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Woman's Auxiliary Convention

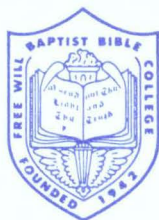


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OFFICERS FOR 1955-1956

Mrs. Carl Dudley, President.....Clinton, N. C.
Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Vice-President.....Bladenboro, N. C.
Mrs. Raymond T. Sasser, Secretary.....Wilson, N. C.
Mrs. M. A. Woodard, Treasurer.....Winterville, N. C.
Mrs. Walter Carter, Enlistment Chairman.....E. Rockingham, N. C.
Mrs. Bagley Morris, Youth Chairman.....Fremont, N. C.
Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Study Course Chairman.....New Bern, N. C.
Mrs. Archie Willoughby, Program and Publicity Chairman.....Ahoskie, N. C.
Mrs. Albert T. Coates, Benevolence Chairman.....Smithfield, N. C.
Mrs. J. C. Moye, Orphanage Chairman.....Snow Hill, N. C.
Mrs. Hattie Adcox, Field Worker.....Bladenboro, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

MAY 18, 1955

The convention was called to order by the president, Mrs. Carl Dudley, and the congregation was led in singing "Jesus Calls Us" by the Rev. Ralph Staten of Belmont.

The opening devotions were conducted by Mrs. Ralph Staten.

Mrs. Roy Rikard welcomed the delegates and visitors to the Cramerton Free Will Baptist Church and the Piedmont district. The response was given by Mrs. Robert Crawford of Greenville, N. C., president of The National Auxiliary Convention.

The girls' trio from the Cramerton church rendered a special message in song.

In the absence of Mrs. Bagley Morris, the president proceeded with the stewardship declamation contest. The following were appointed as judges for the contest: the Rev. Ralph Staten, Mrs. Robert Crawford and the Rev. Raymond T. Sasser.

Five contestants were present to take part:

Alicia Sue Ormond.....	Eastern District
Dorothy Parker.....	Cape Fear District
Elizabeth Heath.....	Central District
Effie Lancaster.....	Western District
Elaine Leonard.....	Pee Dee District

Each of the declamations was a challenging and inspiring message and each girl presented her message in a very creditable manner. Every listener received great blessings from these messages.

Mrs. J. C. Moye, music director for this session, led the congregation in singing "Glory to His Name."

The Rev. Burkette Raper, president of Mount Allen Junior College, introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. J. A. Alexander of Portsmouth, Va.

Mrs. Alexander used as a basis for her message the Scripture as recorded in Acts 12:24, 25 and Acts 13:1-4. She urged each one to, "Know what God's will for your life is and then do what He lays on your heart to do. Let the Holy Ghost lead you into declaring His glory at home and among all nations."

After the message of the evening, the judges announced the winner of the declamation contest. Contestant No. 5, Elaine Leonard of the Pee Dee district, was declared winner and No. 2, Dorothy Parker of the Cape Fear district, was second.

The evening session was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Walter Carter.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 19, 1955

The morning session was opened by the congregation singing "More Love to Thee, O Christ." Mrs. L. E. Ballard led the morning devotions which were followed with prayer by the Rev. Lee Whaley.

Mrs. Robert Crawford, president of the National auxiliary convention, was recognized at this time.

The following ministers were welcomed and recognized: the Reverends Ralph Staten, Walter Carter, Lee Whaley, Carey Cheshire, Arnold C. Alford, B. L. Shook, L. D. Gray, John Cansler, Charles Keith, Henry Melvin, R. H. Jackson, N. Bruce Barrow, Seldon Bullard, Raymond T. Sasser, Roy Rikard, J. E. Wooten and James A. Evans.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance: Mrs. M. A. Woodard, chairman; Mrs. Ethel Whaley; Mrs. Walter Heath.

Resolutions: Mrs. J. C. Sasser, chairman; Mrs. B. L. Shook; Mrs. W. L. Davenport.

Courtesy: Mrs. Charles Ferrell, chairman; Mrs. James A. Evans; Mrs. Houston Crumpler.

