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State Sunday School Convention

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Twenty Second Annual Session
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION
OF NORTH CAROLINA
FREE UNION CHURCH
Beaufort County
MAY 19, 1949

PROCEEDINGS

The twenty-second annual session of North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention met with Free Union Church, Beaufort County, May 19, 1949. The meeting was opened by singing, "Work for the Night is Coming." The morning devotions were conducted by Mrs. J. E. Foreman of Pinetown. Mrs. Foreman used Colossians 3:1-17; Col. 1:18, 19. She urged us to put God first in our lives. Seek God at the beginning of each new day. Serve the Lord, and we will have peace at the end of the way, said Mrs. Foreman. Mrs. Foreman, further stated that we are taught in St. John's Gospel that "If ye love me, keep my Commandments."

Miss Alice Webster of the local church, extended a hearty and gracious welcome; Mrs. Walter Carter of Rockingham responded; saying in part "No good thing will the Lord withhold from us."

The President urged that we be much in prayer for the day's session. To be business-like in discharging the affairs of the Convention. To make Christ pre-eminent. The President urged support of entire program of our church; reminding the Convention that some of the departments were lagging behind. She stated that we need to increase our efforts in the following fields :Foreign Mission, Home Mission, Orphanage, Cragmont and Anna Phillips Loan Fund. The President heartily welcomed the eighteen ministers present; and expressed deep appreciation for their presence. They are as follows:

Walter B. Carter—Rockingham—Piedmont.
James A. Evans—Middlesex—Western.
Robert B. Crawford—Greenville—Central.
Ralph Lightsey—Durham—Western.
W. H. Calvert—N. Belmont—Piedmont.
G. C. Joyner—Smithfield—Cape Fear.
E. G. Holland—Kenly—Western.
L. E. Ambrose—Creswell—Albemarle.
C. F. Bowen—Nashville, Tenn.—Cumberland.
Paul Ketterman—Durham—Western.

W. R. Williams—Kenly—Western.
W. L. Jernigan—Bladenboro—Pee Dee.
R. P. Harris—Kenly—Albemarle.
M. E. Godwin—Dunn—Cape Fear.
Herman Wooten—Garner—Cape Fear.
Wiley Ferrell—Smithfield—Cape Fear.
A. L. Reynolds—Rocky Mount—Albemarle.

The First and Second Vice-Presidents being absent, the Secretary was asked to read their reports. See reports.

The Fifth Vice-President, Mrs. L. E. Ballard, gave her report. Mrs. Ballard stated the living room of the Girls Building at the Orphanage, that had been re-furnished had been nicely kept. She urged each to be more Orphanage minded and finish refurnishing campaign. See reports.

The Superintendent of the Orphanage gave his report at this time, saying in part, that seventy-two children had been cared for during the year. Mr. Evans stated he expected work to be resumed on the Albemarle Cottage by the first of June. There were forty-nine of the children at the Home clothed by Auxiliaries. Mr. Evans stated that the Orphanage Board had decided to move the boys that were at the home now, to the Albemarle Cottage and start major repairs on the present boys building which were badly needed. Mr. Evans announced the decision of the Board to employ Mr. Walter Croom to be superintendent of the Orphanage, farm and personnel. Rev. J. W. Alford, president of the State Convention, corroborated this statement. Mr. Alford said the Board had realized that the work of the Orphanage had become too heavy for one man; and that the responsibility for raising finances is still part of Mr. Evans' work. An offering was received at this time for the Orphanage. See Treasurer's report.

Mrs. Ballard introduced the Declamation Contestant, Miss Mildred Keech, from the local church. Miss Keech presented her essay in a very interesting manner.

The president appointed the Finance Committee at this time: Mrs. Georgie F. Barnes, Treasurer, Chairman; Mrs. Raymond Sasser, Mrs. M. E. Godwin, Mrs. D. H. Furlough.

We were very glad to welcome to our State Auxiliary Convention, the Piedmont District Auxiliary Convention. Motion made, duly sustained to receive them into the State Auxiliary Convention.

The congregation was led in a hymn, Tell Me the Story of Jesus, by Rev. Clarence Bowen of Nashville, Tenn. The President welcomed Mr. Bowen to our Convention.

