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MEMORANDUM

TO :

FROM :

SUBJECT :

DATE :

RE :

REFERENCE :

NOTES :

DETAILS :

CONCLUSION :

RECOMMENDATION :

ACTION :

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION :

OTHER :

REMARKS :

OFFICERS

President ----- Rev. M. L. Johnson
Vice-President ----- Rev. J. W. Alford
Secretary ----- Rev. R. N. Hinnant
Treasurer ----- Mr. Rom W. Mallard

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. M. L. Johnson, President ----- Lucama, N. C.
Rev. J. W. Alford, Vice-President ----- Columbia, N. C.
Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Secretary ----- Micro, N. C.
Mr. R. W. Mallard, Treasurer ----- Trenton, N. C.
Rev. D. W. Alexander ----- Bethel, N. C.
Rev. S. A. Smith ----- Beulaville, N. C.
Rev. J. R. Bennett ----- Bridgeton, N. C.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Lloyd Vernon ----- (Expires) 1947
Rev. L. B. Manning ----- (Expires) 1948
Rev. W. R. Williams ----- (Expires) 1949

BOARD OF FINANCE

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, Rev. C. H. Coates—1947
Rev. M. E. Godwin, Rev. W. K. Jordan—1948
Rev. N. B. Barrow, Rev. D. W. Hansley—1949

BOARD OF MISSIONS

Rev. J. W. Alford, 1947; Rev. L. B. Manning, 1948; Rev. W. R. Williams, 1949;
Mrs. Alice Lupton, 1950; Rev. M. A. Woodard, 1951.

ORPHANAGE BOARD

Mr. Levi Hill, 1947; Mr. H. M. Mallard, 1948; Rev. J. C. Moye, 1949;
Mr. W. A. Jackson, 1950; Dr. M. Hinnant, 1951

BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION

Rev. S. R. Kennedy, Mrs. J. C. Moye—1947
Rev. M. L. Johnson, Rev. F. A. Rivenbark—1948
Rev. W. A. Hales, Rev. T. E. Beaman—1949

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Rev. W. B. Everett, 1947; Rev. W. L. Moretz, 1948; Rev. J. R. Bennett, 1949

REPRESENT CRAGMONT STOCK

Rev. W. A. Hales, Rev. R. P. Harris, Rev. D. W. Alexander,
Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Rev. S. A. Smith, Rev. Bruce Barrow.

REPRESENT PRESS STOCK

Rev. W. L. Jernigan

HISTORIAN

Rev. T. E. Beaman

SUPERINTENDENT OF ORPHANAGE

Rev. J. A. Evans

MINISTERS PRESENT

Revs. D. W. Alexander, R. C. Alexander, J. W. Alford, J. A. Alexander, W. E. Anderson, C. G. Ashley, T. E. Beaman, Everette Bryan, A. B. Bryan, M. L. Baxley, L. E. Ballard, N. D. Beaman, N. B. Barrow, J. R. Bennett, Walter Carter, E. F. Chrisco, L. H. Cayton, W. H. Calvert, T. F. Davenport, S. C. Davis, W. B. Everett, L. R. Ennis, J. A. Evans, J. R. Forrest, Wiley Ferrerill, J. C. Griffin, R. N. Hinnant, L. W. Humbles, C. B. Hansley, J. A. Harris, R. P. Harris, O. M. Hilburn, D. W. Hansley, W. A. Hales, W. H. Ivey, F. E. Jones, W. Jernigan, W. L. Jernigan, G. C. Joyner, L. S. Joyner, L. C. Johnson, R. H. Jackson, W. K. Jordan, M. L. Johnson, S. R. Kennedy, Rashie Kennedy, J. R. Davidson, W. A. Dail, Romie Mitchell, J. C. Moye, Lizzie McAdams, H. M. McAdams, L. B. Manning, W. L. Moretz, R. H. Mason, C. L. Patrick, J. L. Pottef, S. M. Parks, M. L. Riggs, Roy Rikard, A. L. Reynolds, M. W. Roach, W. B. Raper, F. A. Rivenbark, G. S. Stevens, S. A. Smith, R. B. Spencer, J. W. Stanley, Lloyd Vernon, J. D. Vernelson, J. C. Varnell, P. C. Wiggs, J. L. Welch, Buck Wilkins, R. H. Woolley, Robert Woodard, J. E. Wooten, W. R. Williams, D. A. Windham, J. P. Woodard, M. A. Woodard, C. W. Bennett.

R E P R E S E N T A T I O N

Delegate—Church—Conference or Association

John Copeland, St. Paul—Albemarle.
W. H. Radcliffe, Free Union—Albemarle.
Alton Reynolds—Albemarle.
Mrs. Alton Reynolds, Malachi's Chapel—Albemarle.
W. H. Dail, Norfolk—Albemarle.
Mrs. Bessie Jackson, Winterville—Central.
Rufus Beamon, Spring Branch—Central.
Jean Harris, Dawson's Grove—Central.
M. H. Whichard, Sweet Gum Grove—Central.
J. L. McLawhon, Little Creek—Central.
Mrs. C. L. Patrick, Elm Grove—Central.
Luther Stanley, Pleasant Hill—Central.
M. L. Barrow, Hull Road—Central.
R. R. Tyson, Piny Grove—Central.
C. W. Pittman, Daniel's Chapel—Central.
J. S. Dixon, Black Jack—Central.
W. F. Corbett, Howell Swamp—Central.
Mrs. C. H. Denton, Rocky Mount—Central.
Webster Williams, Dildy Grove—Central.
Mrs. C. W. Casper, Hickory Chapel—Central.
A. H. Proctor, Saratoga—Central.
W. L. Heath, Free Union—Central.
S. J. Vincent, Reedy Branch—Central.

J. E. Baker, Owen's Chapel—Central.
Mrs. Harry Willis, Davis—Eastern.
L. J. Lane, New Haven—Eastern.
S. W. McCoy, Jr., Core Creek—Eastern.
W. A. Jones, Sarecta—Eastern.
Floyd Robinson, Maury—Eastern.
Mrs. Mae Rouse, May's Chapel—Eastern.
S. W. Jones, 3 Union—Eastern.
H. C. Mallard—Eastern.
Hazel Stilley, Saint's Delight—Eastern.
Mrs. Nellie Potter, Brice's Creek—Eastern.
Mrs. Webster Morris, Juniper Chapel—Eastern.
Cecil Howard, Whaley's Chapel—Eastern.
Velma Powell, Union Chapel—Eastern.
Elmer Garner, Sound View—Eastern.
Mrs. S. A. Smith, Rooty Branch—Eastern.
Ferne Wood, Bethlehem—Eastern.
Peggy Bennett, Bridgeton—Eastern.
Olander Harrison, Piney Grove—Eastern.
Mrs. H. C. Mallard, Friendship—Eastern.
Miss Anna Belle Powell, Mosley Creek—Eastern.
Mrs. Joseph Williams, Woodington—Eastern.
Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, St. Mary's—Eastern.
Mrs. W. L. Daniels, Ephesus—Eastern.
J. H. Allen, Union Chapel—Eastern.
Jimmie Tyndall, Christian Chapel—Eastern.
W. L. Langdon, Hopewell—Cape Fear.
Edwin Britt, St. Paul—Cape Fear.
Percy D. Woodall, Tee's Chapel—Cape Fear.
Cooper Thompson, Bethel—Cape Fear.
Annie Wooten, Shady Grove—Cape Fear.
Craven E. Lee, Oak Grove—Cape Fear.
Kirby West, Cape Fear—Cape Fear.
Mrs. Daisy Hollowell, Goldsboro—Cape Fear.
C. S. Edwards, Tippet's Chapel—Western.
J. A. Allen, Spring Hill—Western.
C. S. Hinnant, Pleasant Grove—Western.
Mrs. F. A. Rivenbark, Wilson—Western.
H. J. Corbett, Micro—Western.
R. L. Radford, Holly Springs—Western.
Rubert Narron, St. Mary's—Western.
Hugh Boyette, Marsh Swamp—Western.

Avery Sasser, Piney Grove—Western.
W. C. Sasser, Selma—Western.
Joseph T. Morris, Union Grove—Western.
Elijah Phillips, Branch Chapel—Western.
Mrs. J. C. Sasser, Stoney Creek—Western.
J. H. Coughton, Friendship—Western.
Mrs. Bernard Ferrell, Kenly—Western.
Mrs. James Peedin, Pine Level—Western.
M. V. Avery, Pleasant Plain—Western.
Ralph Barnes, Little Rock—Western.
F. A. Wells, Rains Cross Road—Western.
Mrs. Walter Carter, Entwistle—Southern.
S. M. Parks, New Hope—Southern.
H. E. Stewart, Gethsemane.
Mrs. H. L. Norton, Mt. Moriah—Rock Fish.

PROCEEDINGS

The Thirty-Fourth Session of the State Association of North Carolina met with Black Jack Church, Pitt County, Wednesday morning, September 11, 1946.

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark conducted the opening devotions. Singing by the congregation, "Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us." Brother Rivenbark read from the sixth chapter of Galatians and emphasized the 10th verse as a guide to govern the proceedings of the Association.

Registration of Ministers and delegates.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Resolutions—Rev. M. L. Johnson, Mrs. H. C. Mallard, Rev. J. D. Vernelson.

Temperance—Revs. J. A. Evans, F. A. Rivenbark, J. C. Moye, R. Kennedy, W. L. Jernigan, D. W. Hansley.

Credentials—Revs. J. W. Alford, L. R. Ennis, J. C. Griffin.

Nominating—Revs. W. A. Hales, Sam Kennedy, M. A. Woodard, S. A. Smith.

The Welcome address was given by Rev. J. C. Griffin, Pastor of the local church and response by Rev. J. W. Alford.

In the President's message, Rev. J. R. Bennett emphasized the necessity of co-operation and denounced political scheming.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD (Adopted)

The Executive Board of the State Association met in the office of the Free Will Baptist Press, November 28, 1945.

The President called the Board to order and prayer was offered by Rev. M. L. Johnson. The following members were present: Revs. J. R. Bennett, M. L. Johnson, R. N. Hinnant, J. W. Alford, L. B. Manning, Bob Wooley and Mr. R. W. Mallard.

By motion, we employ Rev. J. C. Griffin as Field Secretary to begin his work January 1, 1946, and continue to October 1, 1946; that he be asked to devote at least five days per month to this work; that he be allowed \$20.00 per month as salary; that \$60.00 be allowed for equipment and supplies, with the equipment and supplies purchased to be approved by the President of the Association; that he be allowed up to 200 miles travel per month at 3 cents per mile.

By motion, Rev. T. E. Beaman be authorized to proceed with the work of Historian, the amount not to exceed \$100.00 and the total cost be presented at the 1946 session of the Association.

By motion, a program committee be elected, consisting of the President, Vice-President and Secretary.

By motion, a Committee consisting of Rev. J. W. Alford, Rev. M. L. Johnson and Mr. R. W. Mallard be elected to further study the work of a

full time Field Secretary and methods of financing same, and recommendations be presented to the 1946 session of the Association.

Adjournment and benediction by Rev. Bob Wooley.

Rev. J. R. Bennett, President,

Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Secretary.

The Executive Board of the State Association met in the office of the Free Will Baptist Press, January 2, 1946.

The Board was called to order by the President and prayer by Rev. M. L. Johnson.

Members present: Revs. J. R. Bennett, M. L. Johnson, R. N. Hinnant, L. B. Manning, J. W. Alford and Bro. R. W. Mallard.

Visitors present: Mesdames R. W. Mallard, L. E. Ballard, J. C. Griffin, M. L. Johnson, J. A. Evans, E. G. Holland and Revs. Rashie Kennedy, R. B. Spencer, L. R. Ennis, J. C. Griffin.

The President stated the purpose of the meeting was to get an expression from the members of the Board as to whether they would approve the Incorporation of the Cragmont Assembly Grounds.

After much discussion a motion was made that this Board go on record as opposing the Incorporation of the Cragmont Assembly Grounds at the present time.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Board sponsor a Minister's Conference at Cragmont between the 4th and 5th Sundays in June, 1946. The Secretary to petition the Board of Directors for the use of the property at the above mentioned time.

Moved and carried the Secretary write each minister a personal letter inviting them to attend said Conference.

Rev. L. R. Ennis presented a resolution and it was adopted by the Board.

Motion to adjourn and benediction by Rev. L. R. Ennis.

RESOLUTIONS REGARDING THE EXPANSION PROGRAM OF THE BIBLE COLLEGE

Whereas, The Free Will Baptist Bible College has been directed by the National Association to raise \$100,000 for the expansion of the College; and,

Whereas, The State Association of North Carolina has approved the raising of \$20,000 to be applied toward the expansion of the Bible College; and,

Whereas, Approximately \$5,000 of the amount (\$20,000), which the State Association proposes that North Carolina Free Will Baptists give to the expansion fund, has been contributed during the past six months; and,

Whereas, Economic conditions, the manifest worthiness of the educational cause, and a higher Christian patriotism commend the greatest diligence and most arduous efforts among Free Will Baptists on behalf the Bible College;

Therefore, be it Resolved:

First. That we, the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptists, in called session this January 2, 1946, do

hereby direct the Board of Education of said State Association to employ every laudable means, during the current calendar year, with the view of raising the remaining \$15,000 for the expansion of the Bible College.

Second. That we authorize the president of the Association, Reverend J. R. Bennett, and the field secretary of the Association, Reverend J. C. Griffin, to render the Board of Education every possible and necessary assistance in the conduct of the appeal for the remaining \$15,000 of the expansion fund.

The Executive Board of the State Association met in the F. W. B. Church at Ayden, N. C., January 18, 1946. The following members were present: Revs. J. R. Bennett, R. N. Hinnant, M. L. Johnson, L. B. Manning and Mr. R. W. Mallard. A card was read from Rev. J. W. Alford expressing his inability to attend.

Members present from other bodies: Revs. J. C. Griffin, J. E. Wooten, Bruce Barrow, W. A. Hales, R. P. Harris, R. B. Spencer, D. W. Alexander, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mr. Fountain Taylor, Mr. Ralph Barnes.

Prayer by Rev. Bruce Barrow.

Rev. R. B. Spencer read the minutes of the Assembly Ground Committee as of January 3, 1946. He also read the proposed Articles of Incorporation and the proposed By-Laws of the Assembly Grounds.

Attorney Robert Booth was present and explained the above proposed Articles.

It was moved and carried, that since we have been properly informed by an Attorney, we approve the Incorporation of the Assembly Grounds.

By motion, we recommend that the Assembly Grounds Committee be composed of twenty-four members; six members from each of the governing bodies. The President appointed Revs. D. W. Alexander, R. N. Hinnant and M. L. Johnson as the three additional members.

Adjournment and Benediction by Rev. D. W. Alexander.

Rev. J. R. Bennett, President,
Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Secretary.

A meeting of the Executive Board was called at Cragmont by the President, June 25, 1946, all members being present except Mr. R. W. Mallard.

Rev. Henry Melvin appeared before the Board and asked that the Executive Board grant the Ministers of North Carolina the privilege to organize a Ministerial Association and it be allowed to become an organization operating under the auspices of the State Association and the Ministerial Association be privileged to foster the Ministers Institute at Cragmont.

The above request was approved and granted by said Board.

Rev. J. R. Bennett, President,
Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Secretary.

The committee appointed by the Executive Committee to work out a plan by which a full time Field Secretary can be supported and financed recommend the following:

1st, That instead of a Five Point program for our churches, we substitute a Six-Point program, and the sixth point be for the Field Secretary's work.

2nd. That the Field Secretary be required to solicit funds for the Six Point program, and send same to the Treasurer of this Association, with a statement showing where and when received, and the Treasurer to keep a record of the same. If, at the end of the Associational year, these collections and offerings shall exceed the amount required to finance the office of Field Secretary, the surplus shall go into the general fund of the Treasurer, and shall be allocated in accordance with the rules for the allocation of funds of this Association.

J. W. Alford,
 Rom W. Mallard,
 M. L. Johnson,

REPORT OF STATE AUXILIARY WORK FOR 1945-1946, TO THE STATE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA

The Lord has wonderfully blessed every Department of our work this year, for which we feel justly grateful to Him, because without His guiding influence, we realize that our efforts would have been in vain.

We have seven District Auxiliary Conventions in the State, besides some groups that meet in connection with Union Meeting Districts. We have 4,000 enlisted women in these Conventions.

We maintain the following Departments: Missions, Home and Foreign, our Bible School at Nashville, and our Educational Program as launched by the State Association, besides maintaining the Anna Phillips Loan Fund, which enables us to help worthy young people to secure Christian training, then our Orphanage and Superannuation are vital issues with us and we contribute liberally to their support. We co-operate with our local churches in helping to promote the Five-Point Program, and in many ways, exert every possible effort to stand by, and aid our Ministers, to whom we look for leadership, in all phases of Christian activities.

Number of Auxiliaries in State reporting to State Secretary	-----142
Number of Active Members reported	-----4,000
Number of Auxiliaries reporting to Convention	-----81
Number of districts reporting to Secretary	-----6

District reports as follows:

The Woman's Conference, which was held at Cragmont Assembly the week of August 25th-31st, was our first meeting of the kind, and was under the auspices of the State Auxiliary Convention, was a great success in every way.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin.

REPORT OF FIELD SECRETARY

My report does not show what I would like to have it show, but I have done about the best that I could. I was to begin work the first of January only to work part time; bad roads, a worn car, and my health kept me from doing much, besides to try to take care of five churches.

I sent posters—"Five-Point Program" placards, to about fifty churches, using the old cards by writing in the new officers of the State Association;

sent letters and blanks to every Clerk as far as addresses could be obtained; traveled 612 miles to churches and Unions and Conferences, talking "Five-Point Program," worked 66 hours in writing and mailing letters, posters, and answering inquiries, and working on film. I have shown educational pictures in six churches and collected \$155.01. The cost of running the office has been \$91.98, leaving a balance of \$53.03 above operating expenses.

Reports received from the more than 250 churches to which letters were sent, only 84 churches made returns. I do not know why Clerks and pastors ignored the appeal, nevertheless only 84 answered. Of these the increase in membership was 662; 542 of these were baptized, received from other denominations 48; by restoration and letter 72. Money received and disbursed by the 84 churches as follows:

Christian Education -----	\$ 2,311.00
Foreign Missions -----	1,366.30
Home Missions -----	1,680.96
Orphanage -----	10,025.69
Superannuation -----	964.13
Pastoral services -----	11,844.75
Evangelistic services -----	9,174.45
Building and repairs -----	15,023.81
Benevolence -----	2,126.67
Miscellaneous -----	8,534.81
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Total disbursed -----	\$63,046.57
Balance in the various treasuries -----	12,003.00
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Grand total raised -----	\$75,049.57

Gathering from minutes, which statistics are not definitely complete, together with the 84 reports received, I find that we have in the state 326 churches, 292 ministers, of which 19 are retired, and 31 licensed ministers, with a membership of about 38,000 members. Fifty-five reports signed by pastors and Clerks said "yes" to the question, "Do you think that we should have a whole time Field Secretary, as early as possible." About 60 said they supported, or partially supported the "Five-Point Program."

It is a pity that we do not have a way of giving statistics in all Associations and Conferences that will furnish a very much needed information.

Recommendations:

1. That every Conference and Association be requested to use the same blank letter form used by the State Association in making annual reports, and that Clerks be requested to total up columns in statistical tables.
2. That Secretary of the State Association tabulate Associations and Conferences alphabetically.
3. That the Field Secretary and the Recording Secretary arrange a more complete Blank form.
4. That we endeavor to establish a Directory, giving the name and ad-

dress of every Minister in the State, by asking each Conference and Associational Clerk to give such information to the Field Secretary.

5. That we arrange if possible to have at least a half time Field Secretary for 1946-1947 year.

Respectfully,

J. C. Griffin, Field Secretary.

Rev. S. A. Smith introduced Mrs. Judy Caro, who gave her testimony, telling how she was converted from Catholicism to Christianity, also her husband and near kin.

By motion, a committee of three be appointed to investigate the correct procedure in issuing a deed to a private purchaser of the Sound View Church, Carteret County. Committee appointed as follows: J. W. Alford, Bruce Barrow, D. W. Alexander.

It was moved and carried that a Board of Trustees be elected for this Body, consisting of three members and that they retire from said Board consecutively as named. The first named retiring in 1947 (see election of officers).

Report of committee appointed to dispose of Sound View Church (adopted).

We, your Committee on Sound View property, have contacted a lawyer and are recommending according to his advice, that this body through its Trustees, give a quit-claim deed to said Church.

Suspension of business for devotions and Introductory Sermon.

Singing by the congregation, "Draw Me Nearer," and prayer by Rev. J. R. Davidson.

Subject of sermon by Rev. L. R. Ennis, "Symbols of Christian Profession." 1. Baptism; 2. Lord's Supper; 3. Feet Washing; 4. Worshipful giving.

Singing, "When We all Get to Heaven," led by Rev. R. N. Hinnant.

Benediction by Rev. M. L. Johnson.

LUNCH

Afternoon devotions were conducted by Rev. W. L. Moretz. Singing "We'll Work," led by Rev. Albert Harris and prayer by Rev. W. R. Williams. Scripture reading, Romans 12.

Miss Zalene Lloyd gave her testimony and stated that she was going to India as a Missionary, after attending the F. W. B. College. Miss Lloyd sang "I Had Rather Have Jesus."

REPORT OF HISTORIAN

I wish to report progress on the work of compiling a history of the State Association. The work is not complete. It will take some few months yet to complete the work.

Thos. E. Beaman,

Historian, State Association.

SUPERANNUATION REPORT

To the North Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptist:

We, your Board of Superannuation submit the following report and recommendations, divided into 7 items as follows:

I. DEATHS: With sincere regrets we report the death, during the last year, of three of our Superannuated Ministers, namely: Rev. B. W. Wells, who died in October of 1945 at the age of 65; Rev. E. T. Phillips, who died December 27, 1945, at the age of 88; and Rev. J. H. Worley who died September 1, 1946, at the age of 94.

2. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Receipts:

Balance on hand September 1, 1945 ----- \$ 495.67

"Regular Receipts"

September ----- \$ 98.25	April ----- 119.36
October ----- 1,329.55	May ----- 136.68
November ----- 1,090.09	June ----- 30.78
December ----- 191.22	July ----- 177.78
January ----- 125.69	August ----- 118.66
February ----- 132.03	
March ----- \$ 15.78	Total Regular Receipts ----- 3,565.87
Interest Income from "G. P. Best Memorial Fund" ----- 159.85	

Total for the year ----- \$4,221.39

Disbursements:

To Superannuated Ministers -----	\$1,817.50
Subscription to Free Will Baptist for Superannuated Ministers -----	25.50
Paid to the National Board -----	823.58
Operating Expense, (Bond, postage, salaries, supplies, mileage, etc.) -----	271.54
Loan to Minister for Hospital Bill -----	150.00

Total Disbursements for the year ----- \$3,088.12

Balance on Hand August 31, 1946 ----- \$1,133.27

Report to the National Board:

Total "Regular Receipts" for the year -----	\$3,565.87
Total Operating Expense for the year -----	271.54

Balance for the year ----- \$3,294.33

25% of Balance, Paid to National Board ----- \$ 823.58

Digest of Regular Receipts

By Conference, etc.	By Departments, etc.
Albemarle ----- \$ 140.29	Churches ----- \$1,936.74
Cape Fear ----- 592.23	Woman's Auxiliaries ----- 669.20
Central ----- 718.40	Sunday Schools ----- 251.37
Eastern ----- 961.09	Leagues ----- 18.25
French Broad ----- 68.00	Conferences ----- 258.91
Pee Dee ----- 13.00	Union Meetings ----- 380.00
Piedmont ----- 22.56	Individuals ----- 26.40
Rock Fish ----- 12.84	State Ass'n. ----- 25.00
Western ----- 733.22	
State S. S. Conv. ----- 10.00	Total ----- \$3,565.87
State Association ----- 25.00	
State Aux. Conv. ----- 269.24	
Total ----- \$3,565.87	

3. **BENEVOLENT GRANTS:** The following ministers are now receiving Benevolent Grants from this Board: Rev. W. R. Coats, Rev. H. R. Faircloth, Rev. L. C. Garner, Rev. J. A. Ringold, Rev. H. Pipkin, Rev. B. T. Dixon, Rev. D. M. Ratcliff, Rev. W. A. Dail, Rev. J. C. Franks, Rev. J. A. Collins, Rev. J. A. Martin, Rev. I. W. Russell, Rev. W. G. Pike, Rev. W. G. Boykin, Rev. L. W. Wetherington, Rev. J. S. Overman.

The application of Rev. J. C. Rogers is now pending.

If you know of others who should be on this list, please get in touch with the Chairman-Treasurer of this Board.

4. **INSURANCE:** There are 13 ministers of this State that now have Retirement Insurance Policies through the National Board. One other application is now pending. Other ministers under 51 years of age may make application for this Insurance, by contacting the Chairman-Treasurer of this Board.

5. **1946 BUDGET:** We ask that this Association approve a budget of \$7,500.00 for next year, to be raised for Superannuation, by the various groups in the State. We would recommend that we ask the various groups to accept the following goals: Churches, \$5,000.00; Woman's Auxiliaries, \$900.00; Sunday Schools, \$400.00; Leagues, \$100.00; Individual Gifts, \$100.00; Conferences and Unions, \$1,000.00.

6. **HONOR ROLL:** During the past year we have kept an Honor Roll of those Churches or other groups who have raised 25c or more, per member for Superannuation. There were 23 Churches, 30 Auxiliaries, and one Sunday School that made the Honor Roll.

We recommend that the Honor Roll for next year be on the basis of 50c per member for the Churches, and that the other groups be allowed to fix their own Honor Roll, if they wish to use one.

7. **OCTOBER DRIVE:** We ask that all the pastors, and other leaders:

of our denomination, help us make good in the coming October drive, by making special mention of Superannuation Month.

Submitted by the Board of Superannuation,

M. L. Johnson, Chairman-Treasurer,
 F. A. Rivenbark, Ass't. Ch'm.-Treas.,
 Mrs. J. C. Moye, Secretary,
 W. A. Hales,
 T. E. Beaman,
 Rashie Kennedy.

REPORT OF MISSION BOARD

Recapitulation Sheet

From September 14, 1945, to August 31, 1946, Inclusive

9-14-45—Received from former Treasurer -----	\$1,227.48
Received for Foreign Missions -----	2,200.36
Received for Home Missions -----	958.24
Total Receipts -----	\$4,386.08
Expended for Foreign Missions -----	\$2,297.52
Expended for Home Missions -----	530.00
Total Expenditures -----	\$2,827.52
Cash Balance on hand August 31, 1946 -----	\$1,558.56

FOREIGN MISSION ACCOUNT

		From General Mission Acc't.	Total
Bal. fwd. Sept. 14, 1945	\$ 49.59	\$	\$ 49.59
Received September	62.09	3.01	65.10
Received October	247.25	126.00	373.25
Received November	17.50	13.40	30.90
Received December	83.95	6.87	90.82
Received January	133.16	32.71	165.87
Received February	22.00	25.57	47.57
Received March	108.52	98.31	206.83
Received April	509.63	151.08	660.71
Received May	177.35	113.25	290.60
Received June	16.08	17.65	33.73
Received July	56.60	33.35	89.95
Received August	88.27	56.76	145.03
	\$1,571.99	\$677.96	\$2,249.95

Expended to Rev. Winford Davis

11-1-45 -----	\$ 487.94
1-3-46 -----	121.72
1-31-46 -----	165.87

4-4-46	-----	301.97
4-30-46	-----	660.71
5-31-46	-----	290.60
6-30-46	-----	33.73
7-31-46	-----	89.95
8-31-46	-----	145.03

\$2,297.52

Subtract Receipts ----- 2,249.95

Total over-payment ----- \$ 47.57

General Fund

	Received	Exp.	Paid to F. M. Account	Paid to H. M. Account
Sept.	\$ 22.50	\$16.48	\$ 3.01	\$ 3.01
Oct.	264.51	12.50	126.00	126.00
Nov.	45.00	18.20	13.40	13.40
Dec.	15.00	1.25	6.87	6.88
Jan.	65.41	.00	32.71	32.70
Feb.	51.22	.08	25.57	25.57
Mar.	218.33	21.71	98.31	98.31
Apr.	302.36	.20	151.08	151.08
May	226.91	.41	113.25	113.25
June	35.30	.00	17.65	17.65
July	66.70	.00)) .35	33.35
Aug.	121.53	8.00	56.76	56.77
	<u>\$1,434.77</u>	<u>\$78.83</u>	<u>\$677.96</u>	<u>\$677.98</u>

Home Mission Account

		50% Gen. Fund	Total
Balance Transferred 9-14-45	----- \$1,177.89	\$.	\$1,177.89
September Receipts	----- 50.00	3.01	53.01
October Receipts	----- 59.50	126.01	185.51
November Receipts	----- 13.00	13.40	26.40
December Receipts	----- 8.95	6.88	15.83
January Receipts	----- 2.00	32.70	34.70
February Receipts	----- 25.00	25.57	50.57
March Receipts	----- 72.00	98.31	170.31
April Receipts	----- 60.81	151.08	211.89
May Receipts	----- 87.00	113.25	200.25
June Receipts	----- .00	17.65	17.65
July Receipts	----- 12.00	33.35	45.35
August Receipts	----- .00	56.77	56.77
	<u>\$1,458.15</u>	<u>\$677.98</u>	<u>\$2,136.13</u>

Expenditures

Norfolk Church, 3-8-46 -----	\$500.00
W. L. Moretz, 7-2-46 -----	30.00
Total Payments -----	\$530.00
Receipts -----	\$2,136.13
Payments -----	530.00
Total on hand -----	\$1,606.13
Less over-payment to Foreign Mission Account --	47.57
	\$1,558.56

J. W. Alford, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION-INSTITUTE TO THE STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES OF NORTH CAROLINA

By Raymond T. Sasser, President

Greetings:

The past twelve months have been months of progress for the Sunday Schools of our state. The Sunday School is the teaching service of the Church. Through teaching we learn more about our Saviour, of His love for us, and how we may become His children. Through teaching we learn to worship and to serve.

During the past twelve months many schools have conducted Daily Vacation Bible Schools. The schools that did sponsor a Daily Vacation Bible School saw many of their children accept Christ. Some may become ministers or missionaries as a result of the training, inspiration and instruction they received in these schools. If your Sunday School did not conduct a Vacation Bible School, it did not do all it should have done to "train up a child in the way he should go."

During the past twelve months our state Sunday School Convention-Institute has accomplished or is in the process of achieving many new goals or milestones of service, destined to be of lasting benefit to the Sunday Schools of our state and nation. These may be briefly summarized as follows:

1. Cragmont Assembly is ours. We are humbly proud of the active part our organization played in its conception, purchasing and operation. Ours was the first state organization of our denomination to adopt a state-wide program for the establishment of an assembly ground. We rejoice that our people, through their State Association, State Woman's Auxiliary Convention, State F. W. B. League Convention, and State Sunday School Convention co-operated in the joint ownership and operation of Cragmont. Credit is due also to our Church Finance Corporation for the valuable assistance they rendered.

2. The First Annual Sunday School Institute for Inspiration, Recreation

and Instruction of our Sunday School people was held for two weeks at Cragmont in June. The first week was devoted to training of our Juniors and Adults, under the supervision of Rev. R. B. Spencer. The second week was devoted to training Intermediates and Young People, under the direction of Rev. R. P. Harris. From time to time through the pages of The Baptist you have read the reports and testimonials of those who were privileged to attend the Institute. They testified that the Spirit of the Lord was present. Many re-dedicated their lives to His Service. Time will reveal the results of this and future Institutes to be held.

3. A Sunday School newspaper is in the blue-print stage. Rev. L. E. Ballard, the F. W. B. Press and your State S. S. Convention will produce this paper, with our Master as the Editor-in-Chief. We trust it will bring joy and be something each Sunday School pupil in our state and nation will look forward to each Sunday morning. Watch for announcement of the first issue.

4. Our convention has instructed its executive board to arrange for a text book to be printed. This book is being planned to make available to everyone instruction and better Sunday School organization and teaching methods. This is a big task. Pray that the Holy Spirit may direct this work.

Time and space will not permit the mentioning of all the phases of our work. We rejoice and praise Him for what has been accomplished and request your prayers for divine leadership to the end that our Sunday Schools may be second to none in becoming better teaching and training organizations for Him.

THE STATE F. W. B. LEAGUE CONVENTION OF 1946

Number of Leagues representing	-----	48
Total number enrolled	-----	819
Average attendance	-----	546
Average number on time	-----	513
Average number studying program	-----	399
Average number daily Bible readers	-----	265
Average number on program	-----	480
Average number attending church	-----	557
Average number making offering	-----	556
Number of new members	-----	235
Number of visitors	-----	672
Home Missions	-----	\$ 282.43
Foreign Missions	-----	115.32
Orphanage	-----	249.66
Christian education	-----	110.49
Other purposes	-----	638.34
Amount sent to Convention	-----	77.75
Total amount	-----	\$1,473.99

The Banners were awarded as follows:

Adult	Sound Side, Columbia, N. C.
Senior	Orphanage, Middlesex, N. C.
Intermediate	Wilson, Wilson, N. C.
Junior	Free Union, Pinetown, N. C.
Primary	Orphanage, Middlesex, N. C.

Appropriations made by this convention:

Orphanage	\$10.00
Foreign Missions	10.00
Bible College	10.00
Report Blanks	5.00
Camp operations	50.00
Total	\$85.00

Amount of registration fees, special collections and donations from different leagues for Cragmont was some over \$100.

Robert L. Godley, President.

CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION, INC., OF NORTH CAROLINA

Report of the Church Finance Association, Inc., to the North Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptist, September 11, 1946.

This is the Financial Condition of the Church Finance Association, Inc., as of September 1, 1946.

Number of Members of the Association	197
Number of \$25.00 Certificates Issued	210
Membership Dues collected this year	\$1,070.10
Total Membership Dues collected to date	\$5,846.52
Number of Loans made to date	13
Total of this 13 Loans	\$34,147.45
Loans now on our books	8
Total of Loans now on our books	\$25,900.54

Assets

Loans now outstanding	\$25,900.54
Interest earned and receivable	692.68
Cash on hand	554.32
Total Assets	\$27,147.54

Liabilities

Money borrowed	\$20,669.55
Interest owed	210.01
Membership Dues	5,846.52
Total Liabilities	\$26,726.08
SURPLUS	\$ 421.46

Five Year Goal

Our Goal for the next five years is to raise \$10,000.00 per year in Membership Funds. We invite all who are interested in a Better Free Will Baptist Denomination, to help us reach this GOAL.

Church Finance Association, Inc.,

George Webster, President,

M. L. Johnson, Sec'y.-Treas.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education has served during the past year under adverse conditions; nevertheless this annual report is submitted in deep gratitude to God and Free Will Baptists who have given their favor and funds toward the advancement of the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

It will be remembered that the Board was created at the 1945 session of the State Association and charged with the responsibility of promoting and unifying the educational efforts of Free Will Baptists in the State. The Chairman of the Board has necessarily spent most of the year out of the State and the remaining members have served at widely divergent points.

In the formulation of plans for the work of the Board, it was deemed expedient to select a treasurer who was both central to the constituency and whose address might be considered permanent. Pursuant to this need the Board in called session November 9, 1945, elected Reverend Rashie Kennedy of Goldsboro, North Carolina, as Secretary-Treasurer. His service has been graciously rendered, and the Board does hereby pledge gratitude for the contribution he has made to the educational cause.

At the request of the Board of Education the service of the State Field Secretary, Rev. J. C. Griffin, and the President of the Association, Rev. J. R. Bennett, was made available; and the accomplishments of the year are to be largely credited to their endeavors. President Bennett has led in appeals through the press and correspondence in the interest of the work. Assisting him in general meetings have been a number of cooperating sponsors from the various conferences. For the service of all these brethren, the Board of Education and, it is believed, Free Will Baptists throughout the State are deeply grateful.

Many have responded with generous gifts to our educational work during the past year. It will be observed from the financial statement of the treasurer that the receipts date from January 1 of the present year. This date marks the earliest record of funds actually handled by the Treasurer of the Board. The following will show the receipts by conferences, or associations, from January 1 to August 31, 1946:

Receipts

Central Conference -----	\$ 194.20
Eastern Conference -----	474.16
Western Conference -----	218.31
Cape Fear Conference -----	184.03

Woman's State Auxiliary -----	250.11
Albemarle Conference -----	50.00
Pee Dee Conference -----	10.00
West Virginia -----	10.00
Miscellaneous -----	27.00
Total -----	\$1,417.81

Disbursements

Free Will Baptist Bible College -----	\$1,335.00
Expense -----	10.70
Supplies -----	13.08
Total paid out -----	\$1,358.78

Balance on hand ----- \$ 59.03

Board of Education,
Rashie Kennedy, Sec'y.-Treas.

L. R. Ennis

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Credentials, recommend to membership in the North Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptist the Status of a full-fledged member on behalf of Calvary Free Will Baptist Church of Durham, North Carolina.

By the Committee.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE FREE WILL BAPTIST ORPHANAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The 26th annual report of the Free Will Baptists Orphanage is submitted herewith. These pages show the financial standing of the institution and the transactions during the year. An attempt has been made to show the care that we have given to children numbering ninety-six (96) during the year. The report is broken up into conference and association and the parental status of the children.

The education department showed marked improvement last year and we think that it will show an even more distinct improvement this year.

The farm, dairy, and garden has been operated this year by the children and two (2) hired men. The results of this operation will be shown in the report of next year. The children have had an opportunity to earn some spending money through this operation and the institution has derived part of its support through the services of the children.

A start has been made in the construction of the church and it is making some progress although the labor situation has been very acute. The foundation has been poured and lumber and other materials have been assembled and the work should soon be well under way. It was necessary to

discontinue construction during July and August but the work has started again and the sound of hammers and saws can be heard early and late.

The erection of the Albemarle Cottage has been postponed until we can get further along on the chapel. The funds for this project are being raised from quarter to quarter by the Albemarle Conference District.

The recommendations for this year will be to take up where we left off and carry through to a completion the things mentioned in the report of 1945.

I am deeply grateful to you for your friendly help and faithful attendance to your duties throughout the year. I trust and pray that the work of the orphanage in the care of dependent children will reach an all-time high in 1947.

James A. Evans, Superintendent.

Board of Trustees

W. A. Jackson, Chairman, Dunn, North Carolina

Levi Hill, Snow Hill, North Carolina

J. C. Moye, Snow Hill, North Carolina

H. M. Mallard, Trenton, North Carolina

Regular meetings first Thursday in January, April, July, and October at the Orphanage.

Administration

James A. Evans, Superintendent and Secretary to Board of Trustees

Earl Tippet, Assistant Superintendent

Miss Dorothy Lewis, Secretary and Bookkeeper

Institutional Care of Children

Mrs. James A. Evans Dietitian

Miss Mary Burton Girls' Matron

Mrs. Clarence Mitchell Boys' Matron

Mrs. C. H. Worthington Laundry Supervisor

Financing and Publicity

Mrs. Gertrude Ballard Field Representative

Miss Zalene Lloyd Field Representative

Rev. L. E. Ballard Editor Young People's Friend

Religious Department

Rev. L. E. Ballard Director and Pastor

Part-Time Employees

Miss Ruth Strickland Office Assistant

Mrs. N. E. Strickland Clothing Clerk

Farm

Mr. Jesse W. Jomp Farm Manager

Mr. Clarence Mitchell Maintenance Man
 Mr. Joe Ellis Farm Assistant

Others Who Served

Mrs. Nettie Evans Laundry Supervisor
 Mr. John H. Raper Steward
 Mrs. John H. Raper Boys' Matron
 Mrs. Jesse W. Jomp Boys' Matron

Enrollment of Parental Status for Year Ending August 31, 1946

Enrollment:

Enrollment September 1, 1945 ----- 78
 Admitted during period ----- 18
 Discharged during period ----- 17
 Enrollment August 31, 1946 ----- 79

During the year applications have been received from 37 families.

Number of applications approved during the year ----- 18
 Number of applications rejected during the year ----- 12
 Number of applications withdrawn during the year ----- 2
 Number of applications pending at present ----- 4

Report in reference to children:

Number of children going to relatives ----- 15
 Number of children going to school ----- 2

Parental Status

Whole orphans, 15; Mother dead, 13; Father dead, 39; Neither, 12.

Educational Department

The Principal and Faculty of the Middlesex Public Schools of the County of Nash are considerate of our children and their welfare. We are grateful to them for their promotion of the educational interests of our Institution.

The children are served their noon day meal in the lunch room at school for a small charge of 5c per plate.

Children Cared For September 1, 1945, to August 31, 1946

From: Association or Conference—Western, 28; Eastern, 15; Central, 37; Cape Fear, 11; Piedmont, 2; French Broad, 3. Total cared for during this period, 96.

Names of Children

(Cared for from September 1, 1945, to August 31, 1946)

Baker, Mack		Bryant, Rabion	
Baker, John	**	Butts, Lydia	*
Baker, Mary Elizabeth		Butts, Tiney	*
Bradshaw, Franklin		Bissette, Vernon	
Bradshaw, Thelma		Butts, J. C.	
Bright, Earl		Butts, Teeny	*
Bright, Erwin		Cockrell, Janett	**

Connor, Jerry		Little, Sam	*
Cockrell, Shirley	**	Mills, Kathleen	
Cockrell, Timothy	**	Mills, Reynolds	
Darden, Evelyn		Outlaw, J. B.	
Durham, Jessie	**	Outlaw, Rudolph	
Duncan, Doris	*	Page, Charles	
Duncan, Lois	*	Page, Eugene	
Darden, Christine		Page, Jimmie	*
Durham, Betty	**	Page, Donald	*
Durham, Margaret Lee	**	Powell, Jimmie	
Duncan, Edna	*	Powell, Billy	
Gasperson, Roy		Powell, Larry	
Gasperson, Mildred		Reddick, Tommy	**
Gasperson, Ruth		Stevenson, Haywood	
Gay, Jimmie		Stevenson, George	
Gay, Wayne		Stevenson, Joyce	
Harrell, Ashley	**	Tyson, Doris	
Harrell, Hilda		Tyson, Eugene	
Harrell, Charles		Tyson, Christabelle	
Hinson, Charles		Tucker, Silvia Jean	
Huff, Jimmie		Tucker, E. J.	
Huff, Peggy		Tripp, Louis	
Jones, Helen	**	Taylor, Joyce	
Jones, Larry	**	Taylor, Margaret	
Jones, Hazel	**	Taylor, Garland	
Jones, Ronnie	**	Taylor, Louise	
Johnson, Mildred		Taylor, Hugh Brown	
Kittrell, C. T.	**	Warren, Willis	
Kittrell, Robert	**	Warren, Rosalyn	
Kittrell, Ann	**	Watson, Josephine	
Lane, Mary Louise		Watson, Bobby	
Lane, William		West, Gorman	
Lewis, Mary Frances		Winstead, Earnest	
Lane, David	*	Winstead, Lou Metta	
Lane, Jake	*	Winstead, Winifred	
Lane, Patricia	*	Winstead, Robert	
Lane, Robert	*	Williams, Jamie	
Lane, Durwood	*	Williams, Bobbie	
Little, Alice	*	Williams, Esther	
Little, Carroll	*	Wilson, Dorothy	**
Little, Doris	*	*—Admitted	
Little, Joyce	*	**—Discharged	

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

September 1, 1945 through August 31, 1946

Balance on hand September 1, 1945 ----- \$ 7,621.05

Receipts

Religious Organizations -----	\$31,226.27
Duke Endowment -----	2,521.01
Parents and Relatives -----	959.58
Friends -----	2,627.88
Young People's Friend -----	308.00
Field Representatives -----	11,216.97
Received from Coupons -----	382.86
Refunds -----	2,142.88
Farm, dairy, and garden cash sales -----	11,355.18
(A) Sale of Property -----	3,560.00
(B) Repayment on Loan and Interest -----	5,032.79
Receipts for Chapel -----	1,547.17
(C) Annuity Bond -----	1,000.00
Total Receipts for year -----	
	\$73,880.59
Total Cash to account for -----	
	\$81,501.64

Disbursements

Salaries -----	\$16,724.69
Office Supplies -----	337.79
Telephone and Telegraph -----	300.80
(D) Insurance -----	1,437.09
Conference Expenses, etc. -----	251.72
(E) Financing and Publicity -----	1,728.91
Administrative Travel -----	291.13
Food -----	6,402.55
Clothing -----	3,025.05
(F) Refunds -----	571.91
Fuel, light, power, water, and ice -----	3,095.14
Plant Replacement and repair -----	3,605.32
Hospital bills -----	478.10
Laundry -----	165.28
Household Supplies -----	622.02
(G) Allowance for work, etc. -----	1,571.30
Travel relating to care of children -----	261.66
Health Supplies -----	277.69
Education -----	56.50
Farm Supplies -----	5,866.70
Farm Replacement and Repair -----	1,908.89
Replacement of livestock -----	1,173.00
Farm Travel -----	159.72
(H) Young Peoples' Friend Printing and Supplies -----	1,098.55
New Land and Land Improvements -----	6,613.75
(I) New buildings and additions to old ones -----	8,955.65

New equipment, furniture and fixtures	7,727.68
Additional Livestock	507.50
Loan to Church Finance Association, Inc.	5,000.00
Total Cash Disbursed for year	\$80,216.09
Cash on hand August 31, 1946	1,284.55
Total Accounted for	\$81,500.64

Explanation of Foot Notes

- A—Storeroom, saw mill, lumber, etc.
- B—Church Finance Association, Inc.
- C—J. C. Moye Annuity Bond.
- D—Plant, farm, hospital, workers, etc.
- E—Field Representative's salaries and supplies.
- F—Telephone, farm, dairy, etc.
- G—Children's Allowance and work schedule.
- H—Includes Salary.
- I—Labor, materials, for chapel, including saw mill labor and log hauling.
- J—Saw mill, etc.

Assets Not Included in Financial Report

McLeod Educational Loan Fund	\$ 800.00
Bonds for Chapel	5,124.50
Total	\$5,924.50

Donated Commodities

September 1, 1945, through August 31, 1946

Food	\$1,731.34
Clothing	367.54
Household Supplies, etc.	1,170.14
Total value	\$3,269.02

James A. Evans, Superintendent.

Inventories—August, 1946

Livestock	Total	\$3,760.00	
19 milking cows	\$2,325.00	Team	
6 dry cows	350.00	1 pair mules	\$1,000.00
1 bull	125.00	2 horses	150.00
1 heifer	45.00	Total	\$1,150.00
2 yearling bulls	80.00	Poultry	
8 calves	160.00	200 Leghorn hens	\$ 350.00
Total	\$3,085.00	275 Leghorn Pullets	550.00
Hogs		Total	\$ 900.00
94 hogs	\$3,760.00		

Grand Total \$8,895.00

**Saw Mill Operations
1946**

Received from sale of lumber, etc. \$1,427.13
Expenses for fuel, labir, supplies, etc. 519.56

Balance on hand \$ 907.57
Salaries paid by Orphanage from Capital Account \$2,296.16

Inventory of Lumber

Rough Lumber 105,038 feet
Logs 36,000 feet

Miss Zalene Lloyd, Field Representative

Receipts

April \$ 500.34
May 987.57
June 833.95
July 373.80
August 372.33

Disbursements

April \$ 8.24
May 8.75
June 27.90
July 31.31
August 6.69

Total Receipts \$3,067.99

Total Disbursements \$82.89

Mrs. Gertrude Ballard, Field Representative

Receipts

April \$ 693.04
May 1,300.06
June 692.22
July 640.12
August 336.89

Disbursements

April \$ 45.65
May 37.57
June 53.20
July 50.60
August 50.99

Total Receipts \$3,662.33

Total Disbursements \$238.01

Report of F. W. B. Press by D. W. Alexander was received as information.

By motion, an offering be taken and placed in the treasury to be apportioned to the Six-Point Program. Offering amounted to \$53.26.

Prayer by Rev. J. R. Bennett. Singing "Near the Cross."

Benediction by Rev. T. E. Beaman.

THURSDAY MORNING

Morning devotions were conducted by Rev. H. M. McAdams. Singing by the congregation, "There is Power in the Blood." Reading of Scriptures from the first Psalms and prayer.

The minutes of Wednesday's session were read and approved.

Revs. J. R. Davidson and L. C. Johnson gave reports of the National Association which were received as information.

A Card of Thanks was read, from the family of Rev. J. H. Worley, for a floral design sent from the Association. By motion, the Treasurer pay a bill of \$10.30 for the wreath.

By motion, the officers of the State Association be elected for a term of two years and the President not be allowed to succeed himself.

Singing, "The Touch of His Hand on Mine." Rev. Stedman C. Davis conducted the devotional service in the absence of Rev. C. H. Coats who was ill. Singing "When the Roll is Called up Yonder," prayer by Rev. M. L. Johnson, singing "When We all Get to Heaven." Scripture reading, Romans 8: 18-39, followed by special prayer for the sick by Rev. J. C. Griffin. An offering was received while the congregation sang "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand." Scripture reading Luke 5:1-11 and prayer by Rev. Wade Jernigan.

Associational Sermon by Rev. M. L. Baxley. Subject: "Out a Little Farther into the depth of God's Service." 1. In Dependence; 2. In Humiliation; 3. In Resignation. Singing "Love Lifted Me," and benediction by Rev. L. R. Ennis.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was opened by singing "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story," conducted by Rev. Albert Harris and Scripture reading from the 2nd Chapter of Ephesians followed with prayer by Rev. Rashie Kennedy.

Report of Resolutions Committee (adopted).

Be it resolved, that we thank the officers, Board members and committees, special and regular, for the services rendered during this Associational year.

That we thank the good people of Black Jack Church, their pastor, Rev. J. C. Griffin, and the people of the community for their hospitality and good entertainment during this session of the Association.

Rev. T. E. Beaman,
 Rev. M. L. Johnson,
 Mrs. H. G. Mallard.

Report of Nominating Committee (Adopted). See Officers for 1946-47.

By motion, the Association this year and succeeding years appoint a Nominating Committee to nominate all Officers and Boards to this Association.

Report of Treasurer (Adopted).

	Not Paid Out	Paid Out	Balance
Recpts. (late from Arapahoe) -----	\$	\$	\$ 10.00
Balance from 1945 brought forward --			123.56
Received this session -----			927.94
Collection for Orphanage -----			606.00
Collection for Assembly Grounds -----			80.15
Collection for Kenly Church -----			31.80
Total Receipts -----	\$	\$	\$1,779.45

Disbursements:

Field Secretary -----	\$211.54	\$ 88.46	\$
Minutes -----		140.00	
Expense -----	8.75	162.91	
National Program -----		181.57	
Rev. E. T. Phillips -----		15.00	
Rev. R. N. Hinnant -----		35.00	
National Association Fee -----		50.00	
Orphanage -----		606.00	
Superannuation -----		25.00	
Cragmont Assembly Grounds -----		105.15	
South Norfolk Church -----		25.00	
Jacksonville Church -----		25.00	
North East Church -----		5.00	
Kenly Church -----		56.80	
Expenses since last session -----		30.20	
Balance allocated not paid out -----	220.29		
Total paid out -----		\$1,551.09	
Balance in Treasury -----			8.07

Grand Total in Treasury ----- \$ 228.36
 Field Secretary paid into Treasury during year 1946 ----- \$155.01

Rom W. Mallard, Treasurer.

Report of Board of Finance (Adopted).

Total to be appropriated, \$1,493.40. Appropriated as follows:

Expense account -----	\$ 156.45	Orphanage -----	500.00
Unified Program -----	229.64	Field Secretary -----	100.00
Minutes 1946 -----	140.00	Jacksonville Church ----	75.00
National Fee -----	50.00	Bible School Library ----	75.00
National delegate travel expense, 1946 -----	50.00	Total -----	\$1,426.09
National delegate travel expense, 1947 -----	50.00	Balance on hand -----	\$ 67.31

Report of Temperance Committee (Adopted)

We, the Temperance Committee, wish to submit the following report:

1. That we seriously urge our Senators and Representatives to use their influence in restricting the use of grains and sugar in the manufacturing of alcoholic beverages.
2. That we go on record as being in favor of the repeal of the 21st Amendment.
3. That we conduct an extensive evangelistic campaign to win the lost to Christ.

4. That we urge our people to practice temperance in all things.

Rev. J. A. Evans,
Rev. F. A. Rivenbark,
Rev. W. L. Jernigan,
Rev. D. W. Hansley,
Rev. Rashie Kennedy.

The three members elected to the Executive Board were Revs. D. W. Alexander, J. R. Bennett, S. A. Smith.

Revs. Lloyd Vernon, L. B. Manning and Walter Williams were elected Trustees of the Association.

By motion, the employment of a Field Secretary be referred to the Executive Board.

Delegates to the National Association: W. A. Jackson, W. H. Dail, Levi Hill, R. W. Mallard, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Fountain Taylor (Eastern Conference); John Dixon (Central); Albert Coats (Cape Fear); Mrs. F. A. Rivenbark (Western); Mrs. W. L. Moretz (French-Broad); Alton Reynolds (Albemarle); Henry Edwards (Rock Fish); Mrs. W. L. Jernigan (Pee Dee).

By motion, the appointment of delegates to the National Association within Conferences or Associations be referred to the Executive Committee in those cases where appointments are not made in the State Assembly.

By motion, the Albemarle Conference be accepted and regarded as a member of this Association.

My motion, fees necessary to represent at the National Association, be drawn from the Treasury.

By motion, the Field Secretary remain in office until his successor is elected.

The retiring President, Rev. J. R. Bennett, expressed his appreciation for the co-operation and confidence of the Association during his tenure of office.

After a motion to adjourn, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" was sung by the congregation and Benediction by Rev. J. R. Bennett.

Rev. J. R. Bennett, President,
Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Secretary.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE ASSOCIATION OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

Preamble

We, the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, assembled in order to advance, promote and increase the cause of Jesus Christ, do establish and ordain this Constitution and these By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION

Article I.

Section 1. This assembly shall be known as the North Carolina State Association of the Original Free Will Baptist church of Jesus Christ.

Article II.

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. The Association shall be composed of all the ordained ministers belonging to the Association; one delegate from each church in good standing; one delegate from each Union Meeting, Conference and Association in good standing for every one thousand members or a fraction thereof.

BY-LAWS

Article I.

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over each session, preserve order, govern the body according to established parliamentary usage and appoint all temporary committees. He shall have power to declare any office of the Association vacant, temporarily, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. The duties of the Vice-President shall be the duties of the President when that officer is not present.

Section 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the transactions of the Association and preserve the same, keep all valuable documents and surrender the same to his successor in office.

Section 4. The Field Secretary shall have charge of preparing statistical tables showing the increase or decrease in membership, church property, etc., and read at each session of the Annual Association and refer same to the Recording Secretary for permanent record. He shall have charge of placing all the work of the Association before the various Conferences and Associations. Also the field work in general.

Section 5. All money belonging to the Association shall be kept by the Treasurer and paid out by him only by order of the Association. Bills not having been voted to be paid either by the Association or its Executive Board must be signed by the President and Recording Secretary before being paid by him.

Section 6. The work of the Executive Board shall be that of the Association when the Association is not in session and to call extra sessions when such becomes necessary. It shall have the authority to suspend any officer of the Association when he or she proves a failure in official duties, proves non-Christian in official or any other work or detrimental to the cause of Christ and appoint others to fill the vacancy; also fill vacancies made by any other cause. Officers thus appointed shall hold office until the next regular session of the Association. This Committee shall be composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three members to be elected from the floor of the Association at the regular time for electing officers.

Section 7. The President of the Association shall be ex-officio member of all Boards.

Section 8. The duties of the Board of Finance shall be to work out a complete financial system for our entire state concerning all our financial requirements; to put same into operation; to revise and change from year to

year as necessity may demand, and to apportion the funds of the Association.

Section 9. The duties of the Board of Superannuation shall be to provide for our aged, retired and infirm Ministers in some form of a superannuation.

Section 10. The duties of the Board of Missions shall be to regulate and supervise all mission work in North Carolina and the Foreign Mission program as sponsored by the National Association. It shall be further their duties to raise money for the Mission program and to build sentiment favorable to missions.

Section 11. The duties of the Board of Christian Education shall be to keep our people informed about the Christian Education Program of our Church; endeavor to promote the cause of Christian Education, receive funds for Christian Education, and place same as they are instructed by the State Association, and in general to co-operate with the National Educational program.

Article II.

Section 1. The method of the Association shall be to departmentalize the work and place at the head of each department a Board which shall be governed by certain rules adopted by the Association.

Section 2. Delegates from churches, Union Meetings, Conferences, and Associations shall answer to roll calls and serve in whatever capacity they may be called upon by the Association. They shall have the right to speak on any subject before the Association by first addressing the President and obtaining the floor.

Article III.

The following named Boards shall be elected in the following manner:

Section 1. Orphanage Board. The Board of Trustees for the management and control of the Free Will Baptist Orphan Home at Middlesex, N. C., shall be composed of five members elected for a period of five years; the Association to fill the vacancy.

Section 2. Board of Finance. The Board of Finance shall be composed of six members elected for a term of three years with two members retiring each year and others elected by the Association to fill the vacancy.

Section 3. Board of Superannuation. The Board of Superannuation shall be composed of six members elected for a term of three years with two members retiring each year and others elected by the Association to fill the vacancy.

Section 4. Board of Missions. The Board of Missions shall be composed of five members. The term of office being one, two, three, four and five years. The first man named being last to go off or the fifth man, the others in similar order.

Section 5. Board of Christian Education. The Board of Christian Education shall be composed of three members elected for a term of three years with one member retiring each year and another elected by the Association to fill the vacancy.

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and these By-Laws shall not be changed or altered only by a two-thirds vote of members present in a regular session. All amendments shall lie on the table not less than six hours prior to adoption and shall during that time be read not less than twice in open Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF CHURCHES

County and Churches	Number Members	Value of Property	No. Baptized	Members Rec'd.	Died	Offerings	Auxiliaries	Total Raised	Paid Pastor	For Missions	For Orphanage	For Education	Superannuation	Church Finance Association	Miscellaneous	Total Spent	To Association	Unified Program	Conf. or Asso.
Beaufort County—																			
✓ Ephesus	102	\$ 1,254	12	14	1	\$ 56	\$ 40	\$ 219	\$ 300	\$ 24	\$ 106	\$ 4	\$ 5	\$	\$ 8	\$ 810	\$ 10.50		E.
Free Union		2,200	12		6	800		800	600							600	5.00		A.
✓ Piney Grove	86	1,000	6		1	425			180	5	25					210	5.00		C.
Union Chapel	513	5,000	15	21	3	2,555		2,716	415	2	572	2	2	2	52	1,671	10.00		E.
Cabarrus County—																			
✓ Ellwood Lane	123	5,831	6	12		4,148		4,279	2,430	74	86	33			748	4,279	10.00		W.
Carteret County—																			
Beaufort	98	5,500	3	3	2	830			600		21				30	865	10.00		E.
Davis	165	15,000	5	5	4	4,272	295	4,566	1,450	248	276	220			291	4,536	25.00	548	E.
Edward Chapel																	3.00		E.
Sound View	26	3,000	1			518		843	239	10	95	5	10		140	773	10.00		E.
Craven County—																			
✓ Brice's Creek	70	500				407		427	201	5	31					372	5.00		E.
Bridgeton	138	18,000	11	13	1	828	555	2,876	533	115	118	161	60	25	758	2,876	10.00		E.
✓ Core Creek	273	7,000	2	2	1	2,565	12	2,577	490	261	412	117	171	26		2,127	5.00	172	E.
Gethsemane																	5.00		E.
✓ Juniper Chapel	55	3,000		2	3	54	28	1,220	192	40	25				31	1,198	10.00		E.
✓ Mosley's Creek	145	2,000				765	23	788	300	50	50				115	777	25.00		E.
✓ New Haven	65	1,000		1													6.35		E.
✓ Sta. Delight	85	850	10	11	1	83		83	141	5	79	5		5		500	5.00		E.
✓ St. Mary	143																25.00		E.
Duplin County—																			
✓ Beulaville	53	3,025	9	10	1	1,356	395	1,557	285		65			25	213	1,141	10.00		E.
✓ Bethlehem	43	1,500	4	4		550	75	625	250	50	35		25		25	293	13.65		E.
✓ Long Ridge	87	2,500				611		611	360	10	34				90	611	10.50		E.
✓ Rooty Branch	85	5,200	4		2				240	18	9				50		10.00		E.
✓ Sandy Plain	38	3,000	3	3				660	150	8	40	6	13	25	5	525	10.00		E.
✓ Sarecta	48	2,200	1	1	1	400	50	525	180	40	75		25	25		495	10.00		E.
✓ Snow Hill	98	2,500	2	2	1			965	200	7	35	11	8		141	1,046	15.00		E.
Durham County—																			
Calvary	70	14,500				5,200		5,200	2,340	80	80					2,750	5.00		W.
Hansley's Chapel	37	7,250	6	9	2	3,964	269	4,232	2,080	162	230	7	6		1,239	4,168	5.00		W.
Oak Grove	74	4,500	10	25				1,329	516	10	50	2			5		5.00		W.
Shady Grove	30		14	28	1	925	630		700	23	50		25		3,500		5.00		W.
Edgecombe County—																			
Rocky Mount	38	2,000				546	333	868	374	11	86	8	10		59	700	4.00		C.

Greene County--																			
Free Union	464	5,000	7	8	3	855		855	300	32	55				846	10.00		C.	
Howell Swamp	119	3,000	1	3	4	701		701	300	18	152	14	28	4	45	701	5.00		C.
Hull Road	145	6,700	7	10	3	1,800	140	1,940	440	120	450	150	110			1,900	15.00	120	C.
Little Creek	90	6,000	1	1				900	360		100				60	665	10.00		C.
Maury	1															3.00			C.
Spring Branch	138	2,500	8	8	3	1,337		1,338	360	25	247		31	25	51	1,042	15.00		C.
Halifax County--																			
Dawson's Grove	104	1,100	7														10.00		C.
Hertford County--																			
Hickory Chapel	167	3,000	4	5	1	1,832		1,832	797	70	350	13				1,779	10.00		A.
Hoke County--																			
Hickory Grove	33	2,000	1	2		33		33	42		67					111	5.00		R.F.
Johnston County--																			
Bethel	208	2,500	15	21	2	1,609		1,609	875	25	150	15	25	62	89	1,650	10.00		C.F.
Branch Chapel	293	1,000	18	24	3	417		1,209	661		30		39			1,041	8.00		W.
Everett's Chapel	41	2,500	2	3	1	319			208				11			319	5.00		W.
Friendship	208	5,000	7	7	2	548	770	1,319	360	35	124		59		191	1,180	10.00		W.
Holly Springs	260	4,000	1	3	2	1,432		1,432	400	41	85	5	5	5	17	1,243	10.00	34	W.
Hopewell	295	5,000	6	13	3	896		1,935	300	59	251		25	25	149	1,917	10.00		C.F.
Johnson's Union	259	2,000	3	3		966		966	420	25	138	91	67	25			5.00		C.F.
Kenly	198	25,000	2	5	2	1,498	239	1,736	534		49				178	1,434	10.00		W.
Micro	234	25,000	3	3	4	1,893	124	2,019	560	25	75	138	25	25	100	1,966	20.00		W.
Pine Level	293	10,000	15	22	3	4,963	1,288	6,731	480	59	330	63	36		756	6,118	10.00		W.
Piney Grove	136	2,000	15	15		565			300	27	152	11	32	13	17	669	10.00		W.
Pleasant Plain	218	8,000	26	30		980	65	1,045	560	65	165	35	30		85	1,360	15.00		W.
Powhatan	188	4,000	8	9	1	582	281		410	25	201	25	25	25	50	1,304	3.00		C.F.
Rains X Roads	255	10,000	6	6	2	2,677		2,677	300	74	101	42	45	25	140	2,444	15.00		W.
Selma	63	6,000	1	2	1	815	22	837	360	25	51	80			63	837	5.00		W.
Stancil's Chapel	64	2,100	3	3	1	31			150		17		19		35	291	10.00		W.
Yelverton's Grove	119	1,000	7	10		320	100	700	320		62				35	220	5.00		C.F.
Jones County--																			
Friendship	204	5,500	4	7	2	1,150		1,150	410	25	200		25	25	25	965	10.00		E.
Whaley's Chapel	226	3,500	8	9	2	738	459	1,197	253	73	132	10	10	25	250	1,189	10.00		E.
Lenoir County--																			
Kinston		10,000						4,088	2,180		486					3,788	10.00		E.
LaGrange	73	3,000	8	12				870	300	95	88	25			106	759	10.00		C.
Woodington	51	1,500			1	614		614	300		73		6		100	614	5.00		E.
Christian Chapel	175	2,000	7			36		36	260		60						5.00		E.
Smith's New Home	102	4,000	22	24	1	455		555	360	10	60	5	25		55	1,006	5.00		E.
Martin County--																			
Rose of Sharon	73	1,700	1	3	4			787	245	52	132	22	20		25	787	25.00		C.
Corinth	85	2,500	1	1		372		372	275		25					347	5.00		A.
Nash County--																			
Rock Spring	95	1,500	1	1		323		323	180	10	86		10			297	10.00		W.
White Oak Hill	98	3,000				30	46	76	180		30		6			259	5.00		W.
Norfolk, Virginia--																			
Edgemount Park	142	20,000	19	32		8,217	1,067	18,784	2,469	74	49	6			13,793	19,976	25.00		A.
Orange County--																			
West Hillsboro	42	3,500	6	9		432	261	754	178	8	58				371	681	2.00		W.

Pasquotank County—																		
St. Paul.....	114	10,000	3	4	2	3,188	314	3,502	2,090	12	237	22			2,758	5.00	A.	
Pitt County—																		
Elm Grove.....	256	3,000	10	11	3	285	417	1,497	300	47	722	120			46	1,371	C.	
Black Jack.....	430	10,000				2,054			730	304	227	46	13		201	1,720	10.00	C.
Piney Grove.....	205	8,000	7	10				922	500		90	15		5			5.00	C.
Pleasant Hill.....	100	3,000	1	1	1	30			180	10		10	10			412	3.50	C.
Reedy Branch.....																		C.
Sweet Gum Grove.....	179	6,575	16	17	4	1,329	259	1,588	564	10	85	17	5	5	395	1,606	10.00	C.
Winterville.....	140		3	4	5												10.00	C.
Richmond County—																		
Entwistle.....	340	15,000	30	62	2	5,515	125	5,641	3,120	34	200	35	13	13		5,516	5.00	S.
Mt. Moriah.....	45	3,600	1	2		174	10	185	84		76					310	5.00	R.F.
New Hope.....	42	2,200	7	1		207		207	60							409	5.00	S.
Robeson County—																		
Sandy Grove.....	50		5	9					91	40	60					310	10.00	R.F.
Sampson County—																		
Oak Grove.....	171	3,000	2	3	1	763		763	390	40	117		10		200	926	20.00	C.F.
Shady Grove.....	330	7,000	11	11	6	1,546	537	2,084	538	156	143	27	35	87	561	1,735	10.00	C.F.
St. Paul.....	217	3,000	12	12		469	275	644	470	69	51				2	639	10.00	C.F.
Tyrrell County—																		
Malachi's Chapel.....	352	9,200	3	9	3	229	30	259	480		44				50	1,095	10.00	A.
Wayne County—																		
Black Jack.....	39																3.00	W.
Goldsboro.....	99	13,300	11	15	1	3,374	670	3,984	1,650	203	157	100	31	80	493	3,925	10.00	C.F.
May's Chapel.....	43	1,200	3	3	1	436	12	480	165	7	15	10	7			480	5.00	E.
Spring Hill.....	55	1,000	6	6	3	660	18	678	180	13	73	6	15			455	5.00	W.
Stoney Creek.....	96	3,500	2	2	1	672	100	773	360	102	60	20	20			780	15.00	W.
Walnut Creek.....	52	1,500				10					50					102	5.00	C.
Pleasant Grove.....	254	6,000	13	16	2	777	10	787	420	28						1,611	5.00	W.
Union Grove.....	291	6,000	22	26	2	2,187	438	2,825	360	62	473	175	63	5	357	1,896	10.00	W.
Wake County—																		
Tippett's Chapel.....	150	4,000			1				180								10.00	W.
Washington County—																		
Mt. Tabor.....	218	3,000	4	5	6	744		845	523		72	13	3	33	7	844	5.00	A.
Union Chapel.....	76	2,000	1	2		379	105	484	240	10	20		10			474	5.00	A.
Wilson County—																		
Daniel's Chapel.....	105	2,500	3	3	2	596		596	360	80	89		31		84	795	10.00	C.
Little Rock.....	292	7,500	12	15	2	1,220	527	1,747	420	60	196	156	32	5	360	1,550	10.00	W.
Marsh Swamp.....	210	5,000	20	22	6	4,347	675	5,022	665	163	255	29	60		115	2,092	15.00	150 W.
Owen's Chapel.....	74	1,300	3	3	2	663		663	240		230					612	11.50	C.
Saratoga.....	145	6,000	7	9	2			923	290	25	123				220	923	10.00	C.
St. Mary's.....	141	2,500	4	5	2			962	260	65	178	13	39		50	711	10.00	W.
Wilson.....	190	10,000	39	53	2				2,710	50	100	25			200	3,449	5.00	W.
Third Union.....																	10.00	E.
Piedmont Association.....	1500	Members															5.00	P.

MINUTES

of the

Nineteenth Annual Session

of the

Woman's F. W. B. Auxiliary Convention

of North Carolina

convening with

Union Grove Church

Wayne County, North Carolina

May 23, 1946

MINUTES

OFFICERS

President-----Mrs. J. C. Griffin, 1409 Pasteur St., New Bern, N. C.
First Vice-President-----Mrs. M. A. Woodard, Winterville, N. C.
Second Vice-President-----Mrs. Gertrude Ballard, New Bern, N. C.
Third Vice-President-----Mrs. Alice Lupton, 612 New St., New Bern, N. C.
Fourth Vice-President-----Mrs. E. G. Holland, Kenly, N. C.
Fifth Vice-President-----Mrs. J. C. Moye, Snow Hill, N. C.
Sixth Vice-President-----Mrs. J. A. Evans, Middlesex, N. C.
Treasurer-----Mrs. Georgia F. Barnes, Lucama, N. C.
Field Worker-----Mrs. Lizzie McAdams, Davis, N. C.
Treasurer Anna Phillips Loan Fund-----Mrs. Herman Nobles, Greenville, N. C.

Union Grove Church

Wayne County, North Carolina

1918

PROCEEDINGS

The Nineteenth Annual Auxiliary of North Carolina met with Union Grove Church, Wayne County, May 23, 1946.

The opening hymn, "Take Time to be Holy," followed by a period of meditation led by Mrs. Leon Godwin, speaking on the subject: "Ourselves for Christ." Prayer by Mrs. M. L. Johnson.

MORNING SESSION

Our President made timely remarks for the opening of convention, stressing the need of cooperation in carrying out a successful day in all phases of our Woman's Auxiliary work.

After the reading of the minutes and roll call of officers, the following ministers were recognized: Revs. J. R. Bennett, Henry Melvin, Bruce Barrow, M. W. Roach, P. D. Hamilton, J. D. Vernelson, E. G. Holland, J. Albert Harris, W. H. Lancaster, G. C. Joyner, W. R. Williams, M. A. Woodard, Clinton Lupton, F. A. Rivenbark, S. A. Smith, W. K. Jordan, Rashie Kennedy, J. C. Griffin, Thos. E. Beaman, J. W. Alford, J. H. Worley, Mrs. Lizzie McAdams, Mrs. Gladys Beame.

Mrs. Moyer explained why we needed three more members to the advisory board for Cragmont, those being appointment at an Executive Committee meeting at Ayden. Thus making the committee as follows; Mrs. J. C. Moyer (47), Chairman; Mrs. Elizabeth Pollard (48); Mrs. N. E. Harris (49); Mrs. Bagley Morris (50); Mrs. M. E. Godwin (51); Mrs. Walter Rhodes (52). Rev. Henry Melvin further explained that it was a requirement of the main State Board and article VI—Cragmont Assembly One, was read, as follows; To own six shares of stock in the Cragmont Assembly, Inc., as one of the four organized State bodies of Free Will Baptist of North Carolina who were the original organizers of our State Assembly grounds to represent our convention at annual stockholders meetings, and on other official business, the convention shall elect the six stockholders on the five, four, three, two, one years. Thereafter at each annual convention a new member shall be elected for a term of six years.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance and Apportionment—Mrs. Herman Nobles, Chairman; Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, Mrs. J. H. Oglesby, Mrs. Rom Mallard.

Resolution—Mrs. Rashie Kennedy, Mrs. N. E. Harris, Mrs. J. S. Rich.

Nominating—Mrs. Eubanks, Mrs. Little, Mrs. Willis, Mrs. Gaskins.

Petition—Mrs. George Walters, Mrs. Preston Creech.

REPORTS OF VICE-PRESIDENTS

First—Mrs. M. A. Woodard gave an interesting report on the church library work and stressed the need of placing wholesome reading material in reach of our children and young people.

Second—Mrs. M. L. Johnson, made her report on Christian Education, challenging us to help train our youth to a more excellent standard.

Third—Mrs. Alice E. Lupton urged the Third Vice-Presidents to be more

co-operative with the Missionary program and that we pray and work together for its promotion and extension.

Fourth—Mrs. E. G. Holland asked each individual to encourage our knowledge of the trust which God has placed in our hands, as faithful stewards in the service of the Lord.

Fifth—Mrs. J. C. Moye gave a glowing orphanage report and set her goal as \$1,000.00 for the coming year. She asked that we continue our support in all the different phases for the home and its needs.

Sixth—Mrs. James A. Evans, reminded us to not forget our old ministers who had so faithfully paved the way for us of to-day.

Preparatory to the Convention message the congregation was led in song "Living for Jesus," by Rev. Albert Harris.

We had a real spiritual feast in the message by Rev. Clinton Lupton, using as his subject "Our Lives for Christ," Phil. 1:21. "For me to Live is Christ, and to die is gain." He challenged us to live for Christ, what our lives would mean for Christ and our lives should speak for Christ and our gain would be everlasting life.

An offering was taken for the Orphanage amounting to \$75.00. Closing song 238. We were dismissed for lunch by Rev. Phillip Woodard.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mrs. Walter Rhodes led the devotions in the afternoon session, using as her subject, "Our Possessions for Christ." The song "Lead on, O King Eternal," was sung by congregation.

Mrs. Marie Gaskins presided over a very impressive memorial service and Rev. Albert Harris sang, "At the End of the Road."

The fourth, fifth and sixth Vice-Presidents gave their reports, (see reports)

The field worker gave her report. (see report)

The reports of the secretary and the treasurer were received.

A motion was made and second to use "Book Fund" in treasurer, on quota for the college expansion program.

Rev. J. R. Bennett made timely remarks on Christian Education. He said in part, churches want the best educated preachers, we have the doctrine, we want it presented properly. He asked this Woman's State Auxiliary to help put across the \$100,000.00 campaign for new purchases at the College. This must be raised this year and North Carolina's quota is \$20,000.00.

We heard a report on the ministers institute at Cragmont.

Rev. J. C. Griffin, field secretary for the state Association, was presented by President. Mr. Griffin outlined some of the work of our State and National bodies, with special emphasis on the Five-Point Program in North Carolina.

One petition for next year's session was reported: Edgemont Church, Durham, N. C. This invitation was accepted.

The finance and apportionment committee made its report and it was received. (see report)

Mrs. Ballard gave a summary of the plans for the Woman's conference at Cragmont August 25-31, 1946, urging our women to attend.

Motion made and carried to include in our constitution and By-laws, The article VI of our State Sunday School convention. Motion carried to own six shares of stock in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., as one of the four organized State bodies of Free Will Baptist of North Carolina who were the original organizers of our State Assembly grounds. These to represent our Women's Auxiliary convention at annual stockholders meetings.

A committee was appointed to work out a new report blank at earliest date possible to meet the needs of our present day work. Committee as follows: Mrs. M. A. Woodard, chr. Mrs. M. E. Godwin, Mrs. Bruce Barrow, Mrs. J. R. Bennett, and Mrs. J. C. Sasser.

The needs of the orphanage was expressed as new single bedspreads.

The Nominating committee gave their report.

A motion was made and carried to retain Mrs. Herman Nobles as treasurer for Anna Phillips Loan Fund.

The Resolutions Committee gave their report. (See reports)

The closing song was a duet by Mrs. Ballard and Mrs. Moyer.

We were dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Georgia Frost Barnes.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin, President,

Mrs. J. C. Sasser, Secretary.

REPORT OF FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT WOMAN'S AUX. CON.

Eastern District—

No. Auxiliaries in district -----	3
No. Auxiliaries reporting to district 1st Vice-President -----	23
No. Members in district -----	350
No. Temperance programs given -----	10
No. pieces religious literature distributed -----	8,482
No. Subscribers to The F. W. Baptist -----	370
No. Subscribers to The Gem -----	31
No. Subscribers to The Young People's Friend -----	61

Several verbal reports of Church Libraries were made at the Spring session of the District Convention.

Central District—

No. Auxiliaries in district -----	42
No. Auxiliaries reporting -----	20
No. Members in district -----	480
Average attendance of membership—About -----	78%
No. Temperance programs given -----	10
No. Pieces religious literature distributed -----	1,000
No. Subscribers to The F. W. Baptist -----	225
No. Subscribers to The Gem -----	12
No. Subscribers to The Young People's Friend -----	25

Near three fourths of the Auxiliaries in this district have libraries and

are placing wholesome reading material in them especially for children and young people.

Western District—

No. Auxiliaries in district
No. Auxiliaries Sending reports to District 1st Vice-President	16
No. Members reported in district	396
Average attendance	249
No. Temperance programs given	14
No. pieces religious literature distributed	3,023
No. subscribers to The F. W. Baptist	248
No. subscribers to The Gem	27
No. subscribers to The Young People's Friend	11
No church libraries were reported.	

REPORT OF SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT—May 23, 1946

I have been able to get reports from only 3 District Vice-Presidents, therefore this report covers the activities of only 3 Districts. The report is as follows:

Amount Donated to National Education Program:

Western	\$243.10
Central	37.50
Cape Fear	225.06
Total	\$505.66

Amounts of Loans to Students:

Western	\$ 46.00
Central	50.00
Total	\$ 96.00

Donated to Pastors for Pastors Institute:

Western	\$ 3.00
Central	5.00
Total	\$ 8.00

Amount sent to Anna Phillips Loan Fund:

Western	\$105.00
Central	80.05
Total	\$185.05

Amount Paid to Cragmont Assembly:

Central	\$ 95.75
Total	\$ 95.75

Total Amount of Money reported by this Department—\$890.46

66 Programs Planned in Advance: Western 16, Central 16, Cape Fear 14;
 Total 46.
 67 Number Bible Schools Held: Western 10, Central 4; Total 14.
 68 Number Young People's Organizations and Activities Directed: Western
 12, Central 3, Cape Fear 6; Total 21.
 69 Number Study Classes Conducted for Youth: Western 23, Central 0,
 Cape Fear 49; Total 72.
 70 Number Daily Bible Readers: Western 122, Central 90, Cape Fear 59;
 Total 271.
 71 Special Studies of Manual Conducted: Western 7, Cape Fear 3; Total 10.
 Signed: Mrs. M. L. Johnson, 2nd Vice-President.

REPORT OF THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE STATE AUXILIARY CONVENTION

It has been a keen disappointment to me, that only two districts have reported their Missionary activities for the year, these two being the Cape Fear and the Eastern.

The following activities were reported:

Mission Programs conducted	60
Mission services sponsored	24
No. Auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer	34
No. Auxiliaries observing 9 o'clock Prayer Hour	7
Mission Books studied	5
Mission Study Classes conducted	31
Amount of funds raised and contributed for Missions:	
Home Missions	\$ 518.60
Foreign Missions	544.81
Total	\$1,063.41
Amount reported for Co-Labourer's Funds	\$180.00
Expense Account: Postage and Stationery	\$ 1.95

RECOMMENDATION

That the Presidents of each District Auxiliary Convention, urge her Third Vice-Presidents be more co-operative with the Missionary Program, and that each one make herself known to the State Third Vice-President, giving name and address, as it is necessary, if we are to obtain best results in the Mission Cause, that we pray and work together for its promotion and extension.

Respectfully,

Alice E. Lupton, 3rd Vice-Pres.,
 State Auxiliary Convention.

REPORT OF FOURTH VICE-PRESIDENT

No. of Districts reporting _____ 2
 No. of Districts reporting Central and Eastern _____

No. of Auxiliaries reporting	50
No. of Stewardship talks made	95
No. of Programs given	57
No. of Classes conducted	38
No. of average attendance at classes	209
No. of Tithers reporting	158
Amount of Stewardship offering sent in	\$21.58
Books purchased to be studied by different Auxiliaries amounted to	18.98

Balance in treasure \$ 2.60

List of Books studied Bible, Luke and John, Faithful in much. Stewardship. Go ye into all the world, call of Christian Stewardship. This World Goods, In His Steps, Money grows on trees. The Larger Stewardship. Stewardship in the Life of youth and Stewardship applied in Mission.

Plan of Work for Coming Year

1. Every member of the Auxiliary a tither.
2. Every Auxiliary conduct a church night Stewardship program.
3. Every Auxiliary keep records as near accurate as possible and report same.
4. Every Auxiliary take a Stewardship offering and send to your district 4th Vice-President. Who will purchase Books and tracts to distribute to each local Auxiliary that will help us to increase our knowledge of the trust which God has placed on our hands. Faithful Stewards in the Service of the Lord.

Mrs. E. G. Holland, 4th Vice-President.

REPORT OF FIFTH VICE-PRESIDENT

Cash and Commodities

Eastern, \$1,112.37; Central, \$1,406.17; Albemarle, \$139.83.

Children Adopted

Central 12. Eastern 14. Albemarle 2.

Clothing bought \$2,700.00

Number children adopted—51.

Not adopted—5.

Food donated 1,500.00

Coupons 130.57

Clothing 200.00

Household supplies 1,200.00

Total \$5,730.00

Continue to support the field worker.

Continue to support the canning for home.

Continue to send coupons.

Please value your commodities that you send in.

(Signed): Mrs. J. C. Moye.

REPORT OF SIXTH VICE-PRESIDENT

State Auxiliary Convention—April 1945-April 1946

District	Amt. Rec'd	Trays to Sick	No. Report.
Eastern	\$303.00	346	--
Central	97.76	620	--
Cape Fear	89.20	256	15
Western	207.91	1956	21
Albemarle	13.54	---	--
Totals	\$711.41	3168	36

Mrs. James A. Evans,
6th Vice-President,
State Auxiliary Convention.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts by Departments

General	\$1,074.37
Orphanage	142.95
Co-Laborers Band	836.73
Christian Education	119.08
Superannuation	228.03
Foreign Missions	690.37
Total Receipts	\$3,876.43

Disbursements by Departments

General	\$ 532.89
Orphanage	131.64
Co-Laborers Band	836.73
Superannuation	228.03
State Missions	325.00
Total Disbursements	\$2,744.66
Total Receipts	\$3,876.43
Total Disbursements	2,744.66

Balance in Treasury \$1,131.77

Above in Treasury by Departments at opening of 1946 Convention, as follows:

General	\$ 541.48
Orphanage	11.31
Home Mission	459.90
Total	\$1,131.77

ANNA PHILLIPS EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND REPORT

Balance on hand at opening of 1945 Convention -----	\$ 825.85
Total Receipts since 1945 Convention -----	993.90
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Total Money on hand -----	\$1,819.75
Total Disbursements since 1945 Convention -----	2.50
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Balance in Loan Fund -----	\$1,817.25

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE AT 1946 STATE CONVENTION

Balance in Treasury at opening of Convention -----	\$1,131.77
Received with reports at convention -----	168.01
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Total on hand when Committee met -----	\$1,299.78

Apportioned as follows:

National Bible School -----	\$250.11
Cragmont Assembly -----	100.00
F. W. B. Orphanage, Middlesex, N. C. -----	25.00
F. W. B. Orphanage, Middlesex, N. C., Special Offering -----	75.00
F. W. B. Orphanage, Middlesex, N. C., Vac. Bible School -----	25.00
Burkette Raper, Love Gift -----	50.00
Church Finance Association -----	25.00
Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Delegate to National Convention -----	25.00
Superannuation -----	50.00
Donation to National Convention -----	141.16
Mrs. M. L. Johnson, Expense -----	10.00
Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Expense and services Pres. -----	19.42
Mrs. Alice Lupton, Expense and Love Gift -----	26.95
Mrs. Herman Nobles, Retiring Treasurer, Love Gift -----	25.00
Mrs. J. C. Sasser, Expense and services, Sec'y -----	23.44
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Total apportioned at convention -----	\$854.08

Balance in Treasury at close of Convention ----- \$ 445.70

	Mrs. Herman Nobles, Treasurer,
	Mrs. Rom Mallard,
	Mrs. Alice Lupton,
	Mrs. J. H. Oglesby,
	Secretary of the Committee.

TO THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA:

As your Field Worker I have visited all sessions of district Conventions except the spring session of the Eastern and Cape Fear Conventions.

There have been several young Woman's and Girls' Auxiliaries organized. These young people are proving a real asset to their churches and mother organizations.

I have recorded four (4) new Auxiliaries; one of these is among the Indians at St. Annah Church. These women desire our prayers and help.

I assisted in the organization of the Piedmont Auxiliary Convention. They have many churches which have no organization of their women. They are also saying, "Come over into Macedonia and help us."

The Pee Dee Convention, which is small, is growing. There are three (3) Associations that do not have any district conventions, namely: Jack's Creek, Toe River and Rock Fish.

I have kept no record of all the correspondence done in behalf of the woman's work.

The fields of Auxiliary work in North Carolina is white unto harvest.

Respectfully submitted,

May 23, 1946

Mrs. Gertrude Ballard.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

INASMUCH: as Sister Alice E. Lupton, of New Bern, N. C., has served as Editor of our Auxiliary Department for many years, through the pages of the Free Will Baptist paper, and WHEREAS, through her faithful and untiring labour in promoting every Department of our work, and in keeping us well informed never asked, nor received an open acknowledgement of her services, nor any monetary contribution for expenses, or otherwise, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

First. That this convention extend to Sister Lupton a vote of appreciation for her valuable service, and that we make an annual contribution of some amount to her, same to be determined by the Convention now in session, not in payment for her long years of service, but as a signal token of our appreciation for what she has done, and is doing for the promotion of the work in general.

Second. That we hereby, pledge to her our support and co-operation in helping to make our Auxiliary Department one of the best possible, through our prayers, our loyalty and by our willingness to contribute our best efforts in behalf of any and all of our Auxiliary interests.

Third. That we show our gratitude and appreciation to the Free Will Baptist Press for its fine spirit of helpfulness and co-operation in behalf of our Auxiliary Department, by promoting interest among our members, in securing subscriptions to the Paper, whenever and wherever possible, and in urging the great need of more Christian literature in our homes.

We wish to express to this Community our appreciation for:

First—Invitation to visit their church.

Second—For the beautiful flowers in the Church.

Third—For the special music and the gracious hospitality.

Fourth—And last but not least for the very delicious dinner served us.
 We pray God's blessings upon your Church and it's efforts.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Rashie Kennedy,
 Mrs. N. E. Harris,
 Mrs. Gertrude Rich.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Number of Auxiliaries in State reported to me -----	142
Number of Active members reported -----	1541
Number of Auxiliaries reporting to this Convention -----	81
Received reports from Secretaries of Albemarle, Eastern, Western, French Broad, Cape Fear, Central	
Number of Report Blanks mailed to Auxiliaries -----	150
Number of Report Blanks to District Secretaries -----	7
Letters written in interest of the work -----	10
Cards mailed -----	20
Expense for this office -----	\$8.44

MINUTES

of the

Seventh Annual Session

of the

North Carolina Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute

held with

Hopewell Free Will Baptist Church

Johnston County, North Carolina

Friday, April 26, 1946

PROCEEDINGS

The Seventh Annual Session of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute convened with Hopewell Free Will Baptist Church, near Smithfield, N. C., Friday, April 26, 1946. The theme for the day was: "In the Assembly"; the text: "Not Forsaking the Assembling of Ourselves together, as the manner of some is"; Hebrews 10:25; the hymn: "Everyday with Jesus."

After the registration and officers' conference at 9:30, our meeting was opened with congregational singing directed by Rev. W. K. Jordan, Music Director. Mr. Albert Coates, Superintendent of Hopewell Sunday School, led our morning devotion, using as his subject: "We need to assemble ourselves." In the devotion Mr. Coates stated that Hopewell was happy to entertain this year's assembly of our convention.

The President, Mr. Raymond T. Sasser, gave a few very interesting and helpful remarks about our Sunday School work. He praised the convention for its past achievements and presented some goals we are working forward to as a challenge to us to ever press forward.

We then entered into our introductory business session with prayer by Bro. Dan Sasser.

A motion was made that we have a nominating committee to consist of three and to be elected from the floor. The motion was carried and the following were elected: Bro. Dan Sasser, Chairman; Rev. R. B. Spencer, Rev. Rashie Kennedy.

The following temporary committees were appointed:

Finance: Rev. J. Albert Harris, Mr. J. H. Corbett, Rev. W. H. Lancaster.

Digest of Reports: Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Rev. J. R. Bennett.

Resolutions: Rev. Henry Melvin, Mr. Walter B. Sandlin, Mr. Albert Coates.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as recorded without their being read. The motion was carried.

The president gave the following report:

To the Delegates, Ministers, and Visitors of the Seventh Annual Session of the North Carolina F. W. B. Sunday School Convention-Institute:

Greetings:

It has been my pleasure to have served you during the past year. It has been an eventful year. Much has been accomplished as history in years to come will record.

Our convention, through the efforts of our efficient Assembly Grounds Committee, has sponsored and cooperated in the cooperative purchasing of Cragmont Assembly, Inc. There is no way in which we might evaluate this great movement.

Our convention, through the efforts of our Sunday School Institute Committee, has planned for a two weeks assembly at Cragmont. This institute has been planned to give all of our Sunday School workers an opportunity to retire from the cares of this world to the mountains for two weeks of

Inspiration, Instruction and Recreation. It will be two weeks of prayer, devoted to training and inspiring the ones who are fortunate enough to attend to higher ideals of Christian service.

Your executive board has held two called meetings, and has acted on one other very important piece of business "by mail ballot" method. Your president has acted ex-officio on all committees and has directed the work of your executive board. In carrying out the official duties of the office more than 100 letters, post cards, etc., have been written (did my own secretarial work too—except for three letters). Have worked very closely with the program planning committee for this, the seventh annual session of our convention, and followed instructions of the executive board in planning certain amendments to our constitution and by-laws which were considered necessary. Upon instructions of the executive board, have supervised the arrangement of a new secretary's book, bringing it up to date in an orderly manner, copying over all the minutes since our organization was perfected. Upon request of the chairman of the finance committee appointed by the Board of Directors of Cragmont Assembly, Inc., to raise funds to furnish Cragmont, your president has begun a state-wide campaign to raise funds through our Sunday Schools. The progress to-date has been splendid.

Have spoken on behalf of our organization when occasion presented itself, and in all respects have endeavored to carry out the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

Sincerely yours, in His Service,
Raymond T. Sasser, President.

It was accepted by motion.

The Vice-President gave no report.

The secretary gave the report on the amount of work reported to her as follows:

Secretary's Work of Sunday School Reports to Convention Mailed In

Number of Sunday Schools reporting	41
Amount of money received in cash	\$ 18.40
Amount of money received in checks and Money Orders	232.30
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Total amount received	\$250.70
Amount reported to be brought in by delegates	36.50
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Grand Total Receipts Reported	\$287.20
Average No. Enrolled	3486
Average No. Present	2386
Average No. On Time	1241
Average No. Study Lesson	716
Average No. Bringing Offering	1265
Average No. Bringing Bible	217

Average No. Attending Church -----1203

No. Workers Council ----- 76

The report for past year is included in minutes.

Mrs. R. L. Godley, Secretary.

The report was accepted by motion.

The treasurer gave an oral report stating that at the beginning of today's session he had on hand \$38.87 in the general fund and no balance in the Assembly Ground fund.

A motion was made and carried to accept the treasurer's report as read.

Rev. J. E. Wooten who is our director for Denominational Enterprise gave the following report which was accepted by motion. His recommendation was tabled until it could be studied by a committee, who were to report in the afternoon session.

The following were appointed to serve as the newspaper committee to study the recommendation of the Director of Denominational Enterprise: Rev. J. E. Wooten, Chairman; Rev. L. E. Ballard and Rev. F. A. Rivenbark.

The following is the report of Rev. Wooten:

Mr. R. T. Sasser,
Wilson, N. C.

Dear Brother Sasser:

It seems unlikely now that I shall be able to attend the Sunday School Convention-Institute Friday. I am not yet certain.

In case I do not get there, I wish to report through you that I have done little or nothing in the field of Denominational Enterprises. It is not that I deem the matter unimportant, or am unwilling to work in a good cause, but because of a number of reasons I have been unable to get myself alive and active in this field.

In this connection, I wish to make a recommendation to you and to the body, to this effect: That the Convention-Institute sponsor, and take proper steps toward arranging for the publication of a Sunday School paper or bulletin. Such a paper, in my opinion, could be made to become of great value in furnishing information and in giving encouragement.

If the Convention-Institute should see fit to appoint or elect the proper person or persons to handle the matter, I believe there would be no difficulty in working out a plan with the Press in Ayden for the publication of a periodical which would serve a good purpose in the cause.

The authorized committee or board might determine the details, with the publisher whoever he might be, as to size, style, frequency of issuing, editing, etc. Or the body might do well to elect an editor. I am not recommending a plan of procedure, but asking that the matter be considered.

In my absence, please read this to the body. Thank you!

As ever yours,

J. E. Wooten.

Rev. L. E. Ballard, Director of Publicity, gave the following report:

As your Director of Publicity for the N. C. F. W. B. Sunday School Con-

vention-Institute, I wish to report that I have prepared and have had published in the F. W. B. paper publicity material, given preview to our convention, sketches of speakers, etc. I have written six letters relative to this convention and arranged for an associated press report covering this sitting of our convention.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. L. E. Ballard.

This report was accepted by motion.

The Report of the Director of Organization which follows was accepted by motion:

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF ORGANIZATION

(Year Ending April 26, 1946)

By R. P. Harris, Director

Through much correspondence and communication, I finally secured the services of Reverends Paul Ketterman and Daniel Cronk of the Bible College in Nashville, Tenn., for Institute work. There were ten Institutes and revival meetings conducted by them in North Carolina last summer.

Report

Paul Ketterman—Conducted sixty-eight separate services.

Received in cash for services -----	\$279.58
Expenses -----	181.80

Balance — surplus -----	\$ 97.78
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Daniel Cronk—Conducted about sixty separate services.

Received in cash for services about -----	\$200.00
Expenses about -----	125.00

Balance — Surplus (approx.) -----	\$ 75.00
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Dan did not give full record and therefore I could not give correct figures.

Respectively submitted,

R. P. Harris.

The Field Secretary, Rev. Bruce Barrow, gave the following report:
To the N. C. F. W. B. Sunday School Convention-Institute:

I have been available and offered my service to the Sunday Schools to help in study courses, or in teachers training courses, but no opportunity has come in this way. I trust we shall have more study courses.

Rev. Bruce Barrow.

This report was adopted by motion.

The report of the Executive Board recommended changes to our Constitution, and By-Laws was read and tabled until the afternoon session.

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, Director of Literature, gave the following report, of which was accepted by motion: To the N. C. F. W. B. Sunday School Convention Institute in Session with the Hopewell F. W. B. Church; April 26, 1946.

Since my election last year to this office I have had several Sunday School workers to ask me and write me in regards to Sunday School literature, and I have recommended for teachers the International Uniform Sunday School lessons which are Interdenominational, Unsectarian, published by Uniform Gospel Press, Cleveland, Ohio, sold by the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, N. C.

Recently I received a letter from Faith Witness Literature Mission by the Rev. John A. Mitchell, 16 Maple Street, Livermore Falls, Maine, requesting some sample copies of the Christian literature of our church, and I have forwarded same to our press. Mr. Mitchell, according to his letter, is doing a great work of faith for the Lord, namely, distributing literature in the hospitals, jails, sanatoriums, shut-ins, penitentiaries, and in other organizations.

Let me suggest in this brief report, that we take advantage of the good literature we have by digesting the messages, and worthwhile helps; afterwards putting it into practice, too, we must distribute good literature on the streets, in the homes, in the churches, in the jails, in hospitals, in sanatoriums, and similar places, if we expect to help destroy the trashy literature for sale in the name of Religion.

Good literature in the tract form can be purchased at a reasonable price from: Free Will Baptist Press, The Moody Press, Chicago, Ill.; Bob Jones College, Cleveland, Tenn., Rev. Earl Cook, Kannapolis, N. C., Tithers Tract Society, Los Angeles, Calif., and many other places.

Above everything in securing help, do not let anything take the place of our text book, namely, the Bible.

Yours for good Christian literature,

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark.

After all reports were completed, Little Miss Hilda Grace Kennedy sang "Whisper a Prayer," followed by a duet with Rev. W. K. Jordan and daughter singing "God's Way."

Rev. R. P. Harris delivered a wonderful message on "Worship in the Assembly," using for his text Heb. 10:25.

We were dismissed for lunch and promptly at one o'clock we assembled with congregational singing.

Mrs. Paul Thigpen led our afternoon devotions using as her subject "Living in the Assembly," reading part of her scripture from 133 Psalm.

Bro. Dan Sasser conducted our Institute Forum. He used as his subject, "Training for the Assembly." The delegates, ministers, officers and visitors present enjoyed a forty minute lively discussion on this vital subject.

We received no report from the National Sunday School Convention.

The Text Book Committee gave the following report: "We, your Text Book Committee, advise that we are waiting on the National Committee."

We further suggest that this committee be called to report their progress.

Rev. Bruce Barrow,
Rev. Henry Melvin.

This report was accepted by motion.

A motion was made to make every effort possible to work out a solution of the Text Book problem with the National Sunday School Convention up to and through the 1946 session of the National Sunday School Convention, but if such a solution can't be worked out cooperatively by that time the Executive Board of this convention be free to proceed independently to arrange for preparation and publication of a text book.

The motion was carried.

The Assembly Ground Committee gave the following report:

As assistant chairman of the Board of Directors and at the request of the board, I beg leave to submit the following report:

We, the Assembly Grounds Committee representing the four-state organizations, namely, State S. S. Convention-Institute, State League Convention, State Auxiliary Convention, and the State Association of Churches, have discharged our duties in the following manner:

a. We have located a piece of property situated two and one-half miles west of Black Mountain, N. C., consisting of 115 acres of land, one thirty-six room hotel building, one six-room caretakers building, 4 one room cabins, four acres of garden land and orchard with 16 apple trees and a natural water supply from a spring up on the mountain. The property also has on it several hundred thousand feet of saw timber and a good young growth of trees.

b. The Committee went to Black Mountain, negotiated with the owner and made an offer of ten thousand dollars with five hundred dollars as an option and the remainder to be paid by January 15, 1946. The offer was accepted.

c. The Committee launched a campaign to raise the purchase price of ten thousand dollars and appointed Rev. James A. Evans of Middlesex as campaign manager. On January 18, 1946, in the Ayden F. W. B. Church, the campaign was successfully completed and the title to the property was cleared and received.

d. The stockholders having been appointed by the four state organizations participating and having boosted the number from four each to six, making a total of twenty-four all together met and elected a board of directors consisting of nine members.

e. The Assembly Grounds have been granted a charter of incorporation, upon our request, and the name of our assembly is now officially: Cragmont Assembly, Inc.

f. A resident manager, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Willoughby of Ahsokie, were elected to the capacity of resident manager and dietitian and are now under

authority of the Board of Directors, having the building renovated, furnished and put in order for assembly meetings this summer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. R. P. Harris.

A motion was made to accept the report of the Cragmont Assembly committee's report with a vote of commendation. The motion was carried.

Rev. R. B. Spencer made a plea for us to send our money to help furnish the Cragmont property.

A motion was made to accept the amendments to our constitution and by-laws as recommended by the Executive Board. The motion carried. These amendments are as follows:

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

In accordance with instructions of the motion at the September meeting of the Executive Board held in Kinston, the following proposed amendments have been prepared. Some of these amendments have already been covered by motions duly passed at previous sessions of the convention, and by usage, such as the adding of "Institute" to the name. From the very beginning of our organization as an active state body, it has been the main object to endeavor to standardize and train our workers in better teaching and organization methods.

Preamble—Remove the period after convention in the last line, add a hyphen and add the word "Institute." The name of the organization would then read "North Carolina Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute."

Article I—Omit the period after Convention, use a hyphen and add the word "Institute." Article I will read: This organization shall be known as the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute.

Article II—Add a new section, section 3.—to conduct annual, or more often if practicable, Sunday School Institutes, for training our Christian Sunday School workers in better Sunday School teaching and organization methods. These institutions to have a three-fold purpose, inspiration, instruction, and reaction.

Article V—Section 2—Remove the words "At the beginning of."

Change the numbering of Article six, seven and eight, making them read seven, eight and nine respectively.

Add a new article to read:

Article VI—Cragmont Assembly, Inc.

To own six shares of stock in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., as one of the four organized state bodies of Free Will Baptists of North Carolina who were the original organizers of our state assembly grounds. To represent our convention at annual stockholders meetings, and on other official business, the convention shall elect the six stockholders on the effective date of this amendment for terms of six, five, four, three, two and one years. Thereafter at each annual convention, a member shall be elected for a term of six years.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Article II—Dues

Add a new section:

Section 3.—To financially support the operation and expansion of Cragmont Assembly, Inc., by annual dues of \$5.20 for each Sunday School in the state with average attendance less than seventy-five (75), and ten dollars (\$10) for schools with average attendance of over seventy-five (75). The dues to be paid yearly at each regular session of this convention. To further finance Cragmont other methods such as registration fees at annual sessions and state-wide campaigns may be used when deemed necessary by the convention in regular session or by the Executive Board.

The Constitution and By-Laws as amended are included at the conclusion of these minutes.

The Finance Committee gave the following report:

Number registered	100
Number of churches reporting	53
Amount of operating expense dues	\$105.00
Amount received Registration fees	89.00
Amount received Assembly Ground dues	267.80
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Total	\$461.80

RECOMMENDATION

That this convention donate \$100 for furnishing a room in the Cragmont Assembly in the name of this convention and recommend it be on the down stairs floor if possible.

The balance in Assembly Grounds receipts \$256.00 to be sent to Cragmont Assembly for the general operations fund.

Rev. W. H. Lancaster,
Bro. H. J. Corbitt,
Rev. J. Albert Harris, Chairman.

A motion was made to accept this report including the recommendations. The motion was carried.

The Digests of Reports Committee gave the following report:

We, the Committee on Digests of Reports, wish to render the following report:

Standard Sunday Schools: Davis Shore and Reedy Branch.

The following schools have achieved the points of progress on the Three Year Program of Progress:

First Free Will Baptist Sunday School of Goldsboro, 1st and 3rd year.

Bridgeton Sunday School, 2nd and 3rd year.

St. Mary's Sunday School of New Bern, 2nd and 3rd year.

Union Grove (Wayne County), 1st and 3rd year.

Wilson Sunday School, 1st and 3rd year.

Hopewell Sunday School, 1st year.
Entwistle Sunday School, 2nd and 3rd year.
Micro, 3rd year.

53 Sunday Schools reporting: 6166 on roll; 3418 average attendance; 1875 average on time; 1100 average studied lesson; 1786 average making offering; 457 average bring Bible; 1775 average number attending church; 145 workers councils.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. L. E. Ballard,
Mrs. J. C. Griffin,
Rev. J. R. Bennett.

This report was accepted by motion.

The Resolutions Committee gave the following report:

Twelve months ago Hopewell Church and Sunday School extended this Convention-Institute an invitation to meet with them. Today we have enjoyed their hospitality, the warmth of their fellowship, therefore be it resolved, that we extend to the church and community a rising vote of thanks as a token of our appreciation.

Rev. Henry Melvin, Chairman,
Bro. Walter R. Sandlin,
Bro. Albert T. Coates.

This report was accepted with a rising vote of thanks.

The Newspaper Committee gave the following report:

We, your special committee appointed to study the matter of the proposed Sunday School publication, recommend that the convention endorse the proposal and pledge our full support to the same and that a committee of three of which the Director of Literature elected today will be chairman, to take up the matter with the F. W. B. Press, Ayden, N. C., and represent our convention in helping to work out details, it being our opinion that control and promotion of the publication should be vested in the press, with our cooperation and support.

Rev. J. E. Wooten,
Rev. F. A. Rivenbark,
Rev. L. E. Ballard.

This report was accepted by motion.

The treasurer gave the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT

N. C. F. W. B. Sunday School Convention-Institute

Assembly Ground Funds

Old Balance at close of 1945 session	\$1,123.20
Third Eastern Union Sunday School Convention	10.00
Total	\$1,133.20

Paid to treasurer of the Assembly Ground ----- 1,133.20

Balance ----- \$.00

Received at this convention:

Registration Fees ----- \$ 89.00

From Sunday School for Assembly Ground ----- \$ 267.80

\$ 356.80

Fountain Taylor, Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

N. C. F. W. B. Sunday School Convention-Institute

General Fund

Old Balance at close of 1945 session ----- \$121.72

Paid to Raymond T. Sasser for expenses ----- \$ 5.00

Paid to Raymond T. Sasser for expenses ----- 6.85

Paid to R. P. Harris for Educ. ----- 15.00

Paid to Superannuation ----- 10.00

Paid to Missions ----- 10.00

Paid to Orphanage ----- 15.00

Paid to R. P. Harris for expenses ----- 6.00

Paid for Minutes ----- 15.00

Total paid out ----- 82.85

\$ 38.87

Received at this convention ----- 105.00

Total ----- \$143.87

Fountain Taylor, Treasurer.

The report was accepted by motion.

The nominating committee gave the following report:

President—Raymond T. Sasser, Wilson, N. C.

Vice-President—Rev. R. P. Harris, Kenly, N. C.

Secretary—Mrs. Robert L. Godley, New Bern, N. C.

Assistant Secretary—Miss Doris Massey, Goldsboro, N. C.

Treasurer—Fountain Taylor, Richlands, N. C.

Directors

Organizations—Albert T. Coates, Smithfield, N. C.

Denominational Enterprise—Rev. Rashie Kennedy, Goldsboro, N. C.

Publicity—Rev. L. E. Ballard, Middlesex, N. C.

Records and Reports—Mrs. Bruce Barrow, LaGrange, N. C.

Field Secretary—Rev. Bruce Barrow, LaGrange, N. C.

Director of Literature—Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, Wilson, N. C.

Stockholders for Cragmont Assembly, Inc., to serve six, five, four, three, two and one years, in the order named, the first six years, second five years, etc.: 1. Raymond T. Sasser, Wilson, N. C.; 2. Rev. Bruce Barrow, La-Grange, N. C.; 3. Albert T. Coates, Smithfield, N. C.; 4. Rev. R. B. Spencer, Ayden, N. C.; 5. Mrs. L. E. Ballard, New Bern, N. C.; 6. Fountain Taylor, Richlands, N. C.

Newspaper Committee—Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, Chairman; Rev. L. E. Ballard, Rev. J. E. Wooten.

A motion was made to accept the nominating committee's report. The motion carried.

The new officers were then installed with prayer for a very successful year. The installation service was conducted by Rev. J. C. Griffin, while Rev. J. R. Bennett led the prayer.

A preview of our first annual Sunday School Institute to be held at Cragmont was given with a hope that everyone would come praying for great success in the Lord's work. Rev. R. P. Harris delivered the preview.

An invitation was extended by Reedy Branch Sunday School for our 1947 Convention-Institute to convene at their church. This invitation was accepted by a motion.

A motion was made and carried for adjournment. We were dismissed by prayer.

Mrs. Robert L. Godley, Secretary,
Faymond T. Sasser, President.

Sunday School	Assembly Ground Dues	General Fund Dues
Union Grove	\$ 5.20	\$ 2.00
Davis Free Will Baptist	8.00	2.00
Entwistle Free Will Baptist	8.00	2.00
Saratoga	-----	1.00
Reedy Branch	10.00	2.00
Hull Road	8.00	2.00
Micro	8.00	2.00
Bethel, Cape Fear	-----	2.00
Bethel Free Will Baptist	5.20	2.00
First Free Will Baptist, Goldsboro	? 5.20	2.00
Edgemont Free Will Baptist	10.00	2.00
Johnston Union	-----	2.00
Oak Grove	5.20	2.00
Morehead City	-----	2.00
Core Creek	10.00	2.00
Holly Springs	-----	2.00
First Free Will Baptist, Kinston	10.00	2.00

Warden's Grove		2.00
Stacy	8.00	2.00
Sarecta Chapel	5.00	2.00
Juniper Chapel	5.20	2.00
Cabin	5.20	2.00
Shiloh	5.20	2.00
Beulaville	3.00	2.00
Union Chapel	5.20	2.00
Brice's Creek	5.20	2.00
Snow Hill	5.20	2.00
Whaley's Chapel	5.20	2.00
Rock of Zion	3.00	2.00
Bridgeton	5.20	2.00
St. Mary's (Eastern)	10.00	2.00
Kenly Free Will Baptist	3.00	2.00
White Oak Hill	2.50	2.00
Piney Grove (Johnston County)		2.00
Wilson Free Will Baptist	8.00	2.00
Little Rock	5.20	2.00
St. Mary's (Wilson County)	3.00	2.00
Marsh Swamp		2.00
Pleasant Plain	5.00	2.00
Sidney Chapel	8.00	2.00
Free Union (Albemarle)		2.00
Ayden Free Will Baptist	10.00	2.00
Edgewood	3.00	2.00
Daley's Chapel	5.20	2.00
LaGrange	10.00	2.00
Prospect	5.20	2.00
Hopewell	5.50	2.00
Selma	5.20	2.00
Rose of Sharon	3.00	2.00
Yelverton Grove	5.20	2.00
Hopewell Swamp	5.20	2.00
Bailey Free Will Baptist	2.00	2.00
St. Delight	5.20	2.00
*Gray Branch	5.20	2.00
*White Oak		2.00
Third District Union (Eastern)	5.00	

\$273.00

\$109.00

*Reported late.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

(as amended by the 1946 session)

of the

NORTH CAROLINA-FREE WILL BAPTIST SUNDAY
SCHOOL CONVENTION-INSTITUTE

Constitution

Preamble—In order to encourage and inspire the Sunday Schools of the Free Will Baptist denomination in North Carolina to engage in a definite plan of work to labor together in unity, and to coordinate their efforts for a more successful plan of teaching God's word, we a representative body of Sunday School workers, do hereby organize the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute.

Article I—Name.

This organization shall be known as the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute.

Article II.—Object.

Section 1.—The object of this organization is the encouragement and promotion of Sunday School betterments throughout the churches of the Free Will Baptist denomination in North Carolina.

Section 2.—Sunday School betterments shall include: A more definite object, uniformity of system, a fraternal interchange of ideas, and the bringing together of Christian workers to transact business to the glory of God.

Section 3.—To conduct annual, or more often if practicable, Sunday School Institutes, for training our Christian Sunday School workers in better Sunday School teaching and organization methods. These institutes to have a three-fold purpose, inspiration, instruction, and recreation.

Article III.—Membership.

The members of this convention shall be the General Officers of the Convention, Free Will Baptist ministers in good standing, and delegates duly appointed or elected by the organization which they represent. It shall be the business of organizations sending delegates to see that said delegates bear proper credentials as required in Section 2 of Article II of the By-Laws.

Article IV.—Representation.

Each Sunday School shall be entitled to one (1) delegate. All superintendents and Free Will Baptist ministers are standing delegates. District Sunday School Conventions shall be entitled to five (5) delegates for each ten (10) Sunday Schools or fraction thereof belonging to the District Convention. All delegates are to be elected or appointed from the laity.

Article V.—Officers.

Section 1.—The officers of this convention shall be a President, Vice-President, a Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, a Treasurer, a Director of Organization, a Director of Denominational Enterprises, a Director of Literature, a Director of Records and Reports, and a Director of Publicity.

Section 2.—All officers shall be elected each regular session of the convention.

Article VI.—Cragmont Assembly, Inc.

To own six shares of stock in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., as one of the four organized state bodies of Free Will Baptists of North Carolina who were the original organizers of our state assembly grounds. To represent our convention at annual stockholders meetings, and on other official business, the convention shall elect the six stockholders on the effective date of this amendment for terms of six, five, four, three, two and one years. Thereafter at each annual convention, a member shall be elected for a term of six years.

Article VII.—Boards.

The Executive Board shall be composed of the General Officers, five of which shall constitute a quorum.

Article VIII.—Meetings.

This convention shall meet annually at a time and place selected by the convention while in regular session.

Article IX.—Amendments.

The constitution of this convention may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

BY-LAWS

Article I.—Duties of General Officers.

Section 1.—President: The President shall preside over all meetings of the convention or Executive Board, appoint temporary committees, call the members of the Executive Board together when necessary, and perform the other duties usually devolving upon such an officer.

Section 2.—Vice President: The Vice-President shall preside over meetings in the absence or at the request of the President, and assist the President in the general supervision of the work.

Section 3.—Secretary: The Secretary shall record the proceedings of all meetings of the convention or Executive Board, edit the minutes, notify officers of their election, and act as assistant to the several state directors.

Section 4.—Assistant Secretary: The Assistant Secretary shall assist the Secretary at all meetings of the convention and Executive Board and shall act as assistant to the several state directors.

Section 5.—Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have charge of all convention funds. Expenditures shall be made only upon authorization of the convention when in session or by direction of the Executive Board. All orders on the treasury for disbursements must bear the signature of the President. The Treasurer shall make an itemized written report to the convention annually. All Treasury records are the property of the convention and shall

be audited by the Executive Board at its discretion. The Treasurer shall be bonded in an amount sufficient to cover funds in his charge at all times.

Article II.—Dues.

Section I.—Each Sunday School, either directly or indirectly affiliated with the State Convention shall send to the State Treasurer the sum of two dollars (\$2.00) per year.

Section II.—Regular payment of dues, together with a letter of authorization and a report of the condition of the work, shall constitute the necessary credentials of the representative.

Section III.—To financially support the operation and expansion of Cragmont Assembly, Inc., by annual dues of \$5.20 for each Sunday School in the state with average attendance less than seventy-five (75), and ten dollars (\$10.00) for schools with average attendance of over seventy-five (75). The dues to be paid yearly at each regular session of this convention. To further finance Cragmont other methods such as registration fees at annual sessions and state-wide campaigns may be used when deemed necessary by the convention in regular session or by the Executive Board.

Article III.—Expenses.

Expenses of the General Officers to all official call meetings shall be paid from the State Treasury. All other expenditures shall be made in accordance with Article I, Section 5, of the By-Laws.

Article IV.—Reports.

The Secretary shall prepare and submit a written report of all meetings of the Convention or Executive Board to the State Convention at each regular session.

Article V.—Amendments.

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

