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PROCEEDINGS.

The Transylvania Baptist Association opened its thirty-ninth annual session at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, October 13, 1920, with Oak Grove Baptist Church, near Quebec, N. C., by singing as the opening song "Leaning on Jesus." The opening prayer was offered by Bro. James E. Simpson, of Boilston Church, after which the congregation sang very feelingly, "I Must Tell Jesus." Bro. A. J. Manley then led in a fervent prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the work of this session of the Association.

A scripture lesson was read by the Moderator, Bro. C. E. Puett, from the 26th chapter of The Acts, after which Bro. S. B. McCall, of Cedar Mountain, led in prayer.

The introductory sermon was preached by the Moderator, Rev. C. E. Puett, from The Acts, 26:19, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision." This was a sermon of great power, showing the many visions that may come, and the sources from which they come, for the putting down of evil in all its forms, and the promotion of truth and purity in all parts of the world.

At 12:15 the Association adjourned for one hour for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

At 1:15 the Association reconvened for the afternoon session, and after singing the hymn, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder," heard a scripture reading, with very timely and devotional comments, by Bro. Simpson, from the first chapter of 2nd Peter.

The Moderator appointed S. B. McCall and T. C. Henderson as reading clerks. The roll of the churches was then called, and letters read, and delegates enrolled, as follows:

Blue Ridge—Solomon Jones, E. E. Jones, Hamp Jones.

Boilston—James E. Simpson, J. M. Patton, J. M. Banning, Carlos Holden.

Brevard—C. B. Deaver, N. A. Miller, W. H. Duckworth, W. M. Henry, C. E. Puett, Mrs. W. M. Henry.

Carr's Hill—T. B. Lane, Dewey Moore, W. P. Wilson, Carl Allison.
 Cathey's Creek—W. C. McCall, L. M. Hamilton, Oat Bryson, Walker Galloway, Luke Osteen.
 Dunn's Rock—Herman Hogsed, Louie Raines, Columbus Holden.
 Enon—C. W. Talley.
 Glady Branch—G. T. Glazener, B. J. Glazener, Elliott Tinsley.
 Lake Toxaway—Lee F. Norton, Theodore Reid, Mrs. Lee F. Norton.
 Little River—W. R. Kilpatrick, M. M. McCall, G. C. McCall, A. R. Metcalf.
 Macedonia—W. M. McCall, C. A. McCall, J. T. Hall, W. A. McCall, Dock Owen.
 Mt. Moriah—A. H. Gillespie, Freeman Hayes, W. M. Bird, J. L. Gillespie.
 Oak Grove—L. E. Reece, J. W. Jones, Mrs. Susie McCall, E. D. Reid, R. O. Thomas, T. V. Smith.
 Rocky Hill—Solomon A. Jones, E. A. Heath, D. W. Lee, Street Burns, Jr., S. B. McCall.
 Shoal Creek—R. E. McCall, Arden Galloway.
 Toxaway—Mart. Morgan, Abe Whitmire, J. M. Powell, Floyd Galloway, Jule Chapell.
 Union—A. A. Miller, J. D. Reid, G. H. Alexander.
 Zion—W. H. Summey, B. B. Reece, A. N. Collins, E. D. Randolph, Mis Dalice Whitmire.

After the reading of the minutes, the Association organized for the year by electing Rev. C. E. Puett Moderator and T. C. Henderson Clerk.

The first report was that on Home Missions, read by S. B. McCall. This report was ably discussed by Rev. J. J. Gentry, of Asheville, and Rev. C. E. Puett, of Brevard. The report was then adopted by the Association.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

The foundations of America are fundamentally religious, and the only spirit which may be trusted adequately to safeguard them is that of Christian patriotism.

Following the World War and in the midst of Reconstruction problems, thousands of our people have made a new dedication of themselves to this Christian Americanism, and in no section more than in the South, where the largest proportion of native Americans reside. They purpose to safeguard American liberties by safeguarding that faith which alone made those liberties possible, and to keep lighted in America a beacon of liberty

which shall shine out across the seas to cheer and bless peoples who grope in darkness.

Christian Americanism is the work of Home Missions, which by bringing men to Christ, creates that righteousness that exalteth a nation. Our Baptist Home Mission Board is the outstanding agency of Southern Baptists for making America Christian. It has a great record of successful service, but is now entering on a time of even larger opportunity and need.

In 1919 the missionaries of our Board baptized one convert for every three received into our churches. Regularly they baptize from twenty to twenty-five per cent as many converts as the entire number who enter our churches. For fifteen years its evangelists have averaged 450 baptisms per year per worker, a record far outstripping that of any other similar agency. Its system of Mountain Schools is larger than any other and is the acknowledged standard in adaptability. Its Enlistment work is rapidly bringing a more adequate standard of spiritual instruction and effectiveness in hundreds of churches. Its Church Extension work has grown from infancy to lusty strength in a period of only a few years.

Recently the Board has also far surpassed its own fine record. Within the last seven years of its history of seventy-five years its missionaries have baptized 94.5 per cent as many converts as were baptized in the first sixty-eight years.

