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## OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR 1944-1945

Rev. J. R. Davidson, Moderator-----Ashland City, Tenn.  
Rev. Raymond Riggs, Assistant Moderator-----804 Annin, Detroit 3, Mich.  
Rev. E. C. Morris, Clerk-----Box 132, Glennville, Ga.  
Rev. R. C. Wiggs, Assistant Clerk-----Ayden, N. C.  
Rev. F. S. Van Hoose, Treasurer-----Paintsville, Ky.  
Rev. Robert Crawford, Executive Secretary-----Nashville 5, Tenn.  
3609 Richland Avenue  
Rev. Rashie Kennedy, Statistician-----Nashville 9, Tenn.  
4703 Wyoming Avenue

## CHAIRMAN OR SECRETARY OF BOARDS

General Board—

Foreign Mission—Rev. Winford Davis-----Monett, Mo.

Home Mission—Rev. J. F. Miller-----Desloge, Mo.

Free Will Baptist League—Rev. Henry Melvin-----Durham, N. C.

Education—Rev. J. R. Davidson-----Ashland City, Tenn.

Superannuation—Rev. F. C. Zinn-----Fredericktown, Mo.

Literature and Publication—Rev. J. C. Griffin-----New Bern, N. C.



## LIST OF MINISTERS IN ATTENDANCE

## Alabama—

K. V. Shutes, Cordova; A. J. Lambert, Parrish; H. M. Black, Adamsville; Harry M. Mitchell, 1720 N. 8th Ave., Birmingham; H. L. Knighton, 1911 2nd Ave., Phenix City.

## Arkansas—

Ralph Staten, O'Kane; I. R. Gates, Peach Orchard.

## Florida—

J. M. Rich, Chipley; F. B. Cherry, Lake Butler.

## Georgia—

E. C. Morris, Glennville; Ralph Lightsey, Bristol.

## Illinois—

Paul J. Kitterman, Macedonia; Jack Kitemon, Macedonia; Opal Hiltibidal, Walnut Hill; Charles K. Porter, Sesser; William Buster, Thebes; Delbert Hall, Sesser; W. H. Street, Centralia; W. R. Burton, Whittington; Claude Childers, Marion; Wallace Malone, Christopher.

## Kentucky—

M. W. Roach, Pikeville; Monroe Hubbard, Jenkins; F. S. Van Hoose, Paintsville.

## Michigan—

Homer Willis, Orowasso; Raymond Riggs, 804 Annin, Detroit 3; L. D. Nance, 59 E. Golden Gate, Detroit 3.

## Mississippi—

L. C. Johnson, Tupelo.

## Missouri—

C. B. Dees, 117 Broadway, Monett; Mark Lewis, 2043 Sidney St., St. Louis; W. M. Reaves, Irondale; Albert Halbrook, Leadington; Jas. F. Miller, Desloge; Elmer Stegall, Desloge; Mrs. Eunice Edwards, Desloge; Winford Davis, Monett; F. C. Zinn, Fredericktown; Frank Linton, Tunis; Woodrow Matthews, Mine La Motte; Mrs. Marie Hyatt, Centerview; Mrs. Alice Dickey, 3914 Norledge Ave., Kansas City; Kenneth Turner, Monett; O. T. Allred, Monett; Emmett Dake, Montgrove; Harvey Hill, 2743 Allen St., St. Louis; Mrs. Melba White, Plattsburg; George Scott, Mountain Grove; Benjamin Scott, Mountain Grove; Dean Moore, Mountain Grove; Leo Curtis, Mountain Grove; S. A. Hand, Fredericktown; Mrs. Effie Matthews, Desloge; Harry Beatty, Thayer; W. K. Weston, Monett; Willard Halbrook, Leadington; Cecil H. Campbell, 306 Cedar St., Flat River; K. J. Esther, Berkley; Alvin Halbrook, Leadington.

## North Carolina—

J. C. Griffin, New Bern; R. C. Wiggs, Ayden; David W. Hansley, Folkstone; F. A. Rivenbark, Box 215, Durham; L. R. Ennis, Goldsboro; W. K. Jordan, Goldsboro.

## Ohio—

W. J. Sheppard, Scioto; Melvin Dunn, Wellston; Russel Milam, Medford.

## Oklahoma—

Melvin Bingham, 833 N. Utica Ave., Tulsa; Bert Rogers, 139 E. Drumright, Drumright; John H. West, 401 Patton Ave., Wewoka; W. E. Dearmoore, Box 283, Wanette.

## Tennessee—

J. B. Bloss, 311 W. 15th St., Columbia; Damon Dodd, 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville; Rashie Kennedy, 4703 Wyoming Ave., Nashville 9; Robert B. Crawford, 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville 5; J. R. Davidson, Ashland City; Paul Woolsey, Greenville; E. M. French, New Port; Geo. D. Dunbar, Chuckey; E. A. Craft, 4609 Illinois Ave., Nashville; C. A. Craft, 6301 Pennsylvania Ave., Nashville.

## Texas—

H. Ray Berry, 1008 Peddie St., Houston; Tommie Franklin, Bryan; Mrs. Lizzie McAdams, Huntsville; C. B. Thompson, 2001 Prairie Ave., Fort Worth 6; J. O. Fort, 808 W. 27th St., Bryan.

## West Virginia—

John M. Henson, Box 131, Hurricane; J. C. Wilcox, 222 Buffington St., Huntington 2.

## Missionaries Present—

Miss Laura Belle Barnard, Missionary to India, Glennville, Ga.; Miss Bessie Yeley, Missionary to Cuba, Scioto; Ohio.

## BOARDS

Boards, with members' term of office in order as written, the General Board excepted, in which case all eastern members term expires at next session, other board members, one expiring each year, the one named is for term of five years.

**Foreign Missions**—Rev. Winford Davis, Monett, Mo., Rev. B. F. Rogers, Drumright, Okla., Rev. R. C. Wiggs, Ayden, N. C., Rev. C. B. Thompson, Fort Worth, Texas, Rev. Raymond Riggs, Detroit, Mich.

**Home Missions**—Rev. C. B. Dees, Monett, Mo., Rev. J. Bloss, Columbus, Tenn., Rev. J. A. Kemper, Wheelersburg, Ohio, Rev. W. K. Jordan, Goldsboro, N. C., Rev. J. F. Miller, Desloge, Mo.

**Free Will Baptist League**—Rev. L. C. Johnson, Tupelo, Miss., Rev. L. D. Nance, Detroit, Mich., Rev. Robert Crawford, Nashville, Tenn., Mrs. Huey Gower, Ashland City, Tenn., Rev. Henry Melvin, Durham, N. C.

**Education**—Rev. L. R. Ennis, Nashville, Tenn., Rev. Melvin Bingham, Tulsa, Okla., Rev. Henry Melvin, Durham, N. C., Rev. Winford Davis, Monett, Mo., Rev. J. R. Davidson, Ashland City, Tenn.



**Superannuation**—Rev. F. C. Zinn, Fredericktown, Mo., Rev. D. W. Hansley, Folkstone, N. C., E. C. Davidson, Glennville, Ga., Rev. J. O. Fort, Bryan, Texas, Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, Durham, N. C.

**Literature and Publication**—Rev. Mark Lewis, St. Louis, Mo., Rev. Charles R. Porter, Sesser, Ill., Rev. K. V. Shutes, Cordova, Ala., Rev. J. C. Griffin, New Bern, N. C., Rev. L. C. Johnson, Tupelo, Miss.

#### ASSOCIATIONS REPRESENTING WITH DELEGATES AND FEES

##### Alabama:

Delegates—Mrs. J. B. Bloss, V. C. May, Miss Lucille May and D. J. O'Donnell. Fee \$50.00.

##### Florida:

Liberty Association represented by Rev. J. M. Rich. Fee \$10.00.

Salem Association represented by letter. Fee \$5.00.

##### Georgia:

Delegates—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cloud, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Davidson, Mrs. J. F. Harmon and Miss Laura Belle Barnard. Fee \$35.00.

##### Illinois:

Delegate—Opal McClarren. Fee \$10.00.

##### Kentucky:

Delegates—Vera Van Hoose, Opal Borders and Vara Roach. Fee \$10.00.

##### Michigan:

Delegate—Preston Slocum. Fee \$10.00.

##### Mississippi:

Delegates—L. E. Duncan, W. G. Prude, C. C. Davidson, Preston Marey

##### Oklahoma:

Delegates—Bessie West, Ethel Armstrong, Opal Bingham, Mary Rogers, Minnie McLain, Effie O'Donnell, Gleneria Stairs, C. C. Chism, P. N. Vass and R. B. Tipton. Fee \$20.00.

##### Ohio:

Delegates—Mrs. Mollie Sheppard, Mrs. Zella Jacobs, Mrs. Grace Peach, Mrs. Biance Riddlebarger, Mrs. Dorothy Rupe and Mrs. Melvin Dunn. Fee \$20.00.

##### Tennessee:

Delegates—Mrs. Paul Woolsey, Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Simpson and Mrs. Fannie Polston. Fee \$20.00.

##### Texas:

Represented by letter. Fee \$30.00.

##### Virginia:

Delegates—Rosco Reed, J. W. Branom, Jackie Culberson and Grover Hackison. Fee \$10.00.

##### West Virginia:

Delegates—F. E. Nichols and D. V. Shaffer. Fee \$10.00.

**Total fees \$360.00**

#### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your Credentials Committee, recommend the acceptance of letters from the following state and district associations, having found them to be in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of this body:

Missouri State Association  
Southern Illinois Association  
Tennessee State Association  
Oklahoma State Association  
Virginia State Association  
Ohio State Association  
Georgia State Association  
Kentucky State Association  
Alabama State Association  
West Virginia State Association  
Liberty Association of Florida  
Salem Association of Florida  
Eastern Conference of North Carolina  
North Carolina State Association  
Mississippi State Association  
Wolverine Association of Michigan  
Texas State Association

We further recommend that Free Will Baptist ministers present who belong to bodies not a part of the National Association be seated as visiting brethren. We also recommend that other ministers connected with evangelical churches or denominations other than Free Will Baptist be invited to seats in council as visiting brethren.

Rev. O. T. Allred, Chairman.



# PROCEEDINGS

The Eighth Annual Session of the National Association of Free Will Baptists of the United States convened with the Flat River Church, Flat River, Mo., on Tuesday evening, July 11, 1944.

Rev. Damon Dodd, Nashville, Tenn., conducted a thirty minute praise and prayer service, prayer by Rev. Melvin Bingham and several special numbers were rendered. At the close of the preliminaries, the Moderator, Rev. J. F. Miller, introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, Durham, N. C. Bro. Rivenbark requested a special prayer in behalf of Rev. Henry Melvin, who was on the program to deliver the opening sermon, but owing to illness he was unable to attend. After the special prayer, a portion of 1 Cor. 15, was read and the subject was "Victory Through Faith." The speaker delivered the message with zeal and power, and the thoughts presented were uplifting and inspiring.

After the message of the evening, the Moderator declared the Association ready for business. Rev. J. B. Bloss offered a prayer in behalf of the business session.

Letters from the various states were laid on the table and read by the Clerk, after which, the delegates were officially seated.

At this time, the Moderator announced the next item of business to be that of the election of officers and after requesting that his name be withheld from the nomination to succeed himself, he offered prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the selection of officers to be elected.

Officers elected were: Rev. J. R. Davidson, Moderator; Rev. Raymond Riggs, Assistant Moderator; Rev. E. C. Morris, Clerk; Rev. R. C. Wiggs, Assistant Clerk; Rev. F. S. Van Hoose, Treasurer.

After the election of these officers, a motion was sustained to adjourn until the regular time on tomorrow. Benediction by Rev. Geo. D. Dunbar.

## WEDNESDAY MORNING

The Association met according to the appointed time and heard a very inspiring devotions conducted by Rev. Rashie Kennedy, after which the welcome address was delivered by Rev. O. T. Allred and the response was by Rev. Raymond Riggs.

The Moderator's message was delivered by the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. F. Miller, after which, the newly elected Moderator, Rev. J. R. Davidson, took charge and presided during the business session.

A motion was made and duly sustained that the body give a rising vote of thanks to Bro. Miller for his faithful and untiring service rendered as Moderator for the last seven years.

Motion carried, that all committees be appointed by the Chair, and the following were appointed:

Resolutions—Revs. K. V. Shutes, Paul Woolsey, W. J. Sheppard, John West and Mrs. J. C. Griffin.



**Temperance**—Revs. J. F. Miller, F. A. Rivenbark, M. W. Roach, Geo. Dunbar and Mrs. Fannie Polston.

**Nomination**—Revs. John Henson, Melvin Dunn, Bros. P. E. Slocum, L. E. Duncan and Mrs. Melvin Bingham.

**Credentials**—Revs. O. T. Allred, Monroe Hubbard, Earnest Craft, H. Ray Berry and Bro. G. W. Cloud.

**Obituary**—Revs. J. O. Fort, J. B. Bloss, C. J. Kitterman, W. K. Jordan and Mrs. J. E. Frazier.

The next item was a report of the Treasurer, which was accepted and a rising vote of thanks extended to the Treasurer for his work which has been freely rendered.

The General Board report was read by the Secretary of the Board and each item was read and adopted separately.

By motion, the letter from Rev. C. F. Bowen, Statistician, be received as information and that his request, that some one else be elected to succeed him as Statistician, be granted.

Rev. Rashie Kennedy was elected as Statistician.

Motion, the business be recessed until the afternoon and that the Association engage in the morning devotional and worshipful service.

Rev. Damon Dodd, the music director, led the congregation in a brief song service, after which, Rev. L. C. Johnson, President of the Free Will Baptist College, Nashville, Tenn., delivered a timely sermon of warning to the denomination, using a Scriptural basis found in 1 Samuel, Chapter 17, the story of the Defiance of Israel by Goliath and David's willingness to meet the challenge. The speaker pointed out the great menaces confronting us as a denomination today and how we might deal with these threatening evils. After the message the body was adjourned for lunch and recreation.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The body reassembled at the appointed time and Rev. Raymond Riggs conducted the afternoon devotions after which, business was resumed. At this time, the report of the Women's Auxiliary Convention was given by Mrs. Eunice Edwards, the President. After the reading of this report, Mrs. Fannie Polston spoke to the Association on the idea of the \$50,000 drive as planned by the women and Mrs. J. E. Frazier informed the body of the plans and methods by which the campaign would be worked. Several of the pastors and ministers pledged their support to this Cause. At this juncture, a solo was rendered by Rev. Bert Rogers, which was greatly enjoyed.

The Credentials Committee made a partial report which was accepted. (See Reports).

Rev. J. R. Davidson, Business Manager of the Bible College, rendered a report of his work and after some complimentary remarks by several it was adopted. (See Reports).

A motion was made to extend a rising vote of thanks to Bro. Davidson and the entire faculty for the splendid report of the work during the year.

A motion made and duly passed, that this body concur in, and commend the wisdom of executing such a building program as will provide adequately for the needs of the School at this time, general economic conditions being given due consideration.

