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79th Annual Session
KINGS MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
NORTH CAROLINA
at
Boiling Springs Church

OCTOBER EIGHTH-NINTH
1929

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ASSOCIATION PROGRAM FOR 1930

The 80th annual session of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association will meet with Patterson Springs Church Tuesday and Wednesday after the first Sunday in October, 1930.

First Day—Morning Session
9:30—Devotional and Organization ........................................ J. P. Mull
10:00—Religious Literature ...................................................... Mrs. J. A. Lyles
10:30—Woman's Work ................................................................. Rush Padgett
10:45—Introductory Sermon .......................................................... A. T. Howell
11:00—Sunday School ................................................................. Horace Easom
11:15—Missions ................................................................. D. G. Washburn
11:30—Devotions and Reading Minutes ........................................ Fred E. Green
1:00—Foreign Missions .............................................................. Dr. Zeno Wall
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2:00—Home Missions ............................................................... D. F. Furcron
2:15—Miscellaneous ................................................................. Dr. Zeno Wall
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Second Day—Morning Session
9:00—Christian Education and Boiling Springs College .................. Dr. J. B. Davis
9:30—Reports of Finance Committee and Treasurer. Adjourn.
10:00—Religious Literature ...................................................... Mrs. J. A. Lyles
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Delegates Enrolled During Session
BEAVER DAM—R. W. McCurry, Mrs. R. W. McCurry.
BETHLEHEM—G. M. Howell.
BOILING SPRINGS—Addie Roe Lemons, Nancy Green, Mary Lee Moore,
                   David W. Moore, H. C. Rushing, J. M. Goode, E. B. Hamrick,
                   Unie Hamrick, Rosina H. Grigg, Mrs. Avery Buchanon,
                   Mrs. Vinie Hamrick, Mrs. Rex Bridges, J. W. Wood,
                   J. O. Summerlin, J. L. Jenkins, John Walker,
                   D. B. Pruett.
CASAR—A. M. Pruett, Guy Warlick, Mrs. F. M. Newton.
CARPENTERS GROVE—D. C. Carpenter, J. M. Carpenter.
DOUBLE SPRINGS—S. W. Green, D. G. Washburn, G. Green, J. C. Washburn,
                   J. S. Gillespie, F. E. Green.
DOVER—R. C. Hicks, D. F. Putnam.
EASTSIDE—J. D. Belch, W. K. Cline, J. P. Toms, Mrs. W. K. Cline, R. R. Cook,
            L. D. Fleming, R. G. Holland.
FALLSTON—Mrs. G. S. Royster, Mrs. W. F. Hamrick, G. S. Royster, P. Z.
            Carpenter, J. Cletus Royster.
FLINT HILL—L. V. Blanton.
GROVER—Mrs. B. P. Hambright, Mrs. J. A. Bridges, Mrs. D. J. Keeter, W.
The 79th annual session of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association met with Boiling Springs Baptist church, October 8th and 9th, 1929.

The session opened at 9:30 a.m. with a song service led by Prof. H. C. Rushing, head of the Voice department of Boiling Springs Junior College.
Prof. Rushing had charge of the music throughout all the sessions of the association.
Prayer led by Rev. D. F. Putnam.
Song.
Prayer led by Rev. A. T. Howell.

**Enrollment Committee**

C. C. Hamrick, Gilbert Hord, Lester Roberts, S. H. Austell and Clarence Wilson were appointed as enrollment committee by the incumbent moderator, J. W. Suttle, with G. G. Page, incumbent clerk, at the table.

**Organization**

Upon motion, the rules were suspended and the association proceeded to organization before a count of delegates had been made. Upon motion of D. J. Keeter all incumbent officers were re-elected by acclamation as follows: Moderator, Rev. J. W. Suttle; vice moderator, Dr. Zeno Wall; clerk, G. G. Page; treasurer, George Blanton.

**Report on Religious Literature**

The report on religious literature assigned to W. E. Lowe was called for and Brother Lowe proved absent and no report was at hand. The clerk was asked to secure report later and encouch in minutes. Rev. B. G. Early, representing Biblical Recorder and other religious literature of the denomination.

**Report on W. M. U.**

(Read by Mrs. John Wacaster)

The work of the Woman's Missionary Union is growing in favor with the churches and in effectiveness with every passing year. So it is with a great deal of joy and pleasure that I bring to you this W. M. U. report, the best in my mind that has ever been reported in this Association. Our women have put their emphasis on Study, Prayer, Service and Giving, and a program built around these words cannot fail.

Realizing that before our people can and will do, they must be informed, so one of the outstanding forces in our achievements is our Mission Study classes. We believe that an intelligent understanding of the needs begets interest and a genuine interest brings forth gifts. During the past year 59 Mission Study classes were held.

Another force in the development of our work has been the definiteness of our aim. During the years we have had a standard of excellence toward which we have continually striven. The following organizations reached all points on Standard and are classed as A1 organizations: W. M. S., Fallston, Grover, Kings Mountain First, Waco and Zoar; Y. W. A.: Boiling Springs and Grover; R. A.: Fallston; Sunbeams: Fallston and Grover. We now have 10 churches that have full graded unions.

Another secret of our progress is our regard for little things. We do not have large gifts, but an almost infinite number of small contributions. Greater than any of these, possibly greater than all of these, is the reliance upon Jehovah, as shown in the emphasis placed on prayer. Fifty-seven organizations observed the special seasons of prayer.

Service, yes, our women are enlisted in His Service. We find numerous places to serve. One part of this service is known as our personal service work. I sometimes think of our personal service work as a great lighthouse on the rock-bound coast, shedding its rays of light out over the troubled waters, warming and brightening up the hearts of the sick and needy, the foreigner and the unsaved in our midst. Every organization is engaged in some sort of personal service.

Regular reports count much in our work. During the past year, 1928, our women paid $8,861.57, an increase over the year 1927 of $1,861.57. While some of you church treasurers will doubtless report a decrease in contributions we are happy to report an increase. You see with a program built around Christ who said "Look, Pray, Go and Give," our women have in looking caught a vision, in praying have heard the Master speak and call,
and in going and giving found joy and gladness and had the assurance that Christ was with them.

Our associational meeting was held at Fallston with the largest attendance ever enrolled, over 500 being present and a splendid program was given on both days. Some of our outstanding speakers were Mrs. W. N. Jones, our state president; Dr. Davis and the Bostics. Our next meeting will be held at Double Springs.

Our divisional superintendents are responsible for quite a bit of our success, they having held numerous meetings and organized some new societies. Outstanding of all possibly is the work done by our junior superintendent, Mrs. W. F. Hamrick. She led the young people in a marvelous way during the past year. Her mantle has fallen upon Miss Iva Watterson of First Church, Shelby.

The officers for the year are: Superintendent, Mrs. John Wacaster; junior superintendent, Miss Iva Watterson; secretary, Miss Gertrude Street; treasurer, Mrs. U. A. Black; divisional superintendents: No. 1, Mrs. M. A. Jolley; No. 2, Mrs. J. C. Dodd; No. 3, Mrs. B. F. Bird; No. 4, Mrs. J. K. Willis; No. 5, Mrs. E. G. Spurling; No. 6, Mrs Robert. Cline.

Realizing as never before our responsibility, we ask that you remember us in your prayers; co-operate with us in our efforts, and thus help us lead this great host on.

All the aims of the W. M. U. have ever been high and each new eminence attained has shown us other heights to reach.

The whole wide world with its restless millions waits to be conquered. India, China, Africa, South America, Japan, war torn Europe, spacious continents, crowded countries, cannibal islands and coral reefs, all wait, as the peaks wait the pathfinder.

The call of the Master is heard, it stirs our blood, it fires our fancy. It is a day for girding our loins for heroic enterprise. The pinnacles beckon and the topmost crags are calling.

In the words of Isaiah: "Let us enlarge the place of our tent; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes and victory will be ours."

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JOHN WACASTER,
Superintendent of W. M. U.


**Report on Orphanage**

(Read by John P. Mull.)