In soul-winning and nation-serving; in teaching the truth of Christ and conserving it; in building Christians up and maturing for the State the type of character that makes our Republic great, and in the end, must save it from disintegration, our Board has been wonderfully used of God.

Every loyal Baptist will rejoice in the admirable efforts of our Board to meet the crucial needs of these days by enlarging its work. At its Annual Meeting in Atlanta in June, after long and painstaking efforts to reduce the appropriations as far as possible, the brethren of the Board found that \$2,875,000 was necessary for the work of the present year. Even with this appropriation, it had to decline many worthy appeals to enter wide-open doors.

We commend our Board for its faith and vision in grappling the stupendous tasks that now confront us and in believing that our people will respond to such leadership. We recommend that constant prayers be made for the Board, for its missionaries and for its work, and that we give it large and sustained support through our gifts to the 75 Million Campaign.

We commend to our people the admirable Mission Study Books of the Board, through which a true view is presented of the large problems we confront, and recommend that pastors, superintendents, mission society leaders and others write often for the

large and splendid assortment of free tracts about its work and the needs, which our Board gladly furnishes on request.

The executive officer of the Board is Dr. B. D. Gray, Corresponding Secretary, Healey Building, Atlanta, Ga., for tracts, books, information, etc., address Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Healey Building, Atlanta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. McCALL, For Committee.

After the Home Mission report was adopted, the pastor of Oak Grove Church, Bro. A. J. Manley, announced that Bro. J. J. Gentry will preach this evening at 7:30 o'clock. The Association then adjourned for the day, the benediction being pronounced by Bro. Judson Corn.

At 7:30 o'clock, after a short song and prayer service, Bro. J. J. Gentry preached a sermon of great spiritual power from parts of the 14th, 15th, and 16th verses of the first chapter of Romans, his text being, "I am debtor; I am ready; I am not ashamed."

Thursday Morning.

At 9:30 o'clock this morning the Association assembled and engaged in a brief devotional exercise, being led by Bro. A. J. Manley.

An "Order of Business" for today was adopted, as follows:

10:00 a. m. to 11:30 a. m.—State and Foreign Missions.

11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.—Sunday Schools.

12:30 p. m. to 1:30 p. m.—Dinner Recess.

1:30 p. m. to 2:00 p. m.—Devotional.

2:00 p. m. to 2:45 p. m.—Biblical Recorder.

2:45 p. m. to 3:30 p. m.—Christian Education.

3:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous.

The reports on State Missions and Foreign Missions were read by Bro. A. J. Manley, and were adopted by the Association, after being ably discussed by Brethren A. J. Manley, S. B. McCall, W. H. Duckworth, C. H. Kluppelburg, C. E. Puett, Z. L. Henderson.

STATE MISSIONS.

State missions is mission work in close quarters. It marks off a definite area and attempts to bring the gospel message precisely to every portion of it. It seeks out the waste places, the overlooked corners, and carries the message to them. It surveys the needs of its particular area and attempts to provide the specific help required, whether it be a weak church, a churchless community, a neglected rural district, or a destitute section in a crowded city. It is set to meet the mission needs within its territory.

On the other hand, it fans into flame the mission fires for all forms of missionary endeavor. It seeks to enlist the churches, not only for State missions, but for all missions. There is a distinction between our State Mission Boards and State mission work. State mission work is mission effort put forth within the border of a State, but the State Mission Board in most of our States not only fosters missions within its borders, but the mission spirit is cultivated within its bounds for missionary work everywhere. It is intensive cultivation for extensive application.

State missions is the ultimate form of missions. Foreign missions is a pioneering agency. It opens new fields and starts the natives forward in their church life, but never until these natives take up home missions, in behalf of their own nations, and close in on their work by divisions in State missions will the gospel be preached to all and any hope of complete enlistment for service be attained. We pray for the time to come when there will be no longer a need for foreign missions. After that will come the day when in the various nations there will be no need for home missions, and then there will come a still more desirable day when State missions in all the States in all the world will not be needed, but the churches will do their duty to their communities, the gospel will be fully preached and the great day of His appearance will be at hand.

There are now in the territory of our different States approximately 13,000,000 unsaved white people, who have reached the age of accountability.

We have 3,391 towns of 200 or more inhabitants in which there are no Baptist churches or Baptist meeting-houses.

We have 74 county seats without churches or meeting-houses. This is practically an average of five county seats to every State co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention.

We have approximately 9,000 non-contributing, non-co-operating churches in our Southern Baptist territory.

The time has come when Baptists must prove themselves a

city people, thoroughly capable of taking care of great city situations.

We have in our different States 19,638 once-a-month churches. Approximately 3,000 half-time churches, and 2,200 full-time churches.

Summary of Needs.

Church building -----	\$ 7,509.23
Enlistment -----	9,941.73
Evangelism -----	16,075.00
Sunday-school, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. work--	9,862.71
General missionary work -----	63,582.97

Grand total ----- \$106,971.64

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions begs leave to submit the following report:

Since the 75 Million Campaign went over, many are asking "What are they doing with the money?" Everyone who made pledges has a right to know.

