

# MINUTES

*Of The*

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

*Of The*

**State Association of Churches**

*Of The (Original)*

FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF NORTH CAROLINA

Held With the Church at

LITTLE ROCK, WILSON COUNTY, N. C.

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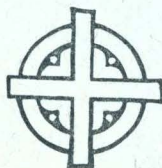
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**Women's State Auxiliary Convention**

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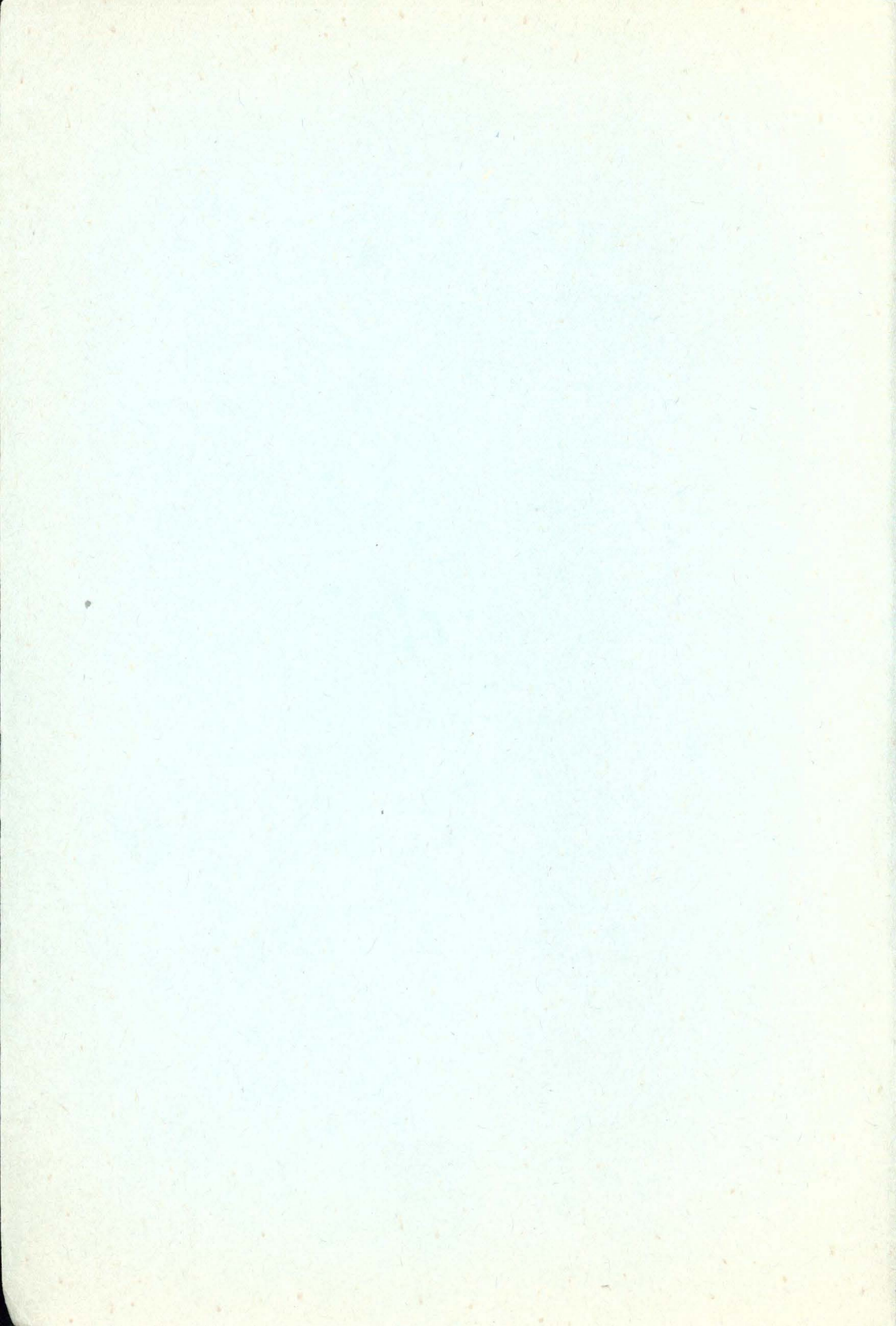
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# MINUTES

of the

## Fourteenth Annual Session

of the

## Women's State Auxiliary Convention

of the

## Free Will Baptist Church in North Carolina

which convened with the

## BLADENBORO CHURCH IN THE PEE DEE DISTRICT

May 23, 1940



## PROCEEDINGS

The Women's Auxiliary Convention of the Free Will Baptist Church in North Carolina held its fourteenth annual session with the Bladenboro Church of the Pee Dee District on Thursday, May 23, 1940.