Rev. Paul Ketterman, Durham, introduced the speaker for the Convention message, Rev. Ralph Lightsey, Durham. Rev. Lightsey, using Col. 1: 16-20, delivered a very inspiring message. "Man," said Rev. Lightsey, "is God's one and only problem. To surrender unreservedly, living a life of true service, is the real peace." The congregation enjoyed a real blessing from the message.

The President appointed the following Committees:

Resolutions—Mrs. Luther Kirby, Chairman; Mrs. Alton Reynolds, Mrs. C. A. Eubanks.

Courtesy Committee—Mrs. H. L. Spivey, Chairman; Mrs. Frank Barnes, Mrs. W. H. Calvert.

Rev. Bowen announced the National League program was available at the door and urged all who could to attend. Mrs. Ballard asked that those desiring to go by bus to make reservations immediately, as there were not enough yet to charter a bus.

Mr. Oscar Webster, of the local church, invited the Convention to the yard where a bountiful lunch was served by the Albemarle District. Rev. J. W. Alford dismissed the congregation for lunch.

Afternoon Session

Rev. Robert Crawford led the congregation in singing the Convention song, *Jesus Calls Us*. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. H. C. Adcox, from Bladenboro. Mrs. Adcox reminded the convention the Peace through Pre-Eminence of Christ came as a result of a fruit-bearing life. Mrs. Adcox used the fourteenth chapter of St. John as a basis for her remarks.

Report of Third Vice-President was given at this time. Mrs. Lupton urged the support of missions. Reminding each of the hardships endured by the missionaries. See reports.

Mrs. E. G. Holland, Fourth Vice-President, gave her report. Mrs. Holland asked that each strive harder to carry out requests made as a result of our plan of work. She closed her remarks with an appropriate poem entitled, "The Roll Call." See reports.

Mrs. Lloyd Edwards, Sixth Vice-President, was absent; the secretary was asked to read her report. See reports.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Field Secretary, gave her report. Mrs. Griffin stated she had been handicapped in her work due to the illness of Mr. Griffin. She regretted she could not cover more territory. See reports.

Mrs. Lee Whaley, of Beulaville brought news of Cragmont Assembly, Inc. Mrs. Whaley stated that there was still much to be said about Cragmont. Cragmont was a fine place to help establish young converts in the Christian way of life.

The Resolutions Committee gave their report. There were six resolutions. Motion made and duly sustained that each resolution be voted on separately. See reports.

Mrs. M. A. Woodard resigned from the office of First Vice-President and Mrs. Archie Willoughby was elected in her place.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Georgie F. Barnes, made her report, which was adopted. Mrs. Barnes tendered her resignation as treasurer, which was reluctantly accepted. Mrs. M. A. Woodard was elected as Treasurer.

The report of the Courtesy Committee was adopted. See reports.

The treasurer of the Anna Phillips Loan Fund made her report which was adopted. See reports.

Mrs. Alice Lupton, Mrs. M. A. Woodard, and Mrs. J. C. Moye were ap-

pointed delegates to the National Woman's Auxiliary Convention to be held in Columbus, Georgia, in July.

Mrs. Alice Lupton gave some facts of the history of North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention, copy of which does appear in these minutes. The Secretary was instructed to send a copy to the Baptist and to keep a copy in minutes. See reports.

The minutes of two Executive Committee meetings were read and approved.

Motion was made, and after discussion, carried to change meeting date of Convention to date following session of State Convention proper. Date to be set by Executive Committee in cooperation with president of district entertaining next session of Convention.

The Convention was asked from the floor to petition W. N. A. C. for literature for junior boys and girls.

Mrs. M. E. Godwin paid tribute to the deceased in a special way; concluding with a solo by her son, Kirby Joe Godwin, "My Task." Prayer by Mr. Evans.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the Albemarle District for the gracious way in which they entertained the Convention.

Convention adjourned.

MRS. J. C. MOYE, *President*, -- --

MRS. JAMES A. EVANS, *Secretary*.

