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| W. H. HARTSELL | Brevard, N. C. |
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| Associational Member of State Mission Board, W. H. HARTSELL | |
| Asssociational Supt. of W. M. U. MRS. W. H. HARTSELL | |

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

Article 2. The Association shall meet annually Wednesday after the second Sunday in October, and be composed of ordained ministers belonging to, and members chosen annually by, the several churches belonging to this body, who, by bearing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

Article 3. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members in excess of fifty.

Article 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and died during the preceding year, and present membership, the amount paid for local church expenditures, and amounts contributed for other objects of the North Carolina and Southern Baptist Conventions and this Association, and for other purposes, and such additional information as may be necessary.

Article 5. This Association recognizes Christ as the only law-giver in religion; it recognizes each church as an independent body, and it recognizes that it has no power or authority to infringe on the internal rights of any individual church.

Article 6. The Association shall have power to withdraw from a church that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of Christianity as taught in the New Testament, and as interpreted by regular Missionary Baptists.

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer and a Historian, all of whom shall be elected annually in such manner as the body may decide.

Article 8. The Clerk shall keep a faithful, accurate and intelligible record of the proceedings of the Association, and shall have the minutes published and distributed among the churches. He shall be paid twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars out of the minute fund for his services.

Article 9. The Treasurer shall receive and pay over to the proper persons all money sent to the Association, or to him as Treasurer, and shall make an annual report to the body.

Article 10. The Historian shall collect and put in some durable form all facts of interest of the several churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 11. There shall be an Executive Committee of seven members comprised as follows:—Two pastors living in the bounds of the Association, two laymen, one woman representative of the Woman's Missionary Union, one person representing the B. Y. P. U. work and one person representing the Sunday School work. The Committee shall carry into effect the decisions of the Association when necessary or not otherwise provided for, and if occasion arises, it shall act for the Association between sessions. The Committee shall be elected annually by the Association.

Article 12. The Associational year shall begin on October first and close on September thirtieth.

Article 13. Amendment to this Constitution may be made at any session by a majority of those voting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS**WEDNESDAY**

- 1:00-1:15 Devotion
- 1:15-2:00 Reading of letters
- 2:00-2:45 Christian Education
- 2:45-3:30 Orphanage
- 3:30-4:00 State of Churches

THURSDAY

- 9:30-9:45 Devotion
- 9:45 - 11: State, Home and Foreign Missions
- 11: - 12: 1925 Program
- 1:00-1:15 Devotion
- 1:15-2:00 Woman's Work
- 2:00-2:45 B. Y. P. U.
- 2:45-3:30 Ministerial Relief
- 3:30-4:00 Miscellaneous
- Night Session to be Arranged

FRIDAY

- 9:30- 9:45 Devotion
- 9:45-10:15 Temperance and Law Enforcement
- 10:15 - 11: Denominational Literature
- 11: -11:30 Sunday Schools
- 11:30- 12: Miscellaneous

PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, October 15, 1924

The Transylvania Baptist Association met at 11 a.m. today, in its 43rd annual session, with Little River Baptist Church, and was called to order by the Vice-Moderator, W. M. Henry.

After a song by the congregation and prayer led by Judson Corn, the roll of Churches was called. The roll indicating that a good majority of the Churches were represented, the Association was organized for the ensuing year by the election of the following named officers:

Moderator, W. M. Henry. Clerk, T. C. Henderson. Vice-Moderator, T. W. Truett. Treasurer, J. C. Whitmire. Historian, N. L. Ponder.

Rev. Wallace Hartsell preached the introductory sermon, using as a text Matt. 9:35-38. After the sermon the body was led in prayer by Bro. I. T. Newton.

A letter from Mt. Moriah Church of Calvert was presented and read. On motion made and carried the letter was received and the delegates given seats in the body.

The Moderator appointed C. W. Hilemon and W. H. Nicholson a Committee on Order of Business. The Association then adjourned one hour for dinner, the benediction being pronounced by Bro. S. D. Tipton.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing and prayer, the devotion being conducted by Bro. Judson Corn.

The following Order of Business was presented by the Committee and adopted:

The Moderator welcomed to seats in the body the following brethren: Rev. A. C. Hamby of Mars Hill, Rev. I. T. Newton of Whiteville, Rev. S. B. Wilson, teacher at Pisgah Forest, Rev. A. I. Justice of Hendersonville, Rev. N. A. Melton of Fruitland Institute, Rev. J. W. Vassey of Asheville, Rev. C. W. Hilemon, a new pastor in the Association, Rev. S. D. Tipton of Burnsville, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Stanberry of Mars Hill, Rev. J. L. Colville and Rev. W. H. Davis.

The suggested Order of Business was read and adopted.

Noah C. Miller and E. L. Middleton were appointed reading clerks. The letters from the churches were read and the names of the delegates enrolled.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator: Finance Committee—E. A. Heath, Carl Allison, R. E. Mackey. Committee on Time and Place—E. L. Middleton, J. L. Gillespie, T. B. Reid.

Committee on Nominations—N. L. Ponder, E. A. Heath, V. C. Moore.

The report on Christian Education was read by Wallace Hartsell. On motion made and carried, the report was adopted after being discussed by N. A. Melton, S. B. Wilson, A. C. Hamby, A. I. Justice and others.

