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MINUTES
OF THE
Eighty-Sixth Session
OF THE
ALACHUA BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE
First Baptist Church
BROOKSVILLE, FLORIDA
October 12th and 13th, 1932.

Next Session Convenes with the Baptist Church,
Oxford, Wednesday and Thursday after Second
Sunday in October, 1933.

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| J. Walton Senterfitt, Moderator..... | Brooksville |
| Ray Y. Walden, Clerk..... | Oxford |
| Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Treasurer..... | Bushnell |

CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be known as the Alachua Baptist Association.

2. It shall be composed of churches generally recognized as Missionary Baptist Churches.

3. Its session (Legislative, Administrative, Promotional and Fellowship) shall be by regularly elected representatives of the churches composing its membership, and other members of said churches who may be present and who may be accepted by the elected members, on the basis of two Messengers from each church, and one additional for each twenty-five members or major fractional part thereof, in excess of fifty.

4. The officers shall be a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and an Executive Committee, elected annually by vote of the messengers present.

5. The Executive Committee shall be the Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and two additional members elected by the body in session, annually.

6. The Moderator shall preside over the sessions, keep order, take the vote on all questions properly presented and perform such other duties as are usual to such officers. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body in session, have the same printed and distributed to the churches according to the funds provided and as the body may direct. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all monies received; pay it out upon the instruction of the body and make an itemized report of same to the Association at each annual session.

7. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the work fostered by the Association. It shall meet quarterly and plan for the promotion of various interests of the organized work, using its best efforts to stimulate the spirituality and activity of the churches, and shall make report of its work to the Association in its annual session.

8. The Association shall meet annually at such time and place as may be agreed upon by the body; or, when necessity arises, by the Executive Committee.

9. Churches may be admitted to membership in this Association by representatives bearing a petitionary letter

with statistical data; provided they are found to be orthodox by a committee appointed by the Moderator. Upon a favorable vote of the body, the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship on behalf of the Association.

10. The Association shall have the right and the power to withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership, upon grounds which it may deem justifiable.

11. Any church shall have the right to withdraw its membership from the Association upon due notice to the body.

12. Any church failing to report to the Association, neither sending representatives nor letters, twice in succession, shall be dropped from the roll of active members and put on a list of "inactive churches."

13. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the body in session.

14. This Association accepts as a fundamental Baptist doctrine the inspiration of the Scriptures and offers to those only who hold the word of God to be the sole authority for our faith and practice.

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Moderator—J. Walton Senterfitt.....Brooksville
Clerk—Ray Y. Walden.....Oxford
Treasurer—Mrs. J. H. Hughes.....Bushnell

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Officers with D. F. Barry, Webster; and J. H. Perry, Oxford.

MEMBER OF STATE BOARD

Rev. W. C. Foster.....Inverness

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

Mrs. G. R. Creekmore, Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Rev. P. R. Kendle,
PREACHER OF SERMON, OXFORD, OCTOBER, 1933

Geo. W. Scofield, and Rev. Ray Y. Walden.

D. F. Barry, Webster; Alternate, W. S. Wade, Bushnell.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1933

Foreign, Home and State Missions, Sunday School, B. Y. P. U., Christian Education, Laymen's Work, Relief and Annuity, Women's Work, Children's Home and Temperance.

PASTORS IN THE ASSOCIATION WITH CHURCHES AND POST-OFFICES

Barry, D. F.—Floral City, Pleasant Hill and Wahoo. Webster
Blackman, R. J.—Center Hill and Webster.....Leesburg
Ford, Jas. N.—Wildwood, First.....Wildwood
Foster, W. C.—Inverness.....Inverness
Jordan, H. A.—Eden.....Webster
Kelly, J. P.—Summerfield.....Coleman
Kendle, P. R.—Wildwood, Calvary.....Wildwood
Senterfitt, J. W.—Brooksville.....Brooksville
Smith, Fred—Bushnell.....Bushnell
Wacaster, A. J.—Sumterville.....Webster
Walden, Ray Y.—Oxford.....Oxford

OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS

J. C. Kazee and B. F. McKinney.....Brooksville
J. C. Rodgers.....Bushnell
Isom Beasley—Eden.....Brooksville
A. W. Lamar—Inverness.....Alpharetta, Ga.
W. S. Wade—Pleasant Hill.....Bushnell
R. L. Clyburn.....Summerfield
G. W. Hayes and R. Strickland.....Webster

CHURCH CLERKS WITH CHURCHES AND POSTOFFICES

Brooksville—W. B. Gittings.....Brooksville
Bushnell—R. H. Sparks.....Bushnell
Center Hill—A. B. Jones.....Center Hill
Eden—Mrs. Carrie M. Baxley.....Istachatta
Floral City—Mrs. W. H. Dunn.....Floral City
Hebron—Mrs. Rexie Thompson.....Brooksville
Inverness—L. E. Carter.....Inverness
Oxford—T. P. Caruthers.....Oxford
Pleasant Hill—R. E. Bennett.....Bushnell
Summerfield—H. L. Redding.....Summerfield
Sumterville—Lillian Traylor.....Sumterville
Wahoo—Mrs. Ida Lovett.....Bushnell
Webster—P. A. Tompkins.....Webster
Wildwood, First—C. M. Brown.....Wildwood
Wildwood, Calvary—J. A. George.....Wildwood

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS, POSTOFFICES

Brooksville—B. T. Lamb.....Brooksville
Bushnell—J. H. Hughes.....Bushnell
Center Hill—A. A. Kight.....Center Hill

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| Eden—Mrs. Carrie M. Baxley..... | Istachatta |
| Floral City—J. D. Bowen..... | Floral City |
| Hebron—A. P. Sharp..... | Brooksville |
| Inverness—G. G. Williamson..... | Inverness |
| Oxford—T. P. Caruthers..... | Oxford |
| Pleasant Hill—R. E. Bennett..... | Bushnell |
| Summerfield—J. M. Price..... | Bellevue |
| Sumterville—E. C. Traylor..... | Sumterville |
| Wahoo—Lee Wade..... | Bushnell |
| Webster—Lee Bourguardez..... | Webster |
| Wildwood, First—Dan McElrath..... | Wildwood |
| Wildwood, Calvary—J. M. Hudson..... | Wildwood |

W. M. U. AUXILIARIES

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| President—Mrs. Clara Nichols..... | Oxford |
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| Margaret Fund Chairman—Mrs. D. T. Cox..... | Brooksville |
| Training School Chairman—Mrs. D. L. Hedick..... | Bushnell |
| White Cross Chairman—Mrs. Ray Y. Walden..... | Oxford |
| Stamps Fund Chairman—Mrs. C. D. Evans..... | Coleman |
| Publicity Chairman—Mrs. W. B. Stokes..... | Coleman |

LIST OF MESSENGERS, 1932 SESSION

Brooksville—E. M. Emerson, Mrs. Emerson, W. B. Gittings, Mrs. Gittings, B. T. Lamb, Mrs. B. T. Lamb, Rev. J. W. Senterfitt, Mrs. Senterfitt, Mrs. T. V. Tidwell.
 Bushnell—Mrs. Elmo Beville, Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Mrs. A. M. Roland, R. H. Sparks, Mrs. Sparks.
 Center Hill—Rev. R. J. Blackman, Mrs. M. A. Hooten and A. B. Jones.
 Coleman—Not Reporting.
 Eden—Mrs. Carrie M. Baxley, Mary Baxley, R. B. Grubbs and J. H. Priest.
 Floral City—Mrs. W. H. Dunn, Mrs. A. L. Vickers.
 Hebron—Mrs. Martha Miley, A. P. Sharp.
 Indian Hill—Not Reporting.

