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Rev. Louis Wise.....Sherman

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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the North Texas Baptist Association.

ART. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to concert and execute measures for the spread of the gospel within its limits and throughout the world, and to consolidate a Christian union never to be broken.

ART. 3. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Recording Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

ART. 4. There shall be an Executive Board. Three Managers, who shall be elected annually, and who, together with the officers, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ART. 5. The Executive Board shall have power to fill all vacancies.

ART. 6. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings of the body, and see that order and decorum are observed by its members. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of all business transacted by the body. Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the Association, keep a true account of same and pay it out according to orders. No money to be paid out of the treasury without an order from the Secretary, signed by the Moderator.

ART. 7. This Association shall consist of the Pastors and Ministers of the regular Missionary Baptist churches in good standing and their duly elected delegates.

ART. 8. The Churches shall send letters by their Messengers containing statistics of their increase and decrease.

ART. 9. Churches may be received into this body, if sound in the doctrines and practice of the Baptist church, or dismissed from it by their request, by messenger, to join any other Association of the same faith and order.

ART. 10. The Association shall not interfere with the independency of any individual church conducting its worship and discipline, and only act by the way of advice and counsel, when requested to do so.

ART. 11. This Association shall meet annually at the time and place appointed at the preceding meeting. Any article of this Constitution, at any annual meeting, may be altered by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall be called to order by the Moderator; in his absence by the Vice-Moderator; and in the absence of both by the Clerk.

2. Religious Services, introductory sermon.

3. Reading the Constitution and Rules of Order by the Clerk. Calling names of the churches by the Clerk.

4. Appointment of committees as follows: Committee on Business, Credentials, Finance, Devotion, Education, Temperance, Mission, Investigation, Women's Work and State of the Church.

5. Reading of letters.

6. Report of officers.

7. Whenever any objection is raised against a letter it shall go before the Committee on Investigation without debate.

8. Reception of new churches, election of officers, committee's report.

9. No member of this Association shall absent himself without permission from the Moderator.

10. No subject shall be discussed without a motion made, seconded and stated by the Moderator.

11. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission from the Moderator, and not more than five minutes at one time without the unanimous consent of the Association.

12. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes, unless so ordered at the time.

13. A motion to lay on the table, indefinitely postpone, take up the previous question, or to adjourn, shall always be in order and shall be put without debate.

14. When the Moderator calls a member to order, and decides that said member is out of order, the member shall take his seat at once; if the member refuses to come to order, he shall make an apology to the Moderator immediately, or forfeit his privilege as a member, and not be allowed to speak during the whole session of the Association unless he appeals from the ruling of the Moderator, and his appeal is sustained.

PROCEEDINGS.

DENISON, TEXAS, August 10, 1899.

Pursuant to adjournment, the North Texas Baptist District Association met in the Mount Zion Baptist church of Denison, Texas. Promptly at the hour of half past nine o'clock, Moderator H. W. Jackson of Fort Worth, sounded the gavel and called to order the largest assembly of delegates in the history of the Association. Three hundred voices joined in singing the old and familiar song, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross." The Moderator read the 15th chapter of Acts, and commented thereon at some length, and admonished the delegation to follow the pattern of the apostles in their deliberations. Rev. W. Beckham of Austin, offered a fervent prayer in behalf of the meeting. The congregation sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," etc., and the house was declared ready for business.

The program as prepared by the board was here read and adopted with some modifications. On motion of J. C. Seals, Rev. H. M. Williams was made Secretary pro tem. Pastor A. H. Smith, of the local church, introduced Dr. D. W. Shields, who delivered a very extensive welcome address on behalf of the citizens of Denison. H. M. Williams of Sherman, responded to same. The welcome on part of the church was postponed till the night session. "'Tis the Promise of God" was sung by the audience, and Moderator Jackson announced the following Committee on Enrollment: L. Wise, G. I. Slaughter, E. J. Bowers, G. B. Connor. The introductory sermon was next, but Rev. J. M. Parker, who was to preach the sermon, being absent, the meeting voted to invite Rev. J. W. E. Tucker of Fort Worth, to preach at that hour. First chapter of John was read, and Genesis 3:6 announced as the text. The sermon was very inspiring and filled with the spirit. Rev. W. M. Connor of Paris, led in prayer. Deacons G. B. Connor and H. H. Ladd took a collection to the amount of \$2.71. Meeting stood adjourned till afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reconvened at the hour of 2:30 p. m. Rev. J. H. Herron of Fort Worth, conducted divine services by reading Scrip-

ture and offering prayer. The house sang "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?"

The Secretary read the Constitution and Rules of Order. The Committee on Enrollment made partial report, which was adopted. Rev. S. S. Stephens of Dallas, ascended the rostrum and preached a short sermon on "The Work of the Holy Spirit," from John 15:26. After the sermon a collection of \$1.12 was taken for general purposes. Revs. A. W. Moss, E. H. Garland of Denison, M. C. Claiborne of Dallas, and Professor D. Abner of Seguin, were all introduced and made brief addresses. Professor D. Abner spoke at length of the work of the General Baptist Convention during the past three or four years and complimented the overwhelming success, and closed by saying that the men who fought for the principles so strongly should not be blind to the victories that had been won in the name and by the strength of Almighty God. Rev. Claiborne spoke in a strain following Professor Abner, which virtually endorsed the principles advocated by the Convention. On motion of Rev. H. M. Williams of Sherman, Rev. W. M. Connor was invited to preach at the night session. The Moderator here announced committees as follows, and the meeting stood adjourned till night:

On Missions.—A. R. Ditto, M. Alexander, J. Marshall, B. Moore, A. L. Whitaker, H. H. Ladd, Addie Ellis, Lillie Upshaw, M. J. Miller.

On Finance.—C. H. Taylor, J. C. Seals, L. Tyler, L. D. Norman, B. Dorsey, B. G. Crenshaw

On Education.—J. H. Herron, J. C. Seals, G. Mimms, W. M. Connor, C. H. Jones, S. Stephens, W. M. Beckham, Mrs. A. P. Wilbourne.

On Permanent Organization.—H. M. Williams, J. W. E. Tucker, G. B. Connor, S. A. Owens, A. H. Smith, T. R. Simpson.

On Time and Place.—J. G. Gilmore, Fannie Mabry, Annie Davis, J. S. Slaughter, F. A. Satelwhite.

On Publication.—L. W. Smith, J. G. Gilmore, J. N. Westbrook, W. M. Scott, C. H. Taylor, D. Abner.

Rural Districts.—L. Wise, G. S. Saterwhite, J. N. Westbrooks, S. M. Villett, E. J. Bowers, J. L. Agee, G. B. Connor, T. R. Simpson.

On Temperance.—J. G. Gilmore, Mrs. H. M. Linley, R. Gill, S. L. Reed, M. Johnson, S. A. Graham, L. A. Slaughter.

College Scholarships.—J. W. E. Tucker, A. H. Smith, G. Mimms, J. N. Westbrook, J. Tyler.

On Obituary.—J. H. Herron, R. Gill, L. W. Smith, J. Marshall, W. M. Scott, E. J. Bowers, F. Saterwhite

NIGHT SESSION.

At a very early hour the house was packed to its utmost capacity. There was not even standing room, and a number equally as large was on the grounds striving for admittance. After a few jubilee songs, led by the brethren, Miss Minnie Bennett was introduced to read the welcome address. The address was very exhaustive, and was read in the name of the pastor. Dr. J. L. Mosely of Denison, was introduced and spoke at length on the race question, and complimented in glowing terms the General Baptist Convention for its strenuous efforts in promoting race enterprises. He referred with a degree of pride to the work and operation of the National Baptist Convention's Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn. Professor D. Abner of Seguin, and H. M. Williams of Sherman, both responded in short discussions, which clearly set forth the position of the General Baptist Convention of Texas on the so-called race problem.

Rev. W. M. Connor, who had been chosen to preach, was here presented to the audience. He led in the singing of the song, "In the Shadow of the Rock." He chose for his text, "Like sheep we have gone astray," etc., Isaiah, 53:5. The sermon was a masterpiece, and was discussed under the following heads: (1) The tendency of sheep to scatter at the least fright; (2) Likeness of sheep to the human family; (3) Christ the great burden-bearer of the world. At the close of the sermon Rev. H. W. Jackson led in a very spirited prayer, and a collection of \$5.00 was taken. The meeting adjourned after some announcements. Benediction by Rev. W. M. Connor.

FRIDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The house was called to order by Rev. A. R. Ditto, Vice-Moderator. Rev. E. J. Bowers of Waco, read Scripture and offered prayer. After the singing of a hymn in which the entire audience joined, the Moderator ordered the minutes read, which were adopted with some corrections.

