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PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 27, 1961

The Sixty-fourth Annual Session of the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Youth Camp on Tunnel Road, Conway, Arkansas.

Services began at 7:00 p.m. with Hymn, "The Lily of the Valley", directed by Rev. Robert King, with Sis. Alene Coffman at the piano, also the hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arm".

Prayer: Dr. Ernest E. Kennedy, promotional Director of the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists.

The Moderator was introduced by the Assistant Clerk and called the session into conference.

The Moderator, Rev. William J. Mishler, introduced Rev. Lewis Barker, the Assistant Moderator.

The Moderator introduced Rev. Lawnie Coffman to present the facilities of the Youth Camp. The league board was introduced as well as the camp cook, Bro. Ira Sparks.

Committee on Committees appointed by the Moderator: Rev. Lawnie Coffman, chairman; Rev. Earnie Deeds, Rev. J. W. Blanks, Rev. W. S. Isbell, and Rev. Herbert Rogers.

Special music: Rev. Marion Pettus, solo, "Follow Me", Sis. Coffman, at the piano.

Theme: II John 8 "RETAINING OUR ATTAINMENTS".

The speaker for the introductory message, Rev. Ben Scott, was introduced by the Moderator.

Subject: "HOW DID WE GET TO WHERE WE ARE?"

Text: II Samuel 23:12.

Scripture Reading: 2 John 1:6-9, 2 Samuel 23:11-12.

Hymn, "Amazing Grace", was directed by the choir director, while all ministers present were invited to the altar for prayer, also others who wished to meet with them to pray for conviction and courage to stand. The prayer was led by Rev. Edd Mozingo.

Partial report of Committee on Committees given by the chairman.* Motion and second to receive the report. Carried.

Announcements.

Benediction: Rev. Robert King, pastor of Allen's Chapel Church of Batesville.

THURSDAY MORNING (9:03 A.M.)

Call to worship with singing, "At the Cross", and "More About Jesus". Rev. Marion Pettus, director, Sis. Alene Coffman, pianist.

Devotional: Rev. Lewis Barker, pastor of Rose Hill Church of Monticello. Scripture Reading, Ephesians 6:10-18. Prayer, Bro. Barker.

The Ministers, Deacons, Associational Clerks, and Executive Board Members, were recognized by the moderator as the standing delegates of the association.

REPORTS

Partial report of the COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

STATE LEAGUE BOARD partial report, Rev. Lawnie Coffman.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

Motion and second to adopt the suggested program. Carried.

STATE LEAGUE CONVENTION report, Rev. Roger Harwell.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

*Report in back of minutes.

Motion and second to place the recommendation from the League Convention before the body.* Carried.

Motion and second to table recommendation until Friday. Carried.

Partial report of CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE, Rev. Oris Doggett, chairman.* Motion and second to receive partial report and seat the delegates. Carried. Delegates seated by the moderator.

Partial report of the EXECUTIVE BOARD: Bro. M. B. Williams, and Rev. Robert King.* Motion and second to receive partial report and place on table. Carried.

WOMAN'S STATE AUXILIARY report given by Sis. Morris West. Motion and second to receive the report for information. Carried.

Welcomed visitors from out of state: Dr. Earnest M. Kennedy, promotional director of the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists, Dr. L. C. Johnson, president of the Free Will Baptist Bible College of Nashville, Tenn. Motion and second to seat them in an advisory capacity. Carried.

STATE HOME MISSION BOARD report, Rev. Lawnie Coffman, treasurer*. Motion and second to receive report. Carried.

Members of the newly organized church of Batesville were recognized by the moderator and introduced by Rev. Willard C. Day who also gave a brief report of his promotional work.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD report given by Rev. Earnie Deeds.* Motion and second to adopt report. Carried.

Rev. Willard C. Day received an offering to finish paying for the range in the Youth Camp kitchen. \$72.50 was received. After the stove payment the balance was to be used to entertain the association.

Recess declared at 10:50 to close the business session until 1:00 p. m. Closing prayer, Bro. M. B. Williams.

MORNING WORSHIP

11:00 a.m. piano prelude, Sis. Alene Coffman.

Hymn, "He Lives", choir director, Rev. Marion Pettus.

Prayer, Rev. H. E. Taylor.

Hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story".

Special: "Each Step I Take", Sandra Campbell.

Morning speaker introduced by the assistant moderator, Rev. Lewis Barker. Rev. J. E. White, speaker.

Prayer, Rev. Elbert McClellan.

Scripture, I Peter 4:10-17.

Text, I Peter 4:17, I Corinthians 11:31.

Subject, "THE LIFE OF VICTORY".

Invitation Hymn, "Just As I Am".

Invitation to commit life to Christ also to the unsaved.

Announcements by moderator.

Benediction and Thanks for the food, Rev. Oris Doggett.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON (1:15 P.M.)

Piano prelude, Sis. Alene Coffman.

Hymn, "Standing on the Promises", Rev. Marion Pettus, director.

Devotional, Rev. Keith Johnson, pastor of the First Church of Walnut ridge, introduced by the moderator. Scripture, II Corinthians 5:9-15. Theme, "CHRISTIAN MOTIVATION."

Hymn, "Redeemed".

Final report of the Credential Committee read and delegates seated.

Dr. L. C. Johnson was introduced by the moderator. He gave some information about the Bible College and its needs.

Hymn, "There is Power in the Blood", directed by Rev. Marion Pettus, while an offering of \$61.25 was received for the Bible College.

*Report in back of minute.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD report.* Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

Dr. E. M. Kennedy spoke for a few moments on the literature published by the Oklahoma State Association.

Silent prayer followed by prayer by the moderator for the family of Grady Housen who was killed today.

Final report of Committee on Committees.* Motion and second to receive report and permit committee on committees to fill vacancies on boards. Carried.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-TREASURER report, Rev. Henry Brown.* Motion and second to receive report as printed. Carried.

PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR'S report: Rev. Willard C. Day.* Motion and second to receive report. Carried.

Partial report of RESOLUTION COMMITTEE.* Motion and second to receive report and take the resolutions item by item. Carried.

Motion and second to lay on the table all items that entail a constitutional change. Carried.

Motion and second to recend the action of the above motion to table items of constitutional changes. Carried.

Motion and second to adopt resolution number 1. Carried.

Motion and second to adopt resolution number 2. Motion and second to amend resolution number 2, "be retroactive for all present board members." Carried. Resolution number 2 adopted.

Motion and second to adopt resolution number 3. Carried.

Motion and second to adopt resolution number 4. Carried.