The meeting adjourned for recess until the evening hour.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

At the appointed time, the congregation came together for the evening session which was devoted to a missionary rally. After the opening hymn, "Send the Light" was sung, a quartet "Breathe On Me" was rendered and prayer offered by Rev. F. C. Zinn. Then a solo, "The Old Camp Meeting" was rendered by Rev. Winford Davis. The opening phases of the service having been concluded, the Moderator presented Miss Laura Belle Barnard, Missionary to India, to the audience. Miss Barnard introduced Miss Bessie Yeley, Missionary to Cuba, who spoke briefly in giving a report of the Cuban Mission Field. After Miss Yeley had concluded her address she yielded the remaining time to Miss Barnard who gave a comprehensive report of world conditions as related to the Mission Cause and presented some specific and graphic views of the situation in India as a mission field. At the close of Miss Barnard's message, the Chairman of the Foreign Mission Board read his annual report, which was not only informative, but very inspiring. At the close of the rally an offering was taken for Foreign Missions, which amounted to \$112.00. After which the congregation was dismissed with prayer by Miss Barnard.

### THURSDAY MORNING

The Association met per adjournment with the devotions being led by the Moderator. After which the Executive Secretary rendered his report, interspersed with comments, which was enthusiastically adopted. (See Reports).

The next item was the report of the Promotional Secretary, which was received in the same manner as other reports. (See Reports).

The report of the Board of Publication and Literature was read by the Chairman and same adopted with the recommendations, after being duly discussed. (See board reports).

Rev. L. C. Johnson was re-elected on the Board of Publication and Literature for a five year term.

The Board of Superannuation submitted a report with recommendations and same adopted in usual order. (See board reports).

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark elected to the Board of Superannuation.

The time having arrived for the morning worship and sermon, the business was suspended until the afternoon.



After a brief song service, Rev. Floyd Cherry, Lake Butler, Fla., was introduced, and he brought the sermon message, using as a text, John 12: 21. The subject was "A Vital Vision." This message was well arranged and thought provoking. The major thoughts presented were, beholding Christ Crucified, Christ Conquering and Christ Crowned.

At the close of the morning message, the Resolution Committee made a partial report which was placed on the table for action in afternoon session.

Adjournment for lunch and recreation.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

According to schedule, the Association reassembled for the afternoon session, and after a brief devotion, the Moderator called for a resumption of business.

The Moderator read a telegram from Rev. Chester Pelt, Chaplain in the U. S. Army, and a motion was carried, asking the Clerk to write, acknowledging the telegram and express our appreciation for his interest, and that we are praying God's blessings upon him.

A motion was duly carried, that the item in the Resolution Committee's report relating to the change of Constitution be accepted and placed on the table until tomorrow.

The Temperance Committee made report and same accepted with amendments.

A congregational hymn and quartett interspersed the business session at this time.

The Home Mission Board made a report and it was accepted with commendations. (See report of Boards).

The office of Rev. A. B. Talbert on the Home Mission Board was declared vacant and Rev. J. B. Bloss was elected to fill his unexpired term. Rev. J. F. Miller was elected for a five year term on the Home Mission Board.

The Nominating Committee reported that three invitations were presented for the next session of the Association, namely, North Carolina, Oklahoma and Ohio. The vote was taken and the results, the National Association to be held in the State of North Carolina, the place to be announced later. Thanks were extended to the other states for their invitation.

At this time Rev. L. R. Ennis came before the body and spoke regarding several matters, one of which was the expression of "Gratitude."

State members on the General Board whose term expires at this session were elected according to plan. (See Board Members).

Rev. L. D. Nance was elected to serve on the Free Will Baptist League Board in the place of Miss Jean Welch.

Rev. L. R. Ennis was elected to serve on the Board of Education in Rev. Geo. D. Dunbar's place who resigned.

Motion, that the Committee on Revision of Treatise, as appointed by the General Board, be, and is hereby elected by this body. The Committee being Rev. L. R. Ennis and Rev. J. C. Griffin.

Motion, we adjourn until the evening session.

Dismissed by Rev. J. M. Rich.

NOTE—The Clerk was not present for the evening service, however, it was reported that Rev. Melvin Bingham of Tulsa, Okla., preached a very interesting and profitable sermon.

#### FRIDAY MORNING

Association met at usual time and the devotions were conducted by Rev. Paul Kitterman, who so stirred the hearts of those present that it developed into a wonderful praise service.

After the devotions, the business was resumed and the Free Will Baptist League report was read by Rev. R. B. Crawford. The report was adopted and a rising vote of thanks extended to the Board.

The Sunday School Convention was reported by the Secretary and the same adopted.

The Clerk was authorized to have three thousand minutes printed and prorate them to the various states.

The Resolutions Committee was authorized to write a letter to the OPA Board, Washington, D. C., relative to the many ministers not being able to secure supplemental gas with which to carry on their pastoral duties.

After a recess of ten minutes, the final sermon of the session was delivered by Rev. W. J. Sheppard of Sciotoville, Ohio. The message was very appropriate for the close of such a great session of the Association. At the close of the preaching service, there were a few miscellaneous items looked after, such as final reports and announcements.

Motion, the 1944 session of the Association adjourn to meet in North Carolina, (place to be announced later), twelve months hence.

Closing prayer by Rev. J. M. Rich.

NOTE—Since the Church of Flat River did not collect the usual registration fee, there was an offering taken and given to the Church which amounted to \$166.55.

#### REPORT OF TREASURER TO NATIONAL SUPERANNUATION BOARD

July 1, 1943, through October 1, 1943

#### RECEIPTS

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| 7- 7-43—Mrs. Fannie Polston, W. N. A. C. ----- | \$ 1.04 |
| 7-15-43—Johnnie Matthews, East Nash Ch. -----  | 3.00    |
| 9- 9-43—F. S. Van Hoose, Unified Program ----- | 70.35   |



|   |            |
|---|------------|
| 10- 1-43—Glennville Bank Interest ..... | 20.00      |
| 10- 1-43—Cash .....                     | 3.37       |
| Total .....                             | \$ 97.76   |
| Brought forward from 1942-1943 .....    | \$1,190.76 |
| Total Receipts plus Balance .....       | \$1,288.52 |

## DISBURSEMENTS

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| 7- 7-43—Exchange on check .....                             | \$ .10  |
| 7-19-43—R. B. Crawford, Prom. Dept. of N. A. ....           | 30.00   |
| 7-31-43—F. W. B. Gem, printing Superannuation folders ..... | 16.50   |
| 8-19-43—R. B. Crawford, Prom. Dept. of N. A. ....           | 30.00   |
| 9- 9-43—Exchange on check .....                             | .20     |
| Total Disbursements .....                                   | \$76.80 |

\$1,288.52

Less 76.80

Balance in Treasury 10-1-1943 .....

\$1,211.72

October 1, 1943, through July 5, 1944

## RECEIPTS

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| 10- 4-43—E. C. Davidson, Balance in Treasury .....  | \$1,211.72 |
| 10-28-43—Mrs. Beulah Chambliss, Poelton, Tenn. ....   | 215.00     |
| 11- 5-43—E. C. Davidson, Check from M. L. Johnson, N. C. ....   | 225.00     |
| 11- 5-43—A. B. Brannen, Georgia .....   | 5.00       |
| 11- 5-43—F. S. Van Hoose, from Unified Program .....  | 110.00     |
| 11-10-43—Cecil H. Campbell, Missouri .....  | 6.56       |
| 12- 6-43—M. L. Johnson, North Carolina .....  | 86.75      |
| 1- 7-44—F. S. Van Hoose, from Unified Program .....   | 56.72      |
| 1- 7-44—Cecil Campbell, Missouri .....  | 7.01       |
| 1- 7-44—Mrs. Fannie Polston, from W. N. A. C. ....  | 8.77       |
| 1-18-44—M. L. Johnson, North Carolina .....   | 26.60      |
| 1-19-44—Ministers Life and Casualty Union, payment on expenses of J. O. Fort and R. B. Crawford to conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota ..... | 97.78      |
| 1-19-44—Cash refund by J. O. Fort from money drawn to make trip to Minneapolis, Minn. ....  | 40.00      |
| 2-10-44—Cecil Campbell, Missouri .....  | 8.08       |
| 2-28-44—R. B. Crawford, for Oaklawn Church, Tenn. ....  | 3.00       |
| 2-28-44—M. L. Johnson, North Carolina .....   | 12.90      |
| 3- 8-44—F. S. Van Hoose, from Unified Program .....   | 96.56      |
| 3- 8-44—M. L. Johnson, North Carolina .....   | 18.19      |
| 4- 7-44—Cecil Campbell, Missouri .....  | 12.15      |
| 5- 5-44—F. S. Van Hoose, from Unified Program .....   | 41.47      |
| 5- 5-44—M. L. Johnson, North Carolina .....   | 14.99      |
| 6-15-44—A. D. Ivey, Georgia .....   | 34.59      |

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| 6-15-44—Mrs. Fannie Polston, from W. N. A. C. ....     | 10.00 |
| 6-23-44—F. S. Van Hoose, from Unified Program .....    | 70.60 |
| 6-27-44—F. S. Van Hoose, from Unified Program .....    | 29.61 |
| 7- 1-44—Mrs. K. V. Shutes, Ala., Unified Program ..... | 5.69  |
| 7- 1-44—M. L. Johnson, North Carolina .....            | 36.46 |

Total receipts through July 5, 1944 .....

\$2,291.20

## DISBURSEMENTS

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| 10- 4-43—W. C. Holmes Insurance Agency, Premium on bond .....                | \$ 5.00 |
| 10- 7-43—R. B. Crawford, Promotional Dept., of N. A. ....                    | 30.00   |
| 10- 7-43—Exchange on check at Glennville, Ga. ....                           | 1.52    |
| 10-13-43—F. C. Zinn, expenses to Oklahoma State Association .....            | 25.00   |
| 11-15-43—R. B. Crawford, Promotional Dept. of N. A. ....                     | 30.00   |
| 11-26-43—W. L. Williams, Superannuation stationery .....                     | 8.00    |
| 1- 7-44—R. B. Crawford, Promotional Dept. of N. A. ....                      | 50.00   |
| 1- 8-44—Cash for trip to Minneapolis for J. O. Fort and R. B. Crawford ..... | 160.00  |
| 2-15-44—R. B. Crawford, Promotional Dept. of N. A. ....                      | 40.00   |
| 4- 5-44—R. B. Crawford, Promotional Dept. of N. A. ....                      | 40.00   |
| 5- 5-44—R. B. Crawford, Promotional Dept. of N. A. ....                      | 50.00   |
| 5-27-44—J. O. Fort, postage, stamps, and office supplies .....               | 10.00   |

Total disbursements through July 5, 1944 .....

\$ 449.52

Less 449.52

Balance in Treasury July 5, 1944 .....

\$1,841.68

Signed:

Treasurer National Superannuation Board.

Report of the National Superannuation Board to the National Association of Free Will Baptists in session with Flat River Church, July 12-14, 1944.

The manifestation of interest in our National Superannuation Program, as administered by this Board, is indeed gratifying to the Board. During this year we have experienced such growth in receipts of money as has not been witnessed in any year since the adoption of the program. Our people are expressing their endorsement of the program most enthusiastically, especially in those States where the State organizations are more highly perfected. It is our hope that every State will perfect its organization as speedily as possible.

During this year, the Board, through its administrative office, has made progress toward giving our Denomination a sound, workable program. We have worked out with THE MINISTERS LIFE AND CASUALTY UNION of Minneapolis, Minnesota, a plan whereby the Union will handle insurance policies for all our insurable ministers on an endowment basis. The policies



will be offered through the Board, and the premiums will be paid jointly by the Board and the insured minister. This procedure will make protective Superannuation inexpensive enough so that any insurable minister will be able to possess a policy.

The Board has also initiated a survey of the Free Will Baptist Ministry having placed in the hands of the State Superannuation Chairmen (wherever they are organized) survey blanks to be filled out in triplicate form, that we may have up-to-date information on our ministers for further prosecution of the program. We hope that the ministers will exercise haste in returning the filled out blanks so that we may proceed further with the program.

The Board in session at this National Sitting has authorized its administrative officer to offer fifty (50) policies to the ministers of the Denomination during the 1944-1945 year. These policies are to be apportioned to the states according to the number of Free Will Baptists in those states, the figures to be taken from statistics in the minute of the National Association.

May God lead us in the way of soundness and service, We ask that our people everywhere remember this work in your prayers.

Signed: National Superannuation Board,

By J. O. FORT, Secretary-Treasurer.

#### GENERAL BOARD MEETING—JULY 10, 1944 FLAT RIVER, MISSOURI

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Rev. J. R. Davidson.

Prayer offered by Rev. W. J. Sheppard.

Rev. J. C. Griffin appointed secretary pro-tem.

Members of the Board registered: Mrs. Eunice Edwards, Revs. W. J. Sheppard, E. C. Morris, W. K. Jordan, F. C. Zinn, Winford Davis, John Henson, K. V. Shutes, Jas. F. Miller, F. S. Van Hoose, J. R. Davidson, C. J. Kettelman, F. A. Rivenbark, proxy for Henry Melvin, Melvin Bingham, J. C. Griffin, and Brother W. E. Coville.

Minutes of the Executive Committee of the General Board were read by Winford Davis, secretary, and the same were adopted by unanimous vote. (1) The report had to do with the resignation of Mrs. Elsie Curtis and her successor. (1) The report further set forth the appointment of Revs. L. R. Ennis and J. C. Griffin to make necessary revisions to the Treatise. This part of the report was discussed by Rev. L. R. Ennis and others. By motion we accepted the partial report of the aforesaid Revision Committee (see report), and that we recommend that the National Association make the appointment of a committee to continue the work of revision with an appropriation for the expenses.

By motion of Rev. John Henson, seconded by Rev. E. C. Morris, this General Board recognized Rev. W. K. Jordan as acting chairman of the Home Mission Board.

At this time Mrs. Eunice Edwards asked permission to appoint Rev. Monroe Hubbard as her proxy for the remainder of this session.

Rev. J. R. Davidson made a verbal report regarding his office as Chairman-Treasurer-Business Manager. In part Brother Davidson said that he wished to be relieved of the position as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

Rev. F. C. Zinn appointed Rev. L. R. Ennis as proxy to act in his absence for this session of the Board.

A resolution regarding the will and property of George P. Best of Wayne County, North Carolina, was read, discussed, and endorsed by the Board and its adoption recommended by the National Association. (See Claim Deed and Resolutions concerning the same).

We recommend the following for adoption by the National Association: It shall be the policy of the Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee, to employ on its faculty those who are members of Free Will Baptist Churches that are affiliated with the National Association. Emergencies, however, arising from the resignation, illness, death, or approved leave of absence of faculty members may be relieved by the temporary employment of instructors who are affiliated with any evangelical church. Part-time or short-term instructors deemed essential to the successful prosecution of a consistent Educational Program may be employed at the discretion of the president and the Board of Trustees without respect to denominational affiliation.

