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State Missions J. W. Noell
Foreign Missions C. M. Murchison
Home Missions D. W. Overby
Union Meetings C. J. Yarborough
Orphanage E. J. Tucker
Sunday Schools E. F. Upchurch
Ministerial Relief H. T. Allison
Woman's Work V. E. Duncan
Board of Education J. A. Beam
Digest of Church Letters A. J. Crutchfield
Obituaries B. S. Graves

PROCEEDINGS

Yanceyville Baptist Church, Caswell County, N. C.,

July 28, 1915.

The eighty-first annual session of the Beulah Baptist Association met with Yanceyville Baptist Church this morning at 10:30 o'clock. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. I. Kendrick, the Baptist State Convention representative of the Wake Forest Church.

With Rev. D. F. Putnam presiding, the Association proceeded to organization.

The roll of churches was called and the following were enrolled as delegates from the different churches: Blanche, D. Y. Mebane; Bethel Hill, A. J. Crutchfield; Ephesus, S. M. Green, A. J. Green, V. E. Duncan; Kerr's Chapel, T. H. Patillo, J. L. Underwood, T. A. Boswell; Lambeth Memorial, R. A. Clay, Clarence Boyd; Lea Bethel, M. D. Dunkley; Providence, A. H. Boswell, J. F. Sledge; Rock Grove, S. T. Slaughter, R. G. Slaughter, W. T. Wilkerson; Roxboro, A. R. Foushee, J. W. Noell, E. J. Tucker, E. B. Yancey, D. F. Putnam, M. F. Hodges; Semora, J. F. Swan, J. B. Yarborough; Shiloh, H. C. Meyers, W. R. Bryant, G. B. Yarborough, J. J. Yarborough; Trinity, C. J. Yarborough, Rufus Stamps; Thomasville, M. D. Walters; Yanceyville, B. S. Graves, A. L. Page, E. J. Moorefield, P. F. Sutton, L. A. Gwynn, J. H. Kerr.

After the enrollment of delegates, Rev. D. F. Putnam was elected Moderator, V. E. Duncan, Clerk, and R. A. Clay, Treasurer.

The Moderator then called the Association to order for business.

Brethren E. F. Upchurch and J. W. Noell were appointed to act with A. J. Crutchfield on the Committee on Sunday Schools.

Motion passed that Brother J. I. Kendrick be given a hearing on the Wake Forest Church. His address was instructive, logical, and forceful, as to what we ought to do in regard to this great enterprise.

By motion the Association adopted the plans of Brother Kendrick to raise \$200, the remainder of three hundred apportioned to this Association, and that we as an Association obligate ourselves to pay this amount.

Motion was passed that the apportionment of this amount

the local Ladies' Auxiliary in an episode described very clearly the life in the Louisville Training School. A collection for this school was then taken amounting to \$4.36.

The body was then dismissed after prayer by Brother M. F. Hodges.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

At 9:30 o'clock devotional exercises were conducted by Brother H. T. Allison.

The moderator then called the Association to order. The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The following committees were then appointed:

Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher—S. T. Slaughter, H. T. Allison, G. B. Yarborough.

Committee on Biblical Recorder—V. E. Duncan, M. F. Hodges, P. M. Sommers.

Committee on Foreign Missions—C. M. Murchison, J. F. Swan, R. A. Clay.

Brother J. W. Noell then submitted the Report on the Orphanage. It is as follows:

THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

It has been thirty years since this institution was established, and could John H. Mills, of sainted memory, take a look at it today he would not recognize the place. During his day it was a small affair, housing and caring for only a few children. What is it today?

Twenty or more good buildings.

350 acre farm.

Beautiful grounds—few so beautiful.

Splendidly equipped laundry.

Herd of sixty fine Holstein cattle. Best cattle barn in central Carolina.

Ample horses and mules to care for farm.

Electric lights, telephone, bath tubs and water in every home.

Plant worth \$232,195.35.

Endowment fund \$109,933.19.

And best of all 494 children. For these children are the most valuable asset the Baptist people of this State ever had under their care.

Since the beginning this institution has enrolled 1597, leaving about 1100 children who have been educated, morally and mentally, many of whom have given good account of themselves. They have entered the various trades and professions. It is rather remarkable that not a single one has been called to the ministry. Personally, I never visit this hallowed spot without feeling a nearness to God that I rarely feel elsewhere, yet these

boys are reared here and none have felt the call of this great commission.

The Orphanage has made great strides, but in no part of its work has greater improvement been made than along educational lines. When a child completes the course now it is pretty well equipped for life, the school graduates in the tenth grade.