Minutes of the executive board meetings were read by the secretary. Motion was made to accept these minutes, except the regulations concerning study courses in the January 27 minutes, which were to be referred to the resolutions committee and be acted on later in the business session. Motion carried.

Mrs. Archie Willoughby, program chairman, urged that we do more to glorify Christ through our auxiliary programs. "In order to do this we must give them more work, study and prayer," she stated. She urged that the program chairman take her work more seriously and plan her programs with a higher objective in mind, seeking to stir up the God given talents of her members and helping them to find the place of service for which they are best fitted. Some talents may be small and some large, but even the least, if used, will glorify Christ.

Mrs. Albert Coates, benevolence chairman, made the following recommendations:

1. That each auxiliary include in its budget monthly support of the superannuation program.
2. That each auxiliary carry on some definitely planned program of benevolence each month.
3. That we begin to think and plan for the future when we might provide more ably for the needs of our retired ministers and their widows.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard, director of Woman's Conference at Cragmont, gave her report of the 1954 conference. (See report.)

The Rev. Burkette Raper, president of Mount Allen Junior College, spoke in behalf of the college, urging our continued support of the institution. He reported very favorably on the vacation Bible school clinic held the first three Tuesday nights in May. He reported an average attendance of over 260. It was also announced that the closing exercises for the first year of the school in Mount Olive would take place on Friday night, May 27.

Mrs. Hattie Adcox, field worker, spoke briefly on "Glorifying Christ Through Organization." She gave her report as field worker and urged that those needing

her assistance call her because she can do only as she is called upon. She reported Mrs. L. E. Ballard and Mrs. J. C. Griffin had assisted her this year in filling this office. (See report.)

Mrs. Walter Carter, enlistment chairman, recommends: That we pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers, and as we pray, make personal contacts (Matthew 20:1-8). "As long as there are those who are not enlisted, a duty is ours to perform," she stated. She also said, "It is not by power nor by might but by my spirit, saith the Lord." Work done in His spirit will glorify Him. Personal contact is the best tool of enlistment.

Mrs. J. C. Moye, orphanage chairman, thanked everyone for the splendid support given the orphanage, and urged continued support and loyalty to that institution. She stated that there are seventy-five children in the home and about one hundred applicants waiting and wanting to enter the home. She asked that all auxiliaries in North Carolina send money to the improvement fund to be used to cover the dining hall floor and remodel the old girls' dormitory, which will make room for more children. Mrs. Moye introduced the Rev. R. H. Jackson, the new superintendent, who brought greetings from the orphanage, and asked for our prayers and support. An offering was received in the amount of \$37.79, for the orphanage.

The Rev. J. E. Wooten brought greetings from Cragmont Assembly, and gave the schedule of the summer assemblies with directors for each. He brought to our attention the fact that another note will soon be due, and that Cragmont needs our support. The Rev. J. A. Evans, president of Cragmont Assembly, Inc., presented the secretary with a copy of the institution's auditor's report.

A motion was carried to dismiss for lunch and have business session in the afternoon.

A prayer of benediction and grace was pronounced by the Rev. Charles Keith.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 19, 1955

Congregational singing of the hymn "Praise H'm! Praise Him!" opened the afternoon session.

A memorial service for those auxiliary members who had passed away since our last convention was conducted by Mrs. Bruce Barrow. Mrs. J. C. Moye and Mrs. J. C. Sasser climaxed the service by singing "Beyond the Sunset."

The convention business session was called to order and reports were made by the following: president, secretary, treasurer, finance, courtesy and resolutions committees. (See reports.) All reports were accepted by motion duly made and carried, with the exception of Item 5 of the resolutions committee report.

Motion was made and carried to table Item 5 of the resolutions committee report until after the new national guidebook has been printed. Mrs. Crawford reported this would be available very soon.

A motion was carried to let the executive committee appoint or elect a Cragmont stockholder representative for our convention. The stockholders representing our convention, and the year their term of office expires are as follows: Mrs. M. E. Godwin, 1955; Mrs. Walter Rhodes, 1956; and Mrs. J. C. Moye, 1957.