The appeal of our orphanage is perhaps the most appealing of all the appeals which come to our individual churches and to each one of us as individuals. The Mills Home, as our orphanage is now called, was established in 1855 and since that time more than 3000 children have been enrolled and cared for by the institution. In other words, the institution has reached out its beneficent arms and cared for and mothered more than 3000 children who had no home or means of support. When you save a child you save a life. In the caring for and sustaining these 3000 our institution has been the instrument in turning into the channels of good citizens just that many people who would have been lost to society. Perhaps many would have found themselves into the penitentiaries, jails and the charitable institutions of our land.

It costs about $25.00 per month to support a child at our institution or about $300.00 per year. This includes everything that they need. The only means that the institution has to meet these expenses is by voluntary contributions from the different churches and the individuals who make up the churches. We recommend that each Sunday School in this Association set aside one Sunday in each month for a special collection for the orphanage. Let special effort be made to get pledges and make this collection the largest of any Sunday in the month. Then follow this once a month Sunday School collection by a general round up on Thanksgiving when every member is to give the equivalent of one day's earning. Our orphanage is now borrowing money to meet current expenses and unless we make a
generous offering, our children will suffer. During last year our Association has contributed about $4,000 to the support of the orphanage and we have 14 children there which cost $4200.00 to support. In other words, we are depending on the other churches to give us $200.00 to support our orphan children. Let us go beyond and help support others. Some of our rich men and women of this Association ought to remember our orphanage in their wills and in this way help to endow the institution. We recommend that our pastors and superintendents call the attention of the people to the needs of our orphanage and that each church adopt some systematic plan of contributing to its support.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. MULL.


Chair recognizes visitors and new pastors.

**Introductory Sermon**

The hour for the introductory sermon arrives and Rev. C. J. Black who was assigned this duty takes a seat behind the pulpit. Congregation stood and sang “On Jordan's Stormy Banks.” Prayer was led by the moderator. Brother Black took his text “Speak to the Children of Israel That They Go Forward.” The sermon was most timely and forceful. At the suggestion of Rev. W. E. Furcron a rising vote of appreciation was accorded Brother Black.

**Committee Appointments**

The moderator announced the appointment of committees as follows:

Woman's Work—Mrs. John Wacaster.
Orphanage—J. P. Mull.
State Missions—C. J. Black, J. S. Gillespie, J. P. Toms.
Home Missions—J. L. Jenkins, A. P. Spake, D. J. Keeter.
Baptist Hospital—G. P. Abernethy.
Christian Education and Boiling Springs Junior College—Zeno Wall.
Obituaries—I. D. Harrill.
Benediction by D. G. Washburn.
Adjourn for Dinner.

**First Day—Afternoon Session**

1:30 p. m.—Song Service.
Prayer led by Rev. C. M. Robinson.

**Report on Co-operative Program and Church Finance**

(Prepared by Rush Padgett and read by W. T. Brown)

Contributions to the Co-operative Program from 1927 to 1928 fell off a little more than $32,000. 1928 to 1929 there was a loss of approximately $19,000. Not as great as the year before yet it is great enough to bring much suffering to our work.

There are three principal reasons for this decline in our general work. First, financial depression and increased living expense. Second, we have had a period of building among the churches, which may for the present retard our general progress, yet it means the strengthening of the stakes for the future. So many new churches but reflect the success of the building program of the Sunday School Board.

Third, the third reason is, we are just recovering from a number of campaigns or spasms. Of course, I suppose we must keep on having spasms
until we grow out of it into an age of stewardship. This age of campaigns has been a success in that it has helped us to get over the hardshell spirit. Our stewardship will be a success when it enables us to leave so many campaigns, a few of which possibly will always be necessary.

The road to a better day. No church is any dearer than its officers. A church with enlisted officers will soon be an enlisted church. By church officers, I mean Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. officers, as well as pastor and deacons. Ought a man be an officer in a missionary church who does not practice missions? If each church should check her officers what would be the status? If the blind lead the blind, both will fall into the ditch.

May the committee suggest that the following questions be added to the church letter for next year:

Who is the pastor? Does he give to home expense? Does he give to missions?

How many deacons in the church? How many of them give to home expenses? How many to missions?

How many general officers, Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U.? How many of them give to home expenses? How many of them give to missions?

How many teachers are there in the Sunday School? How many of them give to home expenses? How many of them give to missions?

Respectfully,
Rush Padgett.
W. T. Brown.
Subscription Committee.

State Missions
(Read by C. J. Black)

For nearly one hundred years the Baptist State Convention has been working toward the evangelization of our state. Hundreds of missionaries have been employed at meager salaries, and hundreds of people through the ministry of these servants of God have been saved and these have gone to tell others about their Christ. Hundreds of churches have been organized and many other things have been done by this important board. The good it has done cannot be estimated by creatures of this world. God alone knows what it has done, and the task is not yet finished. We have now reached a time when our opportunity is greatest. How shall we face it? Shall we relinquish our undertaking? Or shall we renew our efforts? What is the best solution of the present situation? But you ask “What is the situation?” To this we wish to say it is very serious. It is the most serious it has been for many years, if ever before.

1. The Board is in debt for much of the work it has had done and still there is much more work to be done before the year is out.
2. The Board has retrenched year after year until it has gone as far back as it can without reaching a very embarrassing position. It is terrible to have to say that we have undertaken more than we are able to finish, but we have come to this point now.
3. Our contributions to this work have been on the decrease for several years and seemingly our people have lost faith, or they have lost interest. Five years ago we were spending $150,000 for state mission work while this year our program called for only $89,000 and $15,000 of this is to be applied on indebtedness. Our contributions have not reached this amount and still they keep falling behind what they were last year.

We Wish to Make a Few Recommendations to This Association
1. We recommend that we do our best to carry out the program arranged by our Board for Sunday, October 27, and, if possible, raise enough that day to pay off all of the indebtedness of our Board at that time. Our Sunday Schools are our only hope. If they fail on this work, we are gone.
2. We recommend that our pastors renew their efforts to arouse our folks concerning this important task. They must preach on State Missions and bring the matters clearly before their folks that they just cannot refuse to accept the challenge our state offers us for the advancement of Christ’s kingdom in our land. With the purest Anglo-Saxon blood on earth, and
many other things we ought to be proud of, how can we afford to give back at such an important time? We recommend that we renew our efforts as never before for this last great struggle.

3 We also recommend that we urge our people to subscribe for the Biblical Recorder so that they may inform themselves on denominational affairs. As long as our people are ignorant of what we are doing, we are not going to get them to advance very much in their offerings. Get our people to reading and they will soon respond to the appeals our leaders are making for our denominational work.

Now this last word—what shall we do? Shall we discontinue the State Board? Shall we discontinue State Missions? or what shall we do. What can we afford to do? These questions are easy to answer. The only honorable thing we can do is to go forward by leaps and bounds in our work. Let us take courage and go forward.

Sincerely,

C. J. Black.

J. S. Gillespie.

Discussed by C. J. Black and D. F. Putnam.

**Home Missions**

(By J. L. Jenkins)

The purpose of Home Missions is the proclamation of the gospel in our home land to those who have never heard it. The problem of Home Missions is to organize those who have been saved into churches and to take care of the phases of missionary evangelism that do not fall within the province of any one state.

Thirteen months ago a great disaster befell the Home Mission Board when an enormous shortage of the former's treasurer in the sum of over nine hundred thousand dollars was discovered. But the Southern Baptist Convention which met in Memphis last May thought it wise to continue operations of the Board with certain restrictions. The Board has been completely reorganized and already it has vindicated its existence. Dr. J. B. Lawrence has recently been chosen as executive secretary-treasurer of the Board.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention realizing, last fall, the extremities of the board's financial plight, authorized and put on a special appeal to the churches on November 11th to bring relief to the board. This appeal brought in a total of $397,444.23. In addition to this emergency gifts were made, amounting to about $58,000. The record of the Board's finances, as reported last May, are as follows: Notes payable reduced from $1,248,000 to $882,000; restored to the church building fund, $99,872.00; restored and deposited to the Bottoms Fund, $50,000.

The policy of the Board for the future is outlined in the Home Mission Board bulletin as follows: "The Board will follow implicitly the instructions of the Southern Baptist Convention. It shall become an efficient and economical agency, so conducting itself as to merit the confidence and support of Southern Baptists.

"The supreme emphasis shall be placed upon work that is purely missionary.