Report of First Vice-President

No. members enrolled at beginning of church year, 2,220; No. of new members, 327; Present enrollment, 3,227; Average attendance, Incomplete; Enlistment work to win new members: No. members making phone calls, 689; No. members making personal visits, 1,409; No. members mailing letters or cards, 1,358;

Enlistment work done to bring back absentees: No. members making phone calls, 1,259; No. members making personal visits, 2,357; No. members mailing letters or cards, 771;

Promotion work done: No. enlistment leaflets, papers, etc., distributed 7,137; No. programs on attendance, membership, auxiliary Plan of Work, etc., given, 52.

Mrs. M. A. Woodard,
Winterville, N. C.

Report of Second Vice-President

No. young people (16 to 25 years) in your church, district or state, 854; No. junior and intermediate girls (8-16), 1,045; Total membership in Y. W. A., 239; Total membership in Girl's Auxiliary organizations, 122; No. auxiliary organizations sponsored for young women, 16; for girls, 17; No. of study classes conducted for young women, 41; for girls, 21; No. Vacation Bible Schools assisted in conducting, 49; Activities sponsored for Free Will Baptist Bible College are as follows: \$193.06 assistance to 1 student—25 dish

towels. Support of Cragmont (Financial or Otherwise) \$1,121.49, a number of sheets, pillow cases and towels.

Amount for Anna Phillips Loan Fund, \$229.50.

Mrs. Bennie Brickhouse,
Columbia, N. C.

Report of Third Vice-President

No. Mission Study Classes conducted, 115; Books studied, 36; No. attending classes, 492; Mission reading circles held, 5; Books read, 69; Stewardship Study classes conducted, 90; Books studied, 37; No. tithers as result of study classes, 115; Total number of tithers in auxiliary, district, state, 416; Stewardship Declamation Contests held, 1; Manual of Methods Studies conducted, 58; Evangelism Classes conducted, 43; Books studied, Old Testament Stories and Child Evangelism.

Other study courses held, 2; Amount sent to North Carolina State Woman's Auxiliary Convention Treasurer for Home Missions, \$1,105.45.

Mrs. Alice E. Lupton,
612 New Street, New Bern, N. C.

Missions Report — Personal

Aside from the district reports, my personal report is as follows:

I have sent four articles to the Baptist paper in the interest of missions; I have sent letters Air Mail, 2; I have sent cards Air Mail, 2; I have sent letters to enquirers, 14; I have written cards, 15; Have conducted Mission study courses, 1; No. of classes, 5; Arranged program for the November Week of Prayer. Advocated sacrificial offerings for missions during the Pre-Easter Week of Prayer. Secured, or assigned to the various districts, Christmas gifts to our missionaries in India and Cuba.

Total expense account, \$2.35.

Alice E. Lupton,
Third Vice-President.

Report of Fourth Vice-President

Publicity Work Done: No. subscribers to Auxiliary Manual, 674; Auxiliary Year Book, 1,769; F. W. B. papers, 1,339; Name of state papers to which articles were sent: Free Will Baptist; Some local papers.

No. "A-1" Standard Auxiliaries, 7; No. "B" Standard Auxiliaries, 29; No. "C" Standard Auxiliaries, 25 (Eastern);

Program Work Done: No. programs for Auxiliary, Executive Committee, or convention meetings planned in advance, 167; No. special missionary programs held, 69; Amount of special offerings resulting from mission programs, \$407.34; Stewardship Church Night Programs held, 12; No. special stewardship programs given, 49; No. special prayer programs conducted, 329; Week of Prayer Programs held, 305; Average number attending, 1,349; Amount self-denial offering resulting from Week of Prayer programs, \$277.33; Other special programs given to promote Auxiliary Plan

of Work such as Co-Laborer Band Fund, Ministerial Relief, Orphanage, Evangelism, etc. 4.

Report of Fifth Vice-President

Clothing money for children, \$2,755.20; Equipment and furnishing for Home, \$2,139.63; Commodities donated, \$1,068.24; Value of Coupons, \$133.57; No. of children adopted by Auxiliaries, 49.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard,
826 Pollock St., New Bern, N. C.

REPORT OF SIXTH VICE-PRESIDENT

Ministerial Relief Work Done: Cards, letters, etc., aged ministers, 572; Gifts sent to aged ministers \$215.78; Cash sent to aged ministers, \$672.36.

