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ORDER OF BUSINESS

First Day

10 o'clock A. M., Devotions
Organize.
Read Minutes of Executive Committee.
Introductory sermon.
Dinner.
Devotions.
Enrollment of visitors.
Call list of ministers.
Call list of churches.
Miscellaneous business.
Adjournment.

Second Day

Devotions.
Reading and approval of minutes of first day.
Enrollment of visitors.
Finish calling list of churches.
Committee reports.
Sermon.
Dinner.
Devotions.
Finish committee reports.
Petitions.
Miscellaneous business.
Treasurer's report.
Election of officers (every two years).
Vote of thanks.
Adjournment.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR.

REV. J. C. GRIFFIN, Moderator ----- New Bern, N. C.
REV. CLIFTON RICE, Asst. Moderator ----- Kinston, N. C.
REV. J. W. ALFORD, Clerk ----- Kenly, N. C.
MANLEY MALLARD, Treasurer ----- Trenton, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

REV. LLOYD VERNON, Chairman ----- Kenansville, N. C.
REV. J. W. ALFORD, Clerk ----- Kenly, N. C.
REV. DUFFY TOLER ----- Chocowinity, N. C.
REV. J. C. GRIFFIN ----- New Bern, N. C.
H. M. MALLARD ----- Trenton, N. C.

EXAMINING BOARD:

REV. DUFFY TOLER, Chairman ----- Chocowinity, N. C.
REV. LLOYD VERNON, Secretary ----- Kenansville, N. C.
REV. K. W. GASKILL ----- Sea Level, N. C.
REV. J. W. ALFORD ----- Kenly, N. C.
REV. J. R. BENNETT ----- Bridgeton, N. C.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:

K. W. GASKILL, LLOYD VERNON, DUFFY TOLER, W. A. GASKINS,
H. M. MALLARD

TO REPRESENT THIS ASSOCIATION IN THE MEETINGS OF THE PRINTING COMPANY:

REV. J. R. BENNETT ----- Bridgeton, N. C.
REV. J. W. ALFORD ----- Kenly, N. C.

TRUSTEES:

J. R. BENNETT J. W. ALFORD LLOYD VERNON

LIST OF MINISTERS

I. W. Russell, Beaufort, N. C. (Retired).
L. C. Garner, Newport, N. C., R. 1. (Retired).
J. A. Ringgold, Bridgeton, N. C. (Retired).
B. W. Wells, New Bern, N. C. (Retired).
J. W. Alford, Columbia, N. C.
Duffy Toler, Chocowinity, N. C.
Lloyd Vernon, Kenansville, N. C.
R. C. Kennedy, Beulaville, N. C.
W. B. Everett, New Bern, N. C.
A. C. Austin, Aurora, N. C.
Wesley Price, Seven Springs, N. C.
L. J. Potter, Snead's Ferry, N. C.
J. R. Bennett, Bridgeton, N. C.
F. E. Jones, Kenansville, N. C.
C. L. Bennett, Grantsboro, N. C.
Clifton Rice, Kinston, N. C. Box 216.
D. W. Hansley, Folkstone, N. C.
J. C. Griffin, New Bern, N. C.
H. Pipkin, Mt. Olive, N. C., R-2.—(Retired).
B. F. Ringgold, New Bern, N. C., R. 1.
S. A. Smith, Beulaville, N. C.
J. R. Forest, New Bern, N. C.
Roy Miller, New Bern, N. C.
Kenneth Gaskill, Sea Level, N. C.
Clinton Lupton, Bayboro, N. C.
Sam R. Kennedy, Beulaville, N. C.
Rashie Kennedy, Goldsboro, N. C.
G. W. Gaskill, Sea Level, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

The Fiftieth Annual session of the Eastern Conference of Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened with the church at Wintergreen, Craven County, N. C., on October 24th, 1945.

The opening devotions were conducted by Rev. D. W. Hansley. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. R. Bennett.

The following officers were present: Rev. Lloyd Vernon, Moderator; Rev. Clifton Rice, Assistant Moderator; J. W. Alford, Clerk; Rev. S. A. Smith, Reading Clerk; H. M. Mallard, Treasurer.

The following committees were appointed:

Devotions: D. S. Heath, Sam Kennedy, J. J. Blizzard.

Finance: W. C. Hill, Lemmie Taylor, J. G. Nobles.

Temperance: Rev. W. B. Everett, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, J. E. Harris.

Sabbath Schools: Revs. R. C. Kennedy, J. R. Forrest, Mrs. Alice Lupton.

Ministerial Character: Revs. J. R. Bennett, R. C. Kennedy, S. A. Smith, Bros. John Kornegay, W. A. Gaskins.

To Apportion the Funds: J. W. Alford, J. R. Bennett, W. B. Everett.

On motion we appoint a committee on Nominations.

The following were appointed: D. W. Hansley, J. R. Bennett, W. C. Hill.

The following visitors were recognized:

Western Association: Revs. W. K. Jordan, W. E. Anderson, J. H. Worley.

Central Conference: Revs. R. H. Mason, W. A. Dail, Bruce Barrow.

Cape Fear Conference: Rev. M. L. Johnson.

Albemarle Conference: W. C. Brinson.

Central Conference of Texas: Mrs. H. M. McAdams.

The list of Ministers was called, and absentees noted.

Rev. J. R. Bennett was appointed to write a sketch of the life of Rev. Luke Wetherington for these minutes, and furnish a copy to the family.

On motion a letter was granted to Rev. R. C. Proctor to the Central Conference.

On motion Rev. H. Pipkin was placed on the list of Retired Ministers.

The minutes of the Executive Committee were read as follows:

The Executive Committee of the Eastern Conference of N. C. met at Bridgeton, N. C., on December 19th, 1944, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Present: Lloyd Vernon, Chairman; J. W. Alford, Secretary; Duffy Toler, J. C. Griffin.

Prayer by Bro. Toler.

The matter of Ruth's Chapel was considered, and it was decided by motion that it be left as it is for the present time, and J. R. Bennett and J. C. Griffin be instructed to investigate, and find out what we have there, and everything that is important relating to the church, and report to the next Conference.

On motion the Clerk be instructed to write each church which failed to represent at the last Conference, urging them to represent in the future sessions.

On motion we adjourn.

On motion these minutes were adopted.

On motion the matter of Ruth's Chapel be continued in the hands of the Executive Committee for final disposition.

On motion the \$350.00 held in reserve by the Treasurer for Education be released, and a supplement of \$150.00 be appropriated, making the total \$500.00, and the Treasurer be instructed to mail a check to the Bible College for the same.

