

*MINUTES*  
*OF THE*  
*General Association*  
*OF*  
*REGULAR BAPTISTS*  
*OF MISSISSIPPI*

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The next meeting of this body will be held with the  
Bay Springs Baptist Church, beginning at 10 o'clock on  
Wednesday after the Fourth Sunday in October, 1913.

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## OFFICERS

L. J. CAUGHMAN, PRESIDENT ..... Mendenhall, Miss.  
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 J. E. CHAPMAN, COR. SECRETARY..... Newton, Miss.  
 J. W. ROOKER, REC. SECRETARY ..... Sylvarena, Miss.

## MINUTES.

### FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The General Association of Mississippi met with Poplar Springs church, Newton county, Oct. 30-31, 1912.

The body was called to order by President L. J. Caughman. Elder J. J. Walker conducted devotional exercises for one hour, reading for a Scriptural lesson John, 17th chapter.

Prayer was offered by Elders J. E. Chapman, L. E. Barton and J. E. Curry.

At 10 o'clock the president announced that the Association was ready to take up the regular "Order of Business."

The following committees were appointed:

Digest—R. L. Breland, R. J. Horn, W. T. Cooper.

Finance—Jas. F. Blackwell, I. H. Brown, W. E. Hall.

Missions—J. E. Chapman, J. E. Curry, R. T. Grafton.

Temperance—Z. K. Gilmer, R. J. Loper, D. H. Harrison.

Publications—L. M. Phillips, W. H. Rainer, N. J. Montgomery.

Orphanage—T. J. Miley, E. W. Sumrall, R. C. Folks.

Ministerial Education—J. J. Walker, T. J. Waldrup, W. R. Moore.

Laymens Movement—M. P. Bush, W. J. McMullen, L. L. Denson

Trustees C. M. C.—L. G. Gates, J. E. Graham, Thomas Moore.

Sunday school—W. P. Chapman, L. D. Bassett, B. W. Rainer.

B. Y. P. U.—R. L. Breland, I. A. Z. Moore, Charlie Phillips.

W. M. U.—L. E. Lightsey, F. W. Gunn, W. N. Montgomery.

Memorial—D. W. Moulder, W. J. Bruner, W. M. Yarbrough.

Nominations—D. T. Chapman, J. F. Blackwell, R. J. Horn.

Mississippi Baptist Hospital—J. E. Chapman, Z. K. Gilmore, J. F. Blackwell.

#### ROLL OF CHURCHES AND MESSENGERS.

Bay Springs—R. J. Horn, J. F. Blackwell, W. J. Shoemaker.

Mt. Vernon—T. M. Kennedy, T. E. Wilson.

Leaf River—J. B. Smith, Z. A. B. Moore.

Neshoba—W. T. Cooper, Watson Rhodes, R. E. James, Mal Chipman.

Linwood—R. E. Smith, John M. Nicholson.

Newton—M. P. Bush, R. L. White and Sisters Summer, Bush, Oliphant and Crosby.

Antioch (Jasper)—N. J. Montgomery, Charlie Phillips and W. B. Shoemaker.

Summerland—T. O. Moore, Thos. Edwards, Delton Black.

Montrose—L. E. Lightsey and L. R. Hardy.

McDonald—W. H. Church, Mrs. M. J. Merrell.

Hickory—F. W. Gunn, T. J. Tidwell and W. L. Gal-laspy.

Liberty—J. D. Dean, R. B. Lay, K. E. Robinson.

Pleasant Ridge—G. W. Ishee, J. B. Gibbon.

Beulah—J. E. Graham, J. L. Harrison.

Hickory Grove—T. A. Burch and W. A. Burch.

Midway—W. J. McMullan and C. R. Russell.

Indian Springs—W. N. Montgomery, J. M. Bush.

Decatur—Robt. Coghlan, C. W. McMullan, V. Jordan, J. I. Hollingsworth.

Greenland—M. W. Langham.

Bethel—Roy Simmons, T. D. Hardy, James Mabry.

Bluff Springs—C. W. Hillman.

Sand Springs—T. P. Ingram, W. H. Scoggins.

Poplar Springs—D. Harrison, J. T. Dean and A. L. Boutwell.

Mount Pleasant—A. H. Armstrong, J. B. Allen.

Rocky Creek (George)—J. L. Beavers, D. L. Eubanks.

Lake Como—D. T. Horn, W. E. Hall.

Sardis—G. W. Brantley.

Rock Branch—W. H. Rainer.

Beat Line—A. W. Edwards, I. A. Leach.

Stringer—By Letter.

Hope—R. T. Grafton, J. A. Grafton.

New Black Jack—A. J. Salter, W. M. Griffin.

Chunky—S. S. Runnels, J. M. Edwards, — Yarbrough.

Oakland—C. O. Reynolds, J. C. Harris.

Ebenezer—J. R. Wheeler, L. L. Herrington.

Union—R. W. Bryant, L. D. Abney, W. N. McLe-more.

Pine Ridge—G. F. Williams, Lee May.

New Ireland—By letter.

Dixon—Horace Gardner.

Leakesville—J. J. Walker.

Union Seminary—H. W. Campbell, T. R. Williams.

Randle Hill—E. W. Summerall, S. H. Fortson.

Ebenezer (Jasper)—By letter.

Louin—T. E. Jones, Elisha Anderson, E. M. Mims.

Sulphur Springs—By letter.

Pearl Valley Association—E. S. Clark, J. T. Massey, J. B. Jones.

Cross Roads (Newton)—J. W. Thornton, J. C. Russell.

Pinckney—J. J. Payne, W. O. Collins.

Mt. Pisgah Association—T. L. Gaines, W. L. Robinson, H. C. Taylor, W. T. Cooper, W. R. Moore, N. V. Harrison, W. H. Rainer, J. A. Grafton, F. M. Breland, T. P. Jones, H. P. Everett, J. E. Graham.

Bay Springs Association—E. A. Phillips, Z. K. Gilmore, G. P. C. Sansing, L. E. Lightsey, M. P. Bush, L. M. Phillips, W. H. Wheeler, J. W. Rooker, D. T. Chapman, T. J. Waldrup, W. A. Wheeler, Jas. E. Chapman, S. W. Stringer, L. D. Bassett, S. R. Phillips, T. J. James, C. A. Brantley, Wm Harper, R. Z. Gilmore, T. E. Thrash, W. M. Sansing, L. L. Denson.

Tallahala Association—R. J. Loper, Alvin Collins, S. V. Ross.

Oktibbeha Association—R. L. Breland, J. W. Steen, Eugene Stephens, W. T. Carroll.

Pleasant Hill—W. W. Adams, Mrs. W. W. Adams.

Philadelphia—J. W. Steen.

Pleasant Grove—W. H. Nelson.

New Providence—J. G. Giles, Will S Lindley.

Hazel—J. B. Stewart, Walter Morgan, Isam Emmons.

Ted—Claude Wilson, Willie Cockrell.

Sylvarena—C. P. Huff, U. D. Upton.

New Home—C. W. McKinley.

Clear Creek—Willie P. Pearson, Walter Thompson.

Pine Bluff—S. K. Everett, J. A. Volentine.

Good Hope—S. W. Monroe, W. C. Williams.

Hebron—J. S. Laird, C. C. White.

Fellowship—J. C. Cross, S. H. Massengale, A. G. Hudson, A. M. Bogan.

Poplar Springs (Simpson)—L. J. Caughman.

Conehatta Choctaw church—Willie Moris, Frank Farmer.

Center Ridge—J. M. Wells, R. C. Jolly.

The Association went into the election of officers for the year 1913, which resulted as follows:

President, L. J. Caughman; First Vice-President, R. L.

Breland; Second Vice-President, D. W. Moulder; Corresponding Secretary, Jas. E. Chapman; Recording Secretary, J. W. Rooker; Treasurer, D. T. Chapman.

All officers accepted their positions.

The President appointed the following brethren as Program committee: T. J. Miley, D. W. Moulder, R. L. Breland.

#### PROGRAM.

Meet at 9 o'clock a. m.; adjourn for dinner 12:45.

Evening Session—Meet 1:45 and adjourn at 4:00.

Night Session—Meet at 7 and adjourn at pleasure.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 1:45.

Report of Executive Board—1:45 to 2:30.

Orphanage—2:30 to 3:00.

Publications—3:00 to 3:30.

Sunday schools—3:30 to 4:00.

