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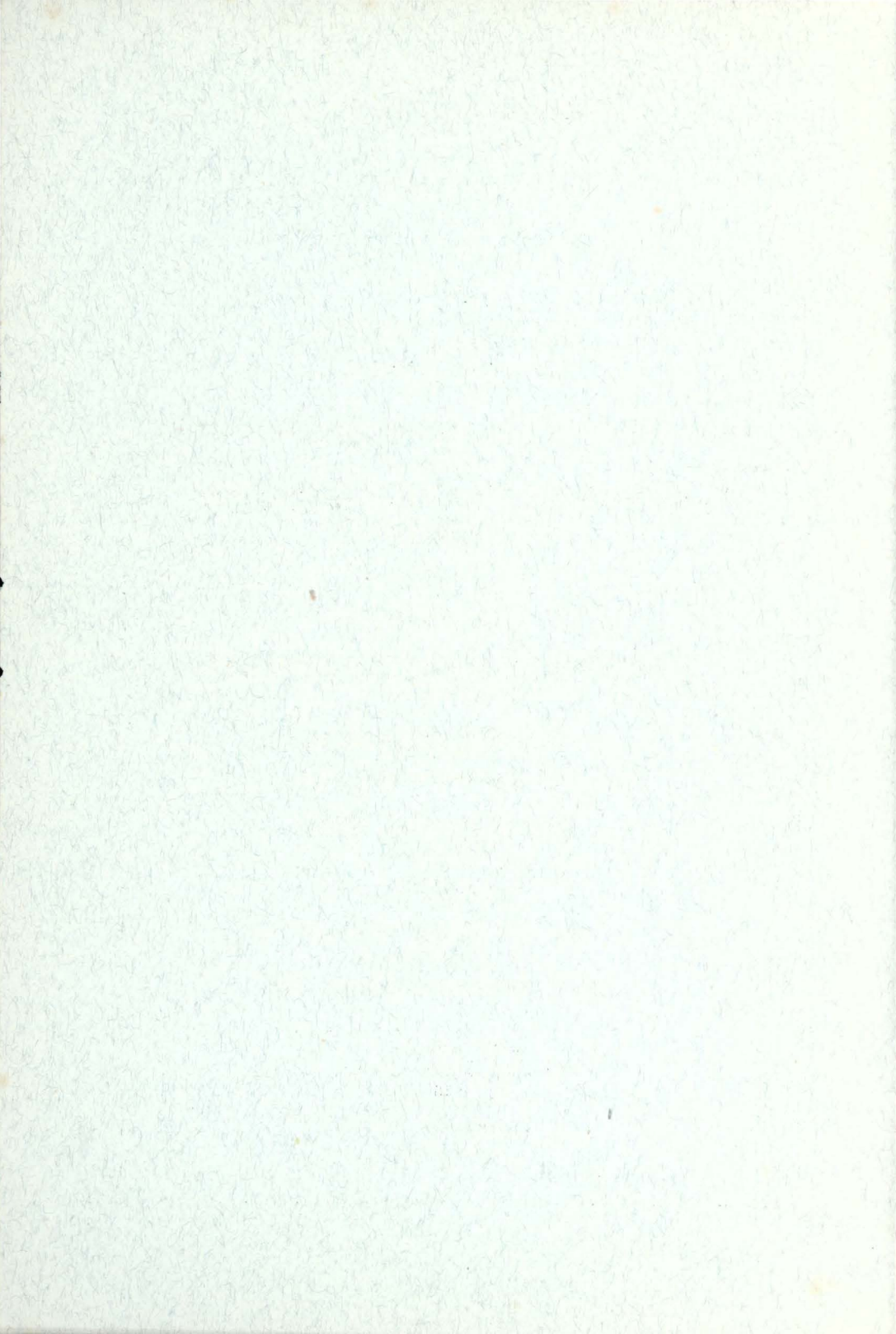
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Held With

Shiloh Church

BEAUFORT COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

November 6-7, 1946

CONFERENCE

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Session of the

Rev. L. B. Manning, Moderator

E. C. Hines, Clerk

Rev. L. B. Manning, Conference Host

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WILSON COUNTY

Dildy's Grove.....	Luther Goff.....	Fountain.....	
Saratoga.....	Rev. R. C. Proctor.....	Stantonburg.....	Sept. 3rd Sunday
Aspin Grove.....	Clifton Gardner.....	Fountain.....	Sept. 2nd Sunday
Owens Chapel.....	J. E. Baker.....	Elm City, R3.....	Oct. 4th Sunday
Daniels Chapel.....	Vernon Sullivan.....	Wilson.....	Sept. 4th Sunday

