Proceedings

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Baptist General Convention

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Muskogee, - - Okladoma

beginning

Thursday, October 29th

and closing

Saturday, October 31st, 1908

Chird Annual Meeting

The next annual meeting is appointed to be held with the Baptists of Chicasha, beginning on Wednesday, 10 o'clock a. m., before the Second Sunday in November, 1909. Being the tenth day of November.

> preacher of the Annual Sermon Dr. C. 1D. Jones Oklaboma, City

The Preachers' Conference will meet on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, the day preceeding the meeting of the Convention, which will be November 9th, 1909.

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C. Stalcup, J. A. Scott, T. J. Talley, L. C. Wolfe, J. S. Henderson. Obituaries—L. C. Wolfe. Wm. Crawford, T. H. Day, J. G.
Brendel, A. G. Washburn, J. L. H. Hawkins, D. N. Crane, I. C.
Underwood, Daniel Bird.

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CONSTITUTION.

Name.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.

Messengers.

Art. II. This convention shall consist of messengers appointed by Baptist churches and associations in sympathy and in co-operation with the convention as follows: Each church shall be entitled to one messenger, and one additional for every five dollars contributed by the church to the work of our convention, in no case, however, to exceed five messengers from any church. Each district association shall be entitled to two messengers.

The following resolution was adopted, and the Secretary requested to place it in brackets in the constitution in Art. II.: (Resolved, that it is the sense of this convention that the phrase "work of our convention," as used in Section 2 of the constitution includes all money contributed to the State Missions, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Sunday School and Colportage Missions, Orphans' Home, Christian Education, B. Y. P. U. and Woman's Work.)

Requirements.

Art. III. The usual requirements for membership and service in Baptist State conventions and missionary organizations shall apply to this convention and there shall be no other tests.

Objects.

Art. IV. The objects of this convention shall be to promote Missionary operations, Sunday School work.

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the dissemination of religious literature, the cause of Christian education and our denominational enterprises in general, and to develop our people in missionary enterprise at home and abroad.

Officers.

Art. V. The officers of this Convention shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, who shall be Superintendent of Missions, Treasurer, Auditor and a Historical Secretary, who shall be elected by ballot annually and hold their respective offices until their successors are elected, and whose duties shall be those usually required in similar organizations.

Board of Directors.

Art. VI. There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the President, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer of the Convention and twenty others, who shall be chosen by the convention at the annual meeting. Seven members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All officers of this convention, members of the Board of Directors, and the members of all Boards of Trustees and other agencies of this convention, shall be members in good standing in a Baptist church within the state. The Board shall appoint all missionaries, determine their fields of labor and fix their salaries and the salary of the Corresponding Secretary. It shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in the office of Treasurer, Auditor, Historical Secretary and Corresponding Secretary of the convention, and to fill any vacancy in the Board of Directors.

Proceedings.

Art. VII. The proceedings of this Convention, the report of the Board of Directors, and such useful infor-

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mation as the Secretaries may be able to obtain from the proceedings of the Associations, shall be publisheed and distributed annually among the churches.

Annual Meeting.

Art. VIII. The convention shall hold its meetings annually at such time and place as it may determine. Special meetings may be called and the time and place of meeting may be changed by the officers of the convention, with the consent of the Board of Directors, in case of an emergency deemed sufficient to justify.

Special Funds.

Art. IX. All funds paid into the treasury of the convention for any special object shall be applied according to the designation of the donors.

Amendments.

Art. X. This Constitution may be amended by twothirds of the members present and voting at any regular annual meeting, provided that the proposed amendment be submitted in writing one year before action is to be taken on same, or provided such amendment be recommended by the Board of Directors in its annual report and notice of same be published at least two months prior to the meeting of the convention.

PROCEEDINGS.

Convention Hall, Muskogee, Okla., Thursday, Oct. 29th, 1908.

Pursuant to appointment, messengers to the third annual meeting of the Baptist general convention of Oklahoma assembled in Convention hall, in the city of Muskogee, and were called to order by the President, J. A. Scott.

Bro. Brendel led in singing "How Firm a Foundation," with Bro. Parrish at the instrument.

Devotional service was conducted by Layton Maddox.

The following temporary order of business was adopted:

Appointment of Committee on Credentials.

Committee on permanent Order of Business.

Address of welcome.

Response.

Annual sermon.

The Committee on Credentials—W. P. Blake, A. N. Hall, R. F. Hamilton.

Committee on Order of Business-W. W. Chancellor, N. P. Bullock, Sherman Moore, J. C. Stalcup.

Enrollment of messengers followed these announcements.

Address of welcome by A. N. Hall, and address of welome from the ministers by Rev. R. O. Goddard of the Methodist church.

Response by J. A. Wynne of Ardmore.

Song, followed by prayer, led by Dr. I. N. Clark.

Annual sermon by J. A. Sutton of Enid. Subject, "The Doctrine of Forgiveness."

Following this practical, helpful and soulful dis-

course, before adjournment the report of the committee on order of business was read by Bro. Chancellor.

Report.

Devotional service led by T. C. Carleton.

Report of the Committee on Credentials.

Election of officers of the convention.

Appointment of committees.

Introduction of visitors.

Introducing and welcoming pastors and other workers who have come to the state during the year.

Miscellaneous matters that may need attention.

Announcements and adjourned with prayer by E. A. Wesson, to meet at 2 p. m.

Afternoon.

Devotional service conducted by T. C. Carleton.

Called to order for business by the president.

Prayer by Sherman Moore.

Hon. R. O. Billups was introduced to the convention and spoke briefly.

The Committee on Credentials reported and the report was adopted, the committee being continued for further enrollment.

Election of officers followed.

Hon. E. D. Cameron addressed the convention, nominating for President, Hon. Henry M. Furman.

C. W. Brewer nominated Dr. H. Coulter Todd.

Dr. T. B. Ray nominated L. C. Wolfe.

E. D. Jeter nominated J. F. Elder.

Bro. Miller nominated J. A. Scott.

After prayer for the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit in the selection of a President, ballots were prepared and distributed and again taken up by the Tellers.

Pending the counting of the ballots presentation of visitors was the order.

Bishop Ross, of the Methodists, was introduced by Dr. J. M. Frost, and responded in a brief address. Others introduced, Rev. F. I. White and wife, of China, Mrs. Dr. Woody and Mrs. Crane of Louisville, and R. E. Cornelius of Texas.

Dr. S. J. Porter, representing the Foreign Mission Board of Richmond, addressed the body on the subject of Foreign Missions at this hour, as sickness in his family at home made it imperative that he take the first train to be with them.

The Tellers reported 170 votes cast, of which Judge Henry M. Furman had received 86. It was at once voted to make it unanimous.

Bro. Furman was escorted to the platform and the retiring President, J. A. Scott, presented the gavel, following which the President in a brief address took up the work of the hour.

The following were put in nomination for Vice Presidents: L. C. Wolfe, A. N. Hall, John F. Elder.

Bro. Hall requested that his name be omitted.

On motion it was then voted that the Secretary cast the ballot of the convention for L. C. Wolfe and John F. Elder for Vice Presidents, and this was done.

The Vice Presidents were then escorted to the platform.

W. P. Blake was nominated for Recording Secretary, and there being no other nomination, the ballot of the Convention was cast for W. P. Blake to be Recording Secretary by J. A. Scott, by order of the Convention.

L. H. Holt was put in nomination for Assistant Recording Secretary, and on vote the ballot of the Convention was cast by the Recording Secretary.

J. C. Stalcup was put in nomination for Corresponding Secretary and Superintendent of Missions, and there being no other nominations, on vote it was ordered that the ballot of the Convention be cast by the Recording Secretary, which was done, the Convention in a standing vote unanimously calling Bro. Stalcup to this position.

Following this election and in keeping with the great sympathy felt for our brother in the long and serious illness in his family, the desire was expressed that Bro. Stalcup be requested to take needful rest.

On motion it was voted that the Executive Board be instructed that it was the sense of this Convention that an Assistant Corresponding Secretary should be elected.

C. W. Brewer was put in nomination for Treasurer, and on motion and vote the nominations were closed and the Secretary ordered to cast the ballot of the Convention for Bro. Brewer, and it was done.

George E. McKinnis was nominated for Auditor, and on motion and vote the ballot of the convention was cast by the Recording Secretary to this end.

J. L. Walker was nominated for Historical Secretary, and on motion and vote the ballot of the Convention was cast by the Secretary to this end.

The following visitors were introduced: C. M. Truex, W. J. Thomas, J. Frank Wells, Bro. Howard, Q. C. Pennington, J. A. Peters, Bro. Pendegraft, S. R. Williams, L. C. Barnes, E. J. Williams, Geo. M. Sales, Geo. B. Yeager, W. A. Sharp, J. N. Prestridge, E. F. Wright, R. K. Maiden and others.

Committee on Order of Business-W. W. Chancellor, N. P. Bullock, J. L. Hawkins, A. N. Hall, W. D. Moorer.

The Committee on Order of Business reported for tonight speakers, J. M. Frost and Judge Billups. The report was amended so that the report on Temperance should be read in connection with the address of Bro. Billups.

Adjourned to meet at 7:30, devotional services to be led by Bro. Stubblefield.

Prayer by Bro. Scott.

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Night Session.

Called to order by L. C. Wolfe.

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Devotional service by Bro. Stubblefield, who read 1 Cor., 2nd chapter.

At the close of this service G. M. Harrell introduced <u>L. R. Scarborough of Texas</u>, who spoke a few words of greeting.

<u>Dr. Frost</u> was given the privilege of introducing <u>E. E. Lee</u>, who has recently been added to the workers of the Sunday School Board of Nashville.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Bro. Moorer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The Sunday School work on the field during the past conventional year has been very encouraging, notwithstanding some very decided drawbacks. The encouragement is due to the many open doors, the more hearty co-operation on the part of pastors and people, and to the very decided advancement in many places and along many lines, chiefly the fruit of work done in previous years.

There are signs of a very widespread awakening on the part of our pastors and churches in respect to Sunday School work. Its true place and importance in the life and work of our churches is being realized as never before, while a far larger number of our pastors are wide-awake Sunday School men. The increased interest is evidenced by the greater number of calls from pastors to visit their churches in the interest of Sunday School work, the increased attendance of teachers at our institutes, the organization of teacher training classes, the grading of schools, the introduction of more or less complete courses of Supplemental Lessons, the organization of men's classes, etc.

The Problem on the Field.

Notwithstanding the decided progress which has been made, the Sunday School situation in the state is far from satisfactory. Of the more than 800 churches reporting this year, only a little more than 500 report Sunday Schools. While we know this to be far below. the actual number, because of the meagre statistics, it nevertheless shows that there is still a great work to be done before we can reach the standard of our motto, "An Efficient Baptist Bible School in every Baptist church." In several associations the standard has almost been attained, while in others little or no Sunday School work has been done by Baptists. The Interdenominational, the Union Denominational, the Un-Denominational and the Anti-Denominational Sunday School workers and the Cooks are abroad in the land, working systematically and aggressively, and, where they are strongest we are weakest. The problem, therefore is to plant a Baptist Sunday School in every Baptist church, a Mission Sunday School under the direction of a Baptist church wherever needed, and to bring these schools and their teaching force up to the highest point of efficiency. We Baptists must build, equip and support our Baptist common schools, as carefully select and prepare their teachers, and as sacredly guard the doctrine taught as does the state her public schools. Among Baptist educational institutions our "common schools"-our Sunday School is the greatest.

The Solution.

I wish to submit as my earnest conviction that the solution does not rest primarily with the Sunday School man. No one man, two men, or ten men, can or ought to undertake to do all this Sunday School mission work. It would not be well done if they could, and did it all. The problem can never be rightly solved, the work rightly done, until the churches and pastors take it as seriously as they do other lines of church work. Sunday School work is first of all and from the very nature of the case a church problem, and the best Sunday Schools and the best Sunday School work in the world are failures if the churches and pastors know little about it and take little interest in the work. The Sunday School missionary comes and he goes, but the pastors, churches, missionary pastors and associational missionaries are in touch with the problem three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, and they must come to realize that it is necessarily their problem and never is rightly solved until it is solved by them. Let me say that this day is rapidly dawning on the Baptists in Oklahoma.

Teacher Training.

I would call attention to the increasing interest in teacher training. There have been many more inquiries about the normal courses, more classes organized, more students enrolled, more examinations taken and more requests for diplomas this year than ever before. For several years the Sunday School board of the Southern Baptist convention has been offering an excellent normal course, which has been taken by a number of our teachers; many have taken the course offered by the Oklahoma Baptist Sunday School Convention, while, just now the American Baptist Publication Society has supplanted the several smaller courses heretofore offered by the missionaries with the National Teacher Training Institute. All of these courses are excellent and represent what Baptists are doing in the way of teacher training, but in order to be made more effective the work needs to be simplified and harmonized, so that the Sunday School man may have one clear-cut proposition to offer to the teachers of Okla-Such a plan can be very easily worked out. homa.

Institute Work.

We have long realized that our Sunday School institutes were such in name only in the great majority of cases. It is our earnest desire to make them what they should be. It was believed that there should be held such Normal Institutes as would be to the Sunday School teachers what the county normals are to the public school teachers. This, because we believe that the Sunday School teachers were worth more to the country than the latter. As an experiment in that direction a few such institutes, in a small way, were conducted as samples of what we believed they should be. As a result four associations recently, in their regular business session a request for such an institute to be held within their bounds this coming year. The course of study consists of Normal Bible Lessons, Sunday School Methods, Padagogy, etc., Missions as it should be taught in the Sunday Schools, and sometimes a lesson on Sunday School architecture and equipment, etc. Just enough to give them a taste and an appetite for more and better work of the same nature.

Recommendations.

We would respectfully recommend:

1. That, in view of the fact that the expression, "Work of the Convention," is in the constitution defined to include Sunday School Missions, the board in its instructions to its appointees, whether associational missionaries or missionary pastors, call their attention to the fact that it is a part of their mission to look after Sunday School interests on their several fields.

2. That the standing Sunday School Committee, who has heretofore been expected only to prepare a report to submit to the next convention, be requested to counsel together with the Sunday School Missionary concerning the work on the field. Thus the committee 1

will have a real serviceable mission and the report will mean something.

3. That the matter of working out the detail of a satisfactory plan of prosecuting our teacher training work be referred to the standing committee, in connection with Sunday School field men.

4. That we again vote a hearty resolution of thanks to the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Publication Society for their most needful and helpful co-operation in money and men and otherwise during the past year, to Drs. Seymour and Frost personally for words of good cheer and encouragement to the worker, to Rev. W. S. Wiley of the Publication Society and Rev. Harvey Beauchamp, of the Nashville Board, who assisted in many of our institutes, and to all who have helped, and to God who has blessed us.

Respectfully,

W. D. MOORE,

L. HAYNER BUXTON, W. F. FARRAR.

During the present conventional year I have visited 114 places, distributed within the territory of 26 associations, with a record of work as follows:

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Weeks of labor
Places visited 114
Miles traveled
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Sunday school addresses 131
B. Y. P. U
Institutes 18
Conventions
Schools visited
Other meetings 12
Letters written
Circulars distributed 1.100
Donations to schools
Normal students enrolled
Normal examinations
School grades
Associations attended 13

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On motion to adopt, Dr. J. M. Frost spoke of the work of the Sunday School Board, and of the Southern Baptist Convention. Other speakers were E. D. Cameron, E. E. Lee, W. S. Wiley.

The report on Temperance was taken up, though the written report was not at hand, and Judge Billups was given an opportunity to address the convention on the Billups bill enacted by the legislature with special regard to the agency feature of the bill.

Following this address E. D. Cameron introduced the following resolution, and on motion to adopt the motion prevailed:

The Baptists of Oklahoma, in General Convention assembled, record with pride the forward step taken by the people of Oklahoma in the adoption of state-wide prohibition. We congratulate the legislature in the enactment of the Billups' prohibition enforcement law. We endorse the same in its entirety and earnestly recommend its adoption at the ballot box November 3rd.

E. D. CAMERON,

W. S. WILEY.

The report on order of business for tomorrow was read, and on motion to adopt, was amended so that the part of the report referring to time for each subject be stricken from the report, and the report was then adopted.

REPORT.

Devotion service by T. B. Harrell. Report on Christian Education. Report of Trustees of Blackwell College. Report of Trustees of Baptist University. Report of Educational Commission. Report of Women's Work. Adjournment. Devotional service, led by Bro. McKinney. Sunday School Work, addresses by Dr. Seymour and others.

. Report on Home Missions, addresses by L. C. Barnes and J. F. Love.

Adjournment.

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Devotional, led by Dr. Ford.

State Missions, conducted by Bro. Stalcup.

Adjournment.

Adjourned to meet Friday morning at 9:00 o'clock in devotional service.

Friday Morning.

Devotional service led by T. B. Harrell.

Convention called to order by the President.

Committee on Nominations-W. S. Wiley, W. T. Scott, C. H. Carleton, H. C. Todd, J. F. Elder.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The saving of each life to its highest possibilities is the one incomparable need of society to-day. Others are but tributary to this one. To secure this one supreme end the wisest training of home, church and school must be had. No individual, no society, no denomination, can neglect any one of these training institutions without incalculable loss. That boy, that girl, who goes through life untrained spiritually and morally, as well as intellectually and physically, loses the flavor and aroma, the society of rightful fruit and nourishment of that life an irreparable loss.

It is with a spirit of congratulation and profound gratitude that we note the large amount of real Christian education in our state schools. Let us honor and encourage those who, with statesman-like wisdom, are working toward this high ideal. Its worth to Christianity and to the moral integrity of our commonwealth are beyond computation.

But of all the phases of Christianity the tenets of Baptists are most structural, both to the kingdom of God and to the highest interests of society. Neither other denominations or state schools can give clear, distinctive Baptist training, and the kingdom of God and society must suffer inestimable loss if we fail of our high duty and mission here.

The great world trend of to-day is full of thrilling interest and hope for Baptists if to the lower side of individual liberty everywhere sought, they will add the upper side of spiritual life and responsibility. It is with a feeling of awe at the opportunity and of dismay at the actual condition of Baptist education in our fair state, we recommend earnest thought and prayer concerning our immediate duty.

W. J. PACK, T. R. CORR. ί

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On motion to adopt, addresses were made by Bro. Pack and Corr and the report was adopted.

The report on Blackwell College was read by Bro. A. G. West.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by J. L. Love and Sherman Moore, and the report was adopted.

An offering was voted for the Blackwell College and pledges amounting to upwards of twelve hundred dollars were given.

REPORT ON BLACKWELL COLLEGE.

Report of A. G. West, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Oklahoma State Baptist College from November 1st, 1907, to November 1st, 1908:

We have many new faces, both in the faculty and in the student body. The faculty this year is composed of vigorous young men and women, all possessed with a high degree of literary attainment and devoted Chris-

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tians and loyal Baptists. Not one at the head of the various departments carries less than an A. B. degree; some of them are much further advanced. The school, with Prof. F. E. Smith, A. B., as chairman of the faculty, is well organized and is conducted in a systematic manner, both in the governing of the school and the handling of the finances. All donations pass through both the Secretary and Treasurer's hands, and a strict record is kept of all moneys received.

The enrollment is larger than any previous year at this time.

No. students enrolled to date
Ministerial students to date 22
Missionaries to date

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held September 4th, by a unanimous vote Dr. J. R. Jester of Atlanta, Ga., was elected as President and Financial Secretary. We hope by your co-operation to secure his valuable service.

Following is a correct report of all donations received by the Secretary and Treasurer:

Cash collection at Convention at Ardmore\$	107 50
C. M. Curb	3.65
Eddy S. S	1.00
First S. S. Hennessey	9.03
Temple S. S.	.75
H. L. Atherton, Red Rock	25.00
Dr. I. N. Clark, Kansas City	5.00
Cherokee S. S	2.21
Portland Baptist S. S., Portland, Kans	2.17
Wakita S. S	1.54
Foss S. S	2.67
	.60
Highland S. S	
Rev. G. M. Herrall	5.00
Rev. H. H. Clouse	5.00
Maud S. S	.50
J. H. Dalano	25.00
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Portland Baptist church, Portland, Kans	
Indian University, by Prof. E. N. Collette	10.00
Mrs. Dr. J. Nason, Kansas City	1.00
Church at Denton, by C. M. Curb	5.60
Krimlin church, by F. E. Smith	6.60
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E. J. Clark, Lenora, fifth Sunday meeting	5.00
Mrs. C. Alma, Kansas City, Mo	1.00

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Ladies' Mis. Society. Bales Ave., Kansas City	8.80
Mount Scott Ladies' Mission	5.00
Mrs. W. H. Rose, Kansas City	1.00
Driftwood Baptist church	5.00
William Smith, Hunter	5.00
Perkins church, by Rev. J. P. Hickem	25.00
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James French, Enid	55.00
Dr. J. A. Sutton, Enid	10.00
J. L. Manser, Perry	5.00
Mrs. T. H. Skaggs, Hennessev	5.00
Wakita Baptist church	5.00
Hunter church, by Wm. Smith	5.00
M. A. Selver, Red Rock	5.00
James Russell, Billings	5.00
La. Mis. Tabernacle Baptist church, Kansas City	2.00
R. L. Sprole	5.00
E. C. Deyo	5.00
Dr. B. H. Dement, Louisville	5.00
Ladies' Mission, Hartshorn	10.00
Ladies' Aid, Roff Baptist church	2.50
F. M. Barker, Blackwell	5.00
J. W. Hightower, Red Rock	5.00
J. L. Roberson, Perry	10.00
O. E. Lovelady, Red Rock	2.50
E. J. Davis, Cherokee	2,21
Wetumka church, by G. R. Naylor	40.00
Dr. J. F. Wells, Kansas City	5.00
James Moody	10.00
S. H. Sheriff, Blair	2.00
J. E. Ferris,	3.00
Mrs. M. E. Armstrong	20.00
Dr. Akers	5.00
F. K. Tucker	5,00
A. A. Armstrong	5.00
Dr. Clinkscale	10.00
Mrs. E. M. Cashion, Hennessey	5,00
H. M. Utterback	10.00
A. F. Depuw	2.50
Mary Comber	2.50
Mrs. Dr. Barden	1.00
Mrs. W. E. Veach	10.00
Mrs. Maggie M. Moutrey	5.00
Mrs. L. R. West	2.00
Blackwell Baptist church	205.50
Citizens of Blackwell	133.00
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Home Board, Atlanta summer campaign	286.24
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In addition to above, there were some contributions given to Rev. G. W. Given, Financial Secretary, which I have been unable to report, owing to not having settled with him.

Mrs. James French, of Enid, wife of our Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has authorized us to furnish the music director's room in the college to the amount of \$50.00 and send the bill to her. Also Prof. Wade, our evangelist singer, has taken on himself the raising of funds to furnish the vocal teacher's room. This will add much to the appearance and comfort of our college.

Total amount received on salary	.\$4.893.37
Total amount received on dormitory	
Total amount received on incidentals	795.23
Total amount received on cement walk	
Total amount received on library	
Total amount received	. \$6.577 64
Paid out as follows:	
Paid on salaries	\$4.733.75
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Paid on interest on dormitory debts	
Paid on papering dormitory	
Paid on incidentals	857.43
Paid on cement walk	
Cash on hand	
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A. G. WEST, Secretary Board.

Following the taking of this offering it was moved, and so voted, that no other offerings be taken until after the report on State Missions is before us to-night: It was here moved that the program reported for this afternoon be adhered to, which motion was laid on the table.

A motion prevailed that the report on Woman's Work be taken up at this hour and that Miss Crane be given opportunity to address the convention.

Address by Miss Crane.

A further motion prevailed that the subjects mentioned in the order of business be taken up in the order presented in the report.

The report of the Trustees of the Baptist University was read by G. M. Harrell of the board, and the following resolution was adopted:

Be it resolved, That we, the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention, now assembled, do most heartily endorse the action of our Board of Trustees of our State University in declining the propositions of Lawton and El Reno.

REPORT OF BAPTIST UNIVERSITY TRUSTEES.

We, the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Baptist University, beg to submit the following report: Having been elected by the Baptist general convention of Oklahoma, our duties were defined by the convention as follows:

"Who shall form a corporation under the name of the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Baptist University, and the said Board to acquire title to land and other property and to consummate the matter of locating the proposed University, and to carry out the expressed will of this Convention as near as practicable."

In compliance with the instructions of the convention we were called together in Oklahoma City November 13, 1907, by W. W. Chancellor, all members being present except Judge Henry L. Furman, who at that time was out of the state, and D. B. Phillips. We or-

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ganized by electing G. M. Harrell, Chairman, and J. L. H. Hawkins, Secretary. We then visited in a body the city of El Reno, the offer from said city being the first choice of this Convention. After viewing the property tendered us, which is some five miles from the city limits, we met with the Commercial club of the city and learned that it would be necessary for them to secure the property from the United States government before they could deed it to us. They then requested us to allow them until the 4th of March, 1908, to secure said property, to which we agreed. After the 4th of March, having heard nothing from them, and in the meantime the city of Lawton pressing her claim, the President sent out a call for a meeting of the Trustees to be held in Oklahoma City March 17th, at 8:30 a.m., to adjourn to meet in Lawton the same day. Six members of the Board were present at this meeting, viz: Dr. T. J. Lee, S. N. Gosnell, E. A. Wesson, A. Frank Ross, W. W. Chancellor and G. M. Harrell. After some preliminary business, chiefly the hearing of the report of the Chairman. as to the status of the El Reno proposition, we adjourned to meet the same day in Lawton, a committee from that place being present to accompany us. We arrived there about 3 p. m. and were met at the depot by the members of the Chamber of Commerce, about one thousand pupils from the city schools and by many fair women of that enterprising city. After serving us with a bountiful dinner we were conducted over the city, and out to two sites of forty acres each, either of which was tendered as the domicile of the proposed University. The first one visited is one mile west of the corporate limits of the city and near the Frisco railroad. The other is the same distance from the city limits on the north side and near the public highway from the city to Fort Sill, five miles distant. The western site appealed to us because of the topography

of the site and because it was more remote from the boulevard leading out to the U.S. fort, and so it was finally voted unanimously by the Board that the western site would be the place for the University if its location in Lawton was consummated. We then met with the Chamber of Commerce at 8 p. m., and after due formalities in opening the meeting the Chairman, in behalf of the board, stated to the Chamber of Commerce that we were there by their invitation and by the instructions of the convention to consider the proposition made by the city of Lawton to the convention to locate a University in their midst, and we asked them to submit their proposition in writing. The proposition submitted by them omitted the following items, which were stated before the convention. viz: Two hundred and fifty scholarships and water connection with the city for five years. We then asked the Chamber of Commerce to give us marketable security for the performance of their promise to us. A committee of six was appointed by them to confer with us, and after a conference lasting until midnight without reaching an agreement, we adjourned to meet in Oklahoma City on the 23rd of March at 8 p.m. On the above named date we met in Oklahoma City and the meeting was called to order by President G. M. Harrell, with the following members present: Henry M. Furman, E. D. Cameron, W. W. Chancellor, A. Frank Ross, E. A. Wesson, S. N. Goznell, D. B. Phillips and G. P. Selvidge. Devotional exercises were led by Bro. Wesson. G. P. Selvidge was appointed Secretary pro tem. At the suggestion of Mr. Furman the resolution passed at the Convention creating the Board of Trustees was read. The Chairman, in the absence of the minutes of the previous meeting, made a full statement as to what had been done at the previous meetings. By suggestion, the propositions from El Reno and Lawton were called for, El Reno not being present with a represen-

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tation. Senator J. Elmer Thomas stated Lawton's proposition as follows:

First. Proposition submitted at Guthrie, \$75,000 and forty acres of land, or \$1,000 additional for each acre of land less than forty acres down to twenty acres.

