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CONVENTION NOTES.

Entertainment.

In a most hospitable and bounteous manner, the people of Martin gave full entertainment to the delegates and visitors at the Convention. Their homes were thrown open and they furnished the mid-day lunch at the church gratis. The splendid success with which the entertainment of the Convention at Martin was provided insures the popularity of the plan and establishes a precedent which may not be considered inviolate, but which no doubt other places will be free to follow. It demonstrated the fact that other than the larger towns and cities which have abundant hotel accommodations can take care of a Convention in a most acceptable manner by taking the delegates into their homes according to the Harvard plan, but additionally supplying the noon lunch at the church, which keeps the body of members together for the social hour and afternoon sessions. We have never seen a better nor a more punctual afternoon attendance, due almost entirely to this mid-day feature.

Ministers' Conference.

According to custom, the State Baptist Ministers' Conference was held just ahead of the Convention, and, according to common consent, it is to be regarded as a part of the general meeting. It serves well both as a season of inspiration and fellowship among the preachers and also as a fitting introduction to the spirit and theme characteristic of the succeeding larger body. It did not seem that the ministers' meeting shortened the stay of any of the preachers at the Convention proper, as is often true in some states. Hence there is so far no reason why it should decline in favor among Tennessee Baptists, nor why the juxtaposition of the two gatherings should be hurtful to either.

Constituents.

The membership of the Convention was largely made up of preachers and women. Laymen and young people were conspicuous for their absence. The preachers have their conference and the State W.M.U. has its annual session at the time of the Convention. The occasion had something definite for both of them. Therefore, as well as for other reasons, they attend. We should face the facts squarely and make repairs where defects exist. An ordinary invitation to our laymen and young people is not enough to get their presence in sufficient numbers. In addition

to a written report and a stated speaker on Layman's work, there should be program features in which laymen take the initiative and which is *by* them as well as *for* them. The Convention is glad to honor its laymen and does so most worthily, but it is not enlisting the attendance of the maximum number of them. Our young people are represented in a report on B.Y.P.U. activities and developments in the state during the year. We can not say that the Convention presents any other phase of specific interest to the average Baptist young person.

We venture two suggestions here: (1) That by offering a program containing attractions to each of them, the Convention definitely address itself to the task of securing a larger attendance of laymen and young people. (2) That the men's Sunday-school classes or other organizations among the men in the churches select representatives to attend the Convention, and that the Young People's Union in the churches, or at least in an associational capacity, appoint messengers to the State Convention just as they now send their delegates to the State B.Y.P.U. meeting.

Spirit.

Mooted questions do not come up on the floor of the Convention as frequently as in former times. They are usually referred to committees, by which they are scrutinized and medicated! This ministers to the harmony of a meeting. Its tranquility is thus not disturbed by a fusillade of words. There are no jarring or warring elements to mar the feeling and the spirit of unity. This is admirable if it is a real spiritual fellowship, and not a good behavior for lack of a chance to be obstreperous! The spirit of the meeting at Martin seemed to be that of fraternity in Jesus Christ and of a oneness in love and labor. The devotional element was conspicuous and the spirit of prayer was everywhere.

Keynote.

As might have been expected the keynote of the messages was that of Stewardship. In song and prayer, in thought and utterance, the prevailing theme was Stewardship. It was not fully defined, but there was mention of many phases of a Baptist's relation to Christ as his Lord, in the effort to present a practical view of the subject. This is to be a field of unusual activity and careful inquiry among Southern Baptists for the next few years. Stewardship must be approached from the practical side, and it is therefore hard to define, since gifts, capacities and opportunities vary in different cases.

Speeches.

Almost without exception, the speeches

were well prepared and acceptably presented. The program was so well arranged that stated addresses occupied practically all the time. There was hardly enough open, free-for-all discussion. It is difficult indeed to insure the higher order of exercises and at the same time allow much room for promiscuous talking which might sacrifice merit for zest. Still the Convention should see to it that more opportunity is given for general discussion on many topics. We have never heard a better lot of addresses than those delivered at Martin. And both the speakers and hearers were manifestly of the opinion that the day of the inspirational speech has not passed.

Extra Program Features.

In addition to what had been arranged by the Program Committee, the Convention was treated to some extra features by our colleges. On Wednesday night Carson and Newman engaged with Union University in a debate which was highly creditable to both institutions and which demonstrated to the Convention the kind of training that is being given by our Baptist colleges. It is thought this will become a permanent feature of college exhibits at the State Convention. Thursday night some stereopticon views of these two colleges were presented. This also might be made a permanent convention side-light provided the colleges will get up a series of attractive slides.

Next Meeting.

The 1924 session will be held at Murfreesboro, and will observe its fiftieth anniversary. How much Tennessee Baptists have done in fifty years! How much more may they do in the next fifty?

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT EXECUTIVE BOARD TENNESSEE BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Forty-Ninth Annual Session Held at First Baptist Church, Martin, Tenn., Nov. 13-15, 1923.

The presentation of our fifth annual report to the forty-ninth annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention is accompanied with sincere gratitude to the churches for their splendid co-operation and to our Heavenly Father for His gracious and manifold blessings.

The past year has been a time of unusual activity in the local churches, in the way of remodeling old and building new houses for the growing needs of the work. This has necessitated an increase in local expenditures and we fear that it has cut, to no little extent, the offerings of some of the churches to the general work of the denomination.

It was also a great year for other phases of

the work, particularly in training the young, building up Sunday schools and winning the lost to Christ. We have every reason to rejoice over the work of our churches during the year and to thank our Lord for His wonderful blessings on the labors of our people.

Receipts for the Year.

The receipts of the Board for the Convention year were not up to our fullest expectations, but we are rejoiced to report a small increase over the previous year. The actual figures are as follows:

RECEIPTS:	
1. Balance on hand November 1, 1922	\$ 14,834.92
2. From the Baptist and Reflector	13,671.15
3. From Churches for Famine Relief	3,156.35
4. From Sale of Books	929.70
5. From Bad Checks Made Good	64.50
6. From 75 Million Campaign	\$476,634.10
7. From Interest Campaign	632.36
8. From miscellaneous designations	77,754.08—\$555,020.54
9. Total	\$587,677.16
DISBURSEMENTS:	
1. To Foreign Board for Famine Relief	3,137.09
2. To Baptist and Reflector	19,420.42
3. To special designations	10,853.86
4. To the causes	481,109.24
5. To Campaign expenses	31,060.19
6. To balance on hand	37,096.36
7. Total	\$587,677.16

It will be seen from the above figures that the receipts from the churches to all the causes, including designations, were \$555,020.59 as against \$549,970.21 the year before, a gain of \$5,050.38 for the year. This is also an increase over our last Southern Baptist Convention year of \$60,928.73. A full and complete report of the receipts and disbursements will be given in the report of the Treasurer of the Convention.

A New Department.

Following the instruction given by the last Convention, the Board inaugurated, during the year, the Department of Stewardship and Tithing, and called to the leadership of this important work Rev. T. W. Gayer of Orinda. Since May 1st, Brother Gayer has been giving his time, energy and ability to this new field of endeavor in a most satisfactory way. The results have already justified the wisdom of the Board in its choice of leader for this important department.

New Charters.

For some time it has been known that the charters under which our denominational institutions in Tennessee were conducting business were unsatisfactory, because of the uncertainty of their legal status under existing laws. The Corresponding Secretary, under instruction of the Board, has been laboring to get through the General Assembly of the State an amendment to the General Act under which our charters were granted, and then to secure new charters for this and other denominational Boards. In doing this he has had to work through attorneys and with representatives in both houses of the Tennessee General Assembly, but we are glad to be in position to report that this work has been accomplished to the extent that we now have new charters for this Board and the Orphans Home under a new statute, and that the way is now open for other Boards to take

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advantage of the opportunity and secure new charters under which there can be no question of their legal status and of the safety of property entrusted to them. Our attorneys assure us that this change will safeguard us for the future. The new charters were granted to five local members of each of these Boards and they constitute the Boards until the Convention, by its own action, elects the full number called for. The corporate names of these two Boards are "The Tennessee Baptist Orphans Home" and "Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention." We had hoped to report the securing of a new charter for our Hospital, but could not get it through because of failure of Memphis brethren to get the needed information to our attorneys. We are sure this will be attended to at an early date.

Budget and Stewardship Campaign.

Upon a recommendation of the Southern Baptist Convention, there was held in Nashville on June 21, 1923, a meeting of the Stewardship leaders of the States, in co-operation with and under the direction of the Budget and Stewardship Director of the Conservation Commission of the 75 Million Campaign. The purpose of the meeting was to plan for a simultaneous campaign in all the churches of the South during December to provide a budget for all local and denominational objects during the year 1924.

Later this Board acted upon the plan suggested and named a temporary organization for our State. Through this organization many of the associations have approved the plan and have effected permanent organizations. Your Board feels that it will be well to have the Convention approve what has been done thus far, authorize a permanent organization in the State, and request our Stewardship Director to lead the same, making this the important thing in his work from this time until the end of this calendar year.

Christian Education.

Our work in Christian Education has been unusual the past year. The record of results is surpassingly great. Our Education Secretary, Prof. Harry Clark, has been ac-

tive in keeping all our schools before the public through the press and through public speech, and will furnish a supplemental report touching matters of detail in this important department of our denominational work.

We give below a report of the standing of our four great colleges and our six mountain schools fostered by the Home Mission Board and located in Tennessee as to their financial condition and their student enrollment.

I. Our Colleges.

1. Carson and Newman College, Auditor's Report, July 1, 1923.

(1) INCOME AND EXPENSES—	
Current income all sources	\$ 89,405.45
Current expenses all purposes	91,521.48
Operating deficit for the year	2,116.03
Operating deficit for last year	1,283.45
(2) ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—	
Total assets	\$677,692.90
Total liabilities	9,263.23
Net worth	\$668,429.67
Net worth last report	592,346.91
Cash received from Campaign during year	8,899.06
Liabilities reduced	66,084.88
Net worth increased	76,082.76
(3) STUDENT ENROLLMENT—	
Summer session	210
College department	270
Total, not including duplications	440
Total this fall	390
Ministerial Students	54
Volunteers	22

2. Union University, Auditor's Report, June 1, 1923.

(1) INCOME AND EXPENSES—	
Current income all sources	\$ 72,076.22
Current expenses all purposes	100,442.32
Operating deficit for the year	28,366.10
Operating deficit for last year	20,463.70
(2) ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—	
Total assets	\$723,697.90
Total liabilities	129,661.28
Net worth	\$594,036.62
Cash received from Campaign during year	27,191.60
Liabilities increased	20,607.19
Net worth increased	12,547.92
(3) STUDENT ENROLLMENT—	
Summer session	761
College department	414
Total enrollment last year	1,016
Total this fall, not including duplicates	1,160
Ministerial	60
Volunteers	27

3. Tennessee College, Auditor's Report, July 1, 1923.

(1) INCOME AND EXPENSES—	
Current income all sources	\$ 64,555.46
Current expenses all purposes	86,916.11
Operating deficit for the year	22,310.65
Operating deficit for last year	25,862.50
(2) ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—	
Total assets	\$398,928.71
Total liabilities (current debt)	17,307.58
Net worth	\$381,621.23
Cash received from Campaign during year	29,112.31
Liabilities increased	4,009.81
Net worth decreased	614.88
(3) STUDENT ENROLLMENT—	
College department only	130
Specials	47
Total	177
Total this fall	144
Volunteers	10

4. Hall-Moody, Auditor's Report, June 1, 1923.

(1) INCOME AND EXPENSES—	
Current income all sources	\$ 16,982.06
Current expenses all purposes	27,124.64
Operating deficit this year	\$ 10,242.58
Operating deficit last year	10,760.59
(2) ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—	
Total assets	\$193,363.03
Total liabilities	49,702.28
Net worth	143,660.75

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Cash received from Campaign during year	10,973.64
Debt increased	4,696.83
Net worth increased	5,894.94
(3) STUDENT ENROLLMENT—	
Summer session	157
Preparatory, etc.	156
College department	77
Total	390
Total this fall	396
Ministerial	37
Volunteers	6

9. Other additions	1,114
10. Total additions to churches	2,813
11. Church houses built	13
12. Church houses repaired	52
13. Tracts distributed	145,778
14. Religious visits	19,279
15. Families prayed with	6,063
16. Lost talked with	9,476

then, as we have great difficulty in getting reports from some of them. We could handle a larger and better line of books now and at more reasonable prices if we could secure a larger number and more dependable men for this work.

5. The last division of State Mission work is the support given to our State paper, THE BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. The figures for the year are as follows:

1. Circulation—8300 subscribers.	
2. Receipts on subscriptions	\$ 10,120.34
3. Receipts on advertising	3,550.81
4. Total receipts	\$ 13,671.15
5. Paid for paper	4,879.22
6. Paid for printing	7,618.20
7. Paid for salaries	5,344.60
8. Paid for postage, etc.	1,578.40
9. Total	\$ 19,420.42
10. Net loss for year	\$ 5,749.27
11. Net loss last year	2,404.95

The Board regrets to have to report an increased expense to the denomination. It had hoped to bring the actual loss on the paper down to less than \$2,500.00 for the year and feels that this should be done. We must greatly increase our list of permanent subscribers and get far more out of advertising space, and these two things should be accomplished in the near future.

Recommendations.

1. We recommend that the Convention request our four Colleges to take up the matter of getting new charters in keeping with those secured by the other two institutions mentioned in the foregoing report, and that they call upon the Corresponding Secretary, who will be glad to give them any assistance he may be able to render, and will also secure for them the aid of the Board's attorney.

2. We recommend that the Convention endorse the action of the Board in its organization this past summer of the Baptist Loyalty Legion of Tennessee, and that it urge all subscribers to the 75 Million Campaign and all the other members of our churches to join hands and hearts in making this League a great success in inspiring all our people to undertake to raise the full amount subscribed to the 75 Million Campaign by the close of the Campaign period, December 31, 1924.

3. The meeting of the Convention in 1924 will mark the completion of fifty years of achievement. So important an event should not be passed over without some worthy recognition. Your Board recommends that a committee of which Ryland Knight shall be the chairman, consisting of the President of the Convention, the presidents of our four schools, the Corresponding Secretary of the Executive Board, the Educational Secretary, the Corresponding Secretary of our Woman's Missionary Union, and our Superintendent of Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. work be appointed to prepare an adequate presentation of the past fifty years for our semi-centennial Convention.