Inverness—Rev. W. C. Foster, G. W. Scofield, Mrs. Annie C. Warnock, G. G. Williamson.
 Lecanto—Mrs. S. G. Beville. No Letter.
 Linden—Not Reporting.
 Oxford—L. M. Driggers, Mrs. Clara Nichols, J. H. Perry, Rev. Ray Y. Walden.
 Pleasant Hill—Mrs. A. F. Wade, Rev. W. S. Wade.
 Summerfield—Miss Elsie S. Goodwin, Miss Iola Perry, Carl Rosier.
 Sumterville—By Letter.
 Wahoo—By Letter.
 Webster—Lee Bourguardez, P. A. Tompkins, Mrs. Tompkins, W. T. Whittington.
 Wildwood, First—Rev. Jas. N. Ford, G. F. Fore, A. W. Lee, R. E. Seckinger, W. H. Scarborough, Loy Waldron, J. C. West.
 Wildwood, Calvary—W. C. Fowler, J. M. Hudson, Rev. P. R. Kendle, Mrs. Kendle, Mrs. J. A. George, C. C. Spurling.

VISITORS ENROLLED

Mrs. J. M. Hudson, Mrs. Jas. N. Ford, Mrs. M. H. Scarborough, J. M. Waldron, Mrs. Waldron, Albert Waldron, Fred Waldron, E. S. Stroud, Mrs. Stroud, Mrs. A. L. Strickland, Mrs. C. C. Spurling, Wildwood; T. M. Johns, Arcadia; E. D. Solamon, Dr. C. M. Brittain, Mrs. Brittain, Jacksonville; S. E. Walker, Mrs. Walker, Whitney; Lincoln Hulley, Mrs. Hulley, De Land; Mary J. Jones, Mrs. J. H. Priest, Mrs. M. E. Whitman, Malinda Whitman, Mrs. R. B. Grubbs, Laura Mae Wells, Lake Lindsey; Mrs. G. G. Williamson, Mrs. J. D. Stephens, Mrs. M. C. Scofield, Mrs. G. W. Scofield, Mrs. G. H. Scofield, Mrs. L. E. Carter, Mrs. S. H. Davis, Inverness; Rev. J. F. Price, Mrs. Price, Dunnellon; Rev. E. L. Andrews, Dade City; Mrs. D. V. Greene, Gladys Edwards, Mrs. J. H. Covey, Louise Covey, Trilby; Mrs. A. P. Sharp, Mrs. Essie Brittle, Mrs. S. J. Mills, Hebron; Rev. C. C. Long, Leesburg; Mrs. A. H. Langley, Mrs. M. J. Hardin, Louis Johns, Lecanto; Mrs. Tate, Mrs. U. G. Milkon, Jewell Craig, Center Hill; Dr. G. H. Crutcher, Mrs. Crutcher, Tampa; Dr. D. M. Gardner, Mrs. Gardner, St. Petersburg; Mrs. M. A. Stuart, Umatilla; W. O. McMullen, Pastor Brooksville Methodist Church; Mrs. Minnie Buford, First Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.; A. L. Vickers, Floral City; Rev. Fred H. M. Smith, Orlando.

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

FIRST MORNING, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1932

The Eighty-sixth Session of the Alachua Baptist Association convened with the Brooksville Church at Brooksville, Wednesday, Oct. 12th, 1932, at 9:30 a. m.

Devotional—T. M. Johns—Matthew 16.

Election of Officers.

Foster moved that committee be appointed to look into application on the part of Center Hill Second Church. Carried.

Chair appointed following brethren, Foster, Sharp, Cheekmore.

Center Hill, Fla., Oct. 9, 1932.

To the Alachua Baptist Association:

We the Second Baptist Church of Center Hill, Fla., ask for membership in the Alachua Association. We were organized Sept. 5, 1931, with a membership of sixty and six added this year. We have a good Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. We have adopted the regular articles of faith and church covenant.

Yours in brotherly love, R. J. Blackman, Moderator, A. B. Jones, Clerk.

The Welcome address was delivered by the Pastor Host, J. W. Senterfitt.

Response by W. C. Foster.

Visitors introduced.

Clerk read letters.

The committee on Second Church, Center Hill, reported.

Brooksville, Fla., Oct. 12th, 1932.

We the committee appointed to investigate the application of the Second Baptist Church, Center Hill, for membership in the Alachua Association, beg leave to report as follows: After inquiring into the circumstances leading to the organization and also their articles of faith and church government, we recommend that the church be admitted into the fellowship of the Association. W. C. Foster, G. R. Creekmore, A. P. Sharp.

Report was adopted and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship on the part of the Association to the messengers.