The report on Orphanage was called for. No report having been prepared the question of the Orphanage and its needs was discussed by Bro. A. I. Justice and Bro. M. L. Kesler. The fact was brought out in the discussions that the Orphanage would not be included in the pledges for the 1925 program, and that the Orphanage would depend for its support upon contributions from the Sunday Schools and Thanksgiving offerings.

A motion was made and carried that this Association approve the action of the Board of Trustees of Fruitland Institute in putting on the progressive building program.

The Association adjourned until 9:30 tomorrow and was dismissed by Bro. J. W. Vessey.

THURSDAY

Morning Session

The Association was called to order this morning as per adjournment.

Prayer and praise service was conducted by Bro. C. L. Green.

The reports on Missions were presented and read as follows: State Missions, W. H. Nicholson; Home Missions, C. W. Hilemon; Foreign Missions, W. T. Truett. On motion made and carried, these reports were adopted after being discussed by Bros. Hamby, Hartsell and Wilson.

Bro. Wallace Hartsell presented and read a "Tentative Program for Our Hospital." After a discussion of the work of the Hospital, the Association, on motion made and carried, approved this "Tentative Program" with the recommendation that it be incorporated in the minutes.

Bro. A. C. Hamby discussed the "1925 Program," after which the Association, by motion made and carried, agreed to undertake to raise at least \$4,000.00 during 1925 for the six Convention objects which are to be included in the 1925 Program. These six objects are State Missions, Home Missions,

Foreign Missions, Hospitals, Ministerial Relief and Christian Education.

The committee on Place and Preacher made the following report:

We, your committee, recommend that next session of the Association be held with Lake Toxaway Baptist Church at the time specified in the Constitution of the Association.

To preach introductory sermon, Bro. C. W. Hilemon; alternate, Bro. W. T. Truett.

T. F. MIDDLETON
J. L. GILLESPIE
T. B. REID

Committee.

By motion made and carried the report was adopted.

The following report was made by the committee on Nominations of Executive Committee and was adopted by the Association.

We, your committee, make the following recommendations:

W. H. HARTSELL—BREVARD
N. A. MILLER—BREVARD
W. L. TALLEY—PENROSE
W. T. TRUETT—BREVARD
C. W. HILEMON—PENROSE
MISS ALCOVA ORR—PISGAH FOREST
MRS. J. L. GILLESPIE—CALVERT

Trustee of Fruitland Institute:

T. C. HENDERSON—BREVARD
E. A. HEATH
V. C. MOORE
N. L. PONDER

Committee.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer and praise service was conducted by Bro. Pat Colville, concluded by prayer led by Bro. J. R. Owen.

Report on the State of the Churches was read by Bro. Samuel B. Wilson. It was discussed by Bro. W. T. Truett, Bro. Calloway McCall and others, and was, on motion made and carried, adopted by the body.

The report on Woman's Work was presented, read and discussed by Mrs. Wallace Hartsell and, on motion made and carried, was adopted.

A report of the B. Y. P. U. Work was presented and read. It was discussed by Brethren Tipton and Nicholson. A motion was made and carried that this topic be left open for further consideration tonight.

Motion made and carried to adjourn to meet at 9:30 a.m., Friday. Dismissed by Bro. R. W. Breedlove.

Thursday night at 7:30 a large congregation assembled in the Church and the discussion of the B. Y. P. U. topic was concluded, the speakers being C. W. Hilemon, W. H. Nicholson and S. D. Tipton.

The sermon of this evening was preached by Bro. J. H. Stanberry.

FRIDAY MORNING

The Association met this morning as per adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Bro. W. H. Nicholson.

Minutes of previous sessions read and approved.

Rev. Wallace Hartsell, by request, read the report on Ministerial Relief. The report was discussed by Bro. Hartsell and then adopted.

The topic of Temperance and Law Enforcement was discussed by W. H. Nicholson, S. D. Tipton, C. W. Hilemon, T. B. Reid, W. H. Hartsell and M. L. Hamilton. No report on this topic being ready, it was moved and carried that E. A. Heath prepare a report and hand to the clerk for incorporation in the minutes.

The Report of the Treasurer was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Receipts

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| Received Minute Funds | \$74.90 |
| Received Funds to Aid Cleveland Reece: | |
| General Collection | 20.00 |
| A. S. Hamet | 5.00 |
| T. C. Henderson | 5.00 |
| W. H. Nicholson | 1.00 |
| Total. Receipts | \$105.90 |

Disbursements

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| Paid Rev. Cleveland Reece | \$31.00 |
| Paid Rev. Wallace Hartsell, for service as clerk | 25.00 |
| Paid Edwards Printing Company, for print- ing Minutes | 49.90 |

Total Disbursements\$105.90

T. C. HENDERSON, Treasurer.

The report on Denominational Literature was read by Bro. Wallace Hartsell. It was discussed by Wallace Hartsell, W. H. Nicholson and Mrs. W. H. Hartsell, after which it was adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by the clerk and adopted after being discussed by T. C. Henderson, W. H. Nicholson, M. L. Hamilton, and T. W. Truett.