It will be noted that one-half of the twenty millions apportioned to foreign missions will be used in providing additional property equipment and the equipment and outgoing expenses of 489 new missionaries. The remaining half, or ten millions, will be spent upon the annual maintenance of the work.

The term "annual maintenance" includes the expenses of administration at home; the salaries and traveling expenses of foreign and native missionaries; the running expenses of the schools, hospitals, publication houses, rents, etc.—the regular current expenses.

General Summary of Needs.

148 residences for missionaries -----	\$ 663,800
Land and buildings for 58 churches -----	1,064,350
Land, buildings and equipments for 147 schools-----	3,265,875
Land, buildings and equipment for 20 hospitals and dispensaries -----	189,600
Church building loan funds -----	540,800
Extension (opening 18 new stations) -----	457,500
Six publication houses -----	471,700
Miscellaneous -----	255,175
Additional property expenditures in Europe -----	2,773,450
Equipment and outgoing expenses of 489 new mis- sionaries -----	317,750
Total -----	\$10,000,000

Annual maintenance—Current expenses \$2,000,000
per year for five years ----- \$10,000,000

Grand total ----- \$20,000,000

The work is to be done in Africa, Europe and the Near East, Italy, Czecho-Slovakia, Latin America, Mexico, China, Japan.

Let us pay our pledges and pray God's blessings upon the work on all the foreign fields.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. MANLY, Committee.

On motion, the report on Christian Education was substituted for the report on Sunday Schools.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

On the tombstone marking the grave of Luther Rice are two inscriptions—"Than he no man possibly ever did more for the cause of missions." "Than he no Baptist ever did more for the cause of education." Let missions and education go hand in hand—let us give not to one, but to both.

In studying the situation in our schools we are deeply impressed with the following facts:

We have as the heads of our Baptist institutions men and women of the very highest ideals; the most loyal Christianity, and the most unquenchable desire to give the spiritual as well as the intellectual message to their students. The spirit of sacrifice manifested by these leaders may be cloistered somewhat, but is none the less real everywhere; many of the professors remaining at great financial sacrifice, because they love their institutions.

The fine ideals of these men are splendidly stated by one of them in the following language:

"All courses of study of a distinctively Christian and religious character should be an integral part of the curriculum in which is organized a liberal education and not loosely related to a curriculum of liberal studies merely as a parallel school or department. The world needs, from Baptist schools, imbued with the Baptist spirit, informed in Baptist principles and instructed in the Word of God, scientists in all callings who will carry into their fields of effort the best culture, classic, religious and scientific, embodying the best values of the past and of modern times."

Nothing but the sacrificial optimism of the school men and the denominational loyalty of our people could have kept many of these schools open. We can depend upon both of these aids

to our schools to a reasonable degree in the future; but we should fully recognize the need and be liberal enough to provide the equipment and endowment necessary to make all our schools first class.

The equipment in most of our institutions is pitifully inadequate in face of the needs and opportunities. Hosts of students are clamoring for admittance into our schools and a great many are being turned away because of lack of buildings and equipment. What are we going to do about it? Shall our boys and girls, who are worthy of the very best training and the very best facilities for securing that training, be set adrift unprepared for life's duties and responsibilities? Our answer should be that adequate provision can and must be provided for the Christian training of our boys and girls and that by God's help we will see to it that such provision shall be made.

The Committee.

Bro. C. E. Puett opened the discussion on Christian Education with a thrilling address on the imperative need of a Baptist school for the Transylvania Association. He was followed in the discussion by Rev. C. H. Kluppelburg, Z. I. Henderson, W. C. McCall, and others.

On motion of A. J. Manley, the Moderator was authorized to appoint a committee of three to consider the matter of a Christian school for the Transylvania Association and make such recommendations as they deem proper to the Association. The Moderator appointed as members of this committee Z. I. Henderson, A. J. Manley, and C. H. Kluppelburg.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Br. C. E. Puett. After a motion for its adoption, Brother Puett spoke on the report, giving some timely and practical suggestions.

The noon hour having arrived, the Association adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

Thursday Afternoon.

The Association reconvened at the appointed hour, and after singing "What a Friend I Have in Jesus," the 23rd Psalm was read by Bro. S. B. McCall, who then led in prayer. The Association then adopted the report on Sunday Schools.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

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

Southern Baptists have undertaken a great Sunday-school program. As one of the features of the 75 Million Campaign our Sunday-school Board, with the Campaign workers, have outlined for us a great challenging task; therefore we, in our Association, commit ourselves to the following policies for next year and the years following:

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

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

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

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

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

6. **Co-operation with the Sunday-school Department** of the State Mission Board is our duty. This Department stands ready

at all times to send helpful tracks on practically every phase of Sunday-school work. These are absolutely free and can be secured from Secretary E. L. Middleton, Raleigh, N. C. He will also aid in every possible way in providing Training Schools and Institutes for groups of churches in cities, towns, or country. He urges inquiry from every one who has an unsolved Sunday-school problem.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

On motion, the report on the Orphanage was made the order for this hour in place of the report on the Biblical Recorder. The report was read by C. W. Henderson, discussed in an earnest and able address by Rev. M. L. Kesler, and then adopted.

