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CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be called the Santa Fe River Baptist Association.

2. This Association shall be composed of Messengers of Baptist Churches of this Association, maintaining the Gospel discipline. Such messengers to be elected by their respective churches. Also all pastors of churches in the Association shall be members by virtue of their office. In case any of the messengers, or their alternates so elected, fail to attend, Association at its own descretion can seat any other members of that church as Messengers until the pro rata share of messengers of that church has been supplied.

3. The object of this Association shall be the union of the churches, the promotion of the true Gospel, and the dissemination of Bible Truth.

4. This Association shall meet annually, on the first day of which meeting it shall elect, by ballot, a Modeator, a Clerk and a Treasurer.

5. Any Baptist Church newly organized may become a member of this Association by letter petitioning for membership and giving information concerning organization and history, and by whom organized. Any church coming from another Association may become a member of this Association by presenting petitionary letter, accompanied by a letter of dismission from the Association from whence it comes.

6. This Association admits the right of any of the churches comprising it to withdraw by application for a letter without assigning any reason for so doing. At the same time, this Association claims the right to withdraw from any church which departs from the principles of this compact by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice.

7. This Association shall be deemed an advisory council, and shall treat the Churches composing it as independent bodies in all matters of self-government, and shall at no time interfere with their rights.

8. This Association shall have an Executive Committee to be composed of one member from each church in the As-

sociation, the officers of the Association being ex-officio members. These members, aside from the ex-officio members, shall be elected annually by the churches and their names inserted in the Church letter sent to this Association. The Executive Committee shall elect its own chairman and secretary, and shall have the oversight of the Association work in the period between the annual meetings, and shall have power to fill vacancies on failure of Churches to appoint.

9. The Association mission work shall be under the control and supervision of the Executive Committee and all Missionaries shall make quartely reports to them when called upon to do so.

10. All churches shall be entitled to two Messengers for the first fifty-five members, and one additional Messenger for each twenty-five additional members after the first and for the major fraction thereof. All pastors of churches of this Association shall be members of this Association by virtue of their office.

11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds of the Association, but only by order of the Association or Executive Committee.

12. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the Messengers present.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three in the Godhead, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

Art. 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the inspired Words of God, and the only rule of that and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Art. 4. We believe that man is elected to salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and is justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

Art. 5. We believe in man's inability to save himself

from the fallen state from which he is, either by nature or by his own free will.

Art. 6. We believe that man must repent to God alone for the sins he has committed.

Art. 7. We believe in the doctrine of regeneration by the Holy Spirit.

Art. 8. We believe that sanctification is the progressive work of the Holy Spirit, according to the will of God, whereby we are made partakers of His Holiness, through continued use of the appointed means, the Word of God, self-examination, self denial, watchfulness, prayer, and the practice of all Godly exercises and prayer.

Art. 9. We believe that all saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

Art. 10. We believe that a Gospel Church is a company of Christ's baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by His laws and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them by His Word; that only spiritual officers are bishops or pastors and deacons, whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the epistles of Timothy and Titus.

Art. 11. We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion in water of a believer in Christ, by one duly qualified to administer the ordinance.

Art. 12. We believe that the Lord's supper is a provision of bread and wine, representing Christ's body and blood, partaken of by the members of the church assembled for that purpose, and that the Scriptural qualifications for partaking of same are regeneration, baptism, fellowship, unity and doctrine.

Art. 13. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances only such as are called, and have come under the imposition of hands of the presbytery.

Art. 14. We believe in the general resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment.

Art. 15. We believe in the punishment of the wicked everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Art. 16. We believe the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, is a memorial of Christ's resurrection, and should be kept holy, by the observance of all means of grace, both private and public, and by abstaining from all secular labor, except works of mercy and necessity.

Art. 17. We believe in the second coming of Christ and that when He comes He will raise the dead from their graves and judge the world righteously, appointing to the wicked endless sorrow, and to the righteous endless joy.

ASSOCIATION AND CHURCH DIRECTORY

Executive Committee

Ex-Officio Members

E. R. Simmons, Moderator Gainesville
 Rev. M. DeWitt Jackson, Clerk Gainesville
 E. E. Stokes, Treasurer Campville

Church	Committeeman	Post Office
Alachua—C. A. Williams	Alachua
Archer—Carl W. Moore	Archer
Campville—J. W. Craber	Campville
Eden—B. F. Minton	Hawthorn
Eliam—L. Price	Hawthorn
Gainesville—H. J. Babers	Gainesville
Hague—T. J. Hamm	Rt. 3, Gainesville
Hampton—E. J. King	Hampton
Hawthorn—E. L. Johnson	Hawthorn
High Springs—E. B. Godwin	High Springs
Island Grove—C. R. Abstein	Island Grove
Lacrosse—T. R. Parker	Lacrosse
Lake Butler—E. W. Wilkinson	Lake Butler
Micanopy—J. W. English	Micanopy
Ochwilla—B. A. Barrington	Rt. 2, Hawthorn
Orange Heights—H. E. Ridenour, Jr.	Rt. 2, Gainesville
Orange Creek—H. T. Ergle	Lochloosa
Sardis—H. C. Peeples	Dukes
Waldo—		

Member State Board of Missions

Dr. T. V. McCaul

Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention

Rev. W. B. Hicks Rev. W. J. Meade

Delegates to Florida Baptist Convention

Rev. F. D. Suttley, Rev. J. M. Smith, Rev. T. D. Denman,
 Dr. E. A. McDowell, Rev. J. M. Lewis, Rev. J. L. Norris, Rev.
 E. G. Diamond, Mrs. E. A. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. G. W.
 McCall, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Williams and Rev. and Mrs. John
 Hall Jones.

Committees to Report Next Year

Christian Education	Dr. J. W. Norman
Foreign Missions	Rev. W. B. Hicks
Home Missions	Rev. J. M. Lewis
Nominations	H. K. Simmons
Publications	Dr. E. W. Garris
State Missions	Dr. T. V. McCaul
Sunday Schools	Rev. W. J. Meade
Temperance	E. A. Hickson
W. M. U.	Mrs. E. A. McDowell, Assn. Pres. W. M. U.
B. Y. P. U.	Dr. B. P. Harter
Obituaries	B. W. Cato
Stewardship	J. H. Mitchell
Baptist Children's Home	Mrs. L. E. McCall
Treasurer's Report	E. E. Stokes

Place of next meeting left to Executive Committee.

Date of meeting, November 1, 1932.

Executive Committee appointed Rev. E. G. Diamond to preach the annual sermon. Alternate, Rev. D. F. Suttley.

Ordained Ministers

Name	Address	Church
Core, J. W.—Alachua		
Denman, T. D.—McIntosh		Eliam
Hayman, J. N.—Orange Heights		
Hicks, W. B.—Waldo		Archer, Waldo
Hinson, W. A., Sr.—Hawthorn		
Jackson, M. DeWitt		Davenport
Jones, John Hall—Gainesville		Student Sect.
King, Julius H.—Gainesville		
Lewis, J. M.—High Springs		High Springs
Meade, Walter J.—Alachua		Alachua
McCaul, Thos. V., D. D.—Gainesville		First
McDowell, E. A., D. D.—Lake Butler		Lake Butler
McGauley, G. E., Brooker		Hampton
McMichen, W. A.—Waldo		Hague
Norris, J. L.—Lacrosse		Island Grove
Proctor, A. L.—Alachua		

Ridenour, H. E.—Gainesville, Rt. 2	Orange Heights
Smith, J. M.—Campville	Campville
Suttley, D. F.—Hawthorn	Hawthorn, Ochwilla
Taylor, F. M.—Hampton	
Thomas, F. H.—Orange Heights	
Ware, G. W. S.—Worthington	