Personal Service Work Done: No. members engaged regularly in personal service work, 671; No. members assisting in cottage prayer meetings, 319; No. members making soul winning efforts, 344; No. souls won this year, 118; No. members distributing Bibles, 27; No. members distributing garments to needy, 1,059; No. members distributing trays and baskets to needy, 1,801; No. members helping in Red Cross, W. C. T. U., and mission work, 866.

Mrs. Lloyd Edwards,
Kenly, N. C.

Report of Field Secretary

Since being named by the Executive Committee of the State Auxiliary Convention last summer as Field Secretary, I am herewith submitting my report to this Convention: Number of miles traveled, 958; Number of talks made on Auxiliary work, 3; Number of Mission talks made, 3; Number of Stewardship classes taught, 1; Number of Manual of Methods taught, 3; Number of letters written, 14; Number of cards sent out, 11; Number of articles sent to the paper, 2; Number Auxiliaries re-organized, 1; Amount of funds received, \$48.13; Amount paid out, travel, \$14.04; Balance, \$34.09.

A SURVEY OF CHURCHES: We have approximately 322 churches in North Carolina with 93 Auxiliaries reporting. May our goal for the coming year be: An Auxiliary in every Church. Total Numbers 2547.

Respectfully,

Mrs. J. C. Griffin,
Field Secretary.

Report of Secretary of State Auxiliary Convention

I received reports from Eastern, Western, Central, Pee Dee, Cape Fear, and Albemarle. Cards written, 31; Letters, 6; Expense, \$6.00; Articles to paper, 6.

There were 93 Auxiliaries reporting. In addition to this is the 15 of the Piedmont Auxiliary Convention which became a part of our State work in May, 1949 (May 19).

Mrs. James A. Evans.

Report of Treasurer of Anna Phillips Loan Fund

Brought forward from last Convention -----\$1,221.45

Received since last Convention:

From Woman's Auxiliaries -----\$141.10

Payments on Loans ----- 800.00

Total ----- 941.10

Grand Total -----\$2,164.45

Total disbursements during year—Loans ----- 1,600.00

Balance in treasury May 19, 1949 -----\$ 562.55

Mrs. M. A. Woodard, *Treasurer.*

Treasurer's Report

DEPARTMENT	RECEIPTS	DISB.	BAL.
Co- Labor - - - - -	\$ 458.52	\$ 458.52	\$
Cragmont - - - - -	206.50	206.50	
Education - - - - -	237.79	237.79	
Orphanage - - - - -	627.78	627.78	
Per Capita Dues - - - - -	265.33	265.33	
Superannuation - - - - -	360.06	360.06	
General Foreign Missions - -	1,258.74	1,258.74	
Cronks - - - - -	5.00	5.00	
Car for India - - - - -	688.22	688.22	
Zalene Lloyd - - - - -	180.92	180.92	
Home Missions, allocations - -	201.21	201.21	
General Dept., allocations - -	204.28	140.54	63.74
Special Offering for Orphanage	77.91	77.91	
Church Finance Assn. Stock -	-----	-----	50.00
Totals - - - - -	\$4,772.26	\$4,708.52	\$63.74

Georgie Frost Barnes, *Treasurer.*

Report of Resolutions Committee

1. Be it resolved that our State Auxiliary Convention sponsor an officer's training day in each district annually; the director to be the Field Worker. Place and date to be decided by president of each district convention.

2. Be it resolved that we go on record as making a special effort through each local auxiliary Sixth Vice-President to lead a campaign to re-establish the family altar in each Free Will Baptist home.

3. Be it resolved that Mrs. J. C. Griffin be retained as our State Field Worker; and that we co-operate with her as she labors with us and each auxiliary set apart some hour to pray for her and for state work.

4. Be it resolved that we join the dry forces in making every effort to banish strong drink and beers from our communities and that each local auxiliary member refuse to subscribe to any paper or magazine that advertises strong drink and that we protest any radio advertising that makes strong drink appear attractive to our youth.

5. Realizing that contributions for state work has not been coming in through the districts as well as when each local auxiliary sent contributions to the state body, therefore, be it resolved that hereinafter each local auxiliary send contributions with delegate to the Convention.

6. Be it further resolved that we give the treasurer of North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention the sum of \$15.00 each month for services rendered and that a quarterly treasurer's report be sent to the Baptist for publication.

