support the Orphanage, but are caring for a large number of children in their own homes through the Mother's Aid. January 1, 1935, there were 145 children being cared for under

supervision of this department of orphaage work.

In view of the increased cost of living and the fact that from 50 to 100 applications for admission are received each month it is the duty and responsibility of North Carolina Baptists to provide for the needs of the dependent child, who is unable to help himself. God left the orphan child with us to touch and tender our hearts, and according to the example of Jesus and the plain teaching cf the apostle James, no person should claim to have "pure religion," who neglect the widows and orphans. Since the orphanage is the "Child of our Love," it is not supported through the cooperative program, but through once-a- month collections in the Sunday schools, climaxed by a Thanksgiving offering in November. Less than 700 of the 2374 Sunday schools send in an offering every month, so pastors and superintendents are earnestly urged to press the orphanage collection the first Sunday in each month, and see that it is promptly sent in to treasurer. If every church, in every association would adopt this plan and stick to it, the "inancial problems of this phase of our work would be largely solved.

During its fifty years of service, the Baptist Orphanage has aided around 4,000 boys and girls. Most of these have gone out as fine christian characters, bearing witness to the fact that you have not given in vain, also promising the reality of Jesus' words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. T. LAMBERT.

- 10. At this time Miss Leona Lavender, of the S. S. Board was given ten minutes to speak on the subject, "The Associational Library".
- 11. Rev. Colon Strickland, pastor of the hostess church, welcomed the Association, also announcing that preparations had been made for the entertainment of all present, and those who would come later.
- 12. The hour having arrived for the Introductorv Sermon, the congregation joined in song, after which Rev. J. C. Kidd preached the sermon. The text was Mat. 28: 16-20; Mark 16: 14-16; John 17:18 21:22. "Self Responsibility."

ADJOURNMENT

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

- 13. Bro. H. T. Stevens having arrived, occupied the chair as Moderator.
- Rev. J. C. Edwards conducted the Prayer and Praise service.
- 14. The Committee on receiving New Churches recommended that the following churches be received: Bulah, Mt. Pleasant, Asbury, Cedar Falls, Hughes' Grove, Russell's Grove.
- 15. The Report on the State of the Churches was given by Rev. O. P. Dix.
- 16. Rev. R. E. Heath read the report on State Missions.

On motion to adopt, Bro. Heath spoke on the State Mission work. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

For the past one hundred years, the State Mission Board has done a wonderful work, and its only limit is, not what to do, but the lack of that with which to do.

In the past, the Board has helped many struggling churches to their feet, and some of them are giving large sums back to the

Board to help other churches to succeed in Christ's name.

Today the board is aiding about one hundred and thirty churches, and there are others that need aid as badly as those that are receiving it from the Board.

Our Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. departments have received aid from the Board that has lifted them up to see a new day, and

sent them on their way rejoicing

This work is done through the leadership of Brother Perry Morgan, assisted by Brother L. L. Morgan, and as a result we have about 25,000 more members in our B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School departments, for which we are thankful.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we as an association, will give no less than one-tenth of all the Lord Our God giveth us.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. HEATH.

17. Rev. Wilbur W. Hutchins read the report on Home Missions, and spoke to the report, after which it was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Randolph County Association, October 24-25, 1935. Since its organization in 1845, the Home Mission Board of Southern Baptists has made a record of which Southern Baptists might be justly proud. The territory to which it has ministered is a large one, including all the States of the Southern Baptist Convention, as well as Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Panama Canal Zone. Its missionaries have gone into every nook and corner of this vast territory preaching the gospel to many who otherwise might never have heard it, and minstering at the present time to the spiritual needs of more than five million foreigners, ten million negroes, fourteen different tribes of Indians, forty-five thousand deaf mutes, and eight million mountain people. Among telling the story of "a strange young man on the cross," and magnificient have been the results to date.

Jews and Gentiles alike, these heralds have gone, and are going,

During the past few years, the Board has had to work with a greatly reduced income. Despite this, however, it has balanced its budget, paid several thousand dollars on its debt, and reported a steady increase in baptisms. In 1934 the Board received from all sources three hundred and twent thousand, thirty dollars, ninety-five cents. This was eighty-one thousand, three hundred thirty dollars, forty-two cents more than it received in 1933. Of this amount the women gave ninety-four thousand, two hundred seventy-three dollars, fifty-seven cents in their March Week of Prayer and Annie W. Armstrong offering. The Board for the first time in many years met all of its obligations without bor-

rowing money for current work.

The Board has two hundred twenty-eight missionaries, with eighteen additional workers in the sanitorium, schools and goodwill centers. It is maintaining five hundred ninety-eight mission stations and preaching places; operating in whole or in part five good-will centers, two rescue missions, and a seaman's institute; has twenty-nine schools operated by missionaries in Panama, Cuba, and the Home-Land and is furnishing the property of eight mountain schools free to local boards of trustees for the operation of schools in the mountains; it is operating the Southern Baptist Sanitorium in El Paso, Texas, which has, since October, 1930, paid its operating expenses; the Board has a building and loan department with one million one hundred seventy-six dollars lent to churches. The Board last year put thirty-six new missionaries in the field and opened seventy-six new missions.