#### NIGHT SESSION 7:00.

Nominations—7:00 to 7:30.

Temperance—7:30 to 8:00.

Christian Education—8:00 to close.

#### THURSDAY MORNING 9:00.

Laymen's Movement—9:00 to 9:30.

B. Y. P. U.—9:30 to 10:00.

Missions—10:00 to noon.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON 1:45.

Hospital Report—1:45 to 2:15.

W. M. U.—2:15 to 2:45.

Memorials—2:45 to 3:00.

Report on Finance—3:00 to 3:15.

Resolutions—3:15 to close.

On motion, a committee on the Mississippi Baptist Hospital was appointed.

The hour for the Associational sermon having arrived, business was called off and the appointee, Rev. F. W.

## Reports of Committees

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J. E. Chapman, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of the General Association, read the Board's annual report which was discussed by him and adopted.

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD TO THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR, CLOSING OCTOBER 1, 1912.

It is with profound gratitude to God that we can say we have closed a successful year's work. There has been two more Missionaries employed during this year than of last year. There were unusual difficulties to contend with, and especially so in the earlier part of the year.

The cold and wet weather hindered the people from gathering, and in many instances our missionaries were unable to meet their appointments.

Upon the whole, our missionaries have been faithful, and their work has been blessed of the Lord in bringing many into the salvation of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We feel that there are many reasons why we should thank God and take courage in the work.

Much of our work needs to be continued and these fields enlarged, as well as many destitute places sending out the Macedonian cry, "come over and help us."

There are many weak points throughout our bounds that need strengthening, and the lower field continually increases in its claims and calls upon us for help. This is the opportune time for our Baptist forces to occupy the coast counties. Already immigration has set in, and soon people from nearly every part of the globe will be coming among us. They bring every conceivable form of error with them, and if we are not prepared to counteract their evil influences, we will suffer greatly from them.

## FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

We have continued to cooperate with the Foreign Mission Board of the S. B. C. in the support of Revs. J. G. Chastain and R. W. Hooker in Mexico, and R. T. Bryan in China.

While the work has been hindered in Mexico on account of the revolution, yet our brethren have not been idle, but have spent their time in various ways in the work. We will have Rev. R. T. Bryan with us, D. V., which will conduce greatly to the pleasure and profit of our meeting.

The Lord is greatly blessing our foreign fields and new doors are constantly opening for us to enter.

## HOME MISSIONS.

Our work with the Home Board has continued and we are still supporting Revs. M. N. McCall and A. S. Rodriguez in Cuba. Brother McCall reports their work to be in good condition with bright prospects for that priest-ridden country.

We received, during the year, \$500.00 from this Board for our work, which has been used for church building purposes. We report the distribution of this fund farther down.

## STATE CONVENTION OF MISSISSIPPI.

We are co-operating with the Mississippi Baptist State Convention this year in the support of the following brethren: Elder J. E. Curry at Biloxi, Antioch, Latimer, Martins Bluff, Fountain Blue, Jackson county, and Bufkins Chapel, New Hope, George county.

W J Peters, Escatawpa, Wade Hurley, Bendale and Macedonia, George and Jackson counties.

T. S. Entrekin at Woolmarket and surrounding territory in Harrison county.

L. N. Jones at Gallilee, Bayou Talla and surrounding country in Harrison and Hancock counties.

J. J. Walker at Leaksville, Fellowship with adjacent territory in Green county.

This work has been pleasant and profitable, we feel, and its results will be far reaching in the future for good.

## INDIVIDUAL WORK.

The following brethren have been employed for fourth time this year. J. T. Massey, White Oak, Neshoba county; J. T. McGee, Meyers Chapel, Neshoba; J. E. Chapman, Mossville, Jasper; R. C. Folks, Ebenezer, Jasper; L. D. Bassett, Beaumont, Perry; A. J. Creed, Kittrell and Friendship, Perry; J. W. Steen, Stallo Neshoba; J. S. Laird, Liberty, Newton.

The following served one-quarter in last year: Z. C. O'Ferrel, Beulah, Jones; T. J. Moore, Mossville; W. T. Smith, Byrd; D. J. Miley, Burns; W. J. Bruner, Beat Line; D. W. Moulder, Trenton; E. S. Clark, White Oak; R. W. Bryant, Leaksville; J. H. Patten, Harrison county; T. E. Waldrup, Ovet.

## INDIAN WORK.

The work among the Choctaws has been slow, but there is much about it that is encouraging. The older people among them are illiterate, largely, and this development is slow and tedious. The younger element is educating, and greater improvements will be made by them.

We have two missionaries among them, Scott York at Conehatta, Newton county; Pine Bluff, Scott county; Hope and Bethany, Neshoba county, full time; Allen Willis at Hopewell and Ofahoma, Leake county, half time. There were 22 baptisms among them this year, and one church organized with 13 members. One house of worship was built. They now have a local association among them. There are seven churches.

## CHURCH BUILDINGS.

The following churches have been helped on their buildings:

Stringer, \$25.00; Leaksville, \$100.00; County Line, \$20.00; Hurley, \$50.00; Latimer, \$25.00; Beaumont, \$25.00 Philadelphia, \$100.00; Mossville, \$30.00; Antioch, \$25.00. \$104.17 was paid for work and material on a building for the Choctaw church, Conehatta. The Choctaws did nearly all of the work.

We would recommend a continuation of our work, where needed, and an enlargement of the same as men and means may be obtained.

The following table gives a summary of our work during this associational year.

STATISTICAL TABLE

MISSIONARIES.	Days	Miles	Stations	Baptized	Letters	Missions	Other Purposes	Salary per annum	No. Quarters	Time Employed	Sermons Preach'd
Rev. J T Massey.....	20	504	1	1	1	1	\$	\$	15 00	3 fourth	22
Rev. J T McGee.....	20	480	1	6	1	10 00	17 75	30 00	4	"	21
Jas. E Chapman.....	27	756	1	1	1	11 70	21 00	50 00	3	"	23
Rev. R C Folkes.....	29	465	1	5	1	1 00	51 00	25 00	3	"	28
L D Bassett.....	31	1800	1	4	1	1 00	101 37	75 00	4	half	29
A J Creed.....	52	1349	2	3	12	25	101 37	25 00	3	fourth	91
J W Steen.....	32	255	1	4	3	3	101 37	25 00	3	"	21
J S Laird.....	18	120	1	4	3	3	101 37	25 00	3	full	14
Scott York.....	117	1380	4	22	9	3	101 37	*125 00	4	half	84
Allen Willis.....	44	800	2	1	1	3	101 37	50 00	3	half	42
Z C O Ferrell.....	6	306	1	1	1	5 0	17 70	25 00	1	fourth	6
T J Moore.....	9	210	1	1	1	12 00	50 00	30 00	1	"	11
W T Smith.....	3	75	1	1	1	3 00	50 00	50 00	1	"	3
D J Miley.....	4	78	1	1	1	10 00	19 50	25 00	1	"	3
W J Bruner.....	6	100	1	1	1	10 00	19 50	25 00	1	"	6

D W Moulder .....	6	48	1	.....	.....	.....	17 00	25 00	1	"	7
E S Clark .....	4	80	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	25 00	1	"	4
R W Bryant .....	9	282	2	.....	2	15 00	150 00	100 00	1	half	11
J H Patton .....	13	1500	7	2	.....	.....	22 00	175 00	1	full	7
T E Waldrup .....	6	232	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	1	fourth	5
J E Curry .....	157	3132	4	22	4	37 11	289 10	*100 00	4	half	153
W J Peters .....	120	720	3	14	1	.....	.....	*125 00	4	"	84
L N Jones .....	300	1570	4	3	.....	15 00	9 90	*125 00	4	full	129
T S Entekin .....	167	1400	4	18	15	35 00	262 00	100 00	3	"	127
J J Walker .....	97	450	2	74	31	.....	100 10	100 00	3	half	64
J E Chapman .....	84	2727	.....	.....	.....	.....	67 71	250 00	4	fourth	34
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W T Smith organized one church.

\*Rev. J E Curry's salary last year was \$75.00 per annum; this year \$100.00. W J Peters \$160.00; this year \$125.00. L N Jones \$150.00; this year \$125.00. Scott York \$198.00; this year \$125.00. Owing to meagre report of missionaries, the above does not give all the work done.