A letter was read from Rev. George D. Dunbar in which he offered his resignation as a member of the Board of Christian Education of the Free Will Baptist National Association. By motion we, the General Board, recommend that the resignation of Rev. George D. Dunbar be accepted, and that his successor be duly elected by the National Association.

Motion was made that a Committee be appointed to draft the proposed revision of the Constitution as it concerned the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Trustees of the Free Will Baptist Bible College. Committee: Rev. L. R. Ennis, Rev. John Henson, and Rev. Monroe Hubbard.

Adjournment—10 p. m. Monday.

Tuesday A. M.

The General Board met as per adjournment of Monday p. m.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman.

Prayer offered by Rev. Winford Davis.

Rev. J. C. Griffin was elected by consent as secretary pro-tem for this meeting.

Report of Executive Secretary, Rev. Robert B. Crawford, was made. By motion the report was accepted and a rising vote of thanks extended to Brother Crawford for his efforts and untiring zeal and the successful attainments in the year's work. (See report).



The subject of the National Association of Evangelical Churches was discussed by Revs. K. V. Shutes, Robert B. Crawford, and others. The aforesaid conversation brought out facts concerning the danger confronting sound, fundamental, Christian Doctrine. By motion we recommend to the National Association that we instruct our Executive Secretary to send a letter of greeting to the National Association of Evangelical Churches assuring it of our cooperation until such time that we may become a member of the said Association.

Rev. C. B. Thompson, Rev. R. C. Wiggs, Rev. L. C. Johnson, Rev. C. B. Dees, and Rev. D. V. Shaeffer were recognized as visitors at this time.

Report of the Board of Publications and Literature was made by the Chairman of the Board. Motion made by Rev. L. R. Ennis that the report be accepted as information and that we recommend that the entire check of \$200.00 received by the Board and made to the National Association be given to the Board of Publication and Literature as capital. Further motion by Rev. L. R. Ennis that we request the Woman's Auxiliary to make an appropriation of \$100.00 to the Board of Publications and Literature as capital to be used by the said Board. Further motion that this General Board ask the National Association to instruct its Executive Secretary to pay to the Board of Publication and Literature the sum of \$500.00 as capital to be used in the work of Publications and Literature.

Noon Adjournment.

Tuesday Afternoon

Board called to order by Chairman, Rev. J. R. Davidson.

Prayer led by Rev. K. V. Shutes.

By motion we recommend that the National Association discontinue the sponsorship of any promotional field workers, except as provided in the By-Laws of the General Board which By-Laws state that all promotional service is subject to the direction of the Executive Secretary of the National Association.

By motion we recommend to the National Association that Rev. Robert P. Crawford be re-elected as Executive Secretary for the year of 1944-45, and that the stipulated salary for his services shall be \$2,600.00 plus traveling expenses.

By motion we continue the Unified Program for the ensuing year on the same percentage of allocation as is now in use.

Respectively submitted by the Board.

#### REPORT OF THE NATIONAL FOREIGN MISSION BOARD FOR THE YEAR 1943-44

The Associational Year of 1943-44 has been another great year for the Foreign Mission Department of The Free Will Baptist Church. Interest in the work has increased greatly throughout the various states which comprise the national body. This is shown first by the gratifying increase in receipts and then by the supplementary matter of correspondence, inquiries,

and expressions of good will concerning the work which all go to make up a very pleasing picture.

The total receipts of this past year have gone way toward double the amount of the year previous. Several of the states have given considerably more than the suggested quota which was assigned them a year ago. For all this, The Foreign Mission Board delights to express their sincere thanks.

**Cuba.** The Chairman of the Board, having been authorized a year ago to make a missionary itinerary of the field in Cuba, reports the itinerary was carried out with pleasing results and success. He finds the work going forward on the Cuban field with blessing. The Cuban School of Missions opened January 4, 1944, with seven students. Around twenty students are in prospect for the opening again this coming September. Rafael Josue, who heads the school, is found to be very capable in every way. We are surely very fortunate to have this man as head of our Cuban Missions School. His wife is also a very capable teacher.

The \$5,000 campaign which was launched a year ago for the purpose of establishing this mission center in Cuba has gone forward in a very acceptable manner. Three thousand dollars of the amount has been raised and disbursed for this purpose; and, along with this, have gone funds to the amount of \$1,750 for the operating expenses of the school.

We have a nice eighteen acre tract of land bought and paid for which cost the total sum of \$800. We have some splendid possibilities in both the school and the farm. The students in attendance are building and continually working toward the materialization and realization of these potentialities. More dormitory room is to be constructed during these summer months in preparation for the opening of the school again this fall.

To summarize the work in Cuba, we give the following facts and statistics:

Five organized churches which are organized into the Pinar Association of Free Will Baptists. Aside from these, are thirty-five (35) preaching stations. These five churches have a total membership of one hundred, seven deacons, seven Sunday schools, three chapels. Besides the prospective pastors in the student group, we have three settled native pastors—Pedro Rojo, Pedro Oliva, and Santiago Delgado. Miss Yeley is also a settled Pastor. In livestock and poultry, we have thirteen head of horses—one of them being an Arabian Stallion, two cows with calves, two heifers, some milk goats, one yoke of oxen, a few hogs, a few chickens, some turkeys, and some ducks. Some of the horses are kept on the farm, and some of them are located on the field for the pastors to use. Then, as was said, we have the farm and the school. This summarizes our work and possessions in Cuba. All we have is paid for. The district we are covering is about one hundred twenty miles in length and about fifty miles wide. It lays diagonally across the province of Pinar Del Rio.

**India.** The situation concerning the work in India remains practically the same and unchanged as of a year ago. Due to the grim realities of war,



Miss Laura B. Barnard is yet restricted from re-entering the field. The Rev. H. M. Clay, who had been looking after the work that Miss Barnard established while in India, passed away during the past year. Miss Elizabeth Coyle has taken over in his stead. We send the amount of fifty dollars about every three months with which to carry on this work.

At her own request, Miss Barnard was released from under the support of the Foreign Mission Board in September, 1943, at which time, she took up the work of teaching Bible in the public schools of Georgia. But during that time, she has written the Missionary Study Course Text Book which is now pending publication. This book is expected to become the Free Will Baptist Text Book on the subject of Missions. It is the product of much labor and research and is indeed a worthy work.

We urge that you keep these matters concerning the work in India constantly before the Throne of Grace.

As concerning the activity of your Foreign Missions Board during the past year, we have the following to report:

One called session was held April 10, 1944, at the college building in Nashville. We enjoyed a very pleasant meeting, and a number of important matters were given due consideration. The most outstanding motions passed at this meeting were as follows:

Motion carried that a monthly allowance not in excess of \$250 be authorized for the operating expenses of the Cuban School of Missions. The Treasurer was authorized to advance back pay on this expenditure to cover the time which the school had been operating since its official opening, January 4, 1944.

Motion carried that we approve for record the agreement affected by correspondence providing an increase of ten dollars (\$10) per month in the salaries of Rev. and Mrs. Willey, Miss Bessie Yeley, and Miss Olive Van Syoc.

Motion carried authorizing the Chairman-Treasurer to negotiate settlement for mission manuscript titled, HIS NAME AMONG ALL NATIONS, with Miss Laura Belle Barnard.

During the time we have been here at this setting of the National Association, we have been very busy. The entire personnel of our board has been present at this session, and we have enjoyed some precious deliberations together. We give as follows the outstanding transactions of this meeting and, also, a recommendation for the consideration of this body:

Motion carried that in the transaction of all legal business by, for, and on behalf of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists of the United States of America—such as the signing of contracts and agreements, the purchase of property, etc.—that either a duplicate copy or a photostatic copy of all contracts, agreements, and legal documents (titles, deeds, etc.) be made and kept on file in the office of the Foreign Mission Board.

Whereas, the evangelization of the world is the obligation of the Chris-

ian church, and Free Will Baptists are committed to participation in this spiritual enterprise.

Whereas, the achievements of the past few years proclaim the favor and approval of the Lord upon the Foreign Mission Program of Free Will Baptists.

Whereas, certain limitations growing out of the war have surrounded and restricted our foreign mission work. Such restrictions will be removed at the close of the war.

Whereas, a missionary opportunity of largest magnitude may be reasonably expected to challenge Free Will Baptists at the close of the war, we therefore recommend to the National Association the adoption of the following:

1. That an extensive appeal in the interest of Foreign Missions be conducted by the National Foreign Mission Board throughout the Free Will Baptist denomination.
2. That a goal of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) be established.
3. That a reserve fund with which to meet the demands of post war opportunities and reverses in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) be authorized. This fund shall be deposited in a separate account from the current or operation fund of the Foreign Mission Board. It being provided that neither retrenchment in the conduct of the present foreign mission work nor a depletion of the current treasury is hereby directed, but the aforesaid reserve fund shall be created and set aside out of the excess of the treasury which is not actually required in the prosecution of the present Foreign Mission Program.
4. That the promotion of this program be and is hereby assigned to the Foreign Mission Board of the National Association whose administrative office is Monett, Missouri.
5. That the Chairman-Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions be and hereby charged with the management of the administrative office at the salary of \$50 per week with traveling expenses allowed. It being understood that not more than 26 weeks of the 1944-45 associational year shall be required in this service of the Chairman-Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board.

Following is the Annual Financial Report of the Treasurer:

### FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 1943, to June 30, 1944

### RECEIPTS BY STATES

|                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| Missouri       | \$ 4,157.68 |
| North Carolina | 2,124.18    |
| Illinois       | 1,154.26    |
| Ohio           | 870.00      |



## NATIONAL MINUTES OF

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| Texas  | 789.28      |
| Georgia  | 666.06      |
| Michigan   | 582.97      |
| Tennessee  | 522.65      |
| Oklahoma   | 407.15      |
| South Carolina                                     | 354.75      |
| Florida  | 110.50      |
| Alabama  | 74.37       |
| California   | 60.50       |
| West Virginia                                      | 23.20       |
| New Mexico   | 20.00       |
| Kentucky   | 12.25       |
| Arkansas   | 2.50        |
| National Woman's Auxiliary Convention              | 1,490.35    |
| Unified Program Fund by National Treasurer         | 1,425.71    |
| Offering at National Association in 1943           | 50.00       |
| Sale of Missionary Pictures                        | 2.00        |
| Trinity Free Will Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. | 47.52       |
| Refund by Miss Laura B. Barnard                    | 10.76       |
| Total  | \$14,958.64 |
| Amount brought forward from last year              | 2,349.25    |
| Grand Total  | \$17,307.89 |

## DISBURSEMENTS

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| For establishing of Cuban School of Missions   | \$ 3,000.00 |
| Promotional funds for promoting the work over the Cuban field  | 3,600.00    |
| For operating expenses of Cuban School since its opening   | 1,750.00    |
| Salary of Rev. and Mrs. Willey   | 1,320.00    |
| Allowance for the children of Rev. and Mrs. Willey   | 360.00      |
| To the Willeys for rent and lights   | 300.00      |
| To Miss Bessie Yeley as salary   | 660.00      |
| To Miss Bessie Yeley for rent  | 40.00       |
| To Miss Olive Van Syoc as salary   | 300.00      |
| To Miss Olive Van Syoc for rent  | 20.00       |
| To Miss Laura B. Barnard as salary until her release from the Foreign Mission Board                    | 150.00      |
| For support of the work which Miss Barnard established in India  |             |
| To National Executive Secretary for promotional work in the Executive Department                       | 900.00      |
| To Miss Olive Van Syoc for traveling expense to Cuba   | 113.00      |
| To Rev. and Mrs. Willey for traveling expense (1943) while in the states                               | 223.58      |
| To Rev. Winford Davis for expense of trip to Cuba and a thirty day missionary itinerary over the field | 226.45      |
| To Rev. Winford Davis for traveling expenses while rendering official service                          | 17.86       |

## FREE WILL BAPTIST BODIES

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| Disbursed as designated for mattresses, oxen, horses, and saddles in Cuba  | 270.25      |
| To Rev. Henry Melvin to cover expense of motion pictures taken in Cuba   | 100.00      |
| For picture film and developing, (both motion and still view) which were taken on recent itinerary in Cuba, picture cuts, and re-printing missionary pictures for public use | 102.36      |
| For telegrams and cablegrams   | 27.45       |
| Postage  | 42.38       |
| Stationery   | 15.00       |
| Disbursed as designated gift to Miss Barnard   | 5.00        |
|  | \$13,743.33 |
| Funds advanced to Miss Barnard in order to help her in her efforts to secure passage to India  | 35.00       |
| Printing Missionary Pamphlets  | 19.00       |
| Expense of calling Foreign Mission Board meeting at Nashville  | 101.00      |
| To Rafael Josue for the purpose of helping him get located at our Cuban school and farm  | 65.00       |
| For Missionary Literature to be used in Cuba   | 40.69       |
| Getting excess baggage and supplies to Cuba for Missionaries   | 15.00       |
| For receipt books, stenographic work, Secretary record book, printing checks, check exchange cost at bank, etc.  | 35.33       |
| Disbursements made which for various reasons was refunded  | 141.70      |
|  | \$ 452.72   |
|  | 13,743.33   |

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|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Total                                 | \$14,196.05 |
| Amount received during the past year  | \$14,958.64 |
| Amount brought forward from last year | 2,349.25    |
| Total                                 | \$17,307.89 |
| Disbursements during past year        | \$14,196.05 |
| Balance in Treasury, July 1, 1944     | \$ 3,111.84 |

Prayerfully and gratefully submitted,  
 BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS,  
 Winford Davis, Chairman-Treasurer,  
 Bert F. Rogers, Recording Secretary,  
 R. C. Wiggs,  
 C. B. Thompson,  
 Raymond Riggs.

## HOME MISSION REPORT

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| July 18, F. W. B. Church, Davis, N. C.   | \$ 12.25 |
| Sept. 3rd, F. S. Van Hoose               | 140.71   |
| Oct. 6th, Senior League, New Bern, N. C. | 5.00     |



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| Oct. 6th, F. W. B. Church, Richwood, Missouri          | 3.00   |
| Oct. 21st, 1st F. W. B. Church, Cushing, Oklahoma      | 1.00   |
| Nov. 3rd, South Georgia F. W. B. Association           | 10.00  |
| Nov. 3rd, F. S. Van Hoose                              | 219.82 |
| Dec. 31st, F. S. Van Hoose                             | 113.45 |
| March 9th, F. S. Van Hoose                             | 193.16 |
| March 29th, Monett Woman's Auxiliary, Monett, Missouri | 7.25   |
| April 1st, Rev. Winford Davis, Monett, Missouri        | 10.00  |
| April 29th, Ladies Aid, Richlands, North Carolina      | 1.00   |
| May 4th, F. S. Van Hoose                               | 82.94  |
| June 27th, F. S. Van Hoose                             | 141.21 |
| June 29th, 3rd F. W. B. Church, St. Louis, Missouri    | 24.97  |
| June 30th, F. S. Van Hoose                             | 59.22  |

\$1,024.98

600.00

Income for 43-44 \$ 424.98

Balance brought forward 460.95

\$ 885.93

**To Robert B. Crawford**

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|------------------------|----------|
| July 19th              | \$ 60.00 |
| August 19th            | 60.00    |
| October 7th            | 60.00    |
| November 13th          | 60.00    |
| December 3rd           | 100.00   |
| February 12th          | 80.00    |
| March 29th             | 80.00    |
| April 29th             | 100.00   |
|                        | \$600.00 |
| Balance July 1st, 1944 | \$885.93 |

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD**

We, your Home Mission Board, recommend the support of the recommendations of the Home Mission Board submitted to the 1942 session of the National Association with the following changes:

We, the Home Mission Board, recommend for adoption the following rules and regulations for the government of the activities of this Board:

The activities of this Board shall be confined to:

1. The support of field workers under the supervision of this Board and said Board be allowed at their discretion a reasonable amount of funds for purchasing or repairing buildings where needed for places of worship and giving financial assistance in the pastoral care of churches which are

unable to sufficiently support a pastor. This Board shall render aid to these churches only after investigation has been made and approved.