The following Resolution from the State Association was presented:

RESOLUTION

Whereas, many of our ministers reside, and often have occasion to be temporarily, outside the bounds or jurisdiction of the Conference or Association of which they are members, and

Whereas, because of the weakness of the flesh and human nature, some of them are sometimes accused of unsound doctrine, while others are accused of unchristian conduct; and

Whereas, if such accusations are made outside of the bounds of the Conference or Association of which the accused is a member, we find it next to impossible to develop the facts in the case, to the end that justice may be done the cause and the accused; and

Whereas, because of these failures in the past, we have had to pass by incidents and charges incident thereto, thereby doing the cause an injustice, and bringing reproach upon the rest of the Ministry;

Therefore be it Resolved:

1st. That each and every Conference or Association assume and exercise authority over the Free Will Baptist ministers in their jurisdiction or bounds, whether their presence in the bounds of said Conference or Association be permanent or temporary.

2nd. That if there be accusations of any kind against any minister while in the bounds or jurisdiction of another Conference or Association, then this Conference or Association where the alleged offense occurs shall have power and authority to bring the accused to trial in the way accepted and approved by the Conference or Association in dealing with their own wayward ministers, and if the accused is found guilty of the charges or allegations, they shall have power and authority to impose such penalty as they may think proper, and in accord with the teaching of the Holy Bible.

3rd. When a minister has thus been dealt with, it shall be the duty of the Trial Board, if such is used, or the Conference or Association giving the accused a trial, to report the result of their action to the Conference or Association of which the accused is a member, and that Body shall accept the verdict and judgment as though the action had taken place by their own Body.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Rev. J. C. Griffin made an announcement concerning the Year Book for the Woman's Auxiliary.

Owing to the illness of Rev. Duffy Toler, Rev. J. C. Griffin was appointed to act for him with the Examining Board.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. S. A. Smith at 11 o'clock.

Text: 1 John 1: 9; Subject: "Going Back to God." After the sermon, we called off for dinner.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

After a very fine dinner, we re-assembled for business.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. Sam Kennedy. Prayer by Rev. Clifton Rice.

The Committee on Devotions reported: Tonight, Rev. Roy Miller open, and Rev. B. F. Ringold preach. Tomorrow: Rev. R. C. Kennedy open, and Rev. J. H. Worley preach.

The list of churches was called at this time.

On motion Sidney be dropped from the list of churches, it having taken membership in the Albemarle Conference, and a letter be issued to the church to this effect.

On motion the new church at Jacksonville be placed on the list of churches.

On motion the Mission at Verona be enrolled on the list of churches.

Rev. Rashie Kennedy called attention to the Assembly Grounds, and called on Mrs. L. E. Ballard to present its purpose to us, which she did in a most appealing manner. Several also spoke about the proposition.

On motion we close until tomorrow, 9 o'clock A. M. Conference to open with 30 minutes devotions to be conducted by Rev. R. C. Kennedy.

Closing exercise by Rev. J. R. Bennett.

THURSDAY MORNING

The Conference met at the appointed time, and was opened according to previous arrangement.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion the Executive Committee look into the Russell's Creek and Oriental churches situation, and help them in any way possible.

A letter from Rev. L. C. Garner was read and referred to the committee on Appropriations.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Realizing that the church is facing one of the greatest crises, and is being given the most vital challenge in its history, because of the recent great conflict that has been keenly felt around the world, and in which the youth of our country has engaged—thousands of them sacrificing their lives for the freedom we now enjoy, and WHEREAS, we owe to them who have fallen, and to those who are coming home, the best that is ours to give, through our Lord Jesus Christ, in presenting to them through our Sabbath Schools and other organizations of our Church, the fundamental principles of the Christian religion, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

First—That we give more earnest and prayerful consideration to their spiritual needs, in the selection of the officers and teachers of our Sabbath Schools, that they be men and women of deep consecration, with an appre-

ciative sense of their responsibilities in the teaching and training of the youth of our church, as well as holding out encouragement to those who have done so much for us.

Second—That we study more diligently to “Show ourselves approved workmen,” in order that we may be able to lead others, and to be an inspiration to the youth to espouse the cause of Christ and His righteousness.

Third—That the Officers and teachers of our Sabbath Schools make an honest effort to instill in our youth, the value of time, punctuality, prepared lessons, tithing, Bible study, and the need of co-operation, and that the Sabbath School is an organization to teach and to train them in Christian living and service.

Fourth—Above all else, may we live lives before our youth in the home, in the School and in the church, that will inspire their confidence, and enable them to be obedient to the will of Christ who said, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers’ of men.” Matt. 4: 18.

Alice E. Lupton,
A. C. Kennedy,
J. R. Forrest,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard made a very glowing report of the work at the Orphanage, and after the sermon at 11 o’clock an offering was taken for the Home amounting to \$126.00.

On motion a Board of three Trustees for this conference be elected to receive and hold title to properties for this Conference. This election to be for life, or until their successors in office have been elected. The following were elected Trustees: Revs. J. R. Bennett, J. W. Alford, Lloyd Vernon.

The committee on Ministerial Character reported as follows: In compliance with the Resolution passed at Whaley’s Chapel two years ago, we recommend that the names of F. R. Williams and John Davenport be dropped from the list of ordained ministers.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion Rev. Lloyd Vernon notify Bro. John Davenport of this action and demand his license and credentials; also Rev. J. R. Bennett notify Bro. F. R. Williams, and demand his license and credentials.

Rev. M. L. Johnson made the report below on Superannuation:

Report of the N. C. Board of Superannuation to the 1945 Session of the
Eastern N. C. Conference

September 30, 1944 to October 1, 1945

1. Total Receipts from this District -----\$637.89

This amount was given by the following groups:

Churches -----	\$327.29
Women’s Auxiliaries -----	120.65
Sunday School Work -----	37.00
Individuals -----	13.50

Union Meetings -----	39.45
Conference -----	100.00
Total -----	\$637.89

2.—Two of your Ministers now have Insurance Policies issued through the National Board of Superannuation. One application is now pending. Others may make application for this Insurance by contacting the Chairman-Treasurer of this Board.

3.—We ask you to help us reach our Goal for this year, which is \$5,000.00 for the State. We are asking each Church to try to raise 25c per member. An Honor Roll of all who raise the 25c per member will be published in the Baptist.

M. L. Johnson, Chairman-Treasurer.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion the name of Mrs. M. C. Prescott be placed back on the list of widows of deceased ministers.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After a bountiful dinner we re-assembled. Devotions were conducted by Rev. K. W. Gaskill.

The committee on Temperance reported as follows:

TEMPERANCE

Much has been said and written down through the ages on the curse of strong drink and intemperate habits.

With all the calamities that have befallen us as a nation, through the years, perhaps there has been none more deadly, or destructive to the human race than the curse of drink.

The Prophet Habakkuk says in chapter 2: 15, "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also—," and again, "Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and establisheth a city in iniquity."

INASMUCH as we are not ignorant of the debauchery, degradation and the criminal activities of the race through the indulgence of strong drink, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

First—That we, as individuals, as a church and as a conference, hereby determine, with the Lord's help, to abstain from intemperance in any form, and that we teach others to "Touch not, taste not, handle not; which all are to perish with the using," and that we stand out strongly against all forms of intemperance.