4. ANOTHER HOSPITAL.

The following proposition from the Woman's Hospital Board of Nashville has been

2. In the department of Training and Enrollment we have done a great work, perhaps more far-reaching in results than any previous year, notwithstanding we have been more or less handicapped because of the loss of Miss Buchanan and Miss Allen, and the sickness of Mr. Hudgins. The force in the field has been larger than usual and all of them have pressed the work most vigorously. During the summer Miss Margaret Buchanan, who had given nine years of most faithful and efficient service as Corresponding Secretary of the W.M.U., retired from office, and Miss Mary Northington was elected to take her place. Since taking up the work in October, Miss Northington has been active in the office and out in the field. Miss Jessie Dye has rendered faithful service as field worker for the W.M.U. during most of the year. She will continue with us as young people's leader. Brother Hudgins has carried on, through the field force, in a great way, and, while he has been shut in for so many weeks by sickness, he has nevertheless kept in close touch through his office with all the workers, and his report to the Convention will, no doubt, be the best in all the remarkable years he has served the denomination. The details of the work done in this department will be found in his report and the report of W.M.U. work.

3. Our work in helping churches to repair or build new houses has been rather heavy from the start. In fact, we fear we have encouraged the churches to expect too much help, and we have now come to the place where we must decline to help any church in a building enterprise unless it be one that is absolutely unable to build anything like an adequate house without denominational assistance. Since the beginning of this department, four years ago, we have aided 68 churches in remodeling and putting up new houses to the extent of \$59,057.27, and now have appropriations uncalled for to the amount of \$14,400.00. We feel the time has come when we should put a limit to gifts of this kind and, instead of giving so much straight out, we should make more of the loan department and thus make permanent a good part of our investments in church building. At present we have a loan fund of \$3,500.00, and it is practically all loaned out on 6 per cent interest notes. This fund should be greatly increased in the near future.

4. Our colportage department has shown some improvement, but it is not anything like it could be made if we could only secure more dependable men for the work. Our associational boards could help much in this matter if they would be more careful in their recommendations and would encourage stronger men to take up this work. They should also insist upon the colporters in the association making reports to them now and

II. Our Mountain Schools

1. Cosby Academy.

1. Total enrollment last year	100
2. Enrollment this fall	
3. Total value of all property	\$ 20,000.00
4. Total indebtedness	1,200.00

2. Doyle Academy.

1. Total enrollment	243
2. Enrollment this fall	234
3. Total value of all property	\$ 50,000.00
4. No indebtedness	

3. Harrison-Chilhowee Institute.

1. Total enrollment last year	250
2. Enrollment this fall	240
3. Total value of all property	\$ 50,000.00
4. Total indebtedness	5,600.00

4. Smoky Mountain Academy.

1. Total enrollment last year	135
2. Enrollment this fall	
3. Total value of all property	\$ 12,000.00
4. Total indebtedness	

5. Stockton Valley Academy.

1. Total enrollment last year	148
2. Enrollment this fall	156
3. Total value of all property	\$ 20,000.00
4. No indebtedness	

6. Watauga Academy.

1. Total enrollment last year	89
2. Enrollment this fall	66
3. Total value of all property	\$ 25,000.00
4. Total indebtedness	4,000.00

The appropriations to these schools by the Home Board for the present Southern Baptist Convention year total \$10,050.00.

State Mission Work.

In the important field of State Missions, which is under the immediate direction and supervision of your Board, we have had a remarkable growth during the year. In all the departments we have had a force of more than 135 people for part or all-time work and have expended for the year \$74,680.35. To this must be added 49 per cent of Campaign expenses, \$15,364.45. This means that we have overdrawn on State Missions just about that amount. The Lord has been gracious to our force of workers. All of them, with one exception, have enjoyed good health through the year. Our beloved Hudgins has been the exception. He was shut in for many weeks, but we are all happy to know that he is gaining rapidly and we hope to see him fully recovered very soon. We feel keenly for Brother Milton and wife in the continued sickness of the latter, but hope that she may soon regain her health.

1. PASTORAL MISSIONS. As usual, the department of pastoral missions has been the field of largest operations. During the year we have supplemented the salaries of 117 pastors who have served 155 churches and out-stations. These men have done faithful and efficient work, as the following summary shows:

1. Sermons preached	8,385
2. Addresses delivered	3,079
3. Churches organized	5
4. Constituent members of same	177
5. Sunday schools organized	53
6. Constituent members of same	2,415
7. Conversions	2,790
8. Baptisms reported	1,699

December 16th Mountain School Day

submitted to us that we might present same to the Convention:

To the Baptist State Executive Board:
Gentlemen:

This memorandum is submitted for the consideration of your Board, by the Board of Directors of the Woman's Hospital, in whom is vested the legal title to all property of that institution.

The Woman's Hospital owns a valuable piece of property, is, and has been in successful operation for about fifteen years, and is known favorably to both the profession and the public. It is fairly well furnished and equipped for hospital purposes. The lot, building and equipment, may, at a low estimate, be valued at One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars. There is a mortgage of \$5,000,000 on the lot at the present time. Its net assets represent its earnings during the time of its existence after doing 10 per cent of charity work.

However, the Woman's Hospital has no organization behind it except the individual friends who are cognizant of the high character of the service rendered.

Feeling that a union of interests would preserve, perpetuate and enlarge the field of service to humanity, and the progress of Nashville, which should be the object of all parties concerned, we desire to place before your Board the following memorandum, to-wit:

We will deed to the Baptist State Executive Board the property on the northwest corner of Union Street and Eighth Avenue, now owned, occupied and operated by the Woman's Hospital, its equipment, rights and good will—upon the following conditions, to-wit:

(a) That your Board shall assume the present mortgage and any current liabilities that may exist at the time of the transfer; which is about \$11,000.00, including the aforesaid mortgage, but which is offset by about \$4,400.00 of good accounts.

(b) That the property above mentioned, or the funds derived therefrom in case of sale, shall be used exclusively and continuously for Hospital purposes, for white patients only.

(c) That within one year after the transfer of the property, the Baptist State Executive Board shall provide additional building to accommodate forty patients above its present capacity, and with additional operating facilities to accord with same.

(d) This may be done by mortgaging the property or in any manner within the discretion of the said State Baptist Board to insure its accomplishment.

(e) That it is the understood purpose of the said State Baptist Board to hereafter erect and conduct a hospital which will cost not less than \$500,000, and that as soon as consistent plans can be matured and financial affairs arranged this will be done, subject to conditions herein specified, and within a limit of four years from the date of transfer of the property of the Woman's Hospital.

(f) That the Baptist State Executive Board obligates itself to conduct and maintain the new institution upon a standard of efficiency to merit the highest classification.

(g) That in the construction of the new

institution an appropriate and permanent memorial be established to adequately do honor to the memory of Dr. M. C. McGannon, the beloved founder and builder of the Woman's Hospital, the suitableness of said memorial to be made satisfactory to the Board of Directors.

(h) The present Medical and Surgical Staff shall be continued as the Staff of the organization—to be enlarged or reduced from time to time as occasion demands.

(i) That additions or reductions of the Medical and Surgical Staff shall be made by the governing body of the Hospital, after conference and agreement with the then existing staff, but no physician or surgeon connected or proposed to be connected with the staff shall be discriminated against either because of, or a lack of, denominational affiliations.

(j) That two of the corporators and directors of the corporation to be formed by you to govern and hold the title to the property shall be selected by you from among the present directors of the Woman's Hospital and retained by your corporation as such until the conditions herein have been complied with.

(k) That all records of the Woman's Hospital shall be preserved by you and all graduate nurses and internes of the Woman's Hospital shall be recognized as such by your corporation.

By order Board of Directors,
F. G. EWING, President Woman's Hospital.

Your Board takes pleasure in recommending the sympathetic and favorable consideration of this proposition and will be glad to carry out any instruction that the Convention may see fit to give it regarding same.

5. The last session of the Southern Baptist Convention appointed a special committee to consider a program to follow the completion of the 75 Million Campaign, December 31, 1924. The Convention action which established this committee contained the following expression: "That the committee shall carry back their plans, principles, outlines of method and organization to all our people for their suggestion, approval and co-operation." This committee met in Nashville on the 24th of October last and unanimously adopted the following suggestions for the consideration of denominational gatherings:

(1) That a simultaneous every-member canvass of the Baptist churches of the South be conducted during the week of November 30-December 7, 1924, for subscriptions to cover the denominational needs for the calendar year of 1925, ever keeping before our people the ideal of an annual increase over each previous year's gifts.

(2) We request or suggest to the various state bodies in contemplating the new program, that as far as practicable they do not fall below the figures of the original 75 Million Campaign's proposed quotas for South-wide objects.

(3) We recommend that the states be asked to advise this committee what percentage of their total contributions they will give to South-wide objects for 1925.

(4) That all South-wide participating

bodies be requested to present to this committee a statement of their minimum needs for the calendar year of 1925, under two heads: (1) For operating expenses; and (2) For needed advance in new work, enlargement, endowment, etc.

(5) That monthly remittances shall be insisted upon from all sources of all funds secured for South-wide objects on such percentage basis as is agreed upon at the outset of the campaign.

(6) While the right of individuals and churches to designate gifts is recognized, it is earnestly hoped that contributions will be made to the whole program. Any solicitation of designated gifts during the every-member canvass will be regarded as a breach of comity and opposed to the spirit of the Campaign.

(7) All designated gifts of individuals and churches made subsequent to and above the Campaign pledge shall go to the causes for which they are designated without being charged against the percentage which those causes are due to receive from the general fund.

(8) Participating South-wide bodies shall, under approval of the executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, have the right of approach to individuals in soliciting funds, provided the canvassing be approved by the state organizations of the states in which the canvass is to be made.

(9) That constant emphasis shall be placed upon the need for permanency in our financial plans through tithing and stewardship.

(10) We recommend that there be a central commission for the promotion of this program.

(11) We recommend that this commission have a general director who shall give all his time to the direction of this program.

Your Board has carefully considered all these matters and hereby recommends that the Convention approve the suggestions thus far made and that it pledge its hearty cooperation in the next campaign which is to cover the year 1925. The Board recommends that the Convention adopt as Tennessee's apportionment for South-wide objects not less than 45 per cent net of the receipts of the 1925 budget and that the final apportionment be left to the Executive Board both for South-wide and state objects.

6. We recommend that the Convention approve the action of the Board in the organization of the Stewardship Campaign and that it authorize the Board to make said organization a permanent matter until the end of the year 1924. Also that it urge all pastors, churches and leaders in church auxiliaries to give their hearty support to the campaigns this fall and next year. And further, that it ask our Stewardship Director to take the leadership in this campaign.

7. With the close of the Convention year we completed four and one-half years of the 75-Million Campaign. During that period we received in cash from the Campaign, including designation, the sum of \$2,850,428.61. And in addition to that the sum of \$256,735.20 for Specials not included in the Campaign, making a grand total of \$3,107,163.81 which we have put into denominational work, outside the support of the local churches. We

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have distributed out of the general fund to the various causes as follows:

State Missions	\$350,786.72
Home Missions	300,848.08
Foreign Missions	544,118.90
Memorial Hospital	251,476.76
The Tennessee Baptist Orphanage	191,785.06
Ministerial Relief and Annuitles	93,812.74
Southwide Education (Education Board)	80,230.08
Seminaries and Training Schools	17,000.00
Carson and Newman College	334,046.45
Tennessee College	221,594.89
Union University	158,438.15
Hall-Moody Normal	58,595.19
*Miscellaneous designations about	75,000.00
Campaign expenses about	150,000.00
Total	\$2,828,633.02

The Specials, which are not included in the Campaign, are:

Hall-Moody Normal	\$ 2,859.60
Union University	12,000.00
Carson and Newman College	31,395.00
Memorial Baptist Hospital	210,480.00
Total	\$256,735.20

There remain fourteen more months before the 75 Million Campaign closes, which means only two months over our State Convention year. Your Board is very anxious that we shall make this Convention year upon which we have already entered the greatest year in all our history. It, therefore, recommends that the Convention go on record as favoring a great wind-up Campaign to raise by October 31, 1924, the end of our present Convention year, enough money to cover at the lowest our original quota of \$4,120,000 and if possible the increased quota of \$4,600,000. We further recommend in this connection that the Convention urge all the churches to press the matter of weekly or monthly collections and the remittance of all funds to the Nashville office monthly.

RYLAND KNIGHT, President.

LLOYD T. WILSON, Cor. Secy.

*This does not include designations to a number of general causes, which are included in the above distribution.

"When you introduce into our schools a spirit of emulation you have present the keenest spur admissible to youthful intellect."

Treasurer's Report.

November 1, 1922, to October 31, 1923.

RECEIPTS

On hand November 1, 1922	14,834.92
75 Million Fund	476,634.10
Interest	632.36
Special designations	77,754.08
Bad checks redeemed	64.50
Baptist and Reflector	13,671.15
Famine Relief	3,156.35
Sale of books	929.70
Total	\$587,677.16

DISBURSEMENTS

State Missions:	
General	56,260.35
Building Fund	18,420.00
Foreign Missions	136,542.00
Home Missions:	
General	50,916.20
Building Fund	1,550.00
Orphanage	52,466.20
Memorial Hospital	34,779.63
Ministerial Relief	57,500.00
Christian Education:	
Carson & Newman College	26,500.00
Union University	8,899.06
Hall-Moody Normal	27,191.60
Tennessee College	10,973.64
Education Board	29,112.31
S. B. Theological Seminary	17,399.83
S. W. B. Theological Seminary	2,045.00
S. W. B. Theological Seminary	200.00

Training School	2,900.00
Bible Institute	220.00
Doyle College	8.00
Smoky Mountain College	508.85
Simmons College	50.00
Oneida Institute	100.00
Watauga Academy	114.25
Expenses	2,699.62
Sundries:	
Baptist and Reflector	19,420.42
Famine Relief	3,156.35
Louisiana Building—Special	50.00
Woody-Barton Memorial	10,000.00
Central of Fountain City (Loan)	2,000.00
Gospel Missions	3.50
Expense account	31,060.19
Balance on hand	65,690.46
Total	\$587,677.16

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the above report and find same correct and in accord with the records.
W. L. McFARLAND, Official Auditor.