The Finance Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minute money received from the Churches
as follows:

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| Brevard | \$15.00 |
| Blue Ridge | 1.00 |
| Carr's Hill | 5.00 |
| Cathey's Creek | 5.00 |
| Dunn's Rock | 2.00 |
| Enon | 5.00 |
| Gladys Branch | 2.05 |
| Little River | 5.00 |
| Lake Toxaway | 5.00 |
| Macedonia | 2.50 |
| Mt. Moriah, of Cherryfield | 10.00 |
| Mt. Moriah, of Calvert | 5.00 |
| Oak Grove | 5.00 |
| Pisgah Forest | 2.55 |
| Rocky Hill | 2.55 |
| Zion | 1.00 |
| Rev. A. C. Hamby | .25 |

Total\$73.60

E. A. HEATH,

Chairman of Committee.

Motion made and carried that the clerk re-insert the Constitution in the minutes this year.

The Moderator appointed the following committees to prepare reports for the next session of the Association:

COMMITTEES

Christian Education—S. B. Wilson
Orphanage—W. A. Williams
State Missions—T. C. Henderson
Home Missions—Charles Ashworth
Foreign Missions—W. H. Hartsell
Sunday Schools—E. C. Neill
Woman's Work—Mrs. W. H. Hartsell
B. Y. P. U.—C. W. Hilemon
Ministerial Relief—John Waldrop
State of Churches—W. T. Truett

The Association, by motion made and carried, appointed the following delegates:

To Southern Baptist Convention—W. H. Hartsell, W. T. Truett
To State Baptist Convention—C. W. Hilemon, W. H. Nicholson

The following resolution was adopted by the Association:

We, the delegates from the Churches of the Transylvania Baptist Association, wish to express our sincere thanks to the members of Little River Church and to other citizens of the community for their kindness and genuine and bountiful hospitality in entertaining the Association.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

It is not simply a matter of training but of building christian character, that should greatly concern the parents of the children of today. In many of our schools known as state schools, we have christian teachers and we are fortunate to have them, but they are handicapped by things beyond their control so that the things we want taught cannot be taught.

In our christian schools and colleges we not only get all that the state schools offer but we get training in Baptist teaching and christian life also. We have in North Carolina a great number of secondary schools and junior colleges and three standard colleges. These schools give all that any school gives and in addition training that we should want our Baptist boys and girls to have.

The needs of the boys and girls of our country are full met in our school at Fruitland. No better school of its kind is to be found. If indeed we are Baptist and want our children to be

Baptists we ought to send them to a Baptist school. No other denomination can be expected to make Baptist of our children. Why have schools of other denominations if not to help instill their doctrine into the students. I should hate to think that Fruitland would turn out good Methodist or Presbyterians. Let us as Baptists support our own. If we are nearer the truth than any other denomination let us keep our children in line with what we believe by sending them to a Baptist school.

We cannot hope to educate all the folks, but if we work at the business we can educate a great many who are to teach in other schools and thus help by their influence to make the Baptist cause stronger.

The world cries out for leaders—let the Baptists train their share of them.

Respectfully submitted,
COMMITTEE.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

We find that the State Mission Board during the last year has done a great work. The Board invested last year in State Mission work \$127,839.60. The Board employed during last year 188 Missionary Pastors whose work seems to have been a great success. We also employed four evangelists who did a great work and seven enlistment men and two student workers, and their work has been worth while. 5,804 conversions, 4,221 baptisms, 3,043 additions to Churches, 88 new Churches built, 25 Sunday Schools organized, 281 B. Y. P. U.'s and 282 W. M. U.'s also organized, also 109 Church houses built and repaired.

We find that in 1925 there will be needed \$250,000 for State Mission Work. Our Board is greatly in debt at present. We insist that all our pastors urge their people to pay their pledges by the close of the last campaign month, if not before, also take collections for State Missions that we may lift this debt and relieve our Board of a great burden.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. NICHOLSON.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

In presenting the seventy-ninth annual report to this Association, we are filled with a sense of gratitude to God, for His abounding favor upon every phase of our work.

The following is a summary of the work of the Home Mission Board:

The Board has 1,250 Missionaries, who have rendered 1,520 weeks of labor in the last year. It has 2,152 Churches and mission stations. There has been 152,133 sermons and addresses delivered at these places. 20,673 prayer meetings held by the missionaries. There has been 189,536 religious visits made by them. The results of their work has been 46,118 additions to Churches. From this number there has been 3,277 volunteers for christian service.

They have constituted 160 churches this year, improved 191. They have organized 485 Sunday Schools, distributing Bibles and Testaments and 2,187,227 tracts. This work has been done among the foreigners, Indians, and negroes, and also in Cuba, Panama, and camps.

How has this work been financed? By people paying their pledges made to the 75 Million Campaign. If you have not paid your pledge, do so now, and let the Kingdom's work continue to go forward.

C. W. HILEMON.
Respectfully submitted,

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board has been doing a very successful work. In the foreign fields we are doing Mission work in about 18 different countries, teaching, preaching and evangelizing the people, building Churches and schools and establishing hospitals for the sick together with a number of Mission Stations. We are also supporting men and women to preach and teach the Way of Life and Salvation to a lost world.

But the great demand is calling for more laborers on the field of service, and to supply the demand we are to give sacrificially of that we are in possession of if we are to be the witness for Christ in this crucial hour, both in a spiritual and material way.