Second—Realizing from past experiences that the drink habit cannot, or has not been wholly controlled by legislation, we recommend a systematic method of education for our youth, through our Sunday Schools, Leagues and if possible, secure the interest and assistance of the Parent Teacher's organizations in behalf of this training, that the boys and girls of this, and coming generations may have the right knowledge of the effect and influ-

ence on their bodies, which were created as a temple for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and of its final loss of the most precious possession they have, the eternal loss of the soul.

Third—That our Ministers and Pastors be requested to preach at least, one sermon each quarter, on the evils of intemperance, and urge their people to a more definite and concentrated effort in upholding the teachings of the Bible relative to Christian conduct, and that they refrain from placing men or women in office whom they know to be favorable to the liquor traffic in any form.

W. B. Everett,
Mrs. J. J. Blizzard,
Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

Petitions for the next Conference were from Smith's New Home and Arapahoe. By vote it was ordered held at Smith's New Home. J. W. Alford was selected to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. J. R. Bennett alternate.

On motion the officers be elected from the floor, and the committee on Nominations be discharged.

The following officers were elected:

Rev. Lloyd Vernon, Moderator; Rev. Clifton Rice, Assistant Moderator; J. W. Alford, Clerk; H. M. Mallard, Treasurer.

On motion Revs. Duffy Toler and J. C. Griffin be elected to succeed themselves on the Executive Committee.

On motion the same Grievance committee be elected.

On motion J. R. Bennett and J. W. Alford continue to represent this Conference in the meetings of the Press.

On motion we extend to this church and community a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality during this session.

At this time a special prayer by Rev. J. C. Griffin was offered for Revs. Duffy Toler, L. C. Garner, B. W. Wells, H. Pipkin and Bro. John Daugherty, who were reported very sick.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin made report of the use of the money given by this Conference for the Anna Phillips Loan Fund.

Delegates to the various bodies were appointed as follows:

Central: J. C. Griffin.

Western: D. W. Hansley.

Cape Fear: J. R. Forrest.

Pee Dee: S. A. Smith.

Albemarle: J. W. Alford.

National Association: Mrs. Alice Lupton.

State Association: W. C. Hill, J. J. Benson, R. R. Jones, E. M. Prescott, H. C. Mallard, C. J. Heath, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Mrs. J. C. Griffin.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

Disbursements

Duffy Toler ----- \$ 3.60

Lloyd Vernon	3.00
J. W. Alford	50.85
L. H. Wetherington	150.00
J. A. Ringgold	20.00
Mrs. G. W. Kennedy	20.00
Chapel Fund, Orphanage	431.19
James A. Evans, Orphanage	500.00
Mrs. Lucy Daughtery	20.00
Mrs. L. C. Garner	60.00
J. R. Davidson, Educational Fund	200.00
B. W. Wells	50.00
H. Pipkin	25.00
Mrs. D. B. Garner	20.00
Superannuation	100.00
Church Finance Association	100.00
Young People Assembly Ground	100.00
Free Will Baptist Press, Tract Fund	22.50
R. C. Kennedy, refund	15.00
Flowers for L. H. Wetherington	10.00
Free Will Baptist Press	75.00
National Association Fee	5.00
Foreign Missions	100.00
Home Missions	50.00
Treasurer fee	20.00
Total paid out	\$2,151.14
Grand Total on hand last session	\$3,133.72
Received since last session:	
Welcome Home	5.00
White Hill	15.00
Total	\$3,153.72
Total paid out	2,151.14
Balance in Bank	\$1,017.58
Orphanage Collection	126.00
Received today	1,509.87
Grand Total	\$2,653.45

H. M. Mallard, Treasurer.

On motion the report was adopted.

Requests were made from several brethren for the churches to make larger donations to the Conference.

The committee on Appropriations reported as follows:

We have on hand to apportion	\$2,653.45
For minutes	75.00

Clerk's fee -----	35.00
Orphanage -----	1,100.00
Educational fund -----	500.00
Treasurer's fee -----	20.00
L. C. Garner -----	60.00
J. A. Ringgold -----	20.00
B. W. Wells -----	50.00
H. Pipkin -----	25.00
Six widows, \$20.00 each -----	120.00
Foreign Missions -----	75.00
Home Missions -----	75.00
Assembly Ground -----	250.00
National Association fee -----	5.00
Expense of delegates -----	25.00
Superannuation -----	100.00
Expenses Executive Committee -----	35.50
Church Finance Association -----	50.00
Anna Phillips Loan Fund -----	25.00
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Total apportioned -----	\$2,645.50
Balance on hand -----	\$ 7.95

On motion the report was adopted.

Rev. W. B. Everett addressed the Conference on the importance of pastoral visitation.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

On motion Conference closed.

The closing exercise was conducted by Rev. Rashie Kennedy.

Rev. Lloyd Vernon, Moderator,
Rev. Clifton Rice, Assistant, Moderator,
J. W. Alford, Clerk,
Rev. S. A. Smith, Reading Clerk.

CHURCH LETTER

To the Eastern Original Free Will Baptist Conference to be held with the church at Smith's New Home, Lenoir County, N. C., commencing on Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1946.

We, the church at _____
County, N. C., send our beloved brethren _____
_____ as delegates to your honorable body.

The condition of our church is as follows: Died_____, Received by letter_____, Baptized_____, Dismissed_____, Transferred_____, Excommunicated_____, Whole number of members_____, Contribution \$_____.

Elder _____ was our pastor from 19____ to _____ 19____ and filled _____ of his appointments. Eld. _____ is our present pastor.

Clerk.
Post Office _____, N. C.

WRITE PETITION BELOW IF CONFERENCE IS WANTED

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES

Craven County

Core Creek, S. W. McCoy, Jr., Cove City, N. C.
Gethsemane, C. J. Hines, New Bern, N. C., R. 2.
Antioch, J. M. Tyndal, New Bern, N. C., R. 1.
Brices Creek, Mrs. Nellie Potter, New Bern, N. C., R. 4.
Juniper Chapel, Mildred Stilley, Vanceboro, N. C.
Spring Hope, Mrs. Bessie Banks, New Bern, N. C., R. 1.
Macedonia, Miss Anna B. Franks, Vanceboro, N. C.
Wintergreen, A. B. Tillman, Cove City, N. C.
Sts. Delight, Mrs. Earl Hanson, Bridgeton, N. C.
Moseley's Creek, Mrs. Carrie Norris, Dover, N. C.
Reunion Chapel, E. C. Laughinghouse, Vanceboro, N. C.
Palmetta Chapel, Snodie Lewis, Vanceboro, N. C.
Bridgeton, Grover C. Pate, Bridgeton, N. C.
Lane's Chapel, F. H. Gaskins, Vanceboro, N. C.
Oak Grove, Mrs. M. W. Barrow, Vanceboro, N. C.
New Haven, C. H. Toler, 141 Broad St., New Bern, N. C.
Ruth's Chapel, Katie Bell Morris, New Bern, N. C., R. 2.
St. Mary's, U. W. Daugherty, New Bern, N. C., Box 984.