Calvary Church of Wildwood presented the following petitionary letter:

Wildwood, Fla., Oct. 10, 1932.

To the Alachua Baptist Association,
In session with the First Baptist Church
Brooksville, Florida:

Greetings: Dear brethren, the Calvary Baptist Church of Wildwood was regularly organized at Wildwood, Florida, April 20, 1932, by a presbytery consisting of J. M. Hudson, J. M. Fowler, deacons; E. B. Green, ordained minister, and others with 23 members.

The Church adopted the Articles of Faith and the regular Church Covenant.

We have elected J. M. Hudson, W. C. Fowler and W. B. Mills to represent us in presenting this, our petition for membership in your body and its session, if we are received. We are also sending a letter with statistics, numerical and financial, with the showing of our auxiliaries, and the officers of the church.

Trusting that we may receive favorable action to this petition and that our membership may prove to be mutually helpful in the Lord's work, we are,

Fraternally Yours, Rev. P. R. Kendle, Moderator, J. A. George, Clerk.

By order of the church this Oct. 10, 1932.

The committee to investigate this petition composed of the brethren, W. S. Wade, W. C. Foster, J. H. Perry.

The Church of Lecanto presented the following petitionary letter:

Lecanto, Fla., Sept. 11, 1932.

The Lecanto Missionary Baptist Church of the Marion Association, to her sister churches of like faith and order, in the Alachua Association, Greeting:

Dear Brethren and Sisters in the Lord:

We write you this letter in order to make known to you our desire to come out of the Marion Association and to place our membership with you in the Alachua Association. We ask you to take such steps as may be necessary and proper in order to bring about this desired relationship.

So far as we know, we are at peace with one another and with all our sister churches of like faith and order wherever they may be; and we have the Gospel preached to us regularly by our much esteemed pastor, Brother Simmons Wade.

Dear Brethren and Sisters, pray for us that our faith and love may abound more and more; and that we may all be of humble service in the advancement of the Cause and Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. And the Grace of God, the communion and Fellowship of His Spirit be with you all. Amen.

Written by order of the Lecanto Missionary Baptist Church in regular session, this the 2nd day of Oct., 1932.

W. S. Wade, Moderator; Ella M. Barnes, Church Clerk.

Upon motion this church was received under the watch care of the Association.

Following report presented by B. T. Lamb and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

There are twelve Sunday Schools reporting in the Alachua Association, with an enrollment of 1,135, a gain of 78 over last year.

One new Sunday School and one lost with four not reporting.

Total gifts amounting to \$1,021.37. These twelve schools have 143 teachers and for this year we had 46 baptisms from the Sunday Schools.

We find the great need for teacher training in our schools.

Let us strive to have our schools standard.

B. T. LAMB,

A. P. SHARP,

MRS. CARRIE M. BAXLEY,

LEE BOURGUARDEZ.

Prayer for Divine Guidance led by Dr. C. C. Long, of Main Street Church, Leesburg.

Following report presented by W. C. Foster and adopted after address by Dr. C. M. Brittain.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Florida Baptists gave last year to all missionary and benevolent purposes \$174,588.78. Of this amount, the Co-Operative Program received \$95,954.19. There was given in designated funds, which were sent to the various objects as directed by the donors, \$78,634.59.

The total amount available for State Mission work exclusively the past year was \$66,905.79. We gave to Foreign Missions \$28,182.97. To Home Missions \$9,255.10.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. FOSTER.

Annual sermon preached by Ray Y. Walden of Oxford.

Scripture reading, II Tim. 2. Theme, Adverse Circumstances. Text, Prox. 24:10.

Recessed for bountiful spread in one of the church's rooms.

FIRST AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional—Lincoln Hulley—John 9.

The committee on the Calvary Church letter reported and recommended that said Church be received into the fellowship of the Association.

Upon motion this report was adopted and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the Association to the messengers.

Following report presented by J. W. Senterfitt and adopted after discussion by E. D. Solomon, G. H. Crutcher, D. M. Gardner.

REPORT ON THE WITNESS

Why did Jesus organize His people into a church? Two reasons are apparent, viz.: For their own development in spiritual strength, efficiency and happiness. And, for the effective spread of the Gospel.