MARTIN COUNTY

Cedar Grove.....	Zelbert Cox.....	Ayden.....	Oct. 3rd Sunday
Rose of Sharon.....	T. L. Roberson.....	Williamston.....	Oct. 2nd Sunday

EDGECOMBE COUNTY

Otters Creek.....	R. L. Owens.....	Fountain.....	Sept. 4th Sunday
Edgewood.....	A. L. Sumerlin.....	Tarboro.....	Sept. 1st Sunday
Rocky Mount.....	Mrs. O. C. Merritt.....	Rocky Mt.	Oct. 1st Sunday
Riverside.....	Mrs. Martha Newell.....	Tarboro, R2.....	-----

WAYNE COUNTY

Watery Branch.....	J. S. Jones.....	Stantonburg.....	Oct. 2nd Sunday
Antioch.....	Geo. C. Sasser.....	Goldsboro.....	Sept. 1st Sunday
Walnut Creek.....	Leslie Rollins.....	LaGrange.....	Sept. 4th Sunday

LENOIR COUNTY

Hugo.....	Ada Phillips.....	Grifton.....	Oct. 2nd Sunday
LaGrange.....	Mrs. Mary Hardy.....	LaGrange.....	-----

Proceedings

The 198th Session of the Central N. C. Conference of the Original F. W. B. met with Shiloh Church, Beaufort County, on November 6-7, 1946.

Devotions by Rev. J. D. Vernelson.

Welcome address by Bro. J. E. Foreman.

Response by Rev. P. C. Wiggs.

Prayer by Rev. D. W. Alexander.

The following ministers were present:

Central Conference—L. B. Manning, N. D. Beaman, P. C. Wiggs, M. A. Woodard, J. E. Wooten, N. B. Barrow, W. A. Dail, R. B. Spencer, J. P. Woodard, J. D. Vernelson, C. D. Hamilton, Levy Humbles, D. A. Windham, L. E. Ballard, and W. G. Ennis.

Licentiates—C. L. Patrick, Ralph Osburn.

Eastern Conference—J. W. Alford, A. C. Austin, J. C. Griffin, J. R. Bennett, S. A. Smith.

Western Conference—James Evans and F. A. Rivenbark.

Albemarle Association—M. A. Woolard, T. F. Davenport, W. A. Hales, A. L. Reynolds.

South Carolina Conference—Lowell Hyman.

The following Committees were appointed:

Devotional—J. E. Foreman, C. D. Hamilton, Ralph Osburn.

Resolution—D. W. Alexander, Bruce Barrow, W. A. Dail.

Temperance—J. E. Wooten, P. C. Wiggs, J. P. Woodard.

On motion the resolution regarding holding dual office be rescinded.

Orphanage—L. E. Ballard, C. L. Patrick, M. A. Woodard.

On motion a committee be appointed to examine the revised treatise and report tomorrow if possible. Committee: D. A. Windham, L. W. Humbles, J. D. Vernelson, R. B. Spencer, J. P. Woodard.

On motion we continue until the report of this committee under the old treatise.

The report of the executive committee was adopted.

R. B. Spencer was elected on the Credentials Committee.

Moderator appointed P. C. Wiggs on the Ordaining Council to serve in place of Rev. L. R. Ennis.

On motion, each church in this conference be responsible in getting a letter to represent their church.

Song service was led by N. D. Beaman.

The conference sermon was preached by L. B. Manning using as a text Proverbs 29:18.

Prayer by Sister Gertrude Ballard.

J. E. Foreman made a few remarks relative to the dinner.

12:00—Dismissed for lunch.

1:00—re-assembled. Devotions by Rev. C. D. Hamilton, followed by a quartet by local church.

T. F. Davenport, delegate from the Albemarle Association, made a nice talk for us.

The report on education was adopted.

Sister M. A. Woodard reported she has in hand \$82.85 mission fund stating they had done very little because they had very little to do with.

J. P. Woodard gave a splendid talk on Evangelism.

On motion we grant a letter of dismission to C. H. Denton as he has joined the Albemarle Association.