TENNESSEE BAPTIST CONVENTION AND AUXILIARY BODIES IN MARTIN, TENN.

By Fleetwood Ball.

The Baptists of Tennessee gathered by trainloads in Martin for the annual convocation of their State Convention and Ministers' Conference and the Woman's Missionary Union on Monday preceding the day for convening.

The conference and the union hold sessions the day and night preceding the assembling of the State Convention, which was on Wednesday, November 14, at 10 a.m. The Convention session was the forty-ninth of the body.

The Convention, which was organized in Murfreesboro, Tenn., April 10, 1874, had as its first president the late Dr. W. P. Bond, and as its first secretary the late W. T. Russell. In the forty-nine years of its history the Convention has met only once before in Martin and that in 1911, when Dr. G. C. Savage, of Nashville, was president, Dr. W. J. Stewart, of Nashville, recording secretary, and Dr. J. C. Masee, of Chattanooga, delivered the annual sermon. Dr. Masee is at present a pastor in New York.

Ministers' Conference.

President J. Carl McCoy, of Memphis, called the Ministers' Conference to order at 10 a.m. in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church. Such matchless old church hymns as "Come Thou Fount" and "How Firm a Foundation" were lustily sung by the audience, W. H. Preston, of Knoxville, leading.

A character study of Elijah furnished the basis for a strong address by Rev. R. T. Skinner, of Watertown, son of the pastor of the entertaining church, J. E. Skinner, of the First Baptist Church, Martin. The young man, standing in the pulpit of his father, was at his best in delivering a devotional address of much power.

Much interest centers in the fact that another son of the Martin pastor is his guest during the Convention, and he, too, is a preacher, W. C. Skinner, pastor of the First Church, McKenzie, Tenn.

In the adoption of a motion proposed by Rev. Wilson Woodcock, of Brownsville, a committee on enrollment was authorized. The president appointed Revs. D. N. Living-

stone of Sweetwater, L. R. Riley of Trezevant, and J. G. Hughes of Lebanon. They reported the names of 100 ministers enrolling for the conference. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. A. Carmack, of Nashville, and the gathering sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

In accomplishing the election of officers Rev. L. S. Ewton, of Springfield, moved the election of Rev. Wilson Woodcock, of Brownsville, as president. His election was a landslide, there being no opposition.

In view of the confusion because of the absence of the appointees on the program, a motion prevailed that Rev. L. S. Ewton, of Springfield, revise the program.

Rev. J. H. Wright, of Memphis, moved the election of Rev. Fleetwood Ball, of Lexington, as recording secretary. His election was unanimous, it being his twenty-seventh year of continuous service in that capacity. Dr. Ben Cox, of Memphis, in his inimitable fashion, led a spirited song and prayer service for fifteen minutes, which pitched the conference on a high spiritual plane. Sang "Down at the Cross" and "Take the Name of Jesus With You."

The topic, "Stewardship and Missions," was discussed in a vigorous, pleasing, lucid fashion by Rev. John D. Freeman, of Belmont Heights Church, Nashville.

The address was requested to be published in the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR of Nashville. Another fifteen minutes prayer and praise service was led by Dr. D. A. Ellis, of LaBelle Place Church, Memphis. He placed the point of emphasis on the fact that the power of Christianity consists in what God has done for man and not what man has done for God and humanity. Prayer by Rev. L. S. Ewton, of Springfield. Song "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Dr. E. K. Cox, of Jackson, was heard in one of the greatest addresses of the day on "Stewardship and Tithing." He presented the topic from a scriptural, logical standpoint and made a convincing speech, brushing away every cobweb of doubt on the fundamental doctrine. His telling points were punctuated by hearty amens from an appreciative audience. Dr. J. H. Buchanan, of Paris, offered prayer at the conclusion of the morning session.

Tuesday Afternoon Session.

Rev. N. S. Jackson, of Dickson, led the devotional exercises at the afternoon session, giving a brief character study of Moses. His remarks were timely and good. Song, "We Praise Thee O God," Mr. W. H. Preston, of Knoxville, leading.

Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, of Atlanta, Ga., worker among the Jews, supported by the Baptist Home Mission Board, was given thirty minutes to present his work, which he did in a fervid, inspiring appeal. He urged that Southern Baptists organize a definite mission to propagate the preaching of the gospel among the Jews. Sang, "Jesus Shall Reign."

"Twenty-five years ago today I preached a trial sermon before the First Baptist Church of Memphis, of which I am now pastor. It was November 13, 1898. Mind you it was a trial sermon. From that time to this, that church has had the 'trial!'"

These opening words of Dr. A. U. Boone, of Memphis, in an address provoked hearty laughter. His subject was "Stewardship and Pastoral Support." His chief point of emphasis was that an efficient man in the pastorate will never want for support. He said: "It is a man's job to be a pastor, not a woman's job. I believe woman is better, but I don't believe God ever called a woman to preach or be a pastor."

This sentiment provoked a chorus of amens. He appealed for the support of the pastor because it is scriptural and therefore right. Dr. Boone's address was up to the usual high standard he always attains.

Rev. Leonard O. Leavell, of Ripley, offered a fervent prayer.

Dr. R. P. Mahon, of New Orleans, La., a member of the faculty of the Baptist Bible Institute, delivered a deeply spiritual and helpful address on "The Pastor and Prayer." Rev. J. Carl McCoy, of Memphis, offered an earnest prayer.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. D. Freeman, of Nashville.

Tuesday Night.

At seven o'clock the Conference was called to order by President Wilson Woodcock, of Brownsville. Song, "Christ Receiveth Sinful Men." The devotions were led by Rev. L. R. Riley, of Trezevant, who read Col. 1: 1-19 and offered helpful comment on it.

Rev. J. H. Oakley, of Memphis, was called by the president to the chair and presided during the greater part of the evening. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. R. Puckett, of Dyer. Sang, "My Faith Looks up to Thee."

Rev. T. W. Gayer, of Gallatin, stewardship secretary of the Executive Board, was heard in his initial address before the Conference since assuming that position, and spoke inspiringly on the subject, "The Stewardship of the Ministry," taking I Cor. 9:16 "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel." He greatly pleased the members of the Conference and verified the wisdom of the Board in his election. Prayer by Dr. O. E. Sams, of Jefferson City. Sang, "I Gave My Life for Thee."

"Stewardship and Education" was the theme of a thrilling address by Dr. Harry Clark, of Nashville, who, in his own inimitable, thrilling fashion made a masterly appeal for Stewardship in Education. His address was illustrated by blackboard sketches.

An earnest prayer was offered by Dr. E. L. Atwood, of Murfreesboro.

Dr. J. T. Henderson, of Knoxville, general secretary of the Laymen's Movement of the Southern Baptist Convention, was accorded time to make an address on his work. He said the movement had two objectives, the financial and spiritual. Giving is a spiritual exercise. It should be done in connection with the church service. Laymen should see to it that adequate provision should be made for the pastor. Enlist a man's money and you enlist him. His address struck a responsive chord in the hearts of the large audience, as was evidenced by the hearty amens that greeted his telling points. Sang, "I Am Thine, O Lord." Prayer at adjournment by Rev. C. D. Creasman, of Nashville.

Wednesday Morning.

The closing session of the Ministers' Conference was called to order at 8:45 o'clock Wednesday morning by President Wilson Woodcock, of Brownsville. Sang "Beulah Land," W. H. Preston, of Nashville, leading.

Prayer was offered by Rev. R. B. Jones, of Jefferson City.

The devotional exercises were led by Rev. T. G. Davis, of Chattanooga. Sang "Amazing Grace." Mark 12: 41-44 was read by the leader, who took the word "Best" as a basis for a forceful, inspirational address. Prayer by Dr. J. T. Henderson, of Knoxville.

By motion, the State Convention was requested to publish the proceedings of the Conference in its annual.

President Wilson Woodcock, of Brownsville, announced the committee on program for the Conference for the next year to consist of Rev. Roscoe Meadows, of Orinda; Rev. T. R. Waggener, of Athens, and Rev. Leonard O. Leavell, of Ripley.

The closing address of the Conference was a masterly appeal from Dr. B. A. Bowers, of Knoxville on "The Living and Working Church."

The following telegram was read by the Recording Secretary: "Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 13—Unable to leave for Martin because of deep cold complicated by la grippe conditions tonight. Will beg to have my address on 'Loyalty to Jesus,' printed in Baptist and Reflector. Disappointed. Love to all the brethren—W. F. Powell."

STATE CONVENTION.

There was tenseness in the atmosphere as the hour approached for the opening session of the Convention. Having been preceded by one of the best sessions of the Ministers' Conference that had been held in many years, the spirituality was at high tide. The themes of prayer, stewardship, sacrifice and consecration having been emphasized over and over again, all seemed in readiness for the larger meeting.

The president, Judge W. A. Owen of Covington, called the State Convention to order at 10 o'clock in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, which was filled to capacity. The initial song, led by W. H. Preston, of Knoxville, was "Blessed Assurance." A Memphis pastor, Rev. James Henry Oakley, of Prescott Memorial Church, conducted the devotions, reading Acts 12 and speaking briefly on "Peter's Release From Prison."

The enrollment committee was appointed to consist of Revs. Leonard O. Leavell, of Ripley; L. S. Sedberry, of Lewisburg; W. M. Griffith, of Monterey; L. W. Clark, of Rockwood, and W. C. Creasman, of Kingston.

The venerable Dr. G. M. Savage, of Jackson, president emeritus of Union University, Jackson, and at present occupying the chair of Bible in that school, offered the opening prayer of the Convention. He is one of the charter members of the body, being present at its organization in Murfreesboro on April 10, 1874. Sang, "We Praise Thee, O God."

Election of Officers.

A motion by Dr. O. L. Hailey, of Nashville, prevailed, providing that those who

know themselves to be members of the Convention should vote.

The election of officers was accomplished in the minimum of time, so general was the unanimity of thought and good will. In practically every instance the election of the officers was accomplished by the passage of a motion instructing Recording Secretary Fleetwood Ball, of Lexington, to cast the unanimous ballot of the body for each.

In this manner the following were elected: President, Judge W. A. Owen, of Covington, re-elected for the third term; vice-presidents, J. K. Marshall, of Murfreesboro, and Sterling Fort, of Clarksville, both influential laymen and men of wealth; recording secretary, Rev. Fleetwood Ball, of Lexington, for the tenth consecutive year; statistical secretary, N. B. Fetzner, of Nashville, for the second year; treasurer, Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, of Nashville; auditor, W. L. McFarland, of Nashville.

Announcement being made that a retiring vice-president, B. F. Jarrell, a wealthy layman of Humboldt, is in California in search of health, a motion made by Dr. A. U. Boone, of Memphis, prevailed that the recording secretary send Mr. Jarrell a letter expressing sympathy. An earnest prayer for his recovery, was offered by Dr. W. M. Wood, of Nashville, formerly his pastor.

Secretary Fleetwood Ball, of Lexington, read the following telegram:

"Corinth, Miss., Nov. 13.—To the Secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention: The Mississippi Baptist state convention in 85th annual session, sends greetings and prays that you continue steadfastly on to victory, Eph. 3, 14, 21. W. E. Lee, Secretary."

Suitable response was authorized to be made to the telegram by Dr. G. M. Savage, of Jackson, a native of Mississippi, his birthplace being near Boonville. C. H. Byrn, of Murfreesboro, and Dr. Geo. W. McCall, of Knoxville, were added to the committee to send telegrams to other Baptist conventions now in session.

Rev. A. F. Mahan, of Etowah, submitted the report of the committee on order of business, presenting a program of sessions extending through Friday.

A committee on the appointment of committees was created, consisting of Rev. A. L. Crawley, of Newport; Dr. W. M. Wood, of Nashville; Rev. I. N. Strother, of Knoxville; Rev. W. F. Dorris, of Memphis.

Welcome Address and Response.

A brief, felicitous address of welcome was made by Rev. J. E. Skinner, pastor of the First Church, Martin, in behalf of the churches, civic organizations and citizens of the town in general.

"We accept this warmhearted welcome. We have come to Martin from the mountains on the east to the Mississippi on the west. We are just Baptists; we are not scientists, therefore we will speak the truth while we are here. Every Baptist preacher is a bishop, but not one among us desires to be a boss. If we were like some so-called Baptists we might believe that a polecat evolved from an onion. We are glad we are Baptists. We had rather be Baptists in jail than to be anti-Baptists in the Garden of Eden. We were

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told some years ago that we could make the world safe for democracy by war. The chaotic condition of the world today shows the futility of that contention. Jesus is the only panacea for the world," said Rev. R. E. Grimesly, of Knoxville, in responding for the Convention to the address of welcome. His breezy address struck a popular chord and evoked liberal applause.

Dr. J. M. Price, representing the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, spoke briefly of the plans of the trustees of that institution to transfer it to the Southern Baptist Convention. He asked the ratification of these plans by the Tennessee Convention in the adoption of a resolution to that effect, which was done.

A happy incident was the introduction of new pastors. At the call for that class of delegates to come to the platform, the following responded: Rev. E. J. Hall, of Merton Avenue, Memphis; Rev. J. W. Williams, of Tullahoma; Rev. H. T. Whaley, of Eudora; Dr. R. M. Jennings, of Covington; Rev. R. N. Owen, of Milan; Rev. J. G. Hughes, of Lebanon; Dr. J. D. Freeman, of Belmont Heights Church, Nashville; Dr. J. N. Manley, of Jackson; Dr. J. J. Hurt, of Jackson, and Rev. W. F. Dorris, of Calvary Church, Memphis.

These were presented individually by Dr. L. T. Wilson, of Nashville, who closed the episode with a fervent prayer for God's blessings on the new pastors in their labors in their respective fields.

Executive Board Report.

Dr. Ryland Knight, of Nashville, chairman of the executive board of the Convention, which is the co-operation agency in Baptist activities, read the annual report of this board.

The receipts by the board for the seven causes, Christian education, foreign missions, home missions, state missions, ministerial relief, orphans' home and hospitals supported by Tennessee Baptists aggregate substantial increase over the gifts of the for the year \$587,677.16. This amount is a previous year. In the department of state missions under the board \$74,680.35 has been expended in the support of 117 workers who have served 155 churches and out-stations. These have organized five churches, 33 Sunday schools, 1,699 baptisms, 2,790 conversions, 13 churches built, 52 churches repaired, 19,279 religious visits made, 9,476 lost people talked with. In the support of the Baptist and Reflector, the state paper, the receipts were \$13,671.15 and the expenses \$19,420.42, leaving a deficit on the paper of \$5,749.27.

Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, of Nashville, treasurer of the board, presented his report recounting the figures of receipts and disbursements. Supplementary reports of the various departments under the board were represented by Dr. Harry Clark, of Nashville, on education; W. D. Hudgins, of Tullahoma, on Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. work, and Dr. T. W. Gayer, of Gallatin, on stewardship. These reports appear in full elsewhere in the paper.

A motion by Dr. E. K. Cox, of Jackson, prevailed that the executive board be instructed to give Mr. W. D. Hudgins, of Tulla-

homa, a vacation and instruct him to take it, going to the Holy Land on the famous Mediterranean tour. Mr. Hudgins is the popular secretary of the Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. department of the Baptist Church

There was much enthusiasm manifested over the matter. Mr. Hudgins lately had to undergo an operation for appendicitis in the Baptist Memorial Hospital of Memphis and his health is far from robust.

On motion of Dr. F. F. Brown, of Knoxville, a committee was authorized to be appointed to take under consideration vital recommendations in the report of the Executive Board and submit their findings to the Convention. An amendment to this motion was moved by Dr. Geo. W. McCall, of Knoxville, providing that twelve should constitute the committee. Dr. G. W. McCall, of Knoxville, chairman; R. B. Jones, E. W. Barnett, I. N. Penick, E. H. Marriner, W. D. Powell, R. M. Jennings, Robert Clement, Sterling Fort, J. K. Marshall, J. H. Buchanan, E. H. Rolston, were appointed the committee.

Rev. A. L. Crawley, of Newport, announced for the committee on committees the appointment of the following committees:

Foreign Missions, W. F. Powell, C. E. Sprague, A. U. Boone, N. S. Jackson.

Historical Society, J. H. Grime, G. M. Savage, R. E. Grimesly.

Memorial Hospital, A. E. Jennings, W. M. Bostick, Roscoe Meadows.

Laymen's Work, Robert Clements, G. W. Hall, J. T. Henderson.

Home Missions, E. H. Marriner, E. L. Atwood, L. M. Roper.

Ministerial Relief, T. C. Singleton, W. C. Skinner, W. D. Powell.

Denominational Literature, J. A. Smith, J. H. Buchanan, J. A. Carmack.

Resolutions, C. F. Clark, A. P. Moore, F. J. Harrell.

Obituaries, T. R. Waggener, J. H. Oakley, T. Riley Davis.

Temperance and Social Service, Ben Cox, Geo. W. McCall, John D. Freeman.

Nominations, T. L. Thompson, D. A. Ellis, R. B. Jones, Emmett Rolston, L. S. Ewton, J. K. Marshall.

Orphans Home, W. J. Stewart, O. C. Barton, J. E. Skinner.

Theological Seminaries, O. D. Fleming, E. K. Cox, J. J. Hurt, J. T. Warren, C. H. Byrn.

The prayer at adjournment was offered by Rev. J. H. Wright, of Memphis.

Wednesday Afternoon.

Promptly at 2 o'clock, the Convention was called to order by President W. A. Owen, of Covington. Sang, "I Love to Tell the Story," and "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder." Dr. G. C. Savage, of Nashville, led in prayer.

President W. A. Owen, of Covington, announced the receipt of a telegram of invitation signed jointly by Mayor W. E. Beach and C. W. Bailey, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce of Clarksville, Tenn., for the next session of the Convention to be held in that city. This announcement was greeted with applause.

A call that all charter members of the Convention who were present at its organization 49 years ago should stand was responded

to by Dr. G. M. Savage of Jackson, R. E. Jarmon of Lascassas and Prof. A. T. Barrett of Martin; Dr. Savage spoke in a reminiscent vein, stating that he had been for 52 years at his post as a teacher in a Baptist school. He spoke with pride of the fact that he was born in Mississippi, which has the biggest per cent of Baptists in America. He expressed his gratitude at the privilege of being in attendance upon the Convention, but announced that he would be compelled to leave at the close of the day to teach a class of 72 in Bible, 144 in French and 51 in logic in Union University, Jackson, where he holds a professorship.

President W. A. Owen, of Covington, announced the committee of twelve to consider the recommendations of the Executive Board to consist of the following: Geo. W. McCall, R. B. Jones, E. W. Barnett, I. N. Penick, E. H. Marriner, W. D. Powell, R. M. Jennings, Robert Clement, Sterling Fort, J. K. Marshall, J. H. Buchanan, E. H. Rolston.

Orphans' Home.

The Baptist Orphans' Home, located on a farm between Nashville and Franklin, was brought to the attention of the Convention in a glowing report from the board of managers of the home, submitted by Dr. W. J. Stewart of Nashville, the superintendent. There have been received in the home during the past year 24 children; dismissed from the institution nine, leaving at present 153, the largest number in the home at any time during the history of the work. Those who have gone out have taken positions and are now maintaining themselves. There has not been a death in the home in the past eight years.

The home has a farm of 264 acres, seven buildings, two barns, two silos, electric light plant, water works and sewerage, cows, mules, farming implements, etc., at a cost of \$185,000. The capacity of the plant at present is 200 children. The receipts for the year have been \$93,388.61; disbursements, \$90,252.50; leaving a balance on hand of \$3,136.11.

A beautiful incident was the adoption of a motion by Rev. R. J. Williams, of Brighton, that the Convention express, by a rising vote, its appreciation of the faithful work by Dr. W. J. Stewart as superintendent of the home.

Dr. J. N. Bull, of Knoxville, discussed in an impassioned address the great work of taking care of the orphans.

Father and Son Incident.

A father and son incident in the convention occasioned deep interest. President W. A. Owen, of Covington, called for all preachers whose sons, also preachers, are present at this Convention to stand. Rev. J. E. Skinner of Martin and sons, R. T. Skinner of Watertown and W. C. Skinner of McKenzie; Rev. G. S. Jones of Dresden and son, A. A. Jones of Martin; Rev. Martin Ball of Paris and son, Fleetwood Ball of Lexington; Judge W. A. Owen of Covington and son, Rev. R. N. Owen of Milan, stood on this invitation.

Text Book Committee.

Dr. O. L. Hailey, of Nashville, submitted the report of the committee appointed to look into the publication of text books on the

sciences and other themes to be used in Baptist schools to the effect that progress had been made. It was pointed out that the committee is collaborating with a similar committee from the Southern Baptist Convention.

Miss Annie Louise Goldsby, of Fulton, Ky., a sister of a missionary in Russia, sang with pleasing effect a solo entitled, "Your Best Friend Is Always Near."

In the general discussion of the work of the Executive Board, W. D. Hudgins, of Tullahoma, superintendent of the Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. department, spoke feelingly of his gratitude to the Baptists of Tennessee for making it possible for him to go to the Baptist World's Alliance in Stockholm, Sweden. He outlined the policies of his department in holding training schools in the country in the summer and the cities and larger towns in the winter. He was followed by W. H. Preston of Knoxville, Revs. S. P. DeVault of Eagleville, H. F. Burns of Goodlettsville, T. R. Waggner of Athens, T. Riley Davis of Carthage; and J. Carl McCoy of Memphis. The enthusiasm for the work of the Sunday school department of the Executive Board was at high tide during this discussion.

Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, of Nashville, corresponding secretary of the Executive Board, arose and, on a point of personal privilege, thanked the Baptists of Tennessee for their kindness in providing by private subscription the funds necessary to defray his expenses to the Baptist World Alliance at Stockholm, Sweden.

Laymen's Work.

Robert Clements, of Dickson, reported on the laymen's work, which was followed by one of the best addresses of the Convention by E. H. Rolston, of Chattanooga, an active, influential layman. It was moved by Dr. B. A. Bowers, of Knoxville, that a committee be appointed, whose duty should be to induce a larger attendance at the conventions by the laymen of the state.

Sang, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee." Prayer at adjournment by Dr. L. M. Roper of Johnson City.

Wednesday Night.

In the presence of a throng overflowing the huge auditorium of the First Church, Martin, the Convention was called to order at 7 o'clock by President W. A. Owen of Covington. Sang, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," and "Higher Ground." Rev. U. S. Thomas, of Chattanooga, conducted the devotional exercises, reading several passages on prayer and delivering inspiring comment on the value and power of prayer. Sang "How Firm a Foundation."

Convention Sermon.

Dr. F. F. Brown, of the First Church, Knoxville, delivered the annual Convention sermon to an audience overflowing the auditorium of the First Baptist Church. His theme was "God's Call to Southern Baptists," drawn from Matt. 28: 16-20. It was one of the greatest sermons the body has heard in years. The delegates spontaneously sang "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow." Dr. Geo. W. McCall, of Knoxville, offered a fervent prayer.

Following the regular order, time was taken for a debate between representatives of Carson and Newman College, Jefferson City and Union University, Jackson. President J. T. Warren of Hall-Moody Normal, Martin, presided. The judges were Dr. A. U. Boone of Memphis, Prof. J. K. Marshall of Murfreesboro and Dr. J. D. Moore of Nashville. Question: Resolved that the United States should adopt the cabinet-parliamentary form of government. Affirmative: Connie L. Hargrove and F. J. Waldrop, representing Union University. Negative: E. D. Wilson and H. M. Lintz, representing Carson and Newman College. Each speaker acquitted himself most creditably. The unanimous decision of the judges was in favor of the negative.

Thursday Morning.

Ideal weather prevailed at the opening of the second day's session of the Convention. President W. A. Owen, of Covington, was in the chair and rapped for order at 8:30 o'clock. Sang "Am I a Soldier of the Cross." Rev. Robert Humphrey, of Bearden, conducted the devotions, reading Matt. 16: 26-27 and Roms. 12: 1-6 and offering helpful comment thereon. Sang "Jesus I My Cross Have Taken." Prayer by Dr. L. M. Roper of Johnson City.

The Journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

Visitors Recognized.

On a call by President W. A. Owen, of Covington, for the recognition of visitors the following responded: Dr. J. M. Kester, representing the foreign mission board of Richmond, Va.; Dr. R. P. Mahon, of New Orleans, representing the Baptist Bible Institute; Dr. J. R. Sampey, of Louisville, representing the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. O. E. Bryan, of Nashville, representing the stewardship movement among Southern Baptists; Dr. H. H. Hibbs, of Smithland, Ky.; T. L. Atwood and daughter, Miss May Atwood, of Clinton, Ky.; Charlie Butler, of Atlanta, Ga., evangelistic singer.

Dr. A. U. Boone, of Memphis, offered resolutions protesting against congress making monetary appropriations to Church schools. The resolutions were promptly referred to the committee on resolutions and will no doubt be recommended for passage and adopted with enthusiasm.

Ministerial Relief.

The cause of the support of the aged and indigent Baptist ministers of Tennessee and the South had a field day before the Convention. Dr. T. C. Singleton, of Gallatin, presented a report on ministerial relief; attention was called in the report to the work of the relief and annuity board of Dallas, Texas, which is now in its fifth year of work since its organization, but now in its fourth year of functioning. For its first year this board paid out in benefits the small sum of \$1,397. By May, 1923, four years later, the number of beneficiaries had grown to 925 and a total of \$414,892.46 had been paid out to these beneficiaries, and the total assets of the board in both its relief and annuity departments had grown to \$1,490,193.39. Ten-

nessee has now on its list about 90 out of the total number supported.

Dr. J. H. Buchanan, of Paris, discussed vigorously the work of ministerial relief, punctuating his remarks by analogous references to the cause of providing for veteran ministers of the cross, drawn from his experiences as a chaplain in the World War when he provided temporal and spiritual blessings for soldiers in the allied army.

By unanimous consent, Dr. G. W. McCall, of Knoxville, submitted the report of the committee of twelve to consider the recommendations of the Executive Board and recommended practically all of them for passage.

An ostensibly innocent resolution introduced by Dr. O. L. Hailey, of Nashville, to the effect that no employe of any of the Convention boards shall be a member of such board, was about to pass unanimously when some one seemed to suspect that it had teeth and it accordingly went to the committee on resolutions.

Woman's Work.

The consideration of woman's work was brought forward in a report by Rev. J. H. Barber, of Columbia, which was thorough, concise and comprehensive. Following the report, Rev. L. S. Ewton, of Springfield, addressed the Convention on the work in a vigorous fashion.

An episode of vital human interest occurred when Dr. Ryland Knight, of Nashville, announced the retiring of Miss Margaret Buchanan as corresponding secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee, after ten years of service, and the election of Miss Mary Northington, of Clarksville, as her successor. Miss Northington was called to the platform and introduced by the president. She responded in a happy speech. At its conclusion Dr. A. U. Boone, of Memphis, detained her on the platform, announcing that he, while pastor at Clarksville, had baptized Miss Northington in her girlhood. He called to his side Mrs. W. J. Cox, of the First Baptist Church, Memphis, whom he introduced as the newly elected president of the state W.M.U., stating that he had also baptized her.

Mrs. Cox made graceful acknowledgement of the recognition accorded her and the delegates sprang to their feet in tribute to the ladies who stood on either side of Dr. Boone, Miss Margaret Buchanan was also presented.

Baptist Memorial Hospital.

The Convention reached its highest spiritual tide of the day during the discussion of the work of the Baptist Memorial Hospital, of Memphis, presented in a full report by A. E. Jennings, of Memphis, president of the board of trustees of the hospital, and one

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who has put into it thousands of dollars. There was scarcely a dry eye in the audience at the conclusion of Mr. Jennings' impassioned appeal. On motion of Dr. J. W. Inzer, of Chattanooga, the delegates stood as an expression of appreciation of the great work for the hospital done by Mr. Jennings, who was overcome with emotion by the action of the body. Dr. Inzer prayed for God's blessings on Mr. Jennings. The work was discussed in a strong address by Dr. W. M. Bostick, of Bellevue Church, Memphis.

The report revealed the fact that the hospital had made a net profit for the year of \$14,890.50, admitting 10,673 patients, an increase of about 1,500 for the year. To charity the amount given was \$93,093.20. The total assets are \$2,200,376.

More than \$100,000 is expended annually in the upkeep of the nurses' training school, Chairman Jennings reported. He also said that 400 beds had been available for patients as a comfortable hospital capacity.