Second. Proposition made at Convention, forty acres of land, \$100,000 cash from the city of Lawton. Another proposition made by the Comanche County association of two hundred and fifty scholarships for one year at \$40 each was submitted and guaranteed by the Chamber of Commerce. By motion the body went into executive session. A resolution stated orally by H. M. Furman was adopted and Mr. Furman was requested to reduce the resolution to writing and to mail it to G. P. Selvidge. The resolution is as follows:

First. It is the opinion of this Board that El Reno has been granted ample time to consummate its plans to enable it to comply with the proposition which it made to the Convention for the location of the University at the city, and that it has failed to do so, and that the proposition of El Reno cannot longer be considered by the Board.

Second. That there is a misunderstanding between the members of this Board and the representatives of Lawton as to the proposition made to the convention by the people of that city, in this: It was the understanding of the convention that the people of Lawton proposed to guarantee to the convention two hundred and fifty scholarships at \$40 each and also to guarantee free water from the water mains of the city to the University for five years, while we are now informed by the representatives of Lawton that the people of Lawton do not so understand the proposition made to the convention, and they decline to make such guarantees good; we have further learned that the people of Lawton expect the convention to invest dollar for dollar

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given by Lawton, in the erection of the University building. We have never been authorized by the convention to make any such promise or agreement and are, therefore, not at liberty to do so.

Third. If the people of Lawton insist upon the contentions above expressed, this Board is without power to accede to them and will refer the matter back to the convention for such action as it deems best. The representatives of Lawton urged the Board not to take final action at its present session, but to go to Lawton, or send a committee to confer with the people there and see if these matters could not be settled in a manner satisfactory to the Board. Thereupon a motion was made and unanimously adopted by the Board that a committee of three go to Lawton and confer with its people and if all of the conditions of the propositions submitted to the convention by Lawton be agreed to, as understood by the convention, that this committee be directed to close a contract with the people of Lawton for the location of the University in that city and to proceed to carry out the directions of the Convention, and that the powers of this committee should be only those granted by the convention. Thereupon Brethren Henry M. Furman, G. P. Selvidge and D. P. Phillips were elected by the Board as its sub-committee and directed to visit the city of Lawton and confer with its people to carry out the directions which this Board had received from the convention, as provided for in the resolution adopted by the Board. The above committee was directed to take no action unless strictly authorized by the resolutions of the convention and in harmony with the understanding of the convention when it voted upon the propositions submitted.

Memorandum of Agreement.

Between the Chamber of Commerce of the city of

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Lawton, Oklahoma, and the Trustees of the Baptist University of the State of Oklahoma:

First. That said Chamber of Commerce agrees to donate to said Trustees one hundred thousand dollars, on the conditions that the said Baptist University shall be located at or near the said city of Lawton.

Second. Also forty acres of land.

Third. Also two hundred and fifty scholarships at forty dollars each guaranteed by the Baptist Association of Comanche county, Oklahoma.

Fourth. Also water free for University purposes for five years.

On the part of the said Trustees we agree to accept the above proposition on the following conditions:

First. Said one hundred thousand dollars to be paid in five equal installments, beginning ninety days after incorporation, and every ninety days thereafter until said amount is fully paid.

Second. Said forty acres of land to be taken from the center of the one hundred and sixty acres west of the city of Lawton, being the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter, northwest quarter of southeast quarter, of the northwest quarter of section 35, township two north, of range twelve west, I. M., Comanche County, Oklahoma.

Third. The said two hundred and fifty scholarships to be furnished during the first school year, but not prior to June 1st, 1910.

Fourth. The said Trustees require security for the payment of the scholarships provided for in section three, said one hundred thousand dollars and for the two hundred and fifty scholarships by bond, or other

acceptable security, as above specified, the said Chamber of Commerce to be granted thirty days time to provide such security.

The said Trustees agree to place and invest said one hundred thousand dollars in University buildings and improvements on said land.

In witness whereof, we hereto affix our names, this 24th day of March, 1908.

HENRY M. FURMAN,

G. P. SELVIDGE,

D. B. PHILLIPS,

Committee by Baptist University.

W. T. GILBERT,

J. H. FRANKLIN,

FRANK L. KETCH,

Committee from Chamber of Commerce.

June 30, 1908, the Board met in Oklahoma City and was called to order by Chairman G. M. Harrell, with the following members present: Henry M. Furman, D. B. Phillips, A. Frank Ross, W. W. Chancellor and G. P. Selvidge. Devotional exercises by A. Frank Ross. prayer by W. W. Chancellor. Minutes of the meeting of March 23, 1908, were read and approved. G. P. Selvidge was appointed Secretary pro tem. Report of the sub-committee which was sent to Lawton to close the contract, reported that they went to Lawton and entered into the contract above stated. Under the discussion of this report, J. Elmer Thomas and M. D. Early, of Lawton, were requested to appear before the Board and say whether Lawton was ready to offer the security provided for in the contract, as the time limit has expired. They reported that they were not ready, and asked for further time, whereupon the following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the citizens of Lawton be granted until the 10th day of July, 1908, to give the security

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provided for in the preliminary contract made with the Sub-Committee of the Trustees for the location of the Baptist University at Lawton, and that said sub-combe continued for the purpose of passing upon the sufficiency of the security offered.

Resolved, That in the event that by the 10th day of July, 1908, the citizens of Lawton do not present to the sub-committee appointed to receive and pass upon the same, security as provided for by the preliminary contract for the location of the Baptist University at Lawton, that said sub-committee shall certify this failure to the Chairman of the Trustees, and that the said Chairman shall publish the fact and announce that Lawton has not complied with its proposition, and that, therefore, its bid for the location of the University has been rejected.

Oklahoma City, July 27, 1908.

The committee of the Chamber of Commerce of Lawton submitted the following questions to the committee of the Baptist Trustees, and respectfully requested answers to the same:

First. Do you insist upon a joint and several bond in the sum of \$115,000? Answer: We do.

Second. Do you insist that said bond shall contain a provision that if default shall be made in any payment of said installment or any part thereof, that the whole sum of \$115,000 shall thereupon become due and payable? Answer: We do.

(Signed)

D. B. PHILLIPS,

HENRY M. FURMAN, G. P. SELVIDGE.

On the above demands Lawton withdraws proposition.

(Signed)

S. I. McELHOES, J. H. FRANKLIN, W. T. GILBERT, M. D. EARLY.

The reasons for the above action of the sub-committee are as follows: Lawton had bid one hundred thousand dollars and two hundred and fifty scholarships at forty dollars each, for the location of the University. The committee from Lawton offered two hundred and fifty-four separate obligations as security for the fulfillment of its bid. The sub-committee was unwilling to take so many separate obligations, as it would require separate action on each obligation, that the bid of Lawton was in one sum and the bond should follow the bid. Your sub-committee proposed to the committee from Lawton to transfer these separate obligations to a small number of persons as security to them, who should then sign one joint and several bond to the sub-committee. This the committee from Lawton declined to do. The sub-committee also objected to the obligations offered, because they did not provide that in the event that any of the installments provided for in the contract made were not promptly paid, then the entire amount should mature and become payable. The sub-committee pointed out to the committee from Lawton that without this provision in the security, in the event that there should be a failure in the payments we would have to wait until the entire amount was due, and it would cause a breach of contract on the part of the committee with the architect and contractor engaged in the erection of the University, and that for the protection of the denomination it was necessary that the bond should contain a provision for maturing the entire amount in the event of a failure to meet the installments as they matured. Also that Lawton had made a cash bid, and the committee had only agreed upon the payment in installments as a favor to Lawton, and that the committee was bound to demand such security as would ensure the prompt payment of the installments. The committee from Lawton refused to comply with this. Your sub-committee then informed

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the committee from Lawton that their duty to the convention would require them to reject the security as offered, and suggested that they would grant a further extension of time in which the committee from Lawton could comply with the requirements made. But the committee from Lawton refused to take further time and withdrew their proposition, as is shown above.

It is with deep sorrow and regret that we record the death of one of our number, Rev. A. Frank Ross; and we hereby bear testimony to the wise, conservative, tactful service rendered by him, to his faithfulness and unflinching loyalty to the trust committed to him, and to his fraternal spirit among us.

We refer this whole matter back to the convention for such action as they may deem wise.

G. M. HARRELL, For the Board. Adjourned with prayer.

Friday Afternoon.

Devotional service led by Bro. McKinney.

Convention called to order by the President.

Announcements.

Report of Educational Commission was read by Bro. Wolf, and on motion to adopt, the subject of education was spoken of by Bro. Wolf, G. M. Harrell and T. B. Harrell, and was then adopted.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMISSION.

We are glad to report to the convention a prosperous condition of our schools. Blackwell College is doing splendid work with the building and equipment which it has (which is wholly inadequate for its opportunities.) Indian University and Tahlequah Academy have been consolidated by the Home Mission Society, and the teaching force has been removed from Tahlequah to Indian University, but the buildings at Bacone are wholly inadequate. These facts should appeal to our

denomination and stir them to more liberal financial support and larger patronage. We would be glad to go into detail concerning these schools, but time and space allotted us in the proceedings of this convention will not permit, and in addition to this fact we believe that it will be sufficient to call attention to the work and needs of our schools and a hearty response will be given.

We deplore the seeming indifference of our Baptist people in distinctive Baptist educational work. We believe that no one is so well able to educate Baptist children as Baptists.

We need Baptist sentiment and conviction as to the importance of the truths which are peculiar to Baptists.

We further deplore the fact that we hear in some homes the expression, "It doesn't matter where our children go to school." Whether it be under the direction of God's saints (whose very lives teach more than their lips), or whether it be where His word is scoffed at and its sentiments are wholly disregarded or treated lightly.

We believe that our children should be led into light and knowledge, with the growing conviction that God is the Creator and Superintendent of all, and has a right to be heard in the councils of men in all things which pertain to civilization and government, for it is through Divine leadership that men have ever reached true greatness in any department of life.

We find that our present school equipment is wholly insufficient to meet the demands of our denomination. We believe that we, as a convention, must arise in the strength of God and meet the crying need of our denominational life by making ample provision for the education of our children, that they may take their place in the very forefront of our social, educational and political and governmental life.

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At our last Convention we thought we were nearing the point where we would be able to establish a Baptist school for the higher education of our young men and women, and for this purpose a Board of Trustees was elected by the Convention to carry out its will, if they in their wisdom believed that certain propositions made then to the Convention were such as would conserve the interest of the denomination; but for reasons which have been given to the Convention in their report they thought it unwise to accept either of the offers made to the convention by the city of El Reno or of Lawton, in which decision your Educational Commission most heartily concur.

In view of the fact of the difficulties attending the settlement of a question of so much importance, we your Educational Commission, would recommend that this Convention place the whole matter of locating this school of higher education in the hands of a wise and conservative committee, consisting of fifteen members, to consider the propositions now ready to be offered the Convention, and such others as may come, with power to act for the Convention and place the school where it will best subserve the interest of the whole denomination, without reference to the interest of any one location.

After looking over the state and its marvelous progress in business and governmental life, we are overwhelmed with a consciousness of the largeness of our opportunity in moulding the thought of the people of our state, and our utter insufficiency for the task. Hence we urge immediate action in this matter. Delay would be ruinous to our hopes for the future; the iron is at welding heat, let us strike in the strength of God and stamp His inspiration, His truth, His power on every sinew of our state life—to do less would be unworthy of us who claim so much.

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We further recommend the election of an Educational Commission to consist of seven members, who shall be nominated by the committee on nominations, whose duty shall be to develop our people along educational lines and foster the interest of all our schools.

We would suggest to the several associations of our state that where they find it possible that they establish Baptist Academies of high grade, that shall be equal or superior to the state high schools, which Academies will be large feeders to our Baptist University which we propose. Respectfully,

- L. C. WOLFE,
- J. A. WYNNE,
- J. L. WALKER,
- C. H. CARLETON,
- C. STUBBLEFIELD.

The Committee on Nominations reported in part, and the report was finally adopted as appears in the membership of the Executive Board and the Orphan's Home Board, the Board of Ministerial Education and the Educational Commission.

Chickasha was chosen as the place of the next annual meeting of the Convention, with Dr. Carter Helm Jones preacher of the convention sermon.

Committee on Divine Service—John R. Warren, A. N. Hall, W. S. Wiley, E. D. Cave.

The report on Women's Work was read by T. C. Carleton, and on motion to adopt, Miss Sue Howell and others of the women helpers in the work of the Lord, spoke of their work, and the report was heartily adopted.

REPORT ON WOMEN'S WORK.

God bless our women! Paul said in the olden time, "Help those women," but they have grown and grown till now they do a full share of the regular work of the churches, and thus come to the help of the men in their "labors more abundant."

The year began with difficulties. Miss Jayne, one of last year's efficient field workers, retired to her wigwam and her former work among the Cheyennes, "not that she loved Caesar less, but Rome more." She has been sadly missed. We coaxed her out of her cozy Indian corner to help present Woman's Work to the Associations, but her heart led her back to her loved Indians.

Then Cupid shot dear Miss Hansen out of this busiuess. Her charming success in helping the women to help the men is the secret of her promotion, and we console ourselves with the thought that she is still man's helpmeet. Blessings on her! Then the illness and increased home responsibilities of our faithful Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Porterfield, have deprived us of her valuable services to a large extent. But diligence and a kind Providence brought us Miss Sue O. Howell, who had done this work in Oklahoma before, and she comes back to her first love with new vows to be true. She has divided her time between the office of Secretary and Treasurer and doing field work. Miss Mattie Braswell, fresh from several years of excellent preparation in Baylor College, Texas, began her life work with us as a field worker in June. She has been gladly welcomed by the churches and missionary societies. Both of these workers have done their work well, and we commend them to all the churches and societies. We refer with pleasure and pride to the reports of these workers for details of their arduous and successful work.

The Executive Committee has had four quarterly meetings. The churches and missionary societies have contributed \$4,750, about 35 per cent increase over last year. Sixty-four of them met their appointment, and one, Big Cabin, more than doubled theirs, while several

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others went beyond what was asked of them. Twelve of these are in Woodward Association. Fifty-one Missionary Societies have been organized, and churches have been enlisted in the work where they have no society. There are now 271 Missionary Societies in the There are 22 Young Women's Societies and 23 state. Junior Bands. One hundred and forty-four Mission study classes are pursuing a systematic course in Missions. We have 18 traveling missionary libraries in use and four more ready to go out, each one containing 10 well selected missionary books. Any church or society may have eight weeks free use of these libraries, one at a time, by paying the express on them. We are gratified with the growing use of these libraries. We recommend and urge that churches and societies use these books freely. One hundred and forty-four state programs have been sent out and appreciated. They are valuable help in mission study. The work is in a healthy condition and growing in favor with God and man.

We recognize as one of the prominent factors leading to our success, the helpful co-operation of our own State Board of Missions and the co-operating boards. We have used their periodicals freely and the literature they have so generously donated, we have circulated widely. We hope to work together in the same beautiful harmony in the days before us.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. CARLETON, Chairman.

At this hour Dr. Seymour, of the American Baptist Publishing Society, addressed the Convention on Sunday School and Bible work, and the report of the Committee on Sunday School Work was adopted.

On motion and vote the report on Home Missions was made the special order for 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Drs. Barnes and Love to discuss the subject.

On motion of H. H. Clouse, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be authorized to place in some secure archive in this state a copy of each annual of this convention, and that a copy of each year be sent to the Historical Secretary of the denomination.

It was then voted that the convention meet at 8:30 in the morning and that at 9 o'clock the report on Religious Literature be taken up.

The chairman announced the Committee on Sunday Schools: W. S. Wiley, J. L. H. Buxton, L. H. Hawkins, J. M. Wiley, B. A. Loving, Carter Helm Jones, J. B. Rounds.

D. J. Evans, of William Jewell College, addressed the Convention with special reference to the theological department of the school, highly commending the work done.

Adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock to-night.

Announcements.

Hymn, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Benediction, J. W. Willis.

Night Session.

Devotional service led by Bro. Ford.

Following this service the convention was called to order by the President.

A motion prevailed to suspend the regular order of business, that we may give recognition to the pastors who have come into the state during the convention year. Bro. Underwood introduced Miss Russell, of Blackwell College, instructor in voice culture, who favored the convention with a solo. The new men of the state were then introduced and welcomed.

The report of the Executive Board was read by Bro.

Stalcup, followed with the reading of his own personal report, both of which were an inspiration to the convention. On motion to adopt, the report was supported by an able address by Pastor Hall, of the First church, Muskogee, followed by a most earnest and eloquent appeal from Secretary Stalcup, who closed by giving opportunity for contributions with which to meet the deficit, stating that about \$2,000 were needed. Responses were rapidly heard from all parts of the large audience, and in a short while a little more than \$2,000 were in hand, and the year's work was well finished. The spirit of liberality was upon us, and it was an easy matter to take up a voluntary offering of over \$60 for Miss Braswell, who had suffered the misfortune of losing her suitcase.

The report was adopted.

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REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Brethren and Sisters of the Convention:

With joy and gladness in our hearts and with songs of praise on our lips to Him who has redeemed us and washed us in His own blood, and who has blessed us in so many ways during the conventional year just closing, we come before you and beg to submit to you our annual report.

During the last session of the convention at Ardmore the Board was called together at the Presbyterian church, where we organized by electing Brother W. W. Chancellor, Chairman, and Rev. W. P. Blake, Recording Secretary, Brethren J. A. Love, representing the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and Bruce Kinney, representing the Home Mission Society of New York, were both present. After prayerful consideration of the matter our co-operative work for the ccurrent year was planned on a basis of \$32,000. One-half of this to be paid by our Board

and the other half by the two co-operating Boards in equal amounts. These two Boards also agreeing to give us during the year \$3,000 for our church edifice work. At this meeting the salary of the Corresponding Secretary was fixed the same as last vear. Sister L. V. Smith was elected to the position of stenographer and office helper at a salary of \$800, of which \$300 was to be paid in equal amounts by our two Foreign Boards, to which arrangement they cheerfully agreed; the balance to be paid as other employes of the convention. Brethren J. A. Scott and T. C. Carleton were re-elected State Evangelists at the same salary as last year. At the expiration of the first quarter, their salaries were increased to the rates of \$1,400 each per year. Brother W. D. Moorer was re-elected Sunday School Missionary and Brother A. G. Washburn as General Missionary to the Five Civilized Tribes, with their salaries the same as last year.

The American Baptist Publication Society and the Sunday School Board was each requested to assist in the prosecution of our Sunday School Mission work by giving us \$450 each, to which they cheerfully agreed.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, Brother Blake was elected to do some church edifice work, working nine months and then resigning the work to accept the superintendency of the Creek Orphan's home at Okmulgee.

So many of the applications from churches for help having been handed in to the Secretary at the Convention, thus making it impossible to have them arranged for intelligent consideration by the Board, it was thought best to adjourn over until the 10th of November at Oklahoma City. At this and each subsequent meeting of the Board all applications were given prayerful consideration and action was had upon them as appeared would best serve the interest of the work en-

trusted to our hands. It is hardly probable that we did the wisest and best thing possible in all cases, but it is certain that we always did what appeared at the time, with the information at hand, to be to the best interest of the work taken as a whole.

At the close of this report will be found a list showing all the appropriations made: a list of acutual receipts and expenditures of all moneys received by the Board during the year, and a tabulated statement of work done and results produced by all of our workers. We most earnestly request that each and every member of this convention will carefully study that part of the report which shows appropriations, receipts and disbursements of funds and results produced. We believe it will encourage you for more heroic service and to undertake larger things during the next year.

STATE MISSIONS.

The importance of the salvation of our own people and training them for service, with a view to worldwide missions as rapidly as possible, ought to be apparent to all thoughtful Baptists and be given its rightful place in all of our praying and working. This is in perfect accord with the great commission of our Lord, under which we work, and has a most vital relation to each and every other phase of our work. No department of our work will succeed long, if it fails. It has been the aim and purpose of your Board, while seeking the salvation and development of the people of our great state, to administer the affairs of the convention entrusted to us in such a way as to make the State Mission work in-spirational and helpful to every other phase of the work, and thus bring them all into the closest possible touch with each other. We believe this is the best way to grow strong at home, and are glad to be able to report some real progress in that direction. Our work over the state is in a harmonious and helpful condi-

tion-a condition that promises much for the future, both in the churches and the district associations. have given help to more associations in the support of their missionaries this year than ever before, with very satisfactory results. They have employed more capable missionaries, paid them better salaries and are reaping larger results from their labors than in former years. Our state convention in past years has proven itself to be not only an effective channel through which the churches are doing their State Mission work, but a great unifying agency for the churches and district associations all over the state. Through this influence they have been brought in to a closer touch and fellowship with each other and all of them made stronger and better thereby. We long for the day to come when all of our Baptist churches and all of the members of all of the churches will co-operate in this great work. More has been done in that direction during this year than in any one year of our history.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

No Baptist church, District Association or State Convention will remain strong and effective at home very long that does not look beyond her own borders. Home and Foreign Missions are indissolubly bound together and are the two sides of the one great missionary enterprise for which all of our churches, associations and conventions exist, the one representing the near and the other representing the far side of this one great enterprise. Home Missions, to be what it should be, must find much of its inspiration for service and much of its fruitage on the foreign field; and yet the development of the home land, which is in a large measure to furnish the men and the money to carry on our Foreign Mission work cannot be minimized or neglected without untold injury to both. In the judgment of your Board, there is to-day greater need for both Home and Foreign Mission

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Boards than ever before in the history of American Baptists. We rejoice that all four of these Boards and the great work which they represent are more deeply enshrined in the hearts of Oklahoma Baptists than ever before, and we believe that our state convention should continue to encourage all of our churches to place increased emphasis upon these two great phases of our Lord's work. The plan adopted some two years ago by our state convention, of turning all collections for both home and foreign missions through the office of our Corresponding Secretary, so that we may have at all times a complete record at home of what is being done, is proving satisfactory in general to the churches and helpful to the work. We regret that a few of our churches either overlooked or neglected this last year, thereby making it more difficult to get a complete record of what has been done by all of the churches over the state. We hope, however, that this difficulty may be overcome in the near future, as the churches come to see the necessity and advantages of uniformity of action all over the state.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS.

During the last two years this phase of our work has been placed upon exactly the same plane with all of the balance of our mission work, and placed under the capable leadership of Brother Moorer. So far as your Board is able to determine, it has proven very helpful to the schools and churches wherever he has been. Our two Sunday School Boards have rendered us valuable aid in helping to maintain this important work which we have gratefully acknowledged. We most seriously doubt whether we are placing money or energies at a single point anywhere that will bring larger returns to the kingdom of God than at this particular point. In his work Brother Moorer has been placing large emphasis upon the church. In his work he has

been seeking to lead the churches to give to the teaching of God's word its proper place in our churches, in harmony with our Lord's great commission under which we work, alongside of preaching and baptizing. We are glad to say that he has made some real progress in that direction. In the opinion of your Board great emuhasis needs to be placed at this point.

OUR INDIAN WORK.

This department of our work, under the leadership of Brother Washburn; is making slow but substantial progress. The last six months shows more real progress along practical lines of work than we have observed before. 'The work is better organized and workers appear to be assuming more responsibilites and doing more and better work than formerly. These people, who are now citizens of our state, need our sympathy and help as they undertake to assume the burdens of citizenship, under changed and changing conditions, perhaps worse than ever before in their history. Some real progress has been made this year by them, especially on evangelistic lines and furnishing statistics of their work and making offerings to missions.

WOMAN'S WORK.

It has always been a pleasure to your Board to be able "to help those women who labored in the Gospel" by making appropriations from year to year from our treasury towards the support of their field workers. This they have gladly done this year by making an appropriation towards the support of Miss Hansen and Miss Jayne during the first half and for Miss Howell and Miss Braswell during the last half of the year. While rejoicing with them in the splendid achievements which they have wrought in the past and expressing a desire that we may continue to be helpful to them, your Board indulges the hope that this one phase of our work

may yet be brought into a closer organic relation to our state convention and made more effective and more helpful to the work of our churches. A good active Missionary Society of women in our churches always proves a blessing to the church and among the pastor's most efficient helpers.

OUR HELPERS.

We wish here to record our grateful appreciation of the very valuable assistance rendered us in the prosecution of our mission work by the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Home Mission So-These two great engines of power ciety of New York. of our denomination have stood by us nobly during all of our past history, and are still rendering us valuable aid. In this same connection, we express to both of our Foreign Mission Boards and to both of our Sunday School Boards, our high appreciation of the assistance rendered by them. We sincerely hope that all of our churches will respond to the calls of God as they come to us through these channels to help them as they grapple with the great problem confronting us as American Baptists.

We wish also to express our appreciation for the assistance given in all of our work this year by the Baptist papers having circulation in the state, who have so generously opened their columns to our Superintendent of Missions and others who have written about our work. We hope that the Lord will show us the proper solution of this important question and lead all of our people to do the thing, at whatever cost, that will be most helpful to the enlargement of God's kingdom in our state. .,

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We have assisted 193 churches in the payment of their pastor's salaries, and 25 district associations in the payment of the salaries of their Missionaries. We

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have had in our employ, for part or all of the time this year, 225 persons. Of these two are State Evangelists, one Sunday School Missionary, one General Missionary to the Five Civilized Tribes, one Church Edifice Worker, seven Indian Missionaries, 25 District Association Missionaries, 180 Missionary Pastors and two Women Field Workers.

They have reported:

Weeks of labor 7,7	12
Praper meetings attended 6,0	
Sermons preached12,4	
Religious visits made	
Persons received by baptism 3,2	
Persons received by letter and otherwise 3,2	
Total additions to churches 6,4	
Tracts and leaflets distributed	00

We have assisted 30 churches in building meeting houses by gifts made by our two co-operating boards to the amount of \$6,000.

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS, 1907, 1908.