The Board is calling for help and do we listen to the call? The Master said: "Go ye therefore into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." How then can they call on Him of whom they have not heard and how can they hear without a preacher; and how can he preach except he be sent. So we the people of the great Baptist denomination are in a great measure responsible to all the people of the world who know not Christ—to bring them the message of life as is found in the gospel of peace.

Respectfully submitted,
W. T. TRUETT.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR OUR HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital begins its second year of ministry under most favorable conditions. The first year exceeded our highest expectations in the number of patients, in the amount of charity work, and the extent of the influence and blessings of our great Home of Healing. 1400 patients were treated, nearly 200 charity patients came to us from every quarter of the state. With joy we received these and gave them our best. It may be said that all were not cured. Some were unimproved. Some came and we had to say that we could not cure them of their troubles. Our physicians fail some times to diagnose the case, as do all other physicians. Some came too late. Some had incurable troubles. But after all this has been said, the record of our work for healing those who came has been wonderful. Surely the good Lord has guided the mind and the hand of the physician who has treated these sick and suffering ones from many places in our state. The percentage of cures has been unusual, and for this we rejoice. We believe prayer contributed no little to the results of our efforts. For the last two months our earnings have equalled our expenditures,—a fact that is far beyond the expectations of our Board. The prophesy was that this would not be reached in two years. The second year begins with the hospital full of patients as far as we are open. We have 86 available beds,—the fifth floor is still being used for graduate nurses because we have no Nurses' Home. We are expecting to increase the number of patients at least 50 per cent this year. The second class of pupil nurses has been organized and are at work. Now we have 22 pupil nurses. After this year these will largely substitute the number of graduate nurses necessary to run the Hospital and this will greatly cut our expenses. These girls are all christians and are willing, courteous, pleasant and earnest. They are in the profession for a high purpose and they give the patients their best. They love the cause and "Service" is their motto.

The grounds have been greatly beautified by the splendid coat of grass, the shrubbery and the trees. We have the prospects for a most attractive and delightful campus in the near future.

STATE OF CHURCHES

Our Churches have been making some progress during the last year but we find most all our Churches lacking on the part of spirituality. There has been a number of people baptized into the membership of our several Churches in this Association this year, and we find that we as a body of Churches are behind considerably in the payment of our pledges to the 75 Million Campaign. We are hoping that all who have pledged to this worthy

cause will see it that every dollar they have pledged as individuals, making up the various Churches will be paid. We are also hoping that all of our Churches in this Association will become more evangelistic in their efforts to bring about a county-wide enthusiasm for the good of all the people.

We are also hoping that our preachers, pastors, and Church workers in general will work together heroically for the common good of all the various mission causes that confront us as a people in the name of our great leader, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. CAMPFIELD.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

As I come with the report of the work of the women and young people of Transylvania Association for the past year, I am filled with gratitude that I have been permitted to have a share in leading them. I am also filled with a keen sense of the great responsibility that rests upon me. No wonderful work has been done, but we are glad to report three new Woman's Missionaries, four new Junior organizations. We feel that we are "Pressing on the Upward Way."

The greatest upward step has been made in Mission Study books, while many others have studied and did not stand the examination. Through this study many have looked on the fields at home and far away.

In personal service we have found much joy in many ways. We are constantly making our societies felt in our communities by the personal touch. When we look over the situation in our Association and find that only one woman out of every ten are enlisted in the Missionary work of the Churches we feel the task of enlisting the unenlisted tremendous. We do plead for the co-operation of the pastors in this great work we are trying to do.

Last but not least, we make our financial report. It is not complete because of the failure to get the reports from the Churches. The report does not represent our W. M. U. year. Our year closes Feb. 28, 1925. I make this last year's report since our last Association of October 1923, to October, 1924—\$997.68. We are very certain the one thousand mark would have been written had the reports come.

Below we give a partial report of the five years work. For the first two years we have no record of the gifts made by the women of this Association.

1922, \$1,237.14; 1923, \$1,329.37; 1924, \$1,584.67. Since February 28, 1924, \$450.50. Total \$4,601.68.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WALLACE HARTSELL.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

The work of the B. Y. P. U. during the past year has been very progressive, and is still on the bound.

The young people are grasping a broader view of christian opportunities and are carrying on the work with great enthusiasm. They are being rightly trained in christian service, as is proved by the fact that as they grow it is their desire to help others grow.

Unions are growing in numbers, more efficient work is being done, contributions are increasing and new unions are being organized.

We earnestly urge the hearty co-operation of all the people of our denomination in the great work of training our young people for christian service.

STREETER G. FISHER.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Ninety-five beneficiaries were reported at the last meeting of our Baptist State Convention. 25 preachers and widows of preachers had been received since the Convention last met. This is far more than had ever been received before. The number asking for aid from this fund has been increasing at an unusual rate since the launching of the 75 Million Campaign. Some of the reasons for the increase are: This work was given unusual publicity during the campaign; some who had been suffering want, in silence, because the fund for this work was so small, now feel that they will not cause the more needy to receive less by applying for aid themselves. There has perhaps been a greater effort to find the needy than before. Some Churches that had been caring for the aged men now feel that the Board should take them. All these reasons for aid are right and proper, but the question comes: What are we going to do when the 75 million period ends? We must not let these men and their wives who have given their lives in the service of the Master suffer.