Mrs. Roy Rikard and Mrs. Flora Morgan were appointed as delegates to the national convention which convenes in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in July. Each will receive \$15.00 to help defray her expenses. Others who plan to attend any may serve as delegates are: Mrs. Ralph Staten, Mrs. W. H. Calvert, Mrs. William Calvert, Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Mrs. John Cansler, and Mrs. Archie Willoughby. It was pointed out that we are allowed ten delegates, but the convention could not afford expense accounts for that many.

A motion was carried to adjourn. We were dismissed with prayer by the Rev. Walter Carter.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Carl Dudley, president

Mrs. Raymond T. Sasser, secretary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PRESIDENT

The president attended and spoke in behalf of state work, four district conventions. She responded to all letters regarding state work. She represented in person or by proxy at all state meetings where our woman's work was recognized. She spoke at one yearly conference in behalf of state auxiliary work. She arranged three study courses on the North Carolina guidebook.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Carl Dudley

SECRETARY'S STATISTICAL REPORT

Enlistment and Promotional Work:

Number members enrolled at beginning of convention year, 3,458; number new members, 472; present enrollment, 3,721; average attendance, 2,640.

Enlistment Work to Win New Members:

Number members making phone calls, 791; number members making personal visits, 1,316; number members mailing letters or cards, 770.

Enlistment Work Done to Bring Back Absentees:

Number members making phone calls, 685; number members making personal visits, 1,040; number members mailing letters or cards, 583.

Promotional Work Done:

Number enlistment leaflets, papers, etc., distributed, 2,505; number programs on attendance, membership, Auxiliary Plan of Work, etc., given, 77.

(1) Youth Work—Number young people (16 to 25 years) in state, 2,025; total membership in Y. W. A., 500; number junior and intermediate girls (8 to 16), 1,185; total membership in Girl's Auxiliary organization, 548; number study classes conducted for young women, 14; for girls, 72; number vacation Bible schools assisted in conducting, 111; definite work with Free Will Baptist league, 56; sponsor church library, 15; number family altars, 471.

(2) Support of—Free Will Baptist Bible College, financial, \$815.77; otherwise, \$70.00, students helped; Cragmont Assembly, Inc., financial, \$281.40; other-

wise, \$21.86, 2 leaguers and other young people sent to Cragmont; amount for Anna Phillips Loan Fund, \$410.75.

(3) **Study Course Work**—Number mission study classes conducted, 96; name of books studied, *A Modern Jonah, Go Home and Tell Thy Friends, The Quack Doctor, In His Steps, How to Pray, Devotional Talks for Women's Organizations, and His Name Among All Nations*. Number attending classes, 824; number mission reading circles held, 12; name of books read: *Power Through Prayer, The Great Commission in Action, Fifty Missionary Heroes, and Religion in the New World*.

Stewardship study classes conducted, 76; name of books studied: *Power Through Prayer, All of Mine for Him, Christian Nurture, Will A Man Rob God, Money, Saints and Disciples, Thus It Is Written, and To Whom Much Is Given*.

Number of tithers as result of study classes, 24; total number of tithers in state, 532; North Carolina guidebook or manual studies conducted, 65; evangelism classes conducted, 37; name of books studied: *Personal Evangelism, Scripture Memorizing on Successful Personal Works, Bible, and Personal Soul Winning*. Special plans were made for conducting successful study courses, and distributing to auxiliary organizations. Had ministerial students to teach courses, special announcements made in church and Sunday schools and through church bulletins and newspaper articles. Amount sent to North Carolina State Woman's Auxiliary Convention treasurer for home missions, \$973.60; foreign missions, \$1,282.74; number daily Bible readers, 889.

(4) **Publicity Work**—Number subscribers to auxiliary guidebook, 836, auxiliary year book, 2,604; Free Will Baptist papers, 1,350; number articles published in religious or secular papers, 270; number "A-1" standard auxiliaries, 6; number "B" standard auxiliaries, 13; number "C" standard auxiliaries, 2; "A-1" youth auxiliaries, 3.