Wayne County

Northeast, Mark Mazingo, Dudley, N. C.
Indian Springs, Mrs. F. C. Kilpatrick, Mt. Olive, N. C.
Grant's Chapel, Mrs. S. M. Davenport, Seven Springs, N. C.
May's Chapel, Mrs. A. E. Rouse, Dudley, N. C.

Duplin County

Sarecta, Wilbert A. Jones, Kenansville, N. C.
Piney Grove, Paul Lee, Deep Run, N. C.
Sandy Plain, Joel Kennedy, Pink Hill, N. C.
Rooty Branch, Mrs. Arthur Outlaw, Mt. Olive, N. C.
Beulaville, Eugene L. Exum, Beulaville, N. C.
Pearsalls Chapel, Daisy J. Wells, Kenansville, N. C.
Snow Hill, Mrs. Rotha Reardon, Mt. Olive, N. C.
Bethlehem, L. E. Jones, Chinquapin, N. C.
Lanier's Chapel, J. H. Dail, Chinquapin, N. C.
Long Ridge, John Kornegay, Mt. Olive, N. C.
Cabin, Tobie Mercer, Beulaville, N. C.

Lenoir County

Christian Chapel, J. B. Hill, Deep Run, N. C.
British Chapel, Mrs. Willie D. Bogey, Kinston, N. C., R. 3, Box 126.
Woodington, Mrs. Elbert Potter, Kinston, N. C.
Daileys Chapel, Willie T. Shiver, Seven Springs, N. C.
Kinston, Jessie B. Taylor, Snow Hill, N. C.
White Oak Grove, Ben D. Herring, LaGrange, N. C., R. 3.
Smith's New Home, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Deep Run, N. C.

Deep Run, Mrs. John Harper, Deep Run, N. C.
Gray Branch, Elwood Harper, Deep Run, N. C.

Carteret County

Holly Springs, Jessie W. Fulcher, Newport, N. C.
Sound View, Elmer Garner, Newport, N. C.
South River, Willie Pittman, Lukens, N. C.
Beaufort, Mrs. W. H. Kirk, Beaufort, N. C.
Free Union, Norman Gaskill, Sea Level, N. C.
Welcome Home, Mary A. Gillikin, Beaufort, N. C.
Morehead City, H. P. Scripture, Morehead City, N. C.
Pilgrims Rest, Mrs. Gladys Lupton, Lola, N. C.
Russell's Creek, L. L. Springle, Beaufort, N. C.
Davis Shore, Leslie Styron, Davis, N. C.
St. John's Chapel, Wilbert Lewis, Stacy, N. C.
Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Theodore Jones, Newport, N. C.
Edwards Chapel, Mrs. B. G. Hardy, Merrimon, N. C.

Pamlico County

Arapahoe, Mrs. Fanny Tyndall, Arapahoe, N. C.
Bethel, Fred Silverthorn, Whortonsville, N. C.
Trent, Mrs. W. H. Harris, Merritt, N. C.
Mt. Zion, R. B. Newton, Cash Corner, N. C.
Oriental, Mrs. Minnie Goodwin, Oriental, N. C.
Warden's Grove, W. T. Campen, Lowland, N. C.
Rock of Zion, E. M. Prescott, New Bern, N. C., R-1.
New Bethlehem, H. S. Price, Grantsboro, N. C.

Beaufort County

Union Chapel, J. R. Downs, Chocowinity, N. C.
Dublin Grove, David Mayo, Royal, N. C.
White Hill, Jesse E. Cayton, Aurora, N. C.
Core Point Chapel, W. J. Smithwick, Blounts Creek, N. C.
Smyrna, H. L. Edwards, Blounts Creek, N. C.
Ephesus, Nathaniel Cox, Blounts Creek, N. C.
Pamlico Chapel, W. W. Potter, Ransomville, N. C.
Mt. Olive, James L. Jarvis, South Creek, N. C.

Jones County

Friendship, H. M. Mallard, Trenton, N. C.
Whaley's Chapel, J. I. Sanderson, Richlands, N. C.
Pilgrim Home, W. G. Ipock, Dover, N. C.

Onslow County

Folkstone, Mrs. C. B. Hansley, 1206 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C.
Mt. Zion, George Mercer, Beulaville, N. C.
Snead's Ferry, Sudie Mae Brown, Snead's Ferry, N. C.
Jacksonville, J. K. Rhodes, Jacksonville, N. C.
Verona Mission.

