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Baptist Association



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S. P. MAHONEY, Leesburg Moderator
GWYLYM HERBERT, Lady Lake Clerk
O. S. BUGUE, Oxford Corresponding Secretary
J. H. WILLIAMS, Leesburg Treasurer

The next session of the Association will be held with the Leesburg Baptist Church, Leesburg, Fla., beginning at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, October 7, 1919.

The introductory sermon will be preached by Dr. Bob Killgore.

Officers of the Association

Moderator.....	S. P. MAHONEY.....	Leesburg
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Member State Board of Missions:

GWYLYM HERBERT.....Lady Lake

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention:

REV. I. I. ROBERTS.....Wildwood

Delegates to Florida State Convention:

DR. BOB KILLGORE
 REV. I. I. ROBERTS
 DR. S. P. MAHONEY
 REV. J. H. PATTEN
 REV. C. W. BURNETT

Chairman Standing Committees to Report at Session of 1919:

State Missions	GWYLYM HERBERT
Home Missions	S. P. MAHONEY
Foreign Missions	C. W. BURNETT
Sunday Schools	I. I. ROBERTS
Education	DR. BOB KILLGORE
Temperance	G. A. MARTIN
B. Y. P. U.	JOHN PERRY, JR.
Orphanage	J. H. PATTEN
M. M. A. A.	J. C. ROGERS, D. T. M'LEOD
Obituaries	GEO. J. KING, J. H. PATTEN
Laymen's Movement	S. D. MARTIN
Periodicals	L. M. GUNN
Woman's Work	MRS. CLARA NICHOLS

Time of Next Meeting:

Tuesday morning after the first Sunday in October, 1919, at 10 a. m., with the Leesburg Baptist Church, Leesburg, Fla.

Ordained Ministers of the Association:

Burnett, C. W.	Rerdell
Carr, P. W.	Bushnell
Harris, L. W.	Webster
Hayes, G. W.	Webster
Killgore, Bob	Brooksville
Kingsley, W. N.	Leesburg
Mahoney, S. P.	Leesburg
Martin, G. A.	Floral City
Martin, W. L.	Citra
McClama, J. W.	Bushnell
O'Berry, W. R.	Wildwood
Patten, J. H.	Centralia
Roberts, I. I.	Wildwood
Russell, J. F.	
Rogers, J. C.	Bushnell
Sloan, S. C.	Lakeland
Spicer, T. W.	Leesburg
Traylor, M. L.	Sumterville
Wade, W. S.	Bushnell

meeting of the body. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to keep all the funds of the association, subject to the orders of the executive committee.

5. There shall be an executive committee of five brethren appointed at each meeting of this association, whose duty it shall be to supervise and conduct all matters pertaining to this association during the year.

6. Churches wishing to dissolve connection with this body must submit their reasons during its session.

7. It shall be required of the executive committee to hold a meeting for business at each session of the association, before its adjournment.



PROCEEDINGS

First Day—Morning Session

Brooksville, Fla., October 8, 1918

1. The Alachua Baptist Association met with the Brooksville Baptist Church, in its Seventy-Second Annual Session, at 10:00 A. M. October 8. Devotional exercises were conducted by S. P. Mahoney.

2. In the absence of the Moderator, S. P. Mahoney was, on motion, elected temporary Moderator.

3. The time for organization having arrived on motion it was ordered that roll of Messengers be made up and that such messengers constitute this association. The following enrollment was secured:

List of Messengers:

Brooksville—W. E. Law, Mrs. H. D. Evans, J. E. Morrow, W. A. Thompson, O. A. Lawhon.
 Bushnell—C. W. Burnett, Mrs. C. W. Burnett, Miss Ethel Burnett.
 Center Hill—J. F. Archibald.
 Charter Oak—
 Eden—Mrs. D. C. Allen, J. A. Morgan.
 Edenfield—J. F. Trowell.
 Floral City—G. W. Higgins.
 Fruitland Park—W. P. Ebbs.
 Hebron—J. M. Ferris, Mrs. W. A. Skinner, W. A. Skinner, A. P. Sharp.
 Lady Lake—A. W. Vinson, Gwylym Herbert.
 Leesburg—S. P. Mahoney, Geo. J. King.
 Oxford—Mrs. Clara Nichols, Miss Fannie Perry.
 Pedro—Walter Nichols, Mrs. W. Nichols, J. W. Linderman, Mrs. J. W. Linderman.
 Sardis—Mrs. W. R. Nichols, Mrs. J. B. Waldron.
 Sumterville—M. L. Traylor, Miss Millie McCloud, Mrs. J. D. Mann.
 Wahoo—J. A. Wade, R. H. Bennett, W. S. Wade, W. S. Swain, T. S. Swain.
 Webster—Mrs. W. D. Kirkland, Mrs. H. S. Burgner.