"The Home Board stands solidly behind the co-operative program of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"We promise, on our sacred honor, that all funds shall have every safeguard thrown around their handling that can be devised. From month to month we will publish an itemized statement of receipts. All original letters containing money shall be kept on file and checked by the auditor against cash book entries. All checks must be signed by two people, the executive secretary-treasurer and countersigned by the president of the board and no check shall ever be signed in blank by either. All money borrowed must first have an order passed by the Board, authorizing the securing of the loan and then the negotiations at the bank must be handled by the finance committee and the note must be signed by two people, the executive secretary-treasurer and one other officer of the Board. All books are audited
periodically without previous notice to the bookkeeper and annually a complete audit for the year is made. Nothing to insure safety is left undone."

Our immediate task is to reach and save and train over 16,000,000 people from 28 different nations who have come to us from the ends of the earth. We have over 7,200,000 practically unreached in the mountain sections of the South. In addition to these we have 2,000,000 in Panama and Cuba who constitute great missionary opportunities and responsibilities. In other words, we are responsible for the salvation of over 25,000,000 who are not included in the program of any denomination and many thousands of whom are poisoned and prejudiced by non-religious and alien influences from abroad. All of our economic, industrial, moral religious troubles arise because of the lack of the principles of the Gospel of Jesus Christ having been offered. The one thing that will save America and, through America the world, is nothing more nor less than the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

J. L. Jenkins.

Report on Foreign Missions

(Read by H. E. Waldrop)

The work of the Foreign Mission Board has made steady advance during the past year. There have been many difficulties in the way, but through the favor of the Lord there have appeared many encouragements.

Fine progress has been made towards the reduction of the great debt which has burdened the Board for so many years. The debt as set up on the books January 1, 1928, amounted to $1,145,000. By the first of May, 1929, this debt had been reduced to $802,506.88. This is most encouraging.

The plan for reducing the debt is to apply to it 10% of all receipts from the Co-operative Program, all special gifts made for this specific purpose, and all moneys received from the sale of properties owned by the Board in foreign lands, and which are not now in use for mission purposes.

The vigor of our foreign mission work is shown by a few figures. We have in our foreign mission fields 1,392 churches; 744, or about one-half of these, are self-supporting, and 960, or two-thirds of them, own their houses of worship.

There are 147,648 members of these churches. If we leave out of consideration the amount the Foreign Mission Board pays for the salaries and expenses of its foreign missionaries, these native Christians put last year more money into the support of the native work than did the Board. The Foreign Mission Board gave $540,000 to develop the work among the missions, and the native Christians gave for the same work $575,000.

They baptized last year 12,264 converts, or a little over 1,000 every month or 33 every day.

These foreign churches are organized into Baptist Associations as we are organized here in the homeland. Many fields have home and foreign mission boards. They have schools also. The native churches support the majority of our foreign mission schools. There were 486 schools last year with over 21,000 scholars. The Foreign Mission Board contributed toward the support of less than 100 of these schools. The native Christians took care of the remainder.

These native Christians have also made a substantial beginning in the developing of hospitals. One of the largest hospitals connected with our work abroad is the one supported entirely by the native Baptist Christians in Canton in our South China field.

It is very encouraging to realize that our Baptist brethren carry their part of the burden and show themselves worthy of our hearty co-operation.

In all quarters of the world there is arising now most challenging situations. The opportunities for pressing our missionary work were never more compelling.

The situation in China grows clearer. The government which has been able to weather difficult storms recently, seems to be definitely established. Idols are being destroyed in many places, and temples are being used for
schools. The anti-foreign and anti-Christian sentiments are dying out, and everywhere evidences of a new day manifest themselves.

Missionaries have returned to all of our stations, and have received a warm welcome. There are widespread and unmistakable evidences of a great revival. People are awaiting baptism in a great many places.

All Latin America is in a ferment of revolt against despotic autocracy in both politics and religion. The people have little understanding of Christianity, because the Roman Catholic church has failed them. The result is that the intelligent classes are turning away from the Roman Church to agnosticism, atheism and indifference. The only remedy for this distressing religious situation is the gospel of Jesus Christ. There is evidence of much spiritual hunger, especially among the younger people. In all of the Republics in which we have missions, we are finding most encouraging response to the gospel.

In a great number of new districts in Nigeria vast multitudes are turning to Christ. The people are turning from idols and accepting Christ by the thousands. Whole towns are professing Christianity. Baptist churches are springing up in towns which have never had a visit from a foreign missionary or even an ordained native Baptist minister. This is the greatest mass movement toward Christianity we have ever met.

In its new life Europe is no longer flint-like in resisting outside impressions. It is open to the approach of the gospel. Our evangel is well received in every country in which we operate. We baptized 4,525 in Roumania last year—the largest number of baptisms we have ever reported in any year from any field.

Thus we see rising from the four corners of the earth unmistakable evidences of sweeping changes in the thought and attitude of the peoples. Never in all history have such hosts of men been so susceptible to new impressions. They are, and will be even more attentive to the gospel if we will demonstrate promptly that it gives the light for which they search and satisfies the soul-hunger which gnaws in their bosoms.

In spite of all the problems on the foreign fields, delicate, perplexing and difficult though they may be, we feel no discouragement. We know that the gospel will certainly triumph wherever it is preached. The only discouragement worth considering is that which arises from lack of support here in the homeland. Thank God we can take care of this source of discouragement. We certainly have the resources in wealth. The question is whether we have spiritual resources sufficiently strong to make us respond to the needs. Do we love Christ who died for us? Do we really bear in mind the great truth that He died not for us only but for all the world? God has waked up the whole world in our day. He must have had some purpose in this. Will we wake up to our privilege and duty to make known in all the world His precious saving grace?

“For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, that they that live should no longer live unto themselves, but unto Him who for their sakes died and rose again.”—II Cor. 5:14-15.

Committee—
H. E. Waldrop.
J. B. Lattimore.
W. W. Washburn.

Discussed by H. E. Waldrop, Miss Attie Bostic, a missionary on furlough from China, and C. M. Robinson.

Dr. Walter M. Gilmore, of the General Board at Raleigh, was present and discussed all the mission reports together. All mission reports adopted.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Gilmore.

Time is extended ten minutes and a special inspirational address is heard from D. G. Washburn.

D. F. Putnam presented Dr. Maddry’s plan of distribution of the executive committee so as to reach all sections of the associations and represent all the interests of the work and brought recommendation from the pastors’
conference that it be adopted. The plan was further discussed by D. J. 
Keeter and Walter M. Gilmore. No action was taken.
Delegates enrolled during day, 176.
Doxology.
Benediction by W. E. Furcron.
Adjourn.

Evening Session
7:00 p. m.—Song Service.
B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM
A special B. Y. P. U. program is rendered under the direction of A. L. 
Calton.
Brother Calton delivered an address on the B. Y. P. U. work in general.
Miss Nellie Weathers of Union church spoke in the interest of the 
junior work. Miss Dorothy Washburn, a member of the intermediate union 
of Double Springs church made a very stirring presentation of the inter-
mediate work.
A number of musical selections were presented by Lattimore high 
school quartet and a mixed quartet.
Brother Calton was asked to furnish clerk report on B. Y. P. U. work 
for use in the minutes.
Prayer by President J. B. Davis of Boiling Springs College.
Musical selection by Boiling Springs College Glee Club.
DOCTRINAL SERMON
As provided by the program committee the moderator, Rev. J. W. Suttle, 
proceeded to preach the doctrinal sermon. He chose as his subject "Re-
Benediction by W. C. Lynch.
Adjourn.

Second Day—Morning Session
9:30 a. m.—Song Service.
Prayer by J. M. Goode.
Enrollment of Delegates.
Minutes Read and Approved.
Moderator announces the following committees:
To nominate executive committee—D. F. Putnam, D. G. Washburn, G. 
P. Abernethy, J. W. Costner, D. J. Keeter, B. T. Falls.
On time and place and preachers for next session—J. M. Goode, S. W. 
Green, H. C. Royster.