Church Clerks

Church	Clerk	Address
Alachua	Mrs. C. F. Stephens	Alachua
Archer	Carl W. Moore	Archer
Campville	Mrs. B. C. Johnson	Campville
Eden	F. T. Bristow	Hawthorn
Eliam	R. M. Cason	Melrose
Gainesville	J. M. Ogilvie	Gainesville
Hague	J. J. Hartley	Rt. 3, Gainesville
Hampton	O. L. Harrison	Hampton
Hawthorn	W. B. Adkins	Hawthorn
High Springs	R. J. Osteen	High Springs
Island Grove	C. R. Abstein	Island Grove
Lacrosse	Mrs. A. G. Cason	Lacrosse
Lake Butler	E. W. Wilkinson	Lake Butler
Micanopy	Mrs. C. B. Emerson	Micanopy
Ochwilla	B. A. Barrington	Rt. 2, Hawthorn
Orange Heights	B. F. Ridenour	Rt. 2, Gainesville
Sardis	R. B. Warren	Dukes
Waldo	I. W. Wesley	Waldo

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORY

President Associational Convention — Rev. Walter J. Meade

Superintendents of Sunday Schools

Alachua	C. A. Williams	Alachua
Archer	Carl W. Moore	Archer
Campville	E. E. Stokes	Campville
Eliam	E. B. Perry	Rt. 2, Hawthorn
Gainesville	E. R. Simmons	Gainesville
Hampton	Miss Ada Nimmo	Hampton

Hikh Springs—B. J. Meadows	High Springs
Island Grove—H. C. Martin	Island Grove
Lake Butler—E. W. Wilkinson	Lake Butler
Micanopy—Mrs. Ella Prator	Micanopy
Ochwilla—W. G. Merriman	Rt. 2, Hawthorn
Orange Heights—B. F. Ridenour	Rt. 2, Gainesville
Sardis—John Scaff	Dukes
Waldo—I. W. Wesley	Waldo

B. Y. P. U. DIRECTORY

President of Association Federation—Rev. John Hall Jones, pro tem.

Presidents of Senior Unions and Leaders of Intermediate and Junior Unions.

Alachua—Mr. Travis Lofton, Senior; Miss Hortense Meigs, Intermediate; Mrs. W. J. Meade, Junior.

Archer—H. H. Simmons, Senior.

Campville—R. E. Stokes, Senior.

Gainesville—B. Y. P. U. Director, Dr. B. P. Harter; T. C. Lane, Adult; Alvin Spurlock, Harold Gertner, Chas. Beggs, James Gable, Senior Presidents; Erby Nixon, Mrs. A. J. Duke, Intermediate Leaders; Mrs. J. E. Turlington, Miss Fannie Seay, Mrs. Jack Savage, Junior Leaders.

Hawthorn—Miss Aggie Bush Johnson, Senior; J. O. Whitcomb, Junior.

High Springs—K. D. Brazeale, Senior; Mrs. S. M. Kennedy, Intermediate; Mrs. R. V. Holt, Junior.

Island Grove—Miss Thelma Padgett, Senior.

Lake Butler—Mrs. A. C. Strickland, Director; Rebecca Monds, Senior; Mrs. A. C. Strickland, Intermediate; Mrs. A. L. Driggers, Junior.

Orange Heights—Hawley Ridenour, Senior.

Sardis—John Heirs, Senior.

Waldo—B. Y. P. U. Director, Mrs. R. L. Longbottom; J. M. Porter, Adult; Irma Meade, Senior; Mrs. W. B. Hicks, Junior.

DIRECTORY WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Officers, Presidents and Young People's Leaders

President—Mrs. E. A. McDowell	Lake Butler
Vice-President—Mrs. W. J. Meade	Alachua
Secretary—Mrs. J. E. Maines	Lake Butler
Treasurer—Mrs. T. D. Denman	McIntosh
Young People's Leader—Mrs. Everette Robinson	Gainesville
Assistant Y. P. Leader—Mrs. R. R. Morrison	Hawthorn

Superintendent Districts

No. 1—Mrs. A. L. Stevenes	Waldo
No. 2—Mrs. H. F. Preston	Melrose
No. 3—Mrs. B. W. Cato	Alachua

Chairman Departments

Mission Study—Mrs. A. J. Norfleet	Gainesville
Stewardship—Mrs. E. G. Diamond	Lacrosse
Personal Service—Mrs. W. O. Bennett	Hawthorn
Margaret Fund—Mrs. Victor Gaddis	Alachua
Training School—Mrs. Belle Daily	Micanopy
Publicity—Mrs. Grady Herndon	Hague

Members at Large—Mrs. A. C. Knight, Mrs. Margaret Gross

W. M. S. Presidents

Alachua	Mrs. B. W. Cato
Archer	Mrs. C. E. McElroy
Eliam	Mrs. S. W. Coward
Gainesville	Mrs. Margaret Gross
Hampton	Mrs. Jessie Wilson
Hawthorn	Mrs. R. W. Justice
High Springs	Mrs. F. W. Tyson
Island Grove	Mrs. T. E. Johnson
Lacrosse	Mrs. H. L. Moody
Lake Butler	Mrs. J. E. Maines
Micanopy	Mrs. Ella Prator
Ochwilla	Mrs. Ida Barrington
Sardis	Mrs. N. E. Taylor
Waldo	Mrs. L. B. Alexander

Y. W. A. Counselors

Gainesville	-----	Mrs. Fred Ward
Hampton	-----	Mrs. Ruth Bedenbaugh
Hawthorn	-----	Mrs. M. F. Hazen
Island Grove	-----	Mrs. Sinna Ergle

G. A. Leaders

Gainesville	-----	Mrs. I. C. Robinson
Hawthorn	-----	Mrs. E. M. Bates
Island Grove	-----	Mrs. Grace Hawg

R. A. Leader

Gainesville	-----	Mrs. Henry Zeigler
Hawthorn	-----	Mrs. E. M. Bates
Island Grove	-----	Mrs. T. E. Johnson
Waldo	-----	Rev. W. B. Hicks

Sunbeam Leaders

Alachua	-----	Mrs. Nettie Gillis
Eliam	-----	Mrs. J. A. Bayles
Gainesville	-----	Mrs. J. W. Lucis
Hawthorn	-----	Mrs. Joel Smith
Island Grove	-----	Mrs. A. M. Westphal
Waldo	-----	Mrs. W. B. Hicks

MESSENGERS

- Alachua—Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Meade, W. M. Linsey, Miss Blondelle Lindsay, W. T. Loftin, Mrs. Gillis, Rev. A. L. Proctor, Miss Marion Pearson.
- Archer—Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Moore.
- Campville—Rev. J. M. Smith, J. W. Craber, E. E. Stokes.
- Eliam—Miss Cava Jernigan, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Perry, Mrs. A. J. Padgett, Mrs. L. Price.
- Gainesville—Dr. and Mrs. T. V. McCaul, Rev. M. DeWitt Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Simmons, R. E. Lee, Miss Anna Lou Cowart, Mrs. W. M. Bullard, Mrs. J. M. Ogilvie, Mrs. J. S. Goode, Miss Leonora Oliver, Mrs. I. Eads, Mrs. J. R. Emerson, Mrs. F. H. Emerson, Mrs. Margaret Gross, Mrs. E. A. Hickson, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hawkins, O'Neal Cox, Mrs. J. E. Waugh, Revv. and Mrs. John Hall Jones, Wm. J. Bullard, Mrs. E. T. Burke, Miss Virginia Gable, Miss Sue Simpson, Miss Leila Jones, Miss Mildred Tompkies, Miss Christine Tompkies, Miss Raffie Wilson, Mrs. J. F. Vagts.
- Hampton—Mrs. Ruth Bedenbaugh, Mrs. O. L. Harrison, M. L. Watterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Tucker.
- Hawthorn—W. B. Adkins, A. L. Johnson, Mrs. I. S. Touchton, Mrs. F. W. Tyson, Mrs. Clara Weeks, J. O. Whitcomb, B. K. Wheeler, F. W. Capell, Rev. D. F. Suttley.
- High Springs—Rev. J. M. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Osteen, Mrs. A. W. Cornell, Mrs. J. F. Price, Mrs. R. A. Lamb, Mrs. E. B. Godwin, Mrs. T. G. Guynn.
- Island Grove—Mrs. A. W. Westphal, Mrs. J. A. Brice, Mrs. S. Higgenbotham, Mrs. W. P. Prince, Mrs. Mattie A. Martin, C. R. Abstein, Mrs. T. E. Johnson, Mrs. R. F. Gano, Mrs. Mayme Ergle, Mrs. M. C. Carlton, Mrs. M. A. Casells.
- Lake Butler—Rev. E. A. McDowell, Mrs. J. E. Maines, Miss Hattie Fowler.