The Relief and Annuity Board at a recent meeting declared the Annuity Fund ready to pay the maximum benefits of \$500.00 per year, and ordered that same should begin to be paid on and after January 1, 1924. This does not mean that the fund is finished in the matter of getting assets. This fund must continue to

receive its part of all funds received in the office until its objective of a five-million endowment is reached.

Everyone of our ministers should join this fund. It is the best hope that Baptist pastors of the South have for aid in their old age. A certificate of membership in the Annuity Fund, will take care of disability and guarantee a definite income after 68, and in addition make provision for dependent ones. This plan merits approval from the fact that it gives the ministers the opportunity of looking after their future themselves, and while doing this they have the joy of helping others also.

Respectfully submitted,

N. A. MILLER.

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Temperance is a duty plainly taught in God's word. It is set forth in broad terms, applicable not only to the use of intoxicants but also to other things of less degree. It is taught in Paul's statement regarding the eating of meat and drinking of wine when there is danger of leading a brother to sin. It is taught in the principle that the body is the temple of the Holy Spirit to be kept clean and holy for His indwelling. It is taught in the great fundamental principle that temperance is self control.

The Bible teaches temperance still more strikingly in several instances, a few of which I mention. Noah's disgrace and his son's misconduct, resulting from his use of wine; the strength of Samson, a total abstainer; the health and mental vigor of Daniel and his three friends on a thoroughly temperate diet; Belshazzar's drunken revelry and how his kingdom was lost by it.

Intemperance yet survives and is today chargeable with innumerable evils. It attacks our homes, destroys the happiness of wives and mothers, drags down and debauches our boys, destroys the purity of our girls and threatens the prosperity of the nation. It is chargeable with one-fourth of the insanity, three-fourths of the crime and three-fourths of the pauperism to be found in the land. It causes enormous court and jail expense. It drags thousands and thousands and thousands annually into a drunkard's hell. Such a monster evil surely should be noticed in our Churches and Sunday Schools, and the young people warned against it.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. HEATH.

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE

The pressing need of the hour among Baptist people is the need of information concerning our denomination and its work. How are we to know the needs of the hour unless we come face to face with the work, and how are all going to come face to face unless in some way we have that chance. Surely all cannot attend our Conventions, Associations, and other meetings where a great amount of this information is given out—where men pour out their souls earnestly pleading for co-operation in the greatest business in the world, and yet how important it is for every Baptist member to know that they have a large part in the great work of our denomination. There is the Home Work, the County Work, the State Work, Home, State and Foreign Mission Work, Orphanage, Hospital and School Work; all this is a part of the great and important work that ought to concern every Baptist in the state. There is away in which we can all have this information and to that way I want to call your attention. It is Denominational Literature, and some, if not all of this literature ought to be in every home in the county for the purpose of information, Christian Education and inspiration. The Cause of Our Lord and His Great Commission demands that "We study to show ourselves approved. A workman that needeth not to be ashamed." How many of us would be put to shame if we were called upon to give some information in regard to what our denomination is doing even in our own county. Is it fair then for us to go on in ignorance? Are we treating our denomination fair, our homes, our children, or our Savior who said, "Beginning at Jerusalem (home), go ye into all the world and preach My Gospel, teach and heal the sick." How then are we to know the needs of the cause if we fail to reach out for this information along these lines? By taking our Denominational Literature, as the Biblical Recorder, our State paper, Home and Foreign Fields Magazine, Royal Service, for the W. M. U., World Comrades for the Children and Charity and Children, a Sunday School paper, and any other Baptist literature we can get, will help to make better member of us, and aid in information. Some, if not all these ought to be in every home in the county. We would like to urge that you prayerfully think on the importance of this and seek the things that will make you a better member and strengthen the great cause for which our denomination stands. The cost is light compared with what Jesus paid on Calvary's Cross. "Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe."

Subscribe for and read each week the Biblical Recorder and keep informed as to the ongoing of the Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. PRICE, JR.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The principle teaching department of the Church is the Sunday School. For superintendent of this department the Church should elect one of its most capable, active, studious and consecrated members. With him should be associated officers and teachers who are well qualified for the work to which they are assigned, and who are consecrated christian men and women.

Not only should every member of the Church be enrolled in the Sunday School, but the non-church members should also be enlisted.

The letters from the 16 churches represented at this session of the Association show a total church membership of 2,059 and a total enrollment in the Sunday Schools of 1552.

The Sunday School is very appropriately called "the recruiting station" for the Church. The large majority of those coming into the Churches every year are Sunday School pupils.

Definite teacher training work should be carried on in the churches of our Association. Every person selected to teach a class in Sunday School should be well prepared by special teacher training courses in order that the work of teaching in the Churches may be really and truly worth while and such as will hold the interest and thereby hold the pupils in the Sunday Schools.

T. C. HENDERSON,

Committee.

MINUTES OF W. M. U. ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Session of the Transylvania W. M. U. convened on October 4, 1924, with Brevard Baptist Church.

The devotional was conducted by Rev. Wallace Hartsell, pastor of Brevard Baptist Church.