J. C. Stalcup\$	1.800.00
L. V. Smith	
J. A. ScottOklahoma City	800.00
	1,350.00
T. C. CarletonOklahoma City	1,350.00
A. G. Washburn	1,200.00
W. P. Blake, 9 mosOkmulgee	900.00
W. D. MoorerOklahoma City	1,200.00
W. M. B. SFor Field Workers	250.00
Alva	200.00
AnadarkoS. M. Skaggs	200.00
Antlers	100.00
Oak GroveJ. H. Crain	50.00
Valliant	75.00
E. Ardmore	200.00
Allen	50.00
Guertie	50.00
Albany	50.00
MeadO. E. Fowler	50.00
Roberta	50.00
AlexC. T. Wilson	50.00
Bristow and VicA. S. Allen	200.00
BridgeportN. E. Mitchell	150.00
BobJ. B. Hayes	100.00
OrrJ. B. Hayes	100.00
Lone GroveJ. B. Hayes, 9 mos	75.00
WoodfordJ. B. Hayes, 9 mos	75.00

BacheJ. M. Higgins	50.00
CoalgateJames Gore	400.00
CordellT. J. McKenzie	200.00
ClevelandC. W. Burnett	250.00
Comanche A. M. Harris	100.00
Capitol HillD. E. Mellichamp	350.00
ConcordJ. T. King	100.00
Concord	
Collingsville	120.00
RamonaC. E. Canady	120.00
Cumberland	125.00
MannsvilleL. W. Wright	75.00
CrowderJ. M. Caves	75.00
Indianola	75.00
CementW. F. Smith	125.00
Canadian	50.00
WayneL. B. Smelly	50.00
Centrahoma	100.00
Cook	50.00
DavidsonG. T. Bailey	100.00
	75.00
DurwoodG. W. Crawford	
EdmondH. H. Wallace	200.00
ElginW. E. G. Humphrey	100.00
Eschiti and VicE. D. Jeter	100.00
Randlett	400.00
FairviewJ. O. Guthrie	200.00
Ft. GibsonA. H. Wilson	100.00
FaxonR. A. Rushing	125.00
Featherstone	75.00
FrancisE. A. Hardee	100.00
Wards Chapel and Freeneys	50.00
Chapel	50.00
W. Guthrie 2W. P. Peeples	360.00
Gage	100.00
Moorland	100.00
GrahanD. N. Curd	50.00
New Hope	50.00
Thackerville	50.00
HenryettaW. J. Downing	200.00
Hooker	250.00
Hurst	100.00
Hurst	100.00
Immanuel	400.00
IvanhoeB. F. Ballard	125.00
Isadore and VicD. B. Wood	200.00
Iona	75.00
Kingston	100.00
Kingston	100.00
Woll and Vio	400.00
Kell and VicA. J. Tant LindsayH. E. Hogan	400.00 250.00
Lindsay	
Lone OakJ. K. White	
MuldrowJ. M. B. Gresham	200.00
Mountain View	100.00
Roosevelt	75.00
Twin MountainF. P. Womack	75.00
Mountain HomeJ. B. Morris	50.00

Mountain HomeJ. P. Martindal	50.00
	100.00
McAlesterJ. M. Foster	100.00
	150.00
okomah	200.00
Olystee	200.00
oak Grove No. 2	40.00
PoteauJ. H. Byers	200.00
pryor CreekA. L. Duncan	200.00
Prairie ViewJ. L. Odell	50.00
Porum	150.00
PerkinsW. H. Driver	200.00
Perry Chapel	100.00
Palmer and Rock CreekJ. E. Malloy	150.00
Roff	200.00
ReedM. S. Osborn	200.00
Reed	100.00
Rock CreekJ. T. Bowling	
StiglerJ. M. Wiley	250.00
StillwaterL. H. Holt	200.00
SallisawT. F. Coe	240.00
Shady Grove	50.00
TishomingoC. H. Holland	250.00
Tryon and Vic J. R. Sharp	200.00
Valley Center	100.00
Washington AveW. B. Elsey	200.00
Wewoka	100.00
Wetumka	200.00
Waurika	100.00
Walnut Grove	100.00
WanetteR. F. McBroom	250.00
Walter	100.00
Walnut Creek	50.00
Ada, 2nd ChurchD. J. Austin	150.00
ClintonJ. W. Barker	150.00
	50.00
Cliff	50.00
Willis	50.00
Haileyville	· 50.00
AftonC. M. Powell, 9 mos	150.00
Avery	75.00
	75.00
Ashland	37.50
Newpurg	
BixbyJ. E. Hobbs	100.00
Big Cabin Francis Richards	45.00
Butner	40.00
Big SpringsR. M. Carson	50.00
Brush HillW. M. Marlin, 9 mos	25.00
ChattanoogaA. J. Tant	200.00
CrescentW, H. Williams	200.00
Courts M. D. Hendrix	50.00
DavenportW. A. Clevenger	100.00
EufaulaC. H. Montgomery	120.00
FletcherW. E. G. Humphrey	100.00
Ft. Towson	100.00
Fulsome GroveJ. D. Hart	50.00

GeronimoJ. W. Tennison	75.00
GracemontC. W. Morrison	75.00
Hoffman and Morris J. J. Gibson	200.00
HydroD. M. Skaggs	75.00
Hallett DeWitt Sankey	100.00
Haskew	60.00
Paruna	60,00
Hoover	50.00
Houston	30.00
Howe	90.00
Hinton	150.00
Lexington	200.00
Liberty G. L. Findley	100.00
Long CreekJ. G. Gentry	25.00
LehighE. J. Matthews	100.00
Moravlan CrurchJos. Coming	50.00
NowataL. L. Lusk	200.00
New Bethel	25.00
New HarmonyJ. W. Handley	
New Harmony	100.00
Oakland	50.00
Olive Branch E. R. Hosman	75.00
PurcellB. F. King	150.00
Ponca City I. C. Underwood	225.00
Poland ChapelJ. S. Smith	50.00
Rush Springs	50.00
SpiroJ. F. Johnson, 12 mos	200.00
Stilwell Alonzo Yancey, 9 mos	100.00
StonewallJ. W. Bell	75.00
Sterling C. N. Curb	100.00
SasawakwaJ. H. L. Owen	25.00
Tecumseh	200.00
Texola N. C. Danner	100.00
TescaG. T. Bailey	75.00
VelmaJ. J. Ward WatongaC. H. Gregston	100.00
WatongaC. H. Gregston	200.00
Wapanucka	75.00
EbenezerW. P. Hook	25.00
Yale	75.00
Broken Arrow	75.00
Hackberry W. P. Botts	75.00
AnadarkoJ. P. Brooks, 6 mos	100.00
BokosheJ. M. B. Gresham	100.00
Checotah	150.00
Chickasha MissionC. T. Willson	150.00
Dow	60.00
FairfaxJ. T. Spillman	60.00
KiowaS. F. Mudphy	75.00
Kinta E F White	50.00
KintaE. F. White Muldrow W. H. Meredith	100.00
Pawnee	120.00
Tonkawa	75.00
Tahlequah	
Terrall	75.00
	50.00
GearyR. P. Chenault	
LewisT. R. Levins	50.00

Orr D. N. Curb, 6 mos	75.00
SallisawJ. S. Henderson	120.00
Billings W. A. Hall, 3 mos	30.00
Bethel ChurchJ. W. Handley	25.00
Bristow	45.00
BlockerC. T. Wilkerson	25.00
Capitol HillC. W. Haskins	75.00
Earl	25.00
Fairview	75.00
Idabell	25.00
Morris	25.00
Pryor Creek	25.00
Randlett	
	50.00
Associations.	
BannerJ. B. Reaves	150.00
Beaver CoA. H. Ihde	300.00
ConcordJ. W. Rankin	200.00
ChickasawG. W. Jefferson	100.00
Greer Co	200.00
Illinois RiverJ. R. Peters	100.00
Jackson CoJ. D. Baker	200.00
Longtown	200.00
Tillman CoC. W. Hampton	300.00
Woodward CoB. A. Loving	250.00
ZionE. H. Harper	100.00
Beaver CoB. B. Brink	100.00
Beckham CoJ. S. Spires	150.00
Pawnee CoG. Lee Phelps	300.00
FriendshipG. W. Herrington	100.00
IndiahomaG. J. Clark	100.00
Little RiverW. D. McPhetridge	150.00
Lincoln CoJ. R. Sharp	150.00
Comanche CoJ. T. Stephens	200.00
FriscoW. D. Rogers	150.00
Mills Co J. W. Phillips	85.00
Kiowa CoJ. L. Walker	60.00
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Indians.	
Daniel Bird Cherokee	500.00
Geo. W. Bell Choctaw	300.00
Ben O'Field Cherokee	100.00
J. J. James Choc. and Chick	200.00
H. M. HarjoCreeks	200.00
Robt. CarrCreeks	50.00
Newton Johnson Choc. and Chic	50.00
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Eplanatory.

The total amounts appropriated will be found to be considerably larger than the amounts actually expended. The explanation of this will be found, for the most part, in changes of pastorates during the year, after these appropriations were made. The unused balances

of appropriations made, in case of resignation, were used by the Board in supplementing the salary of the incoming pastor at the same place where it was needed and applied for. In some instances it will be observed that appropriations were made at the same place during the year to two different persons; these also were the results of changes.

The amount of actual expenditures for the year by the Board will appear in the annual report of our Treasurer, which will be found to be smaller than the total amount of appropriations as above explained.

CHURCH EDIFICE APPROPRIATIONS.

A. B. H. M. S.

	Gift.	Loan.
Collingsville	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Piedmont	250.00	
Mountain Park	300,00	
Red Bluff	250.00	250.00
Cement	150.00	150.00
Jobe	200.00	
Bixby	150.00	
Alva	200.00	
Hallett	150.00	
Blair	250.00	
Bokoshe	200.00	
Crescent	200.00	
Lone Oak	150.00	150.00
E. Side Muskogee	150.00	
	\$3,000.00	\$ 950.00
Home Board.	• /	·
Liberty Church	\$ 150.00	
Plain View	200.00	
Providence	200.00	200.00
Durwood	200.00	
Crowder	250.00	250.00
Maysville	300.00	
Chelsea	300.00	
Ivanhoe	300.00	
Texmo	100.00	
Gage	200.00	
Kanawa	200.00	200.00
Ninnekah	150.00	
Canadian	150.00	
Orr		200.00
Boswell		250.00
Stratford	300.00	-
	\$3,000.00	\$1,100.00

Very few, if any, of these loans that were recommended by our Board have been consummated, for the reason that the loan fund of each of the two co-operating Boards was exhausted early in the year and funds not available for that purpose. The gift voted to the East Side church at Muskogee was declined, but I was not notified of its declination until after the meeting of the Board in August, too late for it to be applied elsewhere this year. So far as I am advised, all other gifts have either been paid or will be paid when the rules of the co-operating Boards have been complied with.

In the conclusion of this report, we desire to express to all of the workers of the state, our very high appreciation for their sympathetic and earnest co-operation with us and the Superintendent of Missions in the work entrusted to our hands. There has been very little complaint at any of the actions of the Board, so far as we know. Even where appropriations were cut down below the amounts asked for and the amounts actually needed in many instances, they have been accepted cheerfully and in the main without complaint. We greatly appreciate this fact. There has been material growth during the year along all lines of work entrusted to your Board. The success of the past year, we trust, will be greatly appreciated by our people all over the state and that it will tend to inspire them for more loyal and heroic service during the next year. We hope the present Convention will lay plans wisely for larger things during the ensuing year, and bespeak for the new Board, of whomsoever it may be composed, that cheerful and hearty co-operation of the churches and pastors over the state which we have enjoyed during the past year, and which have made the achievements of the year a possibility. Respectfully submitted, W. W. CHANCELLOR, Chairman of Board.

J. C. STALCUP, Corresponding Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF J. C. STALCUP.

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In making this report I desire, first of all, to give thanks and praise and honor to Him whose blessings have made the achievements of the year possible. In the language of the Psalmist, let me say, "I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear thereof and be glad. Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together."

In the solution of the many complex problems coming before me, and the discharge of the duties devolving upon me, I have always sought to know the mind of the Lord, and to follow what appeared to be His providential leading in all cases. It has been a pleasure, and a great source of wisdom and strength to me, in addition to this, to take counsel from the Executive Board and the faithful pastors over the state with whom I have had the privilege of conferring. To them, one and all, I desire in this report to express my sincere gratitude for their counsel and co-operation in the work assigned me. In the two campaigns of the year, the one for Home and Foreign Missions in March and April and the other one for State Missions in September and October, these faithful workers have abundantly demonstrated, not only their devotion and loyalty to your Secretary, but what is of far greater consequence, they have proven their fidelity and loyalty to Jesus Christ, who has saved them and called them into service. They are a noble band of Christian workers, with whom it is a joyful privilege to work.

In all of my work it has always been my purpose to magnify the church and pastor, believing, as I do, that all problems confronting us as missionary workers will ultimately find their proper solution in the churches and under the leadership of the pastor, upon whom the Lord has placed the responsibility of leadership in His kingdom. No State Convention will ever grow any stronger than the combined strength of the co-operating churches; and no church will ever be stronger than the combined strength of its individual members.

In proportion as the individual members in our churches are clean and consistent in their Christian lives, and intelligent and active in their service, will our churches be strong centers of missionary power and influence both at home and abroad; and in proportion as our churches become strong centers of missionary power and influence at home and abroad, will our state convention become a strong and powerful agency in the kingdom of God.

When the time came to begin our final campaign for State Missions, in which we needed to raise over \$13.500 in sixty days to enable us to complete the year's work without debt, and when I discovered that less than ene-half of the churches of the state gave anything at all, and less than one-half of the members of the contributing churches gave anything for this work last year, I was profoundly impressed with the belief, that in order to succeed as we should that we must, in some way, enlist the latent forces in our churches. Just how this was to be done was a question to which your Secretary gave much prayerful consideration. The result of this prayerful consideration was organization. By personal letter this matter was laid upon the hearts of from three to five of the busiest pastors in each association, and they were induced to take in hand the matter of enlistment and organization of the forces in their association, seeking to obtain a liberal offering from each church, and, as nearly as possible, from each member of each church in the state. It is impossible to tell definitely at the time of this writing just what the results of this effort may have been. But judging from the responses that came to this office and the number of

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offerings from small churches in country places which have heretofore done nothing for State Missions, it is the opinion of your Secretary that one of the results of this effort will be offerings from scores, if not hundreds, of small churches, and of hundreds, if not thousands, of individual members of churches who heretofore have done little or nothing at all for this phase of our Lord's work. With these churches and individuals once aroused and enlisted in the work, they will not only become regular contributors to all phases of the general work, but stronger centers of power at home. As I have studied the history of the successes and failures of our churches, both in their local and general work, I am more and more impressed with the belief that the matter of enlisting, organizing and training the latent forces is one of the most important problems confronting us as American Baptists. This important problem, like all other important missionary problems, in its last analysis comes back to the church for solution, and in the very nature of the case, the pastor is the key to the solution of the problem. I rejoice to be able to report that many of our pastors during these last two months have proven themselves equal to the emergency. I take occasion just here to report that during the year just ending the Lord has sent us some valuable additions to our pastoral force. I sincerely trust that He will send us many more.

In the prosecution of the work assigned me during the past year I have travelled 12,273 miles, made 92 addresses, written 38 articles for publication, and have mailed from my office 7,020 letters and postal cards. The expenses for the year for travel, postage, stationery, printing, office rent, etc., \$638.86. During the year I have visited about 75 churches, some of them several times; have attended 20 district associations, the meeting of the S. B. C. at Hot Springs and the N. B. C. at Oklahoma City, all in the interest of my work.

I will attach to this report an itemized list of all receipts and disbursements of all funds coming into my hands during the year.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

State Missions.		
Amount received from churches and Individuals	\$ I	16,384.30
From S. S. Board		450.00
From A. B. Pub. So.		441.66
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	\$1	17,275.96
By amounts sent to Treasurer C. W. Brewer	φ	1,210.90
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Home Missions. Received from all sources	•	0.010.79
Received from all sources	Þ	3,013,73
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		3,013.73
By amounts sent to Home Mis. Society	\$	1,400.05
Home Board S. B. C.		1.532.04
Amount on hand		81.64
Amount on hand		
	\$	3.013.73
Foreign Missions. Received from all sources	T	-,
Dessived from all courses	\$	2 9 9 0 6 0
Received from all sources	Ψ.	
		2,990.60
	4	1.050.00
By amounts sent to For. Mis. Union	ş	1,353.96
Foreign Board	•	1,514.81
Balance on hand	•	61.77
-		
·	\$	2,990.60
Office Help. Received from For. Mis. Union		
Received from For. Mis. Union	. Ş	150.00
Foreign Board	•	150.00
	\$	
By amounts paid to Mrs. L. V. Smith	. \$	300.00
by amounts paid to mis. 20 th Santa Provident		
	\$	300.00
Special Collections.	т	
Received from Dr. J. J. Stephens, Oxner Hospital	\$	5.00
New Hope church C. Ed	• •	10.00
New Hope church U. Ed.	•	80.85
Hollis church, C. Ed.	•	5.00
Boswell church, Bible work	•	5.00
	\$	100.85
By amount to R J. W	•\$	5.00
By amount to Blackwell		90.85
On hand	••	5,00
gran de la companya d	\$	100.85



Recapitulation.

Total receipts:	
State Missions	.\$17,275.96
Home Missions	3,013.73
Foreign Missions	2,990.60
Office help	
Special collections	. 100.85
	······
	\$23,681.14
Sent to Brewer	\$17,275,96
Sent to H. M. S. H. Board	2,932.09
Sent to F. M. Societies	2,928.83
Sent to special collections	. 95.85
Paid for office help	. 300.00
Balance on hand	. 148.41
	\$23,681.14

The annual reports of our two Home Mission Boards show that the churches of this state gave \$3,997.10 last year for Home Missions. This being \$1,031.76 more than passed through my hands. This difference is explained in part by the fact that our year's end at different times, but more particularly to the fact that some of the churches, in disregard of the general plan adopted by the State Convention, have sent their money direct to these two Boards, thus making it impossible for us to have a complete record of what has been done for that phase of our Lord's work in the state.

The annual reports of the two Foreign Boards show that we gave \$4,291.25 for Foreign Missions lastyear. This being \$1,362.42 more than the amounts passing through my hands, the explanation of which is the same as referred to above.

Conclusion.

There is much to be found in the work of the past year that should encourage this convention to plan for larger things next year. We have a great country destined under the providence of God, if we shall do our full duty, to be one of the greatest states in the greatest government the world has ever known. The state presents at this time a vast mission field. I most

seriously doubt if there is another spot of the same size in all the world where consecrated money and consecrated activities will bring as large and as rapid returns to the kingdom as in the new state of Oklahoma. I do not believe there is a single place in all the world where a devoted Christian life will count for as much in the kingdom as in this state during the next ten vears. While the possibilities of this state are attractive to the last degree, our responsibilities as Baptists are as great. If we are wise, we will dig deep and lay our foundations well while in our present plastic condition. We ought to profit by some of the mistakes, at least, that have been made in the early stages of the work in other states. In the judgment of your Secretary, the next most important thing that ought to be done by our churches in this state is to complete the building, now so well begun at Oklahoma City, that is to shelter and protect the defenseless heads of our orphan children. If the schedule under which we are now working shall be continued by the convention, and our churches and pastors will take this matter on their hearts, as they ought to do, and as I believe they will do when it is properly laid upon them, this building can be completed and equipped during the months of November and December, and our churches be stronger thereby. It will be to our shame, hurtful to the interests of our churches and a positive sin against God, in my judgment, to let the orphans which we now have in our care pass another winter in the little crowded building where they are now housed, to say nothing of the hundreds of others that are looking to us for shelter and protection. Taking proper care of our orphan children and the religious training and education of our own children must go hand in hand with our Mission work if we are to take our place in the front rank as a great force in world-wide Missions. The religious destiny of the state of Oklahoma will be determined

very largely by what is done during the next ten years, and is largely in the hands of the Baptists of the state. May the Lord grant that we may see and seize the opportunities now before us and prove ourselves worthy and capable for the task which He has set before us. Your servant,

J. C. STALCUP.

List of Moneys Received for the Year Ending Oct. 31st, 1908, by J. C. Stalcup, Superintendent of Missions.

TT-ma	Terr	Ctoto.	T T	73	a
Home.		State.	Home.	For.	State.
A. B. Pub. So\$		\$441.66 Butner 269.50 Bomar	1.50	1.00	••••
Ardmore, Bwdy., 50.00					3.15
Ardmore, So 5.00	10.00	74.55 Brush Hill 11.80 Bethel As'n	3.00	10 95	12.00
Ardmore, E, 5.00				10.35	32.55
Albany 4 40	. • • • • •		3.50	31.05	4.00
Antlers 4.40				• • • • •	2.00
Ashland 5.00	4.00		3.25	• • • • •	2.50
	4.00	22.25 Brockinan, Mrs.	1.00	••••	••• ••
					4.00
Anadarko 42.60		210.50 Botts, W. P		••••	4.00
Ada, 1st 42.00 Antioch	42.00	13.50 Billings	7.15	5.65	$\frac{2.85}{7.70}$
Atoka 10.00			4.10	5.05	10.15
Asher 2.74		6.17 Bethlehem			71.81
Asher 2.14		35.00Baron	••••		6.05
Afton		5.00 Ballard	• • • • •		4.50
Altus		29.00 Bacone S. S			10.00
Avery	5.00	3.50 Baxter, J. M			5.00
Adams		8.00 Cannady, C. E.			5.00
Adamson		8.00 Cannady, C. E 27.00 Cromer, D. S			10.00
Beauchamp,	• • •	Choate, G. W 5.00 Clark, I. N			5.00
Harvey		5.00 Clark, I. N			5.00
Barnes, L. C		25.00 Caviness, J. T			5.00
Bullock, N. P.		5.00 Choteau			5.00
Barker, J. W.		10.00 Comanche	20.00	20.50	
Bird Dan'l		6.00Coalgate	15.00	15.00	115.92
Byers, J. H		10.00 Choate Prairie	3.00	8.02	31.40
Beam, J. T.		5.00 Capitol Hill			40.00
Bristow 4.75		64.50 Cordell	16.25	15.00	50.00
Bartlesville	32.23	46.62 Cliff	• • • • •		7.00
Braman		8.00 Coweta			25.00
Bridgeport		9.52 Concord No. 2.	2.00	· · <i>·</i> · ·	4.00
Blair 3.00	3.00	48.25 Crescent	• • • • •	••••	15.00
Boswell 7.50	7.50	25.00 Colbert	• • • • •	• • • • •	5.00
Bird, Dan'i Coll. 5.00	5.00	52.75 Chandler	22.52		5.00
Blake, W. P 5.00 Blackwell 50.00		.60 Claremore 114.88 Collinsville	32.50	20.00	101.00
	00.04			$5.00 \\ 4.84$	14.00 9.00
Blackwell Col-		41.80 Courts	10 00	4.84	9.00 10.00
lege 6.50	6.00	14.40 Clinton	10.00		45.00
	0.00		4.50	4.65	45.00
10000			4.00	4.00	10.00
		····· Corbett			22.38
Bethel, I. T 1.00 Bethany		2.10 Chickasha	80.00	92.50	191.25
Banner As'n 7.00		.50 Checotah	00.00	94.00	48.85
Bixby 5.00		4.55 Clavary	• • • • •		32.50
Buck		20, 70 Cumberland	5.00		02.00
Bache				7.50	40.80
Byers		20.00 Cherokee			6.36
Brushy Creek		27.45			
Bradley		27.45 Cedar Mound	5.00	23.60	
Bokoshe 2.00		28.78 Cook	1.50	1.50	3.00
Big Cabin		6.85 Cossetah			3,95
DIE Gaota THEFT		•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	••••	• • • • •	ł