Micanopy—Mrs. E. D. Rosenberger, Mrs. Ella Prator, Mrs. W. T. Bruton, Mrs. C. B. Emerson.

Ochwilla—F. F. Jerkins, W. G. Merriman, Mrs. B. A. Barrington.

Orange Heights—Rev. H. E. Ridenour, Mrs. Janet Ridenour, Hawley Ridenour, Mrs. F. A. Thacker.

Sardis—Rev. and Mrs. G. W. S. Ware, S. W. Dubose, Mrs. N. E. Taylor.

Waldo—Rev. W. B. Hicks, Rev. W. A. McMichen, Dr. C. L. Pridgen, J. H. Mitchell, Mrs. Lou Blackeney, Miss Eulalia.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, November 3, 1931

The Seventy-fifth Annual Session of the Santa Fe River Baptist Association convened with the Hawthorn Baptist church, Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1931, at 10 o'clock.

Rev. D. F. Suttley, pastor of entertaining church, led in devotion, giving us a fine spiritual start and welcome to the fellowship of their church.

The Moderator, Bro. E. R. Simmons, called the body together and gave an address in which he gave some very fine suggestions.

Letters were called for and Messengers were recognized. Then visitors were recognized, and offered seats with us: Rev. Claude Bridges, Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Stanley, Harmon Association; Dr. C. M. Brittain, Mrs. H. C. Peelman, Jacksonville; Rev. L. G. Hemingway, New River Association; Rev. T. F. Lane, Marion Association.

Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

It was moved and carried that committees be appointed on digest of letters and resolutions.

On motion tentative program was adopted with any necessary changes.

The Association then proceeded with the election of officers as follows: E. R. Simmons, Moderator; Rev. M. D. Jackson, Clerk, and E. E. Stokes, Treasurer.

The hour having arrived for the annual sermon, M. DeWitt Jackson, the apointee, came to the platform and spoke on "Stewardship", from II Cor. 8:1-11, 9:1-11. Text I Cor. 16:1, 2. He showed that our greatest need today was a new and deeper conception of our relationship to God in regards our lives and possession, how our present program finds its injunction in I Cor. 16:2. His message was timely and well received.

The new clerk, Bro. Jackson, took seat immediately after

the sermon. Moderator announced committee on digest of letters as follows: Rev. T. D. Denman, E. B. Perry, and W. B. Hicks. Committee on Resolutions: Dr. T. V. McCaul, Rev. J. M. Lewis, and J. H. Mitchell.

Mrs. H. C. Peelman was given the few minutes left before noon. She spoke forcefully on some matters pertaining to W. M. U. work.

Song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." Bro. I. C. S. Sheffield, Moderator of Harmony Association, led the closing prayer.

Tuesday Afternoon, 1:30

Body re-assembled at 1:30 with Rev. W. B. Hicks leading devotion. He gave a most inspiring talk.

Bro. T. E. Bush, blind evangelistic singer from Brinson, Ga., sang, "Something for Jesus."

Moderators Rev. J. L. Norris and I. C. S. Sheffield, of New River and Harmony Associations, respectfully, were recognized, and Rev. D. F. Suttley, of Hawthorn, was recognized as a new pastor in the Association.

Rev. W. J. Meade read report of Promotional Committee of Association. Dr. C. M. Brittain spoke to report. The report, with included resolution, was adopted.

Rev. John Hall Jones read report on Christian Education. Dr. Lincoln Hulley was introduced and spoke to report. Report was adopted.

Bro. Wm. Hawkins read report on Nominations which was adopted.

The clerk was asked to read a letter from Hampton Church, which pertained to Hampton Church's recent action as to entering New River Association. After some discussion the body voted that Hampton Church is still a member of this Association.

Bro. Bush sang, "Old Fashioned Faith," and Rev. Claude Bridges, pastor of Trenton Church, led closing prayer.

Tuesday Evening, 7:30

After short song service Rev. W. J. Meade led in prayer.

Bro. Meade read report on Sunday Schools. Report was spoken to by Brethren J. M. Lewis, M. D. Jackson, and E. R. Simmons, and adopted.

Body elected Rev. W. J. Meade for President of Sunday School Convention for this year.

Miss Sue Simpson sang, "Living for Jesus."

Miss Leo Oliver read report on B. Y. P. U.'s Those speaking to this report were: Mr. W. T. Loftin, president of Alachua Union, Rev. and Mrs. John Hall Jones. Report was adopted.

In keeping with a resolution in the report body voted to go on record as favoring re-organization of B. Y. P. U. Federation, and elected Rev. John Hall Jones temporary president.

Session was closed by singing "I Am Bound for the Promised Land." Bro. Jones led in prayer.

Wednesday, 9:30 A. M.

After singing two numbers, Rev. J. L. Norris led the devotion.

Minutes of previous day were read and adopted.

Because of the illness of Dr. E. A. McDowell, his report on State Missions was not in. Body voted to incorporate his report in minutes.

Rev. J. L. Norris read report on Home Missions. Moderator introduced Mr. J. N. Simmons, clerk of Marion Association, and Dr. E. D. Solomon, Editor of the Witness. Dr. Solomon, Bro. Norris, and Dr. McCaul, spoke to report. Report adopted.

Rev. W. B. Hicks read report on Publications, which was spoken to by Dr. Solomon and adopted.

After singing "Glory to His Name" Rev. T. D. Denman led closing prayer.

Wednesday Afternoon, 1:30

After singing a hymn, Bro. Robert E. Lee led in prayer.

Rev. H. E. Ridenour read report on Foreign Missions. Brethren Ridenour and Solomon spoke to report, which was adopted.

Bro. Meade spoke in behalf of the W. M. U. Report which was presented and entered as part of the minutes.

Rev. J. M. Lewis read Report on Temperance, which was spoken to by Dr. Solomon and adopted.

Rev. T. D. Denman gave Report on Digest of Letters and spoke to same, majoring on the spiritual condition of the churches. Bro. Suttley also spoke on report. Report was adopted.

Mrs. J. F. Vagts read report on Florida Baptist Children's Home. Mrs. Margaret Gross spoke to report, which was adopted.

Body voted to dedicate a page in our minutes to our honored dead and stood with bowed heads while Bro. Lewis led in prayer.

For the Committee, Rev. J. M. Lewis read resolution of thanks to entertaining church, which was adopted.

Motion was made and carried that Bro. Hicks arrange with Waldo or Archer to entertain the Association next year, and notify clerk immediately.

After some announcements body voted to adjourn. After singing, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," the body closed the Seventy-fifth Session with prayer led by Dr. Solomon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FLORIDA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

In the report that Dr. Trice made to the state convention he said that there was 188 children in the Home and not a death in over two years, in fact since the Home started twenty-seven years ago there had been only six deaths. That certainly shows the care and attention the children are given.