T J Miley read the report of our Orphanage and Dr. J R Carter discussed the report at length, after which a collection was taken. The report was adopted.

## ORPHANAGE.

Orphanage work while new in Mississippi is as old as Christianity. One characteristic conspicuous in the life of our Lord was His disposition to care for the widow and orphan. The Holy Spirit gave it as one of the evidences of pure and undefiled religion, that its professor visit the fatherless and the widow in their afflictions. So the duty of caring for helpless orphan children need not be questioned. The only question that should concern Christian organization is as to the methods of doing the work.

We have, for our consideration at this time, the home for orphan children located at Jackson, known as the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage. It was established fifteen years ago under the direction of the Baptist denomination in Mississippi. It is under the management of 21 trustees, 18 appointed by the State Convention, and 3 by the General Association. They employ a local Superintendent who has the general supervision of the local management. It is supported entirely by voluntary contributions from individuals, Sunday schools and churches.

We have at present four brick buildings, so equipped as to furnish comfortable accommodations for 225 children. We have in our Orphanage at present 227. With the expenditure of \$1,500 or \$2,000 we can provide room for 60 or 70 more. Our Superintendent, Rev. J R Carter, informs me that he has on file fifty or more applications, many of whom are worthy. About 550 have passed through the Home since its establishment, many of whom have gone out into life for themselves and are making good in the callings of life.

Our children there, under the present management, are trained to all manner of useful work. Special atten-

tion is given to all manner of cooking, house-keeping, sewing, washing, and ironing for our girls; and farming, stock-raising, carpenter and machine work for our boys, together with training for some boys and girls in the printing office. All have the advantage of six to eight months schooling each year.

We commend most heartily the work that is being done for our orphan children, and urge that our Sunday schools and churches contribute more liberally to their support. We recommend that all our Sunday schools take one collection each month for the Orphanage, and that each church make a Thanksgiving offering at their meeting in November. Remembering that Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my children, ye did it unto me."

In addition to the money contribution the churches, Sunday schools, ladies societies may send clothing (good second-hand clothing accepted), towels, sheets, pillowcases, soap, thread, buttons, tablets, pencils, elastic, shoe strings, shoes, and stockings for larger children as we have plenty for the smaller ones. In fact anything that can be used in the every-day family. Let the farmers send corn, molasses, cured meats, and canned goods of all kinds.

T. J. MILEY.

The report on Publication was read by L. M. Phillips and discussed by L. M. Phillips, W. A. McComb and E. J. Hill and adopted.

### PUBLICATIONS.

There never was a time, perhaps, when the press was being used more freely and effectively than at the present time. It is being used freely in the effort to advance the cause of Christ and elevate our people religiously and morally, and at the same time it is being used vigorously by the enemies of truth and righteousness for the dissemination of error, the corruption of the minds and morals of

young and old, and for open attacks upon the doctrines of the Bible.

The champions of error and the promoters of evil are using the press and the mail service freely and the country is being flooded with their hurtful literature. It seems that our people have not been so wide-awake to the power of the press as others. We have not been, and are not using it as we should for the spread of the truth. Our people are using it, and using it effectively, but we believe, not as much as we should.

Then many of our people will take and read papers, other than denominational papers, and suffer to come into their homes the literature which attacks our doctrines.

Your committee would warn our people against cheap papers and other worthless reading matter which, on account of its cheap price, or no price, is scattered everywhere carrying corruption and moral death with it, one class publishing all the scandals of the country and the other making open attacks upon the teachings of God's Word. We would further recommend that our people see to it that they have plenty of clean, wholesome literature in the home.

We recommend the Mississippi Baptist and the Baptist Record, Orphanage Gem, the Baptist papers of our own state, The Foreign Mission Journal and Our Home Field for our people, and for our Sunday schools the literature of the S. B. C. Sunday school Board at Nashville, Tenn.

L. M. PHILLIPS, Ch'n.

The Sunday school report was read by W P Chapman and discussed by W R Moore and L D Bassett and adopted.

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday schools beg to report the following thoughts: Any great enterprise is made up of various factors, each serving its place in the successful car-

rying out of that enterprise. The church of Christ with its mission of world-wide evangelation has its special factors of Christian and church work, and among the greatest is the Sunday school movement. The Sunday school has passed out of the experimental into the real and practical realm of church work, and is today one of the strongest factors in our church activities, and if earnestly worked and properly safeguarded will become the right arm of church development. But, in order to make it a success from a New Testament standpoint, we must forever keep it within the limits of church control and New Testament teaching, avoiding union Sunday schools, so called, and the use of misleading literature, such as David Cook's, &c. We must also avoid outside teaching and alien dictation. A model New Testament Sunday school is a Baptist, or New Testament church, teaching her membership, and others, the Word of God through the instrumentally of Baptist teachers and Baptist Bible literature, anything short of this is a failure, so far as our duty is concerned. The rapid growth of our Sunday school work in the S. B. C., and the states, show the importance of the work. The first 13 years of the life of our Sunday school board shows a work of \$100,000; the next 5 years \$200,000 and the last 3 years \$300,276.50; hence, in 21 years of its existence, we have made great advance. The Sunday school Board of the S. B. C. gave, last year, for other denominational work, after paying all expenses, \$51,370.15, and for the last 6 years, \$476,082.81.

"In this day, more than ever before, it is essential—indeed the demand is imperative with pastors, superintendents and teachers—that they cultivate the sense of doctrinal responsibility, and guard with zealous care the school's in our churches against propaganda in teaching, often under plausible and pleasing names but nevertheless wrong, hurtful, ever deadly. The great word of the Apostle to Timothy in behalf of "sound doctrine according to the Gospel,"

was never more needed than now. Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them; for in so doing thou shalt save both thyself and them that hear thee." These words come with solemn meaning into our churches, and their schools, bearing the emphasis of centuries and showing us the highway to safety, sufficiency and conquest in teaching. (S. B. C. minutes) Your committee recommend very highly the use of our S. B. C. literature in our Sunday schools, and to encourage teaching and class work as laid down by our people. We believe that the S. S. interest is growing all the time in the state at large, and proportionately so in the General Association, for which we are thankful and earnestly urge our pastors and churches to push the work from a Bible and church standpoint, and not forget that if the world is to have a full gospel, it is the task of the New Testament churches to give it to them. Let us oppose any and all usurpation, innovation, and false teaching floating around among our churches, from whatsoever source.

Respectfully,

W. P. CHAPMAN.

The Body then adjourned until 7 o'clock tonight.

#### NIGHT SESSION.

We were led in prayer by L. E. Lightsey.

Brother R. T. Bryan, our missionary to the Chinese, was introduced by Secretary Jas. E. Chapman. He gave us a few words of encouragement and stated that he would be heard from on the subject of missions.

J. F. Blackwell read the report on Nominations which was adopted.

#### NOMINATIONS.

We, the committee on Nominations, report as follows: We recommend that the next meeting of this Body be held with Bay Springs Baptist church, and that Elder D. W.

Moulder preach the introductory sermon with Elder T. J. Miley, alternate.

We nominate the following as the Executive Board, viz.:

ELDERS—Z K Gilmore, T J Miley, W P Chapman, L D Bassett, L G Bassett, W J Bruner, W H Rainer, R J Loper, F W Gunn, T J Waldrup, J W Stein, L E Lightsey, L M Phillips, Eugene Stevens.

BRETHREN—Jas. F Blackwell, I H Brown, J E Graham, A Pierce, W E Hall, (Lake Como), R J Horn, W J McMullen, W T Cooper, B J Hambrick, W N Montgomery, A H Edwards, W M Grissom, W R Moore, E A Shelby, W L Huff, E B Keys.

D. T. CHAPMAN, Ch'n,  
R. J. HORN.

JAS. F. BLACKWELL.

The report on Temperance was read by J K Gilmore and discussed by Z K Gilmore and R W Bryant and adopted.

### TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on Temperance, submit the following report: The use of intoxicating liquors has always proved to be a curse to all countries, and especially to the American people. It is a great hindrance to us in our church work because of the social dram drinker. It is a nest egg to encourage drunkenness. If all who claim to be Christians would quit ordering whiskey and quit drinking it, then ask our legislators to pass a law to prohibit it from coming into our state like the whiskey dealer does to keep it coming into the state, then we might stop so much drinking; then we wouldn't have so many crimes committed. Drunkenness makes sad and broken hearts; it makes sad homes, blights the joy and happiness of many a home. Why use a remedy that creates disease and kills more than it cures? Yellow fever and smallpox have never been half

so fatal as strong drink. Whiskey drinking is like money getting—the more you get the more you want. Men take the money craze and the drink craze. The first drink calls for the second drink, and the second drink calls for the third drink, and the third for the fourth, and on it goes until self-control is gone; the breaks are all off, and the drinker going down stream as unconscious of his danger as the horse is that rushes into battle. The drunkard's wife is the greatest sufferer on earth, and from the depth of our soul we urge every young woman to watch and never enter into the drunkard's snare. The drunkard's home is a hell on earth. Statistics, as we have them, show that there are at present nearly three hundred thousand legalized liquor dealers who persuade eighty million people to spend every year \$1,400,000,000 for strong drink. They keep a standing army of six hundred thousand staggering drunkards. The direct fruits of this drunken army, annually, is this: Three thousand murdered wives, five thousand suicides, seven thousand murderers, forty thousand widowed mothers, sixty thousand fallen girls, one hundred thousand orphan children, one hundred thousand insane, one hundred thousand drunkards who die, one hundred thousand boys who take the place of the dying, three hundred and fifty thousand criminals, four hundred thousand paupers. Two million sufferers are passing over the devil's black valley railroad. This, under the great license law, is not held responsible for accidents and suffering. Brethren, for God's sake let us never give up the fight until the victory is won. We rejoice to see the great interest taken by the anti-saloon league. Your committee believe that if we will elect the right kind of men for office, it will help wonderfully to get rid of the stuff. Why should we avoid strong drink? Because wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. Prov. 20:1. His eyes shall see his destruction and he shall drink of the wrath of the Almighty. Job 21:20. Paul

said let us walk honestly as in the day not in rioting and drunkenness. Rom. 13:13, Paul in Gal. 5:16-21. Strife, sedition, heresies, envying, murders, drunkenness, reveling and such like shall not inherit the kingdom. Paul in 1 Cor. 6:10. Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards shall inherit the kingdom of God. Read 1 Thes. 5:22; Col. 2:21 and 1 Cor. 5:11. God's Word teaches us to be temperate in all things.

Z. K. GILMORE,  
D. HARRISON,  
R. J. LOPER.

On motion, the Recording Secretary write Hon. J S Williams, our U. S. Senator, requesting him to vote for the "Kenyon" Bill, now pending before the senate of the United States.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by J J Walker and discussed by J J Walker, R T Bryan, L E Barton and L E Lightsey, and adopted.

### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Ministerial Education is to train young men whom God has called to preach. We must always stand for a call to the ministry. We ought to pray the neglected prayer—"Pray the Father to send men," call men, into the ministry.

This is an age of specialists. Our young men must be trained. God has in the past, and does today, call young men from poor families. Hence the crying need to help them whom God has called to prepare themselves.

We have in Mississippi College quite a number of young men preparing to preach the gospel. We have at Newton, in Clarke Memorial College, a great number of young men. These brethren are making great sacrifice to stay in school.

We recommend to this Association that it appoint a Ministerial Board consisting of Prof. J. F. Parkinson as

chairman, and W. E. Sansing and the pastor of the Baptist church at Newton, it being the duty of this board to receive all funds for Ministerial Education and distribute same to ministerial students as they see best.

We would recommend to the churches composing this Association that they take regular collections for ministerial education and send in to this ministerial board.

We would further recommend that the churches and the Ladies' Aid Societies collect boxes of provisions and send to this board for distribution.

J. J. WALKER,  
T. J. WALDRUP.

The Association adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

### SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Thursday morning at 9 o'clock D W Moulder, second vice-president, called the Body to order and L E Lightsey conducted devotional exercises, reading for a Scriptural lesson Ps. 34, after which W A McComb led in prayer.

The Association proceeded with the regular business.

The report on B. Y. P. U. was read by R L Breland and discussed by him and adopted.

### BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLES UNION.

Our Lord taught his disciples to make disciple of all nations, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever, He had commanded them. In this command, His last, the "teaching to observe" is just as binding as "the make disciples," and is almost as important; but Baptists have not yet seemed to realize this fact. As a rule, Baptists are very successful in "catching and baptizing" people but here they leave them; and as a consequence the mass of the new converts are practically lost to the denomination and to the cause of Christianity generally.

The sole aim of many of our Baptist preachers seems to be to get members, with no thought of training these members for effective service after enlisting. A raw, untrained army in any capacity is sure of defeat. Numbers is a hinderance rather than a help when untrained. Baptists have the numbers in this splendid southland, and the thing now needed is to train them for effective duty.

To "teach them to observe" is the purpose of the B. Y. P. U. It is the training school of the church. The Sunday school is the Bible school of the church to teach the Bible and lead to Christ. Then the B. Y. P. U. is to take hold of these new converts, these new recruits to the Lord's army, and train them for service and give them something to do for the kingdom and the church. It bears the same relation to the church as the Sunday school and other like organizations.

We have no way of determining how many B. Y. P. U.'s there are in our territory, but suffice it to say that they are all too few in number. Every church should have some such organization for the training of its members. We observe that those churches having them are doing more for their Lord than the others.

The special work of the B. Y. P. U. is about as follows: The devotional meeting, the Bible reader's course, the sacred literature course, the missionary conquest course. The work is presented in the B. Y. P. U. Quarterly and the B. Y. P. U. Junior, published by The Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. "Service" is also another magazine which presents the work. Several texts books are out, among which we mention "Training in Church Membership," "Baptist Doctrines," etc. These may be had of the Sunday School Board. They make good reading whether your church has a B. Y. P. U. or not.

Two B. Y. P. U. encampments are held in this state each year, one at Blue Mountain and one at Hattiesburg. At these meetings the best talent in the country is present

and they have ten days of feasting on good things. All of the B. Y. P. U.'s should have a representative at all of these meetings and all others should attend who can.

Your committee would recommend that this Association give more time and attention to this important phase of the work, training the membership of the churches. A B. Y. P. U. secretary would be a valuable addition to the present force of officers and we urge that such an officer be appointed by the President.

Unless Baptists look more to the training of membership than in the past, and thereby conserve the forces now lying dormant in nearly all the churches, we cannot hope to hold our present vantage ground here in the South. We must fight for our position, and we must use common sense and enlightenment in the fight.

R. L. BRELAND.

The report on Layman's Movement was read by Prof. M. P. Bush and discussed by him and adopted.

#### LAYMAN'S MOVEMENT.

We, your committee on Layman's Movement, submit the following report:

We rejoice most heartily in the Layman's Missionary Movement as one of the notable indications of this present time; that the salvation of the world is a matter of deep concern to men who are heavily burdened with the cares of business.

We rejoice in it as well because it is one of the ways in which the people of God are enthusiastically moving together.

Our own Baptist churches should feel the mighty impulse for the forward step and be stirred with a desire to be in the forefront of the advance movement.

Among the many agencies for the spread of Christianity throughout the world, this movement among our lay-

men is destined to take the forefront. What is needed to make this movement a power for God is, that we understand its purpose, its scope and its possibilities.

Purpose 1. It is to affect, or rather project, a campaign of education among laymen.

2. To stimulate enthusiasm and interest in missions.

3. To show that organized efficiency among laymen is what is needed.

Scope. Laymen, as distinguished from the ministry. Usually the ministry must bear the responsibility for missions, but with this movement, the responsibility is shared with the church.

Possibilities. 1. A better informed church.

2. A larger vision of the needs by a larger number of Christians.

3. Better organized for efficient work.

4. Salvation of more men and women in this generation.

M. P. BUSH, Ch'n.

The report of the Trustees of Clarke Memorial College was read by L. G. Gates and discussed by L. G. Gates and adopted.

### CLARKE MEMORIAL COLLEGE

We are glad to present to you the fifth annual report of our college. Already the institution has proven its worth to this Body, and its influence has gone far beyond the bounds of this Association, touching and blessing communities never before reached.

Our denominational schools and colleges are striving to command the respect of those who seek for their children the very best education. We are seeking to prepare men and women who shall lead the masses in the right direction. This we hope to do by the force of intellect coupled with true convictions for the right.

Our state is investing millions of dollars annually in

the establishment and better equipment of our public schools and colleges, that the humblest boy and girl may have access to the best advantages that can be afforded. The state necessarily stops in its training when it imparts general moral and general religious instruction.