And so it is with reverent and thankful hearts that we review the splendid accomplishments of the past and present, but we cannot afford to rest now with the glory that is ours. Old frontiers are giving way to new ones, the world still needs the message of the Man on the Cross. His Spirit must ultimately overcome the myriad evils which threaten, even in our present age, to andermine our civilization. Like Paul of old, we must "press twoard the mark," and the time when, in our own beloved Southland and throughout the world, there shall be "peace on earth,

good will toward men." Respectfully submitted,

W. WILBUR HUTCHINS.

18. Rev. H. M. Stroup read the report on Foreign Missions, and on motion to adopt, yielded his time to Rev. B. E. Morris, who spoke very forcefully on this work, reminding us that three things are imperative: "An eye to see, a heart to feel, a will to do."

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Our whole Missionary program is taking on new life as great-

er gifts keep coming in.

For the past year, gifts to Foreign Missions throughout our territory are on the increase. These gifts are from all our territory showing a more generous spirit among all our people. Our regular gifts through the Co-operative Program are on the increase while special gifts, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, along with the Hundred Thousand Club and others, show greater giving. Many churches are supporting a Missionary in addition to their regular gifts.

At the October meeting of the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, 30 missionaries—some new ones of whom are Misses Ruby Daniels and Maude Cobb, of our state, some old ones who have been detained at home—are to be sent out at once. This is indeed

a healthy sign amongst us.

Along with this renewed activity, our debt is being reduced substantially. By January the first, 1936, we are assured that our debt will be less than \$475,000. A day of rejoicing is awaiting us in the near future when we can say "our Foreign Mission Board is out of debt."

Surely, our opportunities were never so great. "Fields are white to harvest." Millions are awaiting the message of Christ. Baptists have a distinctive message and are giving it to the benighted world. "Let us note that where we cannot be Missionaries we are called upon to set them forward on their journey 'worthly of God'." Dr. Chas. E. Maddry, our Foreign Secretary, is back with glowing reports from all our foreign fields in the Far East. Surely, we take courage and press on.

Of four hundred Missionaries out, there are a self-sacrificing band of men and women. They do their work without the glamor of home life. They give their all to the work, foregoing the pleasure of home and friends. Along with these are a great host of native workers. They tell us that the most zealous workers are those who have been won to Christ out of the very heart of heathendom. Many of these put us to shame in missionary endeavor. Our hearts with our prayers go out to all these along our wide front. Our purse strings are opening wider each day. We pledge to them afresh today our most hearty support.

H. M. STROUP.

19. Report of Committee on Committees.

Committee on Place and Preacher: J. C. Edwards. Argus Barker, Mrs. R. S. Allred.

Committee on Nominations: C. M. Strickland, E. C. Williamson.

Committee to Nominate Delegates to State Convention: Rev. O. P. Dix, Rev. J. C. Kidd, Rev. S. F. Morton..

Committee to Nominate Promotion Committee: Mrs. C. W. Scott, Mrs. M. T. Lambert, Rev. W. Hutchins.

Auditing Committee: J. H. Mitchell, M. E. Johnson, Wesley Hilliard.

Program Committee: H. M. Stroup, Vester Moore, Mrs. C. E. Baldwin.

Verbal Reports from the Churches: S. C. Trogdon, Clyde Moffitt, Mrs. Heath, Miss Floy Davis, O. P. Dix.

Committee on Resolutions: W. F. Cates, Mrs. T. I.. Helms, W. H. Leonard.

20. The Moderator asked the Auditing Committee to take into consideration, and arrange for the remuneration of the Associational clerk.

Adjourment with prayer.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

The evening service was given over to the Young People. Devotional by Miss Mabel Dix. Rev. W. W. Hutchins delivered an inspirational address on the subject: "Why Have A B. Y. P. U."

A play was given by the Franklinville Senior B. Y.

P. U. which was very much enjoyed.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY

FRIDAY MORNING

Prayer and praise service was conducted by H. T. Stevens, with Mrs. M. T. Lambert leading in prayer.

21. Mrs. H. T. Stevens read the report on Women's Work, and upon motion to adopt, Mrs. Stevens delivered an address. The report was adopted.

Miss Alder Grayson, of Laichowfu, China, being introduced by Mrs. Stevens, spoke of the Women's Work in China.

Mrs. Stevens called the Association to prayer in thankfulness to God for His goodness to us, and for His cause in the foreign fields. The following Brethren being designated by the Moderator, led the Association in prayer: H. M. Stroup, O. P. Dix, R. E. Heath, S. F. Morton.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S WORK

Woman's work has ever been a service of ministering. From the time when Christ and His disciples went through city and village preaching, certain women ministered unto Him and His disciples, and some stood by to minister unto Him on the cross. The service rendered by the women of the South through their organized efforts cannot be overestimated. Neither can the faithful co-operation of the women in the societies of our Association be too highly valued in the life of our local churches.