Address of welcome by Mrs. B. F. Beasley, response by Mrs. W. J. McCrary, of Little River Church.

Report on Mission Study, read and discussed by Mrs. L. P. Hamlin.

Personal Service report, read and discussed by Mrs. A. E. Hampton.

Our Periodicals, Mrs. J. L. Gillespie.

Starting at the beginning, or the three commands concerning Missions given by Jesus, Mrs. Hartsell.

Miss Heiatt, graduate of the W. M. U. Training School, now a teacher at Fruitland Institute, brought us a message from the House Beautiful.

Mrs. A. C. Klutz, our Divisional Superintendent, made an inspiring address on Our Mission.

Roll call of Churches. Eight Churches were represented.

The superintendent appointed the following committees:

Nominating committee—Mrs. J. C. Whitmire, Mrs. D. F. Moore, Mrs. Wilkie McCall.

Committee on Time and Place—Mrs. W. H. Duckworth, Mrs. W. J. McCrary, Mrs. J. C. Orr.

Committee on obituaries—Mrs. A. E. Hampton, Mrs. J. L. Gillespie, Mrs. Streeter Fisher.

Committee on resolutions—Mrs. J. W. Glazener, Mrs. Seldon Jones.

The pastors of the Association were recognized, four were present.

The closing devotional was conducted by Mrs. Seldon Jones of Rocky Hill Church.

Prayer by Pastor Hartsell—Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing "O Zion Haste" Devotional led by Miss Myrtle Barnett.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

Exercises by the Brevard Sunbeams. Very much enjoyed by all.

A pageant, "The Road to a Radiant Life," was given by the Brevard G. A. S.

The importance of fostering Young People's organizations was brought to the minds and laid on the hearts of the hearers by Miss Lois Miller, graduate of the W. M. U. Training School.

Officers for the coming year recommended by the nominating committee were as follows:

Superintendent, Mrs. W. H. Hartsell

Young People's Leader, Mrs. M. H. Holliday

Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. A. E. Hampton

Mission Study Leader, Mrs. L. P. Hamlin

The superintendent made the following financial report:

No record of reports for first two years of campaign money. 1922, \$1,237.14; 1923, \$1,329.37; 1924, \$1,584.67; since February 1924, \$415.41. Total October 4, 1924 \$4,566.50.

After short talks of encouragement by the pastors, the meeting was dismissed with prayer by Miss Lois Miller.

TABLE No. 4—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

| CHURCH | Name of Organization | President and Postoffice | Number of Members | 75-Million (All objects) | Other Benevolences | TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS | Enrolled Mission Study |
|-----------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Brevard..... | { W. M. S. Y. W. A. G. A. R. A. Sunbeams..... | Mrs. W. H. Hartsell, Brevard..... Myrtle Barnett, Brevard..... Mrs. Thos. Duckworth, Brevard..... Mrs. A. E. Hampton, Brevard..... Mrs. J. A. Bishop, Brevard..... | 30 8 24 14 20 | \$479.70 126.38 44.45 10.30 8.23 | \$183.10 8.50 10.30 2.52 | \$662.80 126.38 52.95 10.30 10.75 | 33 |
| Enon..... | W. M. S. | Mrs. M. H. Holliday, Brevard, R 210 | 12 | 12.00 | 32.46 | 44.46 | ... |
| Little River..... | W. M. S. | Mrs. W. J. McCrary, Penrose..... | 14 | 36.00 | 171.00 | 207.00 | 5 |
| Mt. Moriah (Cherryfield)... | { W. M. S. Sunbeams..... | Mrs. J. L. Gillespie, Calvert..... Mrs. Edli Huggins, Cherryfield..... | 15 20 | 74.90 | 11.60 | 86.50 | ... |
| Rocky Hill | W. M. S. | Mrs. Seldon Jones | 8 | 19.00 | 2.00 | 21.00 | ... |

Table No. 5—Baptist Young Peoples Union

| CHURCH | | PRESIDENTS AND POSTOFFICES | | No. Unions | No. Members | A-1 Unions | No. in Study Course | No. of Bible Readers |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------|------|------------|-------------|------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Brevard..... | { Pauline Sitton, Brevard McGrogan..... | 218 | 6 | | | | | |
| Carr's Hill | Miss Francis Landreth, Brevard..... | 130 | | | | | | |
| Dunn's Rock | { Rebecca Hogsed, Brevard, R 1 Nancy Raines, Brevard, R 1..... | 125 | | | | | | |
| Enon | Helen Townsend, Brevard, R 2..... | 122 | 1115 | | | | | |
| Little River | N. A. Ponder, Penrose..... | 112 | 1119 | | | | | |
| Mt. Moriah (of Cherryfield) | J. W. Waldrop, Cherryfield | 125 | | | | | | |
| Oak Grove | Miss Pauline Reece, Quebec..... | 120 | | | | | | |