Names of Churches	County	Delegates	Died	Received	Baptized	Dismissed	Transferred	Excom.	No. Members	Contribution
Core Creek	Craven	Mrs. W. C. Sutton, Mrs. R. B. Heath	1	0	1	0	2	0	282	\$147.00
Gethsemane	Craven	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.00
Antioch	Craven	W. A. Gaskins, Mrs. Lizzie Gaskins	1	0	0	0	3	0	82	21.00
Brice's Creek	Craven	By Pastor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.00
Juniper Chapel	Craven	Madison Fillingame, Stephen Powers	1	1	2	2	0	0	85	5.00
Spring Hope	Craven	Mrs. Hannie Powers, Mrs. L. H. Banks	0	0	1	0	0	0	55	9.00
Macedonia	Craven	Hardy Willis, Mrs. Ralph Spruill	2	0	10	1	0	0	278	50.00
Wintergreen	Craven	W. D. McCoy, D. G. Heath	2	0	6	0	4	0	132	36.50
St. Mary's	Craven	T. R. Flowers, Mrs. Alice Lupton	3	6	6	4	0	3	333	100.00
Sts. Delight	Craven	J. R. Rice, Earl Hansen	4	0	0	0	0	0	87	20.00
Moseley's Creek	Craven	By Letter	0	0	5	0	0	0	145	50.00
Reunion Chapel	Craven	Ed Skinner and wife	0	1	1	0	0	0	99	10.00
Palmetta Chapel	Craven	G. W. Buck	0	4	16	3	0	0	144	25.00
Bridgeton	Craven	By Pastor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lane's Chapel	Craven	By Letter	1	1	13	0	3	0	149	25.00
Oak Grove	Craven	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Haven	Craven	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ruth's Chapel	Craven	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northeast	Wayne	J. A. and Bob Whitman	0	0	4	0	1	0	88	5.00
Indian Springs	Wayne	Wilbur Kilpatrick and wife	1	0	4	0	0	0	79	13.50
Grant's Chapel	Wayne	S. M. Davenport, Floyd Williams	3	1	18	0	0	0	98	10.00
May's Chapel	Wayne	Mrs. May Rouse	0	1	3	0	0	0	23	6.00
Sarecta	Duplin	W. A. Jones, J. J. Benson	1	0	0	1	0	0	148	20.00
Piney Grove	Duplin	Paul Lee and wife	2	0	0	2	0	0	165	12.00
Sandy Plain	Duplin	C. Sumner, Joel Kennedy	0	0	4	1	4	0	131	29.00
Rooty Branch	Duplin	By Pastor	1	0	4	1	1	0	62	10.00
Beulaville	Duplin	E. L. Exum, J. J. Williams	1	1	9	0	0	0	154	38.50
Pearsall's Chapel	Duplin	By Letter	1	0	10	0	0	0	98	10.00
Snow Hill	Duplin	W. C. Hill	1	0	4	0	0	0	99	18.00
Bethlehem	Duplin	Furnie Wood, Alvis Fountain	1	0	3	4	0	0	106	21.12
Lanier's Chapel	Duplin	By Letter	0	0	0	1	0	0	80	10.00
Long Ridge	Duplin	John Kornegay and wife	0	0	14	4	0	0	86	8.15
Cabin	Duplin	Roy Kennedy, Frankie Mercer	1	0	4	1	0	0	99	15.00
Christian Chapel	Lenoir	Annie L. Herndon, T. J. Grady	2	1	7	0	0	0	87	34.10
Daniel's Chapel	Lenoir	J. E. Harris, J. B. Taylor	0	2	21	0	0	0	101	40.00
Kinston	Lenoir	J. J. Blizzard, J. G. Nobles	3	0	15	0	1	0	252	52.50
Smith's New Home	Lenoir	Mrs. Carrie Hill, Mrs. Gurnie Sims	2	0	4	0	1	0	102	10.00
Deep Run	Lenoir	A. C. Deaver and wife	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gray Branch	Lenoir	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White Oak Grove	Lenoir	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Holly Springs	Carteret	Roy Garner, C. P. Pringle	3	0	4	1	0	0	135	30.00
Sound View	Carteret	Mrs. L. L. Hall, Mrs. Joe Barnes	0	0	3	0	0	0	23	18.00
South River	Carteret	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beaufort	Carteret	C. A. Robinson, Julius Dunn	1	5	6	2	0	0	99	10.00
Free Union	Carteret	G. W. Gaskill	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	5.00
Welcome Home	Carteret	By Letter	3	0	3	0	0	0	55	10.00
Morehead City	Carteret	Mrs. Caddie Willis, Mrs. Clara Wade	0	4	8	0	0	0	98	28.00
Pilgrim's Rest	Carteret	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russell's Creek	Carteret	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Davis Shore	Carteret	By Letter	2	0	1	0	0	0	165	20.00
St. John's Chapel	Carteret	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mt. Pleasant	Carteret	By Letter	0	1	2	0	0	0	31	3.50
Edward's Chapel	Carteret	By Letter	2	4	10	0	0	0	75	10.00
Arapahoe	Pamlico	W. J. Rawls, Beatrice Andrews	1	1	2	4	0	0	258	40.00
Bethel	Pamlico	Fred Silverthorne and wife	0	0	2	0	0	0	124	32.50
Trent	Pamlico	I. W. Swindell	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	10.00
Mt. Zion	Pamlico	S. C. Robbins and wife	5	0	0	0	1	0	115	30.00
Rock of Zion	Pamlico	E. M. Prescott, David Purifoy	3	0	5	0	0	0	208	10.00
Oriental	Pamlico	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Warden's Grove	Pamlico	F. A. Lewis, W. T. Campen	0	0	1	0	0	0	48	25.00
New Bethlehem	Pamlico	T. L. Boyd and wife	1	0	8	3	0	0	114	5.00
Union Chapel	Beaufort	N. A. Dixon, James Buck	9	1	16	0	3	0	536	122.00
Dublin Grove	Beaufort	Mrs. W. S. Hudnell, Mrs. D. T. Mayo	6	0	3	0	0	0	174	26.00
White Hill	Beaufort	By Letter	0	0	1	2	0	0	150	15.00
Core Point Chapel	Beaufort	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smyrna	Beaufort	R. L. Rowe, Walachi Jones	1	2	7	2	0	0	135	12.50
Bethlehem	Beaufort	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ephesus	Beaufort	Nathaniel Cox	2	0	1	2	0	0	86	14.00
Mt. Olive	Beaufort	By Letter	3	0	0	0	0	0	12	5.00
Friendship	Jones	H. C. Mallard and wife	1	1	0	0	0	0	201	50.00
Whaley's Chapel	Jones	Lemmie and Parker Taylor	3	0	1	0	1	0	214	20.00
Pilgrim's Home	Jones	E. G. Andrews, F. C. Ipock	0	0	9	0	0	0	116	9.00
Folkstone	Onslow	M. V. Hines	1	0	9	0	0	0	108	20.00
Mt. Zion	Onslow	By Letter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Snead's Ferry	Onslow	Randolph Rouse, Clifton Parker	1	3	4	3	0	0	37	7.00
Jacksonville	Onslow	Mrs. J. K. Rhodes, Mrs. M. C. Smith	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	12.00
Verona Mission	Onslow	N. E. Foy	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.00



MINUTES
of the
Women's Auxiliary Convention
of the
Eastern Conference
IN ITS ANNUAL SESSION MEETING
with the
WINTERGREEN FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 1945.

PROCEEDINGS

The Eastern Auxiliary Convention met with Wintergreen Church, Thursday, March 22, 1945.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin led the devotions, using as her Scripture lesson, Phil. 1: 1-8. The Theme for the day, "Ambassadors for Christ."

Greetings were given by Mrs. Lee Bryan, of the local church, with response by Mrs. S. A. Smith.

The President's message was very impressive, as she urged that the delegates be very attentive and earnest and co-operate with the work of the Convention in every way possible.

The following Committees were appointed:

Finance: Mrs. Cal Sawyer, Treasurer; Mrs. Louise Bedsworth, Mrs. J. H. Oglesby, Mrs. Sam Kennedy.

Resolutions: Mrs. J. R. Bennett, Mrs. Maggie Daniels, Mrs. W. T. Thigpen.

Petitions: Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. Mary Hunnings, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard.

Reports of the First and Fifth Vice-Presidents were given at this time and were very encouraging. (See table of Reports.)

Rev. J. A. Evans gave a very glowing and inspiring talk on the Orphanage work, saying in part that an Education Loan Fund had been started for the boys, and that it would mean that our Anna Phillips Loan Fund can now be used exclusively for girls. Mr. Evans spoke very highly of Burkett Raper, who is now in College, and doing well. He also gave encouraging news regarding the Chapel, and said they hoped to be able to start on the building some time soon. He reported that Chaplain Chester Pelt donates \$10.00 per month to help provide preaching services at the Orphanage, and he and his wife had taken membership with the Orphanage Church. He thanked Mrs. Stilley, Orphanage Director, for her interest and her splendid work in behalf of the Orphanage, and for the support and co-operation the Convention, or District, is rendering.