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The object of the organized Missionary Society is found in one of the articles of the W. M. U. Constitution. The object of the Society shall be to enlist and stimulate a missionary spirit in all the women of our churches, through prayer, increased knowledge of the Bible, study of missions, organized personal service, promotion of regular and systematic contributions to the different objects fostered by the church. A further object shall be to look after the missionary training of the children and young people of the church. A wide interest on the part of the pastors and women was manifested at our first meeting

in April, at the Asheboro Baptist Church, when fifty-five messengers from fourteen of the twenty churches were present. Enlistment and fostering of societies through Christian Leadership was the central theme for the program. In June, the Piedmont Young People's Rally was held at Balfour. The program was in charge of the Young People, and one felt the earnestness of those taking part. During the year, three societies have been organized and fostered. We now have fourteen W. M. S, three Y. W. A., six Junior and Intermediate G. A's, three R. A's, four Sunbeams, making a total of thirty organizations.

At a backward glance, truly we feel, "Hitherto hath the Lord led us," and as "Laborers together with God," our hopes are renewed, we press forward in the work of helping to send

the gospel to everyy land.

MRS. H. T. STEVENS.

22. The Report on Christian Education was written by Miss Nettie B. Moon, who being unable to attend, asked Rev. H. M. Stroup to read the report for her. The report was adopted.

Brother L. E. Freeman was recognized, and spoke

very interestingly on Christian Education.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The part that Christian education has played in the growth of the Baptist denomination in North Carolina since the founding of Wake Forest College in 1834, cannot be determined in terms of dollars and cents. The fact that in this year 1934, one hundred years later, the Baptists have three senior colleges and four junior colleges proves that the undertaking of Christian education by the Baptists has been worthy of our sincere appreciation and prayerful consideration.

We need to be thoroughly alive to the opportunities that canu be our in moulding the future leadership of our chiurches. Christian schools have a larger mission than other institutions of learning. Their mission is not only education, but education plus Christian training in service to the world. From such schools have come a large percent of our preachers, most of our

Christian workers, and many of our best statesmen.

The four South-wide institutions mean much to the Baptist work of the South. Located at Louisville, Kentucky, are two of our schools: The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the W. M. U. Training School at Fort Worth, Texas, is the Southwestern Seminary, and at New Orleans, the Baptist Bible Institute.

The call of these schools to every Baptist is three-fold: First, become acquainted with the work and the needs of these schools. Second, become interested in the present conditions and future development of these schools. Third, stand by them loyally and lift from them the chains of debt, in order that they may launch out into deeper seas of learning to honor the name of Christ Who gives us the privilege of living abundant lives. Respectfully submitted,

NETTIE B. MOON.

The Report on Hospitals was read by J. C. 23. Edwards. On motion to adopt, Brother Edwards spoke to the report.

HOSPITAL

Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour taught healing both by precept and example. He came down from His Heavenly home as a love gift from God. He made a memorable visit of thirty-three years. While here, "Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every diease." Christ did this for the love of suffering humanity. In reality, love is the greatest gift of life. It has the strength of nothing else in this life. It has outstanding recovered to the content of the content o else in this life. It has outstanding power; and is so energetic that it works on and on. Love meets every obligation and fulfills the law. Love is of God.

Are we following the example of Christ? Are we making love the central theme of our lives to the extent that we are concerned about the welfare of suffering humanity as Christ

would have us be?

We picture our Baptist Hospital and there we see a house that love built. Had it not been for the love of God working in the hearts of men our denomination today would be minus that great and glorious work of healing. We are so thankful that as our loved ones go to this institution of love they enjoy a Christ-like atmosphere made possible by the entire medical

staff, nurses and management.

It is interesting to note that approximately 30,000 patients have been admitted for treatment since the opening of the hospital in 1923. In the year 1934 there were 3,211 admitted. During the first six months of this year, 1760 patients were ading the first six months of this year, 1760 patients were admitted. An average of 86 patients per day have filed in and out of her doors. At this rate the Hospital will treat some 3,520 patients this year. Of the 29,000 patients treated 11,882 were full pay, 9,704 part pay and 9,674 treated free. No one is ever turned away because of inability to pay. We observe from the above figures that over half the Hospital's cases were free or part pay.

May we as North Carolina Baptists prayerfully and financially aid in this noble work. It is to be hoped that our Mother's Day offering will be a great love gift for the relief of suf-fering humanity. Our churches in this Association are called upon to contribute to this worthy object of our Lord's work.

J. C.EDWARDS, Comm.

24. The Report on Relief and Annuity, read by Mrs. C. W. Scott, was adopted.

REPORT ON RELIEF AND ANNUITY

One of the appealing items of our organized work is the adequate support and care of the old and disabled ministers of the gospel of Christ. Because of its gripping claims, this part of our great work has grown in the hearts of our people. We do not wish our disabled Soldiers of the Cross turned over to "Sweet Charity" and soon forgotten. Accordingly, in 1918 the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention came into being.

Since January 27, 1932, the work of this Board has been two-fold, viz: Relief and Annuity. All money from the Co-operative Program (three and one-half per cent.) and all designative program (three and one-half per cent.) nated funds to this department go directly to relief work. In 1934 the Board gave \$67,803.49 to 1,153 beneficiaries, including 42 special grants. Since 1918 its relief work has aggregated \$1,753,953.00 to December 31, 1934.

By an arrangement with the Foreign Mission Board, the Relief and Annuity Board has inaugurated a Pension Plan for

our foreign missionaries. As a result many of our missionaries have retired from active service.

Dr. T. J. Watts, Dallas, Texas, is Secretary of this Board. Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. W. SCOTT.