"On the eighth floor we now have 14 operating rooms, with 25 nurses on duty," he said. "On this floor also are located the laboratory, X-ray rooms and deep therapy department. On the seventh floor is the obstetrical department with two delivery rooms. In the 12 months covered by this report 577 babies have been born in the hospital. On the third floor were kept the juvenile patients, including eight beds for the Crippled Children's Hospital. The first, second, fourth and sixth floors are for general hospital purposes. We have our own ice and refrigerating plant, laundry and wells."

Of the 10,673 patients admitted in the last year, 7,251 were from Tennessee, 1,871 from Mississippi, 1,260 from Arkansas and others amounted to 291.

The report also showed the denominational distribution of the 10,673 patients, including 2,706 Baptists, 2,498 Methodists, 959 Presbyterians, 428 Episcopahans, 515 Christians, 334 Catholics, 475 Jewish, 142 of other faiths, 756 not recorded and 1,860 of no church affiliation.

Tennessee contributed 643 patients to the charity ward, 170 from Arkansas, 157 from Mississippi and 63 others, making a total of 1,053 cared for in the charity wards.

Nurses and employed cared for were 278.

Foreign Missions.

Foreign missions were presented in a report by Dr. C. E. Sprague, of Chattanooga, who read an able paper. Dr. J. M. Kester, of Richmond, Va., educational secretary of the foreign mission board, spoke with enthusiasm of the work of foreign missions, and urged the establishment and maintenance of schools of missions for men, women and children in all the churches. It was Dr. Kester's maiden effort before the Tennessee Convention but the interests of the Foreign Mission Board had an able representative in him.

Prayer at adjournment by Dr. A. U. Boone, of Memphis.

Thursday Afternoon.

The initial song, when President W. A. Owen, of Covington, called the Convention to order at 2 o'clock, was "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," led by W. H. Preston, of Knoxville.

Dr. O. L. Wood, of Kansas City, Mo., corresponding secretary of the Baptist State Board of Mission, was introduced and brought fraternal greetings from the Baptists of the "show me" state which he declared to be a state of unsurpassed possibilities. Dr. O. E. Bryan, of Nashville, secretary of the stewardship campaign among Southern Baptists, was also presented.

Sang, "I Am Thine, O Lord."

Denominational Literature.

Denominational literature was brought forward for consideration in a splendid paper by Rev. James Allen Smith, of Knoxville, read by Dr. J. D. Moore, of Nashville, editor of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, in Mr. Smith's enforced absence from the Convention. Rev. J. H. Ponder, of Athens, spoke on the general theme of religious publications, emphasizing especially the value of the state paper as a means of denominational propaganda.

Home Missions.

Dr. E. H. Marriner, of Humboldt, reported for the committee on home missions, reading a strong paper reciting the problems, achievements and prospects of the Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Ga., the co-operative agency of the Southern Baptists in conducting the home mission work.

Dr. Austin Crouch, of Atlanta, Ga., secretary of the church building and loan department of the home board, spoke at length and powerfully in behalf of home missions. Dr. Crouch is in universal favor with the members of the convention, having for many years been a member of the convention while pastor at Murfreesboro, Tenn. Sang, "I Love to Tell the Story."

Dr. Sampey Speaks.

Dr. J. R. Sampey, of Louisville, Ky., for 30 years professor on Hebrew and Old Testament interpretation in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and admittedly one of the outstanding Old Testament scholars in America, was, by motion, requested to address the Convention along the line of his own choice, he responded favorably, and for forty-five minutes the great scholar and preacher thrilled his hearers with an address on "Pastoral and Church Efficiency," drawn from his experience. At one moment with sallies of wit he would convulse the delegates with laughter, only to swing them to tearful sentiment by his matchless word painting.

Dr. Sampey asked, "Are you a blameless Christian?" He submitted six questions as a test:

"Do you swear? Do you ever gamble? Do you ever get drunk? Do you ever tattle? Are you living a clean, moral life? Do you ever give way to violent outbursts of temper?"

Dr. Ben Cox, of Memphis, expressed the joy of the delegates in having a visit from the distinguished scholar. Dr. Ryland Knight, of Nashville, expressed the same sentiment and advocated the publication of Dr. Sampey's great address in pamphlet form by the Sunday School Board of Nashville. Said Dr. Knight: "If Dr. Sampey will write out that speech and let us publish it,

it will do preachers more good than some of the Hebrew he teaches."

Charles Butler, of Atlanta, Ga., a gifted leader of song, rendered a solo, "I Am Going Over Yonder." Prayer by Dr. L. T. Wilson, of Nashville, at adjournment.

Thursday Night.

Promptly at 7 o'clock, President W. A. Owen, of Covington, rapped for order, the audience having already filled the spacious church building. Sang, "Thow Out the Life-line."

Rev. J. A. Carmack, of Nashville, conducted the devotions in a spirited and spiritual manner. He quoted the scripture pertaining to "Stewardship." Dr. John Jeter Hurt, of Jackson, led in prayer. Sang, "I Gave My Life for Thee."

A telegram of fraternal greetings from the Memphis Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session at Jackson, was read by President W. A. Owen, of Covington, and a suitable response was ordered made to the conference through the secretary, Fleetwood Ball, of Lexington.

The topic of the evening was "Stewardship" and three addresses were heard. Dr. T. W. Gayer, of Gallatin, state stewardship secretary; Dr. O. E. Bryan, of Nashville, general secretary of the stewardship movement for Southern Baptists, and Dr. L. T. Wilson, of Nashville, were the speakers and delivered addresses of a very high order.

Following the addresses, stereopticon pictures of the buildings, class rooms and other equipment of the leading Baptist schools of the state were shown.

Dr. H. E. Watters, in behalf of Union University, Jackson, and Dr. O. E. Sams, in behalf of Carson and Newman College, gave explanatory lectures on the pictures, the entire exercise creating splendid sentiment favorable to the school.

Announcement was made that the joint debate between students of Carson and Newman College and Union University would be made permanent, a loving cup for the winning team having been offered by Rev. U. S. Thomas and wife, of Chattanooga, graduates of Carson and Newman College. This announcement was a signal for vigorous applause.

Sang, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Prayer, in closing, by Rev. W. R. Puckett, of Dyer.

Friday Morning.

The delegates to the Baptist bodies in session in Martin looked out upon an ideal brand of weather on the fourth day of the sessions, bright sunshine with just enough nip in the air to make the delegates walk briskly from their homes to the church and other points about the city.

At 8:30 o'clock President W. A. Owen, of Covington, was in the chair and called the body to order. W. H. Preston, of Knoxville, led in singing, "Just When I Need Him Most." Rev. J. D. Freeman, of Nashville, offered prayer. Sang, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

Helpful devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. F. J. Harrell, of Dyersburg, who read Psalm 37. In concluding his remarks, he stated that his son would go on the operating table Saturday, and that,

though anxious about the outcome, the Psalm had been a source of comfort and re-assurance to him.

President Owen called on Dr. O. L. Hailey, of Nashville, to lead a prayer for the recovery of Dr. Harrell's son.

Historical Society.

The Journal was read and approved.

Rev. J. H. Grime, of Lebanon, chairman of the committee on the work of the Tennessee Baptist Historical Society, being unable to attend on account of the sickness of his son, sent his report by mail and it was read by Dr. O. L. Hailey, of Nashville, another member of the society. The report recounts the value of history and the importance of its preservation. Said the report: "Baptists in general, and especially the Baptists of Tennessee are making history. We owe it in the largest measure to those who shall live after us to record this history. There are no palliating circumstances to excuse us. It would be little short of penal for this generation of Baptists to pass out and leave a gap in our history, or leave it to future generations to gather up in a fragmentary and very unsatisfactory manner." The report urged that the manuscript left by the late Dr. W. G. Inman be printed.

Revs. Theo. Whitfield, of Gulfport, Miss., and G. W. Riley, of Jackson, Miss., were recognized as visitors.

Clark Resolution.

Dr. Harry Clark, of Nashville, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, that the offer of the Congregationalist Home Mission Board to transfer Grandview Academy to the Baptist State Convention on condition that we equip and maintain it, shall be referred to the State Executive Board with power to act, with the

understanding that any funds for its equipment must be privately subscribed." The resolution was heartily adopted.

Wood Resolution.

Rev. W. M. Wood, of Nashville, offered a resolution as follows: "In view of the organization in Tennessee in the near future of a branch of the Lord's Day Alliance, be it resolved, That the Executive Board be instructed to select the brethren to represent Tennessee Baptists in the Alliance." This resolution was also unanimously adopted.

Nominations.

In the adoption of a report from the committee on nominations presented by Prof. J. K. Marshall, of Murfreesboro, the boards for 1924 were constituted as follows:

Executive Board, term expires in 1924—W. L. Pickard, J. L. Dance, J. H. Ponder, J. H. Anderson, J. K. Haynes, J. R. Johnson, C. H. Byrn, S. P. White, L. S. Ewton, W. M. Wood, G. T. Mayo, B. F. Jarrell, G. C. Rowlett, D. A. Ellis, Ben Cox, J. H. Wright, L. O. Leavell, John D. Freeman.

Term expires in 1925—J. R. Chiles, A. L. Crawley, R. E. Corum, J. F. Brownlow, A. H. Huff, J. R. Webb, J. E. Skinner, H. C. Sanders, Wilson Woodcock, B. A. Bowers, C. F. Clark, A. P. Moore, R. T. Skinner, S. P. Devault, G. W. McCall, J. B. Phillips, R. E. Guy, Norman Smith.

Term expires in 1926—A. F. Mahan, J. H. Sharp, J. W. Inzer, L. M. Roper, Ryland Knight, T. Riley Davis, W. F. Powell, R. M. Dudley, Robert Clements, F. J. Harrell, O. C. Barton, Fleetwood Ball, A. U. Boone, Paul Hodge, R. B. Jones, J. H. Buchanan, A. W. Duncan, L. R. Riley.

Trustees Baptist Memorial Hospital—A. U. Boone, D. A. Ellis, A. E. Jennings, H. P.

Hurt, O. C. Barton, J. R. Jarrell, W. M. Bostick, John W. McCall.

Board of Managers, Tennessee Baptist Orphan's Home, term expires in 1924—J. H. Bradshaw, L. T. Wilson, R. D. Moore, C. H. Baker, H. A. Davis, W. F. Powell, G. C. Savage, Term expires in 1925—J. J. Hill, R. M. Dudley, William Gupton, H. B. Alexander, W. C. Johnson, I. J. Van Ness, C. F. Clark. Term expires in 1926—C. H. Horn, A. M. Nicholson, I. N. Strother, Emmett Ralston, W. R. Hamilton, J. W. Bishop.

Tennessee Baptist Historical Society—J. H. Grime, G. M. Savage, J. J. Burnett, Fleetwood Ball, G. C. Savage, A. T. Barrett, E. P. Aldridge, O. L. Hailey. State member of the Foreign Mission Board—Dr. F. F. Brown, Knoxville. State member of the Home Mission Board—Dr. D. A. Ellis, Memphis. State member of the Sunday School Board—Dr. A. U. Boone, Memphis. State member of the Educational Board—Dr. Harry Clark, Nashville.

Trustees Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. Term expires in 1926—Dr. J. Carl McCoy, Memphis. Term expires in 1927—Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, Nashville. Trustees Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, Drs. Ryland Knight, Nashville; J. L. Dance, Knoxville, and John Jeter Hurt, Jackson. Committee on programme—Ryland Knight, Lloyd T. Wilson, Harry Clark, W. D. Hudgins, Miss Mary Northington, E. L. Atwood, O. E. Sams, H. E. Watters, J. T. Warren, W. A. Owen.

Time of meeting, Wednesday after the second Sunday in November, 1924. Place of meeting—First Church, Murfreesboro, Tenn. Preacher of Convention sermon—Dr. W. L. Pickard, Chattanooga. Alternate—Dr. R. E. Guy, Jackson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BYPU

W. D. Hudgins, Superintendent
Tullahoma

W. H. Preston, S. Y. P. U. Secretary
205 Caswell St., Knoxville

We greatly appreciate the hearty reception given to our Departmental Report by the State Convention. The only thing making this report possible was the cooperation of every one interested.

This being Convention Number we are sending in but few notes but will try after this week to give fresh notes from the field. Please write us if there is anything done in your church that will inspire others.

Rev. Clifton Bridges writes from Stewart County. "The work which Brother Short did in this county may not seem to compare favorably with that done by other workers in other sections. But I know you do not expect the visible results that can be seen elsewhere. I believe that in eternity it will be revealed that in reality there was about as much real good accomplished here as anywhere else by your corps of workers. Brother Short made a favorable impression upon seriously-minded people of the communities where he worked. I want to register right now a request for him to be with us again next year—particularly at Weaver store. If he should not be in this work, kindly plan to send us some one else."

DR. P. E. BURROUGHS WRITES

"You may be interested to know that we have just received from the Chinese Publication Society a copy of our Normal Manual in Chinese. I

have not been able to read all of it, but apparently the book is exactly reproduced including maps, architectural drawings, etc.

"We have also received from Casa Bautista de Publicacione, El Paso, Texas, a copy of Winning to Christ in Spanish. The Manual and some other books have been translated into Portuguese and other languages.

"Thus our teacher training work is being reproduced on our foreign fields and is in some measure unifying Sunday School work at home and abroad."

The City-wide Training School is on in Chattanooga this week. Report of this school will be made later.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS MAY HELP THE DEAF THROUGH TRANSLATING SERMONS AND S. S. LESSONS

By Frank E. Burkhalter

Would you like to extend the size and helpful service of your Sunday school to probably the most appreciative class of people in your community. Brother Superintendent?

Such an opportunity is suggested to you by Brother J. W. Michaels, Home Board Missionary to the Deaf, who has just published a "Hand-Book of the Sign Language" and is asking the Baptist Sunday school superintendents throughout the South to procure a copy of this book and have

some consecrated man or woman in his school to master the alphabet and possibly more of the sign language, with a view to teaching the Sunday school lessons to the deaf mutes of your community, and then interpreting to them the sermons of the pastor from week to week.

The salvation of the deaf people of the South lies in the hands of hearing people who are willing to translate the sermons to them, and these unfortunate people will attend the churches where it is possible for them to receive the gospel message. Brother Michaels says, and he knows, for he has given his life to work among them, and is one of them.