2. We recommend that every church support the Home Mission Board with a special offering to be taken quarterly, namely, January, April, July and October, said offering to be sent to the State Home Mission Treasurer who will divide the offering, with 25 per cent to be sent to the Treasurer of the National Home Mission Board and 75 per cent to be retained in the State or District Home Mission Treasurer.

We further recommend that the State and District Home Mission Boards promote this plan of finance in their respective fields, also supply information as needed and act as local supervisors of all work sponsored by this Board.

3. We recommend that states having no Home Mission Board assist the National Home Mission Board in their respective state or district associations to organize Home Mission Boards.

Rev. John Kemper was not present at this session.

Rev. J. F. Miller, Chairman

Rev. J. B. Bloss

Rev. W. K. Jordan

Rev. C. B. Dees, Secretary

**REPORT OF FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE BOARD**

To the National Association of Free Will Baptists  
Assembled for its 1944 Session  
Flat River, Missouri

The Free Will Baptist League continues to be the training service of the Free Will Baptist Church. It makes no apology for its existence or achievements. It is not ashamed of its record. Its existence was born out of the need for such an auxiliary in the Church. It points with pride to its accomplishments. There are many of our pulpits occupied with ministers that received their first training in the League. It was there they caught their first vision of "full time" service in the Church which moves "like a mighty army." Among the laity of the Church there are multiplied scores of leaders that are ours because of their training in the League.

The Free Will Baptist League continues to show a normal growth in practically every State and among all age groups, with the exception of the senior. This depletion of the senior age group is due to service in the Armed Forces of the Nation. For these who serve now in this group, may we constantly remember in prayer.

There has been issued this year a revised edition of the Free Will Baptist League Manual. Credit for the revising is due Rev. Clarence Bowen. We commend the Manual to our people everywhere as the official hand book on organization and for the proper conduct of the League within the local Church.

The Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Ballard are now serving in a highly commend-



able manner as co-editors of the senior and intermediate quarterlies. Mrs. M. A. Woodard continues to serve in her usual efficient manner as editor of the junior quarterly. The publishing of the literature is done by the Free Will Baptist Press of Ayden, N. C., under the arrangement that all costs are defrayed by the Press, handling the sales, and assumes the risk of profit or loss.

Several state organizations and myriad district organizations are serving very efficiently throughout the bounds of our work. Three summer assemblies, or Young People's Camps, are conducted annually for the promotion of the work. Invaluable blessing has come to our youth through these agencies. May their number increase.

A great militant host within the ranks of the Church—its youth—is serving and preparing itself to help bring to pass a more nearly perfect Church. This militant host is keenly interested in all the program of the Church. They await your orders.

Yours for the Kingdom,

Henry Melvin, Chairman,

Free Will League Board, National Association

#### REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE TO 1944 SESSION OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

History as it associates with the Free Will Baptist Bible College since June 30, 1943, is interesting indeed to those among us who have a vision of the field of service. The nature of the duties devolving upon me as business manager of the Free Will Baptist Bible College has called for strenuous activity throughout the year as I have attempted to be true to my Lord in my calling as a minister as well as to carry on the functions of this office.

My work has consisted of such as might be expected in the relationship which I have sustained to the College, and to keep our people informed concerning the Cause. Travel has been a rather pronounced activity. On my visits in the churches and assemblies I have taken advantage of every opportunity to proclaim the message which we propose to prepare the students of the College to carry to a needy world; hence, it has never been necessary to present the institution as a beggar at the back door, but by simply passing information on to our people as to the needs of the work the system of financial support and the general status of the program, finances have come in Bible proportions, "good measure pressed together and running over." This is verified by the fact that our cash balance has constantly grown notwithstanding the fact that operating expenses have been much heavier than during the previous year of our history. Yet our cash balance has increased over that of last year approximately 200 per cent. For this we humbly thank the One who is our victory.

Thirty-four students were enrolled during the past session, twenty-seven of whom were permitted to remain until the last class period closed. I am sure that this Association is duly proud with us of the fact that four of

the finest young Christians in the Nation were graduated on May 30, 1944. These are Damon C. Dodd, Sylvia Dodd, George Waggoner, and Marie Hyatt. We anticipate great results through the ministry of these lives. Others of the students who have been blessed with the privileges afforded in our school will be great instruments in the hands of the Lord in spreading the gospel and in stimulating the Cause. Information in hand at present shows that the greater per centage of those previously enlisted and who are eligible will return for further training. Numbers of other young people are knocking at our doors for admittance. Strong demands are calling for third and fourth year college work as soon as practical. From the standpoint of numbers seeking entrance and desire for further courses of training on the part of those who have already entered we are forcefully challenged to arise to meet the demands with increased facilities as early as possible. During the past year we have been compelled to pay fifty dollars per month rental on rooms for accommodations for our boys. We are working on plans for securing priority on materials with which to construct a building in the rear of the present one for class room, assembly room, and men's dormitory. We have run into acute technical problems of a miscellaneous nature, and are now advised to try for materials with which to construct a two-story building twenty-four by forty feet of solid masonry walls, the estimated cost being about eight thousand dollars. However, should we carry out this plan it should accommodate the school program for several years. We are right where we have lived since the first dollar was placed in our hands with this enterprise in view: if we may know what our people desire, what they will be happy in supporting, we shall be glad to take the go signal and march on.

We have received from July 1, 1943 through June 30, 1944, through the Annual Endowment, gifts, matriculation and registration fees, room and board, special gifts, etc., a total of \$21,756.51. We have disbursed for general accounts, labor, salary, maintenance, traveling expenses, school supplies, telephone, utilities, groceries, kitchen supplies, promotional services, room rent, withholding taxes, a total of \$17,238.77. These figures show that we have realized income over and above the expenditures to the amount of \$4,517.74, adding the balance in bank June 30, 1943, of \$2,406.62 gives a grand total of \$6,924.62.

J. R. Davidson

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS AND LITERATURE

By Rev. J. C. Griffin, Chairman

After the adjournment of the last session of the National Association we met in one of the class rooms of the East Nashville church and arranged with Rev. J. B. Rollings, editor at that time of the Gem, for the re-printing of the depleted numbers of the Standard of Efficiency Sunday School supplies and records on a 50-50 basis. That is, 50 per cent of the profit is given to the Board of Publications and Literature and the other 50 per cent is retained by the Printer. The distribution of the various periodicals were to be worked out co-operatively with both publishing houses. We have received \$7.00 since January 1st on this deal.



Mrs. Agnes B. Frazier, the editor of the Year Book of Programs for the Women's Auxiliary, met with us and instructions in the work of publishing, according to the By-Laws of the Board of Publications and Literature, as acted upon and passed by the National Association in its 1943 session, were given. Mrs. Frazier was instructed to go ahead at her own pleasure in the editing and printing with an itemized report of the work being given to the Board of Publications and Literature for information.

We have had no funds with which to have printing done, and therefore we have not accomplished anything directly in the line of publication. But, I went before the Board of Directors of the Free Will Baptist Press and asked them for an allocation out of that which they allocate annually, which is the surplus above the actual needed funds for the safety of the press, and they favored us with a gift of \$200.00 which check I have in my hands. However, the aforesaid Board did not give the check to the Board of Publications and Literature, but to the National Association to be allocated as the National Association deems wise.

But, as chairman of the Board, I am asking that you, the National Association, give to the Board of Publications the check.

As, to our Publishing houses, I find that both are in a good and prosperous condition. The growth of these institutions in the past year has been very encouraging. It shows that the use of religious literature among our people is increasing.

I quote from a report given to me by the Manager, Brother C. K. Dunn, Sr., as to the growth in the business, for the past year.

"Last year we reported to you that the Free Will Baptist Press was valued at \$35,000.00. Since last Association, purchase has been made of a small brick building in the rear of our main building to be used for storage. The purchase price and repairs to this building is approximately \$1,000.00, making our present value \$36,000.00.

"Our present circulation of our weekly paper, 'The Free Will Baptist,' is 3,100. Contrary to our experience in the past years we are maintaining our circulation during the summer months."

"We are enclosing a comparative sales analysis as our sales for the past year. I hereby present a part of this analysis to show that our denomination is growing, as the use of literature shows the trend with any people.

#### FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS

##### Increase in Sales

|               |                 |                               |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Literature    | -----           | \$1,867.24                    |
| Merchandise   | -----           | 393.49                        |
| Subscriptions | -----           | 1,413.97                      |
| Job work      | -----           | 487.50                        |
| Miscellaneous | -----           | 44.85                         |
| THIS YEAR     | - - \$33,914.45 | - - - - - INCREASE \$4,207.05 |

#### FREE WILL BAPTIST BODIES

##### PIECES OF LITERATURE SOLD

| LAST YEAR | THIS YEAR             | INCREASE |
|-----------|-----------------------|----------|
|           | Quarterlies and Cards |          |
| 271,490   | 288,485               | 16,995   |
|           | (League Quarterlies)  |          |
| 26,711    | 27,417                | 706      |
| 298,201   | 315,902               | 17,701   |

Bro. Dunn closes his report to me by saying, "We wish to express to our people our appreciation for their patronage which has helped us to realize a definite increase in business; and, as a visible token of that appreciation we are herewith enclosing our check for \$200.00 to the National Association of Free Will Baptists to be used as they see fit in the advancement of our work as Free Will Baptists. With best regards to you and the Association, we remain,

Yours to serve,

FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS,

C. K. Dunn, Sr., Business Mgr.-Treas.

The Free Will Baptist Gem, according to received knowledge is growing in popularity, efficiency and in strength as a publishing house, under its new management as well as its past. Rev. C. B. Dees, the editor, and I, have exchanged letters regarding the business and we find that Brother Dees is deeply interested in serving to the very best of his ability the denomination as a whole.

You have noticed recently the picture of the new home of the Gem office. This shows in a concrete way that the business is growing. "Quote" We have enjoyed a nice increase in the volume of business since January 1st. We are prepared to do such printing as minutes, booklets, church reports, programs, in fact, a complete job of printing for the church. Our presses are in good shape."

We are ready to serve,

C. B. Dees, Editor and Manager.

Both the Gem and the Free Will Baptist have published issues for us known as "National Association issues" which you read for yourselves, as they tell their interest in going the whole way for us.

#### FURTHER REPORT

July 11, 1944—Flat River, Missouri

Item 1—Motion sustained that we purchase from the National Sunday School Convention the printing plates for the Six-Point Record System supplies now at the Free Will Baptist Gem Office. Cost price, \$150.00.

Item 2—That we enter into an agreement with the Free Will Baptist Gem for the printing of the Six-Point Record System supplies, and after all



costs of production and handling charges are cleared, the profit to be shared fifty-fifty between the Gem Office and this Board. The Gem Editor to be custodian of the plates.

Item 3—Rec. C. B. Dees, the Editor-Manager of the Gem being present in this Board meeting, it was agreed by motion and second that Item 2 of this minute serve as contract between the Board and the Free Will Baptist Gem.

Item 4—Motion sustained that Brother Dees take an inventory of all supplies now on hand, and three copies to be made—one to go to the Chairman of the Board, one for the secretary, and one to be held by the Gem.

Item 5—Motion sustained to accept the report of the first vice-president of the National Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

Item 6—That three members of the Board; namely, Rev. J. C. Griffin, Rev. L. C. Johnson, and Rev. M. M. Lewis, meet on Tuesday following the third Sunday in October in the Free Will Baptist Bible College building at 10 a. m., Nashville, Tennessee, to pass on all prepared manuscript offered to the National Association by individuals or the auxiliaries of the National Association with notice to be given in both Church papers.

Item 7—Motion sustained that we nominate Rev. L. C. Johnson to succeed himself as a member of the Board of Publications and Literature and request the National Association to re-elect him.

Item 8—Motion sustained to adjourn to meet at Nashville, Tennessee, at the above specified time.

Rev. J. C. Griffin, Chairman  
Rev. Mark Lewis, Secretary

#### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Rev. Robert B. Crawford

A study of FREE WILL BAPTIST history is very interesting and revealing. To see the denomination in action is far more interesting. Another delightful chapter of one year has been written about which men of methods and motives will justly be proud. There are some facts brought forcibly to one's attention when he sees our denomination as a whole.

FIRST: The adherence of Free Will Baptists to doctrines of fundamental and conservative faith in the Bible.

SECOND: We need to be more missionary minded, especially home missionary minded. We serve among ourselves as churches and associations too loosely.

THIRD: The spirit of stewardship has struck and stuck very sparsely.

FOURTH: The tide of greater and more church ties are becoming more evident. General church organization is recognized more all the while. I believe we are getting in better condition to carry out the great commission, to preach and tell the word of Jesus Christ. We have a right to exist as a denomination only as we say, "For me to live is Christ." We should make it

our business to do the business of the Lord. Even though we are doctrinally sound, and have been slack as stewards, and have not been as missionary minded as we should have been, we have much for which to be happy. There are some healthy habits among our helpers, namely, our leaders and fine laity are carrying on a diligent devotion to Him who would be Lord of all, and who is the Lord of love, life, light, and liberty.

FIFTH: A deeper sense of denominational praise and loyalty is evident. We appreciate what our fathers did in the past, we take our hats off to them, our coats to the future to do a greater work at His word. We are glad to be workers together in carrying His word in this day of warfare. Breaking ranks is less rare, cooperation to put up a real fighting front against the forces of evil during the greatest crisis of all times has engaged thought, time, prayer, and participation among many.

May we now face some facts and figures that will speak expressly of our achievements.

The Unified Program has shown great gains this year. The spirit of worshipful giving has run high. The why we give has been stressed, namely, for Jesus' sake.

There has been a total of \$5,117.52 received and \$5,075.95 allocated to the respective boards during the year. The Unified Program offerings have increased 60 per cent over the year 1943-44. Thank God for this achievement. This is another sign of cooperation in our ranks.