Whitney—M. V. Peacock, Mrs. W. V. Peacock.

Wildwood—I. I. Roberts, Mrs. T. M. Curington, J. E. Mills, Miss Zelia Gresham.

4. The Association organized by the election of the following officers:

Moderator—S. P. Mahoney, Leesburg.

Clerk—Gwylm Herbert, Lady Lake.

Treasurer—J. H. Williams, Leesburg.

Corresponding Secretary—O. S. Bogue, Oxford.

5. Upon motion, I. I. Roberts and Gwylm Herbert were appointed a Committee on Program for this session.

6. C. W. Burnett preached the introductory sermon.

7. The Moderator appointed the following committees to report at this session:

Digest of Letters—I. I. Roberts, M. V. Peacock, J. A. Morgan.

Finance—G. J. King, W. A. Thompson, J. F. Archibald.

Nominations—C. W. Burnett, A. W. Vinson, J. F. Trowell.

8. After the benediction the association adjourned until 2:00 o'clock.

First Day—Afternoon Session:

9. The association was called to order at 2:00 P. M. and the devotional exercises were conducted by W. L. Martin.

10. The report on B. Y. P. U. was read by I. I. Roberts as follows:—

Report on B. Y. P. U. Work.

We your committee on B. Y. P. U. Work beg leave to submit the following report.

We as Baptists are beginning to realize today as never before that one of the greatest problems that we are facing in our churches is inefficiency in our members. We have been very loyal in standing for a world Evangelism and a pure Gospel and we have reached, and Evangelized a great host of people. But we have failed to teach and train, and as a result our young people in our churches today are held in the back ground. The Sunday School is and should be the teaching force in our church, while the B. Y. P. U. is and should be the training force. The B. Y. P. U. takes the same place in the church, that West Point takes in training men for our Government, we have Evangelized, but we have not trained.

We would suggest to every Pastor and every church, if you have no B. Y. P. U. in your church go home and organize one. If you have one go home and call your young people together and institute a study course in some of the Text Books as provided by our Sunday School Board.

This would interest your young people and help develop their usefulness in your church. Last year we were only able to report eight-unions

in our twenty-four churches. However since that time there have been two others organized which makes ten in all. There are fourteen churches in this association trying to operate without a training station. Brethren this ought not to be.

Respectfully submitted,

I. I. Roberts, Chairman Committee.

Geo. J. King.

The report was discussed by I. I. Roberts and S. P. Mahoney. The report was adopted.

11. The report on Laymen's Movement was read by C. W. Burnett as follows:—

Report on Laymen's Movement.

Never before has there been so much about saving man power and making every man count the most for his country. We are waking up to the fact that there has been a great waste of energy. We might have been a much greater nation than we are if every man, woman and child had been doing their part.

Some of our churches are doing a good work but there are greater possibilities before them. There is much undeveloped material in every church. The needs were never greater. There is a great work before us and every man is needed with every ounce of man power that he possesses.

Our women organize that they may better understand the work to be done and that each may do her part in accomplishing it.

Our laymen should organize with an earnest desire to better understand the great problems confronting us and with a determination to exist every one in the accomplishment of that work.

Bro S. D. Martin has been appointed to organize the laymen in our association. So far only two churches have completed organizations, Wildwood and Oxford.

We would recommend that our churches give Bro Martin a date and assist him in bringing this work before our laymen.

C. W. Burnett

Geo. J. King

W. V. Peacock

The report was discussed by C. W. Burnett and Geo. J. King. The report was adopted.

12. The report on Periodicals was read by Geo. J. King as follows:

Periodicals.

As Baptists the great commission comes to us with peculiar force. In

no small measure are we responsible for the advance of the kingdom in this generation. In order to "go" intelligently we need to inform ourselves. We should first of all familiarize ourselves with the word that God may through it speak to our hearts until we will be ready to say with Isaiah, "Here am I."

The publications of our Sunday school board at Nashville are of the highest standard. We would urge that each Sunday school acquaint itself with the graded system of lessons, and as far as possible adopt them, as well as the excellent papers for young and old.

Our missionary magazines, Home and Foreign Fields, and Royal Service published by the Women's Missionary Union, will be found full of information and inspiration, and will keep us well acquainted with the work being done in the various fields of our societies.

Last, but not least, we would call attention to the Florida Baptist Witness, our own state paper, to which we should show our loyalty by subscribing for and reading it.

GEO. J. KING
M. L. TRAYLOR
J. A. MORGAN

The report was discussed by I. I. Roberts and Geo. J. King. The report was adopted.