Motion and second to adopt resolution number 5. Carried.

Motion and second to adopt resolution number 6. Lost.

EXECUTIVE BOARD partial report: Rev. Bob King. Motion and second to accept report to be laid on table until tomorrow. Carried.

Business adjourned until 9:00 a. m. Friday.

Benediction: Rev. Herbert Rogers.

THURSDAY EVENING (7:10 P.M.)

Called to order by the moderator.

Hymn, "Jesus Saves", led by Bro. Van Thompson, with Mrs. Thompson at the piano.

Hymns, "Come and Dine", and "Rescue the Perishing", directed by Rev. Marion Pettus, Sis. Alene Coffman, pianist.

Prayer, Rev. H. Glenn Campbell.

Special, "I Cannot Find the Way Alone", quartette; Bro. Van Thompson, Rev. Lathan Thompson, Rev. H. E. Taylor, Mrs. Lathan Thompson. Sis. Van Thompson at the piano.

Letter from Rev. Roy Thomas of Denver, Colorado read.

Hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arm".

Rev. Tommy Willie, his wife, Emma Ruth, and their daughter recognized by the moderator.

Devotional, Rev. Cecil Sanders, pastor of the North Crossett church. Scripture, Psalms 1:1-6.

Prayer, Bro. Sanders.

Special, "Where He Leads I'll Go", Dr. E. M. Kennedy.

The moderator introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. J. W. Blanks, pastor of the First Church of Newport.

Prayer: Rev. Willard C. Day.

Scripture: I Thessalonians 5:21.

Text: I Thessalonians 5:21.

Subject: "SECURING OUR POSITION".

Hymn, "Amazing Grace".

Benediction: Rev. Dee Smith.

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*Report in back of minutes.

FRIDAY MORNING (9:00 A.M.)

Called to order by the moderator.

Hymn, "Love Lifted Me", led by Rev. Marion Pettus, Sis. Alene Coffman at the piano.

Prayer, Rev. J. W. Moore, 18th Street church of North Little Rock.

Devotional: Rev. H. Glenn Campbell, pastor of the First Church of Russellville. Scripture, I Peter 5:6-8. Prayer, Rev. Campbell.

Hymn, "Jesus Saves", Rev. Marion Pettus, director, Sis. Alene Coffman, pianist.

Motion and second to authorize Henry Brown to pay from the State Treasury the fees which are contained in report which has already been accepted. Carried.

REPORTS

STATISTICIAN: Rev. W. S. Isbell.* Motion and second to receive report and he be given authority to insert further information into report for minute. Carried.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: Sis. J. E. White.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: Read by the Clerk.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: Rev. Elbert McClellan.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE: Read by the clerk.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

Motion and second to take resolution number 1 from the table. Carried.

Motion to rescind the above motion to take resolution number 1. Carried.

Motion and second to take off the table the amendments.* Carried.

ARTICLE VI. Sec. 1. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

ARTICLE VII. Boards. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

ARTICLE VIII. Sec. 1. paragraph 1. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

ARTICLE III, Sec. 1, Paragraph 2. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 4. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

ARTICLE VI, Sec. 2. Motion and second to drop. Carried (dropped).

ARTICLE III, Sec. 4. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

ARTICLE IV, Finance. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

Motion and second to retain business until 1:00 o'clock. Carried.

Benediction: Rev. Ray Watkins.

MORNING WORSHIP—MEMORIAL SERVICE

11:15 piano prelude, Sis. Alene Coffman.

Hymn, "Work for the Night is Coming".

Prayer, Rev. Raymond Patrick.

Hymn, "This World Is Not My Home".

Obituary Committee report read by clerk.

Special solo, Bro. Knight, "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You."

Bro. Dalton Johnson at the piano.

The assistant moderator, Rev. Lewis Barker, introduced Rev. Tommy Breashears to bring the Memorial Message.

Scripture reading: Philippians 3:1-12.

Silent Meditation, followed by prayer led by Rev. William J. Mishler, moderator.

Benediction: Rev. Henry Brown.

* Report in back of minutes.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON (1:20 P.M.)

Hymn, "Send the Light", Rev. Rupert Pixley director, Sis. Alene Coffman at the piano.

Prayer: Bro. Otis Cook.

Devotional: Rev. and Mrs. Tommy Willie Jr., Foreign Missionaries, were introduced by the moderator. Bro. Tommy sang "In That Land So Fair", both in Spanish and English. Scripture, II Timothy 1:7. A report of the progress of Cuba was given. "Follow Me", a solo number by Bro. Tommy. An offering of \$65.78 was taken for Rev. and Sis. Willie while the hymn, "'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus" was directed by Rev. Marion Pettus.

BUSINESS SESSION

ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 2. Home Mission. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 6. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE report* Motion and second to receive report and adopt item by item. Carried.

Resolution number 1. Adopted.

Resolution number 2. Adopted.

Resolution number 3. Adopted.

Resolution number 4. Lost

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Bro. Ted Henry, chairman.* Motion and second to receive. Carried.

Motion and second to give balance of cash to league treasurer, \$40.84. Carried.

BUDGET COMMITTEE report: Rev. Lewis Barker.* Motion and second to receive report. Carried.

DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Verda Hawkins, 804 N. 13th, Ft. Smith, Arkansas.

Vera Campbell, Box 82, Grubbs.

W. M. McCoy, Grubbs.

Mrs. Ben Scott, Pocahontas.

Mrs. Keith Johnson, 609 W. Main, Walnut Ridge.

Bro. Harry Carr, 103 S. Sheller, Little Rock.

Mrs. Lawnie Coffman, Star City.

Mrs. Roger Harwell, 3921 Armour, Ft. Smith.

Mrs. Rupert Pixley, Fort Smith.

Mrs. W. C. Day, Box 441, Russellville.

ALTERNATES

Bro. Fred Smith, Mountainburg, Ark.

Bro. Ted Henry, Route 4, Russellville.

Sis. Prue Jones, New Blaine.

Sis. Eva Tucker, Route 1, Yorktown.

Motion and second that the first ten be the delegates and the last four be alternates. Carried.

INTRODUCTORY MESSAGE: Rev. Ray Watkins.

Alternate: Rev. Herbert Rogers.

MEMORIAL MESSAGE: Rev. Rupert Pixley.

Alternate: Rev. Clarence Campbell.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Motion and second that the moderator, clerk and promotional director be the program committee. Carried.

* Report in back of minutes.

REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Motion and second to receive report and proceed to elect. Carried.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: 5 year term Rev. Millard Williams, 4 year term, Rev. Leonard Crowder, 1 year term, Rev. H. E. Taylor.