The Superannuation Board has come forward with a wonderful report. They have a working plan that is working. The year 1943-44 shows a 300 per cent increase in giving over the gifts of any other year's givings. The amount brought forward last year was \$1,059.85. We have a balance this year of \$1,841.68. \$382.61 was received in 1942-43. \$1,100.44 was received in 1943-44.

The Woman's Auxiliary has shown great gains. They have received \$2,472.57 and have spent \$2,356.85.

The Home Mission Board receipts have shown a nice increase for the past year. They received \$708.17 in 1942-43 as compared to \$1,024.97 for the past year. I pray that for the present we will follow the plan of raising Home Mission money as laid down by our National Board in its 1942 session.

Since the opening of our Bible College September 15, 1942, Free Will Baptists throughout the bounds of the denomination have shown an increasing measure of sound confidence in every phase of our work. Notwithstanding distractions from the war, many of our young people are turning their interests and attention toward our own Christian College. Notwithstanding that there has been no special drive made in the interest of the College there has been an increase in the gross receipts of 16 per cent. Total collections for the College amounting to \$21,756.51 have been received since July 1, 1943. The College is an established fact, free of debt and reports a cash balance on hand of \$8,924.62 as of June 30. We can say with rejoicing that God has been gracious to us and that His blessings in that of Christian train-



ing will be committed to those who will labor in the vineyard of the Lord in the years to come.

In reference to Foreign Missions I wish to submit proof that our people are more missionary minded than many of us could believe. How wonderful our awakening has been, and inspiring to every soul-seeking servant. The receipts for Foreign Missions for the past year show an increase in giving of approximately 70 per cent or a total of \$14,958.64. I predict that Free Will Baptists cannot continue this rate of increase without experiencing revivals in their churches.

Four sessions of the Christian Worker's Institute have been held the past year with a total enrollment of 151 with 80 receiving certificates. Along with the Institute evangelistic services were held, promotional services and rallies conducted and general meetings attended. There were 34 saved and reclaimed during Institutes, some dedicating their lives to the Foreign fields. \$429.69 was spent for all purposes in the Institutes. \$369.00 was collected at the Institutes for all purposes. The Christian Workers Institute is proving to be of greater blessing and worth to our denomination all the time.

My task as Executive Secretary has been delightful but difficult, there have been headaches and heart-aches, but more heart thrills and inspirations to over balance any unpleasant condition or situation. Strict economy has been practiced as figures will show. Amount drawn from all boards \$3,160.19, Institute fees \$151.00, total received \$3,311.19. Cost of maintaining the executive office \$2,815.27. I have collected and sent to all boards above \$3,200.00.

The total receipts for the past year for all departments of our National Association has been \$50,079.90—or 60 per cent more than 1942-43. We should take courage—and press on—until Jesus says it is enough—then we shall win the victory through Him.

#### REPORT OF NATIONAL PROMOTIONAL FIELD WORKER

As I bring this report to our people I pray that it will be as plain and convincing as the Master made the Kingdom of heaven, in His message on the various parables in the 13th chapter of Matthew. The outstanding one on the wheat and the tares is the one I wish to compare my field of labor to. The field, says Jesus, is the world, and I realize my work takes in a very small part of this "Vast Territory." But, I find in this great field much soil untilled. Laborers are few, and the call for more is great. Some places no Sunday School, no Leagues, no Auxiliaries, and a great opportunity for trained workers. For the lack of leadership in some places our people are not thorough in our doctrine. "While Men Slept the enemy sowed tares." Nothing hinders the growth of our work more than "discord." So in the strongest way possible, I have highly recommended our Bible School at Nashville, Tennessee, for the training of our young ministers and workers. When this is done our great problem will be solved and the "Appolis and Cephas type" will cease in our ranks. Yet with all of this, God is blessing in a marvelous way where the people learn of the Unified Program and what the National

Association is accomplishing in such a congested world. They want to know more about it. I have attended every association possible and our good ministers in every place have given me an opportunity to explain the Unified Program so that our people would understand how the work is carried on as recommended by our National Association. I don't leave out a thing. I tell first of our Bible School, then Missions—Home and Foreign. Last, but not least, Superannuation. I never leave out our Orphanage work either. I found on my visit to Kentucky, that they are opening their new orphanage in July all free of debt for which we all join them in praise and Thanksgiving. I also found splendid work going on in Ohio and Virginia. I visited other states that I will comment on in my remarks concerning their progress. The great need I find in every state is full time workers representing every branch of our work and especially home missionaries to enter the large cities and towns to preach the Gospel to those who never enter a church door.

I urge that we pray very earnestly to our Heavenly Father to help us work out a Home Mission system, that will reach the masses at home. I find most of our people wide awake on foreign missions for which God be praised. My work this year has been over the territory on which I worked 3 years ago. It has been a great joy to encourage the workers and help them better understand our program. The Penny Banks are helping many to learn to give and I feel in time they will lead up to a budget system which a number of our churches already have. I urge the Auxiliary Women in every church to set aside one Sunday to gather up the banks, then take a special offering for the Unified Program and put with the funds from the banks and send to their State Treasurer and from their state to the National. Then the School, Mission fields and all workers will not suffer for lack of funds.

The financial side of my work has been splendid, but I notice in some places that spirituality is very low; not because we do not have good Christians, but we are in the falling away period of time. There is a reason for this. Homes are broken; hearts are aching with sorrow because of the great conflict that is now sweeping the world. No Church can function and be at its best when its members have divided minds and carry such heavy burdens. We quote again the language of Jesus from Matthew 13: 28 "An enemy hath done this." But we must go on and press the battle till Jesus says it is enough, and takes us to our heavenly reward.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT OF PROMOTIONAL FIELD WORKER

From July '43 to July '44

All money received from the field ----- \$1,319.90

#### Expenditures

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Traveling expenses -----           | \$ 313.23 |
| Writing material and postage ----- | 41.10     |
| Circular Letters -----             | 9.25      |
| Clergy Permits -----               | 3.00      |



## NATIONAL MINUTES OF

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Chest Materials | 14.04  |
| Phone Calls     | 1.90   |
| Telegrams       | .60    |
| Record Book     | .59    |
| Sent Treasurer  | 77.59  |
| Salary          | 862.00 |

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Balance on hand                               | \$ 1.60 |
| Number of Churches visited                    | 104     |
| Number of sermons delivered                   | 201     |
| Number of conversions                         | 107     |
| Number of Mission Lectures                    | 85      |
| Number of Temperance Lectures                 | 1       |
| Number of Banks placed                        | 415     |
| Number of Year Books placed                   | 46      |
| Number of Manuals placed                      | 46      |
| Number of Revivals conducted                  | 5       |
| Number of Letters written                     | 880     |
| Number of Cards written                       | 494     |
| Number of Auxiliaries organized               | 7       |
| Number of Check Books placed for Bible School | 5       |
| Number of articles written to papers          | 25      |
| Number of Associations attended               | 5       |
| Number of Quarterly Meetings attended         | 1       |
| Number of Auxiliary Conventions attended      | 5       |
| Personal Service calls                        | 353     |
| Circular letter                               | 300     |
| Miles traveled about                          | 15,000  |
| Number of Chests placed                       | 27      |

Lizzie McAdams

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Amount Paid Out for General Expenses and Unified Program

|                         |          |                |        |
|-------------------------|----------|----------------|--------|
| Robert Jones            | \$ 25.00 | J. O. Fort     | 96.58  |
| E. C. Morris            | 31.00    | C. B. Dees     | 193.16 |
| Steger Printing Company | 17.25    | Winford Davis  | 289.74 |
| Free Will Baptist Press | 190.00   | J. R. Davidson | 386.32 |
| R. B. Crawford          | 60.19    | J. O. Fort     | 41.47  |
| E. C. Davidson          | 70.35    | C. B. Dees     | 82.94  |
| C. B. Dees              | 140.71   | Winford Davis  | 124.41 |
| Winford Davis           | 211.06   | J. R. Davidson | 165.88 |
| J. R. Davidson          | 281.42   | J. O. Fort     | 70.60  |
| J. O. Fort              | 110.00   | C. B. Dees     | 141.21 |
| C. B. Dees              | 219.82   | Winford Davis  | 211.81 |
| Winford Davis           | 329.70   | J. R. Davidson | 282.41 |
| J. R. Davidson          | 439.60   | J. O. Fort     | 29.61  |
|                         |          | C. B. Dees     | 59.22  |

## FREE WILL BAPTIST BODIES

35

|                |        |                |            |
|----------------|--------|----------------|------------|
| J. O. Fort     | 56.72  | Winford Davis  | 88.82      |
| C. B. Dees     | 113.45 | J. R. Davidson | 118.43     |
| Winford Davis  | 170.17 |                |            |
| J. R. Davidson | 226.90 |                | \$5,075.95 |

## AMOUNT OF MONEY FROM STATES

|                |          |                  |            |
|----------------|----------|------------------|------------|
| Alabama        | \$ 87.00 | Ohio             | 82.17      |
| Florida        | 28.61    | Tennessee        | 1,095.40   |
| Georgia        | 332.93   | Texas            | 393.24     |
| Illinois       | 185.14   | Virginia         | 94.00      |
| Kentucky       | 219.01   | West Virginia    | 53.78      |
| Mississippi    | 9.59     | Association Dues | 305.00     |
| Michigan       | 329.83   |                  | \$5,117.52 |
| Missouri       | 567.82   |                  | 5,075.95   |
| North Carolina | 1,317.80 |                  |            |
| Oklahoma       | 16.20    | Balance          | \$ 41.57   |

## REPORT OF NATIONAL FREE WILL BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

State Conventions representing: Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina.

District Conventions representing: South East Missouri Convention, Progressive Association of Alabama, Cumberland District Convention of Tennessee.

Local Churches representing: 1st F. W. B. Church, Houston, Texas; F. W. B. Bible College S. S., Nashville, Tennessee; Cordova, Alabama, Sunday School.

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Amount of Convention dues   | \$79.87 |
| Number of Ministers present | 20      |
| Number of Delegates present | 11      |

## FOLLOWING OFFICERS ELECTED FOR COMING YEAR

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| President                              | Rev. Damon C. Dodd     |
| Vice-President                         | Rev. Paul J. Kettelman |
| Secretary-Treasurer                    | Gertrude Bowe          |
| Assistant Secretary                    | Ruby Wood              |
| Director of Organization and Education | Mrs. L. E. Ballard     |
| Director of Denominational Enterprises | Rev. L. C. Johnson     |
| Director of Records and Reports        | Rev. R. B. Crawford    |
| Director of Literature                 | Rev. L. R. Ennis       |
| Director of Publicity                  | Rev. C. B. Dees        |

Respectfully submitted,  
Gertrude Bowe, Secretary-Treasurer.



## NOMINATION COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your Committee on nomination submit the following report. There being three indirect invitations from three different states, we ask that the body determine just where the next session shall be.

Rev. John M. Hinson  
Preston E. Slocum  
Rev. Melvin Dunn  
Mrs. Melvin Bingham

## REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Reverently and sadly, we pause to pay tribute to those who have finished their earthly career and have gone to their Heavenly reward.

They fought a good fight, they kept the faith, they finished the course, and death is swallowed up in victory.

Christ's earthly life was blessed with friends  
By them He was received,  
When one of them lay cold in death  
He, too, was sorely grieved.

And so we think the Lord looks out  
Across heavens' crystal seas  
And sends approvals to our pause  
In memory of these.

As a mark of appreciation of their services in the Master's work, we will stand in a moment of silent prayer after which we will listen to a special number in song and then close this report with prayer for those ministers whose failing hands have thrown the torch to us. "Be it ours to hold it high!"

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. B. Bloss  
Rev. J. O. Fort  
Rev. C. J. Kettelman  
Rev. W. K. Jordan  
Mrs. J. E. Frazier

## TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your committee on temperance respectfully submit the following report and recommendations:

That one copy of the following telegram be forwarded after being signed by the moderator and the clerk of the National Association of Free Will Baptists to the President of the United States, one to the Chairman of the

War Production Board, and one spread upon our minutes for the convenience of the Free Will Baptist people.

Respectfully submitted,

Jas. F. Miller, Chairman  
F. A. Rivenbark, Secretary  
George D. Dunbar  
Fannie Polston  
Maurice W. Roach

## Copy of Telegram sent to the President of the U. S., and the Chairman of the War Production Board

We, the members of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in annual session at Flat River, Missouri, July 10, 1944, do protest against the order from War Production Board on June 21, allowing whiskey makers a 30-day "holiday" in which they may turn from the manufacturing of war alcohol to the replenishing of their beverage alcohol stock.

In view of the fact that manufacturers of war materials declare that capacity production of industrial alcohol for the manufacture of essential war products will require full scale production; that the war production program is threatened with interruption on account of an acute shortage of corn which is necessary to the making of many war materials. When the need is urgent for swift production of such materials; that scarce grain must be taken from farmers, poultry producers and dairymen to use in the making of beverage alcohol, not to mention the sugar so carefully rationed to housewives and so badly needed for necessary purposes; that beverage alcohol is not only unnecessary but definitely harmful to the spiritual and physical welfare of our citizens and fighting forces, creating serious problems in the war effort at home and abroad, we urge that this order not only be recalled but that the manufacture of beverage alcohol be forbidden.

J. R. Davidson, Moderator  
E. C. Morris, Clerk

## COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved:

First—That we give a rising vote of thanks to this church, city and all who so graciously entertained us in the 1944 convention.

Second—That we take an offering and give it to this church to help defray expenses. They have entertained us the Missouri way; let us show our appreciation our way.

Third—That we urge individuals to make bequests and gifts to the Bible School, Nashville, Tennessee, or to any department of the National or State work.

Fourth—That we give special attention to qualifications, experience, consecration and special preparation to any persons nominated for any office or board in this body.



Fifth—That we stand and have prayer to thank God and these men for the untiring efforts that have been put forth by the retiring officers, namely: Rev. J. F. Miller, retiring Moderator; Rev. L. C. Johnson, Assistant Clerk; Rev. C. F. Bowen, Statistician; Rev. M. L. Hollis, Home Mission Board, Rev. A. B. Talbert, Home Mission Board, Mr. A. D. Ivey and Rev. E. J. Kilgore, Superannuation Board.