	Home.	For.	State.	Home.	For.	State.
Centrahoma			24.30 Fairfax 10.00 Fry's Chapel 3.15 Frederick	• • • • •	5.00	18.25
Centrahoma Cement Concorn	• • • • •	• • • • •	10.00 Fry's Chapel	85.00	5.00	2.00
Concorn	• • • • •	• • • • •	S.15 Freedom	12 25	72.27	$180.75 \\ 14.25$
Cherokee W. B.			54.65 Fletcher	4.34	2.75	15.90
M. S. Cheyenne 2d, by	•••••		Featherstone	5.00		97.96
Miss Jayne			5.00 Fairfield			4.35
Cheyenne 2d, by Miss Jayne Central Baptist		• • • • •	5.00 Free Water	• • • • •	• • • • •	4.00
			25.05 Faymer R. C.	••••	••••	$2.10 \\ 5.00$
Crowder		1.55	8.00 Frost, J. M. for	••••		0.00
Chattanogga Corinth Corinth Coning Jo Colls. Carmen Chanuto Colls. Corretta Cowlington Coverington Coelestine Coslinge Mound . Cabiness Colle Colle Mound Campside Dodson, E. M. and son		5.00	3.15 Frederick Freedom 54.65 Fletcher 5.00 Fairfield 5.00 Free Water 25.35 Fry, W. K. 25.05 Farmer, R. C. 8.00 Frost, J. M., for S. S. Bd. Floyd, C. T. Green, C. L. 17.45 Granite 42.00 Grge 3.00 Grger Co. As'n. 1.26 Geary 1.30 Gilead			50.00
Coming Jo Colls.	2.40	2.55	Floyd, C. T		• • • • •	5.00
Carmen	7.50	• • • • •	Green, U. L	*****	·:·::	5.00
Chanute	• • • • •	••••	17.45 Grante	2.50	2.50	$32.00 \\ 2.35$
Calvin	5.00		3.00 Greer Co. As'n		67.10	42.10
Corretta			41.26 Geary			42.50
Celestine		• • • • •	1.30 Gilead	2.75	2.80	$42.50 \\ 5.75$
Cereal	• • • • •	••••	2.55 Guthrie, 1st 6.00 Guthrie, West Guymon		•••••	160.00
Cabiness	5 00	• • • • •	Guymon	2.00	2.00	$32.50 \\ 139.50$
Coyle Mound	0.00		6.00 Glen Pool	1,50	1.00	1.04
Compside			1.00 Guthrie, Mrs. J.			~
Dyke, J. L			5.00 0	5.00	5.00	
Dodson, E. M.			Gregg Ch	2.10	7.79	
and son	•••••	••••	18 40 Glean	.50	.63	2.00
Dodson, E. M. and son Davenport Duncan	50.00	50.00	1.00 Guthrie, Mrs. J. 5.00 O 5.00 Green Hill 18.40 Gleen 5.25 Gotebo 3.00 Guertie 190.00 Gloos Mtn			2.00 5.50 5.00
Duke		7.52	5 25Gotebo			5.00
Duke			33.00 Guertie			2.50
Dickson Durant			3.60 Glencoe	• • • • •		8.35
Durant	43.00	${}^{42.00}_{2.55}$	190.00 Gloos Mtn. 12.38 Goodwell	• • • • •	••••	$\frac{4.50}{3.00}$
Delhi	20.50	22.00	12.00 Golf		•••••	1.00
Deer Creek			12.00 Golf 4.80 Humphrey, W. 50.00 E. G 41.00 Harjo, Marcie 25.00 Harjo, Marcie 2.00 Harloe, E. A 4.00 Hanson, J. L. 6.16 Hopewell (Devol) 8.00 Henvener 15.00 Hopewell 5.00 Honessey 28.57 Hoffman 365.00 Hartshorne			1.00
Devic			50.00 E. G	• • • • •		5.00
Davidson		• • • • •	41.00 Hampton, C. W.	••••	••••	5.00
Dryden Durwood	• • • • •	 	200 Hardee E A	••••	• • • • • •	$10.00 \\ 5.00$
Double Branch			4.00 Hanson, J. L.			5.00
Double Branch . Denton Dill			6.16 Hopewell (Devol)			4.67
Dill			8.00 Heavener	• • • • • •	• : • : :	41.11
Darlington Durant, E. Side. Eschiti	• • • • •	• • • • •	15.00 Hopewell	7.00	8.75	22.00
Durant, E. Slue.	0.00	10.00	28.57Hoffman	••••	•••••	$5.00 \\ 2.75$
Escille		88.76	365.00Hartshorne	38.50	40,00	151.11
Enid Erick	33.70	$88.76 \\ 33.80$	365.00Hartshorne 79.10Haileyville 65.00Holdenville	6.94	6.88	1,35
El Reno	• • • • • •	20.00	65.00 Holdenville	90.00	93.00	208.60
Edmond	8.80	1.95	23.15 Hinton	40.00		52.00
Eldorado	12 50	12.50	15.00 Hugo	20.00	40.00	$84.61 \\ 117.60$
El Reno Edmond Eldorado Eufaula Elgin	2.50	2.50	33.15Hinton 23.55 Henryetta 15.00 Hugo 32.26 Hooker 100 Hugo	50.00	50.00	25.00
Ebenezer Enterprise Elm Grove Elmore		• • • • •	1.00 Helena 1.25 Hickory 9.10 Hurst	<i>.</i> .		15.00
Enterprise		• • • • •	1.25 Hickory	20.00	15.00	15.00
Elm Grove	••••	2,00	9.10 Hurst	8.50	3.50	45.00 8.00
Elmer	18.00	19.00	Hebart		•••••	200.00
Earlsboro			2.00 Hastings	20.00	15.30	60.75
Earlsboro Eddy			10.00 High Hill No. 2.	1.00	.51	5.00
Eufaula, West Ind. Francis, I. T	0.00	2.00	Hackberry	1,00	• • • • •	1.45
Francis T T	2.30	2.00	5.00 Hollig	158 90	154 00	$3.82 \\ 300.85$
Fairview, Jack-			9.10 Hurst Huntsville Hohart 2.00 Hastings 10.00 High Hill No. 2. Hackberry Haskew 5.00 Hollis Howe 10.00 Hallist 70.40 Hoxhar 57.10 Hampton Coll's. 7.15 Headrick 5.00 Higley 			34.05
son Co			10.00 Hallett			1.50
son Co Friendship	• • • • • •	9.00	79.40 Hoxbar	• • • • •	••••	2.00
Fairview	9.00	9.00	7 15 Hampton Coll's.	4.00	1.50	$39.75 \\ 74.50$
Faxon	6.50	5.00	5.00 Higley	1,00	19,19	
Francis, Greer Co	. 28.00		Hawley			8.75
Fairview Fairview Ft. Towson Faxon Francis, Greer Co Farmer, R. C. Coll's			Hammett, J. V			5.00
Coll's Foss		10.00	7.15 Headrick 5.00 Higley Hawley Hammett, J. V. 15.00 Harmony No. 2 13.36 Harmony	• • • • •		5.80
r058 ·····	40.00	10.00	15.50 Harmony	• • • • •	• • • • •	12.70
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	Home,	For.	State.		Tama	12 and	Chata
Honey Hill Hulen Hulsey, J. W.			.75	Morris	Home.	For.	State. 12.00
Hulen		• • • • •	7.50	McBride, Mrs.			22.00
Hulsey, J. W.			15 00	0. A			5.00
Coll's Iona			5.00				75.00
Indian Creek			3.10	Mt. Sheridan Maunsville			$3.50 \\ 1.35$
Ivanhoe	6.70	6.85	10,00	preputation and a second			22.75
Isadore Ingram, Job		5.08	7.40	M3Hd		2 48	3.09
Ingram, 200	4.00	2.00	35 75	Meirose		10.00	12.00
Immaneul Ind. Univ. S. S.			5.00	Melrose Moscow Madden Grove	3.00	2.10	29.10
Idabell	• • • • •	• • • • •		Mth Home (Pitte.		-120	
James Joseph	16 65	40.10	0.75	burg Co.) May McGee, Mrs. S. B			19.30
Coll's James Jackson		40,10	9.15	McGeo Mrs	• • • • •	•••••	1.13
Collig	1.70	1.83		S. B		25,00	
Jack Creek	• • • • •	• • • • •	10.00	Monroe Marlin, W. M.	1.70		1.70
JACKSON CO. AS'N.	••••	• • • • • •	10.00	Marlin, W. M		• • • • •	1.00
Jack Creek Jackson Co. As'n. Jones, H. T James Church Jeter, E. D			2,50	Moorland			$37.26 \\ 10.50$
Jeter, E. D			5.00	Marshall Mtn. School H'se			5 00
wemp		• • • • •	4.25	Milburn			37.98
Kingston Krebbs	6.00	 	43.10	Mazie	• • • • •		2.50
Kiowa Kremlin Kanawa Kell			37.60	Milburn Mazie Mitchell, C. A. McAlester, 1st1! McAlester, North McArthur, Mrs. Robt.	25 00	125 70	$egin{array}{c} 3.00 \\ 641.25 \end{array}$
Kremlin	10.50		60,00	McAlester, North	•••••		22.50
Kanawa	5.00	2.00	15,05	McArthur, Mrs.			
Keota	5.00		5.15	Robt. Moorer, W. D	• • • • •	•••••	1.00
Winte	5 00		5,00	Mtn. View	•••••		10.00 6.00
Kingfisher Keller, J. L Kinney. Bruce King, F. L Lexington		• • • • •	19.94	Mtn. View Nashville	• • • • •	5,00	20.00
Keller, J. L	• • • • •	••••	10.00	Newman, Mrs.			
King F. L.				J. M		$2.50 \\ 14.00$	<i>.</i>
Lexington	15.00	16.15	68.00	Norman	10.00	42.00	128.75
Loco Little Beaver	4.00		19.50	Norman Nowata Ninnekah	17.00	37.00	214.15
Little Beaver	6.25	••••	18.00	Ninnekah	• • • • •	••••	6.00
Longwood Longtown As'n	10.00	10.75	15.00	Now Harmony	1 50	1.50	44.25
Liberty			8.35	New Hone (Jack-		1.00	• • • • • •
Little Elk	20.00	20.50	00.00	son Co.)			13.00
Lawton Lone Star	50.00	$\frac{55.00}{3.10}$	51.10	New Hope (Wil- burton)			0.50
Lewis			14.75	New Hone /Entor.	••••	••••	3.50
Lees Creek		· · · · ·	2.00	prise) New Hope (Ft.	4.15	4.15	11,00
Loving, B. A	• • • • •	• • • • •	5,00	New Hope (Ft.			
LOVE J. F.		••••	5.00	Waw Salam	5.00	2.37	10.00
Luck Love, J. F Mt. Zion			6.00	Gibson) New Salem New Home		4.01	9.00
		2.00	50.00	N107D			20.18
Mt. Carmel Mt. Zion (Greer	5.00	5.00	TO O.	NING MILE			2.80
U0.)		5,15	3.00	Noble Nichols, M. L.	• • • •	••••	$10.00 \\ 5.00$
Mt. Scott			4.00	Oklahoma City, White Temple. 7 O'Field, Ben Odell, J. L. and		•••••	0.00
Mtn. Home Mtn. View Mangum		••••	6.75	White Temple.	74,50	76,20	1327.20
Mun view	88 60	88.75	150 00	Official, Ben	• • • •	••••	6.30
Martha	50.57	57.57	110.00	wife			2.50
Martha Marlowe	3.50	3.50	12.80	ouk Grove 2	5.00	5.00	7.50
Murrow Ind. Or-			ሮ ብሰ	Olustee 2	22,00	12.00	55.15
phan Home Muskogee Muskogee, E. Side	154.25	171.78				••••	$10.50 \\ 60.00$
Muskogee, E. Side	5.70	4.70	66.00	Okemah Okmulgee Oakland			
Mill Creek	5.00	• • • • •	41.50	Oakland		1.55	2.00
Medford Moore		• • • • •				• • • • • •	$101.25 \\ 2.00 \\ 5.75 \\ 2.50$
Mounds	5.00	4,50	19.61	Odema		6.00	2.50
Madill			12,00	Pawnee Ind. Mission			5.00
Mt. Zion (Grant			9F 00	Prestridge, J. N			5.00
Co.) Meeker	3,10	• • • • •	⊿a,00 5.00	Phillips, J. W			5.00
Mullens As'n	4,50			Pawhuska	8.00	8.00	123.00
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Pleasant Valley			State.	Stigler	Home.	For. 12.50	State.
Discont Hone			4.30	Spring Hill Shady Grove Shawnee Spring Valley	14.00		$\frac{53.00}{25.50}$
Ponca City Pauls Valley Pawnee	5.00		56.00	Shady Grove			
Pauls Valley	23.00	23.55	40.80	Shawnee	94.00	94.50	$3.60 \\ 160.50$
Pawnee	2.00	1.50	7.00	Spring Valley			2.00
Porum			36,00	Stillwater	20.00	20.00	$\substack{\textbf{2.00}\\52.00}$
Plain View				Shawnee Spring Valley Stillwater S. Berns Shrawdar			8.90
(Stephens Co.) Pryor Creek	7.00	7.07	15.25	Sandy	1.00		
Pryor Creek		4.35	41.00	Shrewder Shirley, R. and	5.00	• • • • •	5.00
Perkins Piedmont	8.50		36.81	Shirley, R. and			
		• • • • •	4.00	wife Shattuck	10.00	10.00	7.00
Pond Creek	•••••	 				••••	7.00
Perry		•••••	20.00	Svcamore	1 05		450.00
Pond Greek Perry Parks Poteau Purcell Perry's Chapel . Prentiss	40.00	40.00	117 02	Sycamore Smithville Spring Hill S. Persimmon Sadler Greek	1.20	2.00	5 00
Purcell	10.00		74.02	Spring Hill	1 00	1.00	5.00
Prairie Hill			7.35	S. Persimmon	2 00		
Perry's Chapel .	10.00	2.50	15.00	Sadler Creek			
Prentiss Pontotoc			5.40	Shaller Oreck Shiloh Shady Point Sterling Sterrett Sugar Mtn.			5.00
Pontotoc			8.00	Shady Point			5.00
Paruna		• • <i>• •</i> • •	2.62	Sterling			17.95
Pineville	• • • • •		1.00	Sterrett	••••		6.10
Pleasant Grove	• • • • •	• • • • •	16.05	Sugar Mtn.	• • • • •	• • • • •	3,00
Patton Mrs	• • • • •	• • • • •	.50	Stewart Sulphur 2d	• • • • •	• • • • •	5.50
Panama	• • • • •	• • • • • •	3.20	Sardia	••••	· · · · ·	25.40
Prague		• • • • •	9.20	Sardis Sunny Side	• • • • •	• • • • •	5.00
Polandi Chaper			4 50	Sardis Sunny Side Snyder Talala Tyndall, J. C Ternall Tyrone Temple	••••	••••	$\begin{smallmatrix}&1.00\\10.00\end{smallmatrix}$
Phelns G Lee			10.00	Talala	5 00	5 00	
Pack, W. J.			5.00	Tyndall, J. C	0.00	0.00	6.25
Parrish, F. A			2.00	Terrall			10.90
Parrock, J. B		• • • • •	5.00	Tyrone			100.55
Quanah		• • • • •	2.50	Temple	5.30	5.30	
Red Oak			16.36	Temple Tecumseh Templeton Taupa	6.00	• • • • •	61.50
Rush Springs	10.00	*****	9.65	Tecumsen	18.30	18.30	51.20
Rocky Salem Ch.	19.00	20,99	134.25	Templeton	• • • • •	• • • • •	22.88
Prentiss Pontotoc Paruna Pineville Pleasant Grove Panama Prague Poland Chapel Paradise Phelps, G. Lee. Pack, W. J. Parrish, F. A. Parrock, J. B. Quanah Red Oak Rush Springs Rocky Salem Ch. Read Ravin Rad Bluff	5.00	5.00	00.00	Tonne	• • • • •		8.35
Ravia	5.00		20.00	Tupelo	••••	• • • • •	2.00
Red Bluff			10.00	Texhoma	••••		$20.50 \\ 57.00$
Roff	6.25	5,00	25.00	Tonkawa	10.00		
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Rock Creek	5.00			Tamaha			15.00
Roosevelt		••••	1,37	Taniequan	• • • • •	• • • • •	64,05
Rayuon	4.00	• • • • •	• • • • • •	Tuskogon	• • • • • •		5.00
Raborta	1.10	• • • • •	5 00	Twin Mounda	• • • • •	••••	$3.25 \\ 12.70$
Rock Creek			2.70	Thessalonia	•••••	••••	2.66
Rex			10.00	Tabernacle			75.00
Red Fork			5.00	Talley, J. M			5.00
Robinson, L. A	• • • • •		5.00	Union Chapel	3.00	2.35	
Sumerall, W. H.	5.00		5.00	Ural	• • • • • •		5.00
Scaroboro, L. R.	• • • • •	••••	5.00	Union Center		• • • • •	1.00
Rex Red Fork Sumerall, W. H., Scaroboro, L. R., Smith, Will Scott, Waller Brother Slaughter.	• • • • •		5,00	Veima Wallow Wisser	10.00	10.00	15.90
Brother Slaughter,	••••		5.00	Vinite View	10.00	10.00	7.86
Webbers Falls. Salem Ind. Ch			5 00	Valliant	10.00	10.00	$119.00 \\ 8.47$
Salem Ind. Ch.	.80	.90	6.66	Valley Center		5.00	10.00
Sulphur 1st			72.00	Vian			25.55
Savanna			16,50	Vinson			40.00
Spiro	35.14		28.00	Wewoka			84.50
Stonewall	••••	. 35	15.00	W. B. M. Society			683.95
Sait Creek Ind.,.	.35	.35	1,20	Vinson Wewoka W. B. M. Society Willis Wakita Wilburton Webbers Falls	••••	••••	10.00
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Sapulpa			225.10	Wellston	8.00	••••	1.00
Short Mtn. Asn.	9.00		29.00	Wetumka	40,00	40.00	104.00
Salem Ind. Ch Sulphur 1st Savanna Spiro Stonewall Salt Creek Ind Saddle Mtn Stilwell Soper Skedee Sapulpa Short Mtn. Asn Sayre Sallisaw	6.75	6.00		Wetumka Ind	• • • • •		8.80
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

To cash received from W. P. Blake, Treasurer\$	1,415.13
To cash borrowed at various times during the convention	
year	10,381.62
To cash received from J. C. Stalcup, Cor. Sec., during	17 075 06
the convention year To balance overdrawn at close of year	
to balance ovordrawn at close of year	

\$29.087.91

Disbursements.

By expense and salaries of Missionaries for the first quar-
ter of the convention year\$ 3.794.71
By same for second quarter 4,653.90
By same for third quarter 4,834.92
By same for fourth quarter 4,304.45
By amount paid on borrowed money, principal 10,381.62
By amount of interest paid on money borrowed 325.88
By traveling expenses of Board of Directors
By allowance to W. P. Blake, Recording Secretary 50.00
By cost of printing convention minutes
By expense of sendnig out convention minutes 19.22
By amount paid for mimeograph for J. C. Stalcup 30.00
By allowance to J. L. Walker, Historical Secretary 50.00
By expenses, stamps, stationery, etc., allowed Treasurer 21.05
By allowance to Treasurer 50.00
Total

Total

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. BREWER, Treasurer.

The Committee on Order of Business reported for tomorrow and the report was adopted. A provision was made in the report limiting all the speeches except the first, or principal address, to five minutes.

The Committee on Nominations reported, and their

report was adopted, as appears in the various Boards in their proper places in this record.

Adjourned to meet at 8:30 Saturday morning. Prayer by Bro. Hampton.

SATURDAY MORNING.

To-day's Order of Business.

Devotional service at 8:30. Convention to open at 9 a.m.

9 o'clock a. m.—Report on Religious Literature.

10 a.m.-Report on Home Missions.

11 a.m.—Report on Baptist Orphan's Home. Adjournment.

1:30 p. m.—Devotional, led by J. M. Prestridge.

2 p. m.-Report on Obituaries.

2:15 p. m.-Report on Systematic Beneficence.

2:20 p. m.-Report on Temperance.

2:30 p. m.—Report on Ministerial Education.

4 p. m.—Report on B. Y. P. U. Work.

Adjournment.

7 p. m.-Devotional, led by L. R. Scarborough.

7:30 p. m.—Report Foreign Missions, I. N. Clark, leader.

8:15 p. m.--Report Baptist Sanitarium and Hospital, A. N. Hall.

8:45 p. m.—Report on State Mission Work and reports of General Missionaries.

Devotional service, led by Bro. Talley, of Sulphur.

Called to order by the President, who then announced the Committee on Resolutions.

Committee-J. A. Scott, E. D. Jeter, E. E. Ford.

The report on Religious Literature was read by Bro. Wesson, and on motion to adopt a supplemental report as an amendment to the report was read by Bro. Hawkins. The amendment having much to do with the matter of a denominational paper, called forth consid-

erable discussion, and finally on motion of Bro. Blake the paper offered as an amendment was separated from the report and made a question of itself for discussion at a later hour, and the report as originally read by Bro. Wesson was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERA. TURE.

Your committee beg leave to make the following re-Inasmuch as our religious reading forms such port: an important part of our lives and is of such vital force in all departments of our work, we feel that no part of our convention work needs a more careful and prayerful consideration than this. Realizing the Bible to be the Book of All Books, we feel that first of all we should seek to have it in every available home and make it the chief text book of all our religious reading, teaching it to our children, and to the stranger that comes within our gates. And in connection with the reading of the Bible we recognize the benefit of other good literature, such as the periodicals gotten out by our Boards co-operating with our Convention work, and heartily commend them to our people.

In view of the fact that the mind is going to constantly seek after something on which to feed, and as we know as the food is so will the strength or weakness of the mind be, knowing that bad literature makes bad food for both young and old alike, we urge that we seek to have in every home such literature as will inspire, enrich and ennoble the lives of all.

Our people must have information, and we all recognize the printed page as being one of the mighty factors of the age. No department of our work forms so important an agency (aside from the preached word) as does the religious reading of our people.

Much of the literature that is being thrust into our homes, and often bought because of its cheapness, is not only unfit for our children, but must be counteracted by good literature or it will have its ruinous effect on cur homes and on society as well.

We feel that we must have a literature that lifts the reader nearer God and strengthening faith and hope.

(2) That moves the heart into closer sympathy with men, into a deeper longing to do them good.

(3) That moves to active service of God and men, a literature that stands earnestly and always for the inspiration of the word of God.

(4) For the Immaculate Trinity and the Divinity of each holy person thereof.

(5) For the fact of original sin in all men, and for justification only by penitent faith.

(6) For the eternal salvation of all who come to God by faith in Christ; for the eternal punishment of all others.

(7) For a regenerate and baptized church membership.

(8) For the observance by the baptized of all things commanded by Christ.

(9) For world-wide evangelization and education. For helping the afflicted, and poor and aged, and the orphan

For the Christian Sabbath, civic righteousness, national prohibition, New Testament morals and things honest in the sight of all men.

For New Testament church order ordinances, ministry worship and voluntary service.

Last, but not least, our immediate duty is to provide such literature and put it in every home as rapidly as possible.

We believe that our Oklahoma Baptist Journal should be made as good as the best in America, and we feel that this Convention should recognize it as our medium, and should make it possible for it to gain such prominence and confidence among our people that it shall have a place in every Baptist home.

We urge that we also have such other books and booklets before our people as will meet every demand and cover every phase of our work.

(Signed) E. A. WESSON, Chairman.

It was then moved that the amendment offered by Bro. Hawkins be referred to the Committee on Resolutions, and this was done.

The report on Home Missions was read by Bro. Hawkins.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

"Oh, the thousands, yes, the millions, In our own dear native land, Who have never yielded homage To the righteous King's demands! Yet though the day may seem far distant When the world our Christ shall hail, None can doubt the final issue, For God's Truth it must prevail."

The redemptive scheme originating in eternity, the fall of man and the redeeming price paid for his salvation occurring in time, and the unity of the human race are the great causes for missionary operation, while the command of our risen Lord, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations," stands as authority for doing mission work. "The field is the world." No greater incentive could be given than "He showed unto them His hands and His side" and said, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." * * * "And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

In a great conquest no army is stronger than its base of supply. The general who operates his army so as to endanger the source of supply is unwise and will soon have to surrender. To the great army of love marching on to the conquest, proclaiming the good news

of the kingdom of God to the lost world, on distant continent and the islands of the seas, Home Missions is the base of supply. Home Missions is the nether stone on which Foreign Missions rests. The security of Richmond and Boston depends upon the stability of New York and Atlanta.

The task of Home Missions is fundamental and great. Whether it be the Christianizing of Porta Rico and Cuba, or greeting the stranger at New York, Boston, New Orleans, Galveston or the "Golden Gate," it is an essential task. Or if it be the evangelization of the lost in our own goodly land, or the enlightening and enlisting of our redeemed sons and daughters, or lifting cur brother in red and our brother in black, or the establishing of churches on the frontier, or the saving of the mountaineer, or the essential duty of properly directing the commercial spirit of our times and consecrating the wealth of our great nation to its ordained purpose, or the erection of church edifices, the task is a supreme one. Let it be kindly said that the man who sees no place for our Home Mission Board or our Home Mission Society needs the second touch of our Savior's finger that he may see plainly.

It is our candid judgment that the employment of competent men as evangelists by our two Boards is farseeing and wise. The demand of the age is for evangelists to properly direct the marvelous turning to God and His Christ. The only way to displace the undesirable and hurtful evangelist is to have good ones to take their place. It remains yet for us to get a proper vision of the demand for such a work and a true estimate of the good being and to be accomplished by this wise department of our work.

Statistics show that the work has been performed with becoming wisdom and zeal on the part of our Boards and with abundant blessings of heaven.

During the past year the report taken from the office of the Home Mission Board of Atlanta shows the following cheering facts:

Sermons and addresses .126,23 Prayer meetings .13,79 Religious visits .227,47 Baptisms .22,40)4 4 2
Received by letter	ι7
Houses of worship built and improved33Sunday schools organized1,05Bibles and Testaments distributed26,83	38 57

In addition to the above there were 327 conversions in the Board's mountain schools.

It will be seen that there were more than 110 additions to the churches for each day in the year.

The report from the Home Mission Society is fully as comforting, and is as follows:

Sermons preached	91
Prayer meetings attended 51,2	277
Religious visits made	
Bibles and Testaments distributed 12,8	\$80
Received by baptism 7,4	04
Received by letter and experience	;80
Total received	284
Churches organized	45

These figures are enough to thrill and stir our hearts to praises unspeakable to Him who has led us to such a noble work.

If we can drop the eye from such a vision of glory and look at our feet to our own dear Oklahoma and see, we stand in the very midst of Home Mission operation. Oklahoma, the star of the west that shines so brightly in her new place in the union, is but a trophy of Home Mission endeavor. Which church of our constituency has not felt the fostering touch of these motherly hands? The total expenditures of the Home Mission Society in the state of Oklahoma is officially said to be approximately as follows: For missionary purposes, \$287,128; for educational purposes, \$276,000; for church

edifice work, \$47,196; a total of \$610,324. About 140 churches have been aided by gifts in the erection of houses of worship, while loans have been made to 45 churches, including a number that also had gifts from the church edifice fund. Large has been the contribution of the Society to the spiritual, intellectual and material good of the denomination in this new commonwealth.

The like good showing we have no doubt could be made by the Home Mission Board, but we have not the figures at hand.

In view of this mighty work, we joyfully enter into co-operation with the Home Mission Board of Atlanta and the Home Mission Society of New York, upon the agreed plan of co-operation in Oklahoma, feeling that it is to us a blessing of our God that we can have this glad privilege, and we recommend to our churches that they heartily support the two Boards with their prayers and money. We further recommend that we contribute not less than \$6,000 for Home Missions this coming year.

J. L. H. HAWKINS, For the Committee

On motion to adopt, pending action, the report of the Committee on Nomination of Board of Directors and Orphan Home was recommitted, by request of the committee.

Bro. Wiley reported for the committee to nominate Board of Trustees of Oklahoma Baptist State University and the report was adopted.

Addresses on Home Mission report were given by L. C. Barnes and J. F. Love and C. H. Jones, and the report was adopted.

The committee on nominations again reported, and their report was adopted.

On call for the report on Baptist Sanitarium no written report was at hand, but Bro. Hall gave a full

statement of the present condition of the work in general, and especially of the status of the hospital now under way in the city of Muskogee. Following the discussion of this important matter, it was voted by the Convention that the month of November be given to a campaign in behalf of the Baptist Sanitarium and that Bro. Hall be requested to visit as much of the field as possible, and in so far as possible enlist the whole denomination in the effort to establish this much needed institution. It was confidently hoped that not less than \$3,000 would be given at once to further the work of building.

Adjourned with prayer by J. L. Walker, of Snyder. Devotional service conducted by J. N. Prestridge.

Convention called to order.

On motion it was voted that there be a standing committee on Indian Missions, and the following were announced as forming the committee:

A. G. Washburn, W. P. Blake, G. Lee Phelps, Daniel Bird, G. W. Bell, H. M. Harjo.

The report on Systematic Beneficence was read by Bro. Stalcup.

REPORT.

Your Committee on Systematic Beneficence beg leave to report: Our present plan and schedule appear to be so satisfactory and effective that we respectfully recommend its continuance without modification until our experience or changed conditions shall indicate that some change be made.

We recommend the following schedule:

November Orphans' Home
December Orphans' Home
January State Missions
February State Missions
March Home and Foreign Missions
April
May Christian Education
June Christian Education
July Associational Missions
August Associational Missions

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..... State Missions September State Missions October Signed by the committee.

The Committee on Nominations reported the names for the Board of Trustees of Oklahoma Baptist College. The report was adopted. (Page 6.)

The report on Temperance was read by Dr. D. B. Ray, and on motion adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit for your consideration the following report:

We wish to express our profound gratitude to Almighty God for the great victory for prohibition in our new state of Oklahoma, and for the onward march of prohibition in our sister states.

We renew our declaration of unrelenting warfare against the liquor traffic in every form and everywhere.

We protest against any law by Congress which will restore the "canteen" to the army.

We endorse the work of the Anti-Saloon League of Oklahoma.