They have their own preaching service and own Sunday School with five B. Y. P. U.'s and a Sunbeam Band. There is always a devotional every morning at the breakfast table. There were thirty-two conversions in the Home last year. There have been a good many children to leave the Home, some for adoption, some have become self-supporting and some were returned to their relatives who have become able to care for them.

I believe that there is now reported in the Home 151 children. A few years ago the plan to support the Home was a portion of the budget for the year, this was found to fall far short, as the budget was not paid. So it was decided to let the children go afield wherever they got an invitation and take special contributions. This was a help but still was not enough and the Home got into debt about \$6000.00. This past year the Home was given 10 percent of the budget and the Sunday Schools asked to give one Sunday's collection a month to them, and also they were allowed to go to the churches that would invite them. This plan has been much more successful and would have taken care of the Home but the 10 percent they received has not been as much as needed, as collections have been poor. The collections from the Sunday Schools have been nearly twice as much as their share of the budget has been.

March 1-8 was designated as the DOLLAR DEBT RAISING CAMPAIGN to try and pay off the indebtedness and thus save the interest of around \$2000.00—not having received much from the budget, they have not been able to pay anything on the debt.

In August the Sunday Schools collections were \$246.09, Sept. \$196.50, and Oct. \$290.15, when there are about 151 children to feed it takes about \$195.00 to feed them three days, and some days their collections were not over \$6.00 to \$7.00 a day, so you can see how badly they need money. Of course their biggest need is money, then food and then clothing. They

ask that all Sunday Schools send one Sunday's collection to the Home and send direct to the Home as it takes some time for it to go to the office and then reach them, and then reach them, and the need is pressing. Alachua and Hawthorn have sent good donations of food, as have some others over the state. Some of our Missionary Societies are clothing some of the children, but they need boys clothes especially and with no money it is hard to buy food much less clothes.

There are 130 children in the elementary grades in school, 10 girls in the high school and 5 are taking a business course. The others being too young to attend school this year.

Dr. Trice and his co-workers are doing a wonderful work, but they cannot carry the load alone. It is a Baptist responsibility and we as Baptists must come forward with gifts of money and food and clothing to help take care of these little ones. Jesus tells us that "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." So let us put our shoulders to the wheel and help care for these "chanceless children."

MRS. J. F. VAGTS.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

I am sure that we all realize the importance of B. Y. P. U. We know that the B. Y. P. U. department is the training department of the church—that is training for service. For years the B. Y. P. U. has been training our young people, between the ages of 10 to 25. In the last few years we have added the B. A. U., which has made splendid progress in some of our churches. We present time. In the different phases of B. Y. P. U. work we find the greatest opportunity for training in church membership. have only three adult Unions reported in our Association at the The B. Y. P. U. members of today will be the church leaders of tomorrow.

I find reported in our letters to the Association 28 Unions. Three Adult Unions with a total membership of 36. Eleven Senior Unions with a total membership of 298. Five Intermediate Unions, with a total membership of 126. Seven Junior Unions with a total membership of 142. The total membership of all the Unions being 602.

I am sorry to report that there has been no meeting of the B. Y. P. U. Federation in six months, and it was impossible to

get any further information concerning the B. Y. P. U. work of the Association.

As there has been no meeting of the B. Y. P. U. Federation in six months, be it resolved that this Association encourage the re-organization of the B. Y. P. U. Federation at the earliest date possible, and also the organization of B. Y. P. U.'s in the churches that haven't any.

MISS LEO OLIVER
Committee

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Since the beginning of the Baptist denomination our program of world evangelism has been inseparably and uncompromisingly wedded to the cause of Christian Education. Most of the schools of a few decades ago and many of the outstanding schools of today were and are of Baptist origin and affiliation.

"Christianity and Education—the twin beacons of civilization" have ever been the guiding lights of the beloved and revered fathers in denominational leadership. Consequently we find at present over one hundred Baptist schools in the Southland representing over 65 million dollars of property and endowment, training over 35,000 students of which over 1,700 are preparing for the ministry and missionary work. There are in addition to these, three seminaries and two missionary training schools, representing investments of about eight millions of dollars and training over 1100 men and women for future leadership in Kingdom work.

Christian Education is a vital part of our Foreign Mission program. We have almost as many students in our foreign mission schools as are in all our Baptist colleges in the South. We have thirteen theological seminaries abroad. In our theological schools abroad we have one-third as many students as are here in our three great theological institutions. The three seminaries here in the homeland have approximately five million dollars worth of property and two and one-half million endowment. We have no endowment upon our Theological schools in other lands which means a heavy annual tax on our resources.

Another phase of Christian education and training embraced in our denominational program is that of the department of Southern Baptist Student work under the leadership of Frank H. Leavell and his two associates, Miss Ethel McConnell and Mr.

William Hall Preston. This work seeks to enlist and develop the great army of over one hundred thousand Baptist students in all types of schools in the South. The work is progressing through a Baptist Student Union organization on practically half of the campuses in the South and a state organization in every one of the states of our convention territory. Over thirty-five full-time student secretaries are employed and a monthly magazine is published. Campus visitation by denominational leaders is fostered. State conventions are held each year with an all-Southern meeting once every four years. Florida held its 1931 convention at DeLand, Oct. 16-18, with over 300 of the 1300 Baptist students in this state attending. It was by far the best meeting that students of this state have ever had. In Florida there are two full time student secretaries employed by the State Mission Board, Mrs. W. L. Harrell at Tallahassee in charge of the work at F. S. C. W., and John Hall Jones at Gainesville in charge of the work at the University and throughout the state.

The Baptists of Florida are peculiarly blessed in that they are one of the few bodies of the South which has no denominational education debt. Stetson University, of which Dr. Lincoln Hulley is the president, has for fifty-four years served the cause of Christian Education in Florida at a relatively small expense to the denomination. At present the endowment of this great school is one and one-half millions of dollars with three-fourths of a million in plant and equipment.

During the session of 1930-1931 there were 452 young men and women enrolled, 23 of whom were students for the ministry. There are six accredited courses in the curriculum covering the field of Bible and Religious Education. Student religious life is vital and well organized. The faculty and administration are uncompromisingly committed to the cause of Christian Education. The school since its foundation has been denominationally controlled, Christian in purpose, Baptist in relationship, orthodox in doctrine and evangelistic in spirit. Stetson is part of our organized work standing side by side with our other denominational activities and deserving our undivided support in patronage and prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
JNO. HALL JONES
For Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Foreign Missions is God's great department of missions.

Great because of its territorial boundaries. When Jesus said to his disciples, 'Ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and all Judea, and Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth,' He placed His stamp of approval on all departments of missions. As Jerusalem is represented in our City Missions; Judea, in our State Missions; Samaria, in our Home Missions; the uttermost parts of the earth are given unto Foreign Missions. We see then that Foreign Missions includes all that part of the world not encompassed by Home Missions, or about ninety-five percent of the area of the populated world.

Again, the field is great because of the number of its population. Of the 1,800,000,000 people living in the world, about 1,650,000,000 of them are residents of our foreign fields.

Again it is a great mission department because of the many nationalities represented. Inasmuch that there may always be a people found favorable to the acceptance of the gospel of Christ. Perhaps the best indication of a great field is that in the Providence of God a vast concourse of people are being prepared in a religious way for the acceptance of the one true religion. And when the people of Christ rise to the possibilities of their religion the world will be influenced by the superiority of Christianity, forsake their gods and accept the only true God. Surely we can say with our Lord, 'Look on the fields that are white unto harvest.'

With Mission Stations planted in Mexico, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Spain, Italy, Roumania, Hungary, Jugo-Slavia, Syria, Palestine, Africa, China, and Japan we are in a great way to begin Foreign Mission work.

Respectfully submitted,
H. E. RIDENOUR,

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board's record of work from its organization in 1845 to 1931 a period of 86 years, is unsurpassed by any missionary organization in the world. During this period the board employed 40,862 missionaries.

These missionaries reported as a result of their work, 785,135 baptisms. They organized 8,570 churches.