ORPHANAGE.

Every loyal Baptist in North Carolina is proud of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. It has been only about thirty-five years since this institution was established by the great-hearted J. H. Mills, whose name has become a household word throughout our great State from the mountains to the sea. During this short period of time many hundreds of fatherless boys and girls have come into the institution, been trained and educated, and many of them are now filling honorable positions in the broad and busy world.

A true Christian home is the greatest institution in all the world, and the first thing the Orphanage attempts to do is to furnish as nearly as possible what the child has lost—a home; to give him warm clothes and good food, and to convince him that he is not alone in the world.

There are more than five hundred bright boys and girls now under the care of the Orphanage, and as the years come and go we feel more keenly our obligation and privilege in supporting those who cry to us for help. It is not so much the sympathy that we should have for the helpless child, but the rights that naturally belong to the child and that is within our power to give him, that should prompt us to do our duty.

Those who have these fatherless children under care use every effort and means within their power to place within the reach of every child the opportunity to develop into useful manhood and womanhood.

The three distinct faculties of the child—physical, mental and moral—are developed with the greatest care. The girls are taught how to sew, keep house and many other duties of home life; while the boys work on the farm, in the machine shop, shoe

shop, and printing office, which develops the physical manhood and teaches them to work at profitable trades. The fine Orphanage school develops the mental faculties and gives the child a first-class education. The Sunday-school and church advantages are not surpassed in the State, without which all else would be a failure.

The high ground taken in the following words of Dr. A. T. Jamison, Superintendent of the Connie Maxwell Orphanage, Greenwood, S. C., places the appeal of the orphan where it ought to be.

"Connie Maxwell Orphanage has never in its history sent out what might be called a starvation appeal. Our people have never been asked to contribute to the support of the starving orphans. We have sometimes run out of money, but the children have never known it and no officer on the pay-roll has ever known there was no money in the treasury. When there was none with which to pay salaries, it was secured from the bank and checks were written. Appeals for the institution have always rested on the high ground that it was a great denominational enterprise, worthy of large gifts and of the best support of the people. We have not tried to relate pitiful stories to stir the people and cause the tears to flow in order that the people might be induced to give. Nor has the institution been run in Cheap John style. We have, with great emphasis, repudiated the old-time idea that 'any old thing will do for a poor little orphan.' On the other hand, the idea has been impressed that the orphans are entitled to the fundamentals of an education, that they should be kindly and considerately regarded, that love and kindness should be poured into their young lives, that they should be mothered and not officered, and that an orphan child is as good as any child."

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. HENDERSON, Committee.

Bro. C. E. Puett read the report on Biblical Recorder. This report, after being discussed by C. E. Puett, T. C. King, and M. L. Kesler, was adopted.

BIBLICAL RECORDER.

For 87 years the Biblical Recorder has been the organ of North Carolina Baptists. During all this time it has given its influence to the promotion of every department of denominational work. Its columns are used freely by the servants of the denomination who have charge of our institutions and varied enterprises.

The paper is true to its name. It is biblical in its teachings

and records the acts of North Carolina Baptists from week to week. It stands for the truth as Baptists hold and interpret it and is always ready to go to the defense of our great principles when necessity demands it.

But the Recorder is more than a denominational organ. It is a family paper as well. Its columns carry wholesome matter into the family circle. It takes note of current events and publishes a digest of the most important things that occur during the week. News letters from the churches are a very important and helpful feature of the paper, and the news note page gives in pithy paragraphs the doings of our great Baptist family. The last page of the Recorder is for the home, and great care is taken in selecting matter for this page.

The Recorder is owned by a joint stock company. It was organized, at the request of the Convention, twenty years ago, to own and publish the paper. But while it is under private ownership, a committee of seven appointed by the Convention acts with the seven directors when the election of an editor is necessary. This puts the selection of an editor practically in the hands of the Convention.

The directors found it absolutely necessary to raise the price of the paper on August 1st to \$2.50. They regretted very deeply the necessity which forced them to take this step. But the two alternatives were to increase the price or reduce the size. The Recorder was not making expenses at \$2.00 a year. Most of the papers raised the price to \$2.50 before the Recorder took this step. The directors promise sacredly that as soon as conditions warrant them in going back to the old price they will do so.

The Recorder management has made a price to the churches which will make it possible for them to keep the price at \$2.00 per year. If a church will put the Recorder in three-fourths of the resident families and send the name of the one in each family to whom the paper is to be sent, together with a check to cover the amount of subscription, the paper will be sent to each individual as at present for \$2.00 a year. If a church finds it more convenient to pay in monthly or quarterly installments, the management will accept that method of payment.

A good many churches are putting the Recorder in the budget. A collection is taken for the Recorder fund just as is done for State missions, or any other object, and the paper is sent to the ones whose names are forwarded. If a church shall adopt the budget plan and see that the Recorder goes into 75 per cent of the homes, the subscription price will be \$2.00.