Several Sunday Schools and churches are already trying out this plan and find great joy in thus serving

those people in their communities who have been deprived of the sense of hearing. The writer belongs to such a school and church and the service is mutual. Copies of the book by Brother Michaels can be had from the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

R. E. CORUM, Sevierville, writes—

"I am very sorry but it will be impossible for me to attend the State Convention at Martin this year. I have been very much interested in the S. S. work this year and have tried out to a certain extent the work of the instructors you have gathered about you. I wish to express my hearty endorsement of the year's work."

"Please sign my name to the "Committee's S. S. Report" and I will

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3. Chattanooga Junior and Intermediate training school, December 9-14.
4. December 16—Mountain School day. Have a special Mountain School program and bring Christmas gifts for our schools at the close of the evening program. Several of our churches are planning to have the B.Y.P.U. put on this program at the regular preaching service Sunday evening, December 16. If you do not receive a program, please write to the Nashville office for it at once. A suggested list of gifts will be sent to each B.Y.P.U., if they desire it.
5. Many of our B.Y.P.U.'s are planning to remember their adopted Orphans again at this Christmas time. Let us make sure that every Orphan has a happy Christmas.

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stand behind the signing of it. May God's richest blessing rest upon the deliberations at Martin is my prayer."

BOOK REVIEWS.

By the Editor.

Greece and Bible Lands. By G. M. Savage, D.D., LL.D., professor in Union University. McCowart-Mercer, Jackson, Tenn. Price \$1.25.

This is a book of travel by the author in 1905-6, and contains the facts observed by him as to the customs of the peoples in Greece and in Bible lands which will be valuable as sidelights on many references and passages in the Bible. The book will be read with interest, especially by the author's many old students in Tennessee and other states.

The Baptist Heritage. By Geo. Edwin Horr, D.D., LL.D. The Judson Press, Philadelphia. \$1.25 net.

Beginning with the early European Baptists, the author gives a brief account of the development and growth of Baptists as to their message and contribution to the religious life of the world. It is not statistical in its form, but rather prophetic. The story of the past is told in story style and is given as an incentive to still greater history. It is a series of lectures by the author on the John T. Christian Foundation at the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La., April, 1922.

The Beauty of God. By G. C. Rector. The Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tenn. \$1.00 postpaid.

The author does not deny beauty, but denies that it is essentially evil, but affirms on the other hand that it is normally virtuous. All that God made was "good"; only in the suggestion of evil was a forbidden fruit harmful as a thing "pleasant to the eye." The argument of the book is a plea for an appreciation of the beautiful in nature as God's handwork, in man as the creature of divine creative energy and in Jesus Christ as the very Son of God.

BOOK REVIEWS

By Jno. D. Freeman

The New Geology. By George McReady Price. Pacific Press Association.

This book is a pleasing departure from the customary discussions found in textbooks on geology. The author bases his work upon the hypothesis of a great deluge and ably sustains his point. He quotes widely from authors whose hypothesis is the theory of evolution and draws comparisons and asks questions that bring consternation into their ranks. The evolutionists have set about to discredit the book and as was to be expected, they have branded Dr. Price as an ignoramus. Even a leading Southern Baptist pastor has stooped to ridicule and sarcasm in a recent review of the book, the cause for his caustic remarks being veiled under the accusation that Dr. Price is a Seventh Day Adventist.

All devout believers in the Word of God ought to be thankful that we have the book and it ought to be placed in every Christian college, there to be taught in connection with the books on geology which have been written in support of the theory of evolution.

Questions Evolution Does Not Answer. By John F. Hegert. The Standard Publishing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. Price, 85 cents.

This is a little hand-book in which the author skillfully places the arguments and admissions of evolutionists so as to bring out the weakness of the theory of evolution. It will furnish every defender of the "Once-delivered-faith" a strong array of arguments to be used against evolutionary scientists and theologians.

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I. Fundamentals

1. Watchword: "He that wrought us for this very thing is God." 2 Cor. 5: 5.
2. Hymn: "Come Women, Wide Proclaim."
3. Chief Aims:
 - (1) Individual and United Prayer.
 - (2) Bible Study.
 - (3) Soul Winning.
 - (4) Enlistment.
 - (5) Mission Study.
 - (6) Organized Personal Service.
 - (7) Systematic and Proportionate Giving.

4. Moral Standards: We declare ourselves on the side of all the forces of righteousness in the world; mission fundamentals, patriotism; national prohibition; Sabbath observance; sacredness in the home; maintenance of the family altar; high womanly ideals of speech, dress and conduct; better industrial conditions for women and children; public health; universal education and Christian Americanization.

II. INDIVIDUAL AND UNITED PRAYER

Let us be imitators of Christ in ever seeking the Father through prayer and intercession. Let us therefore, especially urge:

1. Maintenance of the family altars—We recommend the use of
 - (1) "Daily Devotion."
 - (2) "God's Minute."
2. Regular use in our homes and society meetings of Calendar of Prayer in Royal Service.
3. Nine o'clock hour for daily united prayer for victory in Campaign.
4. Prayer group in every society, gathering before regular society meeting hour.
5. Constant prayer for more laborers to be thrust forth into the harvest field.
6. Observance for entire Week of Prayer for January Week of Prayer for World-Wide Missions with Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, January 6-12, 1924.
- March Week of Prayer for Home Missions with Thank Offering, March 2-8, 1924.
- State Season of Prayer, dates and other details to be arranged by State W. M. U.

III. BIBLE AND MISSION STUDY

That societies follow the course suggested by the general union in methods, Missions and Bible, securing the certificates issued by the Union for the completion of the courses.

We recommend the following:

1. Books on Prayer:
 - "How to Pray," by R. A. Torrey.
 - "Intercessory Prayer," by J. G. McClure.
2. Home Missions:
 - "From Strength to Strength," by Margaret Lackey.
 - "Cuba for Christ," Una Roberts Lawrence.
 - "Oak and Laurel," by F. W. Withoft.
 - "A Decade of Woman's Missionary Union Service," by Margaret Lackey.
3. Foreign Missions:
 - "The Women and the Leaven in Japan," by De Forest.
 - "Laborers Together," by Lackey.
4. For the Y. W. A. "Cuba for Christ," "The Women and the Leaven in Japan," and the course recommended by the Southern Union.
- For the G. A's. and R. A's., "The Honorable Japanese Fan."
- For the Sunbeams, "Taro."

5. Efforts to win all the certificates and seals mentioned in the leaflet entitled "Concerning Mission Study."

6. Added missionary significance of first and second honor certificates, which are awarded for the teaching of mission study classes after all certificates are won.

7. Systematic reading of mission books and securing of reward cards and stamps.

8. Study classes and missionary story hours for women and young people at summer assemblies and in the school of missions.

9. Study of foreign mission book preceding observance of January Week of Prayer and study of home mission book before March Week of Prayer.

IV. LITERATURE

That the Woman's Missionary Union Literature Department be loyally supported by all our organizations. Urging the use of Royal Service (price 50 cents a year); World Comrades (50 cents a year); Home and Foreign Fields, (\$1.00 a year) and Baptist and Reflector (\$2.00 a year). Increasing our interest in the W. M. U. page, contributing items of interest for publication.

V. STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

That we continue to use the standard suggested by the General Union. That presidents keep the record as suggested on page 41 of the W. M. U. Year Book, so as to be able to answer promptly and accurately the questionnaire sent out for report in April. Only one report will be asked for each S. B. C. year. That the Standard of Excellence chart be secured from Birmingham headquarters, price 25 cents.

VI. GRADED MISSIONARY UNION

That we strive for the full graded missionary union in each church possible, and that promotion day be observed yearly. Members from the lower grades passing to the next higher. Sunbeams over twelve into G. A. and R. A. and G. A's. over sixteen into the Y. W. A. Young women who are matrons into the W. M. S. and to encourage efficiency in the junior organizations a pennant being awarded in each grade making two points—meeting all points in the Standard of Excellence and the largest gift per member to campaign causes, each point counted from May to May.

VII. TRAINING SCHOOL

That out of the amount of the general fund apportioned to Christian education our State's apportionment for current expenses of the Training School, the Margaret Fund and the Bible Fund, and our two State Scholarships in the W. M. U. Training School be provided for. That we continually endeavor to enlist for life service the young women in our churches, and that we search out and stimulate our choicest to enter the W. M. U. Training School.

VIII. ORGANIZED PERSONAL SERVICE

Knowing that personal service is Christlike living in one's own community, we will encourage efforts to reach the oppressed, the illiterate, the negroes, the foreigners and the un-saved.

In cities of 5000 or over, we recommend the establishment of Good Will Centers, Homemaker's Clubs, Industrial Schools, adult classes and Daily Vacation Bible Schools

IX. SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING

Systematic and proportionate giving is acknowledged to be a fundamental Christian principle. Increasing emphasis must, therefore, be laid upon

tithing and stewardship, the tithe being recognized as the minimum scale for a Christian's giving. Each society is asked to advance the principle in the following ways:

1. Have society stewardship chairman to—
 - Get members to sign Stewardship Covenant Cards.
 - Keep record of such signatures.
 - Report number of signatures to State W. M. U. Cor. Secretary.
 - Furnish tithers with individual tithing record cards.
 - Have frequent talks on stewardship at circle and society meetings.
 - Aid in training young people to be faithful stewards.
2. Participate in local, associational, State and South-wide stewardship campaigns.
3. Co-operate heartily in every-member canvass of local church and aid in introducing and supporting weekly envelope system where none exists.

X. BAPTIST SEVENTY-FIVE MIL-LION CAMPAIGN

As the Campaign will close in December 1924, this present year is therefore an unusually crucial one. During it increased loyalty to Campaign ideals should be manifested and new ardor should be found in the achievements already made possible by the Campaign.

These opportunities both at home and abroad call for:

1. Redeeming of all pledges.
2. Monthly or at least quarterly reminders by society treasurer to all who are behind in their Campaign payments.
3. Gifts in addition to payment of pledges.
4. Sacrificial giving.
5. Securing of new pledges from un-cavassed women and young people.
6. Gifts from non-pledgers and young people.
7. Year's appointment for our state W. M. U. for all Campaign objects shall be the unpaid pledges.

XI. CREDITS

During the year it is imperative that all such credits be secured weekly or monthly, according to the plan in the local church. An earnest effort should be made to get credit for previous gifts and payments not already credited. Each society is urged to have:

1. W. M. U. Campaign Director just as in 1919 who shall:
 - (1) Be appointed if possible assistant mission church treasurer.
 - (2) Assist W. M. U. organizations among young people in getting their members to pay their pledges regularly and in having them duly credited. She should also urge gifts from all young people who have not pledged to the Campaign.
 - (3) Urge these organizations and the W. M. S. to let no month and certainly no quarter pass with the apportionments not raised and Campaign pledges not paid up-to-date.
 - (4) Provide 4-minute Campaign speaker for each meeting of these organizations and of W. M. S.
2. A committee whose duties shall be to:
 - (1) Greet all women and young people the day they join the local church and request them to join the W. M. U. organization adapted to them.
 - (2) Ask them to turn over to the given society a record of their Campaign pledge or to make a Campaign pledge in case they have not done so.

XII. REPORTING

That society treasurers study carefully the treasurer's record books and

report blanks, and send in promptly at the close of each quarter these blanks properly filled out to the State W. M. U. Treasurer, and the duplicate blank to the superintendent of their association; that superintendents send reports quarterly to their Vice-Presidents. That treasurers and leaders of junior organizations keep these books in good condition and pass them on to their successors. This is urged because of the evident waste of these books during the year.

XIII. OFFERING

That an offering be taken at State annual W. M. U. meeting for magazines to be sent to the Tennessee women missionaries on the foreign fields.

XIV. ASSOCIATIONAL WORK

That we lay greater stress on the quarterly meetings, urging superintendents to follow the grouping and dates as suggested by their Vice-Presidents. That pennants be again awarded for efficiency and co-operation—efficiency for having the four quarterly meetings; co-operation for the largest percentage of organizations reporting every quarter on time. That stars be awarded those associations now holding pennants who win these awards.

That two pennants for growth be given, one to the association having the largest number of new societies organized during the year, the other for the largest per cent gain in new organizations.

That a pennant be awarded the association reaching all points on the Standard of Excellence.

That the following standard for associations be adopted:

- (1) An association organized with a superintendent, assistant superintendent, young people's leader, mission study chairman and personal service chairman.
- (2) Four quarterly meetings with one-half of the societies represented.
- (3) An adequate expense fund.
- (4) Three-fourths of the organizations reporting on time quarterly to the Superintendent and the State Treasurer.
- (5) Organized personal service reported by half the societies to associational chairman quarterly and the associational chairman to the State chairman quarterly.
- (6) Three-fourths of the W. M. S. with a mission study class or reading circle.
- (7) A mission study class or reading circle or story hour in three-fourths of the young people's organizations.
- (8) The superintendent reporting on time, quarterly, to the Corresponding Secretary, and to the Vice-President.
- (9) Associational W. M. U. meeting its Campaign Pledge.
- (10) An increase of 10 per cent in number of societies during the year.

CENTRAL W. M. U.

The Woman's Missionary Union of Central Association met with the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Thursday, October the 25th. This was a day of unusual interest, owing to the contemplated division of Central Association, which necessitates a division of our beloved W. M. U. organization. The day dawned clear and bright; an ideal October day, and the beautiful First church with its wealth of gorgeous fall flowers made a wonderful setting for the large delegation that came from all parts of the Association. There were 21 societies represented, with more than 275 delegates.

This was the first time for the new Superintendent, Mrs. E. H. Marriner, to preside. She presided with dignity and dispatched the business like a veteran. It was a wise choice when she was made superintendent.

The program was good and full of inspiration. Mrs. R. S. Brown of Second Church, Jackson, spoke on "Problems and Possibilities of Leadership." "Fundamentals of a Successful Year," were given as follows: "Praying," Mrs. H. C. Jones, West Jackson; "Serving," Mrs. J. A. Pearce, Humboldt; "Giving," Mrs. G. B. Hargrove,

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Spring Hill; "Living," Mrs. G. G. Joyner, South Royal, Jackson.

The Girls Auxilliary and Sunbeams of First Church each gave a splendid demonstration. The special music rendered through the day deserves special mention. The Organ Voluntary by Miss Heaslet; Violin, Flute and Piano trio by Prof. and Mrs. Guyon and Miss Heaslet, all of Union University, were very much enjoyed.