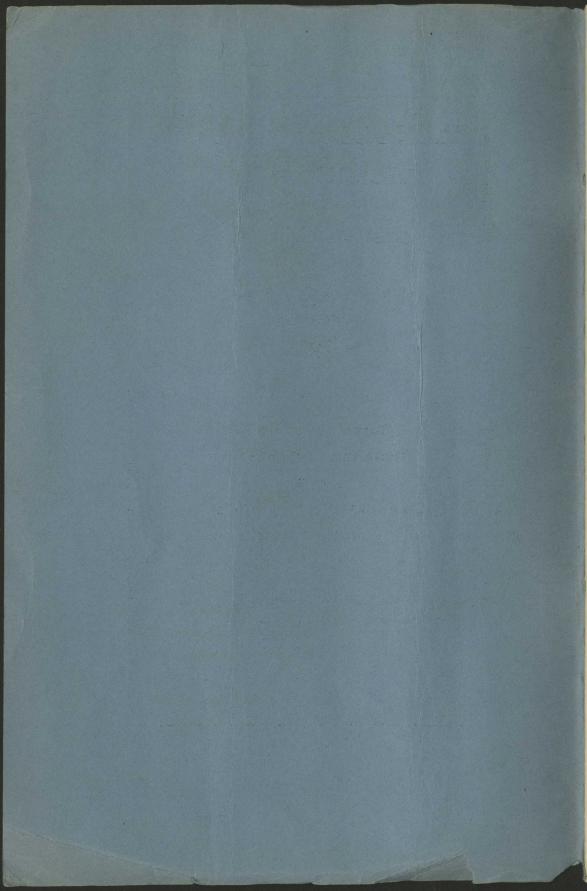
- At this time Dr. A. B. Conrad of the Piedmont Association was recognized, and welcomed as a visitor.
- 26. The Association stood in silent prayer for Rev. J. A. Cox, whose companion has recently slipped away to her eternal reward.
- 27. J. W. Jester, who brought the Westfield Church Letter, was voted as a delegate from church.
- The Report on the Digest of Letters, and summary of year's work was given by O. P. Dix.
- The Association went into the election of officers which resulted as follows:
- H. M. Stroup, Moderator; J. C. Kidd, Vice Moderator; W. F. Cates, Clerk-Treasurer; J. Harvey Mitchell, Sunday School Director; Mrs. M. T. Lambert, W. M. U. Supt.; Mrs C. W. Scott, Assistant W. M. U. Director; Miss Mabel Dix, B. T. U. Director.

Adjournment with prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Praise and Worship service conducted by Miss Alder Grayson.

30. Social Service Report was read by M. E. John-On motion to adopt, Brother Johnson delivered a most forceful and thought-provoking address. The report was adopted.



SOCIAL SERVICE

We are facing today tremendous problems in the realm of social service, we have been for the past few years, and are now in the midst of a most unusual condition, moral, social, economic, and governmental. In every phase of life there seems to be confusion and uncertainty, in many respects a large number of our people seem to have lost their way in respect to the fundamental principles of life, and our most cherished traditions.

The Holy Sabbath Day is being more and more commercialized and made a day of sport instead of worship, and there is a very definite trend toward weakening or repealing all Sunday laws. Our Social security depends in a very large measure upon the proper observance of the Lord's day. We will do well to remember that God on that memorable day on Mount Sinai, when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder spake and said, Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy, six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: Wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

The temperance situation is alarming, the wet trend has swept state after state into the wet ranks, drinking, the archenemy of moral, social, economic, and religious forces, has become a serious problem to thinking people, even women and girls are now included. Homes that were once prosperous and happy, are being broken up and reduced to poverty and want for the necessities of life. Our penal institutions are full of boys and men who have violated the laws of the land and society while under the influence of this demon.

The motion picture shows with an avreage weekly attendance of childhood and youth of more than 28,000,000 has become one of our major social problems. It would be impossible to give an adequate estimate of the moral and emotional effect the pictures of today are having on the youth of our land. Prof. W. W. Charters of the Ohio State University, gives the following analysis of 133 feature-length pictures made last year to entertain this throng of young people. "Quote". Of these 133 feature-length pictures 26 plots or episodes were built on illicit love, that is love outside marriage; 13 plots or episodes were built on seduction acomplished; 12 plots or episodes were built on seduction as attempted or planned; two had episodes based on rape 18 characters nearly all leading characters, lived in open adultery; three presented prostitutes as leading characters. In all there were 107 major and distinct violations of sex morality and decency in the 133 pictures. As to crime there were 32 murders, five suicides, seventeen with gangsters or crooks in leading roles and twenty seven other pictures showing crime as a leading element. Surely these facts present a challnge to the christian forces of each community in our great nation.

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One of the most deplorable features in our present situation is disregard for law and order, and the needless sacrifice of human life. A trail of blood crushed from human bodies and dragged by automobiles operated by careless and drunken

drivers, actually mark the highways and city streets of our

Meeting these social problems, alone with numerous others in our midst, is indeed a challenge that will test our faith and courage.

Respectfully submitted, M. E. JOHNSON.