Rev. K. V. Shutes, Chairman  
Paul Woolsey  
John H. West  
W. J. Sheppard  
Mrs. J. C. Griffin

### RESOLUTIONS

#### Pertaining to Title Rights in Superannuation Property

Whereas, The National Association of Free Will Baptists in the United States of America, through its Board of Superannuation, has established for insurable ministers a Protection Benefit Service in the form of all-purpose life insurance; and

Whereas, The said National Association is not engaged in the benevolent superannuation of ministers nor purposes entering upon such a charitable service; and

Whereas, The National Association has respectfully requested its directly affiliated state and district associations to inaugurate a uniform plan of Benevolent Superannuation for the benefit of retired ministers, and has proposed that said state and district associations adopt a uniform constitution for the guidance of their respective boards of administration; and

Whereas, This uniform constitution, as proposed by the National Association, provides that all Benevolent Superannuation Service shall be administered by state and district boards, and that these boards shall "have right to sue and be sued, to receive, hold, convey, disburse, and utilize all properties, real and personal, acquired by gift, trust, bequest, purchase, or otherwise, consistent with the will of the benefactor," the approval of the state or district association to which said boards are severally subordinate, and the stipulations of the aforesaid uniform constitution under which they operate; and

Whereas, Certain state associations have adopted and are successfully promoting, for the benefit of their retired ministers, the plan of Benevolent Superannuation proposed by the National Association; and

Whereas, The rights of title to all real or personal properties that may be acquired by state and district superannuation boards for the exclusive purpose of Benevolent Superannuation are vested in said boards, and proof of which may be required, from time to time, according to civil law, as in the case of the estate of the deceased George P. Best, of Wayne County, North Carolina;

Therefore be it Resolved:

First. That this National Association of Free Will Baptists in annual session this the 12th day of July, 1944, does hereby disclaim and waive all rights of title to real and personal properties that have been or may hereafter be acquired by gift, grant, bequest, devise and trust, or otherwise, for the exclusive purpose of Benevolent Superannuation, and declare and direct that the sole rights of title to all properties thus acquired are and shall be, and is, hereby vested in the state and district boards of associations affiliated with the National Association.

Second. That this National Association of Free Will Baptists this the 12th of July, 1944, does hereby authorize and direct its Board of Superannuation, through and by the members composing said Board, to execute and deliver a quit claim title conveying any and all title rights in the estate of the deceased, George P. Best, of Wayne County, North Carolina, to the Board of Superannuation of the State Association of Free Will Baptists in North Carolina—which Board consists of the following members, as of this date: M. L. Johnson, F. A. Rivenbark, W. A. Hales, T. E. Beaman, C. F. Bowen, and Mrs. M. A. Woodard.

### STATISTICAL REPORTS OF ASSOCIATIONS BY STATES

Alabama reports 8 associations, 110 churches, 9,563 members, 187 ministers, 40 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 4,500. Leagues 15, with an enrollment of 1,000. Auxiliary Societies reported 8. Value of Church property \$100,000.00, value of parsonage property, \$1,500.00. Denominational property, Orphanage value, \$25,000.00.

Florida reports 2 associations, 23 churches, 2,012 members, 19 ministers, 15 Sunday Schools, 6 auxiliaries, value of Church property \$10,000.00.

Georgia reports 5 associations, 84 churches, 6,206 members, 75 ministers, 56 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 2,800, 12 Leagues reported with an enrollment of 500. 14 Auxiliaries. Value of Church property \$94,000.00, value of parsonage property \$25,000.00.

Illinois reports 1500 members, 1500 enrolled in Sunday Schools. Value of Church property \$60,000.00.

Kentucky reports 4,555 members, 109 ministers, value of Church property \$83,000.00.

Michigan gives no report.

Mississippi reports 21 churches, 2,464 members, 17 ministers, 16 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 838. 8 churches with Leagues and an enrollment of 341. 4 Auxiliary Societies reported. Value of Church property \$50,000.00, value of parsonage property \$2,000.00.

Missouri reports 100 churches, 5,581 members, 121 ministers, 74 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 4,000. 26 churches report Leagues with an enrollment of 200. 26 Auxiliaries reported. Value of Church property



\$87,805.00. Parson property valued at \$2,000.00. Denominational property valued at \$3,000.00.

Ohio reports 49 churches, 1,532 members, 57 ministers, 44 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 2,176. 3 churches report Leagues. Value of Church property \$100,000.00.

Oklahoma reports 210 churches, 20,000 members, 274 ministers, 210 Sunday Schools, 50 churches have Leagues and 60 Auxiliaries. Value of Church property \$130,000.00, parsonage property \$20,000.00, and value of denominational property \$3,000.00.

North Carolina reports 7 associations, 28,000 members.

Tennessee reports 84 churches, 6,363 members, 96 ministers, 63 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 3,225. 21 churches have Leagues with an enrollment of 375. 27 Auxiliaries. Value of Church property \$380,835.00, value of parsonage property \$8,000.00, value of denominational property \$24,000.00.

Texas reports 47 churches, 3,473 members, 33 ministers, 31 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 823. 10 churches have Leagues with an enrollment of 270. 4 Auxiliary Societies reported. Value of Church property \$100,000.00. Value of parsonage property, \$8,000.00.

Virginia Reports 78 churches, 3,973 members, 123 ministers, 54 Sunday Schools, 7 churches have Leagues. Value of Church property \$90,000.00.

West Virginia reports 1,595 members, 99 ministers, 28 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 1,222. Value of Church property \$30,000.00.

## MINUTES

OF THE

1944 Session

OF THE

## National Sunday School Convention

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## PROCEEDINGS

The National Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention was called to order on July 10, 1944, in the Flat River Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River, Missouri, by President W. E. Coville. Committees were appointed as follows:

**Business Committee**—Rev. Damon C. Dodd, Tennessee; Rev. Mark Lewis, Missouri; Rev. Paul J. Kettelman, Illinois.

The welcoming address was given by Rev. Cecil Campbell of Flat River, Missouri. Response by Rev. Paul J. Kettelman of Macedonia, Illinois.

Delegates and ministers present as follows: Rev. J. R. Davidson, Ashland City, Tennessee; Rev. Effie Matthews, Missouri; Rev. J. B. Bloss, Columbia, Tennessee; Rev. Maurice Roach, Pikeville, Kentucky; Rev. Monroe Hubbard, Jenkins, Kentucky; Rev. William Reeves, Irondale, Missouri; Rev. Mark Lewis, St. Louis, Missouri; Rev. Paul J. Kettelman, Macedonia, Illinois; Rev. Damon C. Dodd, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. Alvin F. Halbrook, Leadington, Missouri; Rev. H. Ray Berry, Houston, Texas; Eld. J. C. Wilcox, Huntington, W. Virginia; Rev. H. E. Willis, Owosso, Michigan; Opal Hiltibidal, Walnut Hill, Illinois; Rev. Albert Halbrook, Leadington, Missouri; Rev. Rashie Kennedy, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. Melvin Dunn, Wellston, Ohio; Rev. C. B. Dees, Monett, Missouri; Mrs. Ethel Lackey, Flat River, Missouri; Ola Carver, St. Louis, Missouri; Bessie Yeley, Scioto, Ohio (our missionary to Cuba); Ruby Wood, St. Louis, Missouri; Vera A. Roach, Pikeville, Kentucky; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. White, Nashville, Tennessee; Mrs. Mattie Lou Lance, Nashville, Tennessee; Mrs. Albert Halbrook, Leadington, Missouri; Rev. A. J. Lambert, Alabama; Miss Tommie Franklin, Bryan, Texas.

### OFFICERS' REPORT

#### President's Report

I extend to you my heartiest greetings on this the first day of the new convention year and pray that the Lord, through the Holy Spirit, will inspire and direct us to do a greater work in our business of teaching, training and rescuing lost souls for Him.



During the past year the office of President has operated quite extensively as a question and answer column. Letters of inquiry have been received from superintendents, ministers, teachers, and convention officers. These letters have been answered to the best of my ability.

The fact that many are seeking information relative to the Sunday School and its program inspires me, but, at the same time, I am depressed because our people have received so little information and such limited instruction.

Restricted transportation and an increase in the volume of business in which I am engaged has hindered me in many instances when I had a desire to visit schools and convention meetings.

I have presided over one called session of the Executive Board of the National Convention and, acting upon the authority vested in me by the Board at that meeting, I represented the convention in a meeting with the National Board of Publications and Literature for the purpose of transferring to that Board the printing, selling and distributing Sunday

My sincere desire is to see our Convention and all of its members work harder and accomplish more in the year 1944-45 than we ever have in the young life of our organization.

Signed: W. E. Coville, President.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the National Sunday School Convention  
Free Will Baptist Church  
1944 Session, Flat River, Missouri

Greetings:

It has been a great pleasure to act as your secretary for the past year. I regret that I cannot be with you for the Convention this year. I trust that God will lead and richly bless the actions of the body through this session.

By request of the President, Mr. W. E. Coville, I made out the program for this session of the Convention and sent a copy to the GEM and one to the BAPTIST for publication. I wrote to those whose names appear on the program.

Expense of the office: Postage and Stationery -----\$.68

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. George Wagoner, Secretary.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Annual report of the Treasurer of the National Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention for the year 1943-44:

#### FREE WILL BAPTIST BODIES

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Balance on hand July 1, 1943 ----- \$ 59.18  
Receipts: July 12, 1943—Convention dues ----- 44.00  
Total Receipts ----- 44.00

Grand Total ----- \$103.18

#### Disbursements:

Director of Records and Reports, for samples, postage, etc. ----- \$ 3.78  
President for expense of office—bank charges, typing, postage, etc. ----- 23.14

Total Disbursements ----- \$ 26.92

Balance on hand July 1, 1944 ----- \$ 76.26

#### Assets

Cash on hand ----- \$ 76.26  
Plates and Sunday School Supplies on hand July 1, 1943 ----- 455.00

Gross Assets ----- \$531.26

#### Liabilities

To Mr. W. L. Williams—loan ----- \$ 50.00  
To Gem for printing record supplies ----- 90.57

Gross Liabilities ----- \$140.57

NOTE: If settlement by the Board of Publications and Literature is made during this session and all convention obligations are paid, the Convention will have a cash balance on hand of \$390.69.

Signed:

W. L. Williams, Treasurer  
W. E. Coville, President

#### REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF RECORDS AND REPORTS

The past year has been one of progress among our Sunday Schools. Among progressive Sunday Schools the Six-Point Record System has been of great value, and where studied and applied many non-progressive Sunday Schools have become more progressive. Both publishing houses have had a great increase in sales of the Six Point Record System materials. There has been near a twenty per cent increase over last year in the use of the Six-Point Record System either in whole or part. There are enough churches in the different states to advertise, along with the Christian Workers' Institute, and the progressive minded leaders of the denomination to look for a better or brighter year ahead for our Sunday Schools. Keep good records and reports and prove the improvement.

Signed:

Robert B. Crawford



## REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE AND FINANCE

|   | Avg. Attendance | Amount  |
|---|-----------------|---------|
| 1st F. W. B. Church, St. Louis, Mo. -----     | 100             | \$2.00  |
| 1st F. W. B. Church, Houston, Texas -----     | 26              | 2.00    |
| S. E. Mo. Convention -----                    | 345             | 5.00    |
| State of Kentucky -----                       |                 | 8.00    |
| Progressive Association of Alabama -----      | 292             | 5.00    |
| Cumberland District Convention of Tenn. ----- | 1163            | 35.07   |
| Missouri State Convention -----               | 774             | 8.00    |
| College Sunday School -----                   |                 | 16.80   |
| Cordova, Alabama, Sunday School -----         | 79              | 2.00    |
| North Carolina Convention -----               |                 | 5.00    |
| Totals -----                                  | 2,769           | \$79.87 |

Signed:

H. R. Berry, Chairman  
H. E. Willis  
W. M. White

Motion was made and properly sustained that a Nominating Committee be chosen by the body to nominate the officers, to report immediately on return to session in afternoon, July 10, 1944.

Nominating Committee: Rev. Mark Lewis, Missouri; Rev. J. B. Bloss, Tennessee; and Rev. Damon C. Dodd, Tennessee.

Motion made and properly sustained that the Convention recess for lunch.

July 10, 1944—1:30 P. M.

The Convention was called to order again by President W. E. Coville by reading a verse of Scripture. Prayer was offered by Mrs. J. E. Frazier.

## REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| President -----                              | Rev. Damon C. Dodd     |
| Vice-President -----                         | Rev. Paul J. Kettelman |
| Secretary-Treasurer -----                    | Gertrude Bowe          |
| Assistant Secretary -----                    | Ruby Wood              |
| Director of Organization and Education ----- | Mrs. L. E. Ballard     |
| Director of Denominational Enterprise -----  | Rev. L. C. Johnson     |
| Director of Literature -----                 | Rev. L. R. Ennis       |
| Director of Publicity -----                  | Rev. C. B. Dees        |
| Director of Records and Reports -----        | Rev. R. B. Crawford    |

Signed:

Rev. Mark Lewis  
Rev. J. B. Bloss  
Rev. Damon C. Dodd

## REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Business and Resolutions, beg leave to submit the following report:

Be it Resolved, that this National Sunday School Convention extend to Brother W. E. Coville a standing vote of appreciation for his untiring efforts as organizer and president of this Convention.

Be it Resolved, that this National Sunday School Convention request of the Board of Publications and Literature the printing of 2500 Manuals of the Standard Free Will Baptist Sunday School.

Be it further Resolved, since we have been so royally entertained by the good folk of the Flat River Free Will Baptist Church and Community, that we, as a National Sunday School Convention, extend to them our sincere appreciation by a rising vote of thanks.

Signed:

M. Lewis, Chairman  
D. C. Dodd  
P. J. Kettelman

The Vice-President's word of acceptance was given, followed by the adjournment of another National Sunday School Convention among Free Will Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,

Damon C. Dodd, President,  
Gertrude Bowe, Sec'y.-Treas.



**MINUTES**

OF THE

**Ninth Annual Session**

OF THE

**Women's National Auxiliary Convention**

WHICH CONVENED WITH

**Flat River Free Will Baptist Church****Flat River, Mo., July 10, 1944**

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FLAT RIVER, MISSOURI

July 10, 1944

The Executive Committee of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention was called to order by President, Mrs. Eunice Edwards. Prayer was offered by the president. Those answering to roll call were: Mrs. Fannie Polston, Mrs. Agnes Frazier, Mrs. Lizzie McAdams, Miss Tommie Franklin, Mrs. A. M. Culbertson, Mrs. Eunice Edwards, and Mrs. D. C. Dodd.

Motion was made that office of the Fourth vice-president be declared vacant due to her lack of cooperation. Motion carried.

Motion made that Secretary protem transcribe minutes before submitting for publication. Motion carried.

Mrs. McAdams reported that she was not able to get a patent on the Jehoiada Chest.

It was suggested that the treasurer get from Brother Davis the figures on Mission Fund sent in to him.

The president read letter from Mrs. T. H. Willey. Prayer was offered by Sister Polston.

We recommend that report forms supplementing the blank in the Year Book be prepared for convention officers.

Reports of the various vice-presidents were given with recommendations.

Committees were appointed.

Adjournment.



## NATIONAL MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

FLAT RIVER FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
FLAT RIVER, MISSOURI  
July 10, 1944—8:00 P. M.

The W. N. A. C. opened with a song followed immediately by appointing Gertrude Bowe to serve as secretary protem in the absence of the regular secretary. Scripture reading was given by Mrs. Alice Dickey followed with prayer by Mrs. Lizzie McAdams. Special music was offered by various quartets and duets. Welcoming of the delegates and visitors by Mrs. Eunice Edwards.