Reports were heard from the 2nd and 4th Vice-Presidents, also from Field Worker. Mrs. Bedsworth, the 4th Vice-President, said, in making her report on Stewardship, that she was setting a "goal of 500 Tithers for our District in the next year, and stressed the fact that "we must work to show ourselves approved of God in Tithes and Offerings, as well as in other phases of the kingdom work."

Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Representative of the Orphanage, made some very timely remarks about the "Needs" of the Orphanage, at present, and said that the funds were not yet in hand for the stove they planned to purchase, and urged that we go home and bring the matter before our Auxiliaries and help raise the balance needed.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin gave a talk on The Co-Labourer's Band, and its purpose, and that we should be as co-operative as possible in helping to reach the goal, as set by the National Auxiliary Convention of 1944.

Mrs. J. R. Bennett, 2nd Vice-President, gave an inspirational talk on Christian Education, stressing the need of "good reading matter, Home training, Vacation Bible Schools, The League and Sunday School activities, and wholesome recreation for the youth of our church." She said, "The world is training our youth in the wrong way, and that the Church owes to our Young People all the things she had mentioned, then why not open our eyes to the fact that we owe them a debt, and that we should be honest, and pay this debt. She also commented on the great work being done through the Anna Phillips Loan Fund, gave some needs of the Bible College at Nashville, Tenn., and recommended the purchase of certain books for the School, namely, two Hasting Encyclopedia and First Americana. A Free Will Offering was taken to be used for one of these.

Rev. Robt. Crawford, Field Secretary of the National Association, was present, and give some encouraging information on the Mission Field in Cuba, saying in part, that "a goal for \$40,000 had been set for foreign missions this year, that we had five full time Ministers, ten lay workers, ten preaching points, five churches to be organized, 200 members to be baptized, one Bible School in operation, and many other activities," and that they are in need of still more workers.

Mrs. Marie Hyatt, of Missouri, brought the Convention Message, using for her Theme, "Ambassadors for Christ"; Text II Cor. 5: 20. She emphasized the fact that the Lord Jesus is depending on us to bear the Gospel message to a lost world, and that He had entrusted to us a great privilege of love and service. She brought out that "the world is suffering a great Spiritual famine," and that "through the stewardship of the Gospel of Christ, can men be fed and brought to a knowledge of His saving grace."

The Nominating Committee was named as follows: Mrs. E. W. Turnage, Mrs. Earl Hansen, Mrs. S. A. Smith.

The Secretary, Mrs. Lupton, made a few remarks on the great need of prayer, and said that in her home Church they had a "Prayer Band," who met each Monday afternoon in three parts of the town, all praying in unity for our Service boys and girls, for a speedy victory, and that we strive to put the faith we profess in God into action, that we may have more faith." She said that while our boys were fighting and dying for our American freedom, that we could be a wonderful part of the war effort by our prayers.

Rev. J. Randall Bennett made an impressive talk on the need of earnest prayer for volunteers in the service of the Lord, and gave as his reason, the great scarcity of preachers. He spoke very feelingly of Brother J. C. Griffin's illness, and a special prayer was offered for him.

At 1 p. m., Standard Time, we adjourned for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock, with devotions led by Mrs. Bruce Barrow, who read the 91st Psalm, and dedicated the service to our Armed Forces around the world, closing with the singing of "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me."

Business Session

The minutes of the morning were read and approved.

Rev. David Hansley, of Folkstone spoke in behalf of the new Church at Jacksonville, giving plan of work and their enthusiasm and loyalty in the erection of their building. He asked the prayers of all in their behalf, together with any material aid they could render.

Short talks were made in behalf of Missions by Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. Rhodes, the President, and Mrs. Lupton.

The Committee on Petitions reported that two churches had asked for the September session of the Convention, one from Whaley's Chapel, the other from Macedonia. Brief talks were made in behalf of each, by their representatives, Revs. S. A. Smith, and J. R. Bennett, pastors. By vote, Whaley's Chapel won, and the next session will be held with that church.

The Nominating Committee made the following report: That Mrs. Walter Rhodes be re-elected President; Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, Secretary; Mrs. Cal Sawyer, Treasurer; and Mesdames J. J. Blizzard, 1st Vice-President, J. R. Bennett, 2nd Vice-President, J. C. Griffin, 3rd Vice-President (new), Louise Bedsworth, 4th Vice-President, S. A. Smith, 5th Vice-President (new), Mrs. Ed Smith, 6th Vice-President. On motion the report be accepted, and these officers were elected by a standing vote.

The report of the Finance Committee was given and on motion, was received as read.

The Treasurer's report showed a marked increase since the last Convention, and it was moved and carried that it be received.

The following delegates were appointed to the various Conventions, with instructions that should they fail to attend, that they send greetings from this Convention: Rock Fish, Mrs. Walter Carter; Central, Mrs. Bruce Barrow; Western, Mrs. Sam Kennedy; Cape Fear, Mrs. J. R. Bennett; Pee Dee, Mrs. Herbert White; State Convention, Mrs. Alice E. Lupton; National Auxiliary Convention, Mrs. J. H. Oglesby; The Albemarle, Mrs. J. C. Griffin.

At this time the President called on the Ministers present for short talks, to which the following responded: Revs. Barrow, Smith, Jones, Evans, Bennett, and Griffin. Mr. Griffin was rather feeble from his recent illness, but he praised the Lord for raising him up and giving him the privilege of attending the Convention.

Mrs. Lucy Daugherty, one of the pioneers in the work, was invited to address the Convention, which she did, and gave an interesting talk on the work of former days.

Rev. Crawford rendered a fine report on the progress of the Bible College, giving statistics as to its financial condition, its Staff of officers and teachers, and number of students enrolled and other items of interest. He also informed the Convention that Miss Laura Belle Barnard had sailed for India, to resume her work there, and that there was a crying need of helpers, to go to her.

There was a motion that a rising vote of thanks and appreciation be tendered the local church and community, for its gracious hospitality and

co-operation during the day. Motion carried, and the congregation stood in accord with the motion.

There being no other business, the meeting closed with singing and prayer.

Mrs. Walter Rhodes, President,
Alice E. Lupton, Secretary.

REPORTS

Fourteen Churches reported active Auxiliaries, with a total membership of 370, average attendance 212. Number taking the Baptist Paper, 203, the Gem, 19. One Auxiliary reported taking the Orphanage paper, The Young People's Friend. Pieces of religious literature distributed, 25,951. Temperance programs given, 11.

Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, 1st Vice-President.

12 Societies reported activities. Donations to Students, \$5.00. Amount on Anna Phillips Loan Fund, \$60.00. Number of Vacation Bible Schools conducted, 3. Number of Young People's Organizations and activities conducted, 4; Study classes conducted for our youth, 4; No. daily Bible readers among the Youth 98; Studies in the Manual of Methods conducted, 1.

Mrs. J. R. Bennett, 2nd Vice-President.