And all of this great work is done without any begging or passing around the hat. Largely the Baptist people have done it by voluntary offerings. The total receipts for the current fund, exclusive of interest from the endowment fund, were \$46,941.73. While the receipts for the current fund were ample still, there is a debt of about \$33,000 on the Orphanage. This debt is due to the fact that many improvements were made at Thomasville and at the Kennedy Home, all started before the war was upon us. But this debt need not excite any one, for there are assets for \$25,000. These assets are in lands and bonds which can not be disposed of advantageously at the present time.

However, with more than 500 children to care for it behooves us all to do our best, and we earnestly urge the following pledge:

That each church in this Association make an advance of at least twenty-five per cent in their contributions this year over the past year.

That each Sunday School give one Sunday's collection each month to the Orphanage. If already following this custom, that the collection be advanced twenty-five per cent over last year.

If all of the Associations in the State will do this, and every Baptist Sunday School in the State will give one Sunday's collection every month the children will be fed, clothed and instructed and we will have no debt to report at our next annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. NOELL.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by J. W. Noell and F. P. Hamrick.

The report was adopted.

The Report on Biblical Recorder was called for and submitted by the clerk. It is as follows:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER.

As organ of the Baptist State Convention, the Recorder has a peculiar and distinct work, not to be performed by any other publication; and the separate consideration that this organization gives to the journal should serve to make more emphatic the Association's conception of the Recorder's peculiar work and mission.

As a newspaper, the Recorder has the ordinary functions of a religious journal to perform—that of furnishing our Baptist people with edifying reading matter and news of the coming

Kingdom. It is performing this function admirably. Its readers cannot but grow in grace. The homes into which it comes cannot but be better for its coming.

But it is not simply as a religious newspaper that your committee would present the Recorder to this Association. We wish to point out the features of its work and mission as organ. The Recorder has for nearly fourscore years been the organ of the Baptist State Convention's work. That is to say, it is the connectional agency by means of which the full force of our denomination is brought to the support of our enterprises. This is indispensable to our denominational welfare.

Again, the Recorder, as organ, is the voice of defense for our institutions. If attacked, or if untoward policies are threatened by others, by means of the Biblical Recorder our people are called to arms and their will is declared. Without such a protective agency, we do not believe that our institutions would be safe.

Ideals of moral and social life are emphasized in its columns and its influence in these two phases of state life has to be reckoned with by the advocates of low moral, or social order. And, finally, the Recorder as organ voices those principles and doctrines which have identified our people as a peculiar people. Without such a means of common utterances, obviously our denominational integrity could not be maintained a decade.

The Biblical Recorder, then, is our great source of unity and intelligence, our voice of defense and progress. In all its history—rich with the record of faithful service—it has never been more effectual, more prosperous, more faithful or more worthy than it is now.

The circulation of the Recorder is growing. But there are many homes into which it should be put. We urge our pastors to make a point of discovering such homes and of endeavoring to put the Recorder into them.

Respectfully submitted,

V. E. DUNCAN.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by the writer, Brother Tucker and Brother Hamrick.

Brother J. P. Tucker offered the following amendment:

Whereas, the United States Government, through the Pure Food Law and the national anti-narcotic law is seeking to protect its citizens against the evils and dangers of impure foods, and habit-forming drugs; and whereas, the Association of North America through its council on pharmacy and chemistry has for ten years maintained a Propaganda of Reform for the supervision of patent medicine and nostrum evil which is second only to that of alcohol and the narcotics; and whereas, this campaign has been ably seconded by many religious and lay journals by excluding

from their pages nostrums and patent medicines; now, therefore be it—

Resolved, that the time has come to request the Biblical Recorder, the organ of the North Carolina Baptists, that it purge its columns of nostrums, patent medicines, and all "sure cures" of whatever nature; and that this Association request her sister Associations throughout the State to memorialize the managers of the Recorder to change the advertising policy of this, the people's paper, to the end that the ethical standard of the paper shall at least equal that of any other religious journal.

J. P. TUCKER.

The report and amendment were adopted.

The moderator then called for the Report on State Missions. It was submitted by Brother C. M. Murchison, and is as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The story of Baptist State Mission work in North Carolina is indeed thrilling to those who are interested in Kingdom building. For far-seeing Christian statesmanship and for heroic sacrifices, our denominational leaders in this State for the past century can scarcely be surpassed anywhere. Eternity alone can reveal a large part these faithful, consecrated patriots have contributed toward the uplift of multiplied thousands of precious lives, who, in turn, have become mighty factors in the material, intellectual, moral and spiritual development of the State.

The wisdom of our forefathers, who organized our Convention in 1830 in providing for a liberal State Mission policy has been amply justified by the rapid spread and deep-rooting of our Baptist principles from Manteo to Murphy. So that today, instead of the 15,000 Baptists who were in the State when the division came eighty-four years ago there is a mighty army of more than 400,000 souls who are marching under the same banner as did Martin Ross and Thomas Meredith.