Undoubtedly it was of the Holy Spirit that, out of these purposes have come our Associations and Conventions. The members of a church may know its plans and progress by word of mouth; but, in the larger circles of co-operation we must have other means of information. God has provided this means to us in the Florida Baptist Witness. Surely it was God who sent to us Dr. E. D. Solomon to man this vehicle of Gospel information and inspiration.

The Witness fosters every interest that the churches do. It unifies our efforts in the dissemination of information concerning the planning in the churches, the associations, the conventions, boards, department leaders and executives.

It carries into our homes the thinking and work of our best men, women and churches. It is to our organized work what the newspapers and magazines are to the economic, political and social world. We read these because we are interested in the things about which they inform us and regard the information vital to our interest in them. A like interest in the things carried by the Witness should make us hunger for it and for all our denominational periodicals.

Never before has it been possible to secure our state paper for so low a price as now, in the budget plan promoted by Dr. Solomon. Every family may have it for one dollar a year by the budget plan, paying only 25 cents a quarter, just as we pay for our Sunday School literature. Only 2½ cents per quarter more than the cost of "The Challenge."

In the opinion of your committee this is the easiest and best method ever offered and one of the best investments a church can make. Let's do it.

J. W. SENTERFITT, Chairman.

In lieu of a prepared report, the Children's Home was discussed by Mrs. A. C. Coogler and Supt. T. M. Johns.

Following report presented by Jas. N. Ford and adopted:

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.'s

Our churches and great denomination are looking to the young people in our B. Y. P. U. organizations for the future leaders in the Kingdom work. We are watching their progress with the deepest interest and earnest prayer, and note with pleasure that every phase of their work in the Southern Baptist Convention has shown an upward trend.

They have increased in the number of Unions and membership, in tithers and study course rewards, as well as in number of leaders absorbed by the other organizations of the churches. This has been accomplished under the handicap of the greatest financial depression we have seen in years. All over our Southland the B. Y. P. U. work among the young people is marching on to victory in a great way.

In our own beloved State the records show that we have a total of 149 General Organizations, 57 Adult Unions, 438 Senior Unions, 265 Intermediate Unions and 257 Junior Unions, making a total of 1,166 B. Y. P. U. Organizations. This shows an increase of 66, in the 9 months over that of 1931, as this report is only through August of 1932. There were 5,527 Study Course Awards given these Unions.

This work is carried on through the B. Y. P. U. promotional agencies under the direction of Dr. W. W. William, Supt. of the S. S. and B. Y. P. U. departments of the State; O. K. Radford, the field worker and the ever faithful Pastors of the local churches.

We find that during the first quarter of 1932, Florida had 75 Standard Organizations, but due to some vital changes in the Standard, this number fell to only 57 during the second quarter.

Miami Association had the greatest number of Unions, with 128 Unions and 2,238 membership; Tampa Bay, second, with 128 Unions and 2,024 members; Jacksonville Association third, with 118 Unions and 2,071 members; while Alachua Association had 18 Unions and 109 awards through August. Our own Association shows and increase of 7 Unions over that of 1931, or one more Union than the number of churches reported to the Association last year.

We have cause to be grateful to God for the work being done by the Young People of our Association. May God's hand lead them on.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. N. FORD,
P. A. TOMPKINS,
J. H. PRIEST.

Following Resolution presented by Geo. W. Scofield and referred to Promotional Committee:

Whereas, this nation during the past few years has become the most wealthy and powerful of the world; and,

Whereas, we are called upon for leadership as never before; and,

Whereas, our nation and the world are passing through the greatest depression, both financially and spiritually, that history has ever revealed; and,

Whereas, it must be recognized that the fault is with us and our turning from God.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Alachua Baptist Association that our leaders and our people as a whole renew their faith in God; that they pray more earnestly and often for a revival and that we place emphasis on evangelism; that the State Mission Board in co-operation with each Association plan to the end that at least one revival meeting be held in each Baptist Church in Florida during the next year.

Be It Further Resolved that copy of this Resolution be submitted to the State Board of Missions at its next meeting.