31. The Sunday School Report, prepored by J. Harvey Mitchell, was read by H. M. Stroup, who, upon motion to adopt, spoke briefly to the report.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School work during this first Associational has been most encouraging. Pastors, superintendents, year has been most encouraging. Pastors, superintendents, secretaries and the great host of teachers and workers have joined together in the task of advancing God's kingdom through the teaching of His word. Their spirit of cooperation in carrying on an associational program receives the hearty commendation of the associational superintendent and his co-

workers.

The associational-wide Sunday School revival the last week in July was the high light of the year in renewing interest and zeal in the work. Under the leadership of State Secretary Morgan and his fine group of workers, training courses were taught in all but two Sunday schools in the association. Even those schools have caught the spirit of the revival, and from every church come good reports of increased attendance and growth in interest and consecration. One new Sunday school has been organized and two have reached the standard of excellence set by our Sunday School board. Gifts increased throughout the year and the support of the orphanage has been liberal.

The Sunday School census taken during the revival revealed a great task and opportunity awaiting Randolph Baptist in the enlistment of the great number of prospective members who are out of Sunday school and prefer the Baptist schols. In practically every church there is a growing need of enlargement of space and equipment to care for the newly-

enrolled members and others yet to come.

The use of the Baptist literature in every Sunday school has been one of the aims of the associational program during the year. The service rendered by our own Baptist Sunday School board in the preparation of lesson materials designed primarily for Baptist Sunday Schoo l and in offering this material at a reasonable price should encourage every Baptist Sunday school to use it. It is urged that we not forget that the Bible is the master textbook of the Sunday school and that its use in the class study be encouraged. Wiser use of the quarterly will prevent the woeful waste that results in handing out books that are carried home and never used.

Teachers and offirers in Sunday School need to awake to the fact that we are far behind our time in the preparatio needed for teaching Sunday School lessons. The meagre equipment that we have to work with in day school is astounding indeed. It is recommended that if we should draw our young people, and older ones too, to Sunday school that we make the church and Sunday school rooms the most attractive places in the community.

The need for truly consecrated teachers and officers is deeply felt in many Baptist Sunday schools. The great task of soul-winning can be accomplished only by those teachers and leaders who have given themselves entirely to the service of the master. Only to such as dare we trust the guidance of our fine youth as they search for spiritual truth and knowledge. It is urged, therefore, that Sunday schools seek dilligently for the best leaders to carry on this noble task.

J. HARVEY MITCHELL.

32. At this time the W. M. U. Superintendent was given opportunity to make announcements.

33. The B. T. U. Report was given by William Henry Leonard. On motion to adopt, Bro. Leonard spoke on this phase of the work.

B. T. U. REPORT

The first B. Y. P. U. convention was organized at Durham, N. C., in the year 1910 with 10 unions and 250 members. Much progress has been made in the state during these past 25 years. Today, there are in our state around 2,500 unions with approximately 60,000 members. These unions include, Adults, Seniors, Intermediates, and Juniors.

Although much progress has been made, in the work of the B. Y. P. U. there is still a great work yet to be done, as there is a large percent of the Baptist churches without unions. unions.

Last year our unions were given the name, B. T. U. They have been rightly named as it is truly an organization in which Baptist Members receive training that they might carry on the work of the Lord in a more efficient way. Some of our most consecrated leaders received their training in the B. T. U.

In our own Randolph Association our work is growing, but still the greatest task lies before us. We have not been able to accomplish the things we would have liked to, but we realize our Association is young, and our department has not been fully organized.

There are in our Association 29 unions. These are as follows, Adult 2, Senior 13, Intermediate 7, Junior 7, with an enrollment of around 400.

Our meetings have been held each quarter and have proved to be a success. May we thank God for these past blessings and ask his leadership as we press on to the work before us.

W. H. LEONARD.

34. Report of Committee to nominate Executive Committee, recommends the following:

H. M. Stroup, Chairman. J. C. Kidd, Vice Chairman.

District No. 1—J. C. Edwards, J. A. Martin. District No. 2—M. E. Johnson, Vester Moore. District No. 3—Mrs. Myrtle Hare, Sam Scarlett. District No. 4—A. C. Smith, Geo. Ferree.

- 35. Committee on Promotion Committee Recommends, E. C. Williamson, M. E. Johnson, J. C. Pearce.
- 36. Committee to Nominate Delegates to State Convention reported the name of J. C. Kidd.
- 37 Committee on Place and Preacher, recommend that the next meeting be held with the Shady Grove Church, two miles west of Staley, and that Wilbur W. Hutchins deliver the Introductory Sermon, and R. E. Heath be the alternate.
- 38 Committee on Verbal Reports from the Churches, recommend that O. P. Dix have charge of this period.
- 39. Report of Committee on Program for next Meeting.

Religious Literature: J. C. Pearce.

Baptist Orphanage: Miss Daphne Boon.

State of Churches: O. P. Dix. State Missions: S. F. Morton. Home Missions: A. M. Barker.

Foreign Missions: Miss Nettie B. Moon. Woman's Work: Mrs. M. T. Lambert.

Christian Education: J. C. Kidd.

Hospitals: Jno. W. Clark.

Ministerial Relief and Annuity: J. C. Edwards.

Social Service: R. E. Heath.

Sunday Schools: J. Harvey Mitchell.

Baptist Training Union: Miss Mabel Dix.

Obituary: Mrs. C. W. Scott.