Appointment of Committees:

**Program Committee:** Mrs. Melvin Bingham, Oklahoma; Mrs. Cecil Campbell, Missouri; Mrs. Mary Jane Mayo, Illinois.

**Appreciation Committee:** Mrs. J. C. Griffin, North Carolina; Mrs. Maurice Roach, Kentucky; Mrs. Claudia Britton, Illinois.

**Plan of Work—**Mrs. J. B. Bloss, Alabama; Mrs. Marie Hyatt, Missouri; Mrs. Alice Childers, Ohio.

**Greetings—**Miss Opal McClerren, Illinois; Mrs. A. R. Davis, Virginia; Mrs. Eunice Malone, Illinois.

**Obituary—**Mrs. Alice Dickey, Missouri; Mrs. J. F. Miller, Missouri; Miss Opal Hiltibidal, Illinois.

**Finance—**Mrs. Fannie Polston, Tennessee; Mrs. A. M. Culbertson, Virginia; Mrs. J. R. Davidson, Tennessee; Mrs. W. J. Shepherd, Ohio.

**Resolutions—**Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Tennessee; Mrs. Hubert Sloan, Michigan; Mrs. Paul Woolsey, Tennessee.

Welcoming address was given by Mrs. Cecil Campbell of Flat River, Missouri. Response by Mrs. Ernest Griffith of Ashland, Kentucky. Special Music by Quartet from the Bible College. Convention message was delivered by Mrs. Marie Hyatt of Centerview, Missouri. Playlet given by Flat River Auxiliary—"Ye Shall Be My Witnesses."

Devotional by Miss Bessie Yeley.

Reading of letter from Mrs. T. A. Willey by Mrs. Eunice Edwards. Prayer in the altar in response to Mrs. Willey's request in her letter. Fellowship greetings from visiting ministers were given.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting were read and accepted.

Motion was made and carried to elect a Nominating Committee to fill the place of the fourth vice-president whose office had been declared vacant because of lack of cooperation.

Motion carried that Nominating Committee take charge of election of officers to fill all vacancies.

July 11, 1944

## FREE WILL BAPTIST BODIES

**Nominating Committee:** Mrs. Alice White, Tennessee; Mrs. Vera Vanhoose, Kentucky; Mrs. Bert Rogers, Oklahoma; Mrs. Eunice Malone, Illinois; Mrs. J. F. Harmon, Georgia; Mrs. Cecil Campbell, Missouri; Mrs. W. J. Shepherd, Ohio; Mrs. J. C. Griffin, North Carolina; Mrs. D. C. Dodd, Alabama; Mrs. A. M. Culbertson, Virginia; Miss Tommie Franklin, Texas.

Report of President, Mrs. Eunice Edwards.

Report of National Field Worker, Mrs. Lizzie McAdams.

Report of Third Vice-president, Mrs. Sylvia Dodd.

Report of Fourth Vice-president, given by Mrs. J. E. Frazier.

(See Reports)

Message by Rev. Winford Davis.

Dismissed for lunch.

1:30 P. M.

Devotional by Mrs. J. C. Griffin.

Message from General Board by Rev. L. R. Ennis. Substance of Rev. Ennis' message: "Board of Publications and Literature was instituted in 1943. The Press in Ayden, N. C., gave \$200.00 which was inadequate. It had been recommended that \$500.00 be paid by National Executive Secretary. He was sent to W. N. A. C. to request that \$100.00 from their treasury be allocated to the Board of Publications and Literature."

Motion carried to refer this request to the Finance Committee.

Report of Second Vice-president, Mrs. Melvin Bingham.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, given by Mrs. J. E. Frazier.

Report of First Vice-president, Mrs. J. E. Frazier.

Report of Treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Polston.

Mrs. J. E. Frazier presented the plan for the Free Will Baptist W. N. A. C.'s 50,000 Co-Laborer Band. Motion carried to accept the plan and put it into action immediately.

Report of acting fifth vice-president, Miss Tommie Franklin.

Motion carried to adopt the recommendation made by the fifth vice-president that all auxiliaries keep accurate records and reports.

Report of Plan of Work Committee by Mrs. J. B. Bloss.

Motion carried to accept Report of the Greeting Committee.

Motion carried to accept Report of the Appreciation Committee.

Motion carried to accept the Report of the Obituary Committee.

Motion carried to accept for consideration item by item the Report of the Resolutions Committee. (See Report of the Resolutions Committee.)

Report of Finance Committee by Mrs. W. J. Shepherd accepted.

Report of Nominating Committee by Miss Tommie Franklin accepted.

Motion carried to elect recommended officers as they stand. (See Report of Nominating Committee.)



## NATIONAL MINUTES OF

Motion carried to pay editor \$50.00 per month.  
Motion carried to adjourn.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE W. N. A. C.  
July 13, 1944

Opened with Scripture Lesson, Philippians 2, by President. Prayer by Mrs. Fannie Polston.

Motion carried to accept Michigan Auxiliary into the Convention.

Motion carried to accept report of Registration Committee.

Prayer offered in regards to the proposed monthly magazine.

Mrs. J. E. Simpson offered her resignation as Third Vice-President. Motion carried to accept Mrs. Simpson's resignation.

Mrs. Marie Hyatt elected as Third vice-president by acclamation.

Motion carried to use Year Book another year until definite plans for the magazine are ready.

At this point Rev. C. B. Dees, editor of the Gem was received into the meeting.

Motion carried to give Mrs. J. E. Frazier a rising vote of thanks and love offering of \$25.00 to be paid at the 1945 Convention for her past services as First Vice-President.

Motion carried to give Mrs. Dodd the right to select the theme for the Year Book.

Minutes were approved.

Adjourned with prayer by Mrs. C. J. Kettelman.

## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Letters sent out (1 special delivery)      | 139   |
| Cards sent out (3 special delivery)        | 40    |
| Telegrams                                  | 1     |
| No. Auxiliaries visited (3 states)         | 9     |
| No. Conventions visited                    | 4     |
| Miles travelled                            | 2,744 |
| No. Study Classes taught                   | 7     |
| No. Articles sent to Denominational Papers | 6     |
| No. Sermons preached                       | 22    |

Supervised prayer week services at Rescue Church in Illinois. Preached eleven sermons and taught one all day study of the Manual. Conducted one revival—witnessed 22 conversions and 3 consecrations.

Mrs. Eunice Edwards, President.

## REPORT OF NATIONAL FIELD WORKER

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| No. of States Reporting      | 9     |
| No. of Auxiliaries Reporting | 198   |
| No. of members               | 3,938 |
| No. of Active members        | 2,297 |

## FREE WILL BAPTIST BODIES

51

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| New members                                | 150          |
| Lost members                               | 37           |
| Increase in membership                     | 83           |
| No. of inactive members                    | 49           |
| No. of Churches visited                    | 104          |
| No. of Sermons preached                    | 201          |
| No. of conversions                         | 107          |
| No. of mission lectures                    | 85           |
| No. of Temperance lectures                 | 1            |
| No. of Banks placed                        | 415          |
| No. of Chests placed                       | 27           |
| No. of Year Books placed                   | 46           |
| No. of Manuals placed                      | 46           |
| Revivals Conducted                         | 5            |
| Auxiliaries Organized                      | 10           |
| No. of Check Books placed for Bible School | 5            |
| Articles written for papers                | 25           |
| Associations attended                      | 5            |
| Quarterly Meetings attended                | 1            |
| Auxiliary Conventions attended             | 5            |
| Students assisted in Bible College         | 1            |
| Miles traveled                             | about 15,000 |
| Circular letters                           | 300          |
| Salary Received from Convention Treasurer  | \$300.00     |

## Financial Report

|                                   |          |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Received from the Field           | \$424.56 |          |
| Paid out—Mrs. Polston             |          | \$302.16 |
| Assisted student in Bible College |          | 77.15    |
| All expenses                      |          | 45.25    |
|                                   | \$424.56 | \$424.56 |

Mrs. Lizzie McAdams,  
National Auxiliary Field Worker.

Statistical Report of Stewardship Departmental Work as reported by nine states; namely: Alabama, Georgia, Illinois, Michigan, North Carolina, Missouri, Virginia, Tennessee, and Ohio.

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Stewardship Reading Circles       | 1        |
| Stewardship Tracts Distributed    | 4,000    |
| Stewardship Programs              | 112      |
| Tithers                           | 529      |
| Stewardship Study Classes         | 127      |
| Stewardship Talks                 | 179      |
| Donations to Unified Program Fund | \$418.80 |

Compiled by Mrs. J. E. Frazier due to absence of  
Fourth Vice-president.



## REPORT OF SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Bible College Funds  | \$1,355.06 |
| Room Furnishings for College                                     | \$ 178.00  |
| Library Books  | \$ 264.95  |
| Students   | \$ 28.50   |
| Vacation Bible Schools   | 57         |
| Young People's Auxiliaries                                       | 34         |
| Special Manual Studies   | 68         |
| Special Anna Phillips Education Fund of North Carolina Auxiliary | \$1,098.88 |

Mrs. Melvin Bingham,  
2nd Vice-President.

## REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Articles written for papers              | 6      |
| Postal Cards written                     | 51     |
| Letters written                          | 14     |
| Standard of Achievements Charts Received | 5      |
| State reporting                          | 10     |
| Auxiliary Subscribers to papers          | 849    |
| A-1 Auxiliaries                          | 5      |
| Expenses for correspondence              | \$2.40 |

Rebecca Stewart,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## REPORT OF ACTING FIFTH VICE-PRESIDENT

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Amount of Orphanage Donations                      | \$4,138.84 |
| Commodities  | \$ 998.88  |
| Ministerial Relief                                 | \$ 631.65  |
| Personal Service Committees                        | 47         |
| Assisting in Cottage Prayer Meetings               | 12         |
| Assisting in Soul-winning efforts                  | 42         |
| No. conversions from personal service              | 34         |
| Visiting the sick                                  | 18         |
| Helping in work for foreigners, negroes, prisoners | 41         |

We recommend that our auxiliaries keep an accurate report of Personal Service Records and complete and full records be sent to proper vice-president.

We recommend that each auxiliary sponsor a "Personal Service Revival" using suggested programs from "Yearbook of Programs."

Miss Tommie Franklin,  
Acting Fifth Vice-President.

## REPORT OF THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Articles sent to denominational papers | 4      |
| Cards and letters sent out             | 15     |
| Amount paid for stationery and postage | \$0.75 |

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Number of Mission study classes conducted      | 76         |
| Number of tracts distributed                   | 250        |
| Number of Auxiliaries observing week of prayer | 66         |
| Amount reported from the Jehoiada Chest        | \$1,095.45 |
| Total amount paid to Home Missions             | \$1,060.88 |
| Total amount paid to Foreign Missions          | \$1,755.14 |
| Total amount paid to Missions                  | \$2,916.02 |

Our Auxiliary women this year launched a special project to provide furnishings for the Cuban Bible School. The results were most gratifying. Among the articles given were: mattresses, bed linens, silverware, Hymnals, communion sets and piano.

Mrs. Damon C. Dodd,  
3rd Vice-President.

## REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENLISTMENT AND LITERATURE

Mrs. J. E. Frazier, First Vice-President

July 1, 1943 to July 1, 1944

## Steadfast Witnessing through Enlistment and Literature

This year seems to be the best time to prove that Christians are steadfast witnesses in today's world, and that they are faithful individual witnesses "Beginning at Jerusalem." To encourage Woman's Auxiliary members thus to witness, the Enlistment and Literature Department of the National Auxiliary Convention is continuously providing programs and other literature for the promotion of all its enlistment plans.

Because of the wonderful progress made in your literature department, your chairman would like to present four recommendations for your prayerful consideration and we trust your most sincere and whole-hearted adoption. They are as follows:

1. That we urge the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention through Literature Department to launch out this year with a monthly magazine.
2. That a full-time editor of Auxiliary literature be employed at a specified monthly salary.
3. That the National Auxiliary Convention set up a central office at Nashville, Tennessee, at which place all literature and all financial records shall be kept, and from which all literature supplies are to be mailed.
4. That all auxiliary literature be let out by the job to the printer giving the convention literature chairman the lowest price.

My Statistical report is as follows:

This year I attended two district conventions, taught in one Christian Workers Institute, organized one Woman's Auxiliary, conducted two installation services of auxiliary officers, made eight enlistment talks, prepared two programs for young peoples' Auxiliaries, three stewardship and two mission programs. 1,039 letters have been received and 188 cards; 593 letters and 276 postal cards were sent out. 6,836 pieces of literature were distributed and



580 packages (tracts, leaflets, booklets, study course books, etc.) were wrapped by my own hands and sent into 16 different states.

Financial Record of the literature for the year ending July 1, 1944, is as follows:

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Cash balance from 1943  | \$174.35        |
| Cash receipts from all literature sales   | 751.84          |
| Donations from Missouri Friend of Mill Creek and Golden Oak Churches (sent in by Rev. W. Davis) | 6.00            |
| Donations from Tennessee Friends  | 5.25            |
| <b>Total Cash receipts</b>  | <b>\$937.34</b> |
| <b>Disbursements:</b>   |                 |
| Production cost on all literature (2500 Year Books, 1000 Manuals, Charts, Tracts)               | \$594.74        |
| Distribution cost on all literature (Postage, wrapping paper, cord, C. O. D. fees, etc.)        | 141.17          |
| <b>Total Disbursements</b>  | <b>\$735.91</b> |
| <b>Total Cash from 7-1-43 to 7-1-44</b>   | <b>\$937.34</b> |
| <b>Total Expenditures from 7-1-43 to 7-1-44</b>   | <b>735.91</b>   |
| <b>Cash balance July 1, 1944</b>  | <b>\$201.43</b> |

Literature Supplies on hand are as follows:

|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Standard Wall Charts   | 168 |
| Manuals                | 422 |
| Tracts                 | 800 |
| Working with Our Youth | 144 |

There is \$72.84 invested in these supplies.

The Statistical Report of the Enlistment work as reported by Alabama, Georgia, Illinois, Michigan, North Carolina, Missouri, Virginia, Tennessee, Ohio and Oklahoma is as follows:

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| New members for the year                                       | 133    |
| Active members in auxiliaries                                  | 3,229  |
| Members re-instated  | 8      |
| Total members received for the year                            | 147    |
| Number of inactive members                                     | 24     |
| Number of members dropped                                      | 67     |
| Number of members died   | 5      |
| Total loss of members  | 72     |
| Temperance leaflets distributed                                | 650    |
| Temperance programs given                                      | 25     |
| Good Religious literature distributed (tracts, papers, etc.)   | 9,685  |
| Total pieces of good literature distributed                    | 10,335 |
| Members engaged in personal witnessing to win new members      | 1,789  |
| Members engaged in personal witnessing to bring back absentees | 1,782  |

Total members engaged in enlistment work ----- 1,789

"The year is closed, the record made;  
The last deed done, the last word said.  
The memory alone remains  
Of all its joys, its griefs, its gain;  
And now with purpose full and clear  
We turn to meet another year."

—Robert Browning.

Let us now put our hands more firmly in HIS, look out over our field composed of 16 fine states ready to join hands with all our excellent Christian workers, "and having chosen our course, renew our trust in God and go forward without fear."