Upon notification that Pedro Baptist Church had gone to the Marion Association, W. C. Foster moved that the name of Pedro Church be stricken from the Roll of Churches of the Alachua Association. Carried.

Motion that J. N. Ford preach at the evening service. Carried.

FIRST EVENING SESSION

Song and Praise Service—Ray Y. Walden.

Sermon—J. N. Ford; Theme, "Second Coming of Christ."

SECOND MORNING SESSION

Devotional—L. M. Driggers, Psalm 1.

Following report presented by I. B. Turnley, and adopted after discussion by I. B. Turnley, W. C. Foster, J. W. Senterfitt.

REPORT ON RELIEF AND ANNUITY

The Relief and Annuity Board was organized fourteen years ago.

During the year 1931 it paid benefits totaling \$211,017.59, thus aiding 1,514 ministers, missionaries, widows and orphans, and 211 received annuities.

The new form of Annuity Contract, styled the Service Annuity, inaugurated by the Board January 27th of this year, but made retroactive to January 1st, 1932, is now being issued.

The total assets of the Board are approximately \$4,000,000.00. The business affairs of the Board are carefully handled by committees on which are able business and professional men of Dallas, Texas.

Its funds are invested in sound securities.

Rev. Thos. J. Watts, of Dallas, Texas, is the executive secretary.

R. B. GRUBBS,
A. KEATHLEY,
I. B. TURNLEY.

Following report presented by Mrs. Clara Nichols, and adopted after discussion by Mrs. Nichols, P. R. Kendle, Bro. Fore, W. C. Fowler, J. F. Price and J. W. Senterfitt:

REPORT ON WOMEN'S WORK

The outstanding theme of the South-wide W. M. U. is EXTENSION! In our Associational W. M. U. the work of extension has not been what we had hoped for. However, we have made some progress along some lines, especially in Mission Study and we know that information begets in-

spiration to press onward. We have fourteen organizations among our young people. They are glad and anxious to receive the training.

One has said "We have the church of tomorrow to make of it what we WILL." Are we willing to pay the price in prayer, thought, talent and time?

We have eight enlisted and eight unenlisted churches; eight W. M. S.'s; four Y. W. A.'s; four G. A.'s; one R. A.; five; S. B. Bands. Gifts as reported—Co-operative Program \$274.16. Specials \$310.87. Local \$153.94. Total \$711.97. Grand total a year ago \$710.70.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA NICHOLS,
BEATRICE HUGHES,
CARRIE M. BAXLEY.

Following report presented by W. S. Wade, and adopted after discussion by W. S. Wade, Mrs. G. W. Scofield, W. O. McMullen, E. L. Andrews:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Our subject today is Temperance or more properly Prohibition.

This is one of the most important subjects of our day. It is important because of the dangerous and evil effect that the abolishment of prohibition would have on our people—mentally, morally, financially and last but not greatest, Spiritually.

The wets are a bunch of people who are mentally very shrewd and financially they are very strong.

The church has always opposed the liquor traffic, illicit or legalized. For many years the Spiritually "minded" of our nation put forth every effort to devise some plan whereby this great evil could be abolished or its powerful influence curtailed at least. We have outlawed the manufacture and sale of intoxicating beverages.

The wets, realizing their defeat, are today in many instances coming just as Jesus tells us in Matt. 7:15, "In sheeps clothing but inwardly they are ravening wolves."

We find right now at our doors (after twelve years of National Prohibition) the liquor interest boasting of their contempt for the fundamental law of our land and trying to bluff our American people by threats of civil war if they are not permitted to have their way.

The wets are working towards three lines: (1st) to break down and discredit the character of every preacher or any one else that opposes them; (2nd) They are trying to convince the people that law enforcement is an expensive and impossible undertaking; (3rd) They are trying to bring about a political situation that will confuse and divide the minds of the voters to the extent that they will be put in authority at the head of our government.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. WADE.

Following report read by the Clerk and was adopted after discussion by W. S. Wade, Dr. G. R. Creekmore:

HOME MISSION REPORT

Southern Baptist have been working at Home Missions in an organized, united effort now for more than eighty-five year, and six years ago, before the depression struck our nation, the workers of this Board delivered more than one hundred thousand messages, conducted nearly twenty thousand prayer-meetings, baptized more than twenty thousand candidates, distributed more than ten thousand Bibles and Testaments, and circulated more than one million five hundred thousand tracts.