Have not Baptists, therefore, just about completed their task in North Carolina? The very fact of our rapid and widespread growth has only magnified and intensified our obligation to train these hosts for world-conquest. So that today the need of the work of the State Mission Board is more imperative than it was fifty years ago, acute as was the situation at that time.

But, independent of the new conditions thrust upon us in recent months, there are still many unfinished tasks for North Carolina Baptists within our own borders. According to the last religious census of the State only a little over forty per cent of all the people of the State are even nominal Christians. There are yet vast areas in our State where the gospel as we preach it, is never heard. Of the 256,599 white Baptists reported in the State, perhaps not more than one-fourth of them

are doing anything much for the growth of the Kingdom. There are yet many strategic centers where our cause is suffering for the lack of proper equipment. Many points are unable to sustain strong, efficient men, such as the exigencies of the fields demand.

The problem of the backward country church we have always with us. Though the great bulwark of our Baptist strength has ever been in the country, yet if all the churches could be aroused so that they could catch a vision of the great tasks before us, our strength would be multiplied a hundredfold.

But a better day is dawning. The work of our State Mission agencies, including that of our Sunday School, B. Y. P. U., Enlistment, and W. M. U. departments, is already bearing rich fruitage.

We need to emphasize more and more the supreme value of spiritual religion for the individual life, which will manifest itself in daily conduct. A galvanized religion will not stand the test of these times. The true evangelistic note must sound out clear and strong from every pulpit from the mountains to the sea.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. MURCHISON.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Brother Murchison, H. T. Allison, F. M. Hodges, D. F. Putnam.

The report was adopted.

The following committee was appointed by the moderator: Committee on Ministerial Relief—D. W. Overby, A. J. Green, J. H. Kerr.

Rev. Mr. Edwards, pastor of the Methodist charge of the Yanceyville vicinity, was then recognized by the moderator.

There being no report on the Laymen's Movement prepared, D. F. Putnam made a short speech on the subject. He was followed by G. B. Yarborough and J. W. Noell.

Motion was passed that the following men be appointed as a committee on the Laymen's Movement: G. B. Yarborough, E. F. Upchurch, J. F. Swan, A. J. Crutfield.

After prayer by Rev. Mr. Edwards the Association adjourned until 1:45 Wednesday afternoon.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 1:45 there was a short praise service with prayer by Dr. J. F. Swan.

The Association was then called to order.

The Report on Temperance was called for and submitted by G. B. Yarborough, and was adopted without discussion. It is as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We can congratulate ourselves on the work that is being done along the line of temperance. But yet we must not rest in our work, for we should remember that strong drink is the devil's best agent, and one that is ever at work. We must also remember that it has greatly hindered the cause of Christianity all over the world. Therefore let us press forward and use every effort to eradicate this great evil.

Respectfully submitted,

G. B. YARBOROUGH.

The Report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher was called for and submitted by S. T. Slaughter. It is as follows:

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER.

Time, Tuesday after the first Sunday in August. Place, Rock Grove Baptist Church. Preacher, D. W. Overby; Alternate, M. F. Hodges. Railroad station, Roxboro, N. C.

Committee—S. T. Slaughter, H. T. Allison, G. B. Yarborough.

The report was adopted.

Brother R. A. Clay then submitted the Report on Woman's work. It is as follows:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The work of the women of our State shows each year a gradual and gratifying growth. The work of the Associations have been greatly strengthened, and the Associational meetings have been excellently planned and largely attended.

There has been a gradual growth in all departments of the work during the past year, the most marked advance being along the line of mission study: 126 mission study classes, an increase of new subscribers to the Foreign Mission Journal, and the Home Field. This shows that our women are realizing more and more the importance of making intelligent information the basis of more efficient work. As usual, an encouraging number of new workers have been enlisted. As we follow this work for the past twenty-eight years, we trace its growth from infancy to maturity, from the day when fourteen delegates attended the first annual meeting to 580 present at the meeting in Raleigh last year. Today we have on roll 1162 societies, and an annual contribution of over \$42,000. The history of the woman's work, is one of encouragement and inspiration for greater service in the future.

And so the opportunity is larger than ever before, the responsibility greater than it has been in the past. Surely it is the time for the Baptist women of North Carolina to unite with quickened

loyalty and deepened consecration to make this work a gift of love worthy of our King.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. CLAY, Committee.

Motion was passed that the report be adopted.

The report of the Committee on Length of Session was then submitted by J. W. Noell.

LENGTH OF SESSION.

We, your Committee on days of meeting, beg leave to report as follows:

That the Association meet on Tuesday and adjourn on Wednesday evening, program to be arranged to occupy only the days above mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. NOELL,

E. F. UPCHURCH.

By a unanimous vote the report was adopted.