The Board received and expended in this work, \$20,027,-

700.00 last year. The 785,135 baptisms represent one-fifth of the total present membership of Southern Baptists. The 8,570 churches organized is one out of every three of the 25,000 churches Southern Baptist now have. The \$20,027,700 spent by the Board includes all of its work. Millions of dollars have been given to church building and other enterprises, and yet, based on this total, the 785,135 baptisms, reported by the missionaries of the Home Mission Board cost an average of a fraction over \$25.00 apiece. We do not believe there is a missionary agency in the world that can duplicate this record.

Southern Baptist consecrated to their world task offer to God one of the mightiest spiritual leverages at His command for the redemption of the human race through the Home Mission Board; why is this so? Even a cursory survey will show to one the strategic position which they hold. They are at the crossing of the ways of the life currents of the world.

The opening up the Mississippi River and its tributaries to deep water navigation, the increasing importance and power of the South American Republics, the changing of the sea routes through the Panama Canal, the shifting of the economic center of the world from England to the United States, the turning of the tide of industrialism to the South, the rich and practically untouched resources of the Southern states, all make the position of Southern Baptist strategic and challenging. The South is destined to be one of the richest sections in the world. We must evangelize this great and growing Southern enterprise and marshal its marvelous resources for the evangelization of the world.

Twenty-five year ago, Dr. B. H. Carroll, in speaking before the Southern Baptist Convention at Chattanooga, Tenn., in a report on evangelism, cited cases in Texas on the power of evangelism. Every year, with us, we bottom our great enterprises on the power of evangelism. The mighty streams of Texas contribution flow from the rocks smitten by the mighty rod of evangelism. We might as well cease to expect money from cold steel agencies. Dry bones do not live until they are breathed upon by the omnipotent spirit.

The mighty contributions from the persecuted and poverty stricken Philippines did not come until they first gave themselves to the Lord.

The sense of responsibility of Stewards, the consecration of self and all one has to the service of the Lord must precede intelli-

gent, sufficient and loving contributions. When a man, sir, comes before the rich, not as fawning beggar, but as an evangelist, instructed by the apostle of our Lord, put them on oath before God that are rich in this present world, that they be not high-minded, nor have their hopes set on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good work, that they be ready to sympathize, willing to contribute, laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on the life, which is real life indeed, when he stands there with streaming eyes and says, I am nothing, count me as less than nothing. But O, rich man, I lay a Lazarus at the gates, yea, in this case our own Lord Himself knocks at thy door of plenty, foot-sore, weary, cold, hungry, naked, shelterless. Then the rock rends and the fountain of contribution is unsealed, it leaps, it sparkles, it sings, it outflows; such will be the result of our Lord's presence with us, when we have given ourselves to him. Lift up your heads, oh, ye gates, and be ye lifted up, and let this King of Glory come in.

Respectfully and Fraternaly submitted,

J. L. NORRIS,

Chairman Committee

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Our State Mission Board has been in existence fifty years. During that time it has made possible the organization and maintenance of hundreds of our churches, through the support of their pastors, and assisted in the erection of many houses of worship. Through the labors of our missionary pastors, thousands of souls have been won to Christ, and other blessed results achieved too numerous to mention here.

As the Mission Secretary shows in his annual report, the people of Florida gave last year to all missions \$188,232.66. The total amount used for administering the work in our state, including salaries of bookkeeper and stenographer, rents, traveling expenses, printing and postage, was \$10,723.55. This covers a period of thirteenth months.

To maintain the the W. M. U. Department, including salaries of office and field workers, rents, travelling expenses, printing and stationery, was \$6,682.99.

The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Departments combined, including all expenses as per the W. M. U. Department, received a

total of \$14,379.13. The Sunday School Board gave the state \$5,000.00 during the year, which applied on these Departments, leaving a net expense to the state for carrying on this work of \$9,379.13.

The Brotherhood Department, including salaries and expenses, was given \$3,801.55.

In the maintenance of student secretaries at Gainesville and Tallahassee, the denomination spent \$4,980.68.

During the year our Board assisted in the support of 52 missionary pastors and evangelists, who preached at 76 different churches and mission stations. They received for this work a total of \$9,974.40. They reported, amongst other results accomplished, 914 members added to their churches by baptism, letter and statement, and \$2,494.60 collected for missions, while they raised on their fields of labor \$7,181.01 for church buildings and repairs.

The entire state gave to the Cooperative Program last year \$116,382.59. Special objects, where money was designated, received \$71,850.08.

Through our Student Loan Fund, we assisted 19 students; four of whom were young women. They are all studying for ministerial or mission work. This amounted to \$1,725.00.

The Baptist Building received out of the total amount raised for the year, \$3,935.91, which was the amount allocated by the Convention.

Florida Baptists gave to the support of the Arcadia Children's Home through the year, not including gifts from individuals or supplies sent direct, \$20,883.94.

To help maintain the Bible Department at Stetson University, \$3,935.93 was given by the denomination.

Our gifts to Foreign Missions, in giving the gospel unto the uttermost parts of the earth, reached a total of \$34,558.11.

The Home Mission Board in Atlanta was given \$14,196.61.

To our southwide Seminaries and Training Schools, Florida Baptists gave a total of \$1,836.77.

To relieve our aged preachers, which was distributed to thirty-one, and nineteen widows of preachers, we gave \$3,255.66.

To aid in its ministry to the sick, we gave the New Orleans Hospital \$1,106.55.

It is earnestly hoped through the efforts which shall be put

forth in the SIMULTANEOUS EVERY MEMBER CANVASS November 29-December 6th, that Florida Baptists during 1932 will be able to increase their gifts to the work. The great problem ahead of us at this time is the enlistment of a larger number of our people in the regular support of our churches and the denomination. We call upon our people everywhere to cooperate with our Board more heartily and enthusiastically in its efforts to help our churches into a larger support of our Kingdom enterprises.

E. A. McDOWELL,

Chairman Committee

REPORT OF PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Dear Brethren:

In submitting this report, your committee desires to express and record its deep thankfulness to Almighty God for the birth and growth of this new Movement. We believe that God is its Alpha and Omega; that Christ is its center and circumference; that the Holy Spirit is its Creator and Conductor; the Scriptures its authority and achievement; the power of fervent and faithful prayer, its atmosphere, attitude and action.

"This organization and endeavor may be compared, truthfully, as the river of God" taking its rise from under the Throne of God; its majestic course directed by the Spirit of the Living God, flowing through the redeemed territory of the soul and heart life of Southern Baptists.

By the Grace of God, we pray, as the direct result of this historic effort, there shall come to all our churches and people a spiritual quickening; yea, verily not only a Baptism in water in obedience to His blest command; but also a baptism of ourselves and our all in the sacrificial blood of dedication to God, in the interest of the "Great Commission."

We believe ere this, every intelligent and loyal Baptist is duly informed relative to the nature, method and objective of the Promotional Committee in its appeal to our people.

The personnel of the Santa Fe Associational Committee is Dr. T. V. McCaul and Rev. W. J. Meade, pastors; Mr. Wm. Hawkins of Gainesville and Mr. M. Lonsay of Alachua, Laymen; Mrs. J. E. Maines of Lake Butler and Mrs. C. A. Strickland of Waldo, Women; Rev. J. Hall Jones and Mrs. J. Hall Jones of Gainesville, Our Young People.

The personnel of the local Church Promotional Committee: The pastor, two men, two women, two young people.

The task of this local committee is two-fold, viz: Educational and Financial.

(1) To see that all the women and men, young people and children in our Bible Schools and taught a course of study on "Christian Stewardship." This to be done during the month of November.

(2) This instruction is to be preparatory to the "Simultaneous Campaign" or the annual Every-Member Canvass to be taken in all our churches during the week of November 29-December 5th.