HOME MISSION: 1 year term, Rev. Cecil Cornett, 5 year term, Rev. Loyd Thomas.

FOREIGN MISSIONS: 1 year term, Rev. Keith Johnson, 5 year term, Rev. Tommy Brashears.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD: 1 year term, Rev. Marion Pettus, 2 year term, Rev. Herbert Rogers, 5 year term, Rev. Ray Watkins.

LEAGUE BOARD: 5 year term, Rev. J. W. Blanks.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: 5 year term, Rev. J. E. White.

PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR-TREASURER: Rev. Willard C. Day.

STATISTICIAN: Rev. W. S. Isbell.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Rev. Clarence Campbell.

CLERK: Henry Brown.

ASSISTANT MODERATOR: Rev. Lewis Barker.

MODERATOR: Rev. William Mishler.

Motion and second that the board members and resolutions be printed in Contact.

Motion and second to grant request of resignation from Rev. Willard C. Day, from all standing boards. Carried.

Motion and second to elect board vacancies from the floor.

HOME MISSION: Rev. H. Glenn Campbell.

Hymn, "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds".

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. Keith Johnson.

Motion and second to adjourn this session until our next association. Carried.

Closing prayer: Rev. Lewis Barker, assistant moderator.

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES: We recommend the following to serve on the various committees:

Nominating Committee: Rev. J. E. White, Chairman; Rev. Loyd Thomas, Bro. M. N. McCoy, Rev. Marion Pettus, and Rev. Tommy Brashear.

Credentials Committee: Rev. Oris Doggett, Chairman; Rev. Zane Kirkland, Rev. Carl Davis, Rev. Cecil Cornett, and Rev. Elmer Turner.

Registration Committee: Sis. J. E. White, Chairman; Sis. Kate Sutton, and Sis. Lenis Zinnamon.

Auditing Committee: Rev. Ray Watkins, Chairman; Sis. Kathlene Thacker, and Rev. Jimmy Bundy.

Finance Committee: Bro. W. G. (Ted) Henry, Chairman; Bro. Clifford Sawrie, and Bro. Fred Smith.

Budget Committee: Rev. Lewis Barker, Chairman; Bro. Millard Williams, Rev. Clarence Campbell, Rev. Earnie Deeds, and Rev. Dewey Kinder.

Temperance Committee: Sis. Hoover Lewis, Chairman; Sis. William Mishler, Sis. Mary Coffman, Sis. Tina Mae McDaniel and Sis. Mary Ruth Wright.

Resolutions Committee: Rev. Ben Scott, Chairman; Rev. Roger Harwell, Rev. H. E. Taylor, Rev. H. Glenn Campbell, and Rev. Herbert Rogers.

Non-Representing Associations Committee:

Placement Committee: Rev. Bobbie Chronister, Chairman; Rev. Elbert McClellan, Bro. Sam Thompson, Rev. Virgil Oaglin, and Rev. Bernie Stahl.

Obituary Committee: Rev. R. G. Webb, Chairman; Sis. C. E. Wilson, Sis. Ben Scott, Sis. Wanda Kiersey, and Mrs. Prue Jones.

Rev. Lawnie Coffman, Chairman; Rev. W. S. Isbell, Rev. J. W. Blanks, Rev. Earnie Deeds, and Rev. Herbert Rogers.

* Report in back of minutes.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: We, your committee on credentials, find all district associations have represented by letter, also forty-five (45) local churches represented by delegates.

Rev. Oris Doggett, Chairman; Rev. Zane Kirkland, Rev. Carl Davis, Rev. Cecil Cornett, and Rev. Elmer Turner.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: We, your committee on registration find that forty-seven (47) ministers, twenty-nine (29) deacons, thirty-three (33) district delegates, forty-five (45) local church delegates, two (2) visiting ministers and sixty-two (62) other visitors have registered.

Sis. J. E. White, Chairman; Sis. Lenis Zinnamon and Sis. Kate Sutton.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: We, your auditing committee, have examined the State Executive-Secretary Treasurer's books and found them to be, to the best of our knowledge, correct. We commend Henry Brown for the work Pro-Tem for the past nine months.

We have examined the State Home Mission Treasurer's books of Rev. Lawnie Coffman and find them to be correct.

We have examined the State Promotional Director's books of Rev. Willard C. Day and find them to be correct.

Rev. Ray Watkins, Chairman; Rev. Jimmie Bundy, and Sis. Wayne Thacker.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: We, your committee on finance, submit the following report:

Money Received:

Saline Association	\$112.00
Polk Bayou	48.00
Big Springs	24.00
Social Band	48.00
New Hope	30.00
Zion Hope Number 2	73.50
Old Mt. Zion	51.00
Arkansas Association	45.00
Little Missouri River	12.00
Hector Church	3.00
Polk Bayou	6.00
Pine Bluff	3.00
41st Street, Little Rock	3.00
Capitol City	3.00
Russellville	3.00
Searcy	5.00
Rev. Day	18.75

\$488.75

Less Over Deposit

\$10.00

Total Received

\$478.75

Total Expense

\$437.41

Balance unused funds

\$ 40.84

EXPENSES:

Dean's Milk Co.	\$ 19.00
M. K. Grocery	150.78
Anderson's Grocery	38.62
Western Auto	19.22
Central Meat Market	67.12
Walker Produce	14.10
Colonial Bakery	18.27
Ice Company	33.30
Ira Sparks	50.00
Mrs. Black	15.00
Larry Doggett	10.00
Chesley Campbell	2.00
	\$437.41

Bro. Ted Henry, Chairman; Bro. Clifford Sawrie, and Bro. Fred Smith.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: We, the budget committee, wish to commend the churches which have given through the cooperative program and also special offerings.

We also wish to urge all our churches to give through the cooperative plan regularly. We recommend that all designated (ear marked) offerings be sent through the Arkansas State Association Treasurer, which shall be forwarded to designated fund.

We further recommend that we accept the suggested quotas given our state by the National Association.

We also recommend a budget of \$8,500.00 to be raised through the cooperative program. The allocations to be as follows:

National Cooperative Program	40%
State Home Missions	26%
State General Fund	26%
State League Board	6%
State Sunday School Board	1%
Total Allocations to State	60%

Total Allocations100%

Rev. Lewis Barker, Chairman; Rev. Clarence Campbell, Rev. Earnie Deeds, Bro. Millard Williams and Rev. J. D. Kinder.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE: We, your temperance committee, wish to submit the following report:

That we, the Free Will Baptists that make up the churches of Arkansas recommend that we commit ourselves to temperance in obedience to Collossians 2:21-22.