We call attention of the Congress of the United States to the fact that in many communities the expressed will of the people is thwarted and their cherished ideas are insulted in the matter of the suppression of the liquor traffic by reason of the fact that violators of the law may obtain from the government a license to sell intoxicating liquors in places where the traffic has been voted out by a majority of the citizens.

This Convention believes that this is wrong; and we call upon our National Legislature to so amend existing laws or to inaugurate new laws to the end that the will of the people be not overthrown by the evil minded, whose material interest lie in the realm of law violation.

We further desire to call the attention of Congress to the fact that we represent a constituency of 60,000 white Baptists; also that there are about 30,000 negro Baptists in the State who stand for the same principles.

The Secretary of this Convention is directed to furnish a copy of this resolution to each of our congressmen and senators, with the request that it be placed before Congress early in its coming session.

We further recommend that W. S. Wiley and D. B. Ray represent this Convention in the national meeting of the Anti-Saloon League.

D. B. RAY, For the Committee.

The following resolution was offered C. W. Brewer, and on motion and vote was adopted:

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, It is the expressed purpose and desire of this Convention to establish and maintain, at some suitable place within the state of Oklahoma, a Baptist University worthy of the name; and

Whereas, The needs of such an institution are many and pressing; be it therefore

Resolved, That we, the authorized representatives of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, in annual session assembled, in full confidence of the hearty support of the churches of the state and of the denomination at large, hereby pledge and agree to raise within a reasonable time, to be fixed and agreed upon by the committee in charge of the location of said University, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, provided said committee can secure such additional aid in the way of a bonus and of an endowment which in the judgment of the committee will be sufficient.

The subject of Ministerial Education was then taken up and addresses were made by Dr. Eager, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and L. R. Scarborough, of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Following the addresses an appeal for contributions to the student's fund of the S. B. T. Seminary was made, and many of the pastors renewed their

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pledges of last year and others promised to take offerings from their churches for this worthy object.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by T. B. Harrell, and on motion and vote was adopted.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Baptists have all down their history believed in the education and thorough equipment for service of those whom God has called into the ministry. Believing always in a Divine call to the ministry, and that men truly called should preach and will preach, though their equipment may be meagre, yet we none the less believe in the thorough equipment of those called to the work.

Some of the first educational institutions of learning founded in this new world were founded by Baptists for the education of their ministry. Never in our history has there been greater need for a thoroughly equipped ministry than now. It becomes the imperative duty of Oklahoma Baptists:

First. To build and foster such schools as we shall need for the education of our young men whom God may call into the ministry.

Second. That we contribute of our means for the support in school of our ministerial students. Our young ministers in school, whether in our own college at Blackwell or Bacone, or in colleges and seminaries beyond our borders, should not suffer or be hampered in their work for lack of funds to meet their necessary expenses.

Third. We should urge the importance of a theological as well as a strictly literary education.

We have in our seminaries advantages the equal of any. The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., stands at the head of all such institutions in our nation. The Kansas City Seminary is growing and doing excellent work. The Southwestern Seminary in Waco, Texas. though young, is never-

less strong in its faculty, and broad and thorough in the work that it is doing. Let us pray for those to whom is committed the training of our ministry, that they may be led of God as they do this work in which are eternal issues. Let us give of our means for the support of these institutions, that they may do in the best way possible the work for which they have been founded.

T. B. HARRELL, For the Committee.

The committee on nominations reported as to the time of the next annual meeting of the convention, Wednesday before the second Sunday in November, 1909, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., with the church of Chickasha, preceded by a devotional service to begin at 9:30.

The report on B. Y. P. U. Work was read by Bro. Rounds, and on motion to adopt, it was moved to amend the report by striking out that part of it referring to the employment of a field worker, and that the matter be referred to the Board of Directors without recommendation, and the amendment prevailed. The report was then adopted as amended.

REPORT.

The awakening of a B. Y. P. U. conscience, which is of a national character, is gratifying to the state workers.

The American Baptist Publication Society has taken over the publication interests of the B. Y. P. U of America and placed them on the same plane as Sunday School publications. The Sunday School Board of the S. B. convention has been creating a B. Y. P. U. literature and employing specialists in B. Y. P. U. literature and employing specialists in B. Y. P. U. work, whose duties are to prepare books and hold institutes and other inspirational and educational meetings looking to the better equipment of our young people for service.

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Calls come from all over the state for aid in organization and edification, and it is the sense of the Executive Committee of the B. Y. P. U. of Oklahoma that the conditions demand a Field Secretary, whose duties shall be to the B. Y. P. U. what the Sunday School Missionaries are to the Sunday Schools of the state.

Respectfully,

W. S. WILEY, J. B. ROUNDS, C. STUBBLEFIELD.

REPORT OF HISTORICAL SECRETARY, READ BY BRO. CHANCELLOR.

The gathering of historical materials has been difficult, and only partial success has been attained. To the files of conventional and associational proceedings gathered by my predecessors many valuable documents have been added. Many others are needed to make files complete. Hundreds of letters and printed leaflets have been sent to brethren in all parts of Oklahoma. But responses have been meagre. Some brethren have responded nobly and in detail, contributing valuable material. Many promises await fulfillment. An historical society of 35 brethren was formed last vear at Ardmore. The object was to defray the expenses of gathering materials. Seven of these brethren have sent \$1 each toward this object, which was used to pay postage, printing, etc. The total expenses incurred have been \$14. More efficient service could have been rendered had a small fund been provided by this Convention. As it is, your Historical Secretary is out \$7.00.

Blanks have been sent out very recently to all Associational clerks whose address could be obtained. The object was to obtain data for a full statistical table. The value of such a table printed in the Convention Annual is clear to all. But as only seven of these have C.

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been returned, it is not possible to prepare the table.

Outline data from the Home Mission Society, the American Baptist Publication Society, the Home Board and the Sunday School Board, respecting work in Oklahoma and Indian Territories, is on file.

Only broken files of proceedings of the earlier general bodies have been secured. Complete files are of paramount importance if we are to have connecting links. Please note.

First. We have only the last two minutes of the Baptist General Association of Indian Territory. This was the earliest general body. It existed 24 years in co-operation with the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Second. We have no minutes of earlier than 1891 of the Baptist Missionary and Educational convention of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, but full file from 1891 to 1899, when this convention divided, Oklahoma churches going into the Oklahoma Baptist convention, and Indian Territory churches going into the Baptist General convention of Indian Territory. This convention was organized June 1st, 1883, J. S. Murrow, President, W. P. Blake, Secretary, and co-operated with the Home Mission Society. Minutes of the first eight sessions are wanted.

Third. We have file of minutes of Oklahoma Baptist State convention, a body organized at Lexington, November 13th, 1895, except the first session. This body had full control of its own missionaries. Consolidated with Oklahoma Baptist convention at Blackwell, 1900.

We have not been able to get complete files of any of the early bodies. Some may be found yet. Minutes of such dates as could be obtained are on hand, those of each association to itself.

The list below comprises all the minutes on hand October 21, 1908. If you have any others, and can

spare them, please send them to the Historical Secretary.

Organized, Unknown, Banner, 1902, 3. Organized, 1904, Beaver Co., 1905, 6, 7. Organized, 1907, Beckham Co., 1907. Organized, 1893, Bethel, 1899, 1902, 3, 4, ---, 7. Organized, 1904, Caddo, 1904, 5. Organized, 1891, Canadian, 1903. Organized, 1906, Canadian Valley, 1906. Organized, 1890, Central, 1891, ..., 3, ..., 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2, ..., 4. 5. Organized, 1879, Cherokee, 1904. Organized, 1893, Chickasaw, 1903, 4. Organized, 1871, Choc. and Chic, 1902. Organized, 1902, Comanche, 1902, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Organized, 1894, Concord, 1894, ---, 6, 7, ---, 1903, 4, 5, 6, 7. Organized, 1891, Delaware, 1904. Organized, 1885, Enon, 1902, —, 6, 7. Organized, 1892, Friendship, 1895, 6, 7, 8, 9, —, '01, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Organized. 1901, Eastern Dist., 1906, 7. Organized, 1889, Greer Co., 1893, 4, --, 6, 7, 8, --, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Organized, 1898, Glass Mountain, 1899, ---, 1901, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Organized, 1897, Grand River, 1902. Organized, 1907, Jackson Co., 1907, 8: Organized, 1902, Kiowa, 1902, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Organized, 1893, Lincoln Co., 1893, ---, 6, 7, ---, 1902, ---, 4, 5, 6, 7. Organized, 1891, Little River, 1891, -, 3, 4, 5, -, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Organized, 1900, Mills Co., 1901, 2, ---, 4, 5, 6. Organized, 1894, Longtown, 1902. Organized, 1895, Mt. Zion, 1895, 6, ---, 1901, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, ---, 8. Organized, 1894, Mullins, 1904, 5. Organized, 1898, Oklahoma, Indian, 1898, 99, ---, 1902, 3, ---, 8. Organized, 1903, Oklahoma, Western, 1903, 4, 5, 6. Organized, 1898, Pawnee, 1899, —, 1903, 4, 5, 6. Organized, 1898, Pawnee, 1899, —, 1901, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. Organized, 1894, Perry, 1894, 5, 6, —, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Organied, 1896, Salt Fork Valley, 1896, 7, 8, 9, —, 1901, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Organized, 1899, Shiloh, (Hardshell), 1901. Organized, 1891, Salem, 1902. Organized, 1884, Short Mountain, 1897, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Organized, 1906, Western District, 1897. Organized, 1902, Woodward Co., 1902, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Organized, 1893, Zion, 1902, ---, 7.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. WALKER.

REPORT OF T. C. CARLETON, GENERAL MISSION-ARY.

Missions means men and money used for God and the lost, and used up, more correctly expresses it. Evangelism means missions on the run. Lost souls. lost lives, the grave, the judgment, eternity and hell urge us on to utmost duty; while saved souls, saved lives, the resurrection, heaven, and glorious service of our King under ideal conditions, in charming prospective, lure on to utmost privilege to do our best.

Under the kind providence of God I have been permitted to preach 542 times, to make 37 addresses, to make 1,220 religious visits, to write 810 letters and postals, and 62 articles for religious papers about my work. I have distributed 20,000 pages of tracts and 12 Bibles and Testaments, and have travelled 4,005 miles. With the blessing of God and kindly help of co-workers I have had 611 conversions and restorations, 219 additions for baptism, and 135 by letter and statement. About half of those added by letter and statement were reclaimed during my meetings. I have held 16 meetings and preached at seven other places. I dedicated one church house worth \$1,800, built and furnished in four months after my meeting there. I raised \$542 at the dedication to finish payment for building and furnishings. I have helped to secure pastors for several churches and counseled with some about building houses of worship. I have collected for State Missions \$891.43, and took pledges for \$120 more, and have raised \$800 for other work of the churches. My traveling expenses amounted to \$134.51. I have attended both of our great conventions, the one at Hot Springs and the other at Oklahoma City, as messenger from our state, and spent a week in Torrey meeting at Muskogee. while kept from my own meeting by high water.

In justice to the Board and myself, it is proper to

say this has been a strenuous year, and my work has been done under great and numerous difficulties. The money panic of last fall has hurt me at every point. Several meetings were held in the flooded district, and calamity like a spectre haunted us. I held four meetings in counties that had been in the throes of county seat elections, with disastrous results to our work. Three meetings were held in mining towns, and the shutting down of the mines wrought serious hardship. And one of the hardest conditions has been the restless, unsettled condition of pastors.

But the sunshine has chased the shadows, and heaven's stars have lit up the night. "God's skies are blue." From the strenuous days I have treasured memories that will gladden the coming years. A Campbellite, wife and mother, three days after her useless immersion, on her knees in prayer and contrition, in our meeting found the Lord in an experience of grace, and got religion she could feel. An Indian with his wife came 22 miles to our meeting, and his daughter was the first of 90 conversions in a glorious meeting, and one of the 72 additions. Four girls from a Catholic school were converted and baptized in the Baptist In a town with only one church house, there ehurch. were enough converts and restorations from Methodist families to double membership of the Methodist church and from Presbyterian families to double their membership, and the membership of the Baptist church was increased 300 per cent, while the pastor, one of the best in the state, was kept in the field, rather than accept a flattering call to his old home church 1,000 miles away. Incidents like these and tender, "God bless you," from grateful souls make the darkness and suffering of the year radiant and rapturous, and make me say with Xavier, "Yet more, O Lord, yet more!"

Respectfully,

T. C. CARLETON.

The report of A. G. Washburn, superintendent of Indian Missions, was read by the Secretary.

REPORT.

Dear Brethren:—In compliance with my duty as Superintendent of Indian Missions, I here hand you report of my work for the year ending October 31st, 1908. The Lord has greatly blessed us this year, and though we have been much hindered by storms and flood, we rejoice to find ourselves, in many respects, far in advance of last year. At the beginning of the year we planned for four things specially: Bevival work, Sunday School work, statistics and better contributions for all our mission work; and while we have not accomplished very much along either of these lines, yet substantial progress has been made and the outlook for the future is gratifying indeed.

During this year I have visited 34 churches, 14 associations, and 25 other meetings. I have preached 99 sermons and delivered 81 addresses: have held 29prayer meetings, administered the Communion Lord's Supper two times, received 10 persons by letter. I have written 500 letters and postal cards in the interest of my work, and have made 79 religious visits. T have traveled 9,003 miles and paid for traveling expenses \$252.90. I have held five Bible Schools for the benefit of our native preachers and workers, in which Brethren Harvey Beauchamp, W. S. Wiley, W. D. Moorer, W. W. Chancellor and Geo. M. Harrell rendered very excellent service, for which they have my most sincere thanks. At these schools questions concerning Bible doctrines, together with every phase of church work, are discussed and decisions made according to the scriptures, and these are printed in pamphlet form and distributed to the churches and are a source of great benefit in the work. I have succeeded in gathering the following statistics, which though perhaps not abso-

lutely correct, are very nearly so: The Five Tribes have 91 churches, with a total membership of 3,211, of which the Cherokees have 1,026, the Creeks 1,020, Choctaws and Chickasaws 965, and the Seminoles 200. The Cherokees have 17 churches and 18 ordained preachers; the Creeks have 34 churches and 27 ordained preachers; the Choctaws and Chickasaws, 33 churches and 30 ordained preachers, while the Seminoles have 7 churches, with 12 ordained preachers; making a total of 87 ordained preachers among the Five Tribes.

This report does not include the Delawares or the seven remnants of tribes located in the northeast corner of the state.

I have not been able so far to reach these small tribes, but am arranging to do so, and the Lord being willing. I expect that this shall be my first work for the coming year. I desire to express my sincere thanks to Brother J. C. Stalcup and Sister L. L. Smith for special favors graciously bestowed in much of my work. In this connection I want to give special mention to Rev. Daniel Bird, Geo. W. Bell and H. M. Harjo, my very excellent interpreters and co-workers, for their kind and faithful services. And, finally, I feel that I should manifest an ingratitude of which I am entirely incapable did I not mention the very excellent service rendered by my faithful wife. The more than five hundred letters mentioned in this report are, with few exceptions, the work of her hand, heart and brain, as the condition of my eyes made this kind of work both difficult and unpleasant.

In His service,

A. G. WASHBURN,

Superintendent Indian Missions.

The report of General Missionary J. A. Scott was read by himself, and followed with some remarks on the report.

REPORT.

We have recorded another year's work for our Lord and Master. It is not all we craved to do. 'Tis His and the brethren's to judge how well it is done. Sickness to myself and wife has greatly hindered me. This is my first sickness that has seriously interfered with my work since I have been in the ministry, and my first vacation of as much as a week since I have been in Oklahoma.

I have held revival services at Guthrie, Second church, Saddle Mountain, Woodward, Alva, Wakita, Kremlin, Wilburton, Washington Avenue, Oklahoma City, Olustee, Perry, Vinson and Reed. And in the further interest of my work and the convention have held services at Washington Avenue, Texhoma, Hooker, Prairie Rose, 'Guymon, Tyrone, Capital Hill and Anadarko, and have attended the Southern Baptist Convention and the Northern Baptist Convention. Also attended and assisted in the organization of the Texas-Cimarron County Association, and took offering for State Missions. The churches we have helped in meetings this year have been weak, run-down churches. One church we have helped this year is Washington Avenue (now the Tabernacle Baptist church of Oklahoma City). This church has had serious difficulties until now. At present they are in fine condition. Have declared the church self-supporting, called a pastor at increased salary, and have taken advanced steps in every department of the work. We felt that this was worthy of special mention. Three churches have gone from half to whole time. Have assisted in increasing the salaries of all the pastors except three that we have helped in meetings, and helped to raise back salaries of several. Have assisted in securing offerings for State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphan's Home, Women's Work,

Church Edifice funds, and have emphasized Sunday School and Young People's Work.

We found a great need of constructive, doctrinal preaching, and also a greater need of sacrifice, selfdenial and a conscious knowledge of the fact that as Christians "we are not our own," that "we are bought with a price," even the blood of Jesus.

Not all the work can be recorded, but we submit a summary as follows:

Organized one Young People's Society and one W men's Missionary Society. Professions in faith, 375.

Respectfully,

J. A. SCOTT.

A motion prevailed that the report on Obituaries, which is in the hands of Bro. Ogle, be secured from him and printed in the minutes.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on Obituaries submit the following report: We find it impossible to ascertain the exact number of deaths within our bounds during the past conventional year, not having the minutes of the various Associations at hand.

As far as we can get information, it has pleased God to call thirty-two of our brethren and sisters from us and their labors here to that rest that remains for the people of God, and we have the assurance that though we shall meet them no more here, we shall meet on the other shore where parting shall be no more.

We mention of our preaching brethren called from labor here our beloved brother,

Rev. A. Frank Ross.

Bro. Ross was born January 21st, 1850, and died August 6th, 1908. He was married January 21st, 1879, and was ordained to preach the gospel of Christ October 1st, 1879. He was one of the early preachers of this country, and was true and tried. Of Indian descent, he was known as a native preacher among the Indians, and was much beloved. At the time of his death he was a member of the Board of Trustees of the State Baptist University, whose special duty was the location of the school. He delighted in the association of his brethren, and was a regular attendant at our state meetings, and is missed by many.

Rev. J. A. McCullough.

Bro. McCullough was a true Baptist, and faithful minister of Christ. He organized the South Ardmore Baptist church, and did much preaching in Texas and Oklahoma.

Rev. Jackson James.

Brother James was a full-blood Choctaw Indian preacher. He lived near Wilburton. He was faithful to his God and His cause, and through God led many of his own people to Christ. For many years he was Moderator of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Baptist Association.

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Mrs. J. M. Osborn.

Sister Osborn, of Paul's Valley, rests with those women who have labored with the Master. She was a faithful worker in her church, a Sunday School teacher, and at the time of her death was president of the Women's Missionary Society of Banner Association.

Mrs. Ollie Bailey

Sister Bailey was the wife of Rev. G. T. Bailey, a preacher's wife. How much it means. Called home at the age of thirty-two, in July, her work was soon finished. Thus heaven grows richer, and earth has less attractions. The God of all grace be with the suffering ones who miss the loved ones gone before.

Respectfully,

J. A. OGLE, Chairman.

The report on Murrow Indian Orphan's Home was read by Bro. Phelps, and on motion to adopt the motion prevailed.

REPORT ON MURROW INDIAN ORPHANS' HOME.

To the Baptist State Convention of Oklahoma, Greeting:

Dear Brethren:—We are glad to report to you that the hand of the Lord is truly guiding the affairs of this Indian Orphan Home. He has smiled upon us in mercy. No serious sickness and no deaths have come to us since we last reported to you.

It has pleased our Heavenly Father to endow our beloved father in Israel, Rev. Dr. J. S. Murrow, with the wisdom and strength to establish and equip this home. He has procured 3,190 acres of land all in one body, the title of which is in the Indian orphans; also to secure considerable improvements. All the land is under fence and about three hundred acres in cultivation, about sixty acres in orchard, most of which is bearing fruit now, some temporary buildings, dormitory, school rooms, offices, etc. The farm is also equipped

with farming implements, wagons, buggies, plows, etc., six teams of mules and horses, and about two hundred head of fine cattle. All this vast plant has been procured and paid for and is now free from all encumbrance. We assure you that this has been no small task. The efforts have met with much opposition and represents much hard work and sacrifice. Brother Murrow and others deserve much credit for this faithful work and persevering endeavor.

We are specially glad to inform you that steps have been taken by the Home Mission Society of New York to assume the control and management of this home. With such an arrangement completed its permanent life and usefulness will be assured. We believe that the hand of the Lord is in this transfer, as it has been in the establishment of the home.

Several hundred children who otherwise would have grown up in ignorance and crime have been trained and educated in this home, and, best of all, many of them have been saved. More than fifty were saved and baptised last year. There are only fifty in the home now, but these would otherwise have no home training if it were not for this friendly home. Now that it, too, passes into the hands of the Society, and has thus been given the life of the denomination, we believe that this home has just begun to take its place of use-It is truly a Godsend to this passing race and fulness. people.

We request all Christians to earnestly pray for and help this home to save these orphans.

Respectfully,

G. LEE PHELPS, Chairman.

Following the adoption of the report, it was moved that the standing committee on the Murrow Indian Orphans' Home be discontinued, as it is understood that the home will come under the care of the American

Baptist Home Mission Society, and the committee will not be needed.

On motion, it was voted that the appointment of the standing committees be left with the President of the Convention, who would prepare them and hand to the Secretary for a place in the minutes.

On motion it was voted that the report of the Committee on Resolutions be made the special order for the opening hour to-night, immediately following devotional service.

Adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. Solomon.

NIGHT SESSION.

Devotional service, led by Bro. Scarboro, of Texas. Report of Committee on Resolutions read and adopted:

Whereas, The Layman's Missionary movement is becoming a potent factor throughout the United States in creating and fostering an interest in missions; and

Whereas, The movement has been endorsed by our Southern and Northern Conventions; be it

Resolved, That we, the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, enter into co-operation with this great movement and recommend as a committee of five, Fred Brasted, J. C. Stalcup, C. W. Brewer, T. J. Lee and F. M. Overlees, whose duty it shall be to give due consideration to this movement, as to its adaptability to the work in the state, and if deemed advisable to aid in the organization of this Layman's Missionary movement in the Baptist churches of Oklahoma, throughout.

Respectfully,

E. D. JETER,

J. A. SCOTT,

E. E. FORD,

Resolved, That we hereby express our sincere thanks to the First Baptist church of Muskogee and its noble pastor, for their painstaking entertainment of the Convention; and also to the other denominations for courtesies extended, making our sojourn so pleasant to all; and to the Commercial Club and the people of Muskogee generally for the hearty manner in which they have entered into these plans.

We also express our thanks to the St. Paul Methodist church for the use of their beautiful church building.

Resolved, That we express our thanks to the newspapers and railroads for courtesies extended to us.

Whereas, The amendment to the report on Religious Literature was referred to us, with special reference to the financial support of the Oklahoma Baptist Journal, by this Convention; and

Whereas, The Convention in its original motion has morally endorsed the same, it is the sense of this committee that all has been done which this convention can properly do at this time.

Whereas, The Baptists of Oklahoma City have voted to invite the Southern Baptist Convention to meet in that city in 1910; be it

Resolved, That this Convention most heartily endorse the action of the Baptists in Oklahoma City in inviting the S. B. Convention to meet with them in 1910.

Be it resolved, That this convention indorse the B. Y. P. U. of our state, and carry out at once the recommendations of the B. Y. P. U. report.

Respectfully,

E. D. JETER,

J. A. SCOTT,

E. E. FORD.

A motion to reconsider the report on Religious Litcrature prevailed. The motion was then made that the report stand as written by Bro. Wesson, and it was so voted.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by G. M. Harrell, and on motion to adopt, Dr.

I. N. Clark took charge of the meeting. He introduced as speakers upon the subject, Missionary White, of the Theological Seminary in China, and Missionary Sharp, of the Baptist College in Rangoon, Burmah, both of whom brought us tidings fresh from the field. A delightful service, following which the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The authority for Foreign Missions is given:

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First. In the revelation and command of Jesus Christ when he declared that, "This gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations." He revealed the scope and the purpose for missions when he said, "As the Father hath sent me into the world, even so have I sent you into the world," and "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations." He gave the command for missions.

Second. The revelation of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentacost, when the representatives from every nation and tongue under heaven testified that they heard, every man in his own tongue, the wonderful works of God, thus revealing to us that the gospel is to be spoken in every tongue, and that thus spoken it appeals to the hearts of the people in every nation.

Third. It is further declared that in the administration of the fullness of the seasons, He will sum up all things in Christ, those which are in heaven, and those which are on earth, according to His good pleasure which He hath purposed in Himself, that Christ may be all in all.

In making known to us His sovereign will through His providence in history, He has manifestly revealed that the present age is the time when the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net that was cast into the sea and gathered of every kind.

One hundred, sixteen years ago the world had no organized mission force. Through the centuries back

of this time the people sat in darkness and the shadow of death, with only here and there a flickering light by which God left not Himself without witness. Within one hundred years, from the 2nd day of October, 1792, when Carey and Fuller organized the little Missionary Society in Kittering, England, with a fund of less than \$65, the little flame thus kindled has spread from nation to nation, until the name of Jesus is known in every nation under heaven. For this we lift our hearts in profound gratitude to Him who is the Author and Finisher of Missions.

The very prosperity of mission work has created a greater demand than ever for missionaries, and for money to support them. In most of the nations where the light of the gospel has gone, only the mountain peaks are gilded with the rays of the "Sun of Righteousness," while in the valleys and caves of the earth the teeming millions are yet without God and without hope. The twilight of the gospel, however, is waking them from their long slumber, and they are clamoring as never before for that liberty wherewith Christ makes us free.

The Holy Spirit, who on the day of Pentecost bestowed upon the disciples the gift of tongues, is to-day, in a marked degree, disturbing the sleeping nations, creating a spirit of unrest, a yearning for better things, and He is thus leading God's people to ever-widening visions, and ever-increasing effort in world-wide evangelization. Along with the spread of the Gospel abroad is the enlarged vision of the churches at home, manifested in the rapid growth of the evangelistic spirit, and the spirit of liberality, together with the study of missions in Sabbath Schools, B. Y. P. U. organizations, Women's Missionary Societies and the Layman's movement.

This rapid development has accented the fact of the vast amount of undeveloped resources of our churches.

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The large per cent of our people who are not consocrated; the vast amount of wealth in their hands withheld from God, call loudly upon us for earnest united effort for enlightenment and enlistment of churches. According to the report of our Corresponding Secretary as given in the annual of last year, only about 15 per cent of the churches in Oklahoma gave anything to Foreign Missions, and some of them gave a mere pittance. The total amount given by Oklahoma Baptists last year for Foreign Missions was \$3,940, or about six and one-half cents per capita.

The record of our past year's work as compared with other years is very encouraging. The Missionary Union reports the number of baptisms on the field, 20,-346, an increase over the report of the year before of 625. Number of Missionaries, 615; Native workers, 7,487; total, \$,102. Total organized churches, 2,465. Of these 1,277 are self-supporting. Total church members, 279,439. Total receipts from all sources, \$934,-433.99. Total appropriations, \$9\$4,902.76.