### MORNING SESSION

The session was opened with the singing of "Jesus Calls Us" followed by devotions which were conducted by Mrs. J. C. Griffin. "Take My Life and Let it be," the beautiful words which were written by Frances R. Havergal, was sung by the congregation after which Mrs. Griffin read from the second chapter of Revelation.

Greetings to the Convention were voiced by Mrs. D. J. Pait and Mrs. M. L. Johnson responded.

The purport of the President's message was that the Ladies Auxiliary has a purpose and that is to AID. Let the Spirit aid us in helping. There are plenty of ways to raise money that the Spirit is pleased with. The minutes were approved as read.

### *Appointment of Committees:*

*Finance*—Mrs. E. L. Mallard, Mrs. Gilbert Jones, Mrs. Vera Fipps.

*Resolutions*—Mrs. A. L. Davidson, Mrs. F. E. Joyner, Mrs. T. B. Sasser.

*Petitions*—Mrs. Henry Watson, Mrs. Mary Sullivan, Mrs. Lester War-rick.

*Nominations*—Mrs. K. S. Jackson, Mrs. Hardy Talton, Mrs. Major Williams.

Reports of the Vice-Presidents were heard at this time. (*See reports*) It was moved and carried that Mrs. S. T. Farish, second vice-president, have report blanks printed including the Anna Phillips Loan Fund and also have rules printed to send to all that request a copy.

The "Georgie Frost Barnes Extension Banner" was awarded to the Pee Dee District for organizing the largest number of "Aids."

The use of the new record books was explained to all present by Mrs. Griffin, for use in all local societies for both secretary and treasurer, which can be used for at least five years.

Mrs. Felton Watson of Kenly and Mrs. W. C. Sasser of Selma made a plea for the building fund of their respective churches. It was moved and carried that we make a donation and leave it in the hands of the finance committee to say how much.

Moved and carried that Mrs. Henry Melvin, who is acting as Stewardship director in the absence of Mrs. Clarence Bowen, be allowed to pick her judges.

Mrs. T. E. Beaman was appointed delegate from the State Convention to the National Convention at Paintsville, Kentucky.

It was moved and carried that we leave it in the hands of the finance committee to decide how much to allow Mrs. Beaman.

Mrs. Griffin appointed to represent the State Convention at State Association.

Moved and carried that we send \$5.00 to National Convention. Moved and carried that we send the National per capita as it came in, supplemented by finance committee.

The Orphanage program presented by Rev. James A. Evans was very interesting and appealing. The plans for the Orphanage are to run it on a cash basis as heretofore. Twenty children are still waiting for adoption by Church auxiliaries. The offering amounted to \$15.00.

The Reverends E. C. Morris and R. P. Harris favored us with a duet entitled, "It pays to Serve Jesus." Reverend W. E. Anderson dismissed the session with prayer for the noon repast.

Dinner was served on the grounds of the Bladenboro Church and enjoyed by all present. It was good for us to be there and enjoy such splendid fellowship!

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Mrs. L. H. Wetherington conducted the afternoon devotions choosing "Willing Am I" as the song, and acts 9, from the thirty-second verse to the close of the chapter, as the Scripture lesson. Reverend G. C. Joyner offered prayer.

The Stewardship contest was conducted by Mrs. Henry Melvin with William Swindell of Elizabeth City winner of the Junior cup and Mary Ellen Fields of Pleasant Grove Church, Western District, winner of the

intermediate cup. The other contestants were awarded \$1.00 each. Motion was made and carried that the loving cups be taken back to the jeweler where they were purchased by the Stewardship director and put in the condition they should be.