Our Home Board's work in Florida five years ago included five state evangelist, under whose preaching fifteen hundred souls were reached; and also the Seaman's Institute in Jacksonville, as well as work among the foreigners in Tampa; but alas, the depression, and a wave of world-iness among our members, has curtailed much of our work in Florida and elsewhere.

Through and from our work in Cuba, among the Indians, the negroes, the foreigners and the mountain people, eternity alone will reveal what mighty things have been accomplished by our united efforts on behalf of Home Missions.

May the dear Lord help us to be four-square children of our glorious coming King in our praying, our thinking and our giving, ever observing the scriptural order, "In Jerusalem, in all Judea, and Samaria (Home Missions,") as well as "unto the uttermost part of the earth."

JOS. P. KELLY.

Following report was presented by Ray Y. Walden and adopted after discussion by Ray Y. Walden, J. W. Senterfitt and E. L. Andrews.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

There comes to us great expansion of heart with renewed determination to press forward when we hear of the marvelous triumphs of our work in other lands. Our missions are prospering wonderfully.

In 1906 we had 241 churches. By 1931 these had grown to 2,681 churches; 1,868 of these are self-supporting.

In 25 years the membership grew from 12,894 to 169,311. We baptized more people last year on the foreign fields than we had members 25 years ago. The largest number of baptisms ever reported on our foreign fields came to us in 1931 when the total reached 16,586.

The contributions of these churches last year reached the amount of \$145,000.00 more than Southern Baptists gave for the support of the Foreign Mission Board in 1906.

An outstanding assurance about our work abroad during the last two years, has been the wonderful way in which it has stood the strain caused by our failure to support it properly during that period. It encourages us to take up with more hopeful zeal the support of the work in a larger way in the future.

We have the secret that will fill all the world with joy, and cause it to ring with the praise of God. Shall we halt? Shall we turn our back on the world? Shall we call home the messengers we have sent out, or shall we maintain and re-enforce them?

Respectfully submitted,
RAY Y. WALDEN, Chairman,
LOY WALDRON.

Recessed for another bountiful spread in the room back of the pulpit.

SECOND AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional—W. C. Foster, Romans 8.

Following report presented by L. M. Deiggers, and adopted after discussion by John F. Price:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In the present age, when greater emphasis is placed upon education than in the generations of the past; and there is a larger expenditure of money for buildings, equipment, literature and instructors, there is an increased need for stress on religious education.

Our Nation is making rapid strides in educational fields. Larger buildings, better equipment and more efficient teachers are demanded as we advance along economic, social and industrial lines.

Your committee feels that as we advance in learning in secular matters there are indications that greater emphasis is being placed upon the training of the mind and body than upon the development of the soul.

There seems to be a dearth of religious training beginning in the home and extending through our educational systems from the primary grades through our largest universities.

We, your committee, recommend more suitable and wholesome literature in the home, such as our denominational periodicals and Bible studies to replace some of the degrading literature of the age to offset its demoralizing influence.

We respectfully urge all parents to see to it that their children get the uplifting influence of our Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U.'s, and regular preaching services of the church.

It is of great importance to make careful and prayerful selection of the college which our children attend.

We recommend our Christian colleges in preference to State Institutions.

Respectfully submitted,
LAURENCE DRIGGERS.

Following report presented by P. R. Kendle and adopted after discussion:

REPORT ON LAYMEN'S WORK

Not having received any reports on this work from any of our churches, nevertheless, we feel we cannot stress Laymen's Work enough. We believe first we can only do our best for the Master when submitted to His will.

A good Layman has many duties to perform. A spirit of prayer should prevail among our laymen, a passion for lost souls and general interest in God's Kingdom work. He

should promote religious work in the church, to deepen Spirituality, cultivate friendship, formulate wise plans in financing and stewardship in general. Seek to lead the unsaved to accept Christ as their Saviour. They should assist their pastor in instructing new converts and help in teaching and looking after same.