The Foreign Mission Board reports Baptisms, 2,174, a falling off from last year of 65. Total Missionaries, 222; native helpers, ordained and unordained, 334; grand total, 556. Total organized churches, 229; out stations, 467. Total membership, 14,179. Total receipts for the year, \$402,238.16. Total expenditures, \$393,296.69.

We record our confidence in the work and management of the American Baptist Missionary Union and the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and assure them of our earnest co-operation.

We recommend that an increase of twenty-five per cent be made in our offerings to this work, that our missionary development may be symmetrical.

We recommend that in order that we may have concerted action and definite records of what we do, that

all contributions to the work be sent to J. C. Stalcup, Superintendent of Missions.

Respectfully,

G. M. HARRELL,

W. T. SCOTT,

D. F. MELLICHAMP,

W. W. CHANCELLOR.

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In consideration of the report of the Baptist Orphan Home two of the girls from the home were given opportunity to sing, which was much enjoyed by the convention. The report was then read by Bro. McKinney, and on motion to adopt, the motion prevailed, without discussion.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF BAPTIST OR-PHANS' HOME.

Never in the history of our Baptist people of Oklahoma have the times been fraught with such tremendous responsibilities and opportunities as at the present. With the incoming tide of immigration is also the call of God's hosts for the enlargement of the field of operation with increased activities to occupy till He comes again.

Not until God's churches have met the human needs with a gospel, the spirit of which will crystalize our Christianity into institutions, visible and tangible, and capable of performing their humane and Christly service, can it be said with any degree of emphasis they have done what they could.

The gospel of Grace of God teaches us that in proportion to our faith will victories come, "For this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our Faith." The principles of Faith cannot be seen, but men can see the good works that come from good faith. Faith that sees is a faith that works. "Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works," says James, 2:18.

There is nothing practical with which we have to do, in business, religion or any other realm of human activity that does not require work as well as faith. This does not in any wise discount faith. If a man has faith in his cause he will demonstrate it by work. If the measure of our obligation to this lost world is in proportion to the blessings obtained, temporal and spiritual, it follows that our good works of love must measure up to the standard of our obligations.

Back of every institution that is to bless the world there is a life or lives of service. The underlying principle of our Christianity as announced by our Savior to His disciples, in Matt. 26:26-8: "But it shall not be so among you, whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be thy servant, even as the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto but to minister and give His life a ransom for many." The institution this report represents is to minister to the need of helpless, orphan children. It will dry the tears of many motherless children and turn their sobs into laughter, and their crying into song.

Does not an institution that, with open and extended arms receives the friendless, homeless and motherless child, merit the love and support of every lover of our Lord Jesus Christ? Such an institution as this the Baptists of Oklahoma are now fostering. We are happy to report that as the days go by our people are coming in touch with, and loving our Orphan Home more. Never in its history have there been so many loyal supporters, who with keenest interest are watching the growth of this child of the Baptists.

The Year's Work—The fiscal year just closing has been one of marked achievements—at no little cost of money, energy, toil and sacrifice. It has required constant activity, great effort, and ceaseless toil, but God has signally blessed the work. There has been built on the farm a small two-room cottage occupied by farm helpers.

The main building now has the roof on, but will require two months' work to finish it.

We have purchased a splendid farm team at a cost of \$300, for farm use. Also wagon, plows and farm implements needed, with which to make a crop.

We have cared for 31 children most of the past year, several being received during the year. Many applications have been made monthly, but no room. Our children have been remarkably healthy during the entire year, none having been seriously ill, for which we thank the Father of the Fatherless.

Gifts-The people and churches have remembered our Home very kindly, and have responded to calls very liberally. Many boxes have been sent in by the sisters of the state. Also the young ladies are interesting themselves in the support of the Orphan's Home. Judge Henry M. Furman has interested our Sunday School children of the state in organizing Orphan's Home Clubs, which clubs send one Sunday's collection each month to the Home. I commend this to all Sunday Schools. There are 900 of these schools, and one dollar per month from each one would men \$900 per month, or \$10,800 per year, from the Sunday School children. Let the children of happy homes fill this Home with gladness. Special mention should be made of the gift of Bro. J. H. Robinson, of Wakita, who last April made us a gift of one thousand dollars. A memorial room will bear his name. Also Miss Mattie Brown, of Muskogee, a young lady who supports her parents, who are old, sends out of her meagre salary a monthly offering to our Home. We highly appreciate the noble gift of Miss Eva P. Jones, of Drewry, a blind girl, who said: "I have no money, but take my watch, that was a gift to me; sell it and use the money for the orphans."

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I submit herewith the report of the Auditing Committee, all of which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. McKINNEY, Superintendent.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Gentlemen:--We, your Auditing Committee, appointed by the Board to audit the accounts of W. A. McKinney, Superintendent, submit the following report:

Receipts and Cash.

Amount of cash on hand Nov., 1907,
Total receipts and cash on hand\$10,592.52 Disbursements From Nov., 1907, to Oct. 26, 1908.
Expenses from Nov, 1907, to Oct. 26th, 1908,\$ 2,310.40 Building account 1,202.00 Receipts from Treasurer 7,242.55
Total disbursements from Nov., 1907, to Oct. 26th, 1908,
Amount due Superintendent
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D. B. PEARSON, Chairman, JOHN J. GERLACH, J. W. WILLIS,

Committee.

The report of the Committee on State Missions was read by Bro. Brewer, and on motion and vote was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Since other reports contain an account of the year's work and statistics pertaining to the question of State Missions, your committee will confine its report to the statement of a few general principles.

As we view the State Mission operations of the past year we are made to rejoice on account of the success achieved under such difficulties, and on account of the peace and harmony which has prevailed among the Convention workers. Dissensions have been few and the time often taken up in magnifying points of difference has been utilized in emphasizing fundamental things upon which we agree. God be praised for a united Brotherhood marching from conquest to victory, never letting the banner of Prince Immanuel trail in the dust discord, strife and dissensions. If Baptists must fight, and fight they will, let their big guns be turned on the enemy and not on each other.

We renew our most hearty approval of the present system of co-operation with the Home Mission Society and the Home Mission Board, and other agencies, and refer to the work done as the best evidence of the wisdom of the arrangement.

While we do not believe there is a greater work done than the aiding of weak churches in the support of their pastors, some churches seem inclined to abuse the privilege, and what ought to be a source of strength becomes one of weakness, and there is created a spirit of dependence and substantial development is prevented. Development must come from within and when a church receives this kind of aid and does not avail itself of every opportunity to become self-supporting, such aid, as a rule, ought not long to continue.

It has been said that the Gospel is a strange commodity, the more we give of it to others the more we have for ourselves. And this is true, and thus in the State Mission work the Mission spirit is created and fostered and our efforts are enlarged, and our hearts are inspired to do greater things at home and abroad.

The love of country is a cardinal virtue of citizenship of state. The love of God and of lost humanity is a cardinal virtue in Christian citizenship. The one inspires to do great things for state, and the other inspires to undertake and do great things for God. Let us be loyal citizens in the great work of planting the kingdom of Christ in this land of ours and in helping to fulfill the Great Commission.

We commend the Board of Directors for giving the Sunday School work a recognized place in State Mission effort.

We recommend that the Board of Directors lay out the work of the coming year along conservative and economical lines, fixing the rate of increase at such per cent as they may deem best, keeping in mind the success of the past and the possibilities of the future.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. BREWER,

Chairman of Committee.

Amendments to the Constitution carried over from last year were again considered and the following amendments were adopted, thus becoming a part of the Constitution:

Amend Article VI by changing the last sentence therein so as to read as follows: "It shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in the offices of Treasurer, Auditor, Historical Secretary and Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, and to fill any vacancy in Board of Directors."

Amend Article VI by changing the sentence beginning on line six and ending on line eight, so as to read as follows: "All officers of this Convention, members of the Board of Directors, and members of all Boards of Trustees and other agencies of this Convention, shall be members in good standing of a Baptist church within the state."

The amendments offered by Dr. Ray were laid over until next Convention.

On motion of W. S. Wiley, of the Nominating Com-

mittee, the name of W. J. Pack was added to the Educational Commission.

Bro. Hall read the list of preachers for to-morrow's services.

The Convention united in singing, "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again," thus closing the arduous labors of the Convention, the members of which turn their faces to the year before them assured of the fellowship and blessing of Him who holds the lives of us all in His hands.

"He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat, He is leading forth an Army that shall never know defeat,— Oh, be swift my soul to answer, be jubilant my feet,

Our God is marching on."

Benediction by Bro. Stubblefield.

W. B. BLAKE, Recording Secretary. HENRY M. FURMAN, President.

OKLAHOMA BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE,

Oklahoma Baptist Pastors' Conference met in the M. E. Church House at Muskogee, October 28th, 1908.

The Conference was called to order by Rev. J. A. Scott at 10:45.

On motion of Rev. Washburn, Brother J. A. Scott was chosen Temporary President and Rev. Arthur S. Allen was chosen Secretary.

On motion a committee to prepare a program for the day was appointed by the President, consisting of Rev. G. M. Harrell, Rev. E. E. Ford and Rev. W. B. Toney.

Editor C. M. Truex, of the Central Baptist, St. Louis, was asked to conduct 20 minutes devotional exercises, which he did, reading Rom. 1:1-15, and emphasizing Paul's relation to, attitude toward, and faith in, the Gospel of God.

Short talks and prayers were then made by the brethren.

The Committee on Program for the day made a partial report, as follows: For the Morning Session—Three phases of the Prayer Meeting: (1) "The Relative Importance of the Prayer Meeting to the Other Services of the Church;" discussion to be led by Brother C. Stubblefield. (2) "Which Should Be Emphasized in the Prayer Meeting, Prayer or Study?" Leader, W. W. Chancellor. (3) "Should the Prayer Meeting Be a Third Sermon or a Conference Meeting?" led by Brother E. E. Ford.

The program was adopted and carried out as read.

A motion by W. W. Chancellor prevailed that the President appoint a committee to prepare a program for the next year's session of the Conference, and that this Conference do hereby ask that the Convention publish the said program in the minutes of her next meeting.

The First Committee presented a program for the afternoon, which was adopted by the body.

Pastor A. N. Hall announced that the ladies of the First Baptist Church of Muskogee had prepared dinner in the basement of their church for all the members of the Conference.

On motion the body adjourned till 2 p.m.

AFTERNOON.

The Conference met at 2 p. m. and J. L. H. Hawkins led the devotional exercises. He read Ps. 15 and spoke on "The Hill of the Lord."

At the suggestion of the Leader many of the pastors gathered at the front of the room and several prayers were offered for fuller consecration.

President Scott called for the program, and W. O. Wolf introduced the subject, "The Pastor's Relation to the Sunday School."

He was followed by Editor J. N. Prestridge, of the Baptist World, Louisville, Ky., and others.

Rev. Jno. F. Elder led out on "The Pastor's Relation to the Young People's Union," and was followed by Dr. J. M. Frost and others. Rev. J. W. Willis discussed "The Instability of the Pastoral Relation."

A program for the evening session was read by Rev. G. M. Harrell and adopted.

A committee to prepare a program for the next year's session, consisting of Rev. W. W. Chancellor, Rev. J. W. Willis and Rev. A. G. Washburn, was announced by the President of the Conference.

EVENING.

The evening session began at 7:30.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Sherman Moore.

Rev. A. N. Hall presented a proposition for three special mass meetings on Missions for Sunday, and asked for an expression from the pastors concerning it. The plan was approved by unanimous rising vote.

"The Elements of a Revival" was discussed by Rev. J. A. Sutton.

"How to Develop in Our Churches the Evangelic Spirit" was discussed by Rev. J. L. H. Hawkins.

Dr. J. N. Prestridge spoke on the last subject, and emphasized the importance of using the Bible and three other books, "Axioms of Religion," "The Moral Dignity of Baptism," "The Memorial Supper." Committee on Program for the Session of 1909 was read and discussed by Rev. W. W. Chancellor.

Dr. J. M. Frost discussed the program, volunteered to publish 5,000 copies for distribution, and recommended as worthy of special thought two subjects: "The Church as God's Saving Agency in the World;" "The Ordinances of Baptism as an Evangelistic Power."

The program was adopted by the body.

PROGRAM 1909.

The program for 1909 is as follows:

At 10 a. m., Devotion Exercises by Rev. C. H. Carleton.

At 10:30, "The Preacher Four-Square." (1) His Intellectual Side. (2) His Moral Side. (3) His Civic Side. (4) His Spiritual Side. By Dr. J. W. McGlothlin, Louisville, Ky.

At 2 p. m., "The Preacher and the Problems of the Kingdom." (1) "The Problem of the Scisms," Rev. J. A. Wynne, D. D., Ardmore, Okla. (2) "The Problem of Anti-Missionism," Rev. A. N. Hall, Muskogee, Okla. (3) "The Problem of the Un-enlisted," Rev. Carter Helm Jones, D. D., Oklahoma City.

Night (or at 7:30 p. m.), "Evangelism," Rev. L. R. Scarborough, Waco, Tex.

(Signed)

W. W. CHANCELLOR,

A. G. WASHBURN,

J. W. WILLIS,

Committee.

OFFICERS FOR 1909.

On motion of W. W. Chancellor, Dr. J. A. Sutton, of Enid, was elected President.

On motion Rev. A. N. Hall, of Muskogee, was elected Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Brother J. C. Stalcup told what to do with State Mission money.

Dr. J. B. Eager, of the S. B. T. Seminary, talked of the School and of the "Review and Expositor."

Dr. J. N. Prestridge, of the "Baptist World," talked of his paper.

Rev. J. B. Rounds gave out plans for a meeting of Indians and Indian Missionaries.

Rev. R. K. Maiden, of Kansas City, talked of his paper, the "Word and Way."

Editor T. B. Harrell, of Ada, asked for subscriptions to the "Oklahoma Baptist Journal."

Moderator J. A. Scott spoke of the State Baptist Convention, to convene in the Convention Hall at 10 a. m., October 29th.

The body adjourned with prayer, to meet the day before the next session of the State Convention, and the place to be appointed by that body. J. A. SCOTT, Moderator. ARTHUR S. ALLEN, Clerk.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Acorn, J. B. Salem Indian Church ... Stilwell Acuff, H. C.Okla. City Allen, Arthur S. First Church Pawnee Arbogast, Mrs. RosaFirst ChurchPorum Atkins, WillAlva -B-Beam, J. T.Oklahoma City Bell, Geo. W.Sardis Ind. Ch.Tuskahoma Brasswell, Miss MattieCapitol HillOklahoma City Burks, Mrs. M.Clinton Byers, J. H.Poteau Cameron, E. D.Guthrie Carr, Robt.Creek Indian Church..Wetumpka Carleton, T. C., and wifeWhite Temple Oklahoma City

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Farrar, S. D
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Gibson, J. J
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	Parrack, J. B., and wife First Church
	Parmerly, W. J
	Parker, Mrs. T. N
	Perry, Miss Kate D
	Peden, Jas. P First Church Coweta
	Phelps, G. LeeFirst ChurchCleveland
	Piepgrass, Miss LydiaIndianola
	Pickens, Mrs. Albert
	Prentice, Jno. R
	Pratt, Mrs. R. T
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SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

-OF THE-

WOMEN'S BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY

CO-OPERATING WITH THE

Oklahoma Baptist General Convention

MUSKOGEE, OCTOBER, 28, 1908

"fellow-helpers to the Truth"

BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION.

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FIELD WORKER.

Miss Mattie Braswell Oklahoma City PRESIDENTS OF ASSOCIATIONS.

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Beckham V. P. Erick
Caddo Wrs. Ed Wheelock, Watonga
Central District Mrs. C. A. Porterfield, Oklahoma City
Chickasaw Mrs. N. R. Coryell, Chickasha
Comanche Mrs. C. R. Hairfield, Hastings
Concord Mrs. N. M. Keen, Port
Delaware
Dewey or Okla. Western Mrs. Anna B. Ayers, Putnam
Eastern District Mrs. T. S. Johnson, Vian
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Friendship Shawnee
Frisco Mrs. C. M. Wilds, Boswell
Gloss Mountain Mrs. Abbie Woods, Clarion
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Salt Fork Valley Mrs. V. Kretzinger, Waynoka
Short Mountain
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Tillman Texas, Cimarron Co Mrs. Mary Palmer, Guymon
Woodward Mrs. B. A. Loving, Woodward
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Cherokee (Indian) Mrs. Nancy Gritts, Christie

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Library-Miss Mary P. Jayne, Chairman; Mrs. F. J. Merrill, Mrs. M. A. Lake.

Sunday School-Mrs. W. A. McBride, Chairman; Mrs. R. F.

McArthur, Mrs. I. B. Grubbs, Mrs. Wm. Sites. State Program-Sue O. Howell, Chairman; Mrs. C. A. Porterfield, Mrs. C. R. Hairfield, Mrs. B. A. Loving.

Apportionment-Sue O. Howell, Chairman; Mrs. L. L. Smith, Mrs. N. R. Coryell.

BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I-Name.

This Society shall be called the Women's Baptist Missionary Society, co-operating with the Oklahoma Baptist General Convention.

Article II-Object.

The object of this Society shall be to cultivate a Missionary spirit, especially among the women, young women and children throughout the state, and to aid in the spread of the Gospel. In this work it shall cooperate with the Home and Foreign Departments of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention; with the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society; with the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West; and, with the Oklahoma Baptist General Convention, in the work presented by their respective Constitutions.

Article III—Membership.

Section 1. Any woman who contributes annually, either through the Local Society or the Women's State Treasury, the sum of two dollars for Women's Mission Work, shall be entituled to vote in the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. Each Women's Missionery Society contributing annually, through the Women's State Treasury, at least two dollars for Women's Mission Work, shall be entitled to one messenger to the Annual Meeting.

Article IV—Officers.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Corresponding Secretary and two Auditors, who shall be elected annually by ballot. These officers, together with the Presidents of each Association, shall constitute

the Executive Committee. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All vacancies occurring during the year may be supplied by this Committee.

Article V—Distribution of Funds.

All money raised by Local Societies for Missions shall be sent to the State Treasurer of the Women's Baptist Missionary Society. All money for Home Missions not otherwise designated, shall be equally divided between the Home Department of the Woman's Missionary Union and the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society. All money for Foreign Missions, not otherwise designated, shall be equally divided between the Foreign Department of the Woman's Missionary Union and the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society of the West. All moneys for State Missions shall be sent to the State Treasurer and by her forwarded to the Treasurer of the General Convention.

Article VI-Time of Meeting.

This Society shall meet annually, in two or more consecutive sessions, preceding the opening of the Oklahoma Baptist General Convention.

Article VII—Amendments.

This Constitution may be changed or amended by a two-thirds vote of the Messengers present at any Annual Meeting, notice having been given to each Local Society at least one month previous to the Annual Meeting.

BY LAWS.

Article I—Duties of President.

The President shall preside at the Annual Meeting of the Society, and at the meetings of the Executive Board, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and shall be an ex-officio member of all standing committees.

Article II-Duties of Vice President.

The Vice Presidents shall be qualified to act in the place of the President in her absence, and to aid her in all practical ways.

Article III-Duty of Recording Secretary.

It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of all business transacted, and of all items of special interest and importance at the Annual Meeting of the Society, and prepare the Minutes for publication.

Article IV-Duty of Corresponding Secretary.

It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the official correspondence of the Society, be the means of communication between the co-operating Boards and Societies (named in Article II of the Constitution), and the Local Societies of the state.

Article V—Duty of Auditor.

It shall be the duty of the Auditors to examine the books of the Treasurer and make a quarterly report to the Executive Committee.

Article VI-Duty of Executive Committee.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to hold four regular meetings, in January, in April, in July, and on the day before the Annual Meeting of the Society. Five shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article VII—Duty of Treasurer.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive, acknowledge, preserve by investment or otherwise, and pay out the funds of this Society, according to the directions of the Executive Committee, keeping always

an exact account of the receipts and disbursements, and make a quarterly report to the Executive Committee. Money for Home, Foreign and State Missions shall be forwarded monthly to the Treasurers of the Societies named in Article II of the Constitution.

WOMEN'S BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Minutes of the Second Annual Report.

The Second Annual Meeting of the Women's Baptist Missionary Society, held in the First Baptist Church, Muskogee, Okla., October 28, 1908, was called to order at 9:30 a. m. by President, Mrs. T. C. Carleton.

Devotional service was conducted by Mrs. Mary Kirby, of Muskogee. Scripture, Romans 12.

The representatives of our co-operating Societies were introduced and gave a word of greeting, viz:

Mrs. A. H. Barber, Treasurer Women's Baptist Home Mission Society, headquarters Chicago.

Miss Edith C. Crane, Corresponding Secretary Woman's Missionary Union, headquarters Baltimore.

Mrs. S. E. Woody, representing W. M. U. Training School, Louisville.

Mrs. F. J. White, Missionary, Shanghai, China, representing Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West, headquarters Chicago.

Mrs. Susie McKellop offered very cordial words of welcome in behalf of Muskogee, and Mrs. W. A. Mc-Bride, of Atoka, made fitting response.

President appointed Committee on Enrollment as follows: Mrs. Susie McKellop, Muskogee; Miss Mattie Braswell, Oklahoma City; Mrs. W. S. Wiley, Muskogee

Words of greeting and brief reports were given by Presidents of fifteen Associations. (For names see list of Messengers to Annual Meeting.)

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL MESSAGE.

After another twelve months, I come to you with a message of love and hope and cheer. Here we'll raise cur Ebenezer, for surely "hitherto hath the Lord blessed us."

True, the year just past has been one of loving, of longing, of laboring and of waiting. Sometimes the clouds have lowered, but every one has been silver lined. Sometimes the heavens have been darkened, but always rainbow spanned, because God has always been within the shadow keeping watch above His own.

As the days have gone by, through study and prayer, we have doubtless come to have a clearer, deeper, broader conception of the glorious truth—Christ died for all men. Not alone for the Caucasian, rejoicing in the beauty of his fair countenance and the unrivaled power of his intellect, but just as really did he die for the Mongolian, the Malay, the African and the poor Indian, whose untutored mind sees God in the wood and hears Him in the wind.

The knowledge of this truth makes us debtors to these benighted people and helps us to understand that our Lord has called us to be His co-partners in bringing a lost world back to God. Who would not covet a work so divine?

The great ultimatum of Missions, is not to establish a code of ethics, not to found a great institution, nay, verily, this is a purpose far too small, a conception far too narrow, but rather to carry the glad tidings of the world's Savior to earth's remotest bounds, and not only to tell of the Christ who shed His precious blood to wash away all sin, but of the Christ who has risen from the dead and ever liveth to make intercession that His redeemed ones the world-wide over may live the resurrected life and become sons and daughters of the Resurrection. An aim like this cannot dominate the mind and control the life without enriching, ennobling and purifying that life.

Our study of Missions has increased our knowledge of the world's needs, uncovered its woes, articulated its ery for help, and made us to appreciate the purpose and mission of life.

Our Mission endeavor has made very real the truth that service to man comes from consecration to God.

Buddha in his arrogance and self-sufficiency boasted, "I am no man's servant;" our Lord said, "I am among you as one who serves. I came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give My life a ransom for many."

He serves God best who serves the neediest of men in their greatest needs. Ah! yes, service, the spirit of the Christ is the spirit of Missions and the key of the kingdom.

How well we have served, how faithfully we have guarded the interest of Him who bade us "occupy till I come," will be indicated by the reports we shall hear from the Directors of the several departments of the work. Of course we have not accomplished all for which our hearts longed and our hands planned, desire and achievement rarely keep even pace, still so much has been accomplished, despite the giants in the way, and the obstacles that arose mountain high, that I trust no discordant note shall be sounded, nor even a minor undertone, but praise and thanksgiving break forth from every heart.

Let us rejoice in the knowledge that through our efforts in the home land and in the foreign fields, some dark clouds of ignorance, superstition and vice have been rifted; some hope has come to the hopeless, some burdens lifted from weary shoulders. Born of this knowledge is a hope rosy as the noonday, that if we shall love and labor, pray and give, yield to no discouragement, give place to no discontent, remembering that "low aim, and not failure, is the crime," with united forces and ever looking to the Captain of our Salvation, we shall reach the goal of our desire, and have a Woman's Missionary Society in every church, and every woman of the church a member of the Society.

Would that we might pledge ourselves, each to the other in solemn compact, that to this aim will we consecrate all our power of loving and praying, of giving of time and of talents, until all our sisters shall have part in world-wide evangelization.

May we obey our Lord in life, obey Him in death, obey Him until we shall stand upon the shining heights and cast our crowns at His feet.

"To the true and faithful, victory is promised through grace." Let us, then, as Societies and as individuals, be loyal to our King, and faithful to our glorious mission, let us seek a baptism of the Holy Spirit, and go forth clothed with Divine power, and the Lord of the harvest will send forth more laborers and much golden grain will be garnered.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

My second year of official life has brought me into closer and more vital connection with the work and the workers, and in presenting my second annual report, I realize more keenly the responsibility of office bearing and appreciate more highly than ever widening possibilities of the work which merits our best endeavor; I am ready to say with Dr. Griffith John, "The time has come for the universal recognition of the fact that the chief end for which the church ought to exist, and for which the individual members ought to live, is the evangelization of the world."

Immediately after the close of our Annual Convention, I visited some of the churches in Ardmore and Oklahoma City with Miss Closz, Young Women's Field Secretary of the Society of the West, assisting in the organization of several Young Women's Missionary Societies. I also visited some of the churches with Miss Hansen, who for the first six months of this year was our only Field Worker.

I attended the Thanksgiving service in the interest of our Training Schools of the White Temple, and talked on the W. M. U. Training School; Miss Hansen having been requested to speak on the Chicago School.

While in Oklahoma City I visited every Baptisf church and Mission (excepting one), including Chinese Sunday School of the White Temple.

In December I visited Tulsa Church and Sunday School. Much effective work can be accomplished by talking of Missions to Sunday Schools.

I have attended every session of the Executive Board, also Mid-Year Worker's Conference, and three Associations: Central District, Grand River and Delaware.

After the Mid-Year Conference at Norman I visited some of the churches in the state with Miss Crane, W. W. U. Corresponding Secretary.

I have worked in eight Associations, held conference with a large number of Associational Presidents and Secretaries, also Local Presidents and Secretaries, concerning the work, and organized Women's, Young Women's and Junior Societies.

Have secured 83 subscriptions to Missionary periodicals.

This represents, in part at least, my public official ministry with the state.

My experience in the mining districts and among the full-blood Indians has been of peculiar interest and profit.

The correspondence of the year has been heavy, yet I always consider it a privilege to serve the workers in every possible way. Since I moved to Oklahoma City last June, some of my work is easier in some ways and more effective.