The Recorder is essential to the progress of our work and it exerts a very wholesome influence in the home. We earnestly

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urge our churches to accept the liberal offer made by the management and secure the paper at \$2.00 per year.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report of the Committee on a Christian school for the Transylvania Association was presented and read by Bro. A. J. Manley. A motion was then made and carried that the discussion of the report be made a special order for 10 o'clock tomorrow.

The Moderator announced the following committees to report next year:

Education—A. J. Manley, T. C. Henderson.

State Missions—S. B. McCall, A. J. Metcalf.

Home Missions—Isaac Henderson, Bert Lane.

Foreign Missions—T. C. King, Judson Corn, N. A. Miller.

State of Churches—W. H. Duckworth, J. S. Simpson.

Temperance—Wesley McCall, Lee F. Norton.

Sunday Schools—C. E. Puett, E. A. Heath.

Biblical Recorder—W. M. Henry, M. L. Hamilton.

Orphanage—G. T. Lyday, E. Allison.

Adjourned until 7 o'clock this evening for memorial services. Benediction by Bro. M. L. Kesler.

Reassembled at 7 o'clock, as per adjournment. The Moderator, C. E. Puett, led in the memorial services. There was no Historian's report submitted, but the roll of the churches was called, and a number of the brethren joined in discussions of the lives of the members of the various churches who had departed this life during the past year. Obituaries of the deceased members of Brevard Church had been prepared by Bro. J. M. Hamlin, and were presented by the Moderator, to be incorporated in the minutes.

OBITUARIES.

Charles L. Osborne was born in Henderson, now Transylvania County, January 25, 1834. He was the son of Jeremiah Osborne, a layman, whose activities in every sphere of life made him prominent. He was a member of the presbytery that constituted the first Baptist church within the territory of this Association, viz., Catheys Creek, July 22, 1822. The noble traits of character which distinguished Charles were largely inherent. There was an unction within that enabled him to stand for truth,

integrity, honor, unswervingly. No one doubted Charley Osborne.

He was a first lieutenant in the Confederate army during the War Between the States; served a term as county commissioner, and was chairman of the pension board from its first organization to his death.

We copy from memorial resolutions adopted by the pension board: "Osborne was one of the first members appointed and the first elected chairman and remained such to his death. To think of the board was to think of Osborne; his long identification made him a part of the thought." The same fact for the last forty-five years applies to his church and Sunday-school. He was always there and regarded as an essential part of the institution.

He joined the church at Little River in his early manhood days; was afterwards a charter member of Enon; in 1875 he united with Brevard Church. He married Miss Mollie Killian in 1864.

On the morning of January 26, 1920, when he was 86 years and one day old, the news spread rapidly abroad that Charles Osborne was dead. The people were unprepared for the news. A gloom overhung the town and country. His familiar face and person is withdrawn, but he still lives—lives in the memory and hearts of all who knew him.

Rev. C. C. Duckworth.—Transylvania County and especially the Baptists feel keenly the loss in the passing of the Rev. C. C. Duckworth.

Born in Transylvania County April 8, 1874. Died May 22, 1920; being 46 years and 14 days old.

Brother Duckworth was one of the most public-spirited men in the county. He labored hard for the establishment of a denominational school on the order of Fruitland in this section, offering to give the land for the school. He was not successful because the association believed that Fruitland could serve this section for some time to come.

He was a constant, unflinching personal worker, endeavoring to win men to Christ at every opportunity.

He was a tither and more, giving, when afflicted with a terrible disease, beyond any man I have ever known, considering his means. He was wholly consecrated. He had placed all upon God's altar. He was a man who knew God in the secret place, and every word he spoke was manifestly reinforced by the Spirit of God.

He was a man of strong and immovable convictions who despised all compromise and was an anchor to all wavering souls coming under his influence.

He was a strong preacher of the Word, and director of the

victorious 75 Million Campaign in this county which went 50 per cent over the allotment.

A great and good man has gone to his reward. We are poorer but heaven is richer. He has been transplanted to that realm of light where unfettered he shall do the bidding of God forevermore.—C. E. Puett, his pastor.

James Dean was born September 17, 1879, and died October 4, 1920. He professed faith in Christ and joined Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in Jackson County, N. C., February 6, 1892. He was ordained deacon of the same church July 6, 1907. In 1908 he transferred his membership to Brevard Baptist Church, where he was received a deacon.

Jim was a loyal, faithful and uncompromising in the things he believed to be right. He was rooted and grounded in the truth and was steadfast in the faith.

He was a great sufferer for months.—C. E. Puett, in Brevard News.

Mrs. W. S. Price was born 1856 and died April 9, 1920. She was a daughter of Dr. Farmer and niece of Hon. H. T. Farmer. Mrs. Price was a lady of very poor health, yet she had a mind to work. She was a teacher in the Sunday-school of long standing and present when able, and, perchance, often when really not able. At the same time and for years she was leader in the Sunbeam work. She was very much devoted to these children and worked with them in season and out of season. She never tired of service, but needed and now doubtless enjoys that rest prepared for the people of God.