The report of the treasurer, Mrs. Herman Nobles, was accepted. It was moved and carried that Mrs. H. Nobles reimburse herself for the paying of her bond premium.

Mrs. Thompson requested that every local society should send their dues (per capita) and donation directly to the State officers.

Due to the fact that Mrs. J. H. Oglesby could not come, she wrote a very tender message that was read by Mrs. J. C. Griffin, after which an offering was taken amounting to \$5.50.

Mrs. Alice E. Lupton presented a very beautiful memorial service.

It was moved and carried that the report of the nominating committee be accepted. (*See report*) Moved and carried to accept the report of Petitions committee. An invitation came from the floor to meet with Rains Cross Roads, Thursday after third Sunday in May, 1941. Moved and carried to accept report of resolutions committee.

Mr. Robert Ward, a student of Zion Bible School addressed the session with a few words.

Rev. R. P. Harris made an announcement asking the Ladies' Aids to pay \$5.00 to their pastor so that he could go to the Ministers' Institute at Davis, N. C. The State Sunday School Convention is to be organized on Wednesday before the State Association meets. Each Sunday School is to send a penny for each member.

Both Mrs. K. S. Jackson and Mrs. S. T. Farish stressed the importance of each Aid filling out a poster for this coming year.

Mrs. Sasser of Selma and Mrs. Watson of Kenly thanked the Convention for the contribution to their churches.

Moved and carried that we as a body become a member of the Church Finance Association, Inc. of which Rev. J. A. Evans is president. Rev. J. C. Griffin lead in singing.

Rev. C. B. Thompson pronounced the benediction. Adjournment.

## REPORTS OF VICE-PRESIDENTS

### *Publications and Literature*

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Number of subscriptions to the Baptist from the churches ----- | 634    |
| Number of subscriptions to the Baptist from societies -----    | 428    |
| Number of temperance leaflets distributed -----                | 361    |
| Number of temperance programs given -----                      | 157    |
| Number of tracts and leaflets distributed -----                | 12,275 |
| Bibles given -----   | 47     |
| Total number pieces good literature distributed -----          | 26,686 |
| Number of new members secured for society -----                | 339    |

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. C. Griffin, *First vice-president*

## EDUCATION

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Anna Phillips Loan Fund .....                        | \$53.00 |
| Christian education to State treasurer .....         | 19.28   |
| Christian education to National treasurer .....      | 26.65   |
| Total .....  | \$98.93 |
| Program material for Auxiliary furnished .....       | 23      |
| Number of young people's organizations .....         | 6       |
| Number of worship programs conducted in church ..... | 31      |
| Students assisted (by a local auxiliary) .....       | 1       |
| Vacation Bible Schools held .....                    | 1       |
| Study classes for youths .....                       | 1       |
| Junior Aids organized .....                          | 1       |

### *Loans granted*

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Franklin Spencer, Goldsboro, N. C., to enter second year N. C. State College ..... | \$ 90.00 |
| Miss Lois Sellars, Micro, N. C., to enter Park View Hospital, Rocky Mount .....    | 50.00    |
| Total .....  | \$140.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. S. T. Farish, *Second vice-pres.*

## MISSIONS

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Amounted sent to Foregin Missions (as reported to Missions vice-president) ..... | \$176.48 |
| Amount sent to home Missions (as reported to Missions vice-president) .....      | 79.70    |
| Total amount as reported sent to Missions .....                                  | \$256.18 |
| Number of missionary programs held .....   | 18       |

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. H. Oglesby, *Third vice-pres.*

## STEWARDSHIP

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Number districts reporting .....            | 6  |
| Number contests conducted .....             | 21 |
| Number taking part in contests .....        | 68 |
| Number stewardship study classes held ..... | 61 |
| Average attendance at Study classes .....   | 25 |
| Stewardship programs held .....             | 9  |
| Tithers .....                               | 53 |
| New tithers .....                           | 4  |

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Stewardship reading circles conducted ..... | 6  |
| Societies observing week of prayer .....    | 20 |