1. That we take an active stand against obscene literature, and help in every way possible to remove it first from the homes of our church members and then from the newsstands.

2. That our pastors and members become more active in local ministerial alliances and other temperance groups that are endeavoring to stamp out the beer and liquor traffic. We would encourage our pastors to expose the evils of this traffic from their pulpits.

3. We encourage our people to refrain from any questionable amusements, and that the leaders of our churches teach and train our people concerning those things of the world that will in any way harm their Christian testimonies.

Furthermore, we would encourage our people to show reverence for the House of the Lord and to observe the Lord's Day in such a way that we would not bring reproach upon Him. Finally, that we become "Living Examples" as adult Christians to the youth of our churches; first in modest dress, both at home and in the public; second, in attitudes and Christian ethics. "The eyes of the Lord are in every place beholding the evil and the good" Proverbs 15:3. Respectfully submitted. Mrs. Hoover Lewis, Chairman; Mrs. William Mishler, Mrs. Mary Coffman, Mrs. Thomas McDaniel and Mrs. Mary Ruth Wright.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: We, your placement committee make the following report:

In view of the fact that no church or association has asked to entertain the next State Association, we recommend that the invitation given by the State League Board be accepted, and that next session meet at the Youth Camp.

Rev. Bobbie Chronister, Chairman; Rev. Elbert McClellan, Rev. Sam Thompson, Rev. Virgil Oaglen and Rev. Bernie Stahl.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE: We, your obituary committee, find that God in His great wisdom, mercy and love, has called from our presence 128 of our Free Will Baptists. We feel our great loss deeply. May we find comfort, from the Word of God, as was heard of John. Revelations 14:13, "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea said the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and

their works do follow them." So may we think of this great number as being blessed or happy today.

We are confident, I say and willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. 2 Corinthians 5:8.

We are now face to face with the great need of preparation in life. May we be reminded of the words of Amos 4:12, "Prepare to meet thy God."

Rev. R. G. Webb, Chairman; Mrs. C. E. Wilson, Mrs. Ben Scott, Mrs. Wanda Kiersey, and Mrs. Prue Jones.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: We, your resolutions committee, submit the following resolutions:

No. 1. Be it resolved that we honor the request of the State League Convention and adopt the following resolution—Be it resolved that this League Convention recommend to the Arkansas State Association that the State League Board become the Board of Trustees for the Youth Camp property and that the board be responsible for the selection of the Youth Camp director.

No. 2. Be it resolved that the office of any members of a standing board who does not respond to the call for a board meeting either in person, by proxy, or by letter of explanation for a period of one year shall automatically become vacant and said vacancy shall be filled by the association while in session.

No. 3. Be it resolved that: **VISION** be placed on a subscription bases as follows: Each church wishing to receive **VISION** shall pay \$12.00 per year. Individual's wishing to receive **VISION** shall pay 50c per year.

No. 4. Inasmuch as we feel that all standing boards of the state should have a part in the promotional work of the state. Be it resolved that the chairman of each of the standing boards together with the moderator and clerk, compose a coordinating committee to work in conjunction with the Promotional Director, Treasurer in the capacity of a steering committee.

No. 5. Be it resolved, that each association help in reimbursing the Central Association the amount of \$70.00 which the Association paid for delegate fee's to the National Association.

No. 6. Lost.

Final report see page 2.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: We, the Executive Board, recommend the following Constitutional changes. **ARTICLE VI, Sec. 1,** Be it resolved to amend. **ARTICLE VI, Sec. 1,** by substitution, promotional director treasurer, instead of, "Executive Secretary." **ARTICLE VII. Boards:** Be it resolved to amend by adding, and the Board of Christian Education. **ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 1, Par. 1.** Be it resolved to amend by substitution: This board shall have power to fill irregular vacancies which may occur in its own body, and shall also have power to fill any irregular vacancies which may occur in any department of the work between sessions of the State Association. **ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 1, Par. 2,** by adding: . . . except as stipulated elsewhere in the constitution. **ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 4,** by adding: . . . they shall be entrusted to hold, manage, use, control, or convey the Youth Camp property. Also, this board shall be responsible for the selection of the Youth Camp director. They shall plan and carry out the annual league conference and youth encampment. **ARTICLE VI, Sec. 2. (Lost).** **ARTICLE III, Sec. 4.** Amend by insertion: . . . vote of the. **ARTICLE IV: Finance.** This association shall be supported by a percent of the cooperative receipts and earmarked gifts which come into the state treasury as designated by the state association when in conference. Said allocations to national and state work to be recommended to the association by the budget committee.

Each district association belonging to said body shall send \$3.00 for each church belonging to said district association subscribing to the cooperative program, which shall be for entertaining state association. And \$6.00 from each church belonging to said district association not subscribing to the cooperative program, \$3.00 of which shall be for entertaining state association, and \$3.00 for minutes and general expenses.

ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 2. Home Missions. Strike out the last sentence ("They shall elect a treasurer who shall handle all home mission money").

ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 6. Promotional Director-Treasurer. The Promotional Director-Treasurer shall coordinate the work of the various boards of the state association. Furthermore, he shall do promotional work in the state of Arkansas, working as far as practical in connection with the Home Mission boards of the district associations and Quarterly Meetings.

He shall receive, hold and disburse money as is made available by the state association to the various boards, and expended by the various boards when requested by requisition.

Rev. Bob King, Chairman; Bro. Millard Williams, Rev. Leonard Crowder, Rev. J. K. Woods, Rev. H. E. Taylor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD: The Sunday School Board of the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists wish to present the following recommendations.

1. We recommend that each local church strive more diligently in promoting the work of the Sunday School. That special emphasis be given in regard to more efficient organization, better facilities and equipment and more highly trained and qualified teachers and Sunday School workers.

2. We recommend that our state association go on record as endorsing the literature program of the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists and that our local churches be encouraged to use the literature available from the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists.

Rev. Ray Watkins, Rev. Ben Scott, Rev. Herbert Rogers, Rev. Marion Pettus, and Rev. William Mishler.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD: As a state we replaced the suggested quota for the calendar year of 1960. As of August 1, 1961 we have given \$3,828.61 on our quota for 1961. The balance to be given by December 31, 1961 is \$3,171.39. We recommend that all of our churches continue to give liberally so we may reach our quota this year for the cause of missions and the glory of God.

We are working toward this goal; to raise financial support for a couple to go as missionaries from our state. The purpose of this is that someone may be more willing to go if they know the home folks will stand behind them.