H. M. STROUP
O. P. DIX
R. E. HEATH,
Committee,

40. The Committee on Resolutions presents the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We the delegates and representatives from the various churches of this Association wish to express to the people of this community our thanks for their thoughtfulness in providing road markers which enabled us to find our way to the place of meeting.

We also wish to extend to this church and its pastor our appreciation and thanks for the fine christian fellowship and hospitality which has been extended to us. Nothing has been left undone that would add to our comfort and pleasure.

We especially wish to thank the good ladies of the church for the bountiful spread put before us each day. Truly the physical man has been ministered to as well as the spiritual man, while we have visited with you.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. T. L. HELMNS
MRS. M. T. LAMBERT
M. E. JOHNSON,

Committee.

40-A. The Auditing Committee submits the following:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We your auditing committee have gone over and checked all items of receipts and disbursements and found the same to be correct.

C. W. HILLARD,

M. E. JOHNSON.

J. H. MITCHELL, Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Oct. 25—Offering at organization meeting\$4.90	
Oct. 30—Paid for ledger	.25
Nov. 20—Postal Cards	.25
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- 41. The Association expresses love and appreciation of the person and work of our Moderator, Rev. H. T. Stevens, who is taking up work in Newport News, Va. Thanking him for his untiring eforts in the promotion of our Association; pledging him and his faithful wife our prayers, and wishing them every success in their new field of endeavor.
- 42. The Promotion Committee is added to the Executive Committee.
- 43. The Clerk, by vote, of the Association, is to receive Twenty-five Dollars for his service, and in addition, all expenses incurred in connection with his work.
- 44. The Clerk is authorized to cut all reports to six hundred words or less.
- 45. The Moderator rules that the Program Committee be continued, and that they report to the Executive committee their findings, these to be inserted in the minutes. This was done.
- 46. Our retiring Moderator, H. T. Stevens, very feelingly expressed his love for, and abiding interest in the Randolph Association. He then called Mrs. Stevens to his side, and together they stood waving an affectionate farewell.
- 47. The Association adjourned with song and prayer.

OBITUARY

W. A. Russell, Gravel Hill Mrs. Emma Winningham, Central Falls, Last Charter Member Mr. C. W. Scott, Deacon, Asheeboro Miss Marry Bell McDowell, Asheboro Mrs. Ina Lane, Mt. Pleasant Mr. Thomas Foust, Shady Grove Mrs. H. L. Jackson, Randleman Mrs. W. D. Curtis, Randleman Mr. N. N. Newlin, Deacon, Randleman Mr. Wade H. Lowe, Macedonia Mrs. Eliza Garner, Deep River Mr. J. D. Allred, Central Falls Mrs. Fannie Howard, Bulah Mrs. G. M. Whitehead, Ramseur Mrs. S. F. Pell, Ramseur Mr. J. C. Williamson, Franklinville Mr. Charlie Luther, Mt. Lebanon Medie Chrisco, Union Grove

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RANDOLPH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Held With

FRANKLINVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

October 25th

1934

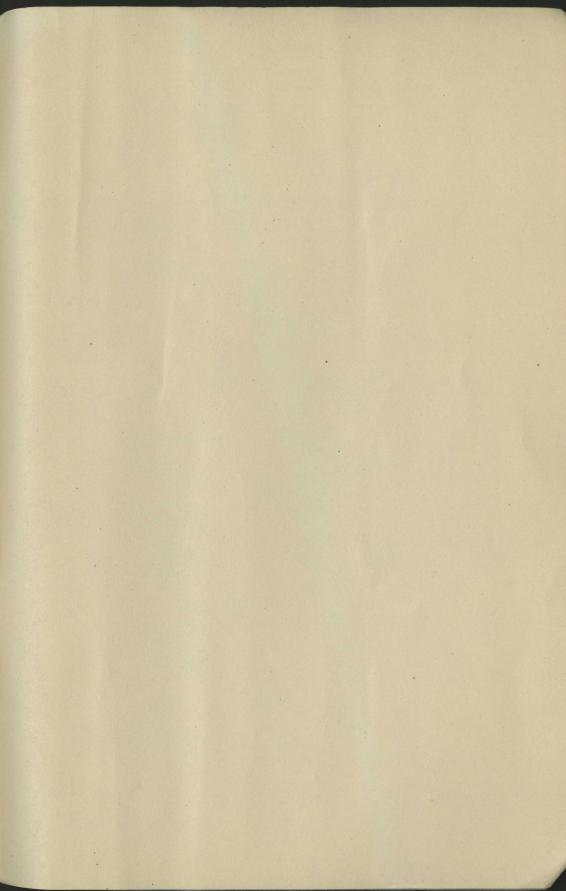
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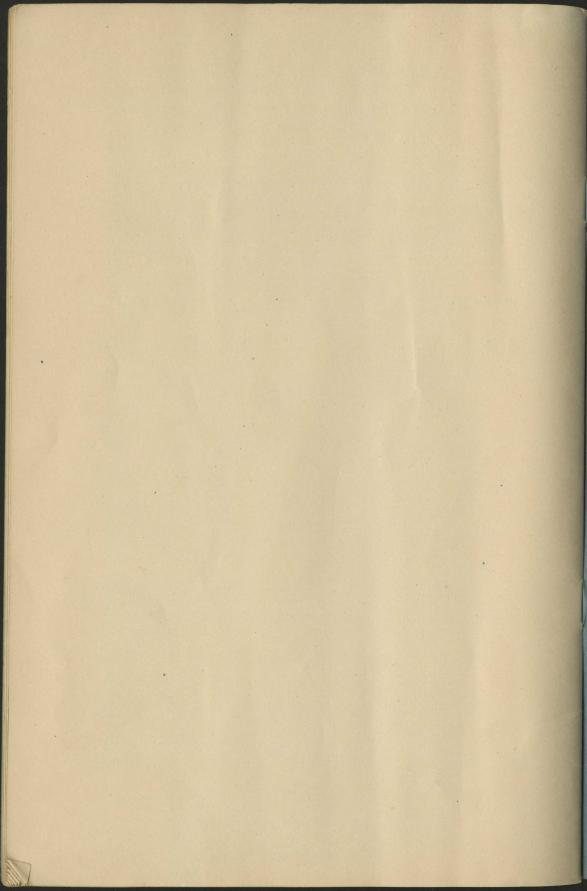
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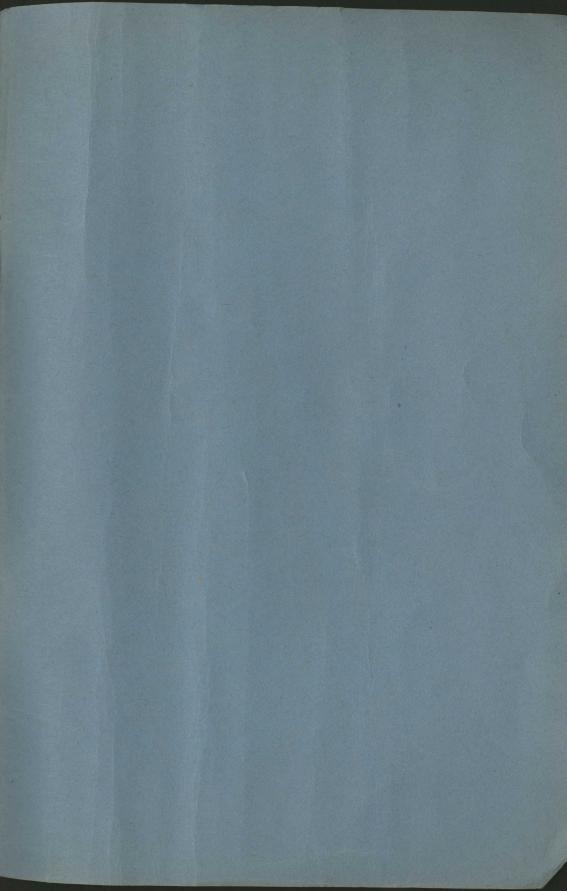
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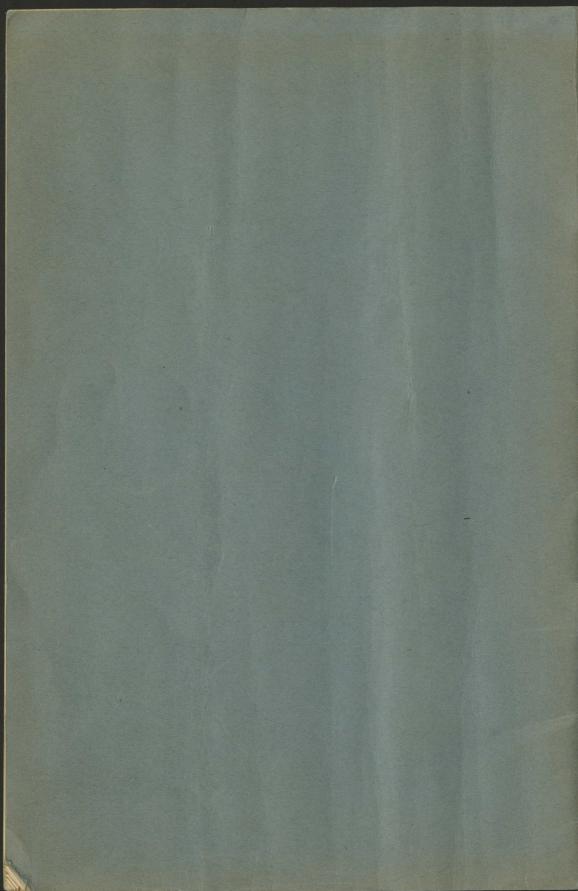
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PREAMBLE

The need of the Randolph county Association grew out of the fact that in the county there are twenty-eight Baptist churches and these churches were divided up between four associations: The Piedmont, Sandy Creek, Liberty and Montgomery. Because of this situation there was very little Baptist unity or fellowship among the churches in the county.

In each Association the Randolph churches were in the "twilight zone" and it was almost impossible to develop the churches as they should be.

On April 30, 1934 the following pastors of the county met in the home of pastor Herman T. Stevens in Asheboro; H. M. Stroup, J. C. Kidd, R. E. Heath, J. C. Edwards and O. P. Dix. Present at this meeting also was Rev. J. M. Page, Bro. J. C. Pearce and Bro. E. E. Morgan.