A committee was appointed to draw a definite plan relative to receiving licensed ministers. Committee: D. W. Alexander, D. A. Windham, C. D. Hamilton.

Rev. R. B. Spencer gave a splendid report regarding the work of the press, showing a splendid increase each year for several years back.

Devotional Committee reports Levi Humbles to preach tonight; Thursday at 11:00. Rev. P. C. Wiggs will preach in Church; W. A. Dail to preach at stand.

Sister Ballard made a splendid talk concerning the young people in our churches.

Conference adjourned until 9:30 Thursday morning. Dismissed by Rev. Osburn.

L. B. Manning, Moderator,

E. C. Hines, Clerk.

THURSDAY MORNING

9:30 Devotions by Rev. C. L. Patrick. Prayer by Rev. C. L. Patrick.

Minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

The following report was adopted, relative to Licensed Ministers. (See report.)

Rev. W. A. Hales gave a very good report regarding the Cragmont Assembly Grounds.

Rev. J. C. Griffin, Secretary of the State, made a report of his work.

Bro. N. B. Barrow gave a very good temperance address.

Rev. J. W. Alford gave a report of the Mission work.

On motion we adopt the resolution offered by the Eastern Association relative to ordaining preachers. (See resolution.)

Leo Tripp, R. H. Mason, J. H. Harris were appointed on the Finance Committee in place of those absent.

Rev. J. A. Evans gave a glowing report of the work of the Orphanage. Special music was rendered by two ladies from Rocky Mount.

There was an offering taken for the Orphanage amounting to \$201.10.

The conference sermon was preached by Rev. P. C. Wiggs, using as a Text: 1 Thess. 4:6.

A very impressive memorial service was conducted by Rev. D. A. Windham assisted by sisters Coleen Jones, Barbara Jo Anne Lewis and Mrs. C. H. Denton of Rocky Mount.

12:00—Dinner

Re-assembled. Song services. Prayer by Rev. R. H. Mason.

On motion that Bros. C. L. Patrick and Ralph Osburn be enrolled as Licensed Ministers of this Conference.

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark made a report on Superannuation for Rev. M. L. Johnson.

On motion the above report was accepted as information.

On motion the account of \$7.00 for programs and cut of Shiloh Church be paid.

Rev. W. A. Hales made a strong plea in behalf of the Norfolk Church.

The following reports were adopted: Orphanage and Temperance.

Petitions were taken for the next conference: Free Union, Rose Hill, Kings Cross Roads. After discussion it was voted to go to King's Cross Roads and Rev. N. B. Barrow is to preach on Wednesday and Rev. N. D. Beaman as his alternate.

The following were elected as officers for next year:

Moderator: N. D. Beaman.

Vice-Moderator: D. W. Alexander.

Clerk: E. C. Hines.

Assistant Clerk: Leo Tripp.

Treasurer: M. H. Whichard.

Extra member of Executive Committee: J. D. Vernelson.

Ordaining Council: L. B. Manning in place of L. R. Ennis. The others were re-elected.

On motion we elect a committee of three to work with the State Education Board.

Committee: Elds. D. A. Windham, Bruce Barrow and S. J. Vincent.

Finance Committee: Elds. J. D. Vernelson, M. S. Cowan, J. H. Harris, Leo Tripp and David Wooten. To represent stock in Press: Rev. P. C. Wiggs.

On motion we discontinue the Mission Board and all the money in Mission Treasury be turned over to State Mission Treasurer for Home Missions.

On motion the Credentials Committee be discontinued and their duties to be carried out by the Executive Board.

On motion we accept the Treasurer and Finance Committee's report.

A rising vote of thanks was given Shiloh Church for hospitality shown the conference.

Conference adjourned until time in course.

L. B. Manning, Moderator,
E. C. Hines, Clerk.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

We, your Temperance Committee, beg to make the following report:

1. Intemperance is one of the sins of mankind strongly condemned by the Bible.

2. Therefore, we recommend that this conference go on record as condemning the practice of all forms of intemperance.

3. We recommend further that this conference urge all of its members to abstain from the use of all alcoholic beverages and to use their influence against a general use of such beverages.

4. Furthermore, we would urge our people to refrain from spending their money for intemperate purposes and use it for the betterment of mankind to the glory of God.