TABLE No. 3.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

| CHURCH | Superintendent and Postoffice | Secretary and Postoffice | TOTAL | | | | | | | | | | Is School Graded? | Is School Standard? | How Many Normal Diplomas? | Baptisms from School | Contributions for Home Expenses | Contribution for Orphanage, Missions, etc. | TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| | | | Officers and Teachers | Beginners 3 to 5 | Primary 6 to 8 | Junior 9 to 12 | Intermediate 13 to 16 | Senior and adult 17 and up | Grade Roll | Yes | No | | | | | | | | |
| Brevard..... | W. S. Price Jr., Brevard..... | Charles Moore, Brevard..... | 14 | 30 | 40 | 49 | 114 | 286 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | \$357.21 | \$390.23 | \$747.44 | |
| Blantyre..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boilston..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Blue Ridge..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carr's Hill..... | G. W. Whitmore, Brevard..... | Miss Ellen Allison, Brevard..... | 6 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 20 | 65 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 58.10 | 58.10 | |
| Carson's Creek..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cathy's Creek..... | Ward Breedlove, Selica..... | Tillie Currie, Selica..... | 8 | ... | Tot. | 12 | 25 | 65 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10.00 | 15.00 | 25.00 | |
| Dunn's Creek..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dunn's Rock..... | F. P. Tinsley, Brevard, R. 1..... | Beulah Tinsley, Brevard, R. 1..... | 64 | 64 | 12 | 18 | 6 | 46 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15.00 | ... | 15.00 | |
| East Fork..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enon..... | W. L. Talley, Penrose..... | T. S. Williams, Brevard, R. 2..... | 9 | ... | 45 | ... | 13 | 31 | 98 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 44.80 | 62.37 | 107.17 | |
| Glady Branch..... | G. T. Glazener, Brevard..... | Alta Glazener, Brevard..... | 7 | 26 | 10 | 14 | 26 | 21 | 104 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 20.00 | 18.35 | 38.35 | |
| Lake Toxaway..... | L. V. Sigman, Lake Toxaway..... | E. A. Reid, Oakland..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Little River..... | Charles Ashworth, Brevard..... | S. G. Fisher, Penrose..... | 6 | 33 | 22 | 20 | 81 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Macedonia..... | Julius Owen, Lake Toxaway, R. 1..... | Cynthia Owen, Lake Toxaway R. 1..... | 13 | 10 | 21 | 12 | 14 | 45 | 115 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 69.92 | 6.00 | 75.92 | |
| Mt. Moriah (of Colvert)..... | J. W. Glazener, Rosman..... | Edwin Morgan, Calvert..... | 7 | ... | Tot. | 7 | 5 | 82 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15.11 | ... | 15.11 | |
| Mt. Moriah (Cherryfield)..... | E. C. Allison, Cherryfield..... | Kathleen Batson, Calvert..... | 7 | 12 | 10 | 14 | 20 | 25 | 88 | 29 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 39.51 | 40.49 | 80.00 | |
| Oak Grove..... | C. W. Henderson, Quebec..... | W. B. Henderson, Quebec..... | 6 | 8 | 21 | 33 | 29 | 39 | 136 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25.75 | ... | 25.75 | |
| Pisgah Forest..... | D. H. Orr, Brevard, R. 2..... | J. A. Lyday, Pisgah Forest..... | ... | 25 | 20 | 15 | 15 | 50 | 125 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 65.69 | 56.63 | 121.72 | |
| Rocky Hill..... | R. A. Poard, Cedar Mountain..... | Elzie Barnes, Cedar Mountain..... | 7 | ... | 15 | 11 | 17 | 65 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 12.00 | 21.16 | 33.16 | |
| Union..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zion..... | C. R. Clark, Rosman..... | Carol Manley, Rosman..... | ... | ... | T. E. | 100 | 169 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 112.32 | ... | 112.32 | |

FINANCIAL TABLE, No. 2

| CHURCHES | Pastor's Salary | Other Salaries | Ministerial Help | Building and Repair | Incidentals | S. S. & B. Y. P. U. Expenses | Local Poor | Minute Fund, etc. | Other Objects | Home Total | 75-Million (Undesignated) | Foreign Missions | State & Associational Missions | Orphanage | Hospital | Other Benevolences | Denominational Total |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Brevard..... | \$2285.00 | \$ | \$125.00 | 49.65 | \$728.33 | \$357.21 | \$13.75 | \$15.00 | \$92.65 | \$3666.59 | \$ | \$1319.5 | \$140.00 | \$324.14 | \$66.09 | \$31.62 | \$1881.44 |
| Blantyre..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boilston..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Blue Ridge..... | 65.00 | | | | | | | 1.00 | | 66.00 | | | | 3.00 | | | 3.00 |
| Carr's Hill..... | | | 41.00 | | | 30.00 | | 5.00 | | 76.00 | 54.50 | | | 58.10 | | | 112.60 |
| Carson's Creek..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cathay's Creek..... | 130.00 | | 41.00 | 45.00 | | 15.00 | | | | 231.00 | | | | | | 26.50 | 26.50 |
| Dunn's Creek..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dunn's Rock..... | 90.00 | | | | | 15.00 | | 2.00 | | 107.00 | | | | | | | |
| East Fork..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enon..... | 170.50 | 200.19 | | 10.00 | 50.00 | 44.80 | | 5.00 | 27.88 | 508.37 | 150.30 | | | | | | 151.30 |
| Gladys Branch..... | 98.50 | | | 65.00 | 39.00 | 20.00 | | 2.00 | 21.43 | 245.93 | 36.18 | | | 52.95 | | | 89.13 |
| Lake Toxaway..... | 158.79 | | | 74.79 | | 11.78 | | 5.00 | | 250.36 | 160.00 | | | | | | 160.00 |
| Little River..... | 600.00 | 203.00 | | 273.00 | 45.00 | 11.92 | | 5.00 | | 1240.92 | 41.55 | | 6.00 | | | | 47.55 |
| Macedonia..... | 35.10 | | 8.00 | 28.00 | | 15.11 | 8.00 | 2.50 | | 119.21 | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Moriah (of Calvert)..... | | | 43.53 | | | | 27.75 | 5.00 | | 76.28 | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Moriah (Cherryfield)..... | 500.00 | | | 354.00 | 86.00 | 45.51 | 5.00 | 10.00 | | 1000.51 | 89.90 | | | 15.00 | | 91.60 | 196.50 |
| Oak Grove..... | 164.95 | | 47.44 | | 3.40 | 29.75 | | 5.00 | | 250.34 | 133.29 | | | 46.49 | | | 179.78 |
| Pisgah Forest..... | 144.20 | | 20.73 | 5.00 | | 121.72 | | 2.55 | 23.16 | 317.36 | 80.00 | | | 50.00 | | | 130.00 |
| Rocky Hill..... | 66.64 | 19.69 | | | | 40.00 | | 2.50 | 7.00 | 135.83 | 137.43 | | | 21.16 | | | 158.59 |
| Union..... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zoin..... | 327.32 | | 35.00 | | 36.00 | 75.00 | | 5.00 | | 478.32 | 106.82 | 1.80 | 3.00 | 24.00 | | | 134.82 |