Report on Sunday Schools
(By G. G. Page)
In the Southern Baptist Convention there are 25,555 white Baptist 
churches. Latest reports show that 21,400 of these have Sunday Schools 
and 4,155 without Sunday Schools. The total enrollment in our Southern 
Baptist Sunday Schools is 2,798,000, which indicates a gain of over 17,000 
within a year.
Our board at Nashville is co-operating with our state boards in an 
effort to reach all the churches with a winning program of Sunday School 
work. Enlargement campaigns are being constantly conducted in all our 
territory with the district association as a unit. Expert and approved Sun-
day School workers are sent into all the churches that can be induced to 
co-operate and a campaign covering eight days is prosecuted. The work in-
cludes finding the possibilities for the school; enlarging the organization on 
the basis of the possibilities; adjusting equipment so as to utilize the build-
ing to the best advantage in taking care of and teaching the people who 
ought to be in Sunday School; grading and classifying the possibilities and 
placing definite responsibility for reaching, teaching and winning all of them.
In North Carolina the Sunday School work continues to grow. Progress 
is noticeable in Teacher Training, Sunday School Administration, Evange-
lism, Enlistment, Attendance and Quality of Teaching. Methods used to 
promote and propagate the work are in line with the Southern Baptists'
program and are conceded to be the best known in the world. The Sunday School revival and enlargement campaign is being liberally used in North Carolina in an effort to reach every church with this vital result getting program of Sunday School work.

The Kings Mountain Association blazed the way in associational organization for Sunday School work, gained a lead over all other associations in the world and still holds that lead. In 1928 our association had 26 Sunday Schools to reach the Standard of Excellence for Sunday Schools as set up by our Sunday School Board at Nashville. Up to this date we have 27 for 1929, with six others lacking only one point.

Your committee wishes to recommend to this body that all pastors and Sunday School superintendents be urged to do all in their power to bring all our Sunday Schools to the attainment of all the ten points in the Standard of Excellence and to keep them on that plane of operation and constantly strive to improve the quantity and quality of work. Standard Sunday Schools everywhere are better Sunday Schools; reaching, teaching and winning many more people than those schools that have no well defined program of work.

Let us pray for one another and lend all the co-operation within our power to the end that all the people may be brought under gospel influence.

G. G. Page.
J. W. Costner.
B. P. Jenkins.

Discussed by G. G. Page.
Adopted.
Moderator recognizes Wade C. Bostic, returned missionary from China.

Report for Hospital
(Read by Rev. G. P. Abernethy)

The growing demands and the enlarged service rendered by our hospital in Winston-Salem have demonstrated the need of healing in the Christian program. Literally thousands have gone from every part of the state seeking deliverance from the bondage of deformity and disease and they have been received into the open hearts of our Home for the Sick. Hundreds of these could never have had proper hospital care had they not gone to our hospital, because they had no money to pay for this service. But the hospital took them in, and scores of our boys and girls who were deformed and destined to be invalids for life were made well and strong. Many Fathers and Mothers now happily care for the family around the fireside who would have been in their graves had the hospital not heard their cry and took them in. Only eternity will reveal the blessed results. Suffice it to say that in the six years of Christian ministry there have been 12,000 patients admitted to our institution. At least five thousand of these have been charity or part pay patients.

The number of charity patients increases each year. Last year we cared for 345 free and 1,053 part pay patients, making a grand total 1,380 who received help from our institution. Of this number 16 died and 1,364 returned home cured or improved. Could there be a more wonderful proof of the approval of the great Physician than this record. If human suffering constitutes a call for Christian service; if a sick, moneyless brother needs our sympathy and help; if human life is worth saving at all; then our Hospital which saves thousands is a part of the program of our Lord and is worthy of our prayers and support.

This year has brought an even greater demand than ever before for free service. Not less than 1,500 will call on us during the year. If we help all of these poor suffering Baptists, we will have to spend at least $50,000. Indications now are that we will not have more than $15,000 from Mother’s day offering and we will get about $10,000 from the Duke fund. The problem is how shall we raise the other $25,000 necessary to care for these whom the churches send? The Hospital cannot turn them away to die. Our churches would never stand for this. The institution would be untrue to its mission and the great Physician if it did. But how can we take them if the churches fail to furnish the funds? Our churches are sending more pa-
tients and giving less money each year. Surely you must see that this course will soon wreck the purpose of the hospital and destroy all possibilities of helping any of the needy.

This charity cost $42,500. The churches gave $15,500; Duke foundation gave $7,500 and we had to raise $19,500 out of our operating account. We can't keep this up very long.

Many of the churches in this association never give a cent on Mother's day to help in this work and yet that is the only money the denomination gives to help care for the sick. The four per cent from the Co-operative Program goes to pay the bonds issued to pay the debt incurred in the building of the plant.

The Nurses' Home has been built and paid for. The cost of this fine building and equipment was $47,500. The good women of the state paid one-half of this and the Hospital took care of the rest by means of personal gifts solicited from friends, $5,000 donated by the Duke foundation and loans from the operating account. No church was asked to give a cent to this splendid addition to our equipment.

In conclusion, your committee would urge that we use every possible means to lay the Hospital on the hearts of our people. Plead with them to pray for its success, to contribute to its charity work by a Mother's Day offering, and as far as possible influence those who are able to pay for their care to go to our own hospital that the funds they pay may help to care for the hospital and enlarge its opportunity for serving the hundreds who go without money or price.

We would further recommend that this association appoint a representative to promote the interest of our hospital among the churches and that the clerk be instructed to forward his name and address to Rev. G. T. Lumpkin, Winston-Salem, N. C.

G. P. Abernethy.

Discussed by G. P. Abernethy.
Adopted.

Moderator announces committee to nominate trustees for Boiling Springs Junior College; W. G. Camp, O. C. Dixon, S. S. Weir.

**Report on the Ministers' Relief Board**

(Read by A. T. Howell)

The Ministers' Relief Board of the Southern Baptist Convention located in Dallas, Texas, is worthy of our confidence and the best support of our people. The average Southern Baptist pastor has never received an adequate salary. The fact is, the average pastor receives less pay for his service than the unskilled laborer. This fact helps create a demand for such a board as the Ministers' Relief Board. The fact that we do so little for our sick and worn out preachers is a shame upon our great denomination. This has a tendency to deter some of our best young men from entering the ministry. And, moreover, there is almost a craze in some of our churches for young preachers. What shall we do with the old ones? Shall we kill them, or shall we support them? Our Ministers' Relief Board has been helping this year more than a thousand beneficiaries, old worn out preachers, sick preachers, widows and orphans of preachers.

The average gift of the Board of each of its beneficiaries is about $150. This is shamefully small. Our Board needs more money with which to keep our needy and worthy preachers. The annuity feature of our Board is a fine one, and hundreds of our preachers are now deriving benefit from this department of our Board. Your committee would urge all the eligible pastors to join the annuity department of the Board so they can receive help in time of inability or old age.

Your committee would urge the churches to be more liberal with their gifts to our Ministers' Relief Board so that the Board can do more for its beneficiaries.

Respectfully submitted,
A. T. Howell.
W. D. Earl.

Discussed by A. T. Howell.
Report on Temperance and Public Morals
(Read by D. G. Washburn)

The prohibition amendment to the constitution was ratified January 16, 1919. It became effective one year later. Since that time we have witnessed an actual decline in drinking. This decline is sure to be more and more rapid with each passing year.

The whole traffic is under the ban of public opinion, and yet the situation calls for vigilance and consecration to the great cause on the part of Christian bodies.

Patriotism and religion should combine to insist upon law enforcement. All of our Christian forces should mobilize for the support of the constituted agencies for the enforcement of our prohibition law.

Public morals are said to be lower now than they have been for many years. Human nature has been very much the same through all the ages. The world has been brought close together and we have so many ways now to hear all about the sins and evils, but little is said about the good things which people do and the good works in which so many Christians are engaged.

Your committee would put the seal of our disapproval on dancing, card playing, Sunday golf and pleasure seeking on the Lord's day, as ruinous of good works and detrimental to the development of our churches and a snare to our home life. The divorce evil in our land, and all over our country, is alarming and should call us all to serious consideration and humble prayer to God that so many lives and homes may not be wrecked by this great evil among us.