(3) This Committee is to assist or be responsible for the organization and direction of the every member canvass committee.

(4) To see that the membership of our churches is solicited in the effort to enlist new tithers to help reach the goal set by the Promotional Committee of the Southern Convention, viz: 1000 new tithers this year.

Your committee reports that letters have been sent to the pastors, and members of the local church committee, by our worthy and enthusiastic chairman, Dr. T. V. McCaul. These letters stressed the necessity of every pastor organizing the promotional committee in his Church or Churches.

On October 27th, at a called meeting of the chairmen the Associational Committee was present 100 per cent at Baptist Church, Gainesville. It was a most hopeful and helpful service. At that meeting the following churches reported to have duly organized: Alachua, High Springs, Gainesville, Lake Butler, Waldo, and Archer. We are hoping as we come up to this Association, that all of our churches are now organized for the task.

Your Promotional Committee is pleased to recognize and record its deep appreciation of the splendid initiative and hearty co-operation manifested on the part of the executive of the "Promotional Committee of the Southern Convention."

At the urgent and prayerful request of that committee, Dr. F. F. Brown the honored pastor of the First Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee, accepted the chairmanship of the "Convention Promotional Committee and Campaign." In response to that crucial appeal, he graciously consented, along with the loyal and devoted laymen, Mr. Anderson, of the same great church

and Attorney Jones the esteemed president of the Northern Baptist Convention, to visit the Churches strategically located in the Southern States. Of recent date, Florida Baptists have had the privilege to hear the powerful and fervent appeals from these Consecrated Brethren.

Your committee would remind you, that Southern Baptists have reached a crisis in their history. This present movement is a Divine Trumpet Call that comes sounding from over the battlement of Heaven from our great Commander the Lord Jesus Christ. It is a call for Southern Baptists, yea Florida Baptists to get right with God.

To long, yea verily, far too long, we have been worshipping Mammon at the shrine of Materialism. In the days of material prosperity we have failed to heed the admonition to "Seek first the Kingdom of God," but rather we have catered to, and pampered our self-indulgences. The vast majority of Southern Baptists have deliberately at least carelessly, robbed God of His tithes: not to mention the many, that week after week fail to bring an offering unto the Lord. Our ambition has been to get and grasp instead of remembering the words of our Master, "It is more blessed to give than receive."

We have failed to have as the slogan of our stewardship the words of Peter, "Such as I have. I give; or what I have I give."

To give is God-like: "God so loved the world that He gave his Son to die."

Learn a parable and its truth from "The Sea of Galilee." That little lake nestled in the hills of Palestine welcomes into its embrace the river Jordan, but it receives only to give. It passes the river on to bless nature and humanity.

"The dry fields burn and the mills are to turn
And a myriad flowers mortally yearn."

In vivid and pathetic contrast behold the "Dead Sea."

The Dead Sea welcomes the river with an avaricious thirst or embrace. But it said "It's all mine."

"I looked upon a sea,
And lo it was dead;
Although by Hermon's snows
And Jordan fed.

"How came a fate so dire,
The tale's soon told.

All it got, it kept,
And fast did hold.

"Oh sea, that's dead,
Teach me to know and feel,
That selfish grasps, and greed,
My doom will Seal.

The appeal of this great movement is a new Challenge from the Lord Jesus to His followers and His Church. It is the Challenge to self-denial and sacrifice. In the days of prosperity we live for self; in this period of leanness for most people, we as Baptists are brought face to face with what might be termed the "Acid test."

This is the hour to be loyal to Christ with our lives, yea, our all to be laid upon God's altar to be used for His Service.

As God said to Ancient Israel through His servant Moses, He is now Commanding His people to "Go Forward" in the great task given to Florida Baptists.

It is said that Napoleon Bonaparte was pleased to announce to his generals that the word "Retreat" was not found in his vocabulary. May we remind you anew my Brethren that our Infinite and Invincible Commander, the Lord Jesus, knows nothing of retreat. Our God and His Christ with the loyal army is marching steadily onward to ultimate victory.

But your loyalty and hearty Co-operation will hasten the dawning of that glad day of triumph for our Saviour and His Cause.

"He has sounded froth the trumpet
That shall never sound retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men
Before His Judgment seat.
O, be swift, my soul, to answer Him;
Be jubilant; my feet;
While God is marching on."

Respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Promotional Committee.

WALTER J. MEADE.

"Resolution or recommendation of Promotional Committee of Sante Fe Association":

As members of the promotional Committee after careful and

prayerful consideration we heartily endorse and recommend to the Messengers of the Sante Fe Association and to all of our Churches, the following, viz:

(1) That there be organized in every church a committee named "The Stewardship League or Committee."

(2) That this organization be elected annually thus a permanent committee.

(3) That this committee be composed of the pastor, two brethren, two women, two young people and two from the Bible School.

(4) That the duties of this committee be two-fold:

To see that there is due instruction given to all the members of the distinctive departments of the church life and activity from the scripture and other helps dealing with "Christian Stewardship."

To assist annually in the organization of the Every Member Canvass and in perfecting the task of reaching the last member in personal support.

To assist the Finance Board in keeping the financial and spiritual condition of the church in healthy atmosphere.

On behalf of the Promotional Committee,

THOS. V. McCAUL, Chairman,
J. HALL JONES, Secretary.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS

We cannot over-emphasize the importance of religious literature and its influence in molding Christian character. The secular literature of the world while it is informing, and could not well be dispensed with, could never meet the spiritual needs of a reading public. Baptists of Florida and the world need, and must have information concerning our message to the world, if they would be efficient in carrying that message to the world.

Our denomination has provided in a large way for thorough instruction in doctrines of our faith and practice, so that no Baptist need be embarrassed when asked to give a reason for his hope in Christ. Our problem is to get the literature into the hands of our people and get them to read it.

The Florida Baptist Witness will compare with any publication of its kind, and measure up with the best. Our new editor Dr. Solomon is steering the ship in the midst of the breakers in a masterful way. Every Baptist of the state ought to lend a helping hand in the effort being made to place the paper in every Bap-

tist home in the state. When this is done then our greatest problems will be in the solving.

All of the literature put out by the Baptist Publishing Board of Nashville, Tenn., is of the highest class and can be safely recommended by and for any Baptists' instruction and enlightenment. The Sunday Schools and B. Y. P.'s are well supplied for all their needs.

The greatest need we find today is for our people to be better enlightened concerning the cause of Missions. This need is being reached in a great measure by the plan of study courses in books on the subject prescribed by the Publishing Board. It is easily possible for all of our Sunday School officers and teachers and B. Y. P. U. Leaders to reach the standard as prepared leaders, and we recommend these courses to all of our people, in all of our churches.

All of the literature necessary for Baptist women in their work can be had from headquarters in 1111 Comer Building, Birmingham, Alabama.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. HICKS,
Chairman.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Dear Brethren:

It is a cause for thanksgiving to God that during the period of stress through which our churches are passing that the attendance and interest in the work of our Bible Schools has been victoriously maintained. Faithfulness and loyalty have watchwords all along our ranks. And the sacrificial service manifested on the part of our Sunday School superintendents, officers and teachers, and the loyalty of so many of our scholars fills the heart of our convention officer, Dr. Willian, but likewise in particular the heart of every pastor with gratitude and praise.

The Bible School is of Divine Origin. It was born from above. Its singular mission and glorious is to teach ministry as the vitally important department of the church is to teach the word of God in the beauty of sincerity and simplicity. It is ever and always the agency chosen by the great head of His Church "To teach the word." To indoctrinate the truths of Jesus in the heart and soul life of the new converts. To the end that they may hide the word of the Lord in their hearts as a safeguard against the enemy, Satan and Sin.

It is at once the outstanding field and force in the gigantic task of evangelism. The stream of converted youth flowing from our Bible Schools into our Church life has steadily increased with the years.