The topic "Is a church a true missionary church when it refuses to contribute to district or State mission causes?" The discussion was opened by Rev. L. Wise. Rev. E. J. Bowers and others followed. Professor D. Abner addressed the house for twenty minutes on "The relation of pastors to the Association." The address was timely and very impressive. A special collection of \$1.30 was taken at this point and presented to Rev. W. M. Connor. Rev. H. W. Jackson was made a corresponding delegate to the Progressive District Association, which will convene at Arthur City on September 28. The hour of 10 o'clock having arrived, the program called for the Moderator's annual address. The Women's Convention was invited, and accordingly adjourned to hear the address.

After singing, the Moderator read from manuscript the annual message, which was a document of about two thousand words. The reading was clear and distinct, and bore upon every feature of the work of the Association and made spiritual application throughout. (See address elsewhere.) The address was ordered printed in the minutes and the financial recommendations referred to the Executive Board. Collection of \$1.00. Benediction by Moderator Jackson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reconvened at half past two o'clock. Rev. T. R. Simpson of Decatur, conducted devotionals, and the audience chimed and made melody "My Soul, be on Thy Guard," etc. Vice-Moderator A. R. Ditto presided, and the meeting took up the discussion of the topic "The Needs of the Field." Rev. C. H. Taylor of Wichita Falls, opened the argument and was followed by Revs. J. H. Herron, J. G. Gilmore, and Deacons Wimbly and Marshall. The hour of 4 o'clock having been set apart for an address on education by Dr. Abner, of Guadalupe College, he was introduced and began to speak, when Rev. J. G. Gilmore offered a motion, which prevailed, deferring the address till night, in order to give opportunity to the Denison people to hear same. Mrs. M. R. R. Webb of Denison, was introduced to the body, and spoke for half hour on the subject of purity in Christian ranks, and especially in ministerial. Collection, \$1.00. Benediction by Rev. J. W. E. Tucker.

NIGHT SESSION.

Long before the hour of opening, every available space was filled so that there was not even standing room. Moderator H. W. Jackson introduced Professor D. Abner at the hour of eight. Dr. Abner began his address by stating that "no people could become a great people without education."

He said that the Greeks, Romans, and all other nations that had made commendable records were people of high literary qualifications. The audience was well entertained for an hour—sometimes carried off their seats with laughter, and again shedding tears at the very thought of seeing their sons and daughters going into disrepute from the need of intellectual development. The speaker referred to the advantages offered in Guadalupe College, and exhibited some portraits of the buildings and classes. Some of the pictures were purchased. At the close of the address Rev. J. G. Gilmore spoke for fifteen minutes, and urged loyalty on the part of the Association to the college. He also spoke with quite a degree of emphasis of the hundreds of our young men and women who are roaming the streets amid the brilliancy of the age.

Rev. H. M. Williams followed and advocated industrial education for boys and girls, and showed how thousands could become independent by having an occupation that would be lucrative. Dress-making, carpentry, shoe making, millinery and other lines of industry were recommended as plans by which the race could become independent. Rev. J. H. Herron closed the exercises with a fervent prayer. Collection, \$2.17. Benediction by J. H. Herron.

SATURDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The delegates were a little tardy in getting in, so that it was the hour of ten before the gavel was heard to sound. Meanwhile, the B. Y. P. U. had held a short session. Rev. A. H. Smith read the first Psalm, offered prayer and lined the old and familiar praise: "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" The reports of committees occupied the forenoon. Reports were discussed and finally adopted, with amendments in some cases.

Professor Abner once more took the floor and proposed four scholarships of \$7.50 each to the various departments of the Association. Same was accepted. (See report of Committee on Scholarship.)

On motion of H. M. Williams the Mount Zion church of Denison, was declared free from taxation for the year ending August 10, 1899, together with the back dues from previous year. A question here arose as to the amount due by the Lucille church of Palmer. The minutes showed the account to be incorrect, and a motion prevailed holding the church for \$2.00. Rev. F. L. Kirkpatrick of Sherman, was introduced and made a short address. Meeting closed for noon. Benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 2 o'clock with Moderator Jackson in the chair. Moderator read Scripture and offered prayer. A letter from the church at Cleburne was presented by Rev. H. W. Jackson, and after some explanation, was received, with the understanding that the dues are to be paid at first board meeting. Officers' reports came next. In absence of Secretary G. W. Hardy, that report was postponed, and Corresponding Secretary ordered to notify Brother Hardy to send in all papers and documents belonging to the Association to the first board. Treasurer Wise and Corresponding Secretary H. M. Williams made reports, which were adopted.

Missionary M. Fontaine reported through Rev. H. W. Jackson, which was also accepted and adopted. (See reports.) Report of Executive Board was deferred till Monday. The Committee on Permanent Organization here made report, which was adopted unanimously. Following officers were elected: Moderator, H. W. Jackson; Vice-Moderator, A. R. Ditto; Recording Secretary, J. C. Seals; Assistant Secretary, S. A. Owens; Treasurer, L. Wise; Corresponding Secretary, H. M. Williams. Additional members of the board were elected from the floor, as follows: J. G. Gilmore, S. S. Stephens, T. R. Simpson.

The time was here extended for the purpose of electing a district missionary. The names of E. J. Bowers, A. H. Smith, C. H. Taylor and S. S. Stephens were mentioned. Rev. Smith declined. The name of Brother Taylor was dropped on account of his not being ordained. The meeting voted as follows: E. J. Bowers, 27; S. S. Stephens, 0. Rev. Bowers was declared elected.

A resolution by Rev. H. M. Williams was unanimously adopted extending gratitude to the Mount Zion church and pastor; to the

railroads for rates, and to the newspapers and to the citizens in general for kindnesses shown. Benediction by Rev. W. Beckham.

NIGHT SESSION.

The hour of eight having been previously set apart for an address by Rev. W. Beckham on the State Sunday School work, that gentleman was introduced. He spoke for an hour and in a strain that held the attention of his audience throughout. A collection of \$5.05 after the address. The remainder of the evening was spent in witnessing a very entertaining literary program by the young people, conducted by H. M. Williams.

SUNDAY.

The work of the day was ushered in by a very spirited prayer meeting at an early hour, conducted by the brethren. General Sunday School opened at the hour of 9 o'clock. Rev. H. M. Williams conducted the exercises, and the whole school was taught in one class by the conductor.

The following towns competed in the collection: Dallas, Sherman, Fort Worth, Denison and Waco. Result as follows: Mrs. S. J. Jones for Fort Worth, \$1.85; Miss L. Walker for Denison, \$2.13; Miss C. Ford for Dallas, \$1.13; Mrs. A. Hicks for Waco, \$1.16; Mrs. A. P. Wilbourne for Sherman, \$2.81. Total collection, \$9.08. The prize was awarded to Mrs. A. P. Wilbourne of Sherman, and presented by Rev. J. H. Herron. Rev. W. Beckham made a short talk to the school and the service was dismissed.

MORNING HOUR.

At the 11 o'clock service a special sermon to the Missionary Convention was preached by Rev. A. H. Smith of Denison. A very large audience heard the sermon, and the special collection for that department was taken. Amount, \$6.00. Benediction by Rev. T. R. Simpson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Rev. J. G. Gilmore of Dallas, preached the sermon at this hour to a packed house. He read the 9th chapter of John for an opening,

and Rev. A. H. Smith offered prayer. Rev. H. W. Jackson led in the song, "Let Us Walk in the Light." Rev. Jackson made some general remarks, and Rev. Gilmore gave out as text, "Whereas, I was blind, I now see."—John 9:25. The sermon was brimful of gospel, and enthusiasm ran high. The applications to every day occurrences were excellent. After the sermon a collection of \$2.15 was taken for the work. Dismission.

NIGHT SESSION.

Rev. H. W. Jackson of Fort Worth, preached the farewell sermon to the masses. Rev. T. R. Simpson conducted the opening exercises by reading 116th Psalm and offering prayer. Audience sang again, and Rev. Jackson chose for a text 11 Cor., 8:9. He lined the song "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood." He then proceeded to discuss the text, and for three-fourths of an hour fed the waiting congregation with the bread of life. Many souls were made fat thereon and the feast came to an end. Collection, \$4.00.

General remarks as to the hospitality of Mount Zion church and the citizens of Denison were made by several brethren, and the meeting adjourned to meet with the Mount Moriah Baptist church of Hillsboro, in August of 1900. Benediction by Rev. S. S. Stephens.

MONDAY.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Executive Board met in first session in the Mount Zion church on Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock, with President Jackson in the chair. The board called up the question of minute printing. After some deliberation thereon, a motion by Rev. L. Wise prevailed ordering three hundred copies printed. Missionary Bowers was here contracted with at a salary of \$50 per quarter, exclusive of railroad fare. Same to be collected by missionary in the field. On motion, the Mount Zion church was donated the sum of \$1.50. The Women's Convention made report of its finances, etc., during the sitting, and same was adopted. The district B. Y. P. U. also made report, which was adopted. The sum of \$10 was received from the Women's Missionary Convention, and \$2 from the District B. Y. P.