Besides the official work, the past year has given me special opportunities for presenting the interest of Oklahoma in other states. I was invited by Central Committee of Georgia to talk on "The Great Southwest" in the State Institute which was held in Atlanta, Ga. I also accepted an invitation to speak to the Student Body of Cox College, a Young Woman's School at College Park, Georgia.

In the session of the W. M. U. at Hot Springs, and the meeting of Women's Home Mission Society in Oklahoma City, many opportunities for service arose. These two general meetings had full delegation from Oklahoma, for the first time in the history of our work, which makes them notable to Oklahomans at least.

My study of the work during the year suggests recommendations which will be submitted by the Committee.

MRS. T. C. CARLETON.

On motion of Mrs. McBride report was accepted, and the recommendations attached were referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

October 31 and November 1, 1907, following Annual Meeting, the Executive Board held short morning sessions planning to carry out work laid out in Annual Meeting.

Being unable to engage a second Field Worker at this time, it was voted that the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer be authorized to render any assistance practicable during the first quarter.

Voted that salary of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer be \$500 per year, with transportation and postage. Transportation was interpreted necessary traveling expenses. Voted to have Finance Committee appointed, consisting of First Vice President and four Associational Presidents, one duty of which shall be to pass upon reports of officers' expenses.

Voted to allow Recording Secretary \$10.00 for preparation of Minutes for publication; also voted to pay her transportation to Annual and Executive meetings.

Mrs. L. L. Smith was elected to fill vacancy on Advisory Board.

Voted that postage in official correspondence of state officers be allowed.

The following recommendations of Finance Committee were adopted:

To purchase typewriter for office of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

To pay salaries monthly instead of quarterly.

To pay Miss Hansen \$700 for the year.

The first quarterly meeting was held January 14th, in Oklahoma City. Members present, 17.

We were encouraged that in the face of the financial crisis the receipts for the quarter were \$301.13 in excess of the first quarter of the year before, and we needed encouragement, for it was at this meeting that Mrs. Porterfield and Miss Hansen, on whom the work depended so largely, told us they must give up the work at the close of the next quarter.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to write Miss Sue O. Howell to engage her, if possible, for work in Oklahoma again.

Committee appointed to secure second Field Worker and find names to recommend for vacancies to be at close of quarter.

Mrs. B. A. Loving was appointed Secretary of Baby Band Work, Mrs. Merrill not having accepted the office.

At the Executive meeting in Norman, April 24th, following the Mid-Year Conference, there were 18 members present, also Miss Crane, Corresponding Secretary of W. M. U.

Mrs. Porterfield presented her resignation, but was asked to retain the office in name, and Miss Howell, who by this time had returned to Oklahoma, was elected Assistant Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer and authorized to do the work of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, and what Field Work she may be able.

Miss Hansen's resignation, due to her approaching marriage, was accepted.

Miss Mattie Braswell was elected Field Worker, and committee appointed to secure another Field Worker.

Vacancies filled as follows:

On State Program Committee, Mrs. Dicken and Miss Howell.

President of Banner Association-Mrs. Burk.

President of Beaver Association-Mrs. J. H. Mc-Cuiston.

President of Enon Association-Mrs. J. E. Brady.

Adopted plans for "Oklahoma Baby Band" as follows: Life membership fee \$1.00; annual membership fee ten cents; W. B. M. S. to issue life and annual certificates; membership children 7 years of age and under, paying above mentioned fees to Baby Band Secretary, and by her paid and reported to Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer quarterly.

Motion carried to instruct Baby Band and Junior Secretaries to co-operate in securing offerings from Primary Departments of Sunday Schools, and that they try to secure an annual offering for homes for Missionaries' children.

Secretary instructed to send expression of sympathy to the bereaved family of Mrs. J. M. Osborn, late President of Banner Association, who had entered into rest since our last meeting.

The Executive meeting held in Oklahoma City, July 29th, found us with much less than the three-fourths

of the apportionment which should have been in by that time. Members present 8.

Motion carried to send special letter through President of Associations to Local Societies explaining conditions and asking them to use every effort to meet their apportionment.

Voted to recommend in Annual Meeting an apportionment of 10 per cent increase on amount raised for Missions this year.

Voted to recommend the following changes in the Constitution and By-Laws:

To make Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer one office.

To make State Secretaries of Y. W., Junior and Baby Band Work, officers of the Society.

To make Article VI read, "one Auditor, a business man, who understands the work," and that he be not an officer.

To hold Executive meetings at close of quarter.

Vacancies filled: Mrs. F. J. Merrill on Advisory Committee, and Mrs. W. E. Dicken, acting President of Central District Association.

Committee on Second Field Worker recommended that instead of a Field Worker, Miss Jayne, Mrs. Carleton and Mrs. L. L. Smith be employed to help meet the Associational gatherings, which was adopted.

The fourth quarterly meeting was held in Muskogee, October 28th, with adjourned session, 8:30 to 9:30 a. m. the 29th. Members present 22. Representatives of co-operating Societies, 4.

Mrs. Murrow presented Orphan's Home Work as a Missionary object. After a general discussion voted that a recommendation be introduced in annual meeting endorsing the Murrow Indian Orphans' Home and the Oklahoma Baptist Orphans' Home, and encouraging the Women's Missionary Societies to have a share in their support. A series of recommendations were offered by Committee appointed for that purpose, (See recommendations of Executive Committee), Articles I and III of which were adopted, and because the hour appointed for Annual meeting was at hand, it was voted that the others be reported to the larger body without recommendation by the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. KIZZIE HALSTEAD,

Recording Secretary.

Report adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The work of the Finance Committee has not made much showing this year, as most of the work is covered by the Executive Committee and Auditors.

We recommended the purchase of a typewriter for the office of the Corresponding Secretary, also an additional \$200 to the salary of our Field Worker, Miss Catherine Hansen.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. E. DICKEN, Chairman. Report adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF STATE PROGRAM COM-MITTEE.

The Committee has given considerable time to the preparation of the State Program. A large amount of literature was carefully examined and selected to make every lesson as interesting and instructive as possible.

As far as possible, literature from each of our cooperating Boards has been used in every lesson. We present this program to the sisters in our churches, hoping it will meet their needs as an aid to their study of Missions, and we earnestly hope that every Society will take up this study this year.

Respectfully submitted,

SUE O. HOWELL, Chairman.

Attention was called to the exhibit of material for the year's study, which received hearty commendation.

Report adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THANK OFFERING COM-MITTEE.

Realizing the great spiritual and material prosperity which is blessing our land, we feel it is very fitting that a day be set apart for special thanksgiving and thankoffering to the Lord for all His benefits.

Your Committee feel that our Women's Missionary Society is under deep and lasting obligation to our two Missionary Training Schools, which have given to us the benefit of the experience and training received in these schools of about 40 consecrated women, thus contributing service which is of inestimable value to our work.

Especially are we grateful for the service and wise counsel of Miss Jayne, our former Field Worker, and Miss Howell, our Assistant Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, both of whom have come to us from the Chicago Training School.

We are glad to report this school now comfortably housed in the new and commodious building on 2969 Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

The Louisville School has been doing excellent work ever since its establishment and has for one of its students this year the first Oklahoma girl entering the school since its adoption by the W. M. U., and subsequent opening in October, 1907.

Last year the Executive Committee asked that the month of November be observed as special Thank-offering month, when we hoped to raise \$1,000 to build and furnish two Oklahoma rooms, one in each of these schools. We can report only \$261.80 of this amount raised.

In view of the foregoing facts, your Committee re-

spectfully recommends that the month of November be permanently set apart as a special Thanksgiving and Thank-offering month, and that said offerings be equally divided and applied on our two Missionary Training Schools, the one located in Chicago, the other in Louisville.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. A. LOVING, Chairman.

Discussed; adopted.

President had engaged two rooms for Oklahoma in B. M. T. S., Chicago, and the funds as yet raised being insufficient, a motion carried to release one to the Oklahoma Indians and their Missionaries.

Mrs. Hester, State Corresponding Secretary of Women's Work for Home Missions in M. E. Church South, was introduced and spoke words of welcome and greeting.

President announced committees as follows:

Obituaries---Mrs. L. L. Smith, McAlester; Miss Mary P. Jayne, Watonga; Mrs. M. Burke, Paul's Valley; Mrs. W. S. Wiley, Muskogee; Mrs. Susie McKellop, Muskogee.

Invitation-Mrs. J. S. Murrow, Atoka; Mrs. C. A. Porterfield, Oklahoma City; Mrs. T. C. Harvison, Wagoner.

Resolutions—Mrs. W. A. McBride, Atoka; Mrs. S. A. Carey, Muskogee; Mrs. Edna McMillan, Bristow.

According to the usual custom, a Committee on nominations was also announced, but on motion of Miss Jayne, it was voted that officers be nominated and elected by ballot.

On motion of Mrs. Porterfield voted that when adjourned we meet again at 1:30, try to complete consideration of reports by 2:30, proceeding then to election of officers.

Enrollment Committee made partial report—51 members enrolled.

Adjourned with prayer led by Mrs. Stubblefield.

Much valuable time was saved by the kind thoughtfulness of the women of Muskogee in providing dinner, served in the basement of the church.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30 P. M.

Song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Devotional service led by Mrs. Dicken; theme, "Love." Script. John 15:19-21.

ANNUAL REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Last year our Library Work was an experiment, a year of beginnings. This year has been one of growth, of usefulness. There are at present, traveling in Oklahoma, twenty-two Missionary Traveling Libraries, composed of the very best books obtainable on Missionary subjects. The funds for the purchase of these books have come from special offering, designated for this purpose. So far the Library Fund has not only been sufficient to pay for itself, but has left a small balance to be used for the purchase of extra books.

Our books are carefully catalogued and numbered, and the system used is of the very best.

At the Convention in Ardmore our brethren very generously subscribed \$190 to our Library Fund. Of this amount \$70 has been paid in, and the remainder we shall expect during the coming year. So far nearly all the Libraries have been given as memorials of great and good men and women gone before, or in honor of heroes and heroines who still labor in our Master's Your Committee has written during the year canse. 58 letters, has attended to the purchase of about 150 books, and spent some time in sorting and arranging the books into libraries, and in helping to number, mark and catalogue them. We are hearing from all sides of the good they are doing and crave your sympathy and aid in the work, for as the books are used and read,

we believe there will come a broader conception of the meaning of our Savior's last command.

The following statement will show a list of the donors up to the present date:

No. 1-Oklahoma City W. M. and A. Society.

No. 2-Mrs. R. W. Ramsay, Guthrie.

No. 3-Bethany Class, Muskogee. No. 4-Mrs. M. P. Choate, in memory of her father, Rev. R. Piepgrass.

No. 5-Mrs. F. J. Merrill, Oklahoma City. No. 6-Miss Mary P. Jayne, Watonga.

No. 7-Greer County Association.

No. 8-The L. L. Smith Memorial. No. 9-The J. S. Murrow Library.

No. 10-Mrs. J. E. Campbell, in memory of her father, Rev. Chas. Journey Cake,

No. 11-Miscellaneous, donated by individuals.

No. 12-Mrs. Susie McKellop, Muskogee.

No. 13---J. W. Dorsey, Henryetta, in memory of Mrs. D. N. Robb.

No. 14-Mrs. T. W. Williamson, Oklahoma City.

No. 15-J. C. Stalcup, a tribute to his wife.

No. 16-Mary G. Burdette Memorial.

No. 17-M. Annie Fullerton Memorial.

No. 18-In honor of Mrs. C. A. Porterfield. No. 19-In honor of Mrs. K. L. E. Murrow. No. 20-In honor of Miss Clara Mann.

No. 21—In honor of Mrs. Catharine Hansen Parsons. No. 22—In honor of W. S. Wiley.

The following is an itemized account of the receipts and expenditures of the Library Fund for the present year:

November, 1907 (including balance)\$ 34.66January, 1908 10.00 February, 1908 February, 1908 March, 1908 April, 1908 May, 1908 June, 1908 Juust, 1908 August, 1908 August, 1908 Semptember, 1908 October, 1908 Dottober, 1908 Sth, Texas-Cimarron County October, 1908 23rd, Prof. Selvidge October, 1908 29th, D. B. Pierson October, 1908 29th, L. C. Wolfe 11.00 1.00 3,00 1,00 10.00 1.00 1.00 1.75 10.50 10.00 10.00 October, 1908-29th, L. C. Wolfe 10.00 \$114.91

Receipts.

Expenditures.

February, 1908—Books\$.50
April, 1908—Boxes	3.00
April, 1908—A. B. P. S., Dallas	5.75
April, 1908—A. B. P. S., St. Louis	1.35
April, 1908—A. B. P. S., Chicago	29,40
May, 1908—Bruce Kinney	2.80
May, 1908-W. B. F. M. S. W	4.50
May, 1908-W. B. H. M. S	4.30
May, 1908—Library cards, ink, etc.	1.15
October, 1908—Library boxes	3.00
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\$55.75

Balance in library fund November, 1908\$59.16 Respectfully submitted,

MARY P. JAYNE.

Spoken to by several who have had use of a Library in their Societies. Much appreciated.

Report adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CORRE-SPONDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

My Dear Sisters:-Three years ago the first of this month I attended the Annual Baptist Convention of Oklahoma Territory, held at Oklahoma City. It had been my privilege during the Associational season to represent in that territory for the first time our cooperative work. I took it up with much apprehension lest I should be unequal to the task of fairly and impartially representing Women's Work in Missions in the two great sections of our country, the North and the South. It was the sincere desire of my heart to be able to do this in a way that would lead our women to such a breadth of vision and such a depth of sympathy that they would be able to harmonize differences of customs and methods of work; to choose the best, wherever it had its origin, and to labor for the Master in unity and love.

That which I tried to teach others had its reflex influence on my own heart and life and I learned valuable lessons. It is often said that "experience keeps a dear school," and again, "that experience is the best teacher." However, many experiences of that summer's work have been remembered with pleasure, none with regret, and I am now thankful to God for the opportunity I had of gaining more knowledge of the work of women in every part of our beloved country. I had learned to love the co-operative work; I saw in it large possibilities and great opportunities for the women of Oklahoma. To have helped develop it would have been a privilege as well as a great opportunity, but the Lord of the vineyard saw fit to take me away and to put the work of development into other hands more capable than mine.

After a lapse of two and a half years the Master let me come back to help carry out the plans that have been made, and to build upon the foundations that have been laid.

During the six months I have worked this year I have marvelled again and again at the great progress that has been made in the past three years. It has exceeded my highest hope. In that time the union of the two territories had taken place, and the state organization effected. In addition to a vast amount of work done in local churches nearly all the Associations have been organized, and their Presidents are learning to do much efficient service. The apportionment plan has been adopted and is being successfully carried out, resulting already in many Societies giving regularly and systematically.

A uniform State Program for Mission Study has been arranged and was used by 140 Societies during the past year, proving to be a great help in interesting and instructing our women in the cause of Missions.

Traveling Libraries, composed of the best Mission books obtainable, have been secured and 18 of these are now traveling from place to place; four more are ready to be sent out, and reports which come to us indicate that they are a blessing wherever they go. All this in three years. I give you this retrospect for the encouragement of those who have so faithfully labored in this work. Success has crowned your efforts, and I am sure our hearts will echo the thought of the Psalmist when he said, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me."

I rejoice with you today in the great work God has led you to do and in the opportunities that are ever widening before us.

During the six months I have tried to serve you as Assistant Correspondent Secretary and Treasurer, your Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. C. A. Porterfield, although unable to do active work, has been to me a constant source of inspiration and strength. For her efficient, faithful, untiring help and advice I am very grateful. I am also indebted to many others for their sympathy and co-operation, and I appreciate very deeply the kind words in many letters assuring me of their prayers and co-operation and bidding me God-speed in the work.

Our Executive Committee

have had their regular quarterly meetings and have tried to plan wisely and well for the best good of the work.

A very profitable Mid-Year Conference was held at Norman in April, at which time Miss Edith Crane, Corresponding Secretary of W. M. U. was with us and all were much benefited by her splendid address, as well as by the personal touch of one so efficient and consecrated.

Field Work.

It was also at this meeting that Miss Katherine Hansen closed her work as Field Worker. She had worked with so much consecration and zeal that her going was felt to be a distinct loss, but we rejoice to know that her work will live after her. At this time the Committee was led to select Miss Mattie Braswell, of Texas, as her successor, and her work began the first of June. Miss Braswell came to a new field and new methods of work. We believe she has used wisdom in her work and has been faithful to every duty, and that seed has been sown that will spring up and bring forth an abundant harvest.

Much of the time of the Field Worker and the Corresponding Secretary in the last three months has been spent visiting Associations. Our President, Miss Payne, Mrs. L. L. Smith and Mrs. B. A. Loving all gave much appreciated help in this work. All but two Associations have now been organized. In many of them the work has advanced along every line and there is much reason for encouragement. In some of them, although but few Societies are organized, we found a strong desire on the part of both the women and the pastors to fall into line with our work.

Our Associational Presidents

are giving time and money to the work, and we feel more and more that we must look to them as a means to greater success. We appreciate what they have already done and hope that their aims and ideals for the coming year will be for still better work, and that they may succeed in getting in touch with every church in their Association.

Special Days and Weeks of Prayer

have been observed as last year, and through the kindness of our co-operating Boards we have received a splendid supply of literature to be distributed at such times. During the next month we hope to get large reports from the work of October—Enlistment month.

The State Program

continues to grow in favor. Your Committee, as usual, took especial pains in the selecting of literature, and are

hoping it will prove to be very helpful. At least 200 ought to be used the coming year.

In connection with the program, I wish to speak again of the importance of doing all we can to get one or more of our Mission Journals into every home. The information they contain of the news fresh from the Mission fields is invaluable.

Our Missionary Traveling Libraries also afford an additional means of knowledge. Although we now have 22, we need many more to supply the demand.

In Conclusion

I wish to say we need more and more to realize our individual responsibility in the work God has given us to do.

We need to remember always that the prime object for which we work is the salvation of souls, and that money is only a means to an end, and that much valuable Missionary work may be done by our Societies in addition to gathering contributions.

We need to realize more keenly the great necessity of training the young women and children in this work, so they can efficiently discharge the duties the coming years will bring to them.

In the 19th chapter of Luke, in the parable of the pounds, we find these words: "Occupy till I come." God grant that we may so occupy this field that the pounds entrusted to us may be increased an hundred fold.

STATISTICAL REPORT 1908.

Number of Women's Societies (including Missionary and	
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organized this jour treatment of the second se	51
adding from the particularly solution fifther fifther fifther	22
	23
Letters written (including Treasurer's letters) 1,28	
Postals 18	
Leaflets distributed 11,50	
Circular letters and blank reports 3,00	
Thank offering envelopes	
Mite boxes 1,23	0

BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION.

Periodicals sent	665
Bundles of literature for Associations	70
Packages of Enlistment Day literature	330
Subscriptions for Mission Journals	230
Articles for publication	20
Associations attended	9
Addresses and talks made	12
Meetings conducted	4

The Treasury.

While we have not succeeded in raising all we hoped to do for this year for Missions, our work has been by no means a failure. There has been a steady growth; \$3,730 has passed through our Treasury for Missions, against \$3,004 last year, making an increase of \$726. Last year \$400 was sent direct to the co-operating Boards, while this year only \$71 has been reported as being sent direct.

We believe, in the main, our Societies have striven nobly to do what was asked of them, but our apportionment was large and some found the burden too heavy. So let us rejoice in what we have been able to do and turn our faces toward the new year with courage to undertake greater things, believing that God will bless and prosper us in proportion to our faithfulness

Honor Roll.

The following list of churches paid their full apportionment. Those preceded by a star exceeded their apportionment:

BANNER ASSOCIATION-*Davis, *Hickory, Roff, Stratford. Sulphur.

BEAVER ASSOCIATION-*Goodwell, Guymon. BETHEL ASSOCIATION-Durant, Durant Y. W.

CADDO ASSOCIATION-Anadarko, Apache, Bridgeport, Grace-

 CENTRAL ASSOCIATION—*Capitol Hill, Crescent, Guthrie
 1st, Guthrie 1st Y. W., Guthrie 2nd, Hennessey Y. W., Kingfisher,
 *Oklahoma City White Temple, Oklahoma City Y. W. Dorcas Society, Yukon.

CHOCTAW AND CHICKASAW ASSOCIATION-*Atoka.

COMANCHE ASSOCIATION-Elgin, Gregg, *Hastings, Sterling, Taupa.

CONCORD ASSOCIATION-*Clinton, *Cordell, Foss, *Port,

*Sentinel. DELAWARE ASSOCIATION-*Broken Arrow, Nowata. EASTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION-Tamaha, *Webber Falls. ENON ASSOCIATION --- * Ardmore Broadway, Ardmore Broadway Y. W. FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION-Deer Creek, Earlsboro, Asher. FRISCO ASSOCIATION-*Grant. GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION-*Big Cabin, *Vinita, Vinita, Y. W. GREER ASSOCIATION-Francis, Marie, Reed. BECKHAM ASSOCIATION-*Erick. INDIAHOMA ASSOCIATION-Blue Mound. JACKSON ASSOCIATION --- * Altus. KIOWA ASSOCIATION-*Hobart. Lone Wolf. LINCOLN CO. ASSOCIATION-Arlington. LONGTOWN ASSOCIATION-Eufaula. MILLS CO. ASSOCIATION----Cheyenne. PERRY ASSOCIATION-*Enid. SALEM ASSOCIATION-Madill. SALT FORK VALLEY ASSOCIATION—Carmen, Driftwood, bert, *Medford, Nashville. Lambert. SHORT MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION-Dow, Haileyville, Hartshorne, Heavener. WOODWARD CO. ASSOCIATION-Bethany, *Fairview, Haskew, Higley, Ivanhoe, *Liberty, Mooreland, Moscow, Mt. Zion, Providence, Unity, Vasser. ZION ASSOCIATION-*McAlester, *McAlester Y. W., Springhill. During the year 210 Societies and churches have contributed to the work. Receipts. First Quarter\$ 468.95 Second Quarter 1,538.18 Third Quarter 537.15 Total\$4,920.89 Expenditures. First Quarter\$ 438.91 Second Quarter 1.511.83 Third Quarter 484.53 Total\$4,762.87 Cash on hand\$ 158.02 **Itemized Receipts** 899.15 Home Missions\$ Foreign Missions 948.85 State Missions 659,95 Field Work and General Expenses (including \$97.61 on last year and \$25 appropriated to State Missions) 1,222.41 Training Schools 261.80 State Program 72.21 Missionary Traveling Library 94.91

BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION.

Mome Mission Board, Atlanta 250.0	0
Women's Baptist Home Mission Society, Chicago 125.0	0
Women's Baptist Foreign Society of the West, Chicago 125.0	0
Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma 250.0	0
Homes for Missionaries' Children 4.8	5
Incidentals 6.7	6
Total\$4,920.8	
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Itemized Expenditures.	-
To Co-operating Boards\$2,507.9	5
To Home and Foreign Missions (for last year) 97.6	1
To State Missions (appropriated) 25.0	0
To Salaries	0
To Traveling Expenses of Workers 288.0	
To Traveling Expenses of Board Members 60.5	5
To Printing and Stationery 94.1	ō
To Postage and Express 115.3	
To Missionary Traveling Library 55.6	
To Office Expense	_
To Training Schools	_
To State Program	
To Homes for Missionaries' Children 4.8	-
To Missions Journals 2.7	
Total\$4,762.8	

ITEMIZED RECEIPTS BY ASSOCIATIONS.

	Home	Foreign	State	Field
	Missions.	Missions.	Missions.	Work.
Banner		\$ 30.25	\$ 24.00	\$ 38.40
Beaver		10.75	13.75	11.95
Beckham		10.00	9.50	30.20
Bethel		41.25	25.50	75.00
Young Women		5.00	6.00	5.00
Caddo		9.50	8.50	16.05
*Central		129.80	86.50	161.06
Young Women		20.00	20.00	20.00
Junior		2.00		
Cherokee (Indian)	. 17.50	6.01	.55	7.55
Chickasaw	. 8.50	9.25	11.00	36.86
Choctaw and Chickasav	٧			
(Indian)	. 26.36	26.36	23.50	20.00
Comanche	. 20.50	20.50	20.50	31.35
Concord		30.75	33.00	55.70
Delaware	. 96.04	116.14	47.85	133.43
Dewey	. 2.05	2.40		
Eastern District		9.00	5.00	13.50
Enon		46.90	49.15	46.95
Junior		5.00	5,00	5.00
Friendship	. 22.00	66.50	20.00	24.50
Junior		5.00		
Frisco	. 5.00	5.41	3.50	10.79
Gloss Mountain		2.00	1.00	1.50
Grand River	. 21.50	17.00	13.35	20.30
Young Women	. 2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
Greer Co	. 11.63	11.62	6.50	40.30

Illinois River	3.10	3.10	2.50	8.75
Indiahoma	2.50	2.50	2.50	4.70
Jackson	24.00	22.50	25.75	35.66
Young Women	.50	.50	.50	.50
Kiowa	22.00	19.00	9.00	17.20
Lincoln Co	3.00	3.10	.50	9.50
Young Women	.50	1.13	.50	.50
Little River	16.25	14.25	9.75	14.25
Longtown	9.75	9.75	5.00	10.65
Mills Co	3.50	3.50	4.75	7.64
Mt. Zion				12.80
Mullens	14.15	13.50	9.75	15.00
Muskogee and Wichita	11110	10.00	0.10	10.00
(Indian)	1.15	3,55	3.50	13.40
North Canadian	17.25	28.05	10.55	26.35
Oklahoma Indian	1.00	1.00	1.00	10.00
Pawnee Co	5.50	3.50	2.50	2.45
Perry	24.50	36.50	18.00	33.60
Salem	18.25	17.25	7.50	25.60
Salt Fork Valley	26,70	24.79	19.25	29.70
Short Mountain	35.25	27.75	26.75	47.75
Tillman	2.50	2.50	2.50	28.45
Woodward	17.94	21.94	24.25	20.07
Zion	40.43	44.00	34.50	35.00
Young Women	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50

Total\$899.15 \$948.85 \$659.95 \$1,222.41

After the report was made up enough money was sent in to complete the apportionment of Central District Association—\$599.

Respectfully submitted,

SUE O. HOWELL.

Discussed; adopted.

REPORT OF FIELD WORKER MISS CATHERINE HANSEN.

Miss Catherine Hansen, known and loved all over Oklahoma, was our only Field Worker during the first six months. At the end of that time she resigned to be married to Mr. H. Parsons, of Willard, New Mexico.

Following is a summary of statistical reports for first two quarters:

Weeks of labor	26
Miles traveled	
Addresses	108
Letters written	522
Subscriptions for Mission Journals	147
Conferences with Association Officers	19

BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION.

Mission Rallies attended	3
Fifth Sunday Meetings attended	2
Churches visited	62
Bible Institutes attended	1
New Societies organized	5
Visits in homes concerning the work	45
Expenses for transportation and postage \$126.15	

All Societies visited that had not been studying Missions subscribed for the literature, and all of them promised to raise their apportionment.