(5) **Program Work**—Number programs for auxiliary, executive committee, or convention meetings planned in advance, 504; number special missionary programs held, 68; amount special offerings resulting from mission programs, \$157.08; number special stewardship programs given, 33; number special prayer programs conducted, 179; Week of Prayer programs held, 206; average number attending, 2,098; amount self-denial offering resulting from week of prayer programs, \$683.49; other special programs given to promote auxiliary plan of work such as co-laborer band fund, ministerial relief, orphanage, evangelism, etc.; 6 Stewardship in Evangelism, orphanage and installation services.

(6) **Orphanage Work**—Number children adopted for clothing, 42; amount clothing money for children, \$3,723.94; amount equipment and furnishings for home, \$1,974.13; value of commodities donated, \$1,095.61; number coupons sent, 39,263.

(7) **Benevolence Work**—Cards, letters, etc., to superannuated ministers, 694; gifts sent to superannuated ministers, \$717.45; amount sent to superannuation program, \$519.94.

(8) **Personal Service Work Done**—Number members engaged regularly in personal service work, 772; number members assisting in cottage prayer meet-

ings, 746; number members making soul winning efforts, 1,217; approximate number converts this year, 284; number members distributing Bibles, 236; number members distributing trays and baskets to needy, 2,559; number members helping in Red Cross, W. C. T. U. and mission work, 1,145; miscellaneous, \$1,594.08; number bereft homes helped in, 683.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Raymond T. Sasser

FIELD WORKER

I conducted nine clinics, organized two auxiliaries, taught four courses on the North Carolina guidebook, and traveled 1,444 miles with an expense of \$26.08.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. C. Adcox

ASSISTANT FIELD WORKERS

I have enjoyed working with Mrs. H. C. Adcox, our state field worker, this year of 1954-55. It has been my privilege to conduct thirteen clinics in the Central, Eastern, and Blue Ridge districts. I have also conducted one daily vacation Bible school workshop in the Pee Dee district. In this work I have traveled 1,439 miles. My expenses have been \$35.80. The cooperation of the districts in which I worked was very good. However, it is sincerely hoped that more interest will be manifested in these clinics in the other districts in order that our work may be better coordinated.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. L. E. Ballard

I conducted one study class on the manual and held one clinic.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. C. Griffin

COURTESY COMMITTEE

We, your courtesy committee, wish to thank the Piedmont district and the Cramerton church for the many efforts put forth in providing for this convention. For the motel and homes which were provided for the overnight guests, for the bountiful lunch provided for our physical nourishment, and for the warm hospitality which has been felt in the homes and the church, we are deeply grateful. We wish also to say thank you for the lovely flowers used to add beauty to the Lord's house.

We wish to express our thanks to Mrs. J. A. Alexander for the spiritual nourishment brought in the soul-stirring and challenging message of the evening service.

We wish also to say "thank you" to the young women for the lovely music and the messages of the declamation contest.

We ask that the audience be given a chance to show its appreciation for this hospitality by giving a rising vote of thanks. We sincerely regret that more

of our people were not able to enjoy this wonderful convention and fine hospitality with us.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Charles Ferrell
Mrs. Houston Crumpler
Mrs. James A. Evans

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your resolutions committee, submit the following resolutions:

1. We recommend that our vacation Bible schools this year designate their offerings toward the purchase of a new piano for Mount Allen Junior College.

2. We recommend that this convention recommend to the national youth chairman that in the rules for our declamation contest, (1) a minimum time be set as well as a maximum; (2) that a definite rule be made regarding a contestant writing his or her own declamation and, if so, proper credit be given for so doing.

3. That each district convention president see that an annual clinic is conducted within reach of every auxiliary in her district under the supervision of the state field worker for better coordination.

4. That the publication of the news leaflet "LOOK" be continued and 2,000 copies be made to increase circulation, and a secretary fee be allowed for addressing and mailing of same.