13. The report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. Clara Nichols as follows:

Report on Woman's Work

Since the day when Mary received the Commendation of her Lord for having chosen the better part, that of sitting at his feet and learning of him, women have been striving to learn more and more of his love for, and will concerning them, and as they have learned they have gone forth to do and to teach.

Just thirty years ago (in 1888) the W. M. U. Auxiliary to the S. B. C. was organized at Richmond, Va., by thirty-two women representing twelve states.

From this small beginning the woman's work has grown by leaps and bounds until now every state has been organized and almost every Association in the States is organized for more efficient work. They are ever strengthening their stakes and lengthening their cords by united effort in Bible Study Mission study class, distribution of Mission literature and organizing and fostering the young people of the churches.

In the words of Paul we would say, "Help those women who labor with you in the Gospel."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CLARA NICHOLS.

The report was discussed by Mrs. Clara Nichols. The report was adopted.

14. Upon motion it was unanimously agreed that the woman's Missionary Union hold its meeting at this hour.

15. After benediction recess was taken until the night session.

First Day—Night Session

16. A. W. Vinson conducted the devotional exercises.

17. Dr. S. B. Rogers, our State Mission Secretary, addressed the association on the state mission work.

18. After benediction adjournment was taken until tomorrow morning.

Second Day—Morning Session.

19. The association was called to order at 9 o'clock and I. I. Roberts conducted the devotional exercises.

20. The report on Obituaries was read by J. H. Patten as follows:

Report on Obituaries

Your committee find that during the past year there have been nine deaths in the various churches during the year nine less than number reported last year.

Let us remember our loss is their gain.

J. H. PATTEN

J. F. ARCHIBALD.

The report was discussed by J. H. Patten. The report was adopted.

21. The report on Sunday Schools was read by W. S. Wade as follows:

Report on Sunday Schools

We are taught in God's word to "teach" and as we have so many young minds in the world we have no better way of reaching them than through the Sunday Schools. Not only the young minds are benefited by this opportunity but there is no better place for the church members to study the Bible than through the agency of the Sunday School.

It is doubtless one of the greatest organizations we have for the advancement of the cause of Christ, for in this organization every member is taught his or her duty and how to discharge same.

Many christians have reached a degree of happiness through the Sunday Schools that they would not have reached otherwise. Knowing this to be true then it is our duty to enlarge our Sunday Schools in every

way possible, and to do this we must enlist as many as we can, including those that are not church members and teach them the Bible.

We should call the attention of pastors and superintendents to the importance of the Teacher Training for the improvement of the classes and Sunday School at large.

We should also emphasize the importance of the regular offerings for missions and Orphanage, teaching the fortunate their duty to the unfortunate.

W. S. WADE

The report was discussed by W. S. Wade, W. L. Martin, Gwylm Herbert and Dr. Bob Killgore. The report was adopted.

22. The report on Orphanage prepared by S. D. Martin was as follows:

Report On Orphan's Home.

The appeal of the orphan child is an appeal that reaches every heart. A child in need will always find friends who are willing to render assistance because of our inherent love for innocent childhood. The appeal to us is stronger when we know that a child is orphaned and dependent upon strangers.

It was such an inspiration that impelled the Baptists of Florida to establish a home at Arcadia for orphan children and was such as always follows the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

God has approved and blessed our work in that He has given us one hundred bright boys and girls, now in the home, to be our own orphan children, sharing what He has given us and to be partakers of our temporal blessings. The obligation to take care of these, our own by virtue of our obligation to our Church, is just as sacred and binding as the obligation to take care of our own immediate family, so no individual, who loves the Lord Jesus Christ, can shift this responsibility to another.

Our responsibility now is greater than ever before on account of the exceedingly trying times through which we are passing. A larger family than we have ever had before, the per capita cost greater on account of conditions than ever before, our people carrying burdens greater than any previous year and untold difficulties confronting the management in maintaining the work for our orphan children, making a greater effort necessary for the support of our Work than ever before.

The Board of Trustees has been forced to go to the Banks for money to keep up our current expenses through the summer. A deficit has naturally accrued. We should raise about \$7,000.00, \$5,000.00 to pay off the indebtedness from last year and that of this year and \$2,000.00 to take care

of our work through November and December, when a State Mission Campaign will be on, or we will have to report an indebtedness at the Convention \$7000.00 is but a small amount for the sixty thousand Baptists of Florida to raise if each would do his part. We ask the Sunday Schools, the Societies and the Churches to take a collection during October for our Orphanage and the amount will be raised.

We have the inspiration of a \$5000.00 gift from Bro. J. H. Maxey of Richmond, Virginia, to build a Babies' Home as a memorial to his mother and the building is now in the course of construction. If a brother in another State could send us \$5000.00 of his money to enlarge our Institution to care for orphan children in Florida, how much more should we do to take care of our very own?