U., to be applied on printing of minutes. On motion, the Secretary was called upon to read the receipts of the meeting in toto.

All bills were read, and by motion ordered paid. (See Receipts and Disbursements.) On motion of Rev. J. G. Gilmore, a resolution which was adopted in the previous session at Waco, requiring the Clerk to do compiling of minutes during the session of the Association and receive the sum of \$1.25 per day for services during the session, having been left out of the minutes, was ordered inserted.

The board adjourned to meet at Terrell in the month of November.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Received from letters.....	\$60 55
Public collections	20 45
Women's Convention	10 00
B. Y. P. U. Convention.....	2 00
Total	<hr/> \$93 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Reserve fund for minutes	\$20 00
Guadalupe College	12 17
Moderator Jackson	10 00
Printing and mailing	5 50
Reporting to newspapers	5 00
Recording Secretary, H. M. W.....	5 00
J. C. Seals, on compiling.....	2 50
J. G. Gilmore—old bill.....	2 50
Mount Zion church, donation.....	1 50
Dallas <i>Weekly Express</i>	60
Donated Rev. A. R. Ditto.....	2 00
To Rev. W. M. Connor.....	1 30
Total appropriations	<hr/> \$68 07

MESSENGERS.

Church.	Postoffice.	Messengers.
Lucile.....	Palmer.....	J. L. Aggee.
Macedonia.....	Abilene.....	J. S. Slaughter, L. A. Slaughter.
Progressive.....	Sherman.....	H. H. Ladd, J. C. Seals, L. Wise.
Mt. Olive.....	Arlington.....	W. B. Dorsey.
Mt. Olive.....	Waco.....	S. A. Owens, J. Marshall, E. J. Bow- ers, J. Westbrook, A. Hicks, Wm. Westbrook.
St. James.....	Forth Worth.....	S. M. Violet.
Little Zion.....	Weatherford.....	A. R. Ditto.
Mt. Pisgah.....	Fort Worth.....	G. B. Connor, M. Alexander, R. Gill.
New Virgin.....	Terrell.....	Mrs. J. M. Miller.
Mt. Pleasant.....	Wichita Falls.....	C. H. Taylor, W. M. Scott.
St. John.....	Bedford.....	J. H. Herron.
Mt. Moriah.....	Hillsboro.....	J. H. Taylor, G. Mimms, Sarah Gra- ham, Fannie Mabry.
Mt. Rose.....	Abbott.....	.....
Galilee.....	Dallas.....	C. H. Jones, H. M. Linley.
Mt. Zion.....	Denison.....	J. Wimbley, A. L. Whitaker, T. Giles, M. Johnson, W. H. Johnson.
Mt. Rose.....	Dallas.....	S. L. Reed, Annie Davis, Ada Ellis.
Macedonia.....	Decatur.....	T. R. Simpson.
Morning Star.....	Thurber.....	A. R. Ditto.

MODERATOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

To the North Texas Baptist Association:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: We meet again on this occasion to express our fidelity to the cause; to detail the work that has been accomplished, the good that has resulted and the victory we hope yet to achieve. We do not hesitate to gird on our armor and continue in the service fearlessly. A large number of those I see before me have done battle for many years; have given money to carry on the cause, and the result has been that we now see the crime so often perpetrated upon our churches and Association, conventions, very largely suppressed.

Our young men and women have been educated to spend their evenings amid the refining influences of home.

Fruitful, however, as has been our work, we are not yet done. Its full completion is yet in the future. But however distant away, as long as there is a soul to save from the terrible thralldom of passion and vice, so long will we press forward in this cause. As we have met and taken counsel in the past, so do we meet in consultation again.

The North Texas Baptist Association meets here in the city of Denison in her Fifth Annual Session with a moving multitude. Allow me to quote a passage of Scripture, Matt. 21: Jesus was

nearing Jerusalem to attend the Passover. He was surrounded by multitudes who were also going up to this great yearly feast. At His (Jesus') command, two of the disciples brought an ass' colt that he might ride into Jerusalem. They spread their garments upon the beast, and placed their Master upon it. As soon as He was seated a loud shout of triumph rent the air; the multitude hailed Him as Messiah, their king. More than five hundred years before the prophet had foretold this scene: "Rejoice greatly, oh, Daughter of Zion; * * * behold, thy King cometh unto thee; * * * lowly, riding upon an ass, and upon a colt, the foal of an ass." All in the rapidly increasing throng were happy and excited. They could not offer Him costly gifts, but they spread their outer garments, as a carpet in his path. They broke off the beautiful branches of the olive and the palm and strewed them in the way. (Zech. 9:9.) They thought they were escorting Jesus to take possession of the throne of David in Jerusalem. The Savior had never before allowed His followers to show Him kingly honors. But at this time he desired especially to manifest Himself to the world as its redeemer. The Son of God was about to become a sacrifice for the sins of men. His church in all future ages must make His death a subject of deep thought and study. It was necessary, then, that the eyes of all people should now be directed to Him. After such a demonstration, His trial and crucifixion could never be hidden from the world. It was God's design that each event in the closing days of the Savior's life should be so plainly marked that no power could cause it to be forgotten. In the vast multitude surrounding the Savior were the evidences of His miracle-working power. The blind whom he had restored to sight were leading the way. The dumb whose tongues He had loosed shouted the loudest hosannas. The cripples whom He had healed leaped for joy, and were most active in breaking the palm branches and waving them before Him; widows and orphans were exalting the name of Jesus for his works of mercy to them; loathsome lepers who had been cleansed by a word, spread their garments in the way. Those who had been raised from the dead by the life-giving voice of the Savior were there. And Lazarus, whose body had seen corruption in the grave, now joined the happy throng that was escorting the Savior to Jerusalem. As new numbers were added to the throng they caught the inspiration of the hour, and joined in the shouts that echoed and re-echoed from hill to hill, and from val-

ley to valley: "Hosannas to the Son of David." "Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord!" "Hosannas in the highest!" Many Pharisees witnessed this scene, and were displeased. They felt that they were losing the control of the people. With all their authority they tried to silence them. But their threats and appeals only increased the enthusiasm. Finding that they could not control the people, they passed through the crowd to where Jesus was, and said to Him: "Master, rebuke thy disciples." They declared that such noisy demonstrations were unlawful, and would not be permitted by the authorities. Jesus answered: "I tell you that, if these should hold their peace the stones would immediately cry out." This triumphal entry was in God's order, and had been foretold by the prophets, and no earthly power could stop it. The work of God will ever go forward, in spite of all that man may do to hinder or tear it down. As the procession came to the brow of the hill overlooking Jerusalem, the full splendor of the city met their view. The vast multitude hushed their shouts spellbound by the sudden vision of beauty. All eyes turned upon the Savior, expecting to see in His countenance the admiration which they themselves felt. Jesus halted and a cloud of sorrow gathered upon His countenance, and the multitude were astonished to see Him burst into an agony of weeping. Those who surrounded the Savior could not understand His grief. But He wept for the city that was doomed. It had been the child of His care, and His heart was filled with anguish as He realized that it would soon be made desolate. Had her people walked in the counsel of God, Jerusalem would have "stood forever." She might have become the queen of kingdoms, free in the strength of her God-giving powers. There would then have been no armed soldiers waiting at her gates, no Roman banners waving from her walls. From Jerusalem the dove of peace would have gone to all nations. She would have been the crowning glory of the world. But they had rejected their Savior, and were about to crucify their Redeemer; and when the sun should set that night the doom of Jerusalem would be forever sealed. Report had come to the rulers that Jesus was nearing the city with a vast company of followers. They went out to meet Him, hoping to scatter the throng. With a show of much authority they asked: "Who is this?" The disciples, filled with the spirit of inspiration, answered: "Adam will tell you, it is the seed of the woman that shall bruise the serpent's head. Ask

Abraham, he will tell you it is Melchisedek, king of Salem, king of peace. Jacob will tell you He is Shiloh of the Tribe of Judah. Isaiah will tell you Emanuel, counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. Jeremiah will tell you the branch of David, the Lord, our Righteousness. Daniel will tell you He is the Messiah. Hosea will tell you He is the Lord God of Hosts, the Lord is His memorial. John the Baptist will tell you He is the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world. 'The Great Jehovah has proclaimed from His throne, 'This is My beloved Son.' We, his disciples, declare this is Jesus, the Messiah, the Prince of Life, the Redeemer. And even the prince of the powers of darkness acknowledges Him, saying: 'I know Thee who Thou art, the holy one of God.' "

My Dear Friends,—If I do my duty here I will not regret your electing me as Moderator of your Association. I can say to my brethren that I have spared no pains nor time in trying to keep this Association above the waves. But, however, the Association is under the control of God, and good men and women whom God himself is depending upon for its work. The North Texas Baptist Association is five years old today. She started with 3555 members, ten churches and nine ministers, and today she can boast of her 9000 or 10,000 members, and thirty-three churches and twenty odd elders. We can rejoice in the good and noble work which she has wrought in the past year, and I can only hope that this Association of earnest men and women may be fruitful in the suggestions and adoption of measures which will give peace and happiness to unhappy homes and blessing to the righteous cause; that the object of this Association may be to further plan to raise money to do mission and educational work.

MODERATOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. We will look after our interest in the Guadalupe College.
2. I recommend that the money we are due on applicant be paid.
3. I recommend that the Association send a delegate to the State Convention, and \$5.50.
4. I further recommend that the Association send a delegate to National Convention, and \$5.00.
5. I recommend that the Association put out in the field a regular missionary in the district, and that he give his whole entire time

on the field for twelve months, at a salary of \$50.00 per quarter and all traveling expenses paid, and said missionary make his quarterly report to the board, and balance due missionary will be paid by the board.

6. I further recommend that we, the Association, give more attention and reverence to our State men than heretofore; look upon our great men with honor, as other denominations do toward theirs, and so fulfill the law, saith the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. JACKSON, Moderator

MISSIONARY'S REPORT.

WEBBERVILLE, TEXAS, August 10, 1899.

Dear Brethren of the North Texas Baptist Association:

I seriously regret not being able to meet you in this your regular annual session. But, I pray the good Master that your session will be a grand one in prosecuting the work for the kingdom of heaven. Following is my report of work done in interest of the Association:

Sermons preached, 10; money collected.—New Virgin church, Terrell, \$3.30; Baptist church, Itaska, \$10.00; Baptist church, Cleburne, \$3.00. Total, \$16.30. Baptized 1.

Yours in Christ.

M. FOUNTAINE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

SHERMAN, TEXAS, July 31, 1899.

To the North Texas Baptist Association:

I beg leave to submit to you this my annual report for the year ending July 31, 1899. Same is as follows:

Total amount received at Waco August 15, 1899.....\$83 20

DISBURSEMENTS.

For minutes, to Professor G. W. Hardy.....	20 00
To Rev. R. L. Williams, for back salary.....	10 00
To Rev. A. H. Smith, as back salary.....	2 00
To Rev. H. W. Jackson, for old printing bill.....	4 00
Rev. J. H. Herron (missionary salary).....	5 85
Rev. J. R. Lawson, State Missions.....	5 00
Rev. J. R. Lawson	2 50
Reporting services	5 00
J. A. Blackburn, back dues.....	5 00
To Rev. H. W. Jackson, as Moderator.....	5 00
Professor G. W. Hardy, services as clerk.....	7 50
Rev. L. Wise	5 50
Guadalupe College	5 00

Total\$82 35
 Balance on hand \$.85.

Respectfully submitted,

L. WISE.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Brother Moderator and Brethren:

It is indeed a pleasure to say that as Corresponding Secretary I have been actively engaged in corresponding with all parts of the district during the year, for the purpose of keeping alive the work. I have called three board meetings by order of the Moderator, at the following places: Wichita Falls, Fort Worth and Thurber. The meetings were all held and the report of the Executive Board will show their work.

Following is work done by way of writing: Cards written, 100; letters written, 10.

Expenses during the year.—Printing cards of notice to the churches, \$1.50; printing programs, \$2.50; stationery, mailing, etc., \$1.00. Total due, \$5.00.

Very respectfully,

H. M. WILLIAMS.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

SCHOLARSHIP.

We, your Committee on Scholarship, beg leave to submit the following names for recommendation to Guadalupe College as worthy of the proposition made to this body: Miss Fannie Cole, Waco; Miss Lillie Alies, Denison; Miss B. Vesey, Decatur.

TIME AND PLACE.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to recommend that the next annual session of this Association be held with the Mount Moriah Baptist church of Hillsboro, beginning on Thursday before the second Sunday in August of 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, beg leave to recommend that

WHEREAS, The National Baptist Publishing Board at Nashville, Tenn., is now actively engaged in the publication of all grades of literature; and, whereas, that plant has been established by the negro Baptists of America; and, whereas, this house is very generous in handling its literature; be it

Resolved, That this Association endorse this house and recommend it to all preachers, Sunday School teachers and laymen who, from time to time, must purchase literature for various purposes.

Very respectfully,

COMMITTEE.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

We, your Committee on Permanent Organization, beg leave to submit the following names as officers during the year. Same is submitted for your humble consideration: Moderator, H. W. Jackson, Fort Worth; Vice-Moderator, A. R. Ditto, Weatherford; Re-

cording Secretary, J. C. Seals, Sherman; Assistant Secretary, S. A. Owens, Waco; Treasurer, L. Wise, Sherman; Corresponding Secretary, H. M. Williams, Sherman.

OBITUARY.

We, your Committee on Obituary, beg leave to say that it has been reported to us that as many as eighteen persons have departed from among our churches during the past year for the heavenly shore. All died in the full triumph of faith. Our loss is heaven's gain.

Very respectfully,

COMMITTEE.

RURAL DISTRICTS.

We desire to recommend the following named places as deserving the attention of the Association as mission stations; and recommend that the missionary be urged to supply or have supplied as much as possible these: Mount Zion church at Waxahachie; Independence at Ennis; Bethlehem at Itaska; Mount Rose at Abbott; Valley Grove at Hutchins; Walnut Springs at India.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, We realize that intemperance impairs the usefulness of Christians, makes inroads on the morals of a people, injures the cause of Christ to an alarming extent; be it

Resolved, That in order that the rising generation may soar to higher climes, both morally and intellectually, this Association condemn the habit of strong drink as a beverage, and put ourselves on record as against the liquor traffic in every form.

Very respectfully,

COMMITTEE.

MISSIONS.

We, your committee, are of the opinion that if we are bidden to do anything as a denomination it is mission work. The word "Mission" means to "go" or "send." We should, therefore, go as far as possible and send the balance of the way. We should see to it that all parts of the world gets the gospel. Our district needs a more missionary spirit. Everybody must do willingly what his hands find to do. The commission was given to the disciples of the Lord,

and they must see that it is carried out. We need pastors that are lovers of the mission cause, and not so much for themselves. We must imitate that great teacher and lawgiver, our Lord and Savior.

Therefore the committee recommends that this Association give more attention to the missionary work of the district.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

EDUCATION.

The necessity of a thorough education of the masses of the people should concern this religious organization. No people can be great without an education. Hence, the necessity of pushing it among our people. We rejoice at the general progress of the race, and praise God for the schools that are engaged in elevating the moral and intellectual status of the people. We hail with delight every institution that is doing work among us, but we especially call attention to the work of Guadalupe College, our own school. We are informed that the session recently closed was great in every particular. So many advantages are offered by this school. All the courses of study are in operation, and aside from this the industrial feature is encouraged. Printing, typewriting, carpentry, dress making and cutting are firmly sustained in the institution. The ministerial department of the school is conceded to be the best of color in the South. The school enjoyed a large attendance of preachers last session. This department is headed by an able theologian. Every department of the institution has able teachers in them. This Association should encourage its young men and women to attend this school of so many and great advantages. A most pleasant fact to recall is, that this school not only turns out a great force for the public schools of the State, but a host of trusty and worthy Sunday School workers. The institution is further to be commended for its strict rules between the sexes and splendid vigilance on the part of the faculty in honor of the Women's Baptist Convention of Texas is a perfect beauty. It is known as the Missionary Training School.

Your committee would especially urge that every minister and member of the body do full duty in urging our people to attend Guadalupe College next session.

Very respectfully,

COMMITTEE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NORTH TEXAS DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

DENISON, TEXAS, August 8, 1899.

Pursuant to adjournment, the North Texas District Sunday School Convention met at the hour of 3 o'clock in the evening. Vice-President J. N. Westbrooks of Waco, called the meeting to order. He read a few passages of Scripture, and Rev. E. J. Bower led in prayer. The Vice-President made a short address on the District and its work, and J. C. Seals of Sherman, was made temporary secretary.

The Chairman announced the following Committee on Enrollment: L. Wise, E. J. Bowers, Mrs. S. A. Graham, C. H. Taylor. In order to give the committee an opportunity of getting names of delegates, the meeting adjourned till night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at 8 o'clock in the evening, with Vice-President in the chair. Praise service for half an hour was conducted by H. W. Williams of Sherman. Fifth chapter of James was read for opening, and Brother Woods led in prayer. The audience sang again. Superintendent A. L. Whitaker of Mount Zion Sunday School was introduced, and read a very elaborate welcome address. Same was responded to by H. M. Williams. Rev. E. J. Bowers of Waco, was introduced to preach the sermon. Rev. H. W. Jackson read appropriate Scripture and led a sweet song. Rev. Bowers selected as a text, "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day," John 9:3. The sermon was replete with the sweetness of gospel throughout. After the sermon Rev. A. R. Ditto led in a fervent prayer. The choir furnished several choice pieces of music and a collection of \$3.65 was taken by Rev. A. R. Ditto. Benediction after some announcements by Vice-President.

WEDNESDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 9 o'clock. President J. G. Gilmore in chair. Devotionals conducted by Brother C. H. Taylor of Wichita Falls. Minutes of previous day were read and adopted. Committee on Enrollment made partial report, which was adopted. The regular program as prepared by President Gilmore was here read and adopted so far as it could be used at that time. The audience here sang "My Soul be on Thy Guard." Rev. A. R. Ditto preached the introductory sermon from Joshua 1:16. The sermon was quite lengthy and dealt with the work of the district in every form, and closed with a spiritual application. Rev. A. H. Smith led in prayer. Collection, \$2.55.

The President read off committees as follows:

On Finance.—J. H. Tyler, J. Marshall, L. Wise.

On Sunday School Missions.—H. M. Williams, J. C. Seals, L. W. Smith, A. L. Whitaker.

On Literature.—A. H. Smith, J. N. Westbrooks, Mrs. M. Freeman, A. R. Ditto.

On Education.—T. R. Simpson, V. A. Bowers, Mazzie Jones, Mabel Matthews.

On Temperance.—S. J. Jones, Annie Davis, Georgie Allen.

On Publication.—H. W. Jackson, J. M. Agee, M. Floyd, T. Giles.

On Ways and Means.—A. R. Ditto, W. B. Dorsey, Phoebe Scott, A. P. Wilbourne.

On Revision of Constitution.—J. C. Seals, L. Wise, S. A. Owens, J. H. Tyler, W. H. Johnson.

On Permanent Organization.—G. Allen, H. M. Williams, S. L. Reed, J. M. Miller, J. N. Westbrooks.

On New Schools.—J. Wimbley, Annie Davis, C. H. Taylor, B. G. Crenshaw.

On Time and Place.—T. R. Simpson, A. H. Smith, S. A. Graham.

The Convention here entered into a discussion of the topic "Can the four boards meet together each year and do the work successfully?"

The discussion lasted for an hour, and was spoken on by several brethren. After the argument a resolution by H. M. Williams, which was unanimously adopted, made the board hold its regular

quarterly sessions in connection with that of the Association's board. Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. A. R. Ditto.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President Gilmore called the meeting to order at 3 o'clock, and Rev. J. H. Herron read Scripture and prayed. The choir sang a couple of selections. House went at once to business. "Scripture proof for receiving members under watch care in a Baptist church." Rev. A. H. Smith opened the subject, and three or four brethren participated. Committee on Finance made partial report and turned over \$19.74. Committees on Temperance, Obituary, Education and Missions reported. All of which were adopted. Officers' reports followed and were adopted. Committee on Permanent Organization reported, and was adopted with the substitution of the name of H. M. Williams for that of Rev. J. G. Gilmore as President.

Full report—President, H. M. Williams, Sherman; Vice-President, J. N. Westbrook, Waco; Recording Secretary, Miss B. G. Crenshaw, Sherman; Assistant Secretary, Miss L. Davis, Denison; Treasurer, Mrs. S. J. Jones, Fort Worth; Corresponding Secretary, G. Mimms, Hillsboro. The meeting adjourned till night. Benediction by Rev. J. H. Herron.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at the hour of 8 o'clock, and was called to order by Vice-President J. N. Westbrook of Waco. Devotionals were conducted and several gospel praises sung with enthusiasm, after which came the installation of new officers. Rev. W. Beckham of Austin, in a few well chosen remarks, presented each newly elected officer to the convention. The officers made short addresses, and Rev. T. R. Simpson was introduced as the preacher of the evening. He led in the sweet song, "There is Sunshine in My Soul," and announced as a text Romans 8:34, theme "Peace."

The sermon was brief and pointed. Many good things were said to the edification of the saints. Rev. W. M. Connor offered prayer. A collection of \$3.05 was taken, and after some announcements the meeting adjourned for a short session on following morning.

THURSDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met promptly at the hour of 9 o'clock, and was called to order by President H. M. Williams. After devotions by Rev. E. J. Bowers the house was declared ready for business. The minutes of previous day were read and adopted. The Convention at once proceeded to hear the reports of committees, all of which were adopted. Financial Committee made a final report of \$19.74. Some general remarks were made by the President, and the meeting adjourned to meet again on Saturday night in a literary mass meeting.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Brother Vice-President and Sunday School Convention of the North Texas District:

Having been reëlected as your President at the Waco session in 1898, I appreciated the honor conferred upon me, and I can cheerfully say that I have to the best of my ability discharged the duties devolved upon me. I have not had the time to visit our Sunday Schools personally, but indirectly I have; *i. e.*, by way of correspondence. It is gratifying to say that some of them are in a prosperous condition, while others are not so brilliant. I also find that it is necessary for some wide-awake and energetic man to be kept on the field, in order to keep the work aroused. I have held three board meetings during the year. This has been very difficult, but I have managed to carry them out with as much success as possible.

Expenses due for printing, mailing, etc., \$6.00. I sincerely regret not being able to do any more for the cause, while there is so much to be done.

Yours in the cause,

J. G. GILMORE.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Mr. President and Members of the Sunday School Convention:

I beg leave to submit to you this my annual report as Secretary of your honorable body. I was reëlected at Waco last August, and since that time I have served as Recording Secretary. We have held three boards and one call-board. The first board was held at Itaska, Octo-

ber 6, 1898. Money raised was \$21.00. Disbursed at same board, \$17.00. Turned over to the Treasurer \$4.00. Second board was held at Dallas, October 28, 1898. The amount raised was \$11.32. Disbursed \$10.00. Balance \$1.32. The next board was held at Hillsboro, January 28, 1899. Amount raised \$14.85. Paid out \$14.85, and issued an order on Treasurer to square up with the missionary. Next board was held at Terrell, but on account of sickness I failed to meet. I however received a report that the receipts were \$13.40. Disbursed \$9.35. Balance \$4.05. Since that time the President called a board at Dallas on July 26. I did not attend this board, and did not receive the reports of it. All of this I submit to your honorable body for your consideration.

Very respectfully,

SUSIE JONES.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Following is my report of the finances of the year ending August 10, 1899, to the best of my knowledge:

Received from all sources at Waco, 1898.....\$48 89

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Rev. Gilmore for printing cards.....	\$ 2 00
Rev. W. Beckham, for Sunday School State Missions.....	2 50
Rev. W. B. Ball, for Guadalupe College.....	1 00
H. M. Williams, for reporting.....	2 00
Rev. J. H. Herron, missionary services.....	5 84
Rev. Gilmore, traveling expenses.....	2 50
Mrs. A. Hicks, traveling expenses.....	2 50
Rev. J. G. Gilmore (donation).....	2 00
Mrs. S. J. Jones, clerk services.....	9 99
Rev. J. H. Herron, balance.....	2 50
Paid for printing minutes.....	12 00
Rev. J. H. Herron, September 8, 1898.....	1 50

Total paid out.....\$46 24
Balance, \$2.65.

BOARDS.

Received from Dallas board, October 28, 1898.....\$11 32

DISBURSEMENTS.

S. J. Jones, for services, etc.....	\$ 4 00
J. H. Herron, services	6 00
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Total	\$10 00
Balance.....	\$1 32
From Waco.....	2 64
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Total.....	\$3 96
January 31, 1899, to Rev. J. H. Herron.....	\$ 3 00
Balance left on hand.....	96
Receipts of Dallas board, July.....	9 44
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Total	\$10 40

DISBURSED FOR DALLAS BOARD.

J. R. Jordan, for printing bills for Terrell meeting.....	\$2 50
S. S. Smith, for printing bills for Dallas meeting.....	2 00
M. M. Smith, for services.....	1 50
Rev. J. G. Gilmore	60
A. D. Duncan	75
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Total paid out.....	\$7 35
Balance on hand, \$5.05.	
Total amount raised at these meetings.....	\$72 61
Total paid out at these meetings.....	68 60
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Balance in treasury at present.....\$ 4 01

Your obedient servant,

M. M. SMITH.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That hereafter the board of the Sunday School Convention shall meet in joint session with the board of the Association.

H. M. WILLIAMS.

Be it resolved, That hereafter the members of the board attending the board meetings when regularly called, shall have one half their fare paid.

J. N. WESTBROOKS.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

DENISON, TEXAS, August 14, 1899.

The Executive Board of the North Texas Sunday School District Convention met in first session with President H. M. Williams in the chair. Rev. E. J. Bowers read Scripture lesson and offered prayer. After the singing of a hymn the meeting was declared ready for business.