Fifteen societies reporting; 22 Mission programs given; 12 mission services sponsored; 2 societies joined the 9 o'clock Prayer Band; 8 societies kept the National week of Prayer; The sum of \$78.00 was reported as raised for the Co-Labourer's Band. One society reported a Bible study class; Amount received for Home Missions, \$138.80, Foreign Missions, \$215.30. Total, amount raised and reported \$354.10.

Mrs. H. C. Barnes, 3rd Vice-President.

Nineteen societies reported on Stewardship. Number of talks made, 23. Number of programs given, 22. Number of classes conducted, 12. Average attendance at classes, 91. Number of Tithers, 127. Books studied: "Stewardship in the Life of Youth"; "Money Grows On Trees"; "The Larger Stewardship," and "Stewardship Applied in Missions."

Louise Bedsworth, 4th Vice-President.

Number of Auxiliaries reporting on the Orphanage work, 17; Number orphans adopted 9; Monthly donors 5; Cash given and reported, \$648.10. Commodities given and reported, amounted to \$80.00. Total amount reported \$728.10.

If all societies had reported their activities, we could have rendered a much larger and more satisfactory report.

Mrs. Ruby Stilley, 5th Vice-President.

From September, 1944, to March, 1945, St. Mary's Auxiliary, for Christmas gifts to Retired Ministers, \$50.00. Other Auxiliaries for Superannuation, \$184.75. Total amount raised, \$234.75. Sent to Rev. M. L. Johnson, \$184.75.

Mrs. Ed Smith, 6th Vice-President.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Total amount received at this Convention -----	\$100.85
Special offering for the Orphanage -----	38.32

Total amount received -----	\$139.17
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Appropriations

Orphanage -----	\$ 38.32
Clothing for adopted child -----	30.00
Expense of Secretary -----	14.50
Expense of Executive Committee -----	2.00
For Christian Education -----	20.00
For Foreign Missions -----	15.00
For Home Missions -----	7.50
For Superannuation -----	5.00
Church at Jacksonville -----	10.00

Total amount -----	\$142.32
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Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in Treasury from last Convention -----	\$ 15.79
Received at this Convention -----	100.85
Free Will Offering for the Orphanage -----	38.32

Total amount -----	\$154.96
Total amount paid out at this Convention -----	\$142.32

Balance on hand at this Convention -----	\$ 12.64
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Mrs. Cal Sawyer, Treasurer.

PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER, 1945, SESSION OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT

Theme for the day: "How May We Help to Bring America to Christ?"

The Convention met with Whaley's Chapel church, Thursday, September 20th, 1945, in its semi-annual session.

Mrs. Bruce Barrow led the devotional service, dedicating it in honor of our Service boys and girls, and the great victory they have won in the recent global war. Also a fitting tribute was offered in behalf of those who will not return, because of the supreme sacrifice made in giving their lives for their country.

After Greetings had been given, and the response rendered, the President, Mrs. Walter Rhodes, brought an impressive message on "The Highways and Hedges of the Home-land."

The following Committees were appointed:

Resolution: Mrs. Willie Stilley, Mrs. J. R. Bennett, Mrs. Lennie Taylor.

Petitions: Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. Willie Smith, Mrs. Olive Harrison.

Finance: Mrs. Cal Sawyer, Treasurer; Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Mrs. Leslie Kennedy, Mrs. Lena Gaskins.

At this time a moment of silent prayer was offered, with the congregation standing, in tribute to Mrs. Ed Smith, the 6th Vice-President, who has passed to her reward since our last Convention.

Mrs. Dorothy Thigpen was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Smith. The report of the 5th Vice-President, Mrs. S. E. Smith, and her talk on "Our adopted children, and the debt we owe them," was very impressive. The Secretary, Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, gave a report of the work reported to her in behalf of Superannuation, since the last Convention. As the Field Worker for the district, Mrs. Lupton reported that three new Societies had been organized during the past six months.

The 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. J. R. Bennett, gave an inspirational talk on the needs of our Bible College, and stressed the fact that North Carolina's quota on the One Hundred Thousand Dollar campaign, was \$20,000, and that the women of our District and State must play an important part in helping to raise this amount. She urged that we apply ourselves diligently in this great work.

Mrs. Gertrude Ballard, State Field Worker, and Representative of the Orphanage, spoke on "Orphanage News and Needs." She also gave some encouraging news about the new chapel they are planning to build. Rev. Jas. A. Evans gave a more descriptive and detailed account of the chapel, and thanked the Convention for its loyal support of the past, soliciting continuance of the same.

Mrs. J. C. Moye, President of the Central Auxiliary, also the 5th Vice-President of the State Auxiliary, was present, and made an earnest plea for each local Society to contribute as generously as possible, to the needs of the Orphanage for sheets, pillow slips, towels, goods for curtains and other items,

necessary to the home life of the institution. Mrs. J. J. Blizzard gave a talk on the "Importance of the Printed Page," and recommended that we make use of Gospel messages by use of Tracts, Stamps, and other printed matter, that souls might be aroused and brought to Christ.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin brought news of the National Auxiliary Convention, which met at Middlesex, N. C., in July. Aside from news, she spoke very highly of the manner in which the National Association and the Auxiliary was entertained by the Orphanage, through its Superintendent, and Staff of helpers, including the interest and courtesy of the children. Mrs. Griffin also gave information regarding the Co-Labourer's Plan, as adopted by the National Convention, and urged loyal co-operation of all Auxiliaries in this plan.

The Convention message was delivered by Rev. Robert Crawford, National Secretary. The Topic was in keeping with the Theme for the day, and his introductory remarks were complimentary to the fine work and influence of the women in the life of the denomination, and in soul-winning. He spoke from Isa. 66: 8, and brought out "Things we can do." He explained that "Zion" means all who have been saved, and that "Travail means suffering, or a suffering church." He said also that "we have to work against something in order to work for something." He urged that we live a separate life, that "praying, agonizing, and working consistently, will bring results."

Hymn, "Praise Him, Praise Him," was sung, and an offering taken for the Orphanage, after which the session adjourned for rest and refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Afternoon session opened with the singing of "There Shall be Showers of blessings." The devotional was led by Mrs. J. Albert Harris, who read a portion of the 6th Chapter of Mark, and made a very impressive talk on "The proper training of our children will go a long way in helping to christianize America." Special prayer, by request, for a mother whose son was reported "lost in action," was made by Rev. Jas. A. Evans.

RESUMPTION OF BUSINESS

The Secretary's report was rendered, and on motion was received.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin presented Rev. Jas. A. Evans, who is Chairman of the Assembly Grounds campaign, who gave some valuable information regarding the purpose of this project, its cost, location, and its future vital relationship to our denominational life, especially among the Young People of our church. He called it a "Memorial of our faith in our boys and girls, who are looking to us to help them to a higher, nobler plane of Christian service." There was a short talk on the same subject, by Mr. Fountain Taylor, who is the Treasurer of this Assembly Group.