STATISTICAL TABLE—No. 1

| CHURCH | Pastor and Postoffice | Clerk and Postoffice | Treasurer and Postoffice | Time of Preaching | Value of Church Property | Value of Pastor's Home | Gains | | | | Losses | | Total Membership |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|
| | | | | | | | By Baptism | By Letter | By Statement | By Restoration | By Letter | By Exclusion | |
| Brevard | Wallace Hartsell, Brevard | W. M. Henry, Brevard | N. A. Miller, Brevard | Every | \$15000 | \$15000 | 23 | 25 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 460 | |
| Blantyre | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boilston | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Blue Ridge | W. R. Nelson, Zirconia | T. S. Jones, Zirconia | T. S. Jones, Zirconia | 3rd-5th | 800 | | | | | | | 47 | |
| Carr's Hill | W. T. Truett, Brevard | A. C. Landreth, Brevard | V. C. Moore, Brevard | 1st-3rd | 1000 | 500 | 5 | | | | | 165 | |
| Carson's Creek | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cathey's Creek | A. J. Mauley, Rosman | W. W. Galloway, Selica | | 1st-3rd | 2000 | | 2 | | | 1 | | 95 | |
| Dunn's Creek | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dunn's Rock | W. T. Truett, Brevard | W. H. Hogsed, Brevard-R 1 | | 1st-3rd | 1500 | | 3 | | | | | 32 | |
| East Fork | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enon | C. W. Hilemon, Penrose | G. T. Lyday, Brevard-R 2 | Mrs. M. H. Holliday, Brevard-R 2 | 2nd-4th | 4000 | | 9 | 3 | | 10 | | 104 | |
| Glady Branch | J. E. Osteen, Hendersonville-R 4 | G. T. Glazener, Brevard | R. K. Ballard, Brevard | 1st | | | 3 | | | | | 111 | |
| Lake Toxaway | W. H. Nicholson, Rosman | T. E. Reid, Oakland | | 2nd-4th | 2000 | | 5 | 2 | 1 | 4 | | 67 | |
| Little River | C. W. Hilemon, Penrose | M. L. Hamilton, Penrose | W. R. Kilpatrick, Penrose | 1st-3rd | 3000 | | 27 | 8 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 3196 | |
| Macedonia | D. L. Owen, Balsam Grove | Julius Owen, Lake Toxaway-R 1 | | 2nd-4th | 2000 | | 1 | 3 | 2 | | | 1103 | |
| Mt. Moriah (of Calvert) | Wallace Hartsell (acting) Brevard | R. L. Hogsed, Calvert | | 2nd-4th | 6000 | | | | | | | 60 | |
| Mt. Moriah (Cherryfield) | W. T. Truett, Brevard | J. L. Gillespie, Calvert | J. L. Gillespie, Calvert | | 14000 | | 4 | 4 | | | 1 | 89 | |
| Oak Grove | W. H. Nicholson, Rosman | W. B. Henderson, Quebec | W. B. Henderson, Quebec | 2nd-4th | 2000 | | 29 | | | 1 | | 2184 | |
| Pisgah Forest | W. T. Truett, Brevard | W. A. Lyday, Pisgah Forest | | 2nd-3rd | 2000 | | 2 | | | 4 | | 2107 | |
| Rocky Hill | Wallace Hartsell, Brevard | Ralph W. Lee, Cedar Mtn. | Ralph W. Lee, Cedar Mtn. | 1st-3rd | 1000 | | | | | 4 | | 73 | |
| Union | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zion | W. H. Nicholson, Rosman | W. H. Summey, Rosman | A. M. Paxton, Rosman | 1st-3rd | 2000 | | 7 | 13 | | 1 | 3 | 1166 | |



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