The denominational school or college takes up the line of specific religious instruction and adds this to the literary and industrial training. The first duty of a Christian college is to create an atmosphere that will impress the student from the very first day that life must be lived earnestly, and a life to be lived for the most must have upon it the stamp of Jesus Christ. This is what our college strives to do.

The college has, in a measure, passed the experimental stage and with the foundation already laid it gives promise of permanency. Situated as it is in the very center of a large district where patronage is almost unlimited, we feel that the school occupies a field of boundless possibilities and can, with the proper encouragement, be made one of the mightiest factors in the Master's kingdom and a mighty force in Baptist ranks.

With five years of history and experience behind us, having passed the seemingly insurmountable barriers, we look to the future with bright prospects. The present depression in the cotton districts (caused by the boll weevil) has not decreased our enrollment as might have been expected. Our boys and girls must be educated, and if we save them for service in Baptist ranks, they must be educated in Baptist schools.

Our present property consists of fifty-five acres of land in Newton, Miss.; three large buildings, a boys' dormitory, a girls' dormitory, and a chapel building, besides the cottages now occupied by ministerial students. Recently our good brother L. A. Duncan has deeded us 80 acres of land in Winston county. Altogether the property has a value of sixty thousand dollars. To acquire this property and

build the buildings and equip them for use, it was necessary to go into debt, for you will remember that in the launching of this institution not a dollar was in sight. Subscriptions were taken, which if they had been collected every cent of the indebtedness would have been cancelled, but hundreds of these subscriptions have not been paid and will never be paid. If we are to provide for our boys and girls as they should be provided for, it will be necessary for this body, in some way, to raise \$25,000 to liquidate the present indebtedness and make the much needed improvements.

(See last page for table showing liabilities and resources.)

The following resolutions were offered by L. E. Barton as a part of the report of the trustees of the college, and, On motion, were adopted.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, the Baptist State Convention appointed at its last meeting a committee on Education, whose duty was defined to be the study of the educational conditions and needs in our state and make report at the next annual session, and, whereas, the appointment of this committee on Education was said to be preparatory to a permanent organization of the Baptist education forces of the state probably in the form of an education commission under which the various Baptist schools of the state may be correlated, be it

Resolved, First: That we, the General Association, look with unfeigned approval upon this prospective effort for the correction and better equipment of our Baptist schools.

Second: That we hereby express and record our sympathy and cooperation with this movement.

Third: We do now give our consent and hereby ex-

press our willingness for the Board of Trustees of Clarke Memorial College to take any necessary steps which they deem wise at the proper time looking to incorporating our school in the general system if it shall be organized.

Resolved, That the board of trustees of Clarke Memorial College be and they are hereby authorized to employ one or more men to canvass the field for the purpose of raising such funds as may be needed to pay the present indebtedness of the college and to make such additions to the college as they deem necessary.

The report on Missions was read by Jas. E. Chapman and discussed by R. T. Bryan, of Shanghai, China; W. A. McComb, of the Home Board, and adopted.

#### MISSIONS.

"Go teach all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," has been, is, and ever will be, as long as the world stands, the "Marching Orders" of every church of Jesus Christ, every individual member of the same, and of every one who has been born of the Spirit of God.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is a "Trust" put into the hands of God's children, and Jesus still says to us, "Give ye them to eat" of the bread of eternal life.

As long as there is "one person" in the world who is not a Christian, this obligation lies upon the shoulders of the redeemed, individually and collectively.

Oh! that every child of God would "lift up their eyes upon the fields," and see them "already white unto the harvest." Enlightenment and enlistment are the two things mostly needed by our people. How to accomplish this, is the great question of our day. "Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I command you," are the words of our Savior, and ought to be made a mat-

ter of "conscience" by every Christian. The whole world is the field, and every portion of it has its claim upon us.

#### OUR STATE WORK.

"Commencing at Jerusalem" should and does mean our associational and own state work. While there is more or less to be done all over our state, yet our Southern counties appeal to us more forcibly than any other portion. The opening up of the Panama Canal will flood that part of our state with foreigners, and if we are not ready to receive and assimilate them they will foreignize us. Now, and right now, is the time for us as Baptists to get ready to meet every emergency which may confront us. Much has been done, but much more needs to be done before that country is taken for the Lord.

#### HOME MISSIONS.

Home missions is that part of our work carried on by the Southern Baptist Convention through the Home Mission Board. This work is under the direction of Dr. B. D. Gray and a competent board of consecrated brethren, located at Atlanta, Ga. Their field is our beautiful Southland, with Cuba and the Panama Canal. We append herewith a few things that they are doing, which helps us to understand the importance and magnitude of the great work they are doing.

In 1912 this Board employed 1,309 missionary workers who report 26,899 baptisms, and a total addition of 47,728 members to the churches. "Going out into the streets and lanes, highways and hedges and compel them to come in," is pre-eminently their work. Theirs is the foundation upon which the success of foreign missions and all other religious and charitable work depends.

As an association we are supporting two of their missionaries in Cuba, viz.: Revs. M. N. McCall and A. S.

Rodriguez. \$412,000 is the amount asked for the support of this work this year, and let us see to it that we do our whole duty by them. They are now helping us to the amount of \$500 per year.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This work is under the direction of a board located at Richmond, Va., with Dr. R. J. Willingham as its secretary. There are seven fields in which they do work in foreign countries, to-wit: China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Argentina. We herewith append a brief summary of their statistics: Missionaries, 271; native workers, 577; churches, 342; out stations, 826; members, 24,689; baptisms, 4,300; Sunday schools, 422; scholars, 14,562; schools, 227; students, 6,156; hospitals and dispensaries, 19; patients, 51,766. This work asks for \$618,000 this year, \$42,000 of which is Mississippi's apportionment. We are supporting three of their missionaries: Revs. J. G. Chastain and R. W. Hooker in Mexico, and Rev. R. T. Bryan in China.

Notwithstanding the bitter onslaughts of enemies within and without, God is blessing this and all of our organized work as never before. Let pastors see to it that their people take and read our state papers for information in regard to our own state work, the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field for our Southern Baptist Convention work.

Let our effort be to get a contribution from every church, every individual member, and that in accordance as the Lord has prospered them. Pastors, lay these things on your hearts and hands.

The Association then adjourned one hour for dinner.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

First vice-president, R. L. Breland, called the Body to

order and the congregation sang "How Firm a Foundation."

The Finance committee made the following report:

### FINANCE.

We, your Finance committee, report as follows:

We have received for

General fund.....	\$ 1,008 93
Foreign missions.....	302 53
Home missions.....	256 47
Orphanage.....	44 04
Margaret Home.....	5 00
Making a total of.....	\$ 1,616 97

Respectfully submitted,  
JAS. F. BLACKWELL, Ch'n.

### SENT BY CHURCHES TO GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

NAME OF CHURCH.				
	General Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Orphanage.
1 Bay Springs, Jasper.....	\$ 57 00		\$	
2 Loin, Jasper.....	19 40			
Hickory, Newton.....	44 05			
Summerland, Smith.....	40 30		3 50	
Pine Ridge, Newton.....			3 50	
Randall Hill, Jasper.....	4 00		4 30	
Union Seminary, Jasper.....	5 00			
Ebenezer, Jasper.....			2 50	
Mt. Vernon, Newton.....	34 00			
Philadelphia, Neshoba.....	21 20			
Linwood, Neshoba.....		4 55	4 50	
Dixon, Neshoba.....	6 08			
Midway, Newton.....			7 90	
Pleasant Ridge, Newton.....	7 00			
Decatur, Newton.....	34 10			
Bluff Springs.....	3 50			

3	Hickory Grove.....	8 55	7 40	.....
	Stringer, Jasper.....	16 75	.....	.....
	Lake Como, Jasper.....	.....	10 00	7 30
	Chunkey, Newton.....	.....	4 00	.....
	Rocky Creek, George.....	9 26	19 47	16 98 21 90
	Pearl Valley Association.....	.....	42 63	42 50
	Union, Newton.....	.....	26 55	26 55
	Neshoba, Neshoba.....	14 20	.....	.....
	Antioch, Jasper.....	15 00	.....	.....
	Montrose, Jasper.....	10 05	.....	.....
	McDonald, Neshoba.....	25 66	.....	.....
	Newton, Newton.....	5 90	.....	.....
	Oakland, Newton.....	.....	.....	.....
	R J Loper.....	.....	1 00	2 72
	Talahala Association.....	13 66	17 65	.....
	Indian Springs, Jones.....	9 60	.....	.....
	New Black Jack, Neshoba.....	2 50	4 50	3 00
	Beulah, Newton.....	.....	8 90	6 00
	Greenland, Newton.....	30 13	.....	5 70
	Beat Line, Newton.....	7 25	.....	.....
	Poplar Springs.....	1 50	.....	.....
	Hope, Neshoba.....	1 50	.....	.....
	Sand Springs, Newton.....	1 00	.....	.....
	Mt. Pleasant.....	2 35	.....	.....
4	Beaumont, Perry.....	.....	.....	.....
	Mt. Carmel, Smith.....	.....	.....	.....