The Report on Education was then submitted by D. F. Putnam. It is as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The 1913 session of the Baptist State Convention passed a motion to commit our educational work to the budget plan as other objects of the Convention. A committee was appointed consisting of our educational leaders which made a report at last session in Raleigh, that changes our entire course of procedure. A new Board of Education was created which is located at Durham. This displaces the old Board of Education, which was organized with the primary object of fostering ministerial education.

Some notable events have marked the progress of the Baptists of North Carolina, namely: the organization of the Baptist State Convention, the founding of Wake Forest College, and the establishing of the Biblical Recorder early last century. Of more recent date the Orphanage at Thomasville and Meredith College. None of these, great as they were, mean more to the Kingdom, as Baptists represent it, than does this last move of the Convention, which has already been put into execution by electing members of said Board, who have proceeded to elect a secretary in the person of Dr. R. T. Vann, who has just closed a most brilliant career at Meredith, and has already entered upon his work.

The new Board will still continue to administer the affairs of ministerial education, and in addition will foster all our secondary schools and colleges. In the former times when money must be raised for our colleges, some man was put in the field

to canvass the State. It is the hope of the Board and the Convention to bring this subject of Christian education to bear upon the hearts of our great denomination so that we will contribute to education as to our mission work, and that these campaigns will not be necessary. This with the safety of our Baptist schools and the maintenance of a system of Christian education should find a ready response in the hearts of North Carolina Baptists.

One of three things must be done, we must educate our children in our own Baptist schools or turn them over to the State institutions, which can not attempt to foster any system of Christian teaching, or to other denominations, who will take our brightest and best, then will Baptists begin to be known no more on earth.

The aim for this year is fifteen thousand dollars. To do this we must raise \$11,000 from now till the Convention in December. We recommend that each church in the Beulah Association take a collection for this object before the meeting of the Baptist State Convention.

D. F. PUTNAM, For Committee.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Brother Putnam.

The Report on Foreign Missions was then called for and submitted by Brother Murchison. It is as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Foreign Mission Board is the effort on our part to carry out the last command of our Lord and Master to go into all the world and make disciples of all nations. The challenge of the hour to all our churches is the present call of our foreign mission work. The conditions of the world today are giving tremendous emphasis to the fact that all men need a simple New Testament religion. The non-Christian nations are awakening in a wonderful way and inquiring for the path of peace and the way of life. The doors are wide open. The people are more accessible than ever before. The harvest fields are ripe and we should now thrust in the sickle and reap on a scale that will far transcend anything in the past.

The Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Virginia, composed of eighteen local members and eighteen State members representing each State in co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention, is conducting work in Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, China, Japan and Africa. In these fields the missionaries reported last year 382 churches with 819 out-stations, 33,584 church members, 442 Sunday Schools with 23,959 scholars and 8,833 students in mission schools, 384 of whom are in theological seminaries and training schools preparing to preach the gospel to their own people. There are 300 missionaries on

the fields, 20 of whom were sent out during the past year, and a total of 651 native workers. Notwithstanding difficult conditions on many of the fields caused by the European war and the injury to the work in Mexico from chaotic political conditions in that country, 5,190 baptisms were reported during the year.

The distressing financial conditions throughout the South created by the war in Europe caused a falling off in contributions to foreign missions last year. Many of the churches made heroic and sacrificial efforts, but some of them were not able to keep up their usual contributions. This will make it more difficult for us to maintain the work this year unless God's people meet the situation in a still more heroic spirit. The Convention in Houston asked for an apportionment of \$624,000 for foreign missions last year. Every dollar of it will be needed to carry on the work successfully. Our supreme task now should be the raising of the apportionment as a minimum in every Association and every State. We should not for a moment think of anything less and we must do more than this if possible; we therefore recommend:

1. That we, as an Association, undertake to raise for foreign missions our full proportion of the above sum; that this amount be divided among the churches on an equitable basis; that we earnestly urge the churches to contribute the amount asked of them; that each church inaugurate a plan of systematic weekly or monthly giving and remitting for this cause so that the work may be taken care of and debt and interest payments be avoided.

2. That each pastor in the Association appoint a committee in each church of which he is pastor to canvass the membership with a view of securing a subscription to the Foreign Mission Journal in every Baptist family within our bounds, so that our people may be more fully informed as to our world-wide work.

C. M. MURCHISON, For Committee.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Brother Murchison and the clerk.

A collection was then taken to remove an obligation to Brother D. W. Overby for State Mission work in this Association.

The Report on Ministerial Relief was then submitted by J. L. Underwood for D. W. Overby. It is as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

This Board is doing a great work to relieve the wants of our aged ministers, who have done so much to plant the gospel in our country districts and villages.