Mrs. Luther Kirby, *Chairman*,
Mrs. Alton Reynolds,
Mrs. C. A. Eubanks.

Courtesy Committee Report

We, the Courtesy Committee wish to submit the following report:

1. We want to extend our thanks and appreciation to each of our faithful and efficient officers for their services, especially Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes, who resigned as Treasurer.

2. To each who served so graciously on our program we say, Thanks.

3. To Free Union Church, Beaufort County, and Community, the Albemarle District, we wish to say, Thank you, for the kind hospitality shown each of us during this convention.

We wish to ask this Convention to extend a rising vote of thanks to each of you.

Mrs. H. L. Spivey, *Chairman*,
Mrs. Frank Barnes,
Mrs. W. H. Calvert.

On March 18, 1949, at a meeting of the Executive Committee at Ayden, the President appointed a Committee to revise the rules governing the Anna Phillips Loan Fund. The Committee was as follows: Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes, Mrs. James A. Evans. The following is the revision as adopted.

Rules Governing Anna Phillips Loan Fund as Set Up May 12, 1949

1. This fund shall be in charge of a Committee known as Anna Phillips Loan Fund Committee, i.e. This Committee shall be composed of Second Vice-President of North Carolina State Woman's Auxiliary Convention as Chairman, President of said Convention and Treasurer of Anna Phillips Loan Fund.

2. All applications for loans shall be made to the chairman of the Anna

Phillips Loan Fund, which then shall be submitted to each of the Committee for approval or rejection.

3. Amount of individual loans shall be determined by Loan Fund Committee. The Committee shall at all times encourage the applicants to keep his or her indebtedness to the minimum. If too great an obligation is assumed, it becomes a handicap to happiness and progress, and the aim of the fund is defeated.

4. All applications for loans shall be made on standard Anna Phillips Loan Fund application blanks submitted with four recommendations as follows: Pastor or church clerk, Auxiliary President, local business man, and principal of school last attended.

5. The Anna Phillips Loan Fund note, copy of which may be obtained from the Chairman of Loan Fund Committee, shall be executed with the indorsement of a property owner. Note shall be renewed each year.

6. After borrower leaves school, he or she shall pay interest on the loan at 3%. Full payment of the loan must be made within two (2) years after the time of leaving school. Failing to do this, the borrower agrees to pay interest at 6% from the date note was drawn.

7. The Treasurer of the Anna Phillips Loan Fund of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of the Free Will Baptist Church, shall hold all monies of this fund, and shall issue checks only as instructed by the Loan Fund Chairman, and after receiving the note of the borrower, correctly signed and adequately endorsed. The Treasurer of said Loan Fund shall be sufficiently bonded to cover all funds on hand.

8. The Treasurer shall hold all notes and collect on these as they fall due.

ELIGIBILITY

9. All applicants for loans must have completed a standard high school course.

All applicants are eligible for funds who are worthy Christian characters, within our denomination, and residing within the State of North Carolina.

11. Any worthy boy or girl graduating from high school while at our Orphanage who desires to continue their education in some college, with a recommendation from the Superintendent, or Orphanage Board, be allowed to borrow from the Anna Phillips Loan Fund, on their personal note, with no co-signers. Should any boy or girl fail to replace the funds borrowed, that the State Auxiliary Convention, through its various branches, shall reimburse the Anna Phillips Loan Fund Treasury. (This was adopted at regular session of North Carolina State Woman's Convention at Pleasant Grove Church, Pikeville, N. C., May 20, 1942).

Mrs. L. E. Ballard,
Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes,
Mrs. James A. Evans,
Committee.

Brief Facts Concerning the Origin of the Woman's Work of the Free Will Baptist Church

The very first off the record organization of Free Will Baptist Women, so far as is known, was that of a Sewing Circle organized at St. Mary's Free Will Baptist Church, New Bern, N. C., in the year of 1893.

Fourteen years later, or in May, 1907, the Ladies Aid Society was organized at said Church, according to the records in possession of the writer.

The former Society, or Circle paid no dues. They met only to sew for the poor and needy, taking offerings when necessary to purchase material as needed. It was in operation about two and one-half years.