D. G. Washburn.
J. L. Allen.


Report on Time and Place and Preacher

Your committee wish to report or recommend that the Kings Mountain Association meet with the Patterson Springs church on Tuesday and Wednesday, after the first Sunday in October, 1930; to preach the introductory, A. T. Howell; to preach a doctrinal sermon, Zeno Wall.

J. M. Goode.
S. W. Green.
H. C. Royster.

Adopted.

Report of Committee to Nominate Executive Committee


Respectfully submitted,
D. F. Putnam,
D. J. Keeter,
D. G. Washburn,
J. W. Costner,
B. T. Falls,
Committee.

A proposal to have Missionary Wade C. Bostic visit the churches of the Association during November was submitted and endorsed. D. G. Washburn and H. E. Waldrop are asked to work out the itinerary.

Obituary

No report on obituaries was read. The church letters indicate that 94 of our number died during the year.

Memorial to W. F. Gold

(The memorial to W. F. Gold was presented to the clerk from the pastor of Zion church and it is being published at his request and not as a part
of the proceedings of the session. The added expense of the memorial is being paid by Zion Church—Clerk.)

From Zion Church:

Special mention should be made of W. F. Gold who was for many years a leading citizen of our good county, standing for all those things which promoted the best interests of our people and the betterment of our citizenship. Brother Gold was a devoted member of the Zion church for many years and a loyal deacon for more than 30 years. He was a safe leader, his judgment was good and his advice was readily accepted.

Brother Gold was a temperate man in all things, thoughtful and careful and to this we may in large measure attribute his long life. His character was above reproach, his disposition was pleasant and impressive, his spirit was sweet and beautiful, as all who knew him, know, and he lived this way till the Lord came and took him home. He fell to sleep on December 7, 1928, being 92 years of age.

Announcements.
Benediction by W. T. Bostic.
Adjourn for dinner.

Second Day—Afternoon

1:30 p. m.—Song Service.
Prayer by C. C. Matheny.
Music selection by Boiling Springs College Glee Club.
Selection by Boiling Springs Quartet.

JOINT SESSION WITH SANDY RUN ASSOCIATION

As pre-arranged, the Sandy Run Association which was meeting at Mooresboro church was moved bodily to Boiling Springs for a joint session with the Kings Mountain Association for the consideration of Christian Education and Boiling Springs Junior College which is the property of the two associations.

J. W. Suttle, moderator of the Kings Mountain Association, called the session to order and then yielded the gavel to C. C. Matheny, moderator of the Sandy Run Association, who presided during the joint session.

Report of the Trustees of Boiling Springs College
(Read by President J. B. Davis)

The trustees of Boiling Springs College (now including the high school and the junior college) beg leave to submit the following report of their stewardship for the session of 1928-1929:

Pursuant to the instructions from the Kings Mountain, Sandy Run and Gaston County Associations, in their separate annual meetings in 1927, and upon the authorization of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, meeting the same year, Boiling Springs College opened its 22nd session, Sept. 3, 1928, offering the full four-year Academy Course, and the first year of college work.

The progress thus far more than justifies the wisdom of the decision to build, in Western Piedmont, North Carolina, a great, co-educational, Baptist junior college. The institution was manned by the following general officers, with their capable band of teachers, to-wit: President, J. B. Davis, A. B., A. M., Th. M., Res., Th. D., Ph. D.; Dean, Professor of Mathematics, Principal of the Academy, J. D. Huggins, A. B.; Bursar, O. P. Hamrick, A. B., Res. M. A.; Dean of Women, Miss Etta Curtis; Dietitian, Mrs. Lillian Ritch.

And, the enrollment last year, according to the new college catalog, not counting duplications, was as follows:

A——Junior College .................................................. 28 girls; 33 boys; Total 61
B——Academy .......................................................... 45 girls; 42 boys; Total 87 148

While the enrollment this year, thus far, is:

A——Junior College——
First Year .......................................................... 36 girls; 42 boys; Total 78
Second Year ......................................................... 33 girls; 15 boys; Total 38 116
B—Academy—

First Year ........................................ 8 girls; 11 boys; Total 19
Second Year ......................................... 10 girls; 11 boys; Total 21
Third Year ........................................... 10 girls; 16 boys; Total 26
Fourth Year .......................................... 11 girls; 16 boys; Total 27 99

Grand Total ......................................... 215

The financial statement, herewith attached, will indicate the total receipts and disbursements from all sources, including a Special Fund created by a group of friends interested in the greatest success of the school, and who placed in the budget of the school, in cash or bona fide pledges a sum sufficient to cover the expected deficit for the first year's college program, and help purchase equipment necessary for standardization:

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

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The personnel of the teaching force this year is:

President: J. B. Davis.
Principal, Bursar, English, O. P. Hamrick, M. A.
Dean of Women, Miss Etta Curtis.
Dietitian, Mrs. Lillian Ritch.
Librarian-Registrar, Miss Frances Barnhill, A. B.
Foreign Languages, Miss Dorothy Quattlebaum, M. A.
Natural Science, Miss Agnes Spann, M. A.
Religious Education, W. C. Lynch, A. B., Th. M.
Mathematics, Mrs. M. G. Pangle, A. M., Res. Ph. D.
Education, Mr. J. B. Blanks, M. A.
Social Science, Mr. M. G. Pangle, M. A., Res. Ph. D.
Greek-English-Bible, J. M. Arnette, A. B., Res. Ph. D.
Science-Physical Education, B. G. Rackley, B. S.
English-French, Miss Willie Jones, B. S.
History-Science, Broadus Simmons, B. S.
Piano, Miss Fannie Paul, Diploma Music, Graduate student in piano.
Voice, Mrs. H. C. Rushing, Diploma Music, B. M., graduate student voice.
Latin, Miss Ada Hamrick, A. B.

Under this corps of consecrated teachers, unsurpassed in training, vision and character-building influence, there is offered all of the Freshman and Sophomore college work leading to diplomas in "Associate" in letters, science, education, law, commerce and music; and, in addition, all of the four-year academy course; and, to these should be added at the earliest possible time courses in Home Economics, Agriculture and Textiling.

The outlook for a great junior college, with curriculum so varied and wide in scope as to challenge and enlist the thousands of youth of college age in this, the world's greatest cotton texting, most strategic Baptist stronghold; and, at the same time, to elicit the recognition of the North Carolina State Board of Education and preclude the necessity of a rival state or municipal junior college within this great section, was never so bright. With more than 1,000 messages this year, in sermon, address, denominational and evangelistic appeal, all of Western Piedmont, North Carolina, from the mountains on out across the plains, has been subsodded and sown down for Christian education; and, the plain, Bible-loving, Christian education-seeking people are beginning to voice no uncertain conviction that right here, where are found the Folks, the Faith, the Finance, the Friends, the Fortitude, the Farms, the Factories, the Fame, and the Favors of a kindly Providence, can and shall be built a great Baptist junior college, second to none in the land. Support it during the incipiency, its first two years; then, there will come to it students by the hundreds, money by the thousands, friends by the multitudes, and prestige beyond measure.

Recommendations to prosecute this great program are herewith submitted for your consideration and action:
First: That successors be elected to the following trustees whose tenure of services expire this year. They are, by Associations:

Kings Mountain—Rev. J. W. Suttle, Dr. Zeno Wall, Mr. Z. R. Walker, Mr. W. W. Washburn, Mr. D. F. Hord.

Sandy Run—Dr. W. A. Ayres; Rev. C. C. Matheny, Rev. A. T. Stoutmire, Rev. R. N. Childress, Mr. J. J. Edwards, Mr. G. B. Pruette.

Gaston County—Mr. W. J. Frances, Mr. R. F. Craig.

Second: That we spare no effort in meeting every requirement for such junior colleges; and seek, by pulpit, press, prayer, personality, perseverance, and by co-operation, the full realization of the Mission of Boiling Springs College in building and extending the Kingdom of our Lord to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Third: That, between this time and the meeting of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in Shelby, Nov. 12-14, we prosecute, in the Kings Mountain and Sandy Run Associations, a great, constructive, inspirational, Centennial Pledge Payment Campaign to raise the remaining bonded indebtedness, amounting to $11,755.04, so that the school may realize from the Centennial percentages much needed endowment, and money for equipment necessary for standardization, which is the only salvation of the institution.