After prayer and full discussion of the matter a motion was made by Bro O. P. Dix and seconded by Bro. J. C. Kidd that we seek the organization of an association within the bounds of Randolph County.

Bro. J. M. Page suggested that when sixteen churches voted to unite with the new association that the association be formed. This suggestion was accepted.

After this first meeting, the pastors met each month until the final organization which took place in Franklinville, N. C., October 25, 1934.

At the time of the organization twenty one churches had voted to join.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. NAME AND OBJECT

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be "The Ran-

dolph Baptist Association.

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

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of duly elected

messengers of Baptist churches.

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

Section 3. Any church desiring membership shall make application by letter and messengers, and shall be admitted by ma-

jority vote.

ARTICLE III. POWERS

Section 1. Each church co-operating in this Association is independent and sovereign and must be so regarded and guarded. Section 2. This Association reserves the right to say who shall become a member and who shall remain in its fold.

ARTICLES IV. MEETINGS

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

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

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1. This Association shall have a Moderator, Vice

Moderator and Clerk-Treasurer.

Section 2. The Moderator shall be elected the last day of the Associational gathering and serve through the next session.

ARTICLES VI. RULES OF DECORUM

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

ARTICLE VII. EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board shall be composed of the

Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk along with two other members from each of the four divisions of the territory.

Section 2. This Association shall be divided into four parts, Highways Nos. 90 and 70 constituting the divisions. The Northeast division shall be District No. 1. The South-east division District No. 2 and the South was division. trict No. 2, and the South-west division District No. 3., and the North-west division District No. 4.

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

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ORGANIZATION

of the

RANDOLPH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Thursday, October 25th, 1934, 1:30 P. M.

The auditorium of the Franklinville High School was used for this meeting which was called to order by Rev. H. M. Stroup, temporary chairman.

After singing "Amazing Grace" the chairman called on Rev.

O. P. Dix, who conducted the devotional service.

W. F. Cates was asked to act as temporary secretary.

Rev. H. T. Stevens stated the purpose of the meeting which was: that the churches affiliated with the Piedmont, Liberty, Sandy Creek, and Montgomery Associations, being within the bounds of Randolph County form a new association.

ROLL CALL OF THE CHURCHES

Churches	No. Representatives
Asheboro	Eight
Ralfour	Six
Bulah	Four
Center Cross	Three
Central Falls	Four
Glenola	One
Gravel Hill	One
Franklinville	Eleven
Huldah	Three
Liberty	Eight
Macedonia	One
Mt. Lebanon	Five
Ramseur	Two
Randleman	Five
Sandy Creek	Five
Shady Grove	Three
Worthville	Three

By unanimous vote the body proceeded to set up a permanent associational organization.

The tentative constitution and by-laws was then read, which. with one word being stricken out was by an unanimous vote adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Rev. H. T. Stevens was unanimously elected as Moderator, who, taking the chair, the following officers were elected:

Nominations for Vice Moderator

A. M. Barker, M. E. Johnson, H. M. Stroup.

The vote was by ballot with the following results: Stroup 55, Barker 7, Johnson 6.

H. M. Stroup was declared elected Vice Moderator.

W. F. Cates was elected Clerk-Treasurer, by a rising vote.

which was unanimous.

Nominations for Director of Sunday School Work. J. Harvey Mitchell, J. V. McCombs.

The vote being: Mitchell 63, McCombs 5.

B. T. U. Director. W. H. Leonard was unanimously elected. W. M. U. President. Nominations—Miss Nettie Moon, Mrs. H. T. Stevens, Mrs. C. W. Scott. Miss Moon asked that her name be withdrawn.

Mrs. H. T. Stevens was elected President, with Mrs. C. W.

Scott as Assistant.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER I. PLACE

Invitations were received from Asheboro, Bulah and Shady Grove Churches. After very enthusiastic discussion, the vote of the body was that we go to Bulah Church for our first Associational meeting.

II. PREACHER

Rev. J. C. Kidd was elected to preach the sermon, with Rev. W. Wilbur Hutchins as alternate.

III. TIME

Thursday and Friday, before the fourth Sunday in October, 1935.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Association being divided into four districts, two representatives from each district together with the pastors are to compose the executive board, these being as follows:

District No. 1

J. C. Edwards, E. C. Williamson.

District No. 2

M. E. Johnson, Vester Moore.

District No. 3

Mrs. J. A. Richardson, Sam Scarlett. District No. 4

A. C. Smith, George Ferree.

Bro. O. P. Dix made a motion that the Association inaugurate what shall be known as "Fellowship Week" which motion carried, it being left to the executive board to be worked out.

The Clerk was ordered to have the minutes of the meeting

printed and distributed among the churches.

Brother Smith offered to pay for the printing of the minutes provided it does not cost over ten dollars.

The Association gave a rising vote of thanks to Bro. Smith

for this kind offer.

The Clerk was asked to make a list of the officers elected and mail to the churches, so they may have the officers in mind

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Mr. Casper Warren, of Danville, was recognized as a visitor and gave encouragement in our work.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made. After singing "Blest Be the Tie" the Association was adjourned with prayer by Bro. Casper Warren.

An offering for the incidental expenses of the Clerk was taken which amounted to four dellars and ninety cents.

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