The Ladies Aid Society drew up Rules and By-Laws under which to work. It consisted of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. They paid dues and took offerings, often making and selling such things as were household necessities, sometimes giving suppers, in order to reach some special goal in behalf of the church. Such a thing as tithing was neither taught, preached or practiced.

All monies taken in were used for local purposes only, especially since a building program was started at St. Mary's in the Fall of 1909, when the present building was begun.

In the Fall of 1908, Mrs. Lucy Daugherty, nee Linton, having caught a vision of the great need of missionary effort, organized a Home Mission Society at Cedar Island and one at Davis, N. C., besides some in other places.

This Society was organized for the sole purpose of arousing interest in Home Mission work, such as evangelism, promoting Christian Education and Church extension. All monies accruing through dues and Free Will Offerings were used for these purposes, and not for local interests.

Many churches maintained both Societies and the Women's work grew in a very gratifying way to those who were the chief leaders.

In October, 1911, at Trent Church, Pamlico County, during the session of the Eastern Conference, the first Woman's Convention was organized, with Mrs. Daugherty the first President. The Home Mission, Ladies Aid, Sunday Schools and Little Worker's League, the latter also organized by Mrs. Daugherty about the same time the Mission work was started, composed the Convention.

A few years later the Mission and Ladies Aid Society merged and became one organization. This did not take from the interest in Home Missions, but increased activities were very noticeable from the beginning and women launched out in a greater way in the Lord's service.

In the Fall of 1918 the Central Conference women organized a district Convention, while the Western followed soon afterward. The Cape Fear, Pee Dee and other districts organized, until now we have about eight district Conventions.

During these early years we helped to send young Ministers to the Theological Seminary at Ayden, sent preachers out to new fields and to run-down churches, assisted in Church extension work and contributed to the teaching and training of Young People in Christian service.

In May, 1927, a group of organized women met at the Goldsboro Free Will Baptist Church, which was under the Pastoral care of the Rev. J. C. Griffin, and established what is now known as the N. C. State Auxiliary Convention, with Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, of New Bern, the first President, and Mrs. L. R. Tripp of Ayden, Secretary.

In May, 1928, while in session at Eureka College, Ayden, N. C., the President encouraged the plan of Departmental work, under various Directors, these being Missions, Christian Education, Retired Ministers, Orphanage, Stewardship and Youth's training. This plan has been enlarged and now these departments are under Vice-Presidents.

In the early 1930's our women began to wake up to the fact of the gospel of "GO YE," and to wake up was to act, so there was set in motion plans to co-operate in the best possible way, with our great State Convention of North Carolina in their efforts to reach out to other lands with the gospel of Christ. We are still standing by and doing a good work in the foreign mission interests.

In June, 1935, at Black Jack Church, Pitt County, the National Woman's Auxiliary Convention was organized, with Mrs. Fanny Polston, Mrs. J. L. Welch, of Tennessee, Mrs. Lizzie McAdams of Texas, and Mrs. Alice E. Lupton and others taking the initiative in the organization. Mrs. Lupton was named the first President. Since then the following women have served in this capacity: Mrs. Clarence Bowen, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. Eunice Edwards and the present incumbent, Mrs. Marie Hyatt. Great progress has been made and is being made in the various branches of our work, and we are still pressing onward toward greater heights in service for the Master, knowing from past experiences that He has led and will continue to lead as long as we put our trust in Him to be our guide.

He has been with us through many harrowing experiences. The way has been hard to travel much of the time. Difficulties and obstacles have been met and overcome, but knowing in whom we believe, and that He is able to endow us with even greater faith and vision and determination to carry on in His name, we are not afraid of the future, but shall press onward with Christ Jesus our Lord and Master.

Mrs. Alice E. Lupton,
Compiler from records on hand,
New Bern, North Carolina.

May, 1849

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting Held August 10, 1948

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Woman's Auxiliary Convention was called by the president for August 10, 1948. Those in attendance were Mrs. J. C. Moye, president, Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Mrs. E. G. Holland, Mrs. Lloyd Edwards, Miss Alethia Etheridge, and Mrs. James A. Evans.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Ballard. The minutes of

the Convention in May were read. The Treasurer sent word that she could not attend until the afternoon, but she would come then if needed.

Motion made and carried that the State W. A. C. send \$50.00 to Woman's Conference at Cragmont.

