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Arkansas—G. B. Hervey, Route 2, Box 111, Plummerville, Ark.

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Indiana—Prof. G. L. Hayes, 819 N. California St., Indianapolis, Ind.

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Kansas—Mrs. G. T. Murray, Topeka, Kan.

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Mississippi—Elder R. B. Brown, Hermanville, Miss.

Missouri—R. B. Welch, 3406 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.

North Carolina—Simeon Williamson, Reidsville, N. C.

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CHURCH PERIOD.

Monday Evening, Aug. 29, 8:00 P. M.

Welcome addresses from the various religious and civic agencies of the city.

Response by Eld. Preston Taylor, Nashville, Tenn.

Thursday Morning.

Devotionals were conducted by Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.

Meeting turned over to President, Eld. Preston Taylor, Tenn.

Partial report of the Committee on Enrollment was made.

Mr. Moody of the U. S. Bureau of Census was introduced and made known his wishes.

Eld. Wm. Alphin, National Field Secretary of the Churches, made his report to the Convention.

The report was not merely a statistical report, but one that embodied the general state of the Church in relationship to missionary expression, both locally and state.

Motion made by Dr. Walker, Tenn., seconded by Eld. M. C. Walker, N. C., that the report be accepted and placed in the hands of the proper committee. Carried.

An interpolation introduced by Eld. H. L. Herod on the program.

Partial report of the states' representatives. Suspended the report for the address of the hour, Dr. J. E. Walker, Tenn. "**Our Religious Journal**" was the subject. It was a splendid message.

Eld. P. A. Cage, District of Columbia, was introduced by Mr. Grant K. Lewis. He made very timely remarks.

Mr. Grant K. Lewis spoke on "**The Disciples of Christ—Their Teaching.**" It was a masterful address.

Announcements.

Hymn.

Benediction—Eld. W. H. Brown, Ky.

Thursday Afternoon.

Devotionals led by Eld. S. C. Devine, Ky.

Reading and adoption of the morning journal by common consent.

Resumption of reports of states by representatives.

Hymn.

The President of the Convention presented Mr. J. B. Lehman, who brought an instructive message on "**The Evangelistic Work.**"

Mrs. Alphin presented Miss Jamison, a returned foreign missionary, to the Convention. Miss Jamison made appropriate remarks.

The business meeting was opened, and the Joint-Executive Committee gave a partial report on the Kentucky School situation. Report read by Eld. H. L. Herod, Secy. of Committee, Ind.

Motion made by Eld. C. H. Dickerson, Ky., and seconded by Eld. L. H. Crawford, Kan., that the report be accepted as read. Remarks by Elds. J. J. Green, Mo.; M. F. Robinson, Md.; Atty. D. J. Bonner, Ky.; Elds. C. H. Dickerson, Ky.; H. S. Calkins, Ky.; H. L. Herod, Ind.; P. A. Gray, Mo.; R. H. Hancock, Ky.; G. K. Lewis, Mo. Motion passed.

A second recommendation on cash pledges of \$1,500 recommended to the Convention to be underwritten by the Convention, for the "**Christian Plea,**" and the committee appointed consisting of Eld. Herod, Eld. Preston Taylor and Dr. J. E. Walker, to wait on the Christian Board of Publication to ask for consideration in publishing the paper. This recommendation presented or read by Eld. H. L. Herod, Secretary of Committee.

Motion by Eld. B. C. Calvert, Miss., that the recommendation be adopted, seconded by Atty. D. J. Bonner, Ky. Remarks by Elds. Crawford, Kan.; Wm. Alphin, Mo.; M. Jackson, Tenn.; R. H. Davis, O.; Atty. D. J. Bonner, Ky.; P. A. Gray, Mo.; M. F. Robinson, Md.; Dr. Walker, Tenn. Vice-Pres. Calvert took the chair and the following spoke: Elds. Peters, N. C.; Prof. Pratt. After the discussion motion tabled until Friday morning.

Mrs. Alphin presented Miss Mullen, a returned foreign missionary from India, who made some remarks.

Announcement of evening services.

Appointment of committees.

Hymn.

Benediction—Eld. B. C. Calvert, Miss.

Thursday Evening.

Song services led by Prof. L. L. Henderson, N. Y. Devotionals led by Eld. M. Jackson, Tenn. Address by Eld. Wm. Alphin on "**Evangelism.**"

Hymn.

Sermon—Eld. M. C. Walker of N. C. Text: Matt. 1:21, "**She shall bring forth a son, and his name shall be called Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins.**"

Invitation.

Offering—\$12.59.

Announcements.

Introduction of visitors.

Hymn.

Benediction—Prof. P. H. Moss, Kan.

Friday Morning Session.

Devotionals led by Elds. S. C. Devine and B. C. Calvert.

President made statement relative to the publishing of the **Christian Plea**. Question resumed and more remarks by the former speakers. Motion finally passed.

Minutes read and adopted by vote.

Hymns were sung and delegates asked to come in.

Mr. J. B. Lehman was introduced by President and gave his report on the school of which he is the president.