As of now we do not have a couple to go but we trust that soon we will have.

Rev. Earnie Deeds, Chairman; Rev. Opie Hargrave, Rev. Zane Kirkland, Rev. G. G. Dipboye, and Rev. Jimmy Bundy.

STATE HOME MISSION BOARD: We, the State Home Mission Board, met at Russellville, April 22, with four members present, and voted to raise the Promotional Director's salary from \$25.00 a month to \$100.00 a month beginning June 1st.

Also \$8.00 per service for services held in direct connection with establishing a new church.

Rev. Lewis Barker, Chairman; Rev. Lawnie Coffman, Rev. Willard C. Day, Rev. C. O. Garrison, Rev. Herbert Rogers.

FINANCIAL REPORT

October 1, 1960—September 30, 1961

Balance brought forward\$126.28

RECEIPTS:

Cooperative plan	\$ 52.51
Cooperative plan	100.41
State Treasurer	10.00
Cooperative plan	137.65
State Treasurer (HM)	10.00
Cooperative plan	57.68
Mt. Bethel Church	2.68
Cooperative plan	37.77
Cooperative plan	51.76
Cooperative plan	40.83
Cooperative plan	41.85

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Cooperative plan	47.67	
Cooperative plan	95.26	
Total Received	\$686.07	\$686.07
Total Balance and Receipts		\$812.35

EXPENDITURES:

W. C. Day, October Salary	\$ 25.00	
Star City Bank, Checks	3.66	
W. C. Day, November	25.00	
W. C. Day, December	25.00	
W. C. Day, January	25.00	
W. C. Day, February	25.00	
W. C. Day, March	25.00	
W. C. Day, April, May, June \$10.00....	60.00	
W. C. Day, Bal. of June	90.00	
W. C. Day, July	100.00	
W. C. Day, August and Services at Batesville	196.00	
W. C. Day, September	100.00	
Total Expenditures	\$699.66	\$699.66

Bank Balance on September 30th	\$112.69
Rev. Lawnie Coffman, Treasurer.	

LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT

Youth Camp Receipts October 1, 1960 to October 1, 1961	\$2,850.42
All indebtedness paid for camp improvements. Camp mortgage \$4,700.00 paid in full with a total cash on hand \$357.60. Rev. Lawnie Coffman, Treas.	

PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

October, 1960 to October, 1961

From October 29, 1960 to May 29, 1961 during the part time work.

Churches visited:

Glenwood	Offering \$11.00	Miles 206	Book Sales \$21.50
Charleston	Offering 19.00	Miles 120	Book Sales 16.00
Amount Received	\$30.00	326	\$37.50

OUT OF STATE:

First Church, Thayer, Missouri	\$25.00	320	24.00
Promotional Director's salary at \$10.00 per service.....			30.00
Promotional Director's salary mileage at 5c per mile			32.30

Total Director's expense	\$62.30
Amt. cleared by state ass'n. from book sales	20.70
Amt. given by churches for Vision through prom-off.....	110.70

\$131.40

Expenditures October 28, 1960—May 29, 1961

Postage (mailing Vision)	\$ 59.03
Telephone calls	27.00
Typewriter payments	80.00
Camera and Screen	54.00
For Printing Vision and Cut	48.09
Promotional Pictures	25.00
Office Supplies	24.00

\$317.12

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Total Expense of Promotional Office:

Salary \$25.00 per month, 6 months	\$150.00
Services \$10.00 each, three	30.00
Mileage at 5c per mile, 646 miles	32.00
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	\$212.30
Offerings received from churches	\$110.70
Offerings above exp. on itineraries	20.70
From books and supplies	185.72
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	\$317.12
Amount paid out for state association	\$317.12
Cost of Promotional Director	212.30
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Amount received by state from Prom-Office	\$104.82

On part time basis the promotional director gave the state \$104.82 above operational cost. On May 29, 1961, the promotional office became full time operation. The state Home Mission Board has paid a salary of \$100.00 per month and the director allowed \$10.00 for promotional service and \$8.00 for home mission service. The promotional director has edited and mailed out VISION and worked on the field. Next page is a report from May 29—September 21, 1961.

CHURCHES VISITED

	Offering	Association
May		
29—Macedonia	\$ 9.33	Saline
30—Fairview	5.73	Saline
31—Pleasant Valley	8.50	Saline
JUNE		
1—Rose Hill	13.36	Saline
2—Mt. Pleasant	18.00	Saline
3—Crossett, First	10.00	Saline
4—Hill View (Louisiana)	10.00	Saline
4—Corbin Ferry (Louisiana)	10.87	Saline
5—Searcy, First	13.56	New Hope
10—Upper Spring Creek	12.59	Arkansas
11—Plain View		Antioch
11—Plain View		Antioch
12—Weaver's Chapel	9.06	Polk Bayou
13—Mt. Harmony (Largest offering)	26.40	Polk Bayou
14—Mt. Harmony		Polk Bayou
15—Macedonia	10.50	Polk Bayou
16—Ballew's Chapel	25.00	Polk Bayou
17—Blackland Chapel	12.06	Polk Bayou
18—Newport, First (A. M.)	25.00	Polk Bayou
18—Allen's Chapel (P.M.)	18.60	Polk Bayou
JULY (Youth Camp)		
1-11—Plainview Revival		Arkansas
15—Ola	8.50	Arkansas
16—Pine Hill		Saline
16—Pine Hill (Supply Service)		Saline
20—Batesville Revival 20-30		Polk Bayou
30—Clark Ridge (A.M.)		Big Springs
31—Plainview Church School		
AUGUST		
1—Plainview		
2—Plainview		
3—Plainview		
4—Plainview		

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6—Batesville Mission		Polk Bayou
7—Mountainburg	7.32	Zion Hope No. 2
8—Bethlehem	6.66	Zion Hope No. 2
9—Fourth Street	17.00	Zion Hope No. 2
11—Central	10.77	Zion Hope No. 2

16—Newport First Revival

27—Batesville Mission

27—Pine Bluff Revival

SEPTEMBER

10—Batesville

17—Conway First

CHURCHES VISITED

Churches Visited	36
Promotional Services	25
Sermons Preached	86
Conversions	4
Established—Churches	1
Radio Sermons	15

MONEY RECEIVED

From State HMB 4 Months @ \$100.00	\$400.00
Promotional Services @ \$10.00 (25)	250.00
HM Services @ \$8.00 (12)	96.00
For Revivals (3)	300.00
For Schools (1)	55.00
For mileage at 5c per mile (1400)	70.00
Honorariums	40.00
Sunday Services at Batesville Church	79.00
From sale of Books and Supplies	275.00