Motion by Mrs. Ballard, seconded by Miss Etheridge, that we have Mrs. Lupton as guest of the N. C. State W. A. C. at the Woman's Conference at Cragmont. Motion sustained.

A discussion was held concerning the director for the Woman's Conference at Cragmont next year. Motion sustained that a committee be appointed to work with Mrs. Ballard for the Assembly next year with the idea of training some one else for the place of Director since Mrs. Ballard felt she could not continue this work. Mrs. Lupton and Miss Etheridge were appointed.

The Committee discussed the National plan of work, since it differed from the State in some respects. A motion by Mrs. Ballard, duly sustained, that the president appoint a Committee to work with Mrs. Lupton, Study Course Chairman, to make clarifications in the duties of the Vice-Presidents deemed necessary to clarify the individual responsibility and that this Committee prepare report blanks in keeping with our present manual. All printing be done by Free Will Baptist Press at Ayden. The president appointed Mrs. Ballard and Mrs. Evans.

Motion, duly sustained, that election of officers of N. C. State W. A. C. be bi-annual instead of annual as heretofore. Motion by Mrs. Ballard, seconded by Miss Etheridge.

Mrs. Lupton moved, seconded by Mrs. Holland, that we elect Mrs. J. C. Griffin as Field Secretary. Carried. Financial arrangements according to previous agreement of State W. A. C., i. e. \$10.00 per week when at work from Home Mission Fund.

Afternoon Session

Mrs. J. C. Sasser, former Secretary, Mrs. Clarence Bowen, and Mrs. Lancaster were made welcome to the meeting as visitors.

Mrs. Lupton urged the distribution of booklet "Footprints of Jesus."

The Secretary was instructed to inform the different Auxiliary Conventions of the Districts to obtain Standard of Achievement Charts from Mrs. Huey Gower, 3617 Charlotte Avenue, and that this would be taken up at Woman's Conference at Cragmont; that we would make an effort to work this out. There had been a resolution from the Western Auxiliary Convention asking that the Standard be used in order to give a standard to judge A-1 auxiliaries by.

Motion sustained, that we recommend the counter-action of the appointment of Mrs. J. C. Griffin to the Cragmont Board in compliance with a previous motion reducing our representation from six to three. Mrs. Griffin would serve until annual meeting of Cragmont Board.

Motion made, duly sustained, that recommendations of different Vice-Presidents for work for ensuing year be withheld until after study of cur-

rent manual and make recommendations in keeping with the plan of work of National Auxiliary Convention.

Meeting adjourned.

MRS. J. C. MOYE, *President*,
MRS. JAMES A. EVANS, *Secretary*.

Called Meeting of Executive Committee at Cragmont During Woman's Conference

Members present: Mesdames Moye, Griffin, Holland, Lupton, Ballard and Evans.

It was decided to write those who registered and could not come to see if they would like to have their money returned.

Mrs. Ballard reported fifty-nine women registered.

MRS. J. C. MOYE, *President*,
MRS. JAMES A. EVANS, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting Held March 18, 1949

The meeting was called to order by the president and opened with prayer by Mrs. Lupton. The following members were present: Mrs. Georgie F. Barnes, Mrs. E. G. Holland, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, Mrs. M. A. Woodard, Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Mrs. J. C. Moye, Miss Alethia Etheridge, Mrs. James A. Evans.

Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting in August were read and approved. The Treasurer gave her report which was adopted.

Mrs. M. A. Woodard gave a report of the Anna Phillips Loan Fund. She stated there was a balance of \$741.55 in the bank. The value of all notes outstanding was \$2,450.00.

Motion made, duly sustained, that president appoint Committee to revise the rules governing Anna Phillips Loan Fund. The motion was carried. The president appointed Mrs. Ballard, Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Evans.

After round table discussion, a motion was made and carried to sponsor an officers training course under State Field Worker in each district. This met with the hearty approval of those present.

Mrs. Ballard, president of Albemarle District Auxiliary Convention, stated the Albemarle District would entertain the North Carolina State Woman's Auxiliary Convention at Free Union church, Beaufort County, near Pinetown.

Motion by Mrs. Ballard, seconded by Mrs. Holland, that the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention endorse and help defray the expenses of Stewardship Declamation Contest winner from State League Convention to the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention contestant to Woman's National Auxiliary Convention; the N. C. W. A. C. to assume full responsibility of getting contestant to the National Convention. Motion was carried.