Your Committee hereby recommends that every Sunday School, Society and Church in this Association observe this month as Orphanage month and take a collection for our Home at Arcadia.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. D. MARTIN
J. F. ARCHIBALD
J. M. FERRIS

Committee

The report was discussed by G. J. King, J. H. Patten, Mrs. Clara Nichols. The report was adopted.

23. Nomination Committee reported as follows:

Report of Committee on Nominations

We would recommend the following:

Next meeting of the association to be held with the Leesburg church beginning Tuesday morning after the first Sunday in October at 10 o'clock. To preach introductory sermon Dr. Bob Killgore. Alternate, Rev. I. I. Roberts. Executive Committee, S. P. Mahoney, Gwylm Herbert, J. H. Williams, S. D. Martin, S. E. Walker.

Member State Board of Missions, Gwylm Herbert.
Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. I. I. Roberts.
Messengers to State Convention, Dr. Bob Killgore, Rev. I. I. Roberts, Rev. S. P. Mahoney, Rev. J. H. Patten, Rev. C. W. Burnett.

C. W. BURNETT
A. W. VINSON
J. F. TROWELL.

After discussion by C. W. Burnett the report was adopted.

24. Notice is hereby given that at the next meeting of the association, motion will be made to make the following change in the fifth article in By-

Laws, "There shall be an executive committee consisting of the officers of the association with two members appointed by the association"

25. Rev. I. I. Reberts addressed the association on "Rural Church Problems."

26. After prayer, adjournment was taken until afternoon session.

Second Day—Afternoon Session

27. Prayer and Praise service.

28. Introduction of new pastors in the association: W. L. Martin, W. S. Wade, I. I. Roberts, S. P. Mahoney.

29. The report on State Missions was read by Gwylym Herbert as follows:

State Missions

The primacy of State Missions conceded, therefore need not be argued. The army of the Lord must have a base of supplies, it is found in State Missions. A dollar given to State Missions directly or indirectly supports every agency and work fostered by the churches. The Orphan's Home, Education, Sunday School work, Evangelism, enlistment, homeless churches, to say nothing of Home and Foreign Missions, which can only reach their results with a strong base.

Our first and prime work is to make Florida Christian. The order of Jesus was to begin at home and radiate to the uttermost parts. Florida is pre-eminently a mission field and a stupendous mission task, city, town and country call alike for help in their problems. In the present and prospective development of Florida we have a challenge to the best that is within us. If we fail to push the moral and spiritual interests of our state, if they keep not pace with the material development, it will be to our shame. If we make paramount the Kingdom of Christ, then shall we have our crown of rejoicing.

The State work this year has been laid out on a basis of \$50,000 and about \$35,000 will be required to relieve the Board of its assumed obligations in December.

Your committee recommends first: That all our people be asked to pray for and to sacrifice for State Missions. Second: That we urge upon pastors to present the mission cause. Third: That the association request the new Executive Committee to take such steps and to carry forward such an educational and inspiring campaign as will in their judgement, insure the churches contributing to our mission causes.

GWYLYM HERBERT

The report was discussed by Gwylym Herbert, W. L. Martin, G. W. Higgins. The report was adopted.

30. The report on Home Missions was read by Dr. Bob Killgore.

Home Mission Report

Our Home Mission Board at Atlanta, Georgia, has the distinction of reporting yearly more converts and baptisms through the work of its missionaries than have ever been reported by another Home Mission Board in America, through several of these expend more money than our Board does.

The great world war is a challenge to every moral and spiritual resource in America. Southern Baptists must do their full share to save and to serve the religious needs of our American boys in the camps, and to protect them from the foul birds of prey that gather in the wake of every army.

In Evangelism and Church Building and Enlistment, in Cuba and Panama and the Southern Highlands, among Foreigners and Negroes and Indians, through co-operative missions in such needy states as New Mexico and Arkansas and Oklahoma and Louisiana and Florida, in cities and towns and country-side, our Board has a great work, and the pressing needs which grow out of the war are in addition.

We recommend:

1. That earnest prayer be made for the work of the Home Mission Board and that our pastors be asked to preach at least once during the year upon Home Missions.

2. That our churches be encouraged to form mission study classes in "Baptist Missions in the South" and "Country Church in the South," the two unusually popular mission study books of the Home Board. Also that our churches should order and make a larger use of the full and interesting lot of tracts about each phase of the work of the Board. The tracts are free on application. The books are, each, cloth 60 cents, paper 40 cents. All orders for literature or books should be directed to Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Georgia.

BOB KILLGORE.

Report discussed by Dr. Bob Killgore. The report was adopted.