In a historic and unique way the Bible School is fulfilling its part in bringing to fruition that important phase of the Great Commission given to the church, "Teaching them to remember all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

Your committee regrets to state that during the past year there has been held no Sunday School Convention. Last spring a school clinic was held in several churches conducted by Mr. Radford and his corps of workers. While the attendance was not up to par the meetings were profitable to all who were fortunate to be present.

Your Committee is pleased to report that the condition in the Bible Schools of the Baptist Churches of this Association is a healthy one. We have 15 schools with an approximate enrollment of 2065. There are 265 officers and teachers. There have been 63 accessions into the Churches from the Bible Schools during the past year.

More and more it is being demonstrated what a spiritual and ethetical force the Bible Schools are in this day; not a separate department from the church, but the church assembled Sunday after Sunday for the study of the Book and the carrying on of the Great Commission given to the Church. Let us pray for an annual advance in this glorious field of labor during the ensuing church year.

Your committee recommends that a period of the school have one Sunday a month, to be used in stressing Stewardship and Missions.

That the teachers and officers set the example and invite their classes of scholars to remain for church services.

Respectfully Yours,
WALTER J. MEADE

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We are glad to report that our country is still what we term prohibition. We can never hope to have 100 percent enforcement of this great law for we do not have such enforcement of any law. We have made many advances and gained many victories but we are not through. The great evil alcohol is still with us. In spite of the fact that lovers of alcohol are clamoring

for the destruction of our eighteenth amendment; we the great majority, have written the Eighteenth Amendment in the Constitution of our great Nation. And it is the law. Yet there are a minority who are slaves to a desire for intoxicants, who break the law, who corrupt officials and who are never trying to undo that which it has taken more than a hundred years to accomplish so we must stop many other activities and minister to our weaker brethren and prevent them from doing harm to their bodies and their souls and to others.

There are things we might have and do in our new liberty through Jesus Christ but these we must lay aside and fight for fear they will cause our weaker brother to stumble and fall into ruin.

On account of these things we would bring to your attention a matter that is supposed to be already settled. For about 12 years now we have had prohibition written in our Constitution and it is well to inquire how our experiment has prospered. Has it been for good or evil to our country and our spiritually weaker brethren? Let us judge the tree by its fruits, better salaries, better homes, better fed and clothed school children, more and better education, better savings accounts and more home owners, better church and school buildings and more for missions than we ever dreamed of before, fewer alms houses and prisons, more sane and better business conditions everywhere. These and many other things too numerous to mention in this short report are the results of prohibition which makes our country a better and safer place to live.

We are not able to believe that our National Congress will see fit at any time to modify our national prohibition laws for we will at all times try to elect men to make and execute our laws who love and obey the laws of their country and love and honor our God.

The fight is on and we must never cease to watch and fight this mighty monster alcohol which has never nor never will be governed and controlled by law and order. We realize that alcohol is ever with us. We also KNOW that prohibition is not a failure. A state and National election is soon coming on.

Be it therefore resolved that we will not support any candidate who does not stand by and support the constitution of the United States of America.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. LEWIS,

TREASURER'S REPORT

Nov. 5, 1930, balance on hand	\$ 36.55
Received from:	
Alachua	10.00
Archer	2.00
Campville	2.50
Eden—No Report.	
Eliam	5.00
Gainesville	25.00
High Springs	5.00
Hampton	3.00
Island Grove	1.00
Lake Butler	2.00
Micanopy	3.00
Orange Heights	2.00
Ochwilla	2.00
Sardis	3.30
Waldo	5.00
Hawthorn	5.00
Hague—No Report.	
Total	\$112.35
Paid for Minutes	\$ 52.00
Paid Clerk	25.00
Total Paid Out	77.00
Balance on Hand	\$ 35.35

E. E. STOKES
Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

Resolved that we express to the pastor and members of the Hawthorn Baptist Church and other friends our sincere appreciation of the splendid and bountiful hospitality accorded us at this session of the Santa Fe River Association.

T. V. McCAUL
J. M. LEWIS
J. H. MITCHELL

Committee.

MINUTES OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF SANTA FE RIVER ASSOCIATION

Sardis Church, Worthington Springs, October 8, 1931

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of Santa Fe River Association met in regular session with the Sardis Church at Worthington Springs at 10 a. m., October 8, 1931, the president, Mrs. E. A. McDowell, presiding.

Song, "Joy to the World." Devotional was led by Mrs. H. C. Peelman, state secretary.

Prayer by Rev. T. D. Denman.

The president recognized the following visitors and welcomed them to the session; Mrs. H. C. Peelman and Mrs. L. C. McCormick of the Baptist Book House, Jacksonville.

The following pastors were recognized also by the president: Rev. W. B. Hicks, T. D. Denman, Rev. W. J. Meade and Rev. E. A. McDowell.

Cordial words of welcome were spoken by Mrs. D. E. Roberts and the response was made by Mrs. W. J. Meade.

The following committees were announced by the president: Resolutions, Mrs. T. D. Denman, Mrs. J. M. Porter and Mrs. B. W. Cato; Nominations: Mrs. F. P. Lyman, Mrs. E. J. McMeekin, Mrs. G. S. Ware, Mrs. T. D. Denman and Mrs. J. E. Maines; Obituaries, Miss Hattie Fowler, Mrs. Maurice DeSha, Mrs. W. O. Bennett; Press: Mrs. Jim Cason; Time and Place: Mrs. C. A. Strickland, Mrs. C. R. Sparkman, Mrs. H. C. Peeples; Enrollment, Miss Louise DuBose.

Report of the following chairmen were made: Stewardship, Mrs. M. T. Johnson. There was no report but verbal reports were made by delegates present and the subject was discussed. Song, "Trust, Try and Prove Me."

The report on Mission Study was made by Mrs. Margaret Gross and discussed by a number present. Training School report was made by Mrs. F. W. Tyson and followed by informal discussion.

Margaret Fund Report was made by Mrs. A. L. Stevens, chairman, as follows: Cash contributions Gainesville \$6, Hawthorn \$5, box of handkerchiefs valued at \$3.50 from Waldo. Will have two girls this year, Miss Emma Ray of Judson Col-

lege and Miss Martha T. Sims of Florida State College.

The president introduced Mrs. L. C. McCormick, manager of the Baptist Book House in Jacksonville, who made a talk concerning her work and urged all Baptists to patronize their book shop.

Song, "Blest Be the Tie." Prayer, Rev. W. J. Meade.

Mrs. H. C. Peelman, state secretary, was introduced by the president and made an inspiring and soul-stirring address on "Building Abiding Mansions."

Prayer by Rev. E. A. McDowell.

An offering was taken for expenses which amounted to \$4.17.

Song, "Have Thine Own Way."

Dismissal with prayer by Rev. G. W. S. Ware.

Intermission and lunch.

Afternoon Session

Song, "Jesus Calls Us."

Devotional was led by Mrs. C. A. Strickland.

Report on Personal Service was made and included verbal reports from delegates from the following societies: Alachua Hawthorn, Lake Butler, Micranopy, Sardis, Waldo. Mrs. Peelman spoke to the report urging the importance of stressing the Christian aspect of personal service.

Visitors and delegates recognized included Dr. T. V. McCaul and Mrs. E. G. Burke and Mrs. John Hall Jones of Gainesville.

Song, "Make Me A Channel of Blessing."

Report on Young People's work was made by the secretary, Mrs. J. E. Maines. This was followed by an inspiring address by Mrs. John Hall Jones.

The subject of the Baptist Promotional Campaign was explained by Mrs. J. E. Maines, chairman of Associational committee for W. M. U. She presented Dr. McCaul who made an interesting and instructive talk on the subject.