On motion of Mrs. Barnes, this body, the Executive Committee, of the N. C. State W. A. C. recommend to the State Woman's Auxiliary Conven-

tion that said Convention meeting hereafter at an early date after convening of State Convention proper, in September. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Griffin, and after general discussion, was carried.

Motion made, duly sustained, it was agreed to pay the actual traveling expenses and lunch of Executive Committee, as usual.

Motion, duly sustained, that the suggested program for Woman's Conference at Cragmont as presented by the director, Mrs. Ballard, be accepted. Date of Conference, August 15 to 22.

Motion by Mrs. Griffin, seconded by Miss Etheridge, that we have Mrs. Lupton as our house guest at Woman's Conference at Cragmont this year. Motion carried, Mrs. Lupton expressed her appreciation for this.

Mrs. Woodard could not remain for afternoon session and asked to be excused. The meeting adjourned for lunch.

Afternoon Session

The body entered into a discussion of a request from the Western District for ways and means of judging the A-1 auxiliaries in the Western District. After the discussion, the following action was taken: This body recommends to the Western District Convention the use of the Standard of Achievement Charts as used in National plan of work and to use their own judgment as to awarding a banner in the district.

A motion was made and carried that the Field Secretary be allowed \$10.00 on expense to National Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

Motion made, duly sustained, that we retain per capita dues in treasury for disbursement as needed by Executive Committee.

At Mrs. Ballard's request a \$50.00 donation to Woman's Conference at Cragmont was made. This was done in order that Conference be able to meet all bills incurred for Woman's Conference.

The Executive Committee authorized treasurer, Mrs. Barnes, to have books audited by whom she chose.

MRS. J. C. MOYE, *President*,
MRS. JAMES A. EVANS, *Secretary*.

Called Meeting of Executive Committee of N. C. W. A. C. September 14, 1949

Present: Mrs. J. C. Moye, President; Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Mrs. E. G. Holland, Mrs. Archie Willoughby, Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, Mrs. James A. Evans.

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by Mrs. Holland. Those present agreed that the President, Mrs. J. C. Moye, should urge the Woman's Auxiliaries to support the Field Secretary with offerings when she visits Auxiliaries to work with them.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard stated she had asked Miss Laura Bell Barnard if she could attend our Woman's Conference next year. Mrs. Ballard was expecting a reply soon.

Motion by Mrs. Ballard, that we do have a meeting of the North Caro-

lina State Woman's Convention in May as usual and if we see fit to rescind former motion we will and if no, we are to have a semi-annual meeting in September. Motion carried.

Motion made, duly sustained, that Mrs. Alice E. Lupton prepare programs for week of prayer for week preceding Thanksgiving.

Mrs. W. A. Willoughby and Mrs. J. C. Griffin were appointed as a Committee to recommend a color scheme for our State Auxiliary Convention.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Griffin.

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TENTH ANNUAL SESSION

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North Carolina State Sunday School Convention-Institute

The tenth annual session of the North Carolina State Sunday School Convention-Institute convened with Whaley's Chapel Church April 21-22, 1949. The Convention was opened by congregational singing and prayer by Rev. J. C. Griffin. Devotions were conducted by Fountain Taylor using as his subject, "Effective Teaching."

The president, Mr. Coates, gave the following report:

To the Delegates, Ministers, and Visitors
of the Tenth Annual Session of the North Carolina
Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute:
Greetings:

It has indeed been a pleasure to have the privilege of serving you during the past year.

First of all, we want to thank the fine people of Whaley's Chapel for their kind invitation to entertain this session of our State Sunday School Convention.

Now to review a few of the things that have been done during the past year. In October of 1948 we held an executive meeting in Smithfield. The purpose of this meeting was to appoint a committee to work on plans for financing a field secretary for this State Convention. Second: To receive the treasurer's report so that he could turn over the records to the new treasurer, Mr. Clarence Vincent.

In February another executive meeting was held in Wilson. Purpose: To appoint a program committee to work out a program for this Convention.

During the year I have served ex officio on and worked with all committees for the purpose of furthering the Sunday School work in the State.