These men did not receive much for their faithful work, and now in their old age have but little of this world's goods, and it should be a pleasure for us to help them in their last days,

and make them feel that their faithful work is much appreciated by all who are now reaping the fruits of their labors.

Your committee would recommend that all of our churches increase their offerings year by year to this worthy cause so that the Board may do more for these faithful and true servants of the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. OVERBY.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Brother Underwood and Brother Allison.

The committee, to recommend the Executive Committee, submitted the following report:

We, your committee, recommend for the Executive Board, the following brethren: C. M. Murchison, D. F. Putnam, B. S. Graves, J. W. Noell, J. B. Yarborough.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. YARBOROUGH,
A. J. CRUTCHFIELD,
S. M. GREEN.

The report was adopted.

The Finance Committee submitted their report.

Motion was passed that the report be adopted and inserted in the minutes. (With tables.)

Motion passed that each church be requested, by notification by the clerk, to contribute three cents \$(0.03) per member for minutes.

Brother R. A. Clay, the treasurer, submitted the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

R. A. Clay, Treasurer, in account with the Beulah Association for the year ending July 31, 1915.

Dr.

To amount received from the churches as per the Financial Committee report in the minutes of July, 1914\$ 241.78

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Aug.—By amount paid the clerk for minutes	\$ 40.01
“ By amount paid Orphanage	35.35
“ By amount paid Walters Durham	166.42

Total\$ 241.78

The report was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this body extend a note of thanks to the good people of this church, and community for their kind hospitality in entertaining the delegates and visitors of this session of our Association.

J. W. NOELL.

The moderator then announced the chairman of the committees for the next session.

The following were appointed as a committee on Union Meetings: C. J. Yarborough, P. F. Sutton, V. E. Duncan.

There being no further business the Association adjourned to meet with Rock Grove Baptist Church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in August, 1916.

D. F. PUTNAM, Moderator.

V. E. DUNCAN, Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The Woman's Missionary Union, of Beulah Baptist Association, met in its third annual session in the M. E. Church in Yanceyville, N. C., July 27, 1915. The meeting was opened by singing the doxology. Devotional exercises, John 15:1-12 conducted by Mrs. B. L. Powell, prayer by Miss Blanche Barrus.

Reports from the Societies: Blanche, Mrs. B. L. Powell; Lea Bethel, Miss Helen Graves, Miss E. G. Thompson; Milton, Mrs. H. T. Allison; Providence, Mrs. J. F. Sledge, Mrs. John Wilson; Rock Grove, letter; Roxboro, Mrs. H. H. Masten; Yanceyville, Miss Georgie Robertson, Miss Margaret Page, Mrs. E. F. Upchurch, Mrs. H. W. Perry.

Address of welcome by Mrs. B. S. Graves. Response by Miss Ella Graves Thompson, of Leasburg. Annual address of Vice-President, Mrs. C. M. Murchison, on "Our Association, Its Relation and Obligation to the W. M. U."

Miss Blanche Barrus, of Raleigh, addressed the meeting on "The Needs and Problems of W. M. work."

Committees appointed to report at afternoon session.
Adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

A paper prepared on "How to Instruct and Interest Children in Missions," by Mrs. B. W. Ray, deceased, of Leaksville-Spray for this meeting, was read by Mrs. C. M. Murchison. An interesting Sunbeam demonstration, conducted by Mrs. B. S. Graves, was much enjoyed. A paper by Mrs. H. H. Masten on "Greater Efficiency in Our Societies." The Nominating Committee reported Mrs. C. M. Murchison, Associational Superintendent; Miss M. A. Page, Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. E. F. Upchurch, Y. W. A. Superintendent; Mrs. H. W. Perry, Sunbeam Superintendent. A resolution of thanks to the Methodists for the use of their church was passed by a rising vote.

In open conference each delegation agreed to visit the church nearest them and try to interest the women in W. M. U. work and organize Mission Societies. Prayer by Mrs. Allison. Night session. Devotional exercises by Rev. D. F. Putnam, prayer by Rev. H. T. Allison. Mrs. C. M. Murchison gave a talk on "Our Training School at Louisville, Its Object." This was followed by "An Episode, in Three

Scenes, of Training School Life," by the Y. W. A., closed by a solo by Miss Elizabeth Graves. Benediction by Rev. D. F. Hodges.

MARGARET A. PAGE, Secretary.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be called the Beulah Baptist Association.

Art. 2. This Association shall be composed of, first, all the ordained ministers who are members of or have pastoral charge of the churches within this Association district, who shall be members of the Association, ex-officio; secondly, not more than six delegates from each church within the district aforesaid, who shall produce letters from the churches certifying their appointments, in which said letters from the said churches shall show their conditions, losses and changes of membership, since the last Association.