5. "Requirements for study course to be A-1 in the state of North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary" as recorded in executive committee meeting minutes of January 27, 1955, item one reads "Every member must study book," be changed to read "Every member as nearly as possible be asked to read the book."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. C. Sasser
Mrs. W. L. Davenport
Mrs. B. L. Shook

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Allociations:

President	\$ 25.00
Secretary	25.00
Delegate to national convention	30.00
Donation to national convention	10.00
To Mrs. J. A. Alexander, convention speaker	10.00
To declamation contestant to national convention	30.00
National per capita dues	372.10

Recommendation:

The finance committee recommends that the convention supplement the gift

allocated to the secretary at least \$25.00 for the extensive work she is required to do.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. M. A. Woodard

Mrs. Ethel Whaley

Mrs. Walter Heath

TREASURER'S REPORT

North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention Report

For Year, May 21, 1954—May 18, 1955

Balance brought forward			\$1,567.65
Departments	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Co-Laborer Band	\$ 811.57	\$ 811.57	\$
Cragmont Assembly Inc.	197.20	197.20	
Cragmont Woman's Conference	102.00	102.00	
State Education Program	209.95	209.95	
National Bible College	133.26	133.26	
Superannuation	382.50	382.50	
Home Missions	521.06	5.00	516.06
General Foreign Missions	1,311.07	1,311.07	
Special Foreign Missions—Barnard, Stephens, Edwards and Willey's Anniversary	114.75	114.75	
Orphanage	50.50	50.50	
Orphanage Offering at Convention	38.00	38.00	
Church Finance Association	12.50	12.50	
Sale State Guide Books	46.00		46.00
State Promotional Work	364.41	289.68	74.73
Contributions to Convention	255.00	229.88	25.12
Per Capita Dues, State and National	700.75	700.75	
Totals	\$5,250.52	\$4,588.61	\$2,229.56
Balance in Treasury, on Bank Deposit, May 20, 1955			\$2,229.56

CONVENTION OPERATING EXPENSES

Printing, mailing "LOOK" Sheet No. 2	\$ 22.00
To F. W. B. Press for 750 Programs	12.00
To L. E. Ballard for Fall Report Blanks (1954)	8.00
To F. W. B. Press for 1,000 Convention Minutes	84.00
To Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Printing, Mailing "LOOK" No. 3	23.75
To Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Printing, Mailing "LOOK" No. 4	26.00
To Treasurer, 12 Months @ \$15.00	180.00
To Secretary, Convention Expenses, Hectograph Supplies	25.28
To Mrs. Ballard, Convention Expenses	2.50
To Treasurer, Postage for 1,000 Receipt Cards	20.00
Supplement to Secretary	25.00

EXPENSES FOR FIELD WORKERS' ACTIVITIES

To Mrs. Hattie Adcox, 9 Clinics and Travel Expenses	\$113.86
To Mrs. L. E. Ballard, 13 Clinics and Travel Expenses	165.82
To Mrs. J. C. Griffin, 1 Clinic	10.00

ANNA PHILLIPS LOAN FUND REPORT

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 652.98
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Receipts:

Local Woman's Auxiliaries, S. S. and S. S. Convention	\$477.74
Borrowers Paid on Notes	603.25
Personal Gift from Franklin Spencer in Memory of His...	
Mother	125.00

Total Receipts	1,205.99
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Total Receipts and Balance	\$1,858.97
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Disbursements:

Loans:

August 20, 1954	\$200.00
August 20, 1954	200.00
August 20, 1954	200.00
January 20, 1955	200.00
February 28, 1955	125.00

Total Loans	925.00
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Balance in Treasury, May 18, 1955	\$ 933.97
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Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. M. A. Woodard, Treasurer

REPORT OF WOMAN'S CONFERENCE FOR 1954

There were 36 registered, one house guest, 5 staff members and 20 visitors, making a total of 62 persons. These came from nine districts of our state. Although this was not as large a group as we usually have at the August conferences, it was the best. Each year, it seems that our conferences climax all past sessions. Truly, as always, God's presence was real and precious to each heart as the spirit-filled teachers of prayer was used by Mrs. Ethel Whaley, who led in the establishment of a "prayer-band" which we trust will spread to every church and person in our church to the end that our church shall experience an old-time revival throughout the world. Mrs. W. C. Jackson, Black Creek, N. C., was chosen as promotional secretary for this group. If you are interested please write her.

The challenging subject of "stewardship" was impressively presented by Mrs. Clement Sullivan, while Mrs. Ballard and Mrs. J. C. Griffin conducted forums on "The Auxiliary Guidebook." Many pertinent questions were cleared for all present.