We believe a layman can only perform these duties by living a consistent Christian life in the church and community in which he lives, for we are known by our fruits.

Respectfully submitted,
P. R. KENDLE,
CARL ROSIER.

Report of Nominating Committee read by W. S. Wade and adopted. (Found in the Associational Directory).

Upon the favorable recommendation by the Promotional Committee the resolution by G. C. Scofield was adopted.

A standing vote of thanks was extended to the entertaining church for the wonderful way in which it cared for the Association.

Lecanto invited second 5th Sunday meeting in 1933. Accepted.

Two hundred copies of Minute ordered published should there be funds sufficient.

Motion that Clerk be paid \$20.00 for his services.

Adjourned to meet with Oxford Church Wednesday and Thursday after Second Sunday in October, 1932.

Benediction—J. W. Senterfitt.

J. WALTON SENTERFITT, Moderator,
RAY Y. WALDEN, Clerk.

IN MEMORIAM

Brooksville—Deacon A. A. Haskell, Mrs. J. E. Roush,

Mr. Peter L. Weeks, Mrs. Peter L. Weeks.

Bushnell—Mr. A. T. Coleman.

Center Hill—Mrs. R. B. Cooper, Mrs. C. D. Vaughn.

Floral City—Mrs. W. M. Lawrie.

Oxford—Mr. Joseph West.

Summerfield—Mr. J. S. Joyner.

Wildwood, First—Mrs. Nellie Mercer, Mrs. Ella Stewart.

ALACHUA W. M. U. ASSOCIATION MINUTES

The W. M. U. of Alachua Association held its annual meeting with Bushnell Baptist Church on October 7, 1932.

Devotional—Mrs. J. W. Senterfitt, Psa. 40; Matt. 7.

The Calvary W. M. S. was received in fellowship upon motion.

Committees: Recommendations—Mrs. D. J. Stultz, Mrs. G. W. Scofield, Mrs. G. R. Creekmore. Nominating—Mrs. J. S. Gamble, Mrs. J. N. Ford, Mrs. H. D. Hunt, Mrs. Gus Shultz, Mrs. Iva Stokes, Mrs. M. C. Scofield, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Ray Y. Walden, Mrs. J. P. Kelley. Arrangements for Divisional Meeting—Mrs. A. M. Roland, Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Mrs. G. R. Creekmore, Mrs. B. T. Lamb, Mrs. J. S. Gamble, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. W. R. Bigham, Mrs. W. M. O'Dell, Miss Della Fore. Time and Place—Mrs. C. D. Evans, Mrs. Mary Waters, Miss Annie Pemberton. Resolutions—Mrs. Iva Stokes, Mrs. Lena Hooks, Mrs. Scarborough. Each Dist. Supt. and Committee Chairman reported here. Decided to use offering for Associational expenses. Offering amounted to \$6.41. Sermon by Rev. P. R. Kendle.

AFTERNOON SESSION: Devotional—By the Young People. Talk by Mrs. Gary. Report of Y. P. L.—Mrs. J. H. Hughes. Report of Divisional Camp—Doris Woodard. History of

Y. W. A.—Nora Jerkins. Talk on R. A. Work—Mrs. Ford. Talk on G. A. Work—Mrs. D. L. Hedick. Future plans were discussed by W. M. S.'s Mrs. Senterfitt was elected member of Nominating Committee of Divisional Meeting. Mrs. Hughes elected Delegate to State Convention. Our apportionment of Stamps Fund was accepted. Decided to divide the Associational expenses among the different Societies. Accepted Mrs. Ford's Plan for securing a circulating Library.

District Meetings scheduled as follows: No. 1—Jan., 1933. No. 2—April, 1933. No. 3—July, 1933. Report of Committee on Recommendations adopted. Committee on Time and Place reported an invitation from Brooksville to meet with them in 1933. Accepted. Committee on Nominations reported. Same adopted.

Mrs. Stultz, on behalf of Alachua W. M. U., presented W. M. U. pin to Mrs. Nichols. Rev. Ray Y. Walden delivered the charge to the new Officers.

Benediction—Rev. Ray Y. Walden.

MRS. CLARA NICHOLS, President.

MRS. A. M. ROLAND, Secretary.