At this time, Rev. Rashie Kennedy brought a stirring message on "Why America needs Evangelizing." He emphasized the need of greater attention and effort in the home life, saying that "We have neglected the Home Front, that minor points had been often stressed, while leaving off the weightier matters." He cited some of the conditions in our Armed Forces to-day, as

well as in civilian life—debauchery, depravity, profanity, forsaken homes, and other evils, and that many homes to-day are more concerned about the material things of life, than in the spiritual uplift of home and church and community. He mentioned the need of Sunday School training for the young, the advantage of the Bible School at Nashville, and that parents have a vital part to play in evangelism, in doing, or beginning this great work in their own homes. The 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, gave her report on Missions, and made a very timely talk on "Consecration to the Mission Program, at Home and Abroad." She also rendered the report of the 4th Vice-President, Mrs. Louise Bedsworth, who could not be present.

The Secretary, Mrs. Lupton, made a short talk on the "Co-Labourer's Plan, and also about our Ten Cents per capita dues.

Rev. M. L. Johnson, of Lucama, Chairman and Treasurer of our State Superannuation Program, brought a stirring message on "Our debt to the aged Minister."

He gave in detail items of interest relative to the amount received and from what sources, and of the great need for us to be on the alert and at our best in helping this worthy cause. He said, "Regardless of how much we do for our old Ministers, there is still an indebtedness, and that we owe them fellowship, visitation and our love, our offerings and our prayers. He urged a more concerted effort in the increase of funds in their behalf.

Report of Resolution Committee was given, and on motion, they were voted on one by one, and they were each received by motion as read.

On request, the First Resolution be printed in the Baptist paper.

The Petitions Committee reported that two petitions were in hand for the next Convention, Macedonia, and Sarecta. A standing vote was taken, and Macedonia was selected for the March Convention.

A cordial invitation was extended by Rev. and Mrs. Evans to spend Thanksgiving Day at the Orphanage, and co-operate with them in their plans for the day.

The following delegates were named to the various Conventions; Central, Mrs. Alice E. Lupton; Western, Mrs. Roy Kennedy; Cape Fear, Miss Christine Taylor; Pee Dee, Mrs. Roy Hill; Albemarle, Mrs. Cal Sawyer.

The Finance Committee made their report, and on motion was received.

The Treasurer's report was given, and it was moved and carried that it be received as read.

There was some discussion on plans whereby produce can be sent to the Orphanage, after which it was decided that the 5th Vice-President plan with the churches to have their produce ready at stated intervals, October 15th being set for the decision to be reached and notification given to Mrs. S. A. Smith, Orphanage Director. A rising vote of thanks was given the church and community for their hospitality during the day.

Closing hymn: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds." Benediction by Rev. Robert Crawford.

Mrs. Walter Rhodes, President,
Alice E. Lupton, Secretary.

REPORTS

1st Vice-President reported. Temperance programs given 10. Religious literature distributed, 2,358 pieces; Subscriptions to the Baptist 189, to the Gem 27, Young People's Friend, 54. Number of members reported in district, 311—only ten churches reporting.

Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, 1st Vice-President.

2nd Vice-President's report: Amount sent to Bible College in Nashville since the March Convention, \$1,189.65. Amount sent in for Anna Phillips Loan Fund, \$20.00. Amount sent in for expense at Pastor's Institute, \$60.00. Number of Vacation Bible Schools conducted, 4. Number of Youth Organizations and activities directed, 24. Number of daily Bible readers reporting, 79. Books purchased for Bible School, at a cost of \$65.00.

Mrs. J. R. Bennett, 2nd Vice-President.

Third Vice-President: Number of societies reporting, 18; Mission Programs conducted, 22; Week of Prayer observed by 14 societies; 9 o'clock Prayer Band, 4. Amount contributed to State Missions \$328.60. Amount contributed to Foreign Missions, \$369.30; Total \$697.90. Study classes conducted, 5. Books used in study, Missions in the Bible 3, and The Fine Art in Soul-winning.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin, 3rd Vice-President.

Fourth Vice-President. Number of societies reporting 16; Talks on Stewardship, 19; Programs given, 12; Classes conducted, 11; Average attendance at classes 91; Tithers reporting, 91.

Books used in study: "Faithful also in much; Call to Christian Stewardship; Stewardship in the life of women; This World's Goods; and In His Steps."

Louise Bedsworth, 4th Vice-President.

Fifth Vice-President. Number of Churches reporting Orphanage work, 17; Amount reported to me, for Orphanage, \$447.97. Number of Coupons sent to Orphanage, 789. Stove fund for Orphanage, \$40.00. Canned food sent, from White Oak Grove, 108 qts.; Cabin, 72 qts.; Sandy Plain, 72 qts.; Whaley's Chapel, 72 qts.; Total 324 qts.

Report for the 6th Vice-President, made as follows by Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, acting for Mrs. Ed Smith, deceased: Seven churches reported any activities for Ministerial Relief. Amount raised for Retired Ministers, or Superannuation, \$85.20. Number of baskets of flowers, trays and milk donated, 145.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Free Will Offering for the Orphanage -----	\$ 34.00
Received at this Convention -----	95.00
Total -----	\$129.40

Appropriated

Free Will Baptist Press -----	\$ 5.75
Secretary, for expense -----	4.10
Expense for Field work -----	1.20
Floral design—Mrs. Ed Smith -----	5.00
Secretary's service -----	10.00
For Minutes -----	25.00
For Orphan child -----	30.00
Donation for the Assembly Ground -----	15.00
Orphanage -----	5.60
To the Co-Labourer's Fund -----	20.00

Total amount appropriated ----- \$121.65
Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Amount brought forward at last Convention -----	\$ 15.79
Offering for Orphanage at this Convention -----	34.40
Amount received at this Convention -----	95.00

Total amount received -----	\$129.40
Total amount on hand -----	\$145.19
Amount paid out at this Convention -----	\$121.65
Balance in treasury -----	\$ 23.54

Mrs. Cal Sawyer.

RESOLUTIONS

First—Whereas, a flood-tide of sin has covered our country, and Whereas, the Catholic Church is undermining the faith of Jesus Christ among our youth, we hereby resolve, to put forth every effort possible, in every way, by word, pen, radio, pulpit and Press, to extend the truth of the gospel of Christ, as taught by Him, and promulgated by peoples of the Protestant faith.

Second—Whereas, the National Auxiliary Convention has adopted a plan known as "The Co-Labourer's Plan, or Band," we, as the Eastern Auxiliary Convention, endorse and resolve to follow this Plan, and encourage others to join with us.

Third—Whereas, Whaley's Chapel Church and community have entertained this Convention in such a gracious manner, we recommend that a rising vote of appreciation be extended to them for their hospitality during the day.

Submitted by,
Mrs. J. R. Bennett,
Mrs. Hazel Stilley,
Mrs. L. Taylor,
Resolution Committee.

The music for the day was in charge of Rev. and Mrs. J. Albert Harris, of New Bern, N. C.