The question of printing of minutes was first considered, and on motion of J. N. Westbrooks the minutes were ordered printed under cover with that of the Association. On motion of Mrs. S. J. Jones the sum of \$12 was set aside for printing purposes. A motion prevailed to accept the Association's missionary for the Sunday School work also.

At the call for bills, Rev. J. G. Gilmore presented a bill for six dollars for printing programs, etc. A motion prevailed ordering three dollars to be paid from the amount on hand, and the Secretary was instructed to issue an order on Mount Rose Sunday School, payable to Rev. J. G. Gilmore for the sum of \$3. A resolution by J. N. Westbrooks was unanimously adopted to the effect that the members attending the board's first meeting at the adjournment of the annual session, should have one-half their railroad fare paid in cases where they are not sent to the meeting as a delegate. The Secretary here read the receipts of the session, and ordered bills paid. (See Receipts and Disbursements.)

RECEIPTS.

From letters	\$19 74
Public collections	14 25
Sunday School	9 08

Total\$43 07

DISBURSEMENTS.

Reserve fund for printing minutes.....	\$12 00
Rev. W. Beckham, for State Sunday School work.....	5 00
Prize book in Model Sunday School.....	1 25
Compiling minutes of 1898, to S. J. J.....	3 00

Secretary, for services, session of 1899.....	2 00
Railroad fare for Treasurer, 1899.....	1 95
Presented to ex-President Gilmore.....	2 00
Stationery etc.....	50
Donated to President H. M. Williams.....	5 00

Total appropriations\$32 70

STATISTICAL TABLE.

School.	Postoffice.	Superintendent.	Secretary.	Number Teachers.	Scholars.	Books in Library.	Money Sent.
Mt. Moriah.....	Hillsboro.....	S. S. Smith.....	E. Denton.....	4	30	50	\$1 50
Mt. Olive.....	Waco.....	J. N. Westbrook.....	Wm. Poor.....	5	50	238	12 50
Mt. Pleasant.....	Wichita Falls.....	C. H. Taylor.....	Annie James.....	3	25	37	1 25
Progressive.....	Sherman.....	L. Wise.....	M. Mathews.....	6	50	60	2 50
Morning Star.....	Thunber.....	H. Booker.....	M. Booker.....	3	25	50	1 25
St. John.....	Annetta.....	J. Batie.....	J. Hood.....	3	20	30	1 00
St. John.....	Bedford.....	W. Wilson.....	A. T. Blackburn.....	3	20	19	1 00
St. James.....	Fort Worth.....	G. W. Hardy.....	Geo. Taylor.....	5	30	36	1 50
Lucile.....	Palmer.....	J. L. Agee.....	L. Graham.....	2	20	50	50
Mt. Zion.....	Denison.....	A. L. Witaker.....	L. Walker.....	4	56	148	2 00
New Virgin.....	Terrell.....	J. M. Miller.....	J. Woods.....	3	10	13	50
Mt. Pisgah.....	Fort Worth.....	L. W. Smith.....	L. McCowan.....	6	60	102	3 00
Mt. Olive.....	Arlington.....	W. B. Dorsey.....	J. E. Dorsey.....	2	15	35	75
Gallilee.....	Dallas.....	N. W. Hennigen.....	E. West.....	2	20	18	50
Mt. Rose.....	Dallas.....	J. L. Little.....	Carrie Ford.....	4	55	324	3 00
Miller.....	Lisbon.....	H. A. Allison.....	M. Allison.....	6	28	48	1 10

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This organization shall be known as the North Texas Baptist Sabbath School Convention.

ART. 2. The object of this Convention shall be to promote the Sunday School cause throughout the District.

ART. 3. This Convention shall be composed of duly elected messengers from Baptist Sabbath Schools by the churches. Each School shall be entitled to not over two messengers.

ART. 4. The officers of this Convention shall be composed of President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Assistant Secretary,

Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and District Missionary. The officers shall be elected annually, and shall constitute the Executive Board, five of whom shall constitute a quorum. The board shall have power to fill vacancies, and shall pay all expenses of the Sunday School District Convention.

ART. 5. The session of this Convention shall be held annually at each session of the North Texas Baptist Association.

ART. 6. All Sabbath Schools that are connected with this body shall pay annually for each pupil reported, the sum of five cents.

ART. 7. Any member in good and regular standing in a regular organized Baptist church or Sunday School, may become a member of this Convention by paying the sum of 25 cents.

ART. 8. All moneys shall be paid out by order drawn on the Treasurer and signed by the President and Secretary.

ART. 9. All officers are required to make an annual report before they are elected. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of members present.

ART. 10. That this Convention be governed by parliamentary usages as laid down by Hiscock.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Welcome Address.
2. Introductory sermon.
3. Appointing Committee on Enrollment.
4. Reports of Committee on Credentials.
5. Reading of letters by the Clerk.
6. Roll call.
7. Reports of Executive Board.
8. Invite all of our faith and order to sit with us.
9. Call for correspondence.
10. Appoint usual committees
11. Return correspondence.
12. Organize by election of officers.
13. Reports of officers.
14. Reports of committees.
15. Miscellaneous business.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMEN'S WORK OF THE
NORTH TEXAS ASSOCIATION—FIFTH
SESSION.**

DENISON, TEXAS, August 10, 1899.

The Women's Home Mission Society of the North Texas District Association met in annual session in the M. E. church building at the hour of 2 o'clock with the Missionary Society of the Mount Zion Baptist church of Denison. The convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. M. E. McConnell, of Fort Worth. There were present about one hundred women as delegates and visitors from the various portions of the District. The audience joined in singing the old and familiar hymn "Come We that Love the Lord," etc. Sister M. Graham of Waco, offered a fervent prayer for the success of the work, and especially of the session about to be entered into. The President then read the 11th chapter of Mark, and commented somewhat thereon. The President made a short address on the work in general, and the house proceeded to consider the printed program presented by the board as a guide for the session.

After some deliberations the same was adopted. A prayer and praise service of an hour was held and conducted by Sisters V. Bowers and E. J. Tucker. The welcome address was here read by Sister Mattie Taylor of the local society, and responded to by Sister A. Hicks of Waco. A discussion, "Is a Missionary Society of any benefit to a church," was participated in by several sisters and led by Sister G. G. Kingsbury of Fort Worth, and Sister A. Ellis of Dallas. Several visiting sisters were here introduced and made brief addresses. The meeting adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Friday morning. Benediction by the President.

FRIDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The work of the day was ushered in by a prayer service of an hour's duration by Sister Ida Russell of Fort Worth, and Sister A. Davis of Dallas. President declared the house ready for business. Minutes of previous day were read and adopted. The President

called for the report of Committee on Enrollment, which was made partially, and adopted. The meeting adjourned to hear the Moderator's annual address to the Association. Collection, \$1.55.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The convention reassembled at 2:30 p. m. with President in chair. Devotions were conducted by the President, and Sister M. Waters of Fort Worth, offered prayer. Hymn 215 was sung, and Sister J. M. Miller of Terrell, led in prayer. "The condition of the Field," was the topic on program for discussion. Same was discussed for some considerable time and finally passed. Mrs. M. M. Buckner here addressed the convention for fifteen minutes, at the conclusion of which a resolution was adopted requiring each local organization to send one dollar to each board for the benefit of the work of the district. The resolution also provided that each Starlight Band send fifty cents to each board. The Committee on Enrollment made final report. Committee on Finance made partial report, and turned over to the Treasurer \$18.40. The usual routine of committees were here announced, and the meeting adjourned. Collection, \$2.65.

SATURDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The house was called to order at 9 o'clock sharp. Sisters C. A. McNeal and L. E. Whitaker conducted song service. President read Scripture, and Sister S. A. Graham of Hillsboro, led in prayer. Rev. J. H. Herron and Mrs. M. R. R. Webb of Denison, were introduced and spoke briefly to the encouragement of the women. Minutes were read and adopted with some minor corrections. Committees on Missions, Education, and Obituary were heard and adopted. The Committee on Missionary Sermon reported in favor of inviting Rev. A. H. Smith of Denison, to preach the annual sermon. Same was adopted and the hour of 4 o'clock fixed as the time. Mrs. M. M. Buckner here spoke on the training school at Guadalupe College.

President D. Abner of Guadalupe College, was here introduced and spoke for half an hour on the importance of education among the women of our race, and proposed two scholarships to the convention. The house accepted the terms and nominated from the floor Sisters M. E. McConnell and Carrie Ford of Dallas. Both

were declared elected after a rising vote, and a motion prevailed requiring each Society to contribute the sum of \$2 during the year as payment of the amount for tuition, etc., in the College. The meeting adjourned for noon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The house was called to order promptly at 3 o'clock. Devotions by Sister F. Gill of Fort Worth. Minutes were read and adopted. Remaining committees were heard and adopted. Officers' reports and the Committee on Permanent Organization was called. Report as follows, which was adopted: President, Mrs. M. E. McConnell, Fort Worth; Vice-President, Mrs. E. J. Jones, Sherman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. E. Fowler, Fort Worth; Treasurer, Mrs. L. E. Whitaker, Denison; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ada Ellis, Dallas. Additional board members: Sisters M. Westbrooks, M. Graham, L. Upshaw. Delegates were elected as follows for correspondence: To the National Baptist Convention, Mrs. M. M. Buckner; to the General Baptist State Convention, Mrs. M. E. McConnell. Collection, \$24.40.