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Clarence Bowen, *Fourth vice-pres.*

#### ORPHANAGE AND BENEVOLENCES

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Number of sick visits made .....  | 11,982    |
| Gallons of milk distributed .....   | 1,674     |
| Cottage prayer meetings .....   | 95        |
| Number of trays given to the sick .....                                   | 734       |
| Flowers, wreaths, etc. (1 dist. & 2 churches reporting) .....             | 560       |
| Number of chapters read in the Bible (1 dist. & 1 church reporting) ..... | 13,392    |
| Valued donations to needy (2 dist. & 2 churches reporting) .....          | \$ 185.77 |
| Amount of money donated to Orphanage .....                                | 2,099.13  |
| Commodities donated to the Orphanage .....                                | 617.19    |
| Number of children adopted to L. A. S., Churches, individuals .....       | 62        |

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. L. Braswell, *Fifth vice-pres.*

#### SUPERANNUATION

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Amount received from Eastern, Central, Cape Fear, dists. ....                        | \$ 70.91 |
| Amount reported sent to superannuation from Eastern, Central, Pee<br>Dee Dists. .... | 23.82    |
| Total received since last convention .....   | 70.91    |
| Total paid out since last convention .....   | 95.00    |
| Total in treasury .....  | 100.13   |

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. M. L. Johnson, *Sixth vice-pres.*

#### FIELD WORK

##### *Number of new Societies by Districts*

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| Cape Fear ..... | 3  |
| Central .....   | 3  |
| Eastern .....   | 1  |
| Pee Dee .....   | 5  |
| Western .....   | 2  |
| Total .....     | 14 |

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. G. F. Barnes, *Field Worker*

#### APPORTIONED

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| 8 Stewardship contestants (\$1.00 each) ..... | \$ 8.00 |
| Kenly Church .....                            | 10.00   |
| Selma Church .....                            | 10.00   |

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Delegate to National Convention -----                               | 10.00    |
| Donation to National Convention -----                               | 5.00     |
| Donation to Orphanage -----   | 25.00    |
| Foreign Missions -----  | 13.85    |
| Home Missions -----   | 10.00    |
| Intermediate contestant -----                                       | 10.00    |
| Junior contestant -----   | 10.00    |
| National dues (per capita) -----                                    | 52.55    |
| F. W. B. Press Report Blanks -----                                  | 2.50     |
| Mrs. J. P. Barrow, sec'y postage -----                              | 4.65     |
| Mrs. J. P. Barrow, salary -----                                     | 10.00    |
| Mrs. C. B. Thompson, expense -----                                  | 4.02     |
| Mrs. C. B. Thompson, salary -----                                   | 10.00    |
| Mrs. Herman Nobles, salary -----                                    | 10.00    |
| Mrs. M. L. Johnson, postage -----                                   | .50      |
| Mrs. J. C. Griffin, expenses -----                                  | 2.50     |
| Mrs. Clarence Bowen, Stewardship director, expense -----            | 2.00     |
| Total -----   | \$210.32 |
| Total in treasury except Superannuation and Christian Education --- | 263.37   |
| This report -----   | 210.32   |
| Balance -----   | \$ 53.05 |

Finance Committee,

Mrs. E. L. Mallard  
Mrs. Vera Fipps  
Mrs. Gilbert Jones

*Treasurer's Report, 1940 Convention, Bladenboro, N. C. .*

|                                    |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Receipts read in detail -----      | \$747.84 |
| Disbursements read in detail ----- | 369.67   |
| Balance in treasury -----          | \$378.17 |

*Receipts by Departments*

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| General -----                  | \$358.84 |
| Ohphanage -----                | 22.57    |
| Stewardship -----              |          |
| Publication & Literature ----- |          |
| Superannuation -----           | 212.03   |
| Education -----                | 43.97    |
| Missions -----                 | 110.43   |
| Total Receipts -----           | \$747.84 |

*Disbursements by Departments*

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| General ----- | \$140.52 |
|---------------|----------|



|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Orphanage -----                | 22.57    |
| Stewardship -----              |          |
| Publication & Literature ----- |          |
| Superannuation -----           | 90.00    |
| Education -----                | 30.00    |
| Missions -----                 | 86.58    |
|                                | -----    |
| Total Disbursements            | \$369.67 |

*Balance in Treasury at opening this Convention by Departments*

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| General -----                  | \$218.32 |
| Orphanage -----                |          |
| Stewardship -----              |          |
| Publication & Literature ----- |          |
| Superannuation -----           | 122.03   |
| Education -----                | 13.97    |
| Missions -----                 | 23.85    |
|                                | -----    |
| Balance in Treasury            | \$378.17 |

Mrs. Herman Nobles, *Treas.*  
Greenville, N. C.