Sylvin Grove, Smith.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....
Ted, Smith.....	8 81	.....	.....	.....
High Hill, Smith.....	2 25	.....	.....	.....
Bethel, Smith.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pisgah Association.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....
Sardis, Scott.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....
W. D. Horne.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....
Rock Branch, Newton.....	13 50	.....	.....	.....
Leaf River Association.....	21 24	1 35	2 50	.....
Okibbeha Association.....	53 00	100 00	68 35	.....
Stratton, Newton.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....
Kitrell, Perry.....	2 30	.....	.....	.....
Sulphur Springs, Scott.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....
New Ireland, Newton.....	.....	5 85	.....	.....
Mossville, Jasper.....	6 40	.....	.....	.....
Choctaw Indian Association.....	10 15	2 67	3 80	1 10
Bethel, Newton.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....
Leaksville, Green.....	15 50	.....	.....	.....
County Line, Neshoba.....	9 25	.....	.....	.....
Cross Roads, Newton.....	7 25	.....	.....	.....
Pinkney.....	10 25	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	50	7 90	4 00	.....
New Providence, Newton.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Clear Creek, Smith.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....
Sylvarena, Smith.....	6 37	8 56	7 87	.....
5 New Home.....	6 00	3 00	.....	.....

Harmony, Smith .....	4 65	3 50	1 00	1 00	1 00
Poplar Springs, Simpson .....					
Raleigh, Smith .....	26 50				
Leaf River, Smith .....	10 20				
Mt. Olive, Jones .....	7 08				
Liberty, Smith .....	5 00				
Sister Philips .....		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Pine Bluff, Newton .....		10 00			
Good Hope, Newton .....	4 70		1 00		
Hope, Neshoba, W. M. U. ....	3 35				
Newton, Newton, Sunbeams .....	5 00				
Fellowship, Jasper .....	45 50	16 20			
Fellowship, Jasper, Sunbeams .....	12 02				
Hebron, Newton .....	10 50				
Pleasant Hill, Newton .....	13 75				
Public collection .....					20 04
Liberty, Newton .....	31 87		1 00		
Bay Springs Ladies Aid Society .....			12 35		
Bay Springs, Margaret Home \$5.00 .....					
Hickory, Newton Ladies Aid .....	15 00				
Center Ridge, Newton .....	8 00				
McDonald W. M. U. ....	9 75				
Choctaw church .....	6 80				

The report on Mississippi Baptist Hospital was read by Jas. E Chapman and the report was discussed by W A McComb and adopted.

### MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL.

1. The Mississippi Baptist Hospital is owned outright by the Baptists of Mississippi, just as they own Mississippi College, the Woman's College and the Orphanage. It is operated and controlled by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Convention.

2. Although the Baptists own the Hospital and are responsible for its operation, yet it is simply held in trust for the service it may be able to render humanity. It is open to all reputable physicians and surgeons and their patients, regardless of church connection or religious creed. It will be open to those of no church as well as to those of any church, thus making it minister to as many people as possible.

3. The Hospital is chartered under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and is to be run solely for the good it may do, no one receiving any profit whatever from the institution.

4. The Hospital will take both pay and without pay patients; but all money received from pay patients will go toward running the Hospital and toward enlarging its sphere of usefulness and in extending its service to those who need it and are unable to pay.

5. The Hospital has been in operation about two years. It has done and is doing a remarkable work. But the present capacity is very limited, and more patients apply than can be accommodated. We need to put up the new building and equip it as early as possible.

6. The Baptist State Convention at Gulfport, Nov., 1911, authorized a campaign to raise for building and equipment, the sum of \$50,000. The Trustees have so projected the plan that a building to cost twice that amount

can be had, if it shall be deemed necessary, without altering the present architectural scheme. The present movement is for the first section of the larger plan, as shown in the accompanying illustration.

7. The location of the Hospital, corner of North State and Manship streets, is all that can be desired. It is a beautiful lot, and ample for the completed plan which the work will no doubt need within the next few years.

8. The Hospital is an important adjunct to the Orphanage, as all patients from that institution are treated free.

9. Since the service rendered by this Hospital is not to be restricted on account of church connection, or lack of church connection, or on account of religious creed or lack of creed, but in the widest possible sense is to serve all humanity as far as its capacity will admit, it follows that the building and equipping of this institution furnishes a splendid opportunity not only to Baptists, but to all who have money which they wish to invest where it will be a perpetual blessing to their fellow men.

10. This form of service is directly Christian in that it conserves human life and ministers to the sick and suffering, and in that it seeks to carry out the very work to which Christ Himself gave so much of His time in the days of His flesh. Already has it been neglected too long among us.

11. The building will be fireproof in construction, equipped with the most modern conveniences, and made as perfectly sanitary as the best medical science and skill can suggest.

12. We appeal to the liberality of all Christians in behalf of this work, and to all who may be benevolently inclined, whether connected with any church or not. We believe that it ought to appeal to Mississippians as a matter of patriotism also. It thus furnishes every incentive to

men and women who want to do the greatest and most far reaching good to the sick and suffering of their kind.

BRYAN SIMMONS,

Financial Secretary.

We, your committee, heartily endorse the is Baptist Hospital and recommend that this Body commend it to the membership of the General Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. CHAPMAN, Ch'n,

J. F. BLACKWELL,

Z. K. GILMORE.

The report on W. M. U. work was read by L. E. Lightsey and discussed by L. E. Lightsey, R. T. Bryan, W. A. McComb, and adopted.

### WOMAN'S WORK.

The great work our women are doing is a positive proof of the wisdom of their organization.

A woman's missionary union may be used as a school for the study of missions and in this way they obtain a clearer knowledge of the needs of the fields and are made to realize and appreciate their responsibility in the great work of evangelizing the world. This means not only that our women will be more devoted, self-denying and useful followers of the Lord Jesus, but a larger and more intelligent giving on the part of the whole church.

These weekly or monthly meetings, where the Word of God is read and prayer is made, are helpful in cultivating and developing their Christian life, thus making them a blessing to the church community and in the world in which they live.

It is important that the churches should see that every member has something definite to do that they may be more efficient to do service for their Lord and Master, and these societies fostered by our women help to meet this demand as nothing else could. Our women have ever been ready

for every good word and work. Last year the women's societies of the Southern Baptist Convention of which the General Association forms a part, gave to

Foreign Missions.....	\$ 156,846 41
Home Missions.....	97,557 17
Sunday School Board Bible fund.....	1,574 87
Margaret Home.....	1,253 81
Training school maintainance.....	3,000 00
Training school endowment.....	4,787 83
Training school scholarship fund.....	2,937 16
Total.....	\$ 267,957 25

We would urge the organization of a Sunbeam class and a Woman's Missionary Union in every church in the General Association. We gladly commend our sisters for their noble work and join our prayers with them for the extension of the Master's kingdom throughout the world.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. LIGHTSEY, Ch'n,  
W. M. MONTGOMERY,  
T. M. GARNER.

On motion, a limited time was given to Clarke Memorial College for the purpose of discussing, first, the character of the work it is doing which was done by Prof. M. P. Bush; second, The Needs. This phase was discussed by W A McComb, after which pledges for the college were called for and the following amounts were pledged to be paid in thirty days: L L Denson, for Bay Springs church \$100.00; M P Bush, for Newton church \$100.00; L E Lightsey, for his field of labor \$50.00; L D Bassett, for his field of labor \$50.00.

The committee to nominate Trustees for C. M. C. made its report which was adopted.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Report of committee on Board of Trustees of Clarke Memorial College. Terms to expire in 1913: A. C. Hailey, J. R. Johnston, W. T. Simmons, J. B. Quinn, J. O. Freeman, J. L. Bryant, R. M. Woodruff, J. G. Patrick, J. D. Fulton, L. G. Varnado, J. D. Turner, B. J. Hamrick.