5. Realizing the great harm done to society and mankind in general through unclean and immoral practices, we would strongly urge all of our people to conform to the New Testament teaching with respect to moral practices.

Committee:

J. E. Wooten,

P. C. Wiggs.

J. P. Woodard.

REPORT OF ORPHANAGE COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on the Orphanage, find the home in very good condition financially, but operating costs are high and we urge that all churches make Thanksgiving offerings as large as possible.

• Work on the Chapel is moving along, but more funds will be needed to complete the building. We recommend special offerings for the Chapel Fund.

Orphanage Committee:

L. E. Ballard,

M. A. Woodard,

C. L. Patrick.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE EASTERN CONFERENCE

Taking note of the fact that in the past, certain individuals have come before the Examining Board of the Eastern Conference for examination and having failed to pass said examination, they then presented themselves to other Conferences or Associations for their examination and that said Conferences or Associations did proceed to give the applicant an examination, ordained and enrolled said applicant as an ordained minister, after having failed utterly to pass the ordinary examination given by the Eastern Conference. We therefore feel that said Conferences or Associations are not giving to the Eastern Conference the consideration and respect due them in thus taking over and ordaining one whom we feel is not qualified for ordination. Therefore be it Resolved:

1. That we publicly protest such action on the part of any of our Conferences or Associations.

2. We pledge each and every Conference or Association that the Eastern Conference will never allow itself to treat any other Conference or Association in such an unbrotherly way.

3. That we request each Conference and Association to agree with us that such will not occur with us in the future, and we will be true brothers in all our work and relationships.

EDUCATION REPORT

We, your Committee on Education, as we come to the end of our tenure of service, beg to make our final report.

We have not accomplished what we would like to have done but considering all, we have done the best we could.

As previously reported we assisted a young lady to finish school and she is now doing a splendid work on the field.

During this conference year we have held only one Institute. Due to the many handicaps our ministers could not attend so as to justify the effort and therefore it was decided at the last meeting held at Marlboro to use the columns of the Baptist so as to reach a joint meeting with the Executive Committee at which we would hold a closed meeting to discuss things for the good of our cause. The moderator was requested and promised to call said meeting but failed to do so.

There was something in the Baptist pertaining to the study course in its columns that was read by Bro. L. R. Ennis who immediately contacted the chairman of your committee and recommended that we arrange a curriculum to conform to the one in our Bible College at Nashville, Tenn., which we have done. The different subjects agreed on are as follows: Lecture No. 1 Theism, No. 2 The Creation, No. 3 The Fall of Man and the Atonement, No. 4 Salvation, No. 5 The Church and Gospel Ordinances, No. 6 The Bible, the Word of God, and No. 7 The Eschatology.

Lecture one has appeared in the Baptist except the section on the office and work of the Holy Spirit and Unity of the God-head.

Lecture two is at this time in the hands of Miss Wooten, the Assistant Secretary and Stenographer.

We have used \$25.00 of the funds in our hands for rental on typewriter for Miss Wooten to use.

Submitted:

D. A. Windham, Chairman,

C. D. Hamilton,

Levi Hill.

EXECUTIVE SESSION JANUARY 18

The Executive Board of the Central Conference of North Carolina met in Ayden, N. C., January 18, 1946, in a short session and passed the follow-

ing resolution: That we ask the Credentials Committee of the Conference to investigate the activities of our Ministers that are inactive and report at each conference.

Meeting adjourned.

We met again in the home of E. C. Hines on the 18th day of September, E. C. Hines, Rev. L. B. Manning and Rev. N. D. Beaman present. After getting up the program for the next conference, the following motion was passed: That we discontinue the use of the minister's identification cards for the time being.

Meeting adjourned.