31. Individual reports from Churches.

32. After prayer adjournment was taken until evening session.

Second Day—Evening Session

33. Devotional exercises led by Gwylym Herbert.

34. The finance committee made its report—

Report of Finance Committee.

Received for minutes and Clerk..... \$69.00

Respectfully Submitted,
GEO. J. KING

The report was adopted.

35. The report of the Treasurer J. H. Williams was submitted:

Receipts

Balance on hand last report	\$81.27
Minutes and Clerk this session	69.00
	\$150.27

Disbursements

State Missions	\$18.09
Printing Minutes	48.35
Clerk	14.85
Balance on hand	69.00
	\$150.27

Due Clerk\$5.02

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. WILLIAMS, Treasurer.

The report was adopted.

36. Motion made and passed that Executive Committee compose program Committee.

37. Resolution of thanks by Geo. J. King:

Resolved that we the visiting members of this association express most heartily and sincerely our appreciation;

First, to Dr. Killgore, Pastor of Brooksville Baptist Church, for his great heart full of love so splendidly expressed in his untiring efforts to make everybody comfortable and happy.

Second, to the Baptist church membership especially. also other denominations and to the citizenship generally for the hospitality of their comfortable homes, their congenial and christian fellowship and association. May all your lines continue to unfold with God's richest blessings upon them, and the marvelous beauty of righteousness cover into their very fabrics.

Adopted unamiously:

38. The Foreign Mission Report was read by S. P. Mahoney as follows.

Foreign Mission Report

In 1800, seven years after Carey landed in India, there were only seven Protestant Missionary Societies in full operation in all the world, 170 male missionaries and 50,000 converted heathen. In 1845 the Southern Baptists began work in China, this being our first field in foreign mission endeavor. Today we have missions established in Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Uruguay, Italy, Africa, Japan and China. The growth of foreign missions during the last few years has simply been marvelous. Our foreign mission membership today number about 50,000. We have 460 churches. We have over 310 Foreign Missionaries, and our 810 native workers who conduct 474 schools which have an enrollment of over 13,000 students. About a hundred years ago there were no medical missionaries, hospitals or dispensaries. As Southern Baptists we have 15 medical missionaries who last year treated nearly 70,000 patients; 7 hospitals and 9 dispensaries. Surely we can say that the Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad.

The present facilities for spreading the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth are marvellous. Just think it took Judson 11 months to go from Salem to Calcutta; the same trip can be made now in less than a month. With our cables, fast ocean liners, postal system, wireless, printing presses and scientific medical equipment, we can truthfully ask like one of old: Lord what wait I for? The greatest opportunity in all the history of the church for sending the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth is now.

Last year Southern Baptists created a real love feast among the brethren by killing a debt that has done more to hold the Foreign Mission cause back than anything else in the world. Our Convention is asking for one and a half millions to meet the great pressing needs of our foreign work. We recommend that in view of the fact that as Baptists we opened the mission doors to the world, that we must now rise to our responsibility, and increase our liberality. And to free ourselves from all reproach in the eyes of the christian world and the perishing heathen we also recommend that each church make up the every member canvas encourage systematic giving, and subscribe for Home and Foreign Fields journal.

Respectfully submitted,

S. P. MAHONEY

Report adopted.

39. Sermon by S. P. Mahoney.

40. After prayer association adjourned until Thursday morning.

Third Day—Morning Session.

41. Devotional exercises conducted by Geo. J. King.

42. The report on Education was read by S. P. Mahoney as follows:

Report on Education

Christian education is founded upon the implicit teaching of Christ. The last command that He gave to His Church was to "Go" and "Teach." the observance of the "All things;" and for the church which has been perpetuated for nineteen centuries to be disloyal to the denominational school means a breach of fidelity to Christ.

Baptists may be considered in a very large degree the pioneer of the educational movements in America. Long before the separation of the church and state took place, there was a Baptist College in Rhode Island. Today the numerous Baptist Colleges in various states are a concrete evidence of Baptist concern for christian education.

Columbia College our own Baptist Institution of learning was established 11 years ago, and in this time it has had a total of some 1,700 students, of whom about forty have been ministerial students, a number of whom have been assisted by scholarships and work, through which they could earn enough to attend college.

The college is now a standard institution of higher learning and it enjoys equally with the University of Florida, and the Woman's School at Tallahassee the privilege of having its diplomas accepted for certificate to teach in the public schools of Florida.

Columbia College which is the Baptist educational institution of Florida, is absolutely loyal to the Bible, and its teaching and will not tolerate any of its faculty to teach anything that would create doubt in the mind of its students. Columbia stands foursquare for Baptist principles and we your committee recommend to our churches a deeper interest in Columbia College and also a larger financial support than in the past.

