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Pastors of First Baptist Shelby

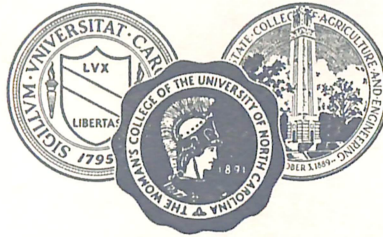
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Correspondence & Notes - 1963 - William Friday to Roland Leath

William Friday

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WILLIAM FRIDAY
President

CHAPEL HILL

September 10, 1963

Mr. Roland Leath
First Baptist Church
120 North Lafayette Street
Shelby, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Leath:

Thank you for your letter of September 9.

I deeply regret to advise you that there is no available copy of a photograph of Mr. A. J. Cansler in the University. No photographs were taken of the graduates of the Class of 1847 and there is nothing available in the University archives which I could send you.

I regret I could not be more helpful.

Cordially,

William Friday

Elder Alexander Jacob Canaler

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Rogers: History of Arkansas Baptists, 1948, page 199.

Rev. A. H. (sic.) Canaler was born in South Carolina in 1825. He moved first to North Arkansas but a few years later moved to Columbia Association where he was quite active and became a leader. He died in 1872.

minutes of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, 1871

messenger from Zion Hill Baptist Church and Columbia Baptist Association. On Monday Morning Nov. 6 led the benediction. He pledged \$25 to Ministerial Education. Chairman and made report on Sunday Schools:

Report on Sunday Schools

Your committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to report that it is a lamentable fact that our denomination has not taken that interest in schools of this kind which the emergency of the times demand. We recommend that this Body urge upon the delegates of the Churches and Associations ~~com-~~ posing this Convention to more earnestly engage in this great enterprise, which will cause to be taught more perfectly the truths contained in the Bible. Respectfully submitted.

A. J. Canaler, Chairman

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A. J. Canaler, Chairman.

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He does not appear in any lists of ministers across the years while living in Arkansas

Minutes of ABSC, Arkadelphia, Nov. 10, 1870
messenger from Zion Hill Baptist Church, Seminary,
Arkansas. Not listed as a minister.
He was chairman and made report of the Education Committee

Report of Education Committee

The Committee on Education beg leave to submit the following report, viz: The subject of Education, has engrossed the attention of the world for many years; it is demanding more attention now than formerly. We, as a denomination, feel the necessity of an educated people. All kinds of toleration are being published, much of which had a demoralizing effect; and as we, as Baptists, will have to contend for our peculiar tenets, we will hail with pleasure the day when the Southern Baptist Publication Society shall be placed in full operation, where we shall be enabled to obtain such liberation as will be healthy to us as a denomination.

We are glad in view of the past, that the Baptist denomination have a college to educate young men called of God to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. A college of high character has been erected at Clinton, Miss. A brighter day awaits us as a denomination in Arkansas, if we best rightly cultivate the use of the means now afforded us.

Respectfully submitted.

A. J. Consler, Chairman.

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Minutes of Columbia Association, 1870

Showed he was a delegate from Zion Hill Baptist Church.

Minutes of Columbia Association, 1871

Elder Alexander J. Candler was a ~~del~~ delegate from Zion Hill Baptist Church, Seminary, Arkansas along with C. G. Lassiter and T. J. Davis. He was chairman and made the report of the Education Committee.

Report of Education Committee

Text same as text of Report given to the State Convention ~~that~~ ^{the} fall before.

Statistics

Zion Hill Church, Seminary, Arkansas. Elder A. J. Candler, pastor

Clerk - M. J. Hentry

Baptisms - 12

Rec'd by letter - 7

Dismissed by letter - 1

Membership - 59

Contributions - \$1400.00

Days of meeting - 2 per month

He was elected delegate from Columbia Association to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention meeting in Monticello, Arkansas, Nov. 2-4, 1871. He attended.