Octavia Reid Miller, wife of Clerk N. A. Miller, was born near Lake Toxaway January 1, 1885, and died in Brevard June 21, 1920. All the endearing epithets that are usually applied to devoted wives, mothers and neighbors can be applied to Mrs. Miller with marked emphasis. There was in her heart a passion for children. She taught one term of school before marriage. Her soul went out into her work and found a lodgment in the hearts of the pupils. By loving she was loved.

Friday Morning.

The Association reconvened at 9:30 o'clock this morning. Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. W. H. Duckworth.

By motion, the discussion of the recommendations for an Associational School was deferred until 11 o'clock today.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by the Clerk, discussed by a number of the brethren, and adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

There are 24,885 Baptist churches in the Southern States. These churches report 102,158 baptisms. With the exception of a few men residing in the large cities, the average salaries of these ministers is about \$1.09 a day, or \$400.00 per year. The average salary of a street car man is about \$1,100.00.

There are at least one thousand ministers in our fellowship today who are almost in dire want. Through illness or misfortune they have been incapacitated and are not able to provide for the necessities of life. Many ministers have died, having been unable to make any adequate provision for the care of their families. Many of the cases are most pitiful.

Other denominations have large funds for the care of their ministers. The Presbyterian fund is \$10,000,000.00; the Episcopal, \$8,500,000.00; the Methodist, \$20,000,000.00; and yet Baptists have a larger number of ministers than any one of these other denominations. Nearly all of these funds have been secured within the last five years.

It was the seriousness of this situation which occasioned the organization of the Relief and Annuity Board in 1918. The Board began its work one year ago, and is now making an appeal for five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) with which to endow and carry on its work. It is aiding at present 285 needy ministers and widows. The grants average, according to their needs, from \$75.00 to \$300.00 per year. This does not include the beneficiaries of the State Boards, which have not as yet transferred their work to the Relief and Annuity Board.

We shall not always have these self-denying men with us. "Every day a new earth mound covers the wearied, worn body of a Baptist minister. Yesterday you might have helped him; today you cannot. We make no appeal for him: his reward is ample. But we do appeal for his comrade who survives, for the aged companion of his trials and triumphs, and for the orphans—dependent and alone." What shall our answer be?

There are two aged ministers within the bounds of our Association who are entitled to receive aid from the funds in the hands of the Relief and Annuity Board—Elder E. Allison and Elder F. M. Jordan. Brother Allison, we understand, receives \$300.00 a year from this fund. In response to an inquiry which we sent Brother Jordan in regard to this matter, he wrote us the following:

"I have never received anything directly from the Board. But I have been kindly remembered and aided by the Convention and friends throughout the State. God has taken wonderfully good care of me through His people. The Convention at one time

sent me \$60.00, and I have received checks from many friends in the State, with letters like apples of gold in pictures of silver."

THE COMMITTEE.

The Clerk was directed by the Association to incorporate in the minutes the following letter from Bro. F. M. Jordan:

To the Association.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:

I would be delighted to meet you this week; but I am not able to go. I am very weak and feeble; almost helpless. Have not been off of my place but one time since last November—a year ago; and never expect to be any more, till I am carried to my grave. I shall never be in the Association or Convention any more. Our next meeting will be in the great Convention on high, in the Christian's home in the glory world, where the tree of life is forever blooming, and there is rest for the weary. We should think more, talk more, and preach more about heaven; things perfect in their nature and eternal in their duration. Eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither entered into the heart, the things that God has prepared for them that love Him.

Then shall I be satisfied when I awake in Thy likeness. In His presence is fullness of joy, and at His right hand are pleasures forever more. There on some green and flowery mount our happy souls shall sit, and with transporting joys recount the labors of our feet. Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. All the gold of Ophir, and the cattle on a thousand hills, are nothing to compare with God's divine approbation.

The answer of a good conscience toward God and man is the best companion in the world. There is nothing on earth like being a consecrated Christian and a good church member.

My heart and prayer are with you that you may have a good meeting. Will some good brother offer a special prayer?

A kind and affectionate farewell.

Yours in great affliction,

F. M. JORDAN.

A special prayer was offered by Bro. C. E. Puett.

On motion of Bro. S. B. McCall, a collection was taken for Bro. F. M. Jordan and Bro. E. Allison. Amount raised, \$22.30.

The committee appointed to make recommendations in

regard to our undertaking the establishment of a Christian school within the territory of the Transylvania Association submitted the following:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO OFFER RECOMMENDATIONS
IN REGARD TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL.**

We recommend:

1. That this Association take steps to establish the school.
2. That we appoint a committee of three to take the matter in hand.
3. That this committee select a suitable location.
4. That they formulate plans to raise the funds.
5. That the Executive Committee co-operate with this committee in raising the funds. If it is necessary, appoint an enlistment man to canvass the Association.

Respectfully,

Z. I. HENDERSON,
A. J. MANLEY,
C. H. KLUPPELBERG,
Committee.

This report was discussed by a number of brethren. During the discussion, W. B. Henderson offered his home, consisting of 200 acres of land and two dwellings which would comfortably accommodate about forty boarding students, as a sight for the school. Lee F. Norton also offered his home, near Lake Toxaway, as a site for the school, if the committee wished to accept it. At the close of discussions, the recommendations were adopted, and, on motion of A. R. Metcalf, the Moderator appointed A. J. Manley, W. M. Henry, and S. B. McCall as members of the committee contemplated in the recommendations.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was adopted by the Association:

Executive Committee—N. A. Miller, Chairman; W. H. Summy, Birt Lane, C. E. Puett, T. C. Henderson.