\$1,565.00

Rev. Willard C. Day, Promotional Director.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AND TREASURER:

Balance on Hand February 27, 1961\$163.75

RECEIPTS:

Mt. Home (V)	\$ 5.00	
Union Grove (C)	17.00	
Union Grove (FM)	8.00	
Mt. Home (V)	5.00	
Union Grove (C)	9.00	
Yearly Ass'n. Minutes	68.50	112.50

ARKANSAS

Yearly Meeting (YC)	25.00	
Yearly Meeting (C)	94.00	
Yearly Meeting (Fee)	45.00	164.00

BIG SPRINGS

Zion (YC)	60.00	
Mt. Home (FM)	20.00	
Yearly Meeting (FM)	25.00	
Yearly Meeting (Fee)	24.00	129.00

CENTRAL:

Pine Bluff (FM)	233.00	
Quarterly (C)	608.68	
Quarterly (Fee)	12.00	

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Capitol City (V)	1.00	854.68
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LITTLE MISSOURI RIVER:

Yearly Meeting (Fee)	12.00	12.00
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NEW HOPE:

Greenbrier (V)	17.00	
Greenbrier (C)	86.22	
Center Point No. 2 (V)	5.00	
Bethel (V)	5.00	
Friendship (V)	10.00	
Searcy (V)	8.20	
Searcy (Fee)	3.00	
Searcy (Minutes)	3.00	
Conway (V)	7.00	
Mt. Carmel (V)	10.00	
Soda Valley	12.00	
Yearly Meeting Minutes	33.00	
Yearly Meeting (Fee)	30.00	229.42

POLK BAYOU:

Mt. Harmony (C)	36.83	
Mt. Harmony (V)	5.00	
Allen's Chapel (V)	30.20	
Allen's Chapel (C)	202.39	
Ballew's Chapel (FM)	49.26	
Ballew's Chapel Co-Labor	2.00	
Ballew's Chapel (C)	212.83	
Ballew's Chapel (V)	10.00	
Oakland (C)	47.72	
Pine Hill (V)	5.00	
Macedonia (V)	3.00	
Newport (C)	46.08	
Island (V)	5.00	
Pool's Chapel (V)	1.00	
Yearly Meeting Minutes	15.00	
Yearly Meeting (Fee)	48.00	719.31

RICH MOUNTAIN

Yearly Meeting Minutes	15.00	15.00
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SALINE:

Yearly Meeting (Fee)	112.00	
Yearly Meeting Minutes	29.00	
Quarterly Meeting (C)	483.83	
Quarterly Meeting (FM)	30.51	
Hill View (V)	5.00	
Sherrill (V)	5.00	
Pine Hill (FM)	134.00	
Pine Hill (V)	12.00	
Willoughby (V)	9.00	
Yorktown (V)	6.00	
Rose Hill (V)	5.00	831.39

SOCIAL BAND:

Sutton (C)	15.75	
Pocahontas (C)	463.53	
Pocahontas (FM)	219.70	
Jonesboro (FM)	5.30	
Jonesboro (C)	183.65	

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Quarterly Meeting (YC)	38.00	
Quarterly Meeting (BC)	12.00	
Quarterly Meeting (C)	55.00	
Quarterly Meeting (FM)	89.77	
Old Reyno (C)	8.95	
Old Reyno (YC)	10.00	
Old Reyno (V)	5.00	
Pirtle (C)	5.36	
Pirtle (V)	2.00	
Walnut Ridge (SHM)	10.00	
Walnut Ridge (FM)	36.37	
Walnut Ridge (NHM)	10.00	
Elnora (YC)	14.00	
Mt. Zion (C)	34.53	
Poplar Valley (V)	2.50	
Yearly Meeting Minutes	23.00	
Yearly Meeting N. Minutes	17.50	
Yearly Meeting (Fee)	48.00	1,309.91
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OLD MT. ZION:		
Rogers (V)	5.00	
Yearly Meeting (Fee)	51.00	56.00
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ZION HOPE NO. 2:		
First Church, Ft. Smith (C)	657.75	
First Church, Ft. Smith (FM)	62.46	
First Church, Ft. Smith (NHM)	21.80	
Mt. View (YC)	2.00	
Walnut Street (V)	5.00	
Booneville (C)	39.80	788.81
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Total received from Associations		\$5,222.02
Received from Promotional Director		229.58
Received from Lawnie Coffman (YC) Refund		9.51
Received from Woman's Auxiliary (Minutes)		20.00
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Total Funds Available		\$5,644.86
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EXPENDITURES:		
National Cooperative	\$2,117.50	
Foreign Missions	854.30	
Vision	453.29	
National Home Missions	31.80	
State Home Missions	372.82	
Youth Camp	326.85	
Miscellaneous	519.95	\$4,676.51
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BALANCE ON HAND:		\$ 968.35
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MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES:		
Stamp and Ledger	\$ 2.66	
Promotional Office Supplies	10.00	
Bible College	12.00	
Office Supplies	12.60	
Co-Labor	2.00	
Promotional Director	229.58	
Promotional Equipment	26.00	
Printing State Programs	18.54	
State Report Blanks	1.30	
Band Refund Check	10.00	

Minutes	166.31
Postage	18.96
Misappropriated funds	10.00
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	\$519.95

Rev. Henry P. Brown, Executive Secretary-Treasurer.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE (Final)

No. 1. Be it resolved that the clerk of the state association be paid \$25.00 per year for his services and that the assistant clerk be paid \$10.00 per year.

No. 2. Be it resolved that the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists go on record as re-affirming our faith in, and our allegiance to the Treaties of Faith and Practice of Free Will Baptists as revised and adopted by the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to our National Moderator and that he be assured of our prayerful support as he deals with the problems before our beloved denomination.

No. 3. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the State League Board, to the kitchen help, and to the officers of the State Association for their efforts in making this an enjoyable and successful state association.

No. 4. Lost.

STATE STATISTICIAN REPORT

District Associations	12
Local Churches	184
Total Membership	14,478
Members Received	1,116
Deceased	128
Ordained Ministers	311
Sunday School Enrollment	10,225
League Enrollment	3,261
Woman's Auxiliary	770
For Literature	\$ 13,975.55
Paid Pastors	154,001.31
Paid Evangelists	16,390.32
Cooperative Fund	4,124.75
National Home Missions	1,644.54
State Home Missions	1,052.66
Foreign Missions	6,457.78
Bible College	1,547.66
Education	581.79
Building and Repairs	51,172.27
Incidentals	31,163.04
Radio Programs	3,612.00
To Youth Camp	2,850.42
Total given in Churches	316,412.23
Value of Church Property	1,270,050.00
Value of Youth Camp	35,000.00

Rev. W. S. Isbell, Statistician

The following telegram received September 29, 1961:

The Arkansas State Ass'n. of Free Will Baptists, Conway, Arkansas.