Art. 3. The Association shall be held at least once a year at such time and place as they may appoint; and shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Art. 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, one Clerk and Treasurer; the last two offices may be held by the same individual, should such be the pleasure of the Association.

Art. 5. The officers aforesaid shall be chosen at each annual session of the Association, by ballot or nomination, as may be the pleasure of a majority of the members, and the Clerk shall be eligible to continue in office until another is appointed; and shall at all times perform the duties of treasurer, unless another individual be appointed to the latter office.

Art. 6. The Association shall have no right to interfere with the internal regulations of the churches, but may tender them advice, and in case any of them should become corrupt in doctrine or practice, exclude such from their fellowship; and shall also have the power to adopt such measures as may be deemed proper to promote the interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

Art. 7. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

Art. 8. All committees of arrangements shall be appointed, of which the Moderator and Clerk shall be members ex-officio.

Art. 9. It shall be the duty of Committee of Arrangements to prepare the business of the Association, and to consider the expediency or in expediency of bringing any matter before the Association. The action of the committee, however, in relation to any matter shall not be conclusive; and any matter or proposition which may be rejected by them, may be brought before the Association by any member thereof, who may not concur in that decision.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Association to deliberate

on the matter prepared by the committee, whether queries or propositions from the churches, or suggestions from the committee, and to make such responses, and to offer such counsels as may be deemed fit and proper.

Art. 11. The Association may invite Baptist ministers (who may be present) to a seat in their body, who shall be admitted to the privileges of converse and debate only.

Art. 12. An Executive Committee, consisting of five brethren, shall be appointed at each session of the Association, which committee shall direct the missionary operations of the Association and make an annual report of its proceedings to the body. Three of these brethren shall constitute a quorum for business, and all money sent up to these churches for Associational missions shall be paid over to this committee.

Art. 13. The Constitution may be altered or amended at the annual meeting of the Association, by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Moderator shall take the chair every day during the session, at the hour appointed at the adjournment, and call for the Minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2. He shall preserve decorum, shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Association by any member.

3. He shall rise to put the question, but may state it sitting. He shall have the right to call any member to perform the duties of the chair temporarily.

4. The Moderator shall not vote on any question, unless the Association be equally divided.

5. He shall not speak in debate while occupying the chair, but may call another to the chair, and then he shall have the privilege of speaking in common with any other member.

6. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Association, he shall rise and address himself to the Moderator.

7. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall name the person to speak first.

8. No man shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself finally from the Association without leave.

10. Decency of speech shall be observed, and personal reflections avoided.

11. While the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the Association, no person shall speak, stand up or walk out or across the house nor when a member is speaking, entertain private discourse, stand up, or pass between him and the Moderator.

12. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be

received, but to adjourn, to lay on table, to postpone indefinitely, to a day certain, to commit or amend, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

13. All committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

14. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be put by the Moderator, unless withdrawn by the mover.

15. No standing rules shall be rescinded, altered or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

16. The Constitution and Rules of Order and Decorum shall be read on the first day of each session of this Association.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Churches	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Minute Fund	Sunday School Missions	Total
Beulah									5 00
Blanch									5 98
Bethel Hill									34 00
Clements	10 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	2 50	4 00	5 98	1 50	3 55
Ephesus							3 55		6 10
Kerr's Chapel		1 00	2 00	1 00	1 10	1 00	1 90		5 98
Lambeth Memorial	4 08						1 00		1 00
Lea Bethel		5 00	5 00	5 00	2 50	2 50	1 00		26 00
Milton	5 00	7 50	6 00	5 00		2 00	1 50		27 00
Providence	5 00						1 50		1 50
Semora		2 00	2 00	1 00		1 00	2 00		19 00
Shiloh	11 00								
Thompsonville									
Trinity	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 50		12 50
Yanceyville							2 55		2 55
Millville Mission									
Roxboro							3 50		3 50
Rock Grove				1 74	1 00		2 00		4 74
Baptist Memorial							1 25		1 25
	\$38 08	\$21 50	\$22 00	\$22 74	\$8 10	\$13 50	\$32 23	\$1 50	\$158 70

TABLE I—STATISTICAL.