### RESOLUTIONS

As there were no resolutions turned in to us, we as a committee want to thank this church and all concerned for the most wonderful way they have cared for this meeting. The hospitality has been something great.

Committee,

Mrs. A. L. Davidson  
Mrs. T. B. Sasser  
Mrs. F. E. Joyner

### NOMINATING

Report of the Nominating committee read, accepted, and passed upon. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. C. B. Thompson; first vice-president, Mrs. J. C. Griffin; second vice-president, Mrs. S. T. Farish; third vice-president, Mrs. J. H. Oglesby; fourth vice-president, Mrs. Henry Melvin; fifth vice-president, Mrs. J. L. Braswell; sixth vice-president, Mrs. Luke Wetherington; Mrs. J. P. Barrow, Secretary; Mrs. Herman Nobles, Treasurer; Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes, Field Worker.

Committee,

Mrs. Katie S. Jackson  
Mrs. Hardy Talton  
Mrs. Major Williams

## MINISTERS ENROLLED

Albemarle—Rev. E. C. Morris.  
 Central Conference—Rev. R. P. Harris.  
 Cape Fear—Revs. M. L. Johnson, G. C. Joyner, W. H. Lancaster, C. B. Thompson.  
 Eastern—Revs. W. E. Anderson, J. C. Griffin, L. H. Wetherington.  
 Pee Dee—Rev. Mr. Adcox.  
 Western—Revs. James A. Evans, W. R. Williams.

## DISTRICT PRESIDENTS ENROLLED

Cape Fear—Mrs. M. L. Johnson.  
 Eastern—Mrs. J. C. Griffin.  
 Pee Dee—Mrs. H. C. Adcox.

## REGISTRATION—ALBEMARLE DISTRICT

| Society           | Delegate          | Amount sent | Per capita |       |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|-------|
|                   |                   |             | State      | Nat'l |
| Elizabeth City,   | Mrs. E. C. Morris |             |            |       |
| Sidney, by letter |                   | \$1.00      |            |       |

## CAPE FEAR DISTRICT

|                                    |        |        |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Casey's Chapel, Mrs. M. L. Johnson | \$ .40 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| Goldsboro, Mrs. T. E. Beaman       | 2.00   | 2.00   | 2.00   |
| Hopewell, by letter                |        | 1.50   | 1.50   |
| Johnson Union, Mrs. L. B. Warrick  |        | 1.50   | 1.50   |
| Lees Chapel, by letter             |        | .55    | .55    |
| Powhatan, by letter                |        | 1.80   | 1.80   |
| Prospect, by letter                |        | 1.00   | 1.00   |
| St. John, by letter                | 1.00   | 1.00   | 1.00   |
| Shady Grove, Mrs. Percy Dudley     | 1.00   | 2.00   | 2.00   |
| Smithfield, by letter              |        | 1.50   | 1.50   |
| Tees Chapel, Mrs. Dora Royal       |        | 1.50   | 1.50   |