S. P. MAHONEY

The report was discussed by S. P. Mahoney, Gwylm Herbert, J. H. Patten, Geo. J. King. The report was adopted.

43. Report of B. M. A. A.

This association, as most of us understand contributes to a member's family after his death one dollar for each member constituting the association. Only ministers can be beneficiary members but honorary members can join and pay one dollar for the death of beneficiary members.

A church can join, or a Sunday School, and pay its dollar at the death of a member.

We earnestly recommend that churches and Sunday schools, or any other Baptist organization, give their names and participate in this worthy work

GWYLM HERBERT

The report was adopted.

44. Report on Temperance:

The church of Jesus Christ is the natural foe of the curse of the Liquor Traffic, and one of the greatest fights now on is that of doing away with this curse.

We recommend that the membership of our churches do all in their power to help carry the Prohibition Amendment to the State Constitution in the November election. also urge the membership of our state legislature to ratify the prohibition amendment to the constitution of the U. S.

GWYLM HERBERT

45. A discussion of Sunday school work was engaged in by J. E. Morrow and others.

46. After singing and prayer the Association adjourned to meet with the Leesburg church Tuesday, morning October 7, 1919.

S. P. MAHONEY, Moderator.

GWYLYM HERBERT, Clerk.

Minutes of W. M. U. Meeting of the Alachua Association.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Alachua Association met with the Brooksville Baptist Church October 8, 1918, our faithful and worthy president Mrs. Clara Nichols presiding.

Devotional services were conducted in a very impressive manner by Mrs. Killgore, reading from Mark 16:15, 16 and she spoke beautifully of preparations for going and sending laborers into the fields.

In listening to Mrs. Heath's address every one was made feel that they were truly welcomed to Brooksville. Miss Zelia Gresham of Wildwood responded with words of thanks.

Encouraging reports were read from different societies.

Our superintendent's splendid report inspired us to make new resolutions for greater service the coming year.

The paper on the importance of the graded system in our W. M. U. work by Mrs. G. Herbert was read and a rising vote of thanks was tendered her for the excellent paper.

The following recommendations were read and adopted:

Realizing that the harvest is great, that the laborers are few that the Master has bidden us pray the Lord of the Harvest to send forth more laborers into the Harvest, and believing that many of our women are willing to become laborers together with God if shown the way, we desire to offer the following recommendations:

1. That we take as our watch word for the year, "pray without Ceasing."
2. That we more strongly emphasize the need of the study of "God's Words."

3. That we urge the forming of mission Study Classes.
4. That we "district" our Association with a Supt. for each district, who shall feel responsible for the development of each church in the district.
5. That we try to secure a key woman in each church who will be willing to receive and distribute literature and solicit subscribers to our Mission Journals, The Royal Service and Home and Foreign Fields.
6. That we have a Supt of young peoples work who shall encourage, either by personal touch or through correspondence, our young people to volunteer for service, under their Great Captain Jesus to help win the world for God.
7. That we occasionally confer with our pastors about our work thus inviting their sympathy and co-operation.
8. That our aim for the year be, at least one of the branches of the graded W. M. U. in each church this year.

Respectfully,

MARY BEVILL
ALICE L. HUGHES
MRS. A. T. CRENSHAW
MRS. CLARA NICHOLS
Executive Committee.

The Association was divided in the following districts:

- No. 1. Supt. Mrs. Petteway, Brooksville, Centralia, Eden, Hebron, and Floral City.
- No. 2. Supt. Mrs. Hughes, Rusknell, Wahoo, St. Catherine, Eden field and Webster.
- No. 3. Supt. Mrs. A. F. Crenshaw, Coleman, Sumterville, Marsia Bend, Corinth, and Wildwood.
- No. 4. Supt. Mrs. E. R. Stapp, Oxford, Sardis, Pedro, Charter Oa..
- No. 5. Supt. Mrs. G. Herbert, Lady Lake, Fruitland Park, Whitney, Leesburg and Center Hill

The following officers were elected, President, Mrs. Clara Nichols, Vice-President, Mrs. T. N. Curington, Secretary, Miss Zelia Gresham, Treasurer, Mrs. Bob Killgore Supt. Young People's Work, Mrs. S. P. Mahoney Resolution of thanks to Association for giving time and attention to W. M. U work read and adopted.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. I. I. Roberts.

MRS. CLARA NICHOLS, President
MISS ZELIA GRESHAM.

W. M. U. Superintendent's Report.

Dear Sisters: Another year's work has passed into history, can we

expect our Master to say "Well done good and faithful servant?" or can we by the eye of faith, see the look of reproach on His blessed face because we have proven unjust stewards? In this hour of world wide strife, sorrow and anxiety our people are responding nobly to the multiplied appeals for funds to provide for the physical needs of "our boys," and it is right that we should make any and all sacrifices in our power to extend aid and relief to our dear ones who are suffering for our freedom and peace. But, sisters is not the soul of far greater importance than the body? Should we not redouble our efforts in helping to spread the gospe. to the end of the earth?