Plans for the continuation of our work without interruption, consumed a large part of the business session, which resulted in the temporary election of officers for Madison and Gibson Associations to take effect upon the organization of the Associations.

For Gibson Association: Mrs. E. H. Marriner, Superintendent; Mrs. G. B. Hargrove, Secretary; Mrs. R. L. Dawson, Treasurer.

Madison: Mrs. Chas. M. Thompson, Superintendent; Mrs. H. H. Winter, Secretary; Mrs. Rena James, Treasurer.

A letter of greeting was read from Miss Margaret Buchanan, also acknowledging the gift from the societies of Central Association.

The ladies of the First Church had left nothing undone for the comfort of their guests. The spacious dining room was beautifully decorated. Beautiful flowers were lavishly used; the tables in white, glittering with silver service and gleaming candles from which a delicious and bountiful luncheon was served to about three hundred.

The Humboldt and West Jackson Churches will be hostesses to their respective meetings, the fourth Thursday in January.

Mrs. H. H. Winter, Sec'y.

OCCOE Y. W. A.

The Ocoee Young Woman's Auxilliary held its quarterly meeting with the Highland Park Baptist Church, at Chattanooga, Tuesday night October 30th. Supper was served at 6:30, after which the President, Miss Jewell Robinson called the meeting to order. A short business session was held and then the Highland Park Y. W. A. rendered a very interesting program entitled "Our Mission Fields in Europe." Misses Dixie Talley and Georgia Webb sang "Tell Me the Story of Jesus." The program was very much enjoyed by all.

The attendance banner went to the Red Bank Y. W. A. there being 97 per cent of their members present. Wonderful personal service reports were read by the Presidents of the various Y. W. A.'s, which gave us all an inspiration to do greater things for our Master during the coming quarter.

After a decision to go to the Baptist Tabernacle for the next meeting, which will be held in January, the meeting adjourned. The meeting was an inspiration and a blessing to all who attended.

OBITUARIES

Obituaries, a hundred words long, are inserted free of charge. When they exceed this number, one cent for each additional word should be paid in advance.

Edwards: Mr. Osie Edwards died Oct. 25, 1923 at his home near Gallaway, Tenn. Resolved, That the church and the Sunday school has lost one of its best members, one whose faithfulness to his church and his God will ever be a monument to his memory. The community, a man of sterling worth and integrity, one who always stood for right and was ever ready to lend a helping hand to those in need and distress. The church and Sunday school extend to the widow, sons and daughter our deepest sympathy and prayers. Committee, Noah Jones, Mrs. T. A. Watson, Mrs. Ople Jackson.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Clemmons Thompson

Again death has come into our midst and claimed as his victim one of our oldest members, Sister Sarah Jane Clemmons Thompson, who was born June 8, 1848. At the age of thirteen, she professed faith in Christ and united with Fall Creek Baptist Church where she remained a faithful, devoted and consecrated member until her death. On Monday, Aug. 2, while sitting in her chair at the home of one of her daughters, God in his infinite wisdom and goodness suddenly called and she quietly fell asleep to awaken in that great beyond where her Redeemer, whose will she had so earnestly tried to obey for sixty-two years, had gone to prepare a place for her that where he was there she might be also. Sister Thompson was preceded by her husband to the better land about four years ago. She is survived by eight children. To them we extend our deepest sympathy and commend them in their bereavement to her Saviour with whom she now rests. Truly their loss and ours is great, yet may it be overruled for good by him who doeth all things well.

Respectfully Mrs. Bessie Williams, Mrs. Ona Phillips, Mr. A. V. Weatherley.

Jones: In loving memory of Sister Nau Netherton Jones. She was a consecrated Christian woman and a member of Fall Creek Baptist Church.

She died Aug. 23, 1923. She was seventy-five years old. It is a blessed thought to know that anyone may live a long life in the service of the Master and at the close of life to hear him say, "Thou good and faithful servant, come home." She was living with her niece Mrs. Annie Oakley, who will miss her loving presence so much. To the bereaved relatives and friends the church extends loving sympathy. Mrs. Bessie Williams, Mrs. Ona Phillips, A. V. Weatherley, Committee.

Keaton: Mrs. Robinson Keaton was born near Forks-of-Pike, April 6, 1875, departed this life September 23rd, 1923. Funeral by Pastor W. G. Mahaffy, interment at Salem Cemetery.

When a small child of eleven she gave her heart to God and united with Salem Baptist Church. She was an active consecrated member till shortly after her marriage to H. M. Keaton, Nov. 16, 1916, when she moved by letter to Prosperity Baptist Church. She was an earnest, devoted Christian member—active in Sunday school and nothing seemed to give her more joy than to meet with a band of girls in the study of the Master or with the women in our Woman's Missionary Society. For a number of years she served as Associational Superintendent of the W. M. U. work in Salem Association. She will be missed by all in the general church activities. She leaves her husband, step-mother, Mrs. Wm. Robinson, three brothers; Charlie Robinson, of Milton, Tenn., M. W. Robinson and Lawson Robinson of Bolivar, Tenn., also six sisters, besides a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her loss. Her place can not be filled, yet we feel that God in his wisdom knew best. We extend love and sympathy to her loved ones. We, as mem-

bers of the Sunday school class, of which she was teacher and Woman's Missionary Society of which she was an untiring member, feel deeply the loss of Miss Alice, as she was familiarly called, and with the poet we can say,

"Oh, there 'mid the star shine,
Alice I know art thou."

Mrs. Ella Dodd, Mrs. Maud Edwards, Miss Bertha Chapman, Mrs. Loraine Truitt, Mrs. Ollie Fuston, Mrs. Mamie Jennings, Committee.

Summers: Again death has called one of our members, Ray Summers, to the great beyond. Whereas, in his death the family has suffered a loss that demands the sympathy of Concord Baptist Church, Resolved, That we extend the bereaved family our deepest sympathy and point them to that day when the broken ties shall be reunited, and sorrow and tears shall be unknown. Mrs. Allie Marley, Mrs. Earline Charlton, Mrs. Thelma Latmen, Committee.

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Etowah, First	418
Murfreesboro, First	400
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him. If we only knew him, we would detect his presence on the way to Emmaus and speak to him and he to us: our hearts would not only burn within us, but our vision would be so cleared that we could say, "My Lord and My God." The hostile forces that threaten us now, that are impeding the final triumph of the faith, would recognize the infinite power of God. God's power and strength and purpose are, in this very thought of God being with us, made perfect in our weakness. "God hath power over the same lump of clay to make one to honor and the other to dishonor." Making us to honor is the big thing. He will never make us over again. The vessels that he made to honor he will never dishonor.

God With Us

The external presence, his omnipo-

otence, and omnipresence, his universal power: we must admit, but how may we know of his presence.

We believe and are sure is knowledge in advance, "add to your faith," "When the secret of our hearts are made manifest," we know it. When we come to ourselves like the prodigal son, we know it. When a man is sick he knows it. Paul says: "I know in whom I have believed, I am persuaded that he is able to keep all that I have committed to him." Keep us not from affliction but in affliction; not from temptation but through temptation; not from death but through death.

If a man has peace with God he knows. If he loves God he knows it. Then there are some things that we can know. "We know we have passed from death unto life," "I know that my redeemer liveth." It is not enough for

us to know that God loves us but in return, we know him.

God with us, that is the comforting truth of the book.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS TO
THE BAPTIST STATE CON-
VENTION

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP

By T. W. Gayer, Stewardship Secretary

The Executive Board, in its report to the Tennessee Baptist Convention at Knoxville last year, recommended, "That the Convention authorize the Board to consider the advisability of calling a suitable man to fill the place of General Director of Stewardship and Tithing, whose work shall be confined, for the most part, to holding conferences in churches and setting up

Bro. Pastor, have you ordered the 18 free Stewardship books to be given by the S. S. Board for the teaching of a Stewardship Class in your church?

NOTES BY THE EDITOR

We did not receive from Bro. Fleetwood Ball, who reports for us the Martin Convention so splendidly this week his report of the closing exercises Friday in time to have it appear with the previous proceedings. We regret the occurrence but will publish the delayed report next week.

Because our space for this issue is largely given to the report of the Convention and most of its special reports, Pastors' Conference reports are crowded out, except the Sunday school attendance record.

Nashville pastors sustain the loss of two of their associates: Rev. C. D. Creasman who resigns Third church to accept the call to Island Home church of Knoxville, and Rev. C. F. Clark who is leaving Judson Memorial in order to take charge of our church Cleveland, Tenn. Nashville will miss them, and the churches to which they go are to be congratulated.

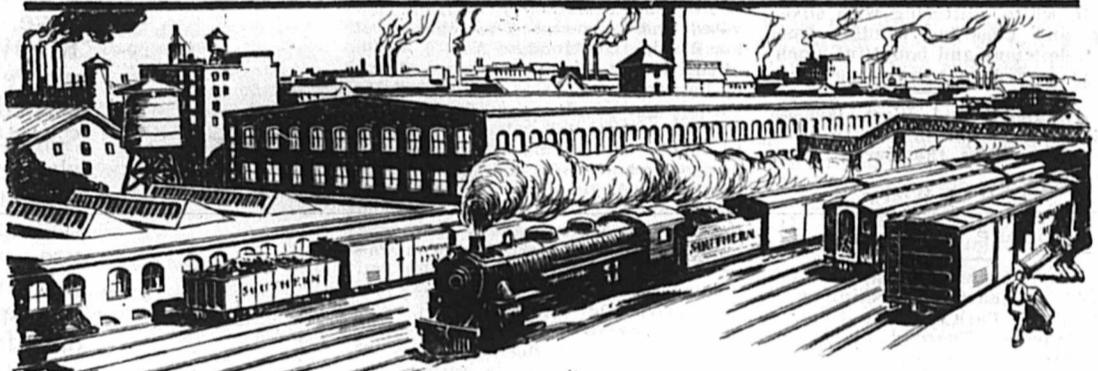
"GOD WITH US" ISAIAH 63: 5

By G. A. Ogle

"Fear not for I am with thee." "If God be for us who can be against us." "Lo I am with thee always." The how of most every thing is mysterious. The must be of most every thing is plain. We know fire burns. We know that corn and cotton grow. We know that by taking food into the stomach we get blood, muscles, vitality and life. We know that God knows us, but in return do we know 'hat we know him? I am as much in the presence of God today as if I were dead and gone. If God so encouraged ancient Israel with these words, will he not more abundantly encourage us? God with us is a fact unconditionally. His presence does not depend on our moods or obedience or efforts to please him. We neither can screen out the light nor hide away from God. God's presence with us is a spiritual manifestation, and a gracious act of God.

There are some Christians who deny this operation because they can not understand just how God can be with us. "Verily thou art a God that hidest thy self." The head is out of sight but the body we may handle. God's presence is not confined to preaching, praying, going to church and making a show. Not only when I am strong, active, obedient only; but when the waters are disturbed and chilly winds whistle through the soul. And we are warming around the coals and deny

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campaigns in associations for the purpose of teaching stewardship and tithing, his other duties to be confined to general field work in the interest of the causes supported by the Convention."

I was elected to this position in March, and began the work on April 15th.

Methods of Work

For the first fifteen days I helped Dr. Wilson in the spring round-up. This gave time and opportunity to study the field and confer with brethren who had studied the situation in the state. Many valuable suggestions were received.

Having settled upon a method of procedure, the first step was to form a stewardship organization. Three regional conferences were held—at Knoxville for East Tennessee, at Nashville for Middle Tennessee and at Jackson for West Tennessee. These meetings were very satisfactory. We then went to the associations, asking each association to select a stewardship director and committee. These in turn were asked to organize each church. Some associations have their organizations complete. We hope to have the organization complete in all the associations at an early date.

Systematic campaigns have been conducted in several associations. Different methods have been tried. We have grouped the churches, holding conferences in central churches with leaders, reaching the surrounding churches with speakers at night. In other associations we have held a conference with the leaders of all the churches of the association at a central point at the beginning, going to the churches with speakers during the following week. In all these churches the whole stewardship program is presented, the Budget Plan and the Every Member Canvass are explained and urged. Some of these campaigns have been entirely satisfactory, others have been handicapped by indifferent pastors. Our conviction is that this associational unit and organization should be encouraged and developed.

In a number of individual churches stewardship revivals have been conducted with gratifying results. These begin on Sunday, closing on either Wednesday or Friday night, the every member canvass being taken the following Sunday afternoon. There are too many churches in the state for me to conduct such campaigns in many individual churches, but it seems wise to make demonstrations in different sections of the state, with the hope that pastors will assist one another in this kind of work. We hope to see the day when this kind of revival will seem as important as a soul winning revival.

Educational Work

Through the cooperation of Mr. W. D. Hudgins and his workers we are conducting a course of study on stewardship. A diploma with appropriate seals is given to one who takes this course. Splendid results are coming from this department of our work. Several hundred diplomas have been awarded and hundreds of books disposed of. Classes are being conducted in many churches all over the state. One mountain school is taking a class through all the books. Most of the colleges are planning to have classes taught this winter. Some pastors are teaching classes on Sunday night just before the preaching service, others are giving it at the prayer meeting.

Baptist Loyalty Legion

At the suggestion of Mr. Edmund Preston we have organized the Baptist Loyalty Legion. Each member promises to pay his Campaign Pledge in full by the end of the campaign period and wears an appropriate emblem. Already we have several thousand members. It has not been possible to fill the orders for emblems as rapidly as they have been received. This indicates that our people still hold their pledges to be sacred obligations and intend to pay them. This has added enthusiasm to our work.

Special Mention

The cooperation of the brethren has surpassed our expectation. It seems

to be the general opinion that the stewardship method will solve our financial difficulties. It is impossible to mention all our helpers, but we must name a few outstanding examples who have been an inspiration in the beginning of this movement. Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, who is a good steward of Jesus Christ, both in practice and preaching, has been most helpful at all times. Mr. W. D. Hudgins has rendered invaluable aid both as a counsellor and as a worker. His department has handled our books, issued our diplomas and taught many of our classes. Mr. W. H. Preston has handled the publicity of our department and in various ways helped this movement. The Sunday School Board, through Dr. I. J. Van Ness, has given stewardship books to pastors who agreed to teach classes. The columns of the Baptist and Reflector have been open to us at all times. Drs. O. E. Bryan, Harry Clark and John L. Hill have responded to our call for help on various occasions. Our general directors, J. H. Sharp, C. F. Clark and E. H. Marriner have devoted much time and thought to this cause without compensation. Some of our associational directors have spent both time and money in presenting our cause to the churches and putting on campaigns in their associations. The members of the Executive Board have been friends and boosters of this work all over the state. Many of our pastors and laymen—too many to mention—have done much to help me to get the Baptists of this state to become good stewards of Jesus Christ.