Fourth: That, as in the past, this Association form plans for reimbursing this year the institution for current Ministerial tuition given to its 22 preachers (9 college and 13 church), and the half tuition of 4 children of ordained Baptist preachers; also, that plans be formulated, as in the past, for liquidating past accrued deficits on the high school, come to the state convention out of debt, thus commanding the sympathy and endorsement of the state leaders for our great cause.

1—Total amount of tuition given .............................................. $1,210.00
2—Total deficits accrued .......................................................... 6,505.26
3—Total to be provided for in order to “Clean the slate” .................. $7,715.26

The Board of Trustees.

Report of Christian Education
(By Zeno Wall)

I—BACKGROUND

There are many problems before the American people today, but one of the gravest and greatest, in my judgment, is that of education, for the schools of America are either going to make or wreck our land, and that within a reasonably short time, say the next fifty years; and surely no prophet is needed to indicate the direction in which they are traveling. When worldly minded men like H. C. Wells begin to say that “our civilization is tumbling down,” and far-sighted educators are saying that if we, like Germany, continue to place the emphasis upon the material that we may expect, as did they, to reap a harvest of materialism and militarism, and skepticism. Nietzsche, the great German scholar, denounced, in the bitterest language, Christianity because of its virtues—its care of the needy and the weak. “I call Christianity the one immortal shame and blemish upon the human race,” he proudly said. The wrong kind of education wrecked Germany, and it will wreck America, too, unless purified and hedged and inspired by the lofty idealism of Christian education.

Prof. Wm. James, one of the greatest psychologists our country has ever seen, said while lecturing in Chicago a short time before his death:

“I have been a citizen of Cambridge for many years, and during my time there has been no rascality, either of a private or public character, that has not been organized or led by a Harvard graduate.”

Our land has been bright—been “a goodly land” because of the purity of our Christian homes, the vitality and high ideals of our schools, and the militancy and spirituality of our churches, but when radical leaders make bold to say that they are trying to capture our schools and give to the world
leaders of their kind, and to graft "heretical churches on orthodox stumps" it is time for us to awake and assert ourselves.

In many places in the United States today our Christian schools have either been stolen, or permitted to die, or so diluted as to make them, like Harvard, a negative force as far as the positive and enthusiastic religion of the Lord Jesus Christ is concerned.

Nearly all of our great colleges and universities were founded by Christian men and for the purpose of advancing the Kingdom of God. To illustrate: When the cornerstone of Wellesley College was laid, Dwight L. Moody was present and in presenting the Bible said: "This building is humbly dedicated to our Heavenly Father with the hope and prayer that He may always be first in everything in this institution; that His word may be faithfully taught here, and that He will use it as a means of leading precious souls to Jesus Christ. Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

But today you'll find in that school a professor of Biblical history denying the story of creation, as recorded in Genesis, the miracles of our Lord, and his resurrection; and so in scores of other schools in our land today.

Dr. Leuba, professor of psychology in Bryn Mwyer college, near Philadelphia, is the author of a book entitled: "Belief in God and Immortality," and tells that he selected 1000 of the leading scientists in America out of a group of 5,500 scientists in our land, to whom he sent a questionnaire asking if they believe in God and immortality, and that he found from their answers that "over half of them either doubt or deny the existence of a personal God and personal immortality." What an alarming condition this! Oh that it might arouse us to our duty!

II—CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

But I am to write and speak today about another kind of education—one which we are pleased to call "Christian Education"; and Christian education is nothing more than education in a Christian atmosphere, under Christian auspices, and for Christian purposes. A Christian school is a school with Christ in the center of it—a school founded, and furnished, and financed and fathered by the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ—a school where the teachers know and impart the viewpoint of Christ, for to the Christian astronomer, Christ is the bright and morning star;

To the Christian biologist, He is the abundant life,
To the Christian engineer, He is the new and living way,
To the Christian florist, He is the rose of Sharon,
To the Christian sculptor, He is the living stone,
To the Christian geologist, He is the Rock of Ages,
To the Christian horticulturist, He is the fine vine,
To the Christian oculist, He is the light of the eye.

The Christian teacher is always like Charles Kingsley, who walking out into the woods one day, said: "I am impressed that everything I see has a meaning. Everything I see seems to be full of God." Verily, "Earth's crammed with Heaven, and every common bush afire with God."

In 1904 some of the leaders in the Kings Mountain Association felt that the time had come to establish a Christian school in our midst, and so expressed themselves by their vote at the association being held with the church at Zoa; and another group of like-minded leaders in the Sandy Run Association had seen the same vision and felt the same imperative need. Hence joined hands one year later with the brethren of our association in establishing Boiling Springs High School at Boiling Springs; and surely the unmistakableness of their vision, and the wisdom of their undertaking can be seen on every hand. But after twenty years of fruitful service our school because of the ability of the state to extend her educational arms to every boy and girl in North Carolina, was compelled to either close the doors of our school, or to open them still wider. The leaders of these two great associations faced the question with both seriousness and frankness. After,
therefore, much prayer and discussion, we felt that a long and steep road lay between us and the establishment of a standard junior college, but some of us felt, as our blessed Lord must have felt when he came to where the roads forked—one leading back home, and the other to Calvary—that we would have to go on up the hill of sorrow and suffering and even death, and so, by the grace of God, we faced the uphill road—began the steep climb.

Did we make a mistake? Had we better turn back even now? Radicalism would say, "Yes." Materialism would say "Yes." Atheism would say "Yes." But surely our Savior would say "No." Would say "Go, and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

But brethren, the leaders cannot go alone. You'll have to go with them—pray with them—sacrifice with them, and devote a portion of our time, and give a definite part of your income to equipping and endowing of our school; and until our school can be enlarged and more endowment secured, our churches—every one of them—will be compelled to give a definite amount, each year, to the upkeep of our school.

May we, therefore, on this day, resolve:

First: That we are going to see to it that Boiling Springs Junior College is properly equipped, and filled with students, and manned and endowed.

Second: That we are going to ask our churches to place this school in their budgets—to give a definite amount to the school each year.

Third: That we are going to finish the payment of our pledges to the Centennial fund at the earliest possible date, thereby helping all of our other Christian schools.

Respectfully,

Zeno Wall.

The two reports were discussed by Dr. J. B. Davis, president of Boiling Springs College; Dr. Zeno Wall of the Kings Mountain Association; Dr. W. A. Ayres of the Sandy Run Association; J. H. Quinn, chairman of the board of trustees of the college; Prof. O. P. Hamrick of the college; B. T. Falls of the board of trustees.

Both reports were adopted.

Prof. O. P. Hamrick announced that he had been sent out among friends of the college to solicit a fund of ten thousand dollars and had succeeded in raising six thousand of it with good prospect of finding the remaining four thousand.

**Joint Session Closes**

The joint session of the two associations closed and J. W. Suttle resumed his office as moderator of the Kings Mountain Association.

**Ministerial Students Provided For**

An appeal was made for $735.00 to meet the tuition of the ministerial students in the institution and the following amounts were subscribed: New Bethel, $200; Shelby First, $100; Boiling Springs, $100; Double Springs, $100; Carpenters Grove, $55; Double Shoals, $25; Elizabeth, $25; Lawndale, $25; New Hope, $25; D. F. Putnam, $25; Eastside, $25; Patterson Springs, $25; Kings Mountain First, $25; Waco, $25; Zoar, $25; W. G. Camp, $25.

**Resolution**

(Offered by B. T. Falls)

Whereas, it is found necessary to provide additional income for Boiling Springs Junior College over and above the income from tuition and incidental charges, to the extent of $5500.00 annually in order to enable the college to meet the standard requirements for a junior college; and, whereas, the present endowment is not sufficiently large to provide such income;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Kings Mountain Association in
session assembled, at Boiling Springs, with the Boiling Springs Baptist church, that the churches be requested to raise funds for Boiling Springs Junior College annually, and over and above the amounts regularly contributed to the C-operative Program of the General Board, of the Baptist State Convention:

Resolved, Second, That a committee be appointed by the moderator of this association to confer with a like committee from other associations co-operating, who shall have power and be charged with the duty of agreeing upon an equitable division for the $5500.00 to be raised annually for Boiling Springs Junior College by all the churches.