## CENTRAL DISTRICT

|                                       |      |      |      |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Antioch, by letter                    | 1.00 |      |      |
| Ayden, Mrs. A. L. Davidson            | 3.00 |      |      |
| Bethany, by letter                    | 1.00 |      |      |
| Black Jack H. Mission, by letter      |      |      |      |
| Black Jack, by letter                 | 1.00 |      |      |
| Dawson's Grove, by letter             |      | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Dilda's Grove, by letter              | 1.00 |      |      |
| Greenville, Mrs. C. H. Paul           | 1.00 |      |      |
| Greenville, Miss'y, Mrs. S. B. Hardee | 1.00 |      |      |
| Grimsley, Mrs. M. A. Woodard          | 1.00 |      |      |
| Howell Swamp, by letter               | 2.00 |      |      |

|                               |      |      |      |
|-------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Hugo, by letter               | 1.00 |      |      |
| Hull Road, Mrs. Gilbert Jones | .50  | 1.90 | 1.90 |
| Kings Cross Rds., by letter   | 1.00 |      |      |
| La Grange, by letter          | 2.00 | 1.20 | 1.20 |
| Marlboro, by letter           | 1.00 |      |      |
| Reedy Branch, by letter       | 1.00 |      |      |
| Rocky Mount, by letter        | 2.00 |      |      |
| Saints Delight, by letter     | 1.00 |      |      |
| Sweet Gum Grove, by letter    | 2.00 |      |      |
| Watery Branch, by letter      | .50  |      |      |
| Winterville, Mrs. Lela Nobles | 2.00 |      |      |

#### EASTERN DISTRICT

|  |      |      |      |
|--|------|------|------|
| Beulaville, by letter                  |      | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Bridgeton Mis'y, Mrs. Clara Jones      | 1.00 |      |      |
| Bridgeton, Mrs. G. A. Pate             | 2.00 | 1.90 | 1.90 |
| Cabin, by letter                       |      | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Core Creek, Mrs. C. W. Heath           |      | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Davis, by letter                       | 2.00 | 3.20 | 3.20 |
| Holly Springs, by letter               | 1.00 |      |      |
| Kinston, Mrs. W. B. Warren             | 1.00 | 1.35 | 1.35 |
| Moseley's Creek, by letter             | 2.00 | .70  |      |
| Mount Zion, by letter                  | 2.00 |      |      |
| Northeast, by letter                   |      | 2.20 | 2.20 |
| Pilgrims Home, by letter               | .50  | .75  |      |
| Pilgrims Rest, by letter               | 1.00 |      |      |
| New Bern, St. Mary's, Mrs. N. D. Wiggs | 3.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| Sandy Plain, Mrs. Rashie Kennedy       |      | 1.30 |      |
| Snow Hill, Mrs. M. L. Johnson          | .50  | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Wardens Grove, by letter               | 1.00 |      |      |
| Welcome Home, by letter                | 1.00 |      |      |

#### PEE DEE DISTRICT

|                                |      |      |      |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Mt. Ariel, by letter           | 1.00 |      |      |
| Oak Grove, Miss Annie Mae Pait | 1.50 |      |      |
| White Oak, Mrs. Sam Edwards    |      | 2.00 | 2.00 |

#### WESTERN DISTRICT

|                                     |      |      |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Edgemont, Durham, Mrs. F. E. Joyner | 2.00 |      |      |
| Friendship, by letter               | 2.00 |      |      |
| Hansleys Chapel, by letter          |      |      |      |
| Kenly, Mrs. H. G. Watson            | 2.00 |      |      |
| Little Rock, by letter              | 1.00 | 1.30 | 1.30 |
| Little Rocky Mis'y, by letter       | 1.00 | 1.60 | 1.60 |
| Marsh Swamp, by letter              | 1.50 |      |      |
| Micro, by letter                    | 1.00 |      |      |

|   |      |     |     |
|---|------|-----|-----|
| Pleasant Grove, Mrs. Hardy Talton                   | 1.00 |     |     |
| Rains Cross Rds., Mrs. W. R. Williams               | 2.00 |     |     |
| Selma, Mrs. C. L. Crumpler                          | 1.50 | .75 | .75 |
| Spring Hill, by letter                              |      |     |     |
| Stoney Creek, Msdms Mary Sullivan &<br>T. B. Sasser | 1.00 |     |     |
| Union Grove, Mrs. Zeb Whaley                        |      |     |     |
| Wilson by letter                                    | 2.00 |     |     |

#### BEAVER DAM DISTRICT

Beaver Dam, Mrs. Vera Fipps, Clarendon, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. B. Thompson, *Pres.*

Mrs. J. P. Barrow, *Secy.*