The book of Colossians was taught in Mrs. Harold Stevens' usual pleasing

and convincing manner. Everything in the lives of those attending took second place as she set forth the need to let Christ have *pre-eminence* in our lives if we are to glorify Him and bring forth fruits of righteousness.

A spiritual and physical blessing came in the mountain top experience on Mt. Mitchell, Saturday, the 21st. Dinner was prepared on and around a campfire under a shelter provided. A very cold rain fell while we enjoyed a warm spiritual refreshing in a service in which Mrs. Whaley led the singing and the Rev. Harold Stevens brought the message that stirred all hearts.

Each evening session was a missionary service. The Rev. and Mrs. Stevens shared these. Their messages in film and word constrained each of us to leave our places of spiritual content and move out into places of spiritual attainment through yielding our lives more fully to live, to pray, to give, to go, to the ends of the earth. The Sunday evening service climaxed the week's services with a candle-light service in which every person lighted her neighbor's candle around a huge circle, which symbolized the lighting of the candle of needy lives around the world through the redeeming grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus. As we lighted the candles we pledged our best to Jesus through the coming year. Miss Ada Beth Hickman, one of our Nashville Bible College students, sang during the lighting of the candles, "The Light of the World is Jesus."

During the sessions, the trio and quartet from Jacksonville sang. Sunday morning we went to Sunday school and church services at Marion where the Rev. J. E. Floyd is pastor. The women taught many of the classes and conducted the 11 o'clock service when Mrs. Whaley brought the message of the hour, through which hearts were blessed.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR CRAGMONT WOMAN'S CONFERENCE 1954

Receipts:

State Convention	\$110.00
Registrations	72.00
Bus Fares	510.20
Piggy Bank Offerings for Foreign Missions	4.41
Offerings for the Stevens, and Films	59.00
Special Gift	15.00
Total	\$770.61

Disbursements:

Miscellaneous: Postage, Telephone Calls, etc.	\$ 5.50
Gifts to Staff	17.25
Staff Expense	111.50
Bus Company	495.70
Wedding Gift to Miss Lloyd	12.00
Personal Gift to the Rev. and Mrs. Stevens	50.00
Film Expense	20.00
Total	711.95
Balance on Hand	\$ 58.66

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Free Will Baptist Orphanage, Middlesex, N. C.

September 15, 1954

The Executive committee of the North Carolina State Woman's Auxiliary Convention met at the Free Will Baptist Orphanage in Middlesex, N. C., on September 15, 1954.

The meeting was opened with devotions by Mrs. Alive E. Lupton, reading from St. John 15:1-10. Prayer followed by Mrs. Walter Carter.

The roll was called with the following members present: Mrs. Carl Dudley, president; Mrs. L. E. Ballard, vice-president; Mrs. Raymond T. Sasser, secretary; Mrs. M. A. Woodard, treasurer; Mrs. Walter Carter, enlistment chairman; Mrs. Bagley Morris, youth chairman; Mrs. J. C. Griffin, study course chairman; Mrs. Archie Willoughby, program chairman; Mrs. Albert Coates, benevolence chairman; Mrs. J. C. Moye, orphanage chairman; Mrs. Hattie Adcox, field worker; Mrs. Earl Glenn, president, Western conference; Mrs. D. W. Hansley, proxy for Mrs. A. B. Chandler, president of Albemarle district; Mrs. J. K. Rhodes, proxy for Mrs. Wingate Hansley, president of Eastern district; Mrs. Bynum Lance, president of Blue Ridge; Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, honorary member.

The minutes of the last state meeting were read and approved. The secretary was authorized to have 1,000 copies printed to be mailed from the press to the district secretaries; the district secretaries to distribute same at their fall conventions.

Motion carried that, in the future, the secretary prepare copies of the minutes and send to each member of the executive board to be approved in order not to delay printing until the board could meet.

Motion carried authorizing secretary to investigate cost and purchase a hectograph to use in preparing letters, minutes, etc., in duplicate.

Motion carried to appoint a committee to work on rules and regulations concerning study courses: namely, How many courses must we have to be an A-1 auxiliary? What composes a study course?