Resolved, Third, That the moderator shall appoint a committee from this association who shall suggest to the churches such amounts as in their opinion would be an equitable apportionment of the amount allotted to this association to be raised for such purpose, and this committee shall be a continuing body charged specifically with the task of raising the said funds for Boiling Springs Junior College.

The resolution was adopted.

The following committee was appointed to allot the amounts to the churches as included in the Falls resolution: B. T. Falls, D. J. Keeter, J. S. Gillespie, Lester Roberts, G. T. Cabaniss.

**Report of Finance Committee**

The report of the finance committee showed that $118.90 had been received for minutes and $24.25 for the co-operative program.

**Report of Committee to Nominate Trustees for Boiling Springs Junior College**

The committee recommends the re-appointment of Rev. J. W. Suttle, Rev. Z. R. Walker, W. W. Washburn, D. F. Hord, Dr. Zeno Wall.

Committee,
O. C. Dixon.
S. S. Weir.
W. G. Camp.

Adopted.

**Treasurer’s Report**

George Blanton, treasurer, in account with the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, from October 1928 to October 1929.

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Geo. Blanton, Treasurer.

Adopted.

**Special Offering**

A special offering is taken to pay the clerk. $25 is collected and the clerk instructed to finish it out to $30 from funds to come in afterward.

Rev. John Arch McMillan of the Mills Home was introduced.

A vote of thanks was extended Editor Lee B. Weathers of the Cleveland Star for the fine service rendered Boiling Springs College in a recent campaign for books for the library.

The Association went on record as endorsing the Sunday School work being done in the Association under the direction of G. G. Page, the associational superintendent.

The moderator appointed the following as a committee to arrange the program for next session: Zeno Wall, D. G. Washburn, H. E. Waldrop.

A rising vote of thanks was extended the Boiling Springs community for its lavish hospitality to the delegates and messengers.
Delegates Appointed

Rev. J. W. Suttle was appointed delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.
S. H. Austell and Lester Roberts were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.
The executive committee were empowered to transact any business arising during the interim of sessions.
Song: "Blest Be The Tie."
Benediction by Rev. Will Tate.
Adjourn to meet with Patterson Springs church Tuesday and Wednesday after the first Sunday in October, 1930.

J. W. Suttle, Moderator.
G. G. Page, Clerk.
W. M. U. Minutes of the Kings Mountain Association
Meeting with Fallston Church on Aug. 29-30, 1929.

Morning Session

Meeting called to order by Superintendent.

Song: "Marching to Zion."


Devotional service conducted by Mrs. J. M. Poston of Zion church.

Organization—Mrs. Hughes made motion that the calling of the roll be dispensed with and that the cards turned in constitute the registration.

The secretary made motion that the program as arranged and in the hands of the committee be made the order of business for the session.

(These motions carried.)

Address of welcome by Mrs. W. F. Hamrick. Mrs. Hamrick gave us a very hearty welcome and made us feel that we were guests of a hospitable folk.

Response by Mrs. Robert Cline.

Roll call of W. M. U. organizations.

Recognition of new societies, visitors and pastors. Zion, a new W. M. U. was recognized with some very enthusiastic workers.

Visitors: Mrs. W. N. Jones, our state vice president; Dr. and Mrs. Wade Bostic; Mrs. G. P. Bostic and Miss Attie Bostic. These having recently returned from China, we were indeed glad to have them with us.

Mr. Sprinkle from Catawba River Association, also the Gaston, South Fork and Green River Associations were represented.


Superintendent's report as follows: Someone has said, "Like living things on swiftest wings, the days and weeks go by," and so they have gone by until another year has passed since last we met. As we reviewed the work of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Kings Mountain Association and look back over the records of the past years, and see the marvelous achievements that have been accomplished, we lift our eyes heavenward and exclaim, "Father, we thank thee." As we look out into the future and see the many tasks that await us; and the obligations that lie across our pathway, we pray this prayer, "Father, give me, give me strength, give me courage, give me a willing heart, give me a vision of the world's needs and a voice to tell others of these needs." As we look again on the past and present records and see so many things left undone, we realize how poor our services have been and we turn our eyes and hearts heavenward, with this player: "Father, forgive us." A record of our work for the past year reads:

Number of societies, 71; new societies, 15; number of societies doing personal work, 60; number of mission study classes, 56; societies observing weeks of prayer, 57; number of tithers, 138; number of subscribers to Home and F. F., 42; to Royal Service, 134; to World Comrades, 31; to Recorder, 220; points made of Standard, 9; total amount paid in year 1928, $8,821.01, an increase over 1927 of $1,861.57. My personal report reads:
Letters and postals written, 442; miles traveled, 1,254; churches visited, 18; meetings held, 25; divisional meetings attended, 10; attended state meeting in High Point and Charlotte division meeting in Thomasville.

Ten societies reached all ten points on the Standard of Excellence. A1 organizations are: W. M. U., Fallston; Grover, Kings Mountain First; Waco, Zoar, Y. W. A., Boiling Springs Junior College; Grover, R. A., Fallston; Sunbeams, Fallston and Grover.

The winding ways of our yesterdays were aglow with God’s good cheer, so, we turn today with a smiling face, to the paths of another year, in our Association. My prayer is that it may be our best.

Mrs. John Wacaster, Superintendent.

On absence of Treasurer Mrs. U. A. Black, Mrs. Wacaster read the following report:

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Gertrude Street, Secretary.

**PRESENTATION OF BANNERS**

The banner given by W. M. U. of Kings Mountain First Church for best work during year was awarded to Double Shoals church. Mrs. H. C. Royster came forward and in a few grateful words received the banner. The division receiving the banner for best work was awarded to Division No. 2. Mrs. J. C. Dodd, division superintendent, came forward and thanked the division for their co-operation in helping win this banner.

Song, “The Kingdom is Coming.”

Superintendent’s address, “A Goody Heritage.” Mrs. Wacaster, in her usual manner, brought us a message that was very inspiring. She said, “that we liked to carry out our friends’ wishes, and wondered if we were as much concerned about our Heavenly Father’s request and if we had that ‘Heavenly Heritage’ that we would not exchange for gold?”

Special music by Miss Bertha Bostic, “A Child of the King.” This song was greatly enjoyed.

Address by Mrs. W. N. Jones. Mrs. Jones gave us a Biblical message, telling us of the dark ages in which some of the prophets lived, and giving us the last message of Jesus, “to the uttermost parts”; and showing us that Christ came not only to the Jews, but the whole world. She said, “There has never been a time when the gospel of Jesus Christ was needed more than today.” May her message give us such inspiration that we shall undertake to do greater things for Christ.

One hundred eighty-five delegates were enrolled during the first session. Divisional superintendents were recognized at this time, five being present. Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. W. N. Jones.

Lunch.
THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The meeting was called to order by the superintendent.
Song, "Have Thine Own Way Lord."
Devotional services were conducted by Mrs. W. C. Caveney.
Minutes of the morning session read, corrected and approved.
The following were appointed as the nominating committee:
Division No. 1—Mrs. J. W. Wood, Mrs. Georgia Shytles.
Division No. 2—Mrs. C. A. Hamrick, Mrs. Rush Padgett.
Division No. 3—Mrs. J. W. Davis, Mrs. D. H. Hopper.
Division No. 4—Mrs. W. C. Caveney, Mrs. Charlie Stowe.
Division No. 5—Mrs. W. G. Hord, Mrs. Vertus Williams.
Division No. 6—Mrs. Henry Royster, Mrs. Clarence Warlick.