The President then presented Mr. Grant K. Lewis, who in turn introduced Mr. H. S. Calkins, one of the Educational Secretaries of the Home Department of the U. C. M. S. He spoke on the atmosphere, faculty and future of Piedmont Christian Institute, Jarvis Christian College and Southern Christian Institute. He called attention to the general trend of educational tendencies among the Negroes.

Song.

Eld. W. A. Cole paid glowing tribute to Pres. J. N. Thomas, President of Piedmont Christian Institute.

Eld. H. L. Herod introduced Mr. H. J. Corbin of the Educational Board, Indianapolis, who brought an interesting message on "**The Place of the Religious Education in Human Society.**"

Mr. R. M. Hopkins introduced J. A. Tate of Va., who gave encouragement to the Convention. Eld. H. B. Smith of the Columbia Heights Christian Church of Washington and Miss A. M. Clarke of the Young People's Society were introduced and made timely remarks.

Miss A. Mullen, a returned missionary from India, gave a short but interesting address on "**India's Call.**"

Hymn.

Following which Mr. Grant K. Lewis gave the fourth of the series of addresses on "**The Disciples of Christ—Their Achievements.**"

Hymn.

Benediction—Eld. H. B. Smith, Washington.

Friday Afternoon.

Song service and devotionals conducted by Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.

Morning journal read and adopted by vote.

Business period opened.

President Taylor read a letter from Eld. W. H. Dickerson of Ohio, which was turned over to the Secretary and motion prevailed

that the Secretary send a message to Eld. Dickerson in answer to the letter.

A partial report from the Joint-Executive Committee was read by Secy. of the Committee, Eld. H. L. Herod, Ind., on the filling of the vacancy created by Miss D. L. Blackburn's resignation (see recommendation).

The second recommendation was the Pre-Pentecostal program as presented by Mr. Jessie Bader, Secy. of Evangelism of U. C. M. S. The first was taken up. Motion by Eld. M. Jackson, Tenn., that the recommendation be received and adopted. Carried. The second recommendation passed on a motion made by Eld. B. C. Calvert, Miss. Mr. Grant K. Lewis explained the great program as referred to in its effects on our brotherhood.

Report of Committee on Revision of the Constitution by Eld. Wm. Alphin, Field Secy. It was moved by Eld. Alphin and seconded by Eld. P. A. Gray that the Constitution be adopted. An amendment made by Eld. M. Jackson to adopt the Constitution by sections. Amendment passed.

Reading by sections proceeded with the understanding that unless there were objections the section would be adopted as read.

Questions on Sec. IV were asked and it was moved and carried that the word "General" be stricken out. The word substituted would be "Corresponding Secretary." The question of Trustees came up and decided that the Trustees will be elected as provided for by the laws of incorporation. Moved by Eld. H. L. Herod that article on succession of President be stricken out. Motion passed. Moved by Eld. H. L. Herod that the clause mentioning the "Ministers' Wives Council," an auxiliary, be stricken from the Constitution. Carried.

It was agreed that the program be approved by the Executive Committee.

Moved by Eld. C. H. Dickerson that program being approved by the Convention, as referred to in the Constitution, be stricken out. Carried. Moved by Eld. Crawford that there be three others who shall be included on the Executive Committee of the Convention aside from the officers of the departments. Motion carried.

By-Laws were read by Eld. Alphin, Mo. Moved by Eld. Crawford, Kan., that By-Laws be adopted. Motion passed.

Original motion passed.

Announcements—Eld. H. L. Herod, Ind.

Hymn.

Introduction of Miss B. Chandler, Elementary Supt. Elect, by President, Eld. Preston Taylor.

Benediction—Eld. L. H. Crawford, Kan.

Friday Night.

Devotionals conducted by Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.

President Preston Taylor, Tenn., made interesting remarks about the beginning of the work and introduced Eld. H. L. Herod,

Ind., Supt. of Flanner House and pastor of the Church, Indianapolis, Ind., who brought a powerful message on the "New Church for the New Age."

Song of Invitation, "Rescue the Perishing."

President introduced Eld. R. H. Davis, Cincinnati, who spoke on "The Need for Trained Ministers" (see supplement). It was a wonderful message.

Eld. Vance G. Smith, Editor of the **Christian Plea**, was introduced and spoke on "The Call of Christianity to the Youth." It was an inspiring message.

Eld. P. A. Gray asked to introduce his two brothers and one sister who were present. They all spoke.

Eld. R. L. Peters asked to introduce his uncle, Mr. Y. D. Peters, who lives in the city. He spoke words of encouragement.

Eld. J. J. Green mentioned the things spoken of in the address by Eld. H. L. Herod as to the treatments in this country, and said these are the things to which we ought to turn our attention, and asked that these be printed in the **Christian Plea**. President assured him that these would be printed.

Prof. Henderson of New York was introduced and spoke with reference to his book soon to be published.

Offering for Church, \$12.09.

Special offering for an afflicted minister who is trying to get to Hot Springs, Ark., \$17.00, taken by Mrs. Rosa Grubbs.

Benediction—