With humble hearts we would unitedly thank our Heavenly Father for all the happy hours along the way of this year, the innumerable kindnesses and considerations, the spur to more earnest service given by numerous letters from friends everywhere and from all the co-laborers who have made this report possible, and ask HIM to let this past year's work serve in advancing HIS Kingdom that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that He is the Lord, and HE only.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. J. E. Frazier

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLAN OF WORK FOR 1945

We, the National Committee on Plan of Work for 1945, endorse the Woman's National Auxiliary Plan of Work as laid down in the "Manual of Method" and recommend its adoption with the following changes and additions:

### I.—PRAYER

1. That we emphasize the family altar.
2. That we encourage making of prayer list of the unsaved, and that we stress cottage prayer meetings in preparation for revival meetings, etc.
3. That we join with the Missionary Prayer Band of Free Will Baptist Bible College in the observance of the 1:00 P. M. prayer hour for World-Wide Missions.

### II.—ENLISTMENT

1. That we take as our slogan "Every F. W. B. Church organized, every F. W. B. woman utilized."
2. That we set aside Oct. 11-15, 1945, as Enlistment Week when special emphasis be given to winning new members, re-enlisting inactive members, and to organizing new Auxiliaries.
3. That as a means of more efficient work and workers, we recommend full cooperation with the course in "Woman's Auxiliary in the Christian Workers' Institute," conducted by the National Association.



4. That each National Department Chairman remind **Regularly** her sub-ordinating officers about carrying out **Definitely** the Plan of Work as suggested in the Year Book of Programs each month.

### III.—MISSIONS

1. That the Mission Chairman (3rd V. Pres.) in every Auxiliary plan for the Mission study work among the young people in consultation with the second vice-president.
2. That the National Woman's Auxiliary Convention support through the National Board of Foreign Missions two native missionaries in Cuba this year, and one in India as soon as Miss Barnard can return to that field. For this work each Auxiliary is asked to increase her mission offering at least \$2.00 per month beginning NOW. (Send your offering through the proper channel to the National Auxiliary treasurer who has been instructed to send this money for missionary salaries to the National Foreign Mission Board treasurer. At the present rate of pay this will take \$50.00 per month. Each Auxiliary keep the record of your monthly offerings for native missionaries. **BUT SEND THE MONEY** through the proper channel to our **NATIONAL CONVENTION TREASURER** so that the convention may know when and that she has kept her promise to support **MONTHLY** two native workers.)

### IV.—STEWARDSHIP

1. That the spirit of sacrifice and self-denial enter more fully into all our work (Rom. 12: 1).
2. That there be a more thorough study of all stewardship plans by all stewardship chairmen.
3. That a Stewardship Study Class be held **EARLY** in this year in **EVERY LOCAL AUXILIARY**. (Consult 4th Vice-Pres. for suggestive book.)
4. That every resident member of the church be enlisted in the missionary offerings and in cooperation in all financial goals.
5. That a consecrated and enthusiastic woman be appointed in every convention to promote the stewardship study work, and the support of the Unified Program of the National Association to which we are an auxiliary.
6. That the National Stewardship Chairman be responsible, through the assistance of the stewardship chairmen in all auxiliaries and the National Field Worker, for the promotion of the "Fifty Thousand Band of Co-Laborers" plan which the N. A. W. C. is launching this year in cooperation with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

### V.—CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. That each second vice-president foster and advance Christian Education of our young people as presented in the book "WORKING WITH OUR YOUTH," which can be ordered from **AUXILIARY LITERATURE DEPARTMENT HDG, 1624 E. CAHAL AVE., NASHVILLE, TENN.**
2. That each second vice-president chairman of education urge each con-

responding secretary to continually seek to secure subscriptions to F. W. B. church papers (The F. W. B. Gem, Monett, Mo., and the Free Will Baptist, Ayden, N. C.) through the Woman's Auxiliary and the **YOUNG PEOPLE** until there is a church paper in every home.

3. That special emphasis be placed on the **SUPPORT** of our Bible School at 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee, by sending it a regular **MONTHLY** donation.

4. That we encourage our young people who have strong bodies, alert minds, good education, attractive personalities, sincere purpose, and growing experience to prepare for Christian service.

5. All 2nd Vice-Pres. conduct daily Vacation Bible Schools in their organizations.

### VI.—PERSONAL SERVICE

1. That we intensify our efforts to carry out monthly the activities printed in the personal service calendar of the year book.
2. That every Auxiliary have a personal service committee whose responsibility it is to direct these activities suggested by the 5th Vice-President and printed in the Year Book.
3. That every 5th Vice-President be urged to report number of members engaged in personal service activities and the souls won as a result of these activities.

### VII.—GIFTS

1. That we take as our goal for this year at least one \$5.00 endowment check from each district convention for the Bible School located in Nashville, Tenn.
2. That we continue with the Jehoiada Chest fund as our mission fund which is to be used as follows: 1-3 of all such funds shall be kept in the National Woman's Auxiliary treasure for the promotion of its home mission and field work and 2-3 of all such funds received by the National Treasurer shall be sent on the first of each month to the treasurer of the National Foreign Mission Board for payment of the native missionaries' salaries.

### VIII.—REPORTS

2. That the Convention's annual report to the Association be made on the report blank as found in the back of the "Year Book of Programs" in order that a unified statistical record of Woman's Auxiliary work may be had from district to state, and from state to national. That vice-presidents report on supplementary forms like those found in the "Manual of Methods."
2. All funds contributed by local auxiliaries for all different phases of the National work are to be sent monthly through the proper channels to the National Woman's Auxiliary Treasurer who in turn will forward all such funds to the proper treasurer of the National Association. This procedure is



for the inspiration and information of those auxiliary workers who will come after us.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. J. B. Bloss, Chairman  
Mrs. Marie Hyatt  
Mrs. Alice Childers

#### REPORT OF GREETINGS COMMITTEE

We have two National Officers absent from this meeting because of illness. Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, recording secretary, is absent because of the illness of her sister; and Miss Rebecca Stewart, corresponding secretary, on account of the illness of her mother. We recommend that our secretary send telegrams of greeting to each expressing our love and appreciation of their work last year and pledge our cooperation next year.

Miss Opal McClerren, Chairman.

(Cards were sent because impossible to send greetings by wire.)

#### REPORT OF APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We, your Appreciation Committee, submit the following report. We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the Woman's Auxiliary Missionary Circle of Flat River Church for their kind hospitality shown us during this session of the W. N. A. C. Also, to the Executive Committee for their untiring efforts in laying progressive plans for the Woman's Auxiliary for the coming year.

Prayerfully submitted,  
Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Obituary Committee, beg to submit the following report since God in His wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst our beloved sisters—Mrs. Clayton Nole, Mrs. C. W. Frazier, Mrs. Lummie Dixon of Kentucky.

Mrs. Ellen Hubbard, Wilma Jean Renegar of Oklahoma.  
Mrs. Lewis Jackson of Tennessee.  
Thelma Matthews of Missouri.  
Mrs. S. C. Plummer of Georgia.  
Song and Prayer offered.

Mrs. Alice Dickey, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Resolutions Committee, submit the following report:

1. Be it Resolved, that the Woman's Auxiliary go on record as opposing the legalized sale of alcoholic beverages because of the evil effects that result from the use of it.

2. Be it Resolved, That all money received by our National President for traveling expenses in behalf of the Auxiliary work be turned over to the

Convention Treasurer, and that her expenses be paid out of the Convention Treasury in order that a complete financial record may be kept.

3. Be it Resolved, That we launch out through the Literature Department with a monthly magazine.

4. Be it Resolved, That a full time salaried editor of Auxiliary literature be elected at this session of the W. N. A. C.

5. Be it Resolved, That the W. N. A. C. set up a central office at Nashville, at which place all literature and financial records be kept, and from which all literature supplies be mailed.

6. Be it Resolved, That all Auxiliary Literature be given out by the job to the printer giving the W. N. A. C. Literature Chairman the lowest bid.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Resolutions Committee

#### REPORT OF NOMINATION COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the election of the following officers:

Assistant Recording Secretary—Miss Gertrude Bowe

1st Vice-President—Mrs. D. C. Dodd

3rd Vice-President—Mrs. J. E. Simpson

4th Vice-President—Mrs. Agnes Frazier

5th Vice-President—Miss Tommie Franklin

Mrs. D. C. Dodd tendered her resignation as Third vice-president which was accepted.

The Nominating Committee

#### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your Finance Committee, have examined the Treasurer's report and have found it satisfactory. We have considered the request made by the General Board and recommend that we give the one hundred dollars asked for the Board of Publications and Literature.

Your Finance Committee

#### REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Illinois: Mrs. Wallace Malone, Mary Jane Mayo, Opal McClerren.  
Tennessee: Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Mrs. J. B. Bloss, Mrs. W. M. White, Mrs. D. C. Dodd, Mrs. Fannie Polston, Mrs. Agnes Frazier, Mrs. E. A. Craft.  
Missouri: Mrs. Eunice Miller, Thora Arbogast, Gussie Hamblin, Beulah Henson, Mrs. Eunice Edwards, Mrs. Marie Hyatt, Alice Dickey, Mrs. Jewell Turner.

Ohio: Mrs. W. J. Sheppard, Mrs. Alice Childers.

Virginia: Mrs. A. C. Davis, Mrs. A. M. Culbertson.

Michigan: Mrs. Gladys Sloan.

Kentucky: Mrs. Ernest Griffith, Mrs. M. W. Roach, Mrs. Albert Van-

hoose, Miss Opal Borders.

Texas: Miss Tommie Franklin, Mrs. Lizzie McAdams.

North Carolina: Mrs. J. C. Griffin.



Oklahoma: Mrs. Melvin Bingham, Mrs. Bert Rogers, Mrs. John West.

Registration Committee

### THE TREASURER'S REPORT

#### National Dues by States:

|   |          |                |                 |
|---|----------|----------------|-----------------|
| District Convention Auxiliary to Progressive Assoc., of Alabama | \$ 13.50 |                |                 |
| District Convention Auxiliary to Cumberland Assoc. of Tennessee | 19.00    |                |                 |
| Texas   | 2.00     | Ohio           | 3.10            |
| Alabama   | 5.70     | Georgia        | 10.00           |
| Florida   | 4.00     | Missouri       | 5.11            |
| Illinois  | 7.60     | South Carolina | 20.70           |
| Oklahoma  | 8.53     | Kentucky       | .70             |
| Mississippi   | 21.60    |                |                 |
| Virginia  | 15.00    |                |                 |
|   |          |                | <b>\$136.54</b> |

#### Foreign Missions

|                        |          |          |                 |
|------------------------|----------|----------|-----------------|
| Offering at 1943 Conv. | \$ 88.62 | Georgia  | 29.00           |
| Tennessee              | 50.00    | Alabama  | 32.16           |
| North Carolina         | 263.00   | Virginia | 14.00           |
| Illinois               | 127.97   |          |                 |
|                        |          |          | <b>\$604.75</b> |

#### MONEY RECEIVED AS FOLLOWS

##### Native Missionary

|           |          |          |                 |
|-----------|----------|----------|-----------------|
| Tennessee | \$ 48.00 | Georgia  | 24.00           |
| Alabama   | 32.00    | Illinois | 98.40           |
| Virginia  | 22.00    |          |                 |
|           |          |          | <b>\$224.40</b> |

##### Ministerial Relief

|          |         |         |                 |
|----------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| Texas    | \$ 3.00 | Alabama | 2.12            |
| Illinois | 13.65   |         |                 |
|          |         |         | <b>\$ 18.77</b> |

##### Tennessee Orphanage

|          |         |  |                 |
|----------|---------|--|-----------------|
| Texas    | \$ 2.00 |  |                 |
| Illinois | 69.50   |  |                 |
|          |         |  | <b>\$ 71.50</b> |

##### Bible College

|          |          |         |                 |
|----------|----------|---------|-----------------|
| Illinois | \$ 54.00 | Texas   | 2.25            |
| Oklahoma | 7.00     | Alabama | 2.12            |
| Missouri | 10.00    |         |                 |
|          |          |         | <b>\$ 75.37</b> |

##### Unified Program

|           |          |                |                 |
|-----------|----------|----------------|-----------------|
| Alabama   | \$ 37.56 | Oklahoma       | 34.00           |
| Illinois  | 2.20     | North Carolina | 70.51           |
| Tennessee | 96.48    |                |                 |
| Kentucky  | 5.00     |                |                 |
|           |          |                | <b>\$245.75</b> |

#### Jehoiada Chest Fund by States

|             |          |                     |                   |
|-------------|----------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Florida     | \$ 26.00 | North Carolina      | 412.10            |
| Kentucky    | 11.00    | Alabama             | 58.04             |
| Tennessee   | 35.58    | Missouri            | 88.93             |
| Ohio        | 49.00    | Illinois            | 36.23             |
| Virginia    | 22.00    | Georgia             | 9.00              |
| Mississippi | 14.00    | Mrs. Lizzie McAdams | 289.16            |
| Texas       | 14.75    |                     |                   |
| Oklahoma    | 29.70    |                     | <b>\$1,095.49</b> |

|                    |           |                     |                   |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Foreign Missions   | \$ 604.75 | Unified Program     | 245.75            |
| Native Missionary  | 224.40    | Tennessee Orphanage | 71.58             |
| Ministerial Relief | 18.77     | National Dues       | 136.54            |
| Bible College      | 75.37     |                     |                   |
|                    |           |                     | <b>\$2,472.57</b> |

|                         |  |  |                   |
|-------------------------|--|--|-------------------|
| Balance 1943 Convention |  |  | 463.83            |
|                         |  |  | <b>\$2,936.40</b> |

|               |  |  |          |
|---------------|--|--|----------|
| Disbursements |  |  | 2,356.85 |
|---------------|--|--|----------|

|         |  |  |                  |
|---------|--|--|------------------|
| Balance |  |  | <b>\$ 579.55</b> |
|---------|--|--|------------------|

#### Disbursements for Entire Year

|                    |            |                         |                   |
|--------------------|------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Foreign Missions   | \$1,335.03 | Tennessee Orphanage     | 71.50             |
| Native Missionary  | 224.40     | Mrs. McAdams            | 300.00            |
| Ministerial Relief | 18.77      | Expense 1943 Convention | 86.03             |
| Bible College      | 75.37      |                         |                   |
| Unified Program    | 245.75     |                         | <b>\$2,356.85</b> |

|   |           |           |                   |
|---|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
| Money Reported sent in to the Various Boards: |           |           |                   |
| Georgia                                       | \$ 988.08 | Virginia  | 105.80            |
| Ohio  | 109.34    | Tennessee | 1,191.47          |
| Alabama                                       | 504.06    |           |                   |
|   |           |           | <b>\$2,898.75</b> |

|                |  |  |                   |
|----------------|--|--|-------------------|
| Money Received |  |  | 2,472.57          |
|                |  |  | <b>\$5,371.32</b> |

Mrs. Fannie Polston, Treasurer.