Terms to expire in 1914: L. A. Duncan, Rush Knox, L. L. Denson, R. L. Breland, A. R. Hardin, L. E. Barton, W. N. McLemore, W. P. Searcy, G. W. James, J. E. Chapman, C. L. Dabbs, J. A. Huff.

Terms to expire in 1915: J. M. Flurry, G. W. Nutt, L. G. Gates, J. E. Johnston, W. E. Sansing, L. E. Lightsey, W. L. Brunson, Jr., J. C. McClinton, T. A. Baucum, W. I. Munn, John Cross, G. W. Land.

L. G. GATES, Ch'n.

The report on Memorials was read by E B Everett and adopted without discussion.

## MEMORIALS.

Your committee on Memorials beg leave to report as follows: The Lord that never makes any mistakes and doeth all things well has seen fit, during our past associational year, to call a number of our brethren and sisters to their reward. We cannot mention all the names but many of our best men and women have gone before us. We cherish their memory. Many of their lives stand as a monument before us who will soon follow on. We mention the names of our ministers who have gone: Brother E. J. Compere, a consecrated preacher, pastored some churches and did a good work for the Lord.

Resolved, That we humbly bow to the will of our heavenly Father feeling that our loss is their eternal gain.

D. W. MOULDER.

W. J. BRUNER.

WM M. YARBROUGH.

Dr. Eikerberger, of the Anti-Saloon League of the State of Mississippi, spoke to this Association concerning the work of the League and its effort to rid the state of the liquor traffic.

### RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1st. That each church of the General Association be asked to take a collection for Sustentation.

Resolved, 2nd. That we encourage our Executive Board to direct their attention more to the work of developing the undeveloped churches.

Resolved, 3rd. That immediately after calling the Body together each year, the President shall appoint a committee on Digest of Letters, to whom all letters shall be handed that all churches and messengers may be enrolled.

Resolved, 4th. That this Body extend its most hearty thanks to Poplar Springs and community for the generous hospitality accorded us.

Resolved, 5th. That the recording secretary have 2,000 copies of our minutes printed, and he be allowed \$60.00 for his services, and that he draw on the treasurer for same and expenses.

Resolved, 6th. That the recording secretary have listed in our minutes the names of ministers of this Body.

Resolved, 7th. That this Body extend its hearty thanks to the N. O. M. & C. R. R. Company for their generosity in giving reduced rates to our messengers.

Resolved, 8th. That this Body extend its thanks to W. V. Harvey, Superintendent of the A. & V. railroad for special favors extended to us in having fast trains stop at Urbo for our convenience.

### CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR 1913.

Missions—R. L. Breland.  
Temperance—R. W. Bryant.  
Publication—L. M. Phillips.  
Orphanage—Jas. E. Chapman.  
Sunday school—T. J. Miley.

Clarke Memorial College and Ministerial Education—  
M. P. Bush.

Laymens Movement—W. P. Chapman.

W. M. U.—D. W. Moulder.

Baptist Hospital—F. W. Gunn.

Memorials—Z. K. Gilmore.

On motion, the Executive Board of the General Association hold its next meeting with Louin Baptist church, Tuesday after the second Sunday in December at 3 o'clock P. m.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with Bay Springs Baptist church on Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1913.

L. J. CAUGHMAN, Pres.

J. W. ROOKER, Rec. Sec'y.

# CONSTITUTION.

ART. 1. This Association shall be known by the name of "The General Association of Regular Baptists of Mississippi."

ART. 2. The object of this Association shall be Domestic Missions in Mississippi, Indian Missions amongst us and in the Territories of the West, Foreign Missions in all parts of the world, the cause of education generally, and especially to the poor brethren preparing for the Gospel Ministry, and other works of Christian benevolence.

ART. 3. Every church co-operating with and contributing to the objects and work of this Association, shall be entitled to membership as follows, viz: Churches to have one representative until their membership reaches fifty; then two until it reaches one hundred, and then three and no more. Associations to have one delegate to every hundred communicants, provided no one entitled to a seat who is not a regular Baptist in good standing. Provided further, That any Regular Baptists in good standing making an individual contribution to any object fostered by the Association shall be entitled to a seat as a delegate, if he so desires.

ART. 4. This Association shall never possess a single attribute of power or authority over any church or Association. It absolutely and forever disclaims any right of this kind; hereby avowing the cardinal principles ever dear to Baptists—that every church is sovereign and independent.

ART. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, and a Treasurer, to be elected by ballot or otherwise, and to discharge the duties incumbent upon such officers, and thirty directors, appointed by a committee on Nominations, all to be chosen annually and to continue in office until their successors are duly qualified.

ART. 6. These officers, together with directors,

shall constitute a Board of Managers, with power to transact all business for which this Association was formed during recess of same. The President to be Chairman of the Board, any five of whom, with the presiding officers, constitute a quorum. Provided, in all cases of absence of any officer, a pro tem appointment may be made, and to report annually to the Association.

ART. 7. The same individual may be both Corresponding and Recording Secretary.

ART. 8. The meeting of this Association shall be annual, and on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday after the fourth Sunday in October, and at such places as may be agreed upon from time to time; the Board to meet as often as business may require.

ART. 9. This Association may at any time, appoint a Special Board on any of the objects of Christian benevolence embraced in this constitution.

ART. 10. All monies contributed for a special object shall be faithfully applied in accordance with the wish of the donor.

ART. 11. The constitution may be altered or amended at any time by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; provided the fourth article be regarded as sacred, and never be altered or amended.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. At every sitting, business shall be opened and closed with prayer by the President or whosoever he may request.

2. Correspondence from churches and other societies and individuals friendly to the Association, shall be called for the names of delegates appointed enrolled with a mark of absence affixed to those who are not present.

3. Visiting brethren shall be entitled to speak on all subjects but to vote on none.

4. The election of officers shall take place immediately.

ately after the delegates' names have been enrolled and the Association organized.

5. No motion shall be discussed without it has been seconded and reduced to writing, if requested by any member.

6. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the minutes, unless so order at the time.

7. If any proposition or motion under debate contain two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separately.

8. Every speaker shall arise and address himself to the President, and no one shall speak more than twice on any motion unless by permission of the Association.

9. The President is to judge as regards order in the discussion of subjects, except when an appeal is made to the body, which shall be done without delay or debate.

10. All committees appointed by this body shall be nominated by the President, subject, however, to the approval of the Association.

# STATISTICS OF W. M. U. OF GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

## CHURCHES.

	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Aid.	Home Uses.	Training School.
Bay Springs.....		\$ 10 00	\$ 17 00	\$ 10 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 4 50	\$ 2 00
Fellowship.....		10 50	17 00	19 90		27 85	
Fairfield.....			4 50	1 20	3 00	6 05	
Hickory.....		15 50	15 50	9 46		75 75	
Hope.....	3 35					22 00	
Mize.....		14 50	10 00				
McDonald.....		9 75	2 50	10 40	7 50	1 40	
Neshoba.....		10 00	5 00			10 60	
Newton.....	25 00	45 00	30 00	44 00		362 00	
Taylorville.....		19 95		10 00		11 50	
Union.....		6 05	6 50	17 45		153 85	
Union (Harperville).....		1 60	1 50	14 25		7 10	
	\$ 28 35	\$ 142 85	\$ 109 50	\$ 136 66	\$ 15 50	\$ 682 60	\$ 2 00

FINANCE REPORT AT BOARD MEETING, BAY SPRINGS, APR. 16, 1912.