Some of our boys may, nay, will go over there without having accepted Jesus as their personal savior. Thousands of boys are being led to Jesus by the Y. M. C. A. Workers, Camp Pastors and Chaplins. Never before in the history of the world have the people every where been so willing and eager to hear the Gospel. Shall we withhold the means when God has opened so wide the doors of opportunity and put it in the heart of so many of our noblest and best young men and women to enter? Surely we can not afford to do less for the souls of men than we are willing to do for their bodies. It rejoices my heart to note that there is an increase in gifts over last year. Our work has not made the progress that we have prayed and worked for but sometimes we get impatient to see results. Less than one sixth of our women in this association are enlisted in active service. We should all-together all-at-once right about face and forward march, and go "over the top" with an increase in members by having an every member canvas, go out and compel them by enthusaistic interest and love, to come in, with an increase in knowledge by organizing and conducting mission study classes, with an increase in spirituality by Bible study and prayer with an increase in gifts by organizing Tithers Bands. In order to reach this goal we solicit your prayerful consideration of the recommendations of the executive committee.

Your superintendent has been permitted to attend but one fifth Sunday meeting this year. There she had the pleasure of presenting the women's work to a good audience. As a result two ladies promised to go home and organize the children into Sunbeam Bands. She has had no report of the work having been done.

In August our beloved State Secretary gave a few days Institute in Bushnell, which was instructive, inspiring and soul lifting.

We had the pleasure, on July 7 at Oxford, of organizing a girl's auxiliary with twelve members. They have a very enthusiastic little president and we expect good work by them.

Your superintendent has received this years \$3.35 to aid in her traveling expenses and postage, over half of which was used for stationery and postage. She went twice to Ocala to confer with out District President Mrs. E. Van Hood.

We have done our best to arouse interest and to enlist workers in His Kingdom and we plead with you that when you come to the election of officers that you will select a superintendent or president who will put her whole heart and life into the work and if possible one who has the means to visit the churches and come in personal contact with our women.

Traveled 260 miles. Wrote 48 letters and 7 cards. Received 31 letters and one card. 700 pages literature distributed.

Number Girls Auxiliary	1
Number Young Women's Auxiliary	:
Number Mission Study Classes	3
Subscribers to H & F. Fields	14
Subscribers to Royal Service	25
Subscribers to Baptist Witness	23

Amount of money raised during the year is as follows:--

State Missions	\$26.36
Foreign Missions	63.68
Home Missions	71.44
Columbia College	3.21
Aged Ministers	3.45
Orphanage	51.67
Christmas Offering	5.70
Thanks Offering	6.00
Chipley Memorial	16.75
Training School	8.17
Training School S. F.	1.46
Margaret Fund	1.25
Value of Boxes	\$7.00
Other purposes	125.17
Total	508.36

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CLARA NICHOLS, Supt.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF ALACHUA ASSOCIATION

Name of Church	HOME EXPENSES								MISSIONS				EDUCATION			Aged Ministers	Orphanage	Grand Total	Value of Property		
	Pastor's Salary	New Property and Repairs	Furnishings	Incidentals	Visiting Ministers	Sunday School and Others	Poor	Minutes	Total	State	Home	Foreign	Total	Columbia College	Ministerial					General	Total
Brooksville	\$1,500.00			\$211.98		\$126.00		\$5.00	\$1,842.98	\$96.45	\$52.00	\$18.00	\$166.45								
Bushnell	210.00	28.00		28.40		46.40		4.00	316.80	32.06	27.96										
Center Hill	175.00		10.50						187.50				81.13	4.07	1.68	5.75	.60	4.77			
Charter Oak	60.00	2.84		1.40		6.84		2.00	71.08	1.35	3.07										
Coleman	108.00			7.50		25.00		1.50	142.00	4.05	1.50	1.50	4.42					2.73			
Corinth	60.00	44.50							104.50				7.05	2.25		2.25		1.50			
Eden	131.62		7.00						152.70												
Edenfield	20.00							2.50	22.50												
Floral City	168.00					36.64		4.00	208.64		1.76	1.75									
Fruitland Park	200.00					15.00		.50	215.50												
Hebron	118.25			6.40		10.00		2.50	137.15	11.00			11.00								
Lady Lake	156.46			1.20				3.00	181.65	25.53	9.53	9.97	45.03	4.67		1.67	1.00	11.40			
Leesburg	1,200.00	158.00	146.10			127.44	46.06	6.00	1,683.60	122.00	32.49	65.33	219.82		.50			69.58			
Marsh Bend	25.34								25.34												
Oxford	447.30		737.86	61.50	43.56	85.41	25.00	2.35	1,402.98		13.48	23.47	131.05	3.14	6.95	10.09	1.88	7.20			
Pedro	103.00	95.00	42.40					2.41	242.81	2.50			2.50					5.25			
Sardis	208.00		7.80			15.00		2.50	233.30												
Sumterville	50.00							1.00	51.00		1.50	1.50	3.00								
Wahoo	216.00					26.17		2.00	244.17		5.37	7.98	13.35								
Webster	56.35			20.40	103.00	20.00		3.00	202.75	3.00	1.50	1.45	5.95					8.00			
Whitney	183.00	27.00		27.95	33.08	49.68		4.00	324.21	255.21	60.00	42.00	357.21								
Wildwood	550.00	6.60	50.00	131.77	80.00	84.88	21.25	5.00	929.50	97.53	66.00	177.78	341.31	40.00	9.05	49.05	19.00	48.00			
Total	\$5,946.32	\$361.94	\$1,001.66	\$498.50	\$259.64	\$697.53	\$102.31	\$55.26	\$8,428.16	\$750.28	\$280.26	\$371.84	\$1,402.38	\$54.13	\$16.50	\$1.68	\$72.31	\$27.48	\$367.90	\$10,793.23	\$43,830.00