I am presenting this report to invite friendly criticism and suggestions of our Board and its friends. This movement is new among us. It has great possibilities. Let every Baptist feel free to make suggestions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BYPU DEPARTMENT

Executive Board
Tennessee Baptist Convention

By W. D. Hudgins, Supt.

In this our sixteenth report of the Sunday School and BYPU Work of your Convention, we bring the record of the greatest achievements of our history. Notwithstanding many failures and shortcomings on the part of those having the work in charge, the tables will show a wonderful growth along most all lines of endeavor. For all these things, we give grateful recognition to our Heavenly Father who has so wonderfully blessed us in so many ways, and through the person of His Holy Spirit led us in the doing of all that has been done worthwhile.

Recognition

We would be ungrateful should we not, at this time, express to our friends over the State our deep appreciation for their expressions of love and confidence in a hundred ways, and especially in the wonderful experience that they made possible in the trip to Stockholm. We can never repay them, nor will we ever be able to get for them value received out of this investment. We will do our best, however, to render more faithful service in the future, and will love where we cannot serve. We cannot understand why we were not permitted to make the trip contemplated, but would not for the world complain. God has been exceedingly good and gracious to us.

We also want to thank all who have had a part in making this year's record possible. Our own field force have redoubled their efforts to make up for the loss on my part. The Summer Workers did their best, and the workers over the State cooperated in a mighty way in every plan and program.

Field Force

We have added to our Field Force during this year, Miss Zella Mai Collie, who has charge of the Elementary Department of our work. Besides the regular force which we have had for some time, we used about twenty young men and women during the summer months in special rural work.

In addition to all of this, many weeks of work have been given by volunteer helpers, some giving their time without charge while others have been paid a small fee for their services.

Plan of Work

We have followed the regular program with few exceptions this year. City-wide Training Schools have been conducted in all the larger cities both in Sunday School and BYPU Work, in many cities separate schools for Intermediates and Juniors. Schools have been held in most of the larger towns, and in many local village churches. The most important work, however, has been done in the district associations among the country churches. We have touched scores of local churches through the Summer Rural Campaign, while the larger number of associations have more thoroughly organized, through conventions and group meetings, to do definite work throughout the entire year. We have given ourselves especially to the lining up of all the churches in the various associations in such a way as to make possible the same plans of work for them as we give to the larger churches.

Associational Conferences

In March and April, it was our pleasure to hold all-day conferences with the Pastors, Superintendents and BYPU Presidents of about fifteen different associations, where we discussed with them plans for work in their particular association, and where we planned for the work of the Rural Campaign. This I found to be the most effective work of all. It is our plan to do more of this character of work in the future.

State-wide Superintendents' Conference

The State Conference of Superintendents met at Chattanooga in February for a two days' session, where we had a delightful and helpful experience. This will be extended to other officers of the school next year, and we hope to have at Ovoca in June a large number of superintendents and officers, where we hope to do some real constructive planning.

Organized Class Movement

The growth of the Organized Classes has been phenomenal during the last year. Nothing has ever come to the schools which helps in the solution

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of more problems than the coming of grown men and women, by the hundreds. It is from them that we secure officers and teachers as well as hundreds of other faithful workers in every department of the church life. We now have enrolled on our files 794 classes with a total enrollment of 16,273. This is only a very small percent of the enrollment, as very few have been registered with the office.

Men and women are beginning to realize that the Sunday school is not a separate organization from the church, nor one of a bundle of organizations making up a local church, but one of the activities growing out of the church, and a definite agency of the church through which it does a specific task. Every member belongs to the Sunday school, and should be busy helping in the work of carrying the Gospel to the whole world.

Rural Campaign

The most effective work that we have ever done by special workers has been accomplished this year. We employed twenty young men and women for rural work, and placed them in twenty of our district associations and confined them to county churches most altogether. They worked from church to church, teaching Training Classes, organizing BYPU's, and helping to reorganize Sunday Schools, and in every way to enlist and put to work every available member of every associational organization where there was none, and in many cases planned for the annual meeting and helped in the organization. They took the census wherever it could be done and reported to the office all available information concerning the local church and the prospective workers. The reports show a most wonderful result in most places where these young people served in this definite way.

Teacher Training

The most significant thing about the Study Course Work this year has not been the bestowing of 9,790 awards, but the fact that a large part of this has been done by local churches, and the further fact that it has scattered over nearly every association in the State. Possibly the most important thing that is being done among Southern Baptists is this definite educational work, and the training coming from it.

Quoting from a letter of Dr. P. E. Burroughs:

"Our Teacher Training report for October offers an interesting study. I note that we sent out during the month nearly 4,000 separate awards. It is not difficult to see what this must mean for our people as the years pass. I note that Tennessee leads all the States in the matter of awards save Texas, Virginia, Alabama and Georgia. These four States seem to be 'The Big Four' in many ways, and I suppose we will have to give them right of way."

We hope to so stress this feature of our program that every church may set aside a week each year for training.

Stewardship

For years this Department has been trying to teach Stewardship in its Training Schools, and has a large list of awards for various books and a respectable list of Tithers already signed up. But this year, late in the Spring, and before the general movement was started by the Southern Baptist Convention, this Department, in connection with our Stewardship Secretary, planned a course of study on Stewardship, and had printed a beautiful Diploma to be awarded to those taking the work. Seals have been added for five other books, making a course of six splendid books. On this Diploma, we have space for a large Gold Seal for those who sign up as tithers. Record of these is being kept in the office at Tullahoma. More than 300 Stewardship Diplomas have been awarded in the two months past, and 200 Tithers' Seals.

Work Among Colleges

It has always been our pleasure to assist in every way our denominational schools. We try in every possible way to keep before the young peo-

ple the demands of our schools, and the advantages got'en there that cannot be had elsewhere. We try to put every available young person in touch with one of our schools and urge them to attend.

We realize along with the College Men the necessity of giving definite religious training to our young college students, so that when they return to their home communities, they can intelligently take their places in the local church and render efficient service. With this in view, we try to supplement the splendid work being done by the Colleges in this line, by holding periodical Training Schools in connection with the schools, where we teach BYPU and Sunday School Study Courses. Then, we plan to use the young people who are capable in our rural work during the summer. This serves a double benefit.

BYPU Work

Under the efficient leadership of Mr. Preston, our young people's work has continued through this year the same rapid growth as in former years. Large numbers have taken training in local schools. Associations have been organized and extension work carried to all parts of the country. Whatever the young people undertake, they do with their might.

The Annual Convention which met at Memphis in June was the greatest that we have ever had. Many testified that this was one of the most inspiring meetings that has ever assembled on Tennessee soil. The Key-note was "Christ Pre-eminent." This note was manifest from the very first session. The impression made upon the City of Memphis was so universal that the daily papers gave large editorial space to this meeting.

The Baptist and Reflector Campaign was put on by the Young People again and about 5000 subscribers secured.

In December last year, the young people took care of our orphans at the Tennessee Orphanage in a beautiful way, and thereby tied themselves on to this great institution.

The spirit of unselfishness among our young people has been shown in a thousand ways. The most far-reaching demonstration of this spirit has been shown by them in the larger towns and cities as they have gone out to help their fellows in churches where they could not help themselves. Demonstration programs have been put on, new unions organized, and many and sundry things done to extend the work of the Young People's Union to every nook and corner of the State.

The Office

No phase of our work has grown with such leaps and bounds as the work through the office itself. The average mail is more than fifty letters a day, and this year the records show that more than 9,000 awards have been sent out from Tullahoma. This means thirty awards each working day. Besides this, demands for all kinds of suggestions, helps and other printed matter come in every day's mail and this counts mightily in result. Files containing Teacher Training Records, BYPU Study Course Records, Stewardship Records, mailing lists of various kinds and a dozen other items of statistics must be kept track of. The improvement in statistics resulting from these efforts is pleasing to all of us.

Work on the Field

Number of regular workers ..	5
Number of special workers ..	24
Number of volunteer workers	38
Number of weeks volunteer help ..	50
Hours taught by volunteer helpers ..	496
Number training classes taught ..	423
Enrollment in training classes ..	14,515
Number hours taught by all workers ..	3,382
Number addresses by all workers ..	787
Number City Sunday school training schools ..	5
Enrollment in City Training Schools ..	1,650
Number City B.Y.P.U. Train-	

ing schools ..	12
Enrollment in City B.Y.P.U. Training schools ..	5,810
Number full week training schools local churches ..	218
Enrollment in local training schools ..	10,900
Total enrollment in all training schools ..	18,270
Number general conventions held ..	7
Enrollment in all general conventions ..	2,025
Number associational conventions ..	63
Enrollment in associational conventions ..	6,385
Associational encampments ..	3
Preacher schools ..	2
Associational conferences ..	19
Religious census taken and reported ..	38
Schools graded ..	20
B.Y.P.U. Study Course awards delivered ..	5,010
Normal course awards ..	4,780
Stewardship diplomas ..	291
Total awards ..	10,061
Number organized classes registering during year ..	186
Enrollment in organized classes ..	774
Total number organized classes registering to date ..	794
Enrollment in all classes to date ..	16,273
Number Standard Classes ..	24
Total number diplomas held by Sunday school workers in the State ..	5,240
Total number Sunday school awards held ..	20,169
Number B.Y.P.U. diplomas held ..	7,513
Total B.Y.P.U. awards held	13,577
Total of all awards held ..	33,746
Number Sunday schools in State ..	1,484
Total enrollment ..	163,765
Number A-1 Schools ..	7
Number baptisms reported by 26 associations ..	4,811
Number Unions in State ..	647
Total enrollment in all Unions	90,799
Number daily Bible readers seven associations ..	2,502
Number A-1 Unions ..	46

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

By Harry Clark, Sec.

The two outstanding events of the last year are the offering of Grandview Academy to the Baptists and the defeat of the legislative bill to tax private schools and colleges. (1) Grandview has 75 acres, 9 excellent buildings, and a 4000 volume library in a special building, a plant that is better than any three of our mission schools combined and which would be worthy of a junior college. The Congregationalists offer this to us for \$10,000.00, which would never have to be paid as long as the Baptists maintain the school. Our State Convention has never operated mountain mission schools, because they have felt this came within the province of the Home Mission Board. To accept Grandview would be to depart from that policy, but your secretary respectfully recommends that this great opportunity be accepted if it can be financed. It would be necessary to raise \$15,000 for equipment and \$2,000 yearly for running expenses. Your secretary has presented this to the brethren of that valley in four meetings. (2) The last legislature proposed to tax private schools. Your secretary secured an amendment to the bill which would have relieved our colleges of taxation on their endowment, buildings, campus, and equipment. However, the whole bill was defeated in the legislature, thus leaving our schools tax free.

Beyond these facts, you wish to know three things: The religious atmosphere of our schools and colleges, their student attitude, and whether they have improved in scholarly standards.

As regards the first, your secretary has taken pains by visitation to the class rooms and by consultation with the teachers and students to assure himself as to the definite religious

teaching and orthodoxy. With one exception, all the literary professors in our colleges are Baptists, whereas this Convention stipulated only that 75 per cent need be Baptists. We have a few teachers of special subjects, such as music and expression, who are not Baptists, but this year shows an improvement also in that respect. Is Carson and Newman orthodox? No one would ask that question who knew J. L. Campbell and Pres. Oscar Sams. Dr. Sams conducted his own revival this year with great spiritual fruitage and many souls won. The only Roman Catholic in the school was converted. The trustees have agreed that they will accept no teacher who is unable to present the claims of Jesus Christ in the class room. Tennessee College rings true. The spiritual fruitage of its class rooms was seen in the organization of tithers' bands and in its volunteers. The young women students are active as teachers in the Sunday schools and other church activities at Murfreesboro. Hall-Moody was founded in the determination to teach orthodoxy and the school has always lived true to that principle. The student prayer meetings are fuller this year than last. At Union University your secretary has made especially careful inspections. In every department of the institution the teaching rings true. Especially would I compliment Dr. Hoggans' teaching of psychology. Last Sunday I met in Middle Tennessee a young woman who attended Union last year, and she said: "In all my classes last year, orthodoxy was stressed. We got it morning, noon and night." Conversions have occurred in the class rooms at Union University. The students go twice a month to conduct religious services at the jail.

(2) Student Loyalty. In not one of our four colleges is there any dissatisfaction. All of our faculties and student bodies are harmonious. One young woman wrote me from Carson and Newman: "I have felt upon a mountain top since I have been here." Last night a Hall-Moody student said: "We are just one big family." A young woman at Tennessee College said: "This place is a sweet sisterhood." Union University students are so loyal that they put on a "booster campaign" at their own personal expense to draw students to Jackson.

(3) Scholarly Standards. In the nearly fifteen years that your secretary has been visiting these colleges, he has been happy to note a constantly increasing improvement in standards and in recognition. Every one of our colleges is on the list accepted by the State Department of Education. Every one has its work accepted by the great graduate universities. Owing to lack of endowment we have never been able to get any of our colleges credited by the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States, but all three of our senior colleges would be eligible if it were not for this lack. Hall-Moody has just been put on the accredited list of Vanderbilt University. It costs money to maintain these enviable standards, but unless we are willing to give these institutions adequate funds it would be more honest to close them. There was a day when schools and colleges could operate with total disregard for standards, but new schools which give a spurious education must pay the penalty which all counterfeiters do. To call a school Baptist will not save it nor draw Baptist patronage if it be inferior. Following the Protestant Reformation, the Jesuits started a counter movement. Because they could no longer menace with the terrors of the Inquisition, they created the best schools of that age and drew the Protestant boys in, in spite of religious animosities. They converted them and defeated Protestantism in half of Europe. If Baptist schools were drained of their financial life blood till they were anemic, they would lose their present recognition, hosts of their students, and all of their prestige. We thank you for your past aid. We are winning every day and are climbing on to firmer ground. We ask your continued prayers, patronage and support.