Mrs. J. W. Wood gave her report on mission study, showing that much interest has been shown in mission study. Mrs. J. H. Walker in a few words introduced to us a few interesting stewardship books.
A mission study demonstration was then given by Boiling Springs W. M. S. This added much to the program.
Address by Mrs. G. P. Bostic. Mrs. Bostic told us many interesting things pertaining to the Chinese people quoting a verse of scripture in the Chinese language. This address was greatly enjoyed by all.
Song, "Send the Light."
A message from Miss Attie Bostic. Miss Bostic's message was very inspiring. We trust it will give us new zeal and that we may go forward and do more for our Master in the line of Mission work.
Special prayer for Missionaries on voyage to China, Dr. Wade Bostic leading the prayer.
Special music by Mesdames Stamey and Sperling.
Committee appointed on resolutions as follows: Mrs. J. T. Jones, Mrs. W. L. Packard, Mrs. J. M. Poston, Mrs. C. J. Yelton and Mrs. Frank Williams. Time and place: Mrs. H. C. Royster, Mrs. Raymond Cline, Mrs. Belle Grigg.
Our W. M. U. Specials were presented to us by Mrs. J. A. Liles. She urged us to support these W. M. U. Specials and gave us some interesting facts about them. Report from Hospitality committee.
Announcements.
Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. W. N. Jones.

NIGHT SESSION—AUGUST 29, 1929.

Opening song, "Amazing Grace."
On absence of the pastor, Rev. G. P. Abernethy, who was to have conducted the devotional service, Mrs. Wacaster had the congregation join her in reading two favorite scripture verses, John 3:16 and Matt. 28:19-20.
Prayer led by Miss Attie Bostic.
Next on the program was a pageant, "Seeing the Unseen," given by the organizations of Pleasant Grove church. This pageant was beautifully rendered and was very enlightening to all. We appreciate deeply the interest the W. M. U. of Pleasant Grove has shown. May they move on to greater and higher things in His service.
Prayer led by Rev. D. F. Putnam.
Song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."
Dr. Wade Bostic, a missionary of China, brought us the "Missionary Message of the Hour." Dr. Bostic gave us many interesting and startling facts concerning the Chinese people and their customs. We trust these facts will awaken us and that we may realize more fully our duty to the
Chinese and not only to them but to the whole world who know not of Christ. Dismissed with prayer by Dr. Bostic.

FRIDAY MORNING

Meeting called to order by Superintendent.

Song, "We're Marching to Zion."

Prayer led by Rev. H. E. Waldrop.

Recognition of pastors and visitors. Rev. H. E. Waldrop, a pastor in this Association, recognized.

Young People's session, Mrs. W. F. Hamrick, Junior Superintendent, presiding.

Devotionals by Double Shoals R. A.'s.

Quartet by Boiling Springs, Y. W. A.'s.

Address of welcome by Miss Roberta Royster.

Response by Miss Walker of Sandy Plains.

Roll call of Young People's organizations, 31 organizations being represented.

Demonstration from Sunbeams of Pleasant Grove church.

Duet from Y. W. A.'s of Boiling Springs.


Demonstration, "Pearl of Great Price," given by the Fallston organizations. These demonstrations were greatly enjoyed by everyone and we appreciate deeply Mrs. Hamrick's splendid program and we thank these young people for having given us such a fine session.

The Bostics sang a special song in the Chinese language.

The total enrollment up until the noon hour was 491.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. G. P. Abernethy.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Meeting opened with singing women's hymn "Come Women Wide Proclaim."

Devotionals conducted by Mrs. Vertus Williams.

Recognition of visitors, Mrs. J. H. Reddish, superintendent of Catawba River, was present. We were indeed glad to have her present; also Mrs. Huffman from Morganton.

Mrs. O. P. Hamrick of Boiling Springs told us what the ladies of the Boiling Springs W. M. S. did toward helping equip the classrooms, and she felt like the ladies of the Kings Mountain Association would also want to help in this work. In order to be Standard the classrooms must be equipped as the state requires, with furnishings necessary to do best class work.

Upon motion of Mrs. Raymond Cline, it was moved and seconded that the Kings Mountain Association W. M. U. furnish one classroom.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

Address, "Keeping Faith With Our Pledges to the Centennial Fund," by Dr. J. B. Davis. We were very fortunate in securing Dr. Davis. He said that "we must realize that the world is lost and without Christ, and that we must preach and teach Christ and if that is done God's people will respond to all causes of our educational system."

Echoes from South Mountain school. Miss Haggard told us how the teachers were sacrificing, giving of themselves in service for Christ. Some of the school's children were present and sang some fine selections. A collection was then taken (as some one has said "if a collection is taken, you'll know it's a Baptist meeting") for South Mountain school. Amount received, $23.45.

Reports from committees as follows: Time and place. We, the committee on time and place, recommend that we meet the last Thursday and Friday in August, 1930, at Double Springs church.

Mrs. H. C. Royster.
Mrs. Raymond Cline.
Mrs. Belle Grigg.
Mrs. J. S. Lyles, presiding.

Report from nominating committee: We, your committee on nominations, recommend the following officers for the W. M. U. of the Kings Moun-
tain Association, for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Mrs. John Wacaster; junior superintendent, Mrs. W. F. Hamrick; secretary, Miss Gertrude Street; treasurer, Mrs. U. A. Black; mission study leader, Mrs. J. W. Wood.

**DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

| Division No. 1 | Mrs. M. A. Jolley |
| Division No. 2 | Mrs. J. C. Dodd |
| Division No. 3 | Mrs. B. F. Bird |
| Division No. 4 | Mrs. J. K. Willis |
| Division No. 5 | Mrs. Everette Sperling |
| Division No. 6 | Mrs. Robert Cline |

Before the adoption of this report Mrs. Hamrick announced that it would be impossible for her to serve as junior leader. This was a sad announcement to the entire Association as Mrs. Hamrick has made such a splendid leader for our young people. We pray that God will send us one to fill this vacancy.

Report on Resolutions: We, the committee on Resolutions of the W. M. U. of the Kings Mountain Association, wish to express our heartfelt thanks. First, to the people of the Fallston Baptist church and community for the hearty welcome and generous hospitality they have shown us during our stay in their midst. Many thanks to ushers and hospitality committee in providing so efficiently for our comfort.

We also thank the musicians for their help in rendering special selections which were so inspiring, also the songs that were sung in Chinese by the Bostics.

Second, we wish to thank our consecrated superintendent for her untiring efforts throughout the year and for the inspirational address she brought us. We recommend that a copy of the same be sent to the Biblical Recorder for publication.

Third, we also desire to express our appreciation to Mrs. Jones, our state leader, for her wonderful message, also we wish to thank the Bostics for their hearty support and co-operation and the inspiring and spiritual messages they have brought to us from China.

Fourth, last, but in no wise least, we wish to thank our junior superintendent, Mrs. Hamrick, for her beautiful service to us, through our young people, during the past year.

Mrs. J. T. Jones.
Mrs. W. L. Packard.
Mrs. J. M. Poston.
Mrs. C. J. Yelton.
Mrs. Frank Williams.

These reports were adopted.

Mrs. Raymond Cline told about the executive committee discussing paying more to our superintendent for expenses and that the executive committee had decided to give her $200.00. This was brought before the general body and, upon motion, the Association voted to pay her $200 for her services and expenses next year. Mrs. Wacaster greatly appreciated this, and told us how she had not had enough funds the past year to meet the actual expense of the W. M. U. This will surely remind us of our obligations and we will begin at once to raise our part of this fund.

Next, Mrs. W. F. Hamrick came forward and said the Association wanted to give a small token in appreciation of the fine service Mrs. Wacaster has already given. A number of W. M. S. and Young People’s organizations came forward and gave as a special gift about $40 to Mrs. Wacaster to use for her own self just as she desires. She was grateful for this and in a few well chosen words thanked the Association for their cooperation and pledged herself to strive to do bigger and greater things.
during the year 1929-30. And we are sure that our W. M. U. work will glide along smoothly with Mrs. Wacaster at the wheel.

Dr. Davis introduced Prof. Rushing, the voice teacher of Boiling Springs Junior college.

Closing message, "A Missionary Message," by Mrs. Wade Bostic. This was indeed an inspiring message and we appreciate deeply the inspiration these missionaries brought us. May we give not only of our means, but may we give to them our prayers, love and sympathy as they return to their work.

Special music, a solo, "Nothing Between," was rendered very impressively just prior to the dismissal of the service by Prof. Rushing.

Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Wacaster.

Mrs. John Wacaster, Superintendent.
Gertrude Street, Secretary.

NOTE—At the executive meeting September 2, 1929, Miss Iva Watter-son of Shelby was elected as Young People’s leader. The committee feels that she is an efficient and capable person and our prayer is that God may bless and direct her in her new work.
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