Special offering for Minutes \$ 13.74

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS OF ALACHUA ASSOCIATION 1913

Name of Church	Date Organized	Pastor and Postoffice Address	Clerks and Postoffice Address	Increased by		Decreased by				Present Membership	SUNDAY SCHOOLS		Sabbath Preaching	
				Membership Last Reported	Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Letter	Exclusion		Erasure	Death		Officers and Teachers
1862 Brooksville		Bob Killgore, Brooksville	M. H. Snow, Brooksville	264	8	6								
1886 Bushnell		C. W. Burnett, Rerdell	Mrs. A. M. Roland, Bushnell	57		1		12			2	17	174	Full
1903 Center Hill		S. C. Stone, Lakeland	E. I. Thomas, Center Hill	112				6	4	8		8	62	First
1902 Charter Oak		I. W. McClamma, Bushnell	Henry Redding, Summerfield	47								8	69	Third
1904 Coleman			T. V. Curington, Coleman	15	6	2		3				6	47	Fourth
1917 Corinth			E. B. Cason, Bellview	21								4	50	1st, 23rd
1845 Eden		I. H. Patten, Centralia	J. M. Hedick, Jr., Brooksville	42				1				5	21	
1917 Edenfield		I. W. McClamma, Bushnell	J. M. Horton, Edenfield	21								5	41	
1888 Floral City		J. F. Rorex, Inverness	W. C. Wood, Floral City	48	8	1	1						21	Second
1916 Fruitland Park		J. F. Russell	Miss Fannie Ebbs, Fruitland Park	19									56	
1891 Hebron		I. H. Patten, Centralia	J. M. Ferris, Brooksville, R. F. D. 1	95	3	1	2	6	1	15			17	1st & 5th
1882 Lady Lake		I. F. Russell	R. D. Mathews, Leesburg	26	1								29	Third
1876 Leesburg		S. P. Mahony, Leesburg	T. B. Milam, Leesburg	154				15			1		25	Fourth
1917 Marsh Bend		W. S. Wade, Bushnell	W. J. Albritton, Panasoffkee		6	2	1						13	Second
1884 Oxford		I. I. Roberts, Wildwood	J. C. Hall, Oxford	219	17	8	1	1	2	1			5	Full
1914 Pedro		W. L. Martin, Citra	Geo. L. Proctor, Summerfield, R. A.	75	8	2					1		244	Fourth
1891 Sardis		W. L. Martin, Citra	E. F. Caruthers, Wildwood, R. 1-47	36	13	4	3	5					84	2nd & 4th
1878 Sumterville		P. W. Carr, Bushnell	H. H. Bosswell, Sumterville	24									50	Third
1903 Wahoo		J. H. Patten, Centralia	L. J. Norman, Bushnell	105	19	2							23	First
1891 Webster		C. W. Burnett, Rerdell	F. R. Coker, Webster	115	11	8		1					125	Second
1883 Whitney		C. W. Burnett, Rerdell	Mrs. L. H. Walker, Whitney	49	5	4							129	First
1884 Wildwood		I. I. Roberts, Wildwood	H. E. Martin, Wildwood	119	10	16		3			1		50	3rd & 4th
													44	Fourth
													141	1st & 3rd
Total				1693	115	65	8	68	8	31	8	1766	116	1170