Rev. L. B. Manning, Moderator,

E. C. Hines, Clerk.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Amount sent to conferences from churches	\$541.60
Offering for Orphanage	201.10
Total	\$742.70
Disbursed as follows:	
Orphanage collection	\$201.10
Orphanage appropriation	100.00
Unified program	135.40
Clerk	35.00
Minutes	100.00
To Press	7.00
Superannuation	50.00
Missions	50.00
Assembly Ground	64.20
Total Paid Out	742.70
Balance in Treasury	.00

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Counties	Delegates	Died	Rec. by Letter	Baptized	Dismissed	Excommunicated	No. Members	Contribution	Value of Church Property	No. of Minutes
Sweet Gum Grove	Pitt	D. N. Nobles, Jr.	1	2	8			192	\$10.00	\$ 4,000	20
Hickory Grove	Pitt	Fred Jones and wife	2	5	19	4		108	15.00	2,500	20
Black Jack	Pitt	John Dixon and Lester Mills			126			435	25.00	5,000	30
King's X Roads	Pitt	Z. C. Morgan and David Wooten			22			234	20.00	5,000	20
Gum Swamp	Pitt	Ben Harris and J. E. Everette						100	10.00	1,000	30
Bethany	Pitt	B. T. Nobles and wife						175	20.00	10,000	20
Piney Grove	Pitt	J. H. Tucker and N. S. Tyson	2	2	9	1		110	10.00	4,000	15
Marlboro	Pitt	Sisters B. R. Moore and Sam Hobgood			16	2		224	20.00	3,000	25
Reedy Branch	Pitt	R. L. Worthington and wife	6	3	16			390	25.00	6,000	30
Pleasant Hill	Pitt	H. H. Stox and wife	1	3	1			110	5.00	4,000	15
Rose Hill	Pitt	Tom Robinson and John Edwards	7		31			287	15.00	3,000	25
Ayden	Pitt	B. G. Prescott and Mrs. Lenna Parker	1	8	1	5		185	10.00	15,000	20
Winterville	Pitt	J. L. Forlines and Raymond Brock	2	1	3			138	15.00	3,000	20
Elm Grove	Pitt	Sisters Edison Gibson and Elma Beddard	3	1	10			256	10.00	2,000	25
Parkers Chapel	Pitt	D. S. Harris and wife	2	2	19			100	10.00	1,500	15
Greenville	Pitt	Sister W. E. Warren						200	15.00	6,000	25
Sts. Delight	Greene	Edward Bowen and Jesse L. Tripp	4	2	12	11		346	10.00	2,500	30
Free Union	Greene	W. C. and Helen Henson	5	2	6	4		461	25.00	5,000	30
Hull Road	Greene	Z. M. Harrison and Ida Harrison	6	4	11	11		451	40.00	5,000	35
Grimsley	Greene	Roy Graves and B. T. Dail	1	1	8	3		153	15.00	1,500	20
Maury	Greene	H. L. Spivey and wife						98	3.00	1,800	12
Little Creek	Greene	By Letter			2			98	10.00	2,500	12
Harrels Chapel	Greene	David Corbett and Wilbur Bartlett						69	10.00	1,000	12
Friendship	Greene	J. C. Cobb and wife	2	4	5	2		125	15.00	1,000	12
Howel Swamp	Greene	U. L. Jones and G. C. Cobb	4	5	25			146	10.00	3,000	15
Spring Branch	Greene	Ray Doc Gay and Thomas Holloman	2	4	2			237	25.00	2,500	30
Piney Grove	Beaufort	O. Harrison and J. E. Ingalls	1		8			92	5.00	1,000	10
Shiloh	Beaufort	J. E. Foreman and Hassel Ray Osborne	1	3	14	3		305	25.00	2,000	30
Rose of Sharon	Martin	M. S. Cowan and J. C. Mizelle	1		3			75	20.00	1,700	12
Cedar Grove	Martin	Zelbert Cox and wife			1			113	5.00	1,500	12
Dildays Grove	Wilson	By Letter			126			57	5.00	1,500	10
Saratoga	Wilson	W. R. Owens and J. D. Proctor	2		8	4		154	10.00	3,000	20
Aspin Grove	Wilson	J. P. Killbrew and B. C. Goff	3	4	14			125	10.00	2,500	15
Daniels Chapel	Wilson	James Pittman	3		4	2		107	10.00	2,500	15
Hugo	Lenoir	J. E. Smith and wife			14			150	10.00	1,500	15
Dawson Grove	Halifax	H. B. Dickins			5	2		75	10.00	2,000	15
Antioch	Wayne	N. L. and Larry Bartlett	2			3		132	16.25	2,500	15
Watery Branch	Wayne	Sister J. S. Jones			5			74	5.00	2,500	15
Rocky Mount	Edgecombe	Sister D. C. Merrit						38	5.00	3,000	10
Otters Creek	Edgecombe	L. P. Bell and Thad Everette						75	7.00	2,000	15