Greetings:

May you have a wonderful session, sorry I cannot be present. Your gift to National Home Missions this year has been \$951.34. Please observe November as National Home Mission Month. We need your support more than ever. Our work continues to grow in all of North America.

Homer E. Willis, General Director.

10. No. 4 Lost.

STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
CONVENTION MINUTES

The eighth annual session of the Arkansas State Woman's Auxiliary Convention met at the Free Will Baptist Youth Camp, Conway, Arkansas, September 26th and 27, 1961.

THEME: "My all for Thee." Galatians 2:20.

Song director for the session was Mrs. Willard Day. Pianist, Mrs. Earnie Deeds. Devotional was given by Mrs. Barbara Harwell, scripture, Romans 12:1.

Special Music: Sandra Campbell.

Message, Rev. Bob King.

Committees were appointed by the president.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Willard C. Day.

Wednesday Morning

Hymn

Prayer by Rev. Keith Johnson.

Morning devotions, Mrs. Vera Campbell, using Luke 14:15, followed by prayer.

Special music: Mrs. Oris Dogget and Mrs. Willard Day.

President's message, Mrs. Benjamin Scott, followed by prayer.

A petitionary letter was read from the Central Association motion that we receive them into our state association. Carried.

Reading by Mrs. Willie Jean Lewis.

Prayer by Mrs. Oris Doggett.

Play, "No longer I", by the state officers.

Wednesday Afternoon

Hymn, led by Mrs. Willard Day.

Meditations by Mrs. Lawnie Coffman.

Digest of reports by Mrs. Morris West.

Treasurer's report by Mrs. E. O. Chronister.

The proposed constitution and by-laws were accepted by our state convention.

Reports of the finance, credentials and registration committees were read and accepted.

The resolution committee report was read and accepted with the following resolutions adopted.

There were 10 delegates elected to represent Arkansas in the National Auxiliary convention at Nashville, Tennessee in 1962.

An offering was received while Mrs. Willard Day led the group in a hymn.

Prayer by Mrs. Bob King.

Reading by Mrs. Willie Jean Deeds.

Dismissed by Rev. Roger Harwell.

Resolutions Adopted

No. 1. Be it resolved that we write Mrs. Eunice Edwards, commending her faithful labor in publishing our magazine, the "Co-Laborer."

No. 2. Be it resolved that we urge our women to continue their support of the Co-labor fund.

No. 3. Be it resolved that we encourage our local youth chairman to promote the new organization of the woman's auxiliary. It will be called "Missionary Midgets" and will consist of boys and girls between six and nine.

No. 4. Be it resolved that we continue our support to missions and missionary objectives and that our gifts be sent through the regular auxiliary channels.

No. 5. Be it resolved that the state youth chairman work out a youth fellowship to be held sometime during the state youth encampment.

No. 6. Be it resolved that we accept the resignation of Mrs. Quinton Waldo, as corresponding secretary and Mrs. E. C. Chronister as treasurer and Mrs. Alton Loveless as study course chairman and that we nominate Mrs. Willie Jean

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Lewis to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Chronister. We also nominate Mrs. Lawnie Coffman to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Alton Loveless.

No. 7. Be it resolved that we accept as our state project the supplying of hot water tanks for the camp ground. Be it further resolved that we use last year's national project as a gauge for our giving.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Number of State Officers Present	8
Number of Districts represented	7
Number of Ministers present	14
Total registered	96

Mrs. Morris West, Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF STATE LEAGUE CONVENTION JUNE 30, 1961

THEME: "We Must Go! Grow! Glow!"

The evening sessions opened with singing "Footsteps of Jesus", led by Betty King, with Janice Croom at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Bob King. President Roger Harwell welcomed everyone to the convention.

Scripture Acts 1:8 was read. Devotion was given by Rev. Cecil Sanders. The congregation was led in the song "Onward Christian Leaguers".

President Roger Harwell appointed Rev. Alton Loveless as vice president for the day in the absence of vice president Rev. W. H. Bostic.

Th appointing of committees were as follows:

Auditing committee: Rev. Cecil Sanders, Mickey Smith, Lavern Hughes.

Resolution committee: Bro. Bob King, Bro. W. S. Isable, Delma Wright.

Talent committee: Rev. Alton Loveless, Jay Campbell, Linda Fergerson.

Nomination committee: Clifford Sawrie, Rev. Earnie Deeds, Rev. Oris Doggett.

Judges and time keepers: Mrs. C. E. Wilson, Bobby Buckhan, Jimmie Stem—Janice Croom was timer.

The congregation was led in the song "He Lives" and "He Keeps Me Singing".

Junior sword drill, Mrs. Willard Day. Contestants were, Gene Burlison and Linda Sawyer.

Senior sword drill, contestants were Linda Patrick and Janice Coffman.

Report of auditing committee and release of committee. Report of treasurer, Rev. Lawnie Coffman. Motion carried to accept the report.

Choruses were led by Betty King with Mrs. Roger Harwell at the piano.

Resolution No. 1. Be it resolved that the State League Convention meet at a time different to the time of the encampment. Adopted.

Resolution No. 2. Be it resolved in order to be more convenient to more of our teenagers over the state, that the encampment be held so as to end before or near June 20th. Adopted.

Resolution No. 3. Be it resolved that the State League Convention meet on Friday night and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in July each year. Adopted.

Resolution No. 4. Be it resolved that we commend the League Board for the high standards incorporated in the camp rules and encourage them to improve them wherever necessary. Adopted.

Resolution No. 5. Be it resolved that henceforth the committees that are appointed to be composed of at least two teenagers and one adult. Adopted.

Report of nominating committee. Motion to accept the report. Carried.

Election of officers were as follows:

President, Roger Harwell; vice president, Marion Pettus; Secretary, Laura Beth Forbes; assistant secretary, Linda Patrick; treasurer, Lawnie Coffman; sword drill director, Barbara Harwell; league director, Henry Brown; board of trustees for (5) five year term, Earnie Deeds; (4) four year term, W. S. Isable; (1) one year term, J. W. Blanks.

For the closing everyone repeated the League Benediction.

There were 102 registered for the league convention Friday afternoon.