The following committee was appointed: Mrs. J. C. Griffin, chairman; Mrs. L. E. Ballard; Mrs. Alice E. Lupton.

Motion carried to continue publication of the news leaflet "LOOK" through this year and see how well it is received and how beneficial. Mrs. Ballard was chosen to edit the leaflet for this year.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. J. C. Moye.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wilson Free Will Baptist Church, Wilson, N. C.

January 27, 1955

The executive committee of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention met at the Wilson Free Will Baptist Church on Thursday, January 27, 1955.

The meeting was opened with the reading of 1 John 4:1-8 by Mrs. J. C. Griffin. This was followed with prayer by Mrs. M. A. Woodard.

The roll was called with the following members present: Mrs. Carl Dudley, president; Mrs. L. E. Ballard, vice-president; Mrs. Raymond T. Sasser, secretary; Mrs. M. A. Woodard, treasurer; Mrs. Bagley Morris, youth chairman; Mrs. J. C. Griffin, study course chairman; Mrs. Archie Willoughby, program chairman; Mrs. Roy Rikard, president of Piedmont district; Mrs. A. B. Chandler, proxy for Mrs. Walter Carter; Mrs. J. C. Moye, orphanage chairman.

The minutes of the last meeting on September 15, 1954, were read and approved.

The committee which was appointed to study and make rules concerning study courses gave the following report:

**Requirements for Study Course to be A-1 in State of North Carolina
Woman's Auxiliary**

1. Every member *must* study book.
2. A definite time set for teaching the book. (Minimum time, 2 hours, and longer when book length demands it. Time depends on length of book.)

Suggestions for varied ways to have a study course: A guest speaker, who will teach the book; several of your own women, who have prepared a definite part of the book or course to be taught; invite your minister to teach one course; or your study course chairman to teach the book in an interesting and informative manner.

Plan for an all day session at the church with a covered dish luncheon, or an evening session to be begun with a 6 o'clock supper and study not to begin later than 7 p. m. Teach the book one hour on one evening each week until completed.

Where there are several churches within a radius of ten miles, let the study course chairmen get together and plan a joint course with all the auxiliaries nearby—a good leader in one church can use her own initiative in planning with others and publicizing such a course very effectively.

3. At least 50 per cent of the active membership *must* attend.
4. Have group participation based on questions presented by leader for the benefit of those who have not been able to attend every class. (This could be called an oral examination.)
5. Six (6) books or courses are required during twelve months. The following types are suggested for a well balanced year of study: 1. missionaries, home or foreign; 2. stewardship; 3. guide book and plan of work by the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention in Year Book of Programs; 4. devotional books on prayer, soul winning, child evangelism or a book in the Bible.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. C. Griffin

Mrs. Alice E. Lupton

Mrs. L. E. Ballard

The report was accepted.

Mrs. M. A. Woodard, our treasurer, gave an oral report.

A motion was carried to have our state meeting this year on the evening of May 18 and morning of May 19, because of the distance to Cramerton.

We were dismissed for lunch with prayer by Mrs. L. E. Ballard.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Mrs. Roy Rikard.

The Rev. Burkette Raper, president of Mt. Allen Junior College, presented material and plans concerning vacation Bible school classes to be taught at the college each Tuesday night during the month of May.

The following committee was appointed to work out details of the course: Mrs. Bagley Morris; Mrs. L. E. Ballard; Mrs. Raymond T. Sasser.

A motion was carried to send Mrs. Ballard to the French Broad and Blue Ridge districts to work with the auxiliaries there and reorganize the district conventions. Her actual expenses are to be paid by the state auxiliary convention and give her a love offering at the state meeting. She will receive freewill offerings wherever she goes.

The date for the Cragmont Woman's Conference was set for August 15-22. Mrs. L. E. Ballard was appointed director. She will make contacts and secure an assistant director.

The program for our annual convention on May 18 and 19 at Cramerton was planned.

We were adjourned with prayer by Mrs. J. C. Moyer.

Mrs. Carl Dudley, president

Mrs. Raymond T. Sasser, secretary