The annual sermon was, by motion, postponed till Sunday morning at the hour of eleven. An old time hand shaking was indulged in, and the convention adjourned to meet at the Mount Moriah Baptist church in connection with the Association on Thursday before second Sunday in August, 1900.

M. E. McCONNELL, President.

M. E. FOWLER, Secretary.

SUNDAY.

Services of missionary hour reported under head of Association's department of minutes.

BOARD.

The Executive Board met at a late hour on Saturday evening with President in chair, and after usual devotions proceeded to consider financial claims and pay off same. Liberal donations were made to the various departments of the State and district work. A motion prevailed ordering the minutes printed under cover with those of the Association, and an appropriation of ten dollars was made for same.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

WAYS AND MEANS.

We, your Committee on Ways and Means, beg leave to report as follows:

Seeing the great need of raising money to operate the work, we recommend that each President hold a rally once each quarter and forward the proceeds to the district work.

Very respectfully,

L. A. SLAUGHTER,
C. A. McNEAL,
MEHALIA WATERS,
Committee.

ENROLLMENT.

Mount Pisgah, Fort Worth.—Ida Russell, M. E. Fowler, E. J. Tucker, C. A. McNeal, F. Gill, Ida Williams, Lottie Coffee.

Progressive, Sherman.—Emma Jones, Rosa Whitby.

St. John, Bedford.—M. E. Fowler.

Macedonia, Abilene.—L. A. Slaughter.

Mount Rose, Dallas.—Ada Ellis, Annie Davis.

Galilee, Dallas.—H. M. Linley.

New Zion, Miller's Switch.—Lydia Ward.

Mount Zion, Denison.—Mattie Taylor, L. E. Whitaker, Maggie Giles, Carrie Sales.

Morning Star, Thurber.—A. R. Ditto.

Mount Olive, Waco.—Mary Westbrook, F. L. Lewis, Mittie Hobbs, F. Alexander.

Mount Moriah, Hillsboro.—S. A. Graham, Fannie Mabra.

Starlight Band, Mount Rose, Dallas.—Anna Davis, M. George.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Total receipts\$30 45

Disbursements.

Mrs. M. E. Fowler, for services.....	\$6 00
Rev. A. H. Smith, for annual sermon.....	1 50
Mrs. M. M. Buckner (State work).....	3 00
Reserve for Minutes.....	10 00
To Training School.....	2 00
Mrs. M. E. McConnell, President.....	7 00
Reporting services	1 50

OFFICERS' REPORTS.

TREASURER.

Sister President and Sisters:

I beg leave to submit the following as my annual report:

Total received at last session, \$27.15; disbursements, \$27.15; balance, nothing. Receipts for disbursements on hand.

Very respectfully,

MRS. A. HICKS.

TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit our report:

WHEREAS, Liquor in all its forms, and tobacco, are two of the greatest evils that we have to contend with and fight against. We recommend that each delegate go to their Society and condemn the very thought of the use of these evils, and do all in their power to destroy the use of these two evils, and bring a report next meeting, saying we have not forgotten our pledge made in this meeting.

Very respectfully,

H. M. LINLEY,
LOTTIE COFFEE,
FANNIE MABRA,
Committee.

MISSIONS.

Sister President and Sisters:

We, your Committee on Missions, wish to make the following report:

We understand the women's mission to be as great as that of men; there is work for us to do that can only be done by a woman, and as missionary women we call on all who are lovers of the spreading of the gospel and lifting up suffering and fallen humanity.

Suppose we do some fireside work; some from house to house work, then some Godly living, and personal work, and we shall see the results of our labor.

This district needs some more mission zeal, which would add much to the work of missions among women. Now, that this cause reach all, our Societies should manage to hold a missionary Bible meeting

at least once a month, and there discuss such work as would educate along such lines.

Very respectfully,

MITTIE HOBBS,
NELLIE WRIGHT,
S. DAVIS,
Committee.

EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to make our following report:

We suggest that education is very much needed in our Society, and every local Society should sustain it by giving their efficient support to carry it to a success, and for the upbuilding of the young people's minds.

Very respectfully,

S. A. GRANNAN,
FANNIE GILL,
E. J. TUCKER,
Committee.

OBITUARY.

We, your Committee on Obituary, beg leave to make our following report:

We found that since the last Association at Waco that the Lord has taken from our great number two members to our knowledge out of the district, who have gone from their labor to their reward. We trust that our Mission District Convention's loss is heaven's eternal gain. We are more than grateful to our God that we are yet alive to see each other's face. God be with us until we meet again.

V. BOWERS,
MARY WESTBROOKS,
LILIA UPSHAW,
Committee.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS, August 8, 1898.

To the North Texas Baptist Woman's Convention:

I, your President, present to this meeting my fourth annual ad-

dress, and report of the same. I was reëlected last year to stand in front of this battle another year, and I am truly thankful to the Almighty God for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and am thankful to be at this place once more. I am pleased to say to you that our district is still alive and in a prospering condition, though there is room for improvement. Much more could have been done, and it is very necessary that it should be done, happy though we are, but many of our brothers and sisters are praying for help, and truly the strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and we look for the strong Societies to give aid to them that are weak.

Dear Sisters, I say we have done well, but we can do better. It is impossible for us to make the district what it ought to be without the coöperation of the women through the district. Dear sisters, just remember the promises made last year at Waco, and all failed, and not one five cents has been sent this year to help foster the works. Now must this work go down? God forbid, but let us prove from year to year that we are soldiers of the cross. We can only prove this by our work. Dear sisters, you should be wide awake to your duty, for you should have a grand work before you and a great deal of it to do. The women's work is the most important work of the day. There is not a spot in the district but where she can do good. This grand and noble work of the women is wanted in every part of the district, and we should not shirk from duty. We must support our work financially and spiritually. Our work is very much needed in the southern parts of the district. These women are very anxious to know of the work, but financees will not allow me to go to their rescue. We have a faithful few who have given their aid this year, and we pray God's rich blessings upon them, for their deeds shine before us like stars, and every charitable deed that you do soothes and blesses and heals. It is not enough for us just to work during the Association month and sit still all the rest of the year. We say we are Christians; if true, we should be more like Christ, for our Lord was earnestly, constantly in the way of duty.

If bright results do not come now they will come later, and one day we will hear His voice saying to us, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Societies organized, 2; letters written, 27. Traveled 624 miles. Board meets, 3; lectures given, 23.

Money collected from all sources:

Oak Grove Society	\$ 65
Mount Pisgah, Fort Worth.....	4 15
St. James, Fort Worth.....	1 25
Hunter's Morning Star, Thurber.....	11 00

Total amount raised.....\$16 95

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expenses for stationery	\$ 1 00
Traveling expenses	14 65

Total expenses

This Convention owes me \$5.00 for last year's work. Respectfully submitted for your consideration.

M. E. McCONNELL, President.

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Sister President:

It is with profound gratitude that I appear before you to make this my annual report for the year ending August 1, 1899.

It is a great delight to say that I have tried to do my full duty in the work, so as to keep alive and prosper at the same time. The blessings of God seem to have rested on the work in every respect. The year has been a very hard one in many respects, and many people have been disabled thereby to do what should have been done. But, in the name of God, we have such encouraging reports to make us feel that the work is still progressing in the name of the Lord. After the adjournment of the Waco meeting I proceeded to arrange the manuscript for the press. It required very much time and care to fix the statistics, but I think I succeeded quite satisfactory to all concerned. My very soul is in the work, and I pray that we shall continue to move onward with the good work, in the name of King Emanuel. Following is my report of work done:

Boards attended, 1; letters written, 8; letters received, 10; stationery expense, 50 cents; printing and mailing, \$1.50; due for services, to me, \$2.25. Total due, \$4.00.

Yours in Christ,

MRS. M. E. FOWLER.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF WOMAN'S WORK.