Delegate to State Convention—A. J. Manley.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention—C. E. Puett.

A. J. MANLEY,
W. M. HENRY,
J. E. SIMPSON,
Committee.

At 12 o'clock the Association adjourned one hour for dinner, the benediction being pronounced by Bro. A. J. Manley.

Friday Afternoon.

The body reassembled while "There's a Land That is Fairer Than Day" was being sung.

The following resolution, offered by Bro. S. B. McCall, was adopted by the Association:

Resolved, That we, as an Association, ask the clerk of each church to report to the Historian the death of any members with a short sketch of their lives.

The Temperance report being called for, and no report being ready, a motion was made by S. B. McCall, and carried, that W. M. Henry prepare a report and submit to the Clerk for incorporation in the minutes. The question of Temperance was then discussed by S. B. McCall, W. H. Duckworth, and others.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, desire to urge upon the people the Bible injunction to be temperate in all things. While the use of intoxicants in defiance of law, so general throughout the bonds of the Association, is to be greatly deplored, we beg to call attention to other dangers in intemperance, perhaps more subtle because less conspicuous. We refer to the great waste of life and energy by the almost universal habit of overeating. It is now known that many of the ills that we seek to cure by medicine and doctors could be eliminated by a well regulated diet and an appetite under control. We further recommend the efficacy of fasting occasionally, not only for spiritual benefit, but also for the great physical benefits derived from it. Fasting and prayer are linked together, and we have no record where God has issued an order dissolving this union.

The use of whiskey has apparently not been abated by the laws against it. Bootleggers and blockaders have many places of hiding and the nefarious business goes on. It seems that their system of protection is more efficient than the law's system of detection.

We recommend that our people use every means by education, by personal work in behalf of Jesus, and by detection and prayer to God that the next generation may not know the demon rum.

W. M. HENRY, For the Committee.

The following resolution was offered by S. B. McCall and D. W. Lee, and adopted by the Association:

RESOLUTION OF GRATITUDE.

Resolved, first, That we as an association desire to express our appreciation to our most efficient Moderator and Clerk for their splendid service rendered to this body.

Second, That we extend to the pastor and church of Oak Grove and to the community our heartfelt thanks for their kindness and generous hospitality shown in entertaining this Association.

At 2 o'clock the Association adjourned, to meet with Carr's Hill Church at 11 a. m. on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1921.

C. E. PUETT, Moderator.

T. C. HENDERSON, Clerk.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Brevard—Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. C. E. Puett president, Brevard. Missions, \$132.65; other objects, \$259.20; total contributions, \$391.80.

Mt. Moriah—Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. J. W. Glazener, president, Rosman. Number of members, 12; other objects, \$100.00; total contributions, \$100.00.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL

Church	Pastor and Post-Office	Clerk and Post-Office	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Gains			Losses			No. of Males	No. of Females	Total Mem- bership
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Blue Ridge	Mr. Russell, Taxedo	E. E. Jones, Cedar Mountain	3	\$ 300				1		2	22	31	53
Boilston	J. M. Corn, Mars Hill	J. E. Simpson, Brevard, R. 2	3	1300		3			1	2	56	69	125
Brevard	C. E. Puett, Brevard	William S. Price, Jr., Brevard	1-2-3-4	12000	80	22		10	4	5			119
Carr's Hill	S. B. McCall, Cedar Mountain	F. L. Wilson, Pisgah Forest	1-3	1250	9	6		2		2	67	72	139
Carson Creek													
Cathy's Creek	T. O. King, Hendersonville	L. M. Hamilton, Selica	2-4	2000	1	1			3				131
Dunn's Creek													
Dunn's Rock	Eli Simpson, Brevard, R. 2	G. W. Whitmire, Brevard, R. 1			9			3	1	1	17	19	36
East Fork													
Enon	E. Allison, Etowah	G. T. Lyday, Brevard	1	2000			1	3		2	51	62	113
Glady Branch	A. J. Manley, Rosman	G. T. Glazener, Brevard	4	1250	6			7			37	55	92
Lake Toxaway	A. J. Manley, Rosman	T. E. Reid, Oakland	1-3	1500	16						19	35	54
Little River	Jesse W. Corn, Mars Hill	M. L. Hamilton, Etowah	1	1700	1					1	79	113	192
Macedonia	Judson Corn, Brevard	Julius Owen, Lake Toxaway	2	1200		3		4			35	65	100
Mount Moriah	T. C. King, Hendersonville	J. L. Gillespie, Calvert	1-3	1000				7		1	50	75	125
Oak Grove	A. J. Manley, Rosman	W. B. Henderson, Quebec	1-3	2000	15	3		3		2	56	86	142
Pine Grove													
Rocky Hill	S. B. McCall, Cedar Mountain	Ralph W. Lee, Cedar Mountain	2-4	1800		5		3		1	37	42	79
Shoal Creek	Judson Corn, Brevard	T. R. Chastain, Balsam Grove		2000	29	5	5			2	38	55	93
Toxaway	Judson Corn, Brevard	M. S. Powell, Rosman	4	2000	12		1	2		2	71	91	162
Turkey Creek													
Union		Woodfin Miller, Sapphire								1			38
Zion	T. C. King, Hendersonville	A. M. Collins, Rosman	2-4	2000	41	10	3	6	3	4			130