Reports of the district superintendents were called for and responded to only by Mrs. J. W. Hicks of the No. 1 District.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. H. F. Preston, was made as follows:

Amount on hand beginning of year	\$8.37
Amount contributed by Hawthorn	3.00
Amount contributed by Melrose	1.00
Total	\$12.37
Disbursements:	
To printing programs annual meeting	\$2.00
To postage for secretary	1.50
To expenses president convention Tama	4.87
Total	\$8.37
Balance on hand	\$4.00

MRS. H. F. PRESTON, Treasurer.

It was moved and carried that the president be paid \$1.00 for postage.

The report on Resolutions was made as follows:

Your committee on Resolutions beg to submit the following report:

1. Resolved that we thank the women of the Sardis Church for their splendid entertainment and for the delicious dinner that was served.

2. Resolved that we thank Mrs. Peelman for her splendid address and we hope each one has been inspired to do greater work for the Master and will strive to increase interest in Tithing.

3. That we express our appreciation to Mrs. McCormick for information concerning our Book store. We recommend that our societies patronize it whenever possible.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. T. D. DENMAN,

MRS. J. M. PORTER

MRS. B. W. CATO

The report was received with a rising vote.

The report of Obituaries Committee was as follows:

"With sorrow your committee is called upon to report the death of two of our worthy members as follows: Mrs.

McFadden a member of the Hawthorn Society and Mrs. G. W. Scarborough of the Waldo Society."

MRS. W. O. BENNETT,
MISS HATTIE FOWLER
MRS. MAURICE DeSHAY

The committee on Time and Place made report as follows: Your committee acknowledges with thanks an invitation from the Micanopy Church to meet with them next year and we recommend that this body accept the invitation and meet at Micanopy on the 2nd Thursday in October, 1932.

MRS. C. A. STRICKLAND
MRS. C. R. SPARKMAN
MRS. H. C. PEEPLES

Mrs. Frank Layman read report for the Committee on Nominations.

With Mrs. C. A. Strickland in the chair the report was accepted and on motion the officers were unanimously elected by acclamation.

The report of the enrollment committee was made by the chairman, Miss Louise DuBose, and showed an attendance of 76 delegates.

Mrs. Maines made a statement about necessity of defraying president's expenses to annual meeting in Orlando and made a motion that each member send 10 cents to Mrs. T. D. Denman, Treasurer, McIntosh, for this purpose. The motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Dr. T. V. McCaul.

MRS. E. A. McDOWELL, President.

MRS. J. E. MAINES, Secretary

Satistical Report of W. M. S. and Y. P. Organizations

Number of organizations 26, number of members 642, number of tithers 79, number of study classes 33, number of awards 144, number of periodicals 271, number of boxes sent Orphanage 7, number of sent Margaret Fund 1, value of boxes \$46.50, total gifts to apportionment \$2,062.02. total gifts of W. M. S. to all objects \$2,808.32, total gifts of Y. P. Societies \$53.59, grand total gifts of W. M. U. all objects \$2,861.91.

In Memoriam

Alachua—Mrs. Marguerite S. Casey

Archer—Mr. J. R. Robinson, Mrs. J. R. Robinson.

Eliam—Mrs. Janie Kennedy, Mrs. Georgia Granger.

Gainesville—Mr. Reid McKensie, Mr. C. W. McClelland, Mrs. J. T. Arnow, Mr. H. G. Kirkland, Mr. S. H. Rogers, Mr. E. Cook, Mrs. Fenwick McCormick, Mrs. C. J. Hughes, Mrs. Mary Lumpkin.

Hague—Mr. W. M. Todd.

Hawthorn—Deacon G. A. Wiggins, Mr. F. F. Paulling, Miss Victoria McEachern, Mrs. M. A. McFadden.

High Springs—Mrs. Cornelia Hopkins.

Micanopy—Deacon M. J. Ward, Mr. B. F. Matthews.

Lake Butler—Dr. W. H. Lee, Mrs. A. J. McGill.

Orange Heights—Mr. Joe Ponds, Mrs. Harry Tison.

Waldo—Mrs. G. W. Scarborough.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Alachua—W. J. Meade, Alachua.

Archer—W. B. Hicks, Waldo.

Campville—J. M. Smith, Campville.

Eden—D. F. Suttley, Hawthorn.

Eliam—T. D. Denman, McIntosh.

Gainesville—Thos V. McCaul, D. D., Gainesville.

Hague—W. A. McMichen, Waldo.

Hampton—G. E. McGauley, Brooker.

Hawthorn—D. F. Suttley, Hawthorn.

High Springs—J. M. Lewis, High Springs.

Island Grove—J. L. Norris, Lacrosse.

Lacrosse—

Lake Butler—E. A. McDowell, Lake Butler.

Micanopy—E. G. Diamond, Lacrosse.

Ochwilla—D. F. Suttley, Hawthorn.

Orange Heights—H. E. Ridenour, Gainesville.

Sardis—E. G. Diamond, Lacrosse.

Waldo—W. B. Hicks, Waldo.

Orange Creek—

Statistics of Santa Fe River Association, State of Florida, for Year Ending, November 30, 1931
 Moderator, E. R. Simmons, Gainesville, Fla.
 Clerk, M. DeWitt Jackson, Gainesville, Fla.

Church Directories	Baptisms and Members, etc.	S. S.	B. Y. P. U.'s	W. M. U.	Church Finances	Missions, Etc.	T. & B.	Church Property												
Alachua	7	211	2	4	20	1	163	3	58	2	284.30	1,800.00	2,396.58	287.33	333.71	10	Y	20,000	2,500	22,500
Archer	8	96	1	4	8	1	89	1	21	1	87.55	500.00	698.33	25.85	110.59	3	Y	4,000	---	4,000
Campville	3	52	---	---	---	---	39	---	---	---	---	170.00	350.00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Eden	2-4	156	1	4	230	1	146	4	42	1	39.35	480.50	698.30	183.00	220.50	5	Y	10,000	---	10,000
Gainesville	O	1232	---	---	---	---	21075	9	188	5	1724.77	4,800.00	17,663.13	1995.80	2209.57	42	Y	175,000	25,000	200,000
Hampton	2-4	127	1	3	5	1	115	2	44	1	13.09	720.00	89.85	30.00	67.05	2	Y	2,500	2,500	5,000
Hawthorn	2-4	1852	1	4	10	2	115	2	44	1	180.98	1,200.00	3,341.21	119.30	179.38	6	Y	20,000	2,500	22,500
High Springs	V	200	1	2	6	1	208	4	98	2	182.50	1,200.00	3,341.21	82.50	95.50	6	Y	20,000	2,500	22,500
Island Grove	V	888	1	2	6	1	208	4	98	2	182.50	1,200.00	3,341.21	82.50	95.50	6	Y	20,000	2,500	22,500
Lacrosse	V	83	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Lake Butler	T	133	---	---	---	---	83	3	53	2	86.30	360.00	576.50	165.50	166.50	4	Y	3,000	2,000	5,000
Micanopy	1-3	70	---	---	---	---	50	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ochawilla	2nd	18	1	4	4	1	20	---	---	---	22.00	332.65	425.37	42.00	56.49	---	---	---	---	---
Orange Heights	1st	37	1	4	3	1	57	1	11	1	---	50.00	93.31	22.00	22.00	---	---	---	---	---
Sardis	3rd	56	1	4	3	1	57	1	11	1	---	120.00	268.50	48.15	63.15	11	---	---	---	---
Waldo	4th	56	1	4	3	1	57	1	11	1	---	240.00	354.50	48.15	63.15	11	---	---	---	---
Orange-Creek	1-3	137	1	4	12	1	135	3	53	3	82.55	600.00	1,153.73	93.91	147.08	10	Y	4,000	2,500	6,500
Totals		83,301	11	55	317	15	2331	20	2817.49	11,607.35	94	251,525	35,000							

*Reported in previous year.

will report to New River next year added to New River non rep. 1932

Discriminated

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