Society.	Postoffice.	President.	Money Sent.
Mt. Pisgah.....	Fort Worth.....	Kate Connor.....	\$ 4 00
Progressive.....	Sherman.....	Hester Linthcomb.....	3 95
St. John.....	Bedford.....	Pollie Chiles.....	50
Macedonia.....	Abilene.....	L. A. Slaughter.....	75
Mt. Rose.....	Dallas.....	Ada Ellis.....	1 35
Gallilee.....	Dallas.....	Rose Miller.....	50
New Zion.....	Miller's Switch.....	Lydia Ward.....	50
Mt. Zion.....	Denison.....	Mary Taylor.....	.....
Morning Star.....	Thurber.....	Lula Baker.....	.....
Mt. Olive.....	Waco.....	Narcise Gaston.....	3 00
Mt. Moriah.....	Hillsboro.....	Sarah Fleming.....	65
Mt. Rose, Starlight.....	Dallas.....	Anna Davis.....	.....
Mt. Moriah, Starlight.....	Hillsboro.....	Ozola Mabra.....	25

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NORTH TEXAS DISTRICT B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION.

DENISON, TEXAS, August 10, 1899.

The North Texas District B. Y. P. U. was called to order at 5 p. m., with the Vice-President, Mrs. M. Graham, in the chair. The meeting was declared open for business. A motion was made that S. J. Jones act as Secretary; carried. The President appointed the following committees:

Committee on Enrollment.—H. W. Williams, Jennie Richie, Fannie Lewis.

Committee on Finance.—J. N. Westbrooks, V. Bowers, A. Hicks.

Committee on Permanent Organization.—Charley Lane, S. A. Owens, H. W. Williams.

Committee on Constitution.—Rev. H. M. Williams, M. R. Bennett, J. N. Westbrooks.

Collection, \$1.70. Adjournment.

DENISON, TEXAS, August 11, 1899.

The North Texas District B. Y. P. U. reassembled at 8:30 a. m. Sang hymn 130, read the 11th chapter of Hebrews, and the meeting was declared ready for business.

On motion that we hear the report of the Committee on Enrollment. The committee made the following report:

Postoffice.	Church.	President.	Members.	Money.
Waco.....	Mt. Olive.....	V. Bours.....	40	\$ 2 00
Fort Worth.....	Mt. Pisgah.....	E. D. Isaacs.....	35	75
Fort Worth.....	St. James.....	G. Brown.....	30	75
Sherman.....	Progressive.....	J. W. Wilson.....	25	55
Hillsboro.....	Mt. Moriah.....	J. Tyler.....	15	25
Wichita Falls.....		C. H. Taylor.....	18	25

The report of the Committee on Finance was called for. The committee reported \$4.35 taken in from the different unions. On motion the report was adopted.

On motion the report of the Committee on Permanent Organization was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

Sister President and Members:

We, your committee, beg to submit the following report:

C. H. Taylor, Wichita Falls, President; H. M. Williams, Sherman, Vice-President; Mrs. M. Westbrooks, Second Vice-President; Miss Jennie Richie, Secretary; Mr. J. W. Williams, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. S. J. Jones, Corresponding Secretary; Mr. S. A. Owens, Treasurer; Miss M. R. Bennett, Librarian.

DENISON, TEXAS, August 12, 1899.

The B. Y. P. U. met at 9 o'clock. Sang hymn No. 391. The house was called to order by the President, who read for opening the 10th chapter of Revelations. Prayer by Rev. Bowers. Sang hymn No. 309. House declared ready for business.

On motion we take up claims where we left off.

On motion that Mr. J. W. Williams be elected as Assistant Secretary.

On motion that S. J. Jones be elected as Corresponding Secretary.

On motion that S. A. Owens be elected Treasurer.

On motion that M. R. Bennett be elected Librarian.

The report of the Committee on Constitution was called for, but failed to report.

On motion to adjourn to meet Monday morning with the Executive Board.

MRS. M. GRAHAM, President.

MRS. S. J. JONES, Secretary.

DENISON, TEXAS, August 14, 1899.

The B. Y. P. U. board called to order by the President.

Ruled that the members of the board be called. Ruled that the members be installed.

On motion that the report of the Treasurer be heard. The report was made, and the Treasurer reported \$5.90 on hand.

On motion the report was received.

On motion that we give the Secretary \$1.50.

On motion that we give to the Association \$2.00 for the compiling of minutes.

On motion that we donate to the ex-President 50 cents.

The report of the Treasurer: Paid to the Secretary \$1.50; paid

to the Association \$2.00 ; donated to the ex-President 50 cents. Balance on hand \$1.90.

On motion that we adjourn to meet with the North Texas Executive Board.

C. H. TAYLOR, President.

JENNIE RICHIE, Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Union.	Postoffice.	President.	Membership.	Money Sent.
Mt. Olive.....	Waco.....	J. N. Westbrook.....	40	\$ 2 00
St. James.....	Fort Worth.....	G. Brown.....	20	75
Mt. Pisgah.....	Fort Worth.....	Ed Isaac.....	75	75
Progressive.....	Sherman.....	J. W. Williams.....	25	55
Mt. Pleasant.....	Wichita.....	W. Garrett.....	25	25
Mt. Moriah.....	Hillsboro.....	J. Porter.....	30	25

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Postoffice.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Baptised.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Deaths.	Present Number.	Missions.	Amount Money Sent.	Amount Money Raised.	Poor.	Church Improvement.	Licenses.	Paid Pastor.	Travelling Preacher.	Educational.	Preachers Ordained.	Deacons Ordained.	Value.
Mt. Zion, \$5.80.....	Denison.....	A. H. Smith.....	I. Davis.....	4	1	17	12	1	1	79	\$ 7.90	\$37.00	\$ 5.00	\$1.27	\$ 103	\$8.20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pisgal, due 1898, \$2.35	Fort Worth.....	H. W. Jackson.....	H. W. Jackson.....	1	4	2	5	174	\$10.30	17.40	13.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.87	.....	.....	\$ 250
St. James, due 1898, \$6.50	Fort Worth.....	S. M. Viley.....	S. M. Viley.....	1	6	23	5	1	12	15	5.10	329.00	10.50	15	105	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Green Chapel, due 1898, 40 cents.	Terrell.....	J. M. Miller.....	J. M. Miller.....	1	4	2	2	1	11	2	1.10	35.00	.....	.....	18	1.50	.....	.....	.....	100
Galilee, due 1899, \$1.80	Dallas.....	S. S. Stephens.....	C. M. Linley.....	5	30	13	6	58	.....	1.00	224.00	.....	.....	.....	112	.....	.....	.....	.....	250
Mt. Olive.....	Waco.....	H. W. Jackson.....	Will Pore.....	5	9	12	6	2	80	7.35	8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000
Mt. Rose, due 1899, \$12.40.	Dallas.....	J. G. Gilmore.....	Lula Williams.....	4	1	10	1	124	.....	500.00	4.00	600	1	70	200	20.00	.....	.....	.....	2000
Mt. Maria.....	Hillsboro.....	J. G. Gilmore.....	Eliza Shelton.....	18	4	1	1	3	35	800.00	4.00	.....	.....	.....	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000
Lucie, due 1898, \$2.10.	Palmer.....	R. R. Ingram.....	R. R. Ingram.....	3	5	8	2	1	28	2.80	47.00	.....	.....	.....	23	19.00	.....	.....	.....	50
Progr. Grove, paid \$8.00, 1898, \$3.00.	Sherman.....	H. M. Williams.....	H. H. Ladd.....	13	15	.....	.....	125	6.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500
Little Zion.....	Weatherford.....	A. R. Ditto.....	Geo. Carson.....	3	1	2	1	10	.....	1.00	50.00	.....	.....	.....	10	2.60	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. John, due \$1.40; paid \$1.40.	Wichita Falls.....	G. W. Butler.....	G. W. Butler.....	1	11	.....	.....	24	2.40	50.00	.....	.....	.....	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macedonia, due 1898, 10c; paid 1899, 10c.	Decatur.....	T. R. Simpson.....	M. E. Veasy.....	2	7	1	1	16	.....	50	11.00	.....	17	.....	30	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Zion, due 1898, \$1.70.	Miller Switch.....	A. R. Ditto.....	S. Clark.....	6	1	.....	.....	14	1.00	1.50	12.00	1.00	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nero Zion.....	Weatherford.....	A. R. Ditto.....	D. Williams.....	2	2	.....	.....	9	.....	90	.....	.....	15	.....	15	6.00	.....	.....	.....	250
Hunters, Morning Star, due 1899, \$10.	Thurber.....	A. E. Ditto.....	H. Booker.....	6	1	2	2	1	18	1.80	1.50	.....	.....	.....	95	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Olive, due 1898, 60c.	Arlington.....	J. W. E. Tucker.....	W. B. Dorsey.....	3	1	5	.....	13	1.50	1.30	113.00	.....	28	.....	53	5.15	\$3.12	.....	.....	175
St. John, paid \$1.40, 1898.	Bedford.....	.....	.....	1	10	.....	.....	4	2.00	2.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rechehem, due 1898, \$1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Springs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Independence, due 1898, \$8.15.
Macedonia.....	Abilene.....	C. Coviner.....	C. Coviner.....	1	7	15	1.50	179.80	42	50	9.85

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