CHURCHES

	Home Missions	For. Missions	General Mission	Sustentation	State Missions
Central Church, Newton	\$ 48 08	\$ 40 66			
Central Ladies' Aid Society	5 00	5 00			
Richton		60 00			
Richton Ladies' Aid Society					
Beulah			90		
Beulah Sunday School			10 75		
Bethel			2 00		
Bethel Sunday School			110 50		
Dixon	1 50	2 00	5 50		
Poplar Springs	22 50	22 50			2 50
Bluff Springs					
Sulphur Springs			3 80		
Mt. Pleasant			9 20		
Burnes			8 95		
Stratton	5 65	5 65			
Antioch			10 25		
Mt. Pleasant		20 60	13 00		

Oak Grove	5 60				
Pinkney	8 02				
Mt. Olive	8 14				
Mt. Carmel	3 70	3 00			
Eden	2 00	2 25			
Hickory	24 35	24 35			
Mt. Vernon			46 8		
Mt. Vernon S. S.			1 50		
Pine Grove	6 50	6 50			
Pine Grove S. S.	50	50			
Concord	5 60	11 20			
Concord S. S.	2 10	2 10			
White Oak	6 20	6 20			
New Liberty	5 00	5 00			
Trenton	2 00	3 00			
Beulah	1 80	1 80			
McDonald	5 00	10 00	8 25		
McDonald W. M. U.			2 50		
Haze	5 00	5 00	5 00		
Linwood	60	1 75			
Hope	6 97	6 22			
Hope W. M. U.	2 50	2 50			
Stringer	5 40	5 00			
Louin	18 50	21 50			2 66
Poplar Springs			6 00		
Fellowship			25 35		

Fellowship W. M. U.	15 50	8 25	
Fellowship Sunbeams		7 55	
Pine Grove		6 55	
Good Hope	1 00	5 60	
New Home	2 00		
Macedonia	3 00		
Salem		8 00	
Newton First church		26 11	
Liberty		15 40	
Rocky Creek		4 92	
Montrose	18 31	20 65	
Summerland	23 38	23 37	
Pleasant Hill		30 00	
Bay Springs	58 75	60 45	3 75
Bay Springs S. S.		1 25	
Mossville W. M. U.		8 00	
L. N. Saddler		1 00	
Mt. Pisgah Association		50 00	
Home Board		250 00	
Collected by J. E. Chapman		100 00	

## TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Treasurer's report to Association at Poplar Springs in Oct., 1912:

DR.

To amount reported by Finance Committee for all purposes to which we contribute: Received at the Association at Union in Oct. 1911..... \$2,204 26  
 Received at Board meeting at Newton in Dec. 147 55  
 " " " Bay Springs in April 1,780 80  
 " " " Poplar Springs in Oct. 1,249 40.

Total amount received ..... \$5,382 01

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Paid R. I. Willingham for the support of our Foreign Missionaries (Chastain, Hooker, Bryant) ..... \$ 1900 00  
 Paid B. D. Gray for the support of our Home Missionaries, McCall and Rodriguez..... 1,328 73  
 Paid R. I. Willingham special for F. M..... 12 75  
 Paid refunded to D. T. Chapman for money paid out in 1911 ..... 48 62  
 Paid Mrs. J. P. Culpepper, Ex. for W. M. U..... 10 00  
 Paid A. V. Rowe Sudentation Fund ..... 3 70  
 Paid J. R. Carter for Orphans Home ..... 81 71  
 Paid J. W. Rooker for services and postage..... 74 64  
 Paid O.B. Boone for printing minutes ..... 80 00  
 Paid for church building..... 484 17  
 Paid State Missions ..... 1,295 57

5,319 89

\$ 62 12

On hand for church building.....	\$ 20 83
On hand for Orphans Home .....	3 40
On hand for Sustentation .....	90
On hand for Missions.....	37 09

Respectfully submitted,

D. T. CHAPMAN,  
Treasurer.

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

Treasurer's report of amounts received since Board meeting at Bay Springs:

The following amounts deposited in the Bank of Newton, since the meeting of the Ex. Board in April, by Jas. E. Chapman for our work:

April 18th.....	\$ 19 50
" 19th.....	3 10
" 18th .....	46 32
" 20th.....	63 00
" 22nd .....	97 35
" 22nd.....	24 50
" 23rd.....	2 00
" 25th .....	81 14
" 26th.....	8 55
" 29th.....	294 33
" 26th .....	3 00
May, 10th.....	17 75
" 13th .....	5 45
" 11th.....	16 25
" 14th .....	35 55
" 8th.....	14 35
" 30th.....	17 75

\$ 749 89

Amounts collected by Jas. E. Chapman ( paid out by him).....	228 73
Amount collected by Jas. E. Chapman from H. B. for C. B.....	125 00
Amount collected by Jas. E. Chapman on field Do.....	71 23
	10 00
	<u>\$ 1,184 85</u>

The following amounts received by D. T.

Chapman:	\$ 15 65
Hickory, L. A. S. for missions.....	4 00
St Ela Church, missions.....	22 70
Sylvarena Church, foreign missions	8 15
" " home missions...	
Providence Church by W. J. Bruner for foreign missions.....	2 00
White Oak Church by M. Y. Myley for foreign missions.....	1 00
Hickory Grove Church, by W. N. Richardson for foreign missions	11 05
	<u>64 55</u>

## ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICE.

L D Bassett.....	Louin, Miss.
L G Bassett.....	Louin, Miss.
W P Chapman.....	Newton, Miss.
Jas. E Chapman.....	Newton, Miss.
J W Satterfield.....	Newton, Miss.
J H Satterfield.....	Newton, Miss.
W J Bruner.....	Newton, Miss.
C L Sansing.....	Newton, Miss.
R C Folks.....	Gitano, Miss.
W H Giddens.....	Newton, Miss.
A M Harrelson.....	Newton, Miss.
T J Miley.....	Bay Springs, Miss.
O L Thompson.....	Newton, Miss.
N L Carlisle.....	Sylvarena, Miss.
W A Coker.....	Baxter, Miss.
Z K Gilmore.....	Bay Springs, Miss.
J H Houston.....	Laurel, (R. F. D.) Miss.
L E Lightsey.....	Montrose, Miss.
J W Rooker.....	Sylvarena, Miss.
E W Sumrall.....	Bartlett, Miss.
T J Waldrup.....	Louin, Miss.
B W Rainer.....	Hickory, Miss.
Otto Mathis.....	Newton, Miss.
J F Sansing.....	Newton, Miss.
W O Carter.....	Newton, Miss.
J G Grady.....	Newton, Miss.
E A Phillips.....	Newton, Miss.
R C Joiner.....	Newton, Miss.
L M Phillips.....	Newton, Miss.
Z C O'Ferrell.....	Newton, Miss.
T C Bankston.....	Mize, Miss.
I W Ballard.....	Taylorville, Miss.
E W Breland.....	Dixon, Miss.
F M Breland.....	Philadelphia, Miss.
G W Breland.....	Union, (R. 2) Miss.

J E Breland.....	Union, (R. 3) Miss.
R L Breland.....	Philadelphia, Miss.
R W Bryant.....	Union, Miss.
L J Caughman.....	Mendenhall, Miss.
E S Clark.....	Plattsburg, (R. 2.) Miss.
W L Collins.....	Union, Miss.
P J Crews.....	Philadelphia, (R. 2.) Miss.
G R Currie.....	Traxler, Miss.
J E Curry.....	Richton, Miss.
H F Husbands.....	Mize, Miss.
D W Moulder.....	Lorena, Miss.
W H Rainer.....	Union, Miss.
J C Richardson.....	Mize, Miss.
W T Smith.....	Ovett, Miss.
J W Steen.....	Philadelphia, Miss.
W A Sullivan.....	Clinton, Miss.
C J Tallos.....	Mize, Miss.
J J Walker.....	Leaksville, Miss.
E Stephens.....	Battlefield, (R. 1.) Miss.
I L Story.....	Philadelphia, Miss.
W T Carroll.....	DeKalb, (R. 1.) Miss.
Jno. W Jones.....	DeKalb, Miss.
Jas. W Jones.....	Union, (R. 4.) Miss.

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## ASSETS.

Furniture and Fixtures.. .. .	\$ 4,840 27
Boys' Dormitory.....	15,000 00
Girls' Dormitory .....	10,000 00
Chapel Building.....	10,000 00
Cottage Buildings.....	1,200 00
Real Estate.....	7,749 98
Barn Building.....	300 00
Farm Implements.....	70 00
Live Stock.....	396 85
Library and Fixtures.....	539 15
Total.....	<hr/> \$ 50,096 25

## LIABILITIES.

List of notes held against Clarke Memorial College  
September 1, 1912:

New Orleans Real Estate, Mortgage and Security Com- pany.....	\$15,000 00
The Bank of Newton .....	1,300 00
Mrs. S. H. Daniels.....	516 67
Merchants & Farmers Bank.....	1,150 00
H. F. Sivley, (Insurance).....	428 00
Mr. Jarrell (land notes).....	433 32
Total.....	<hr/> \$ 18,827 99