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

Churches	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75 Million (Undesignated)	State and Associ- ational Missions	Home Missions	Undesignated Missions	Orphanage	Total
Blue Ridge	\$ 40 00	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2 50	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1 00	\$	\$ 1 00	\$ 44 50
Boilston	180 00		32 00	12 00	16 00	2 25		105 00				2 23	349 48
Brevard	1566 60	1440 00	459 48	490 11		21 00	560 21	2200 00		308 65			7046 05
Carr's Hill	250 00		8 00	26 05	11 16	1 00		137 00	25 00			21 00	479 21
Carson Creek													
Cathy's Creek	500 00		10 00	20 00		5 00		350 00				17 00	902 00
Dunn's Creek													
Dunn's Rock	30 50			11 03		2 00	5 00					14 00	62 53
East Fork													
Enon	75 00	800 00		45 00		5 00		75 00				18 00	1018 00
Glady Branch	78 46			14 23		5 00					41 50	86 68	225 92
Lake Toxaway	52 55			12 50		5 00		184 20					254 25
Little River	225 00			22 28		3 00		83 00					335 28
Macedonia	47 32	100 00				2 16							149 98
Mount Moriah	800 00		12 50	27 88		5 00	11 00	214 20				2 90	573 46
Oak Grove	112 56		41 00	20 25		10 00		199 72				52 63	436 16
Pine Grove													
Rocky Hill	250 00	60 00	5 00	12 00		3 50	7 00	150 00	68 00			32 00	587 50
Shoal Creek	32 00	264 20		7 50		80		25					304 55
Toxaway		51 60				4 00		25 91					81 51
Turkey Creek													
Union						1 77							1 77
Zion	203 80					5 45	13 27	208 45	103 72				534 69

TABLE III--SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Church	Superintendent and Post Office	Secretary and Post Office	No. Schools	No. Off. & Teach.	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in Sunday School	Mos. Kept Open	Bap. from School	School Expenses	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total
Blue Ridge	T. W. Jones, Zirconia		1	2	20	22							
Bolston	J. M. Patton, Brevard, R. 2	Lewis Simpson, Brevard, R. 2	1	6	50	56	36	12		\$ 12 00			\$ 12 00
Brevard	D. F. Moore, Brevard	S. C. Yates, Brevard	1	14	181	195		12					490 11
Carr's Hill	Cleveland Reece, Brevard, R. 1	Miss C. M. Raxter, Brevard	1	7	70	77	40	12		26 03			26 03
Carson Creek													
Cathey's Creek	L. M. Hamilton, Selica	Miss Alcova Orr, Selica	1	5	65	70		12	1	20 00		10 00	30 00
Dunn's Creek													
Dunn's Rock	G. W. Whitmire, Brevard, R. 1	Miss E. Hogsed, Brevard, R. 1	1	5	43	48		12		11 03	14 00	5 00	30 03
East Fork													
Enon	W. L. Tally, Penrose	C. W. Tally, Penrose	1	8	64	72		12		45 00	18 00		63 00
Glady Branch	G. T. Glazener, Brevard	Homer Oorn, Brevard	1	6	78	84		12	6	14 28	10 68		59 05
Lake Toxaway	Ward Breedlove, Lake Toxaway	Edrie Norton, Lake Toxaway	1	6	30	36	25	12					
Little River	W. R. Kilpatrick, Etowah	M. L. Hamilton, Etowah	1	8	68	76		12	1	22 28			22 28
Macedonia	C. A. McCall, Balsam Grove	L. Galloway, Lk. Toxaway, R. 1	1	4	60	64	30	12		10 15			10 15
Mount Moriah	J. W. Glazener, Rosman	Freeman Hayes, Cherryfield	1	8	102	110	50	12		27 86			27 86
Oak Grove	Wilk Reid, Rosman	W. B. Henderson, Quebec	1	5	115	120	53	12	14	20 25	12 82		33 07
Pine Grove													
Rocky Hill	Ralph W. Lee, Cedar Mt.	Street Burns, Jr., Cedar Mt.	1	5	46	51	35	12		12 00		7 00	19 00
Shoal Creek	W. A. McCall, Balsam Grove	Elsie McCall, Balsam Grove	1	7	31	38	20	12	5	7 50			7 50
Toxaway	J. D. Morgan, Rosman	Claude Meece, Rosman	1	5	30	35	20	8	12	8 00			8 00
Turkey Creek													
Union													
Zion	A. M. Paxton, Rosman	Miss B. Whitmire, Rosman	1	7	129	136			12	74 71	16 46		91 17

Glady Branch gave \$34.09 for Missions.