The evening session opened by singing the theme song "Footsteps of Jesus" led by Mary Beth Keller with Mrs. Roger Harwell at the piano. Prayer, Rev. Willard C. Day, youth camp director.

President Roger Harwell welcomed everyone to the evening session. Devotion was given by Rev. Alton Loveless. Scripture was taken from Proverbs 3:1, 5:1 and 7:1. Prayer, Rev. Lewis Barker.

The congregation was led in the song "Stand Up For Jesus".

Specials were presented by Chesley Campbell, Barbara Davis, Sharon Pettus, Betty King, Delma Wright, Romona West, Alton Loveless.

Congregation was led in "Love Lifted Me", by Alton Loveless.

A play, "The Crosses" was presented by a group of the leaguers.

The new officers were introduced by the President, Roger Harwell.

Rev. Lawnie Coffman gave the treasurer's report.

The sword drill winners were announced as follows: Junior sword drill division, Jean Burlison, first place; Linda Sawyer, second place; Senior sword drill division, Linda Patrick, first place; Janice Coffman, second place.

Sis. Betty Sawrie introduced the play cast as follows: Mrs. Earnie Deeds, Mickey Jo Smith, Delma Wright, Vada Ann Wilson, Sonja Campbell, Betty King and Mrs. Roger Harwell along with the choir.

Rev. William Mishler expressed our appreciation of the youth camp and gave certificates to the camp instructors and helpers.

Resolution No. 1 that was passed in 1960 was reaffirmed.

All repeated the League Benediction.

247 was present in the evening service.

ARKANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: From long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, having been baptized upon our profession of faith in Christ as our Saviour and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among our churches for the purpose of coordinating our efforts for the Kingdom of God, do therefore ordain this constitution for our denominational government.

ARTICLE I

Name: This organization shall be known as the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II

Purpose: The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the various bodies composing the State Association and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in connection with the various bodies in the Association, or that may be hereafter represented.

Representation

ARTICLE III

Section 1: This association shall be composed of all ordained ministers and deacons with membership in a church belonging to a district association, the district associational clerks and executive board members.

Section 2: Each District Association shall be entitled to five lay delegates at large and, in addition, each local church which holds membership in a District Association affiliated with this body shall be entitled to send one lay delegate.

Section 3: In the event a part, or all of the elected delegation fails to report by 1:30 p. m. Thursday, said vacancies may be filled, provided someone from said Association recommended others for said vacancies.

Section 4: New associations desiring membership in the state association shall send messengers bearing a petitionary letter. If found orthodox, upon

examination by the credentials committee, they shall be received by the vote of the association and given the right hand of fellowship by the moderator.

ARTICLE IV

Finance: This Association shall be supported by a percent of the Cooperative receipts and earmarked gifts which come into the state treasury as designated by the state association when in conference. Said allocations to national and state work to be recommended to the association by the budget committee.

Each district association belonging to said body shall send \$3.00 for each church belonging to said district association subscribing to the cooperative program, which shall be for entertaining state association. And \$6.00 from each church belonging to said district association not subscribing to the cooperative program. \$3.00 of which shall be for entertaining state association, and \$3.00 for minutes and general expenses.

ARTICLE V

Discipline:

Section 1: This state association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or practices that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing said organization. Furthermore, if there be any question of discipline, doctrine, or practice on the part of a district body, delegates of that association shall not be seated until these questions have been settled to the satisfaction of the credentials committee.

Section 2: The decision of the credentials committee may be appealed to (1) the state association sitting in a committee as a whole, or (2) to a special committee whose report shall be voted on without discussion.

ARTICLE VI

Officers:

Section 1: The officers of the state association shall consist of a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, promotional director-treasurer, and a statistician.

Section 2: Committees, as necessary, shall be appointed by the committee on committees which will be elected by the body on the opening night of the association.

ARTICLE VII

Boards: All standing boards shall be composed of five (5) members who shall serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 year. The standing boards shall include the Executive Board, Home Mission Board, Foreign Mission Board, League Board, and a Sunday School Board and the Board of Christian Education.

ARTICLE VIII

Duties and Rules of Standing Boards:

1. Executive Board. This board shall have power to fill irregular vacancies which may occur in its own body, and shall also have power to fill any irregular vacancies which may occur in any department of the work between sessions of the state association.

This Executive Board shall keep a record of all work done, money raised, meetings held, and make a full and complete report to the regular meeting of the association and shall further receive, hold, manage, use, control, and convey any property entrusted to said state association, except as stipulated elsewhere in the constitution.

The chairman and secretary of said Executive Board shall sign all deeds and bonds, notes, etc., and any other papers by which the state association is to become legally held.

The board shall have the power to call the association in conference by notifying each district association at least ten (10) days prior to conference.

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2. Home Mission Board. It shall be the duty of this board to work in connection with the national mission board in arranging an active missionary program in and for the state of Arkansas.

It will be their responsibility to investigate and assist, if necessary, any new church. This board should thoroughly investigate the ability of a church to support an organization before assistance is pledged.

3. Foreign Mission Board. It shall be the duty of this board to work in connection with the national foreign missions board in arranging itineraries, missionary conferences, etc., and promote in every way possible the foreign missions program in the state of Arkansas.

4. League Board. It shall be the duty of the state league board to plan and assist in every way possible the league work throughout the state. It will also be their responsibility to promote an active league work in each association and to encourage league rallies. They shall be entrusted to hold, manage, use, control, or convey the Youth Camp property. Also this board shall be responsible for the selection of the youth camp director. They will also plan and carry out the annual league conference and camp.

5. Sunday School Board. It will be the duty of the Sunday School Board to work in cooperation with the National Sunday School department in arranging Sunday School conferences and workshops, teachers training courses, in recommending methods and materials for the Sunday Schools of the State of Arkansas.

Section 6. Promotional Director-Treasurer. The Promotional Director-Treasurer, shall coordinate the work of the various boards of the State Association. Furthermore, he shall do promotional work in the state of Arkansas, working as far as practical in connection with the Home Mission Boards of the district associations and quarterly meetings. He shall receive, hold and disburse money as is made available by the state association to the various boards, and expended by the various boards when requested by requisition.

ARTICLE IX

This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the state association by a two-thirds vote of members present, provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with a prayer.

2. Those who speak shall rise, address the Moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided.

3. All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.

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

5. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the Minutes unless so ordered at the time.

6. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without special leave from the body.

7. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the membership present.

8. No member shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator.

9. Arrangements shall be made so as to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto in addition to the business session each day, and the Moderator announce at the adjournment of each business session who is to have charge of said service.

10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

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