Church	Pastor	Post-Office	Clerk	Post-Office	Time of Preaching	Gains			Losses			No. of Males	No. of Females	Total Membership
						By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Beulah	H. T. Allison	Milton	I. C. King	Blanch	1st S	5	1	1	1	1	16	25	42	
Blanch	H. T. Allison	Milton	Wm. Lea	Blanch	1st S	400	2	1	1	1	9	12	21	
Baptist Memorial	C. J. A. Beam	Yanceyville	F. Harrelson	Union Ridge	1st S	2000	5	1	1	1	8	17	25	
Bethel	J. A. Beam	Woodsdale	A. J. Crutchfield	Woodsdale	1st S	2000	14	2	1	6	80	106	186	
Clement	M. F. Hodges	Roxboro	F. J. Hester	Roxboro, R. 1.	3d S	2000	6	1	2	2	31	39	70	
Ephesus	D. F. Putnam	Roxboro	S. M. Green	Alton, Va.	1st S	2000	27	2	20	4	76	115	191	
Kerr's Chapel	D. W. Overby	Reidsville	W. S. Underwood	Union Ridge	2d S	800	8	2	4	1	32	59	91	
Lea Bethel	M. F. Hodges	Roxboro	M. D. Dunkley	Prospect Hill	2d S	600	2	2	7	1	11	15	26	
Lambeth Memorial	M. F. Hodges	Roxboro	R. A. Clay	Roxboro	1st S	2000	11	2	2	1	33	30	63	
Providence	H. T. Allison	Milton	F. P. Tucker	Milton	1st S	2000	6	1	1	1	11	18	29	
Roxboro	D. F. Putnam	Roxboro	L. D. Boswell	Danville, Va.	4th S	1200	4	1	4	1	63	66	129	
Rock Grove	D. F. Putnam	Roxboro	L. D. Veazey	Roxboro, Va.	2d & 4th S	7500	15	17	7	1	104	149	253	
Semora	M. F. Hodges	Roxboro	S. T. Slaughter	Roxboro	2d S	1000	12	1	4	1	30	43	73	
Shiloh	H. T. Allison	Roxboro	M. John Yarborough	Semora	4th S	2000	9	4	2	2	8	13	21	
Trinity	D. W. Overby	Milton	C. B. Yarborough	Blanch	2d S	800	4	1	2	1	31	41	72	
Thompsonville	D. W. Overby	Reidsville	C. J. Pritchett	McIver	1st S	1200	6	2	1	1	20	18	38	
Yanceyville	C. M. Murchison	Yanceyville	J. H. Pritchett	Forshee	4th S	2050	6	2	1	1	44	44	87	
			B. S. Graves	Yanceyville	3d & 4th S	3500	9	2	1	1	44	64	108	

TABLE II—FINANCIAL.

Churches	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Min. Education	Ministerial Relief	Colleges and Schools	Other Objects	Total
Beulah	100 00	0 00	0 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	112 00
Blanch	60 00	250 00	0 00	3 00	1 25	2 00	6 40	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	60 00
Baptist Memorial	300 00	250 00	0 00	19 50	5 98	2 00	25 31	3 00	15 88	87 40	1 50	64 45	2 50	4 00	3 70	70 00	589 75
Bethel	225 00	3 95	20 00	12 50	7 50	3 55	10 00	4 00	4 00	48 25	2 66	5 00	2 50	4 00	3 70	90 40	253 29
Clement	200 00	100 00	0 00	6 00	1 75	1 00	76 00	24 00	1 00	2 00	2 66	26 00	10 50	9 85	1 00	90 40	259 65
Ephesus	225 00	100 00	0 00	12 50	7 50	3 55	3 33	1 00	3 00	48 25	2 66	26 00	10 50	9 85	1 00	90 40	259 65
Kerr's Chapel	100 00	100 00	0 00	6 00	1 75	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 66	26 00	10 50	9 85	1 00	90 40	259 65
Lea Bethel	125 00	0 00	0 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	5 17	13 44	2 00	1 43	1 43	1 00	1 00	1 00	131 04	217 08
Lambeth Memorial	62 00	0 00	0 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	4 08	2 35	1 95	1 95	1 43	1 43	1 00	1 00	1 00	131 04	217 08
Milton	100 00	20 00	19 50	5 40	1 90	1 00	4 08	2 35	1 95	1 95	1 43	1 43	1 00	1 00	1 00	131 04	217 08
Providence	150 00	9 00	8 00	7 00	1 50	1 00	16 00	15 50	5 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	2 50	2 00	11 00	1 00	371 8
Roxboro	675 00	2714 62	182 41	81 82	5 65	3 00	71 50	74 75	64 30	64 30	129 48	129 48	5 00	2 00	5 00	273 04	2289 23
Rock Grove	100 00	10 00	12 50	6 00	1 00	2 00	25 00	18 40	2 00	2 00	4 25	77 07	7 25	5 00	5 00	2 40	257 21
Semora	119 25	8 40	12 75	8 43	2 00	2 00	25 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	4 25	77 07	7 25	5 00	5 00	2 40	306 46
Shiloh	125 00	8 40	12 75	8 43	2 00	2 00	25 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	4 25	77 07	7 25	5 00	5 00	2 40	306 46
Trinity	85 00	28 00	29 00	3 50	3 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	154 00
Thompsonville	100 00	50 00	18 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	59 98	18 30	35 85	35 85	27 22	3 00	5 65	3 35	5 00	11 25	146 00
Yanceyville	500 00	50 00	40 00	29 04	5 00	5 00	59 98	18 30	35 85	35 85	27 22	3 00	5 65	3 35	5 00	11 25	790 64

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Church	Superintendent	Post-Office	Secretary	Post-Office	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in Sunday School	Mos. Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Beulah	H. A. Powell	Blanch	Ed. Vernon	Blanch	1	6	23	23	9	8						
Blanch	F. H. Patillo	Union Ridge	F. Harrelson	Union Ridge	1	30	35	35	9	12	3	3 00				3 00
Baptist Memorial	A. J. Crutchfield	Woodsdale	F. Y. Humphries	Woodsdale	1	13	85	98	80	12	6	12 50	59 93	38 65		101 08
Bethel	C. F. Harris	Hurdle Mills	F. J. Hester	Alton, Va.	1	5	30	37		12		12 00		10 00		22 00
Clement	S. M. Green	Alton, Va.	E. E. Duncan	Union Ridge	1	5	60	65	15	9	9	6 00				6 00
Ephesus	J. L. Underwood	Union Ridge	Roy Somers	Union Ridge	1	5	60	65	15	9	9	6 00				6 00
Kerr's Chapel																
Lea Bethel	R. A. Clay	Roxboro	Clarence Boyd	Roxboro	1	7	25	32	20	12		5 40	2 55			7 95
Lambeth Memorial	F. B. Jones	Milton	Lottie Eaker	Milton	1	4	15	19	6	12		7 00				7 00
Providence	F. B. Nodson	Danville, Va., 5	Bertie Wilson	Danville, Va., 5	1	7	88	95	65	12	1	11 10		6 53	7 00	24 63
Roxboro	I. W. Noell	Roxboro	A. A. Noell	Roxboro	1	17	170	185	12	12	9	81 82		78 83	149 04	309 59
Rock Grove	J. T. Slaughter	Roxboro	A. G. Kiley	Roxboro	1	7	54	61	20	6	5	6 00		1 74	1 00	8 74
Shiloh	J. B. Yarborough	Semora	Clyde Allen	Semora	1	7	24	36	7	12		8 43		51 95		60 38
Thompsonville	C. B. Yarborough	Blanch	Z. T. Yarborough	McIver	1	3	47	50	7	12		3 50				12 50
Trinity	J. B. Yarborough	McIver		McIver	1	4	29	24	7	9		10 00	2 50			12 50
Thompsonville	M. D. Walters	Redsville	J. R. Walters	Redsville	2	12	65	107	29	12	5	10 00	2 50			12 50
Yanceyville	E. S. Graves	Yanceyville	R. S. Graves	Yanceyville	3	22	185	207	93	12	6	29 04	3 74	12 22	5 00	50 00

TABLE IV—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Church	Name of Organization	President	Post-Office	Number of Members	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Training School	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Blanch	Mrs. B. L. Powell	Mrs. B. L. Powell	Blanch	6	4 80		1 00	1 00		6 80
Baptist Memorial	Mrs. J. Hurdle	Mrs. J. Hurdle	Union Ridge	8	12 20	9 35	1 00	1 00		21 55
Bethel	Mrs. J. A. Beam	Mrs. J. A. Beam	Woodsdale	3	4 70	7 50	8 00	1 00	30	21 50
Lea Bethel	Miss E. G. Thompson	Miss E. G. Thompson	Leasburg	12	11 00	11 50	2 00	2 00	1 00	25 50
Milton	Mrs. H. T. Allison	Mrs. H. T. Allison	Milton	14	4 50	7 00	6 30	11 00	11 00	39 80
Providence	Miss Bertha Wilson	Miss Bertha Wilson	Danville, Va., R. 5	35	31 40	46 75	30 00	5 00	1 00	114 15
Roxboro	Mrs. H. H. Masten	Mrs. H. H. Masten	Roxboro	12	3 75	3 15	4 80	1 50	1 40	14 50
Rock Grove	Carolina Parham	Carolina Parham	Mill Creek	28	23 50	5 80	12 25	5 00	1 00	47 50
Yanceyville	Mrs. C. M. Murchison	Mrs. C. M. Murchison	Yanceyville			3 50				3 50
Lambeth Memorial	Sunbeams					7 50				7 50
Rock Grove	Sunbeams					1 67				1 67
Yanceyville	Sunbeams	{ Mrs. H. W. Perry { Mrs. B. S. Graves	Yanceyville		2 50			1 00		5 17
Yanceyville	Y. W. A.	Mrs. E. F. Upchurch	Yanceyville					1 00		1 00