REPORT OF FIELD WORKER MISS MATTIE BRASWELL.

My heart has been made to rejoice wherever and when ever it has been my privilege and opportunity to meet with our women in their Local and Associational Societies. It has been my privilege to hear of and sympathize with them in their difficulties, and my heart has thrilled many times as I have listened to a steadfast little band tell of their efforts to meet their apportionment, what they felt was their rightful part in forwarding the Lord's cause; yes, they have gone the whole round of Missionary teas, socials, and suppers, had guilted and served and patched; and after it all, found their Treasury lacking, and so went the round over again. These local victories I count as glorious, and I am sure the Lord does, too; but to-day my heart is overflowed with rejoicing as I have seen these many lesser, or rather local, victories brought to gether to make up the greater one. A little has been paid here and a little there; a little by this one, and a little by that; until today, as the final count has been made and reported, we find that we have advanced a very large per cent over last year. We have not accomplished all we planned for, but I am sure that many of us have experienced a blessing for accepting a high aim and directing our efforts to reach it. Our growth for the year has not all been in dollars, nor can it be measured in dollars, and for this I am glad. Our

women have advanced wonderfully in Missionary interest—they are beginning to see their individual part and we are learning that it is a duty they cannot avoid to arise and meet their personal responsibilities.

And now let us plan wisely for the work of the new year. Let's try not to make the load too heavy under which we will stumble and fall; and yet not too light, lest we squander time by the roadside, or amble along in ease, forget that we have a burden at all, and let it fall from us unnoticed.

We need not expect every day to be bright and all the way sunny. I am sure we do not wish it so; but "May we have just enough shadow to temper the glare of the sun."

May God's hand lead us, and His love and wisdom direct us—each of us in our respective ways, and may we all come together at our next Annual Meeting rejoicing that we have done our part and done it well.

I submit the following statistical report:

Churches visited
Meetings attended
Addresses made 73
Societies organized
Subscriptions for Missionary Journals 130
Tracts and Leaflets distributed
Articles for publication written
Associations attended 12
Miles traveled
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June 1, 1908, to October 31, 1908.

Respectfully submitted,

MATTIE BRASWELL.

The report was adopted.

On account of the very recent death of her father our Secretary of Young Women's Work was unable to meet with us, but sent the following report:

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY OF YOUNG WOMEN'S WORK.

Ardmore, Okla., October 26, 1908.

Dear Workers:-It has been my earnest wish and

hope for many days that I might meet with you in the great Convention assembled; but Providence at times brings forcibly to our minds and hearts the stern though profitable realization that "our ways are not His ways," and that His ways are ever the best. In making the sacrifice I have tried to believe that it is not in vain, but that my spirit in communion and consultation with your spirits, shall receive an equal blessing, even though great distance and deplorable loss separate us. Pray for our home in its mighty need; that our confidence may not abate and that our vision shall become brighter and more glorious in the days that are to follow.

And now, as to a report of the work of the past vear, I come before you with a confession. There were times when I might have done more towards bringing about "the coming of His kingdom and the execution of His will." Times when immediate action, perhaps, would have spared irremediable loss. You will forgive me when I have been negligent; when I have failed to incorporate in my own experience the blessed truths that another of less pretentions would possibly have embodied. And then I come with thanksgiving. There has been a certain joy in the doing of the simple tasks in my Master's name. The appeal for help has oftimes gone unheard, and yet in the few responses I have found a willingness to serve that is a compensation for every struggle. Some souls have become interested that were formerly otherwise engaged; some names have been added to the list that will, through Christian consecration and development, mean much to the churches in which they will work. Whilst some have been woefully indifferent to the call, others have been kind and thoughtful in their extension of courtesies. We do not count the attempt to enlist soldiers in the "Battle Roval" a failure, for we have spoken in God's behalf, and He always understands. And then I come with

assurance. Assurance that some day Struggle and Victory will meet as Jacob and the Angel. Then struggle will have taught us something of the power of God and the infinite sweep of His gospel as we hear Him say, "We did not let thee go until thou didst bless us."

Briefly let me call your attention to just a few of the problems as viewed from the "fields white unto the harvest." First and foremost to me, is the pressing need of Field Work. We must touch these dormant lives and Societies personally if we would interest them in the mighty cause of Missions. They seem to be unconscious of the fact that the appeal is none the less urgent because it comes from the distant heart and voice of your Secretary.

Sometimes I have thought if I could have spoken face to face with the members, I might have been able to enlist their sympathy and win their co-operation. If the employment of one who shall look to this particular phase of our work is impossible, may we not be able to find one who will be glad to give her services, if an occasional expense is paid. The calls have been many and I have felt keenly the advisability of such an expenditure; traveling funds allowed, could surely be made up in the way of contributions from the Society where special interest has been manifested in the Field Work done.

There is, furthermore, a scarcity of literature for young minds and hearts. We have many good wholesome books and leaflets plentiful in their importation of truth; but there is still a greater demand for those books which, clothed in simplicity of style and beauty of illustration, create in the mind of the reader a larger longing to know more of real Missionary life and history.

I am especially grateful for any work that has been given to the Y. W. Auxiliaries by the various members of this Committee. Mrs. Carleton has been splendid in her assistance, and to her I express my hearty thanks.

May the blessings of God rest abundantly upon you, and may whatever inconsistency there may be in our life or methods be but a revelation from God showing us the futility of working without Him, and the inexpressible joy of finding out the secret of His exalted character.

Yours in loving service

DAISY NICHOLS, Secretary.

Discussed; importance of the work emphasized; adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY OF JUNIOR WORK.

Dear Sisters:—When you elected me to the position of Secretary of the Junior Work, it was with the understanding that correspondence would constitute the work of the office.

Acting on the suggestion, I have written to all the places at which I could obtain any addresses—which were not a few.

My probable number of letters being 75 or 80. Responses have been very few, comparatively, but those received were very interesting and encouraging. My first response was from Miss Lillian Fahrney, who has an organization of girls only about eight in number, but who are very much interested and were pledged to raise \$10.00 for Miss Hansen. If they succeeded I have had no report, but with such a leader they have no doubt done much good.

Mrs. Judge Gill had a Junior Boys' Society, but of her work I have no report. Miss L. H. Galloup, of Blackwell wrote of a recently organized Junior which expected to take up the work of a Missionary open meeting and the spirit manifested was enthusiastic. I do not know the number enrolled.

At Edmund Miss Willie N. G. Hunt is a Leader, and

is assisted by Miss Grace Hamilton. There were 20 members at last report, one member who is a good organist and one who intends to be a Missionary. The leader has dedicated her voice to the Lord, and I have no doubt that Junior will be a grand success.

The Atoka Junior is led by Miss Lulu Johnson, and numbers about 15. Miss Johnson I have the good fortune to know personally, and know her to be a consecrated girl. They have taken up Mission study and contributed \$1.50 to Home Missions, \$1.00 to State Missions, and some other contributions to the Murrow Indian Orphanage and special Sunday School Work.

There is a newly organized Junior at Hartshorn, of which Miss Lillian Harvis is Leader. I have heard nothing since the report of the organization.

There is a Junior at Guthrie, which has contributed to Home Missions \$5.00, and to Foreign Missions \$2.00. Its Leader is our own Mrs. Halsted, and the number enrolled during the year is 65. They expect to take up the work of the Oklahoma Baptist Orphans' Home as a special work soon.

At Shawnee, Mrs. W. R. Branch has done great work, having over 130 members. They use the lesson laid down in "Our Junior," also in "Service;" use badges and pins which designate their membership and no doubt enthuses the little ones and makes them feel their importance as such. Semi-annually there is held an examination in these lessons, and, wonderful to relate, every one who took the examination passed and received the certificate. After they receive four certificates they are entitled to a diploma, which promotes them to membership in the B. Y. P. U. The work has been wonderfully done by Mrs. Branch, who has only been in charge about a year. Thirty-five dollars has been given to help in building the church and \$5.00 was sent to Miss McKenzie's school in China. Each month a collection is taken, and they are saving the money

until they decide what is the best object upon which to bestow it.

At Paul's Valley Miss Sallie Cheek is Leader of 50 young children, and the organization is only three months old. They are studying the literature for Junior Work, but being so new, no special work has been taken up.

If the women of the various churches knew how much it means to have the seed sown in the hearts of the children, they would no doubt take more interest in the up-building of Junior Work. The hearts and pocket-books of the parents are now easily reached through the interest of the children in such subjects.

There is no better way to interest mothers (and fathers, too) in Missions than to fill the hearts and minds of the children with the subjects.

I trust each representative here will see that her church has a Junior before Christmas, and that the Mission work is represented in the Christmas Program.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. SUSIE McKELLOP, Secretary.

Discussed by Mrs. Branch, Miss Campbell and others. Adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY OF BABY BAND WORK.

During the six months since we took up the work of B. B. Secretary we have been forming plans, studying methods and laying foundations for a larger work in the future.

We feel that there are great opportunities, as well as great responsibilities for us in this work, and while we have scarcely yet begun to put in operation any plans, we take courage because of the bright outlook, and are greatful for the measure of success attending our efforts.

We are glad to report the work self-sustaining from

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the first, and hope before many months to be able to turn some money into the Treasury.

Since the Executive Meeting at Norman I have secured the pictures, cuts, etc., for the certificates, and same are now in the hands of the printer. During the two weeks tour I made with Mr. Loving and Bro. Moorer, in our Association, I presented the work where possible. At our Associational meeting I spoke of the work, securing a few memberships. I have had correspondence with over 100 of our strongest churches. In some of these I find excellent material for Leaders, and an interest in the work which is very gratifying.

We want to recommend:

First. That you instruct your Secretary to get out a small leaflet, or tract explaining about the work, and such other material as she may find necessary for the carrying forward of the work during the coming year.

Second. That in addition to the membership fees, the children be given little mite boxes to fill, and asked in this way to contribute to our work. And that these offerings be taken quarterly, as follows: First quarter for W. B. H. M. S.; second quarter for Home Department of W. M. U., third quarter for W. B. F. M. S. of the West, fourth quarter for Foreign Department of W. M. U., and that all offerings be equally divided between the above Societies.

Third. That an annual offering be made from the Primary Departments of our Sunday Schools for the Homes for Missionaries' children.

Statistically, my report is as follows:

Letters and postals written	
Addresses	974
Pages literature distributed on B. B. Work1, Received for membership in B. B\$6.00	000
Received for Homes for Missionaries' Children 1.60	
Total received	7.60

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ia (Balance on hand\$2.98
	Respectfully submitted.

MRS. B. A. LOVING, Secretary.

The certificates in preparation were described by Mrs. Loving.

Report was adopted.

President appointed as Tellers in the election to follow: Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. McKellop, Mrs. Burks and Mrs. Dorsey.

While they were preparing ballots we were favored with a beautiful duet by Miss Guest and Miss Blackstone, of Bacone University.

Mrs. Carleton requested that her name be not considered in the election of President.

Prayer for guidance in the selection of officers was led by Mrs. Murrow.

Ballots resulted in the election of the following officers for the year:

President-Mrs. W. E. Dicken, Oklahoma City.

First Vice President—Mrs. W. A. McBride, Atoka. Second Vice President—Mrs. Mary Kirby, Mus-

kogee. Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer—Miss Sue O. Howell, Oklahoma City.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Kizzie Halsted, Guthrie.

On motion of Miss Jayne, voted to refer the election of Field Workers and Secretaries of Y. W., Junior and Baby Band Work to Executive Committee when convened.

Letter of greeting from Mrs. Catherine Hansen Parsons was read.

On motion of Mrs. Murrow, the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to send response. On motion of Mrs. Halsted, voted to incorporate letter in minutes, viz:

Willard, N. M., Oct. 26th, 1908.

To the W. B. M. S. of Oklahoma:

My Beloved Sisters: Read, Phil. 1:24. As you sit together in another Annual Meeting praising God for His manifold blessings, rejoicing over victories gained, planning for the coming year, as only a band of consecrated women can do, who desire nothing else, but to be guided and directed by the Holy Spirit to attempt greater things for His name's honor and glory, I shall be with you dear sisters in spirit and prayer. May His richest blessings rest upon you most abundantly in all of your sessions, and may His love and peace and grace abound in all of your hearts and actions.

For weeks there has not been a day but my heart has gone up in supplication to the Throne of Grace for a glorious success and victory in the campaign in Oklahoma, both for the Convention proper, and the Women's Work. I hardly believe there can be any one of the workers actually engaged in the work who can be more eager and anxious for its final outcome, or more rejoiced over victories gained.

For six years in succession it was my privilege and pleasure to attend the Baptist Conventions of Oklahoma; and, oh, how my heart has rejoiced and gone up in praise and thanksgiving to God from year to year for the glorious advances made, and the Lord only knows how I loved the work and the Baptist people of Oklahoma. May the Lord ever bless them for all their kindness and love to this weak and unworthy servant of His, and for you, my dear sisters, my prayer shall ever be, that the Lord may abundantly reward you.

I believe you would all like to hear me say that I am "very happy" in married life; it has indeed been a choosing from the Lord, and our union is a complete one. But the condition of "Our Work" here in New Mexico is a sad one, it makes my heart ache and travail in sorrow and prayer. It is "Frontier Work" sure enough. We have a large territory, have 400,000 population—of them 150,000 are Mexicans (Catholics), and 50,000 Indians. At the last Convention we had only two churches that were self-supporting, and most of our churches are little weak Mission points that need help, oh, so much, and cannot get it, because the Board has not got it to give.

We are having a hard struggle here at Willard. We have sixteen members, only six of them living in town. Some of the others have had to move to their claims since they joined, and are situated so that they cannot attend nor give any support. We feel this will become an important point in the future, but with saloons and everything else to drag the people down, to keep them from taking any interest in religious work, and all sorts of difficulties and opposition, it makes the burden very hard, but we feel that we must hold on to our little work begun here. If any of you can help us in any way it will be greatly appreciated. Will you not all pray for us most earnestly? Not only our little church here at Willard, but for the Work and the Workers in New Mexico? We hope to organize a Territorial Women's Organization at our Convention in December. I need not say that I would love to be in your midst. I must confess that while I have been writing a longing has taken hold of my heart, to look into your faces and clasp your hands in tender greeting once more. But it cannot be-may the Lord give strength and courage to be faithful and loyal and true, to stand fast and immovable, ever abounding in the work of the Lord, no matter where He may put us.

May the Lord be with you. Greet the brethren assembled. Yours in true Christian love,

CATHARINE PARSONS.

Committee on Resolutions reported through Chairman, Mrs. McBride, as follows:

Whereas, Sister T. C. Carleton has served this body as President for two years wisely and well, giving unreservedly of her strength, mind, soul and body to our Woman's Work, and by her intelligent service, consecrated life and broad vision has been so largely responsible for the success of the year; therefore be it resolved that,

This Convention express our deep appreciation for her labors, and heartfelt wish that health and strength may be fully restored to her.

Be it further resolved—

First. That we feel a deep sense of gratitude to all the officers who have so faithfully carried on the work of the past year.

Second. That we express again our profound appreciation for the cordial co-operation of the various National Societies and the pleasure we have in welcoming their representatives, Sisters Barber of Chicago, Crane of Baltimore, Woody of Louisville, and White of China, to our Convention.

Third. That we tender, by a rising vote, our heartfelt thanks to the Baptists of Muskogee, in particular, and the people of Muskogee in general, for their beautiful hospitality and Christian courtesy, and to the young ladies of Bacone University for their beautiful solos.

Fourth. That we extend a warm welcome and loving greeting to our new Field Worker—little Priscilla Porterfield—the charming baby girl who has so recently come into the home of our dear Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, Sister C. A. Porterfield.

MRS. CLARA A. McBRIDE,

MRS. EDMA MCMILLAN,

MRS. S. A. CAREY.

As the fourth resolution was read "Little Priscilla,"

who was awakened from her nap, was presented by Mrs. Dicken, and given the Chautauqua salute.

The resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Invitation was continued to recommend place of holding Mid-Year Conference to Executive Committee, after it is known where the Convention will meet next year.

After prayer, led by Mrs. Yeager, of Tulsa, adjourned to continue business session at 8:30 the following morning.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 7:30 P. M.

Song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Devotion service led by Mrs. McBride. She brought the message, "Go Forward," which was echoed throughout the evening.

Rev. J. S. Murrow led in prayer.

We were very happy to have with us representatives of our co-operating Societies and to hear from them at this time.

Mrs. S. E. Woody addressed us on the work of the W. M. U. Training School at Louisville. She told of the efforts in securing the building; the munificent gift of the Sunday School Board; the treasure the Union has in the principal, Mrs. McLure, and of the course of study and training the work embraces.

Miss Crane spoke of "Co-Operation in Missionary Effort," as illustrated by W. M. U. with the Boards; with the Home Board in the work at the landing places, Baltimore, Galveston and Tampa; the Indian Work, the Mountain School Work, etc. With the Foreign Board in the work in Korea, Africa, China, etc. In all bringing the work so clearly before us that we indeed felt that "it is not very far off, but near by way of the throne."

Prayer was offered by Rev. Ford of Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Barber told us of the work of the W. B. H. M. S. and the B. M. T. S.

The W. B. H. M. S. not in Chicago, but composed of women all over the United States, and "its officers your servants for Jesus' sake." She told of the two strong calls that brought it into existence to do work among women and children; then something of the work the 171 Missionaries now on the field are doing, among the negroes, at Ellis Island, among the mill and mining people, among the Chinese and Japanese, and among the Indians.

Called attention to Mission study courses for the year and to plans for consolidation of W. B. H. M. S., with the W. A. B. H. M. S.; to the new Training School building yet unfinished, and the value of Missionary 'Training Schools, closing with an appeal that every Baptist may so live, so give that from every home and heart may echo and re-echo the glad anthem, "Praise Ye the Lord."

A beautiful solo, "The Lord Is My Shepherd," was sung by Miss Guest, of Bacone.

Mrs. F. J. White, a Missionary on furlough from Shanghai, China, addressed us on the work of the W. B. F. M. S. W. She mentioned our lack of representatives on the field and rejoiced with us that one from Oklahoma is soon to be sent out. She told of how carefully the native Christians are trained to tell others of Jesus, of wonderful sunrise and twilight prayer meetings in Miss Elgie's School at Ningpo, and contrasted, from scenes she had witnessed, the despair of the Buddhist woman's cry, "Oh, Buddha, have mercy," with the calm sweet faith of the Christian Chinese woman in the hour of affliction.

Following the address an offering for our Training Schools was taken.

The Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions requested permission to read them again before this body,

and on reading resolution I presented, in behalf of the Society, a beautiful bouquet of chrysanthemums to the retiring President.

Mrs. Carleton introduced the new President, Mrs. Dicken, who briefly spoke her appreciation.

Closed with prayer led by Mrs. Carleton.

THURSDAY MORNING, 8:30 A. M.

Devotional by President, Mrs. Carleton, Scrip. Psalm 103.

Minutes read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Recommendations respectfully submit the following report:

First. For the coming year we would recommend that our Societies adopt the same schedule in making offerings for the objects included in our apportionment that is recommended by the State Board.

Second. We also recommend that the apportionment for next year be made on the basis of 10 per cent increase on last year's contribution, plus last year's deficit.

Third. We call special attention to the work of supporting orphans, both white and Indian children. Our work as women is especially for women and children and there is no work that more quickly excites our deepest sympathy, or is more deserving of our heartiest support. Therefore, we recommend that our Societies make liberal contributions to the support of the Oklahoma Baptist Orphan's Home at Oklahoma City, which is under the control of the State Convention, and the Murrow Indian Orphans' Home, located at Unchuka, Okla., and under the control of the American Baptist Home Mission Society of New York. We urge that a special effort be made for this work during the months of November and December, according to the State schedule, and that the contributions be sent to W. A. McKinney, of Oklahoma City, and Rev. J. S. Murrow of Atoka.

We present the following recommendations made by the President, Mrs. T. C. Carleton:

Fourth. That some measure be adopted to avoid a repetition of the embarrassment of the year just closed, in regard to finances. The Treasury has been crippled and the Workers have been harrassed by financial perplexities. To remedy this I suggest not only the method of systematic and proportionate remittances quarterly, but the placing of special stress on the first two quarters, and urge every Worker here to see that her Society works this plan.

Fifth. That three Vice Presidents (we now have only two) be appointed as Superintendents of five districts—Northeast, Southeast, Northwest, Southwest and South Central, whose transportation to Executive Meetings shall be paid by their respective districts.

Sixth. That this body co-operate with the Young People's Forward Movement, in the endeavor to have the study of Missions placed on an equal footing with literature and science in our Colleges, so that students may have an intelligent conception of this great department of study, and also that we lend our aid in the establishment of the study of Missions in our Sunday Schools. To this end it is recommended that a standing committee be appointed to confer to the proper officials in regard to carrying their plans into effect.

Seventh. That copies of Tidings, Helping Hand, Our Home Field, the Foreign Mission Journal, World Wide and Kind Words be placed in the reading rooms of the State University, Y. W. C. A., and all Baptist Schools, where they are not now on file, and that one of the Missionary Traveling Libraries be kept in our Baptist Schools in Oklahoma during the school year.

Respectfully submitted, SUE O. HOWELL, Chmn.

Number five was tabled. Number seven was adopted, with such amendments as the Corresponding Secretary and Library Committee may see best to make. All others unanimously adopted.

Six thousand dollars was the amount decided upon as our aim for the year, including the deficit of the past year.

A recommendation also carried to furnish Corresponding Secretary with a telephone.

Adjourned to 8:30 a. m., October 30th, with closing prayer by Mrs. Carleton.

FRIDAY MORNING, 8:30 A. M.

Devotional by President, Mrs. Dicken.

Verse of Scripture, "Not alone, because the Father is with me." John 16:32.

Prayer by Miss Howell.

Reports of Indian Work were given.

Mrs. M. M. Rodgers submitted report for Women's Missionary Society of Choctaw and Chickasaw Association, which was adopted.

Following is a summary: Organized 32 years; composed of 23 Local Societies, all Indians except Atoka Society; 159 members, which were represented by 40 representatives in Associational gatherings. Contributions \$470.16 and seven quilts, besides \$48 paid through State Treasurer for Home, Foreign and State Missions.

Mrs. Clouse, Missionary among the Kiowas and Comanches, spoke briefly of their work.

Mrs. Daniel Bird, a Cherokee Indian woman, made report of excellent work done by the Woman's Societies of Cherokee Association.

Miss Howell spoke appreciation of the call to the work of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, words which she had wanted to speak at the time of the election of officers, but her heart was too full for words. 156

A few words also from Mrs. Dicken and Mrs. Porterfield, of commendation and of desire that the work may go forward.

On motion of Miss Jayne, voted to instruct Corresponding Secretary to write a letter to Mrs. Stalcup expressing our love and appreciation of her.

Executive Committee meeting appointed at 4:00 p. m.

Adjourned with prayer led by Miss Jayne and Mrs. Murrow.

In Executive Session October 30th, the Department Secretaries were elected, viz:

Secretary of Young Women's Work-Mrs. C. A. Porterfield, Oklahoma City.

Secretary of Junior Work-Mrs. W. R. Branch, Shawnee.

Secretary of Baby Band Work-Mrs. B. A. Loving, Woodward.

Standing Committees were announced (see page —) Miss Mattie Braswell was elected Field Worker for the year, a second Field Worker to be elected at the end of the first quarter, if necessary and feasible.

Corresponding Secretary instructed to ask co-operating Boards for the same assistance as given in the past.

The following apportionment, including deficit, was adopted:

Foreign Missions\$1,800
Home Missions 1,800
State Missions 1,200
Field Work and General Expenses 1,200
Voted to hold first and third quarterly Executive

Meetings at Oklahoma City.

Respectfully submitted

MRS. KIZZIE HALSTED,

Recording Secretary.

MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING.

BANNER ASSOCIATION

- Mrs. M. Burks, Pres., Pauls Valley. Mrs. W. R. Wheeler, Wynnewood.

BETHEL.

- Mrs. C. Stubblefield, Pres., Durant. Mrs. G. A. Winters, Durant. Mrs. J. O. Prusuck, Caddo. Mrs. J. B. Parrack, Caddo. Miss M. Campbell, Coalgate.

CENTRAL DISTRICT.

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- DELAWARE.
- Mrs. T. O. Harvison, Pres., Wagoner. Mrs. J. M. Barker, Wagoner. Mrs. J. A. Yeager, Tulsa. Mrs. R. F. McArthur, Tulsa. Mrs. S. A. Carey, Muskogee. Mrs. Garfield Johnson, Muskogee. Mrs. Garfield Johnson, Muskogee. Mrs. Mary Kirby, Muskogee. Mrs. Mary Kirby, Muskogee. Mrs. Mary Todd, Muskogee.

- Mrs. Stonewall Tingle, Muskogee. Mrs. W. S. Wiley, Muskogee. Mrs. Mary Townes, Muskogee. Mrs. Mary Brown, Muskogee.
- Mrs. Mary Brown, Muskogee. Mrs. Ayers, Muskogee. Mrs. Duncan, Muskogee. Mrs. Oldham, Muskogee. Mrs. Ely, Muskogee. Mrs. Slaughter, Muskogee. Mrs. A. G. Williams, Muskogee. Miss Williams, Muskogee. Mrs. Susie McKellop, Muskogee. Mrs. Edna McMillan, Bristow.

- Mrs. H. E. Neighbor, Bristow. Mrs. Annie Blount, Big Cabin.
- - EASTERN DISTRICT.
- Mrs. T. S. Johnson, Pres., Vian. Mrs. C. A. Hunt, Vian.

FRIENDSHIP.

- Mrs. M. A. Lake, Pres., Shawnee. Mrs. W. R. Branch, Shawnee. Mrs. W. G. Dickson, Shawnee.

ILLINOIS RIVER.

- Mrs. T. C. Merritt, Pres., Pryor Creek. MILLS COUNTY.
- Mrs. L. D. Farrar, Pres., Oheyenne. Mrs. E. E. Tracy, Cheyenne.
- NORTH CANADIAN.
- Mrs. J. W. Dorsey, Pres., Henryetta. PAWNEE.
- Mrs. Belle Brendel, Pres., Pawnee. WOODWARD.
- Mrs. B. A. Loving, Pres., Woodward. ZION.
- Miss Kate D. Perry, McAlester. Mrs. L. Smith, McAlester. Lydia Piepgrass, Indianola. Eliza Choate, Indianola.

- - CHEROKEE-(INDIAN).
- Mrs. Nancy Bird, proxy, Gideon.
- CHOCTAW AND CHICKASAW-(IN-DIAN).
- Mrs. Mary Rogers, proxy, Atoka. Mrs. J. S. Murrow, Atoka. Mrs. W. A. McBride, Atoka. Mrs. J. W. Shepherd, Atoka.

- - OKLAHOMA INDIAN,
- Mrs. H. H. Clouse, Pres., Mountain View. Mis Mary P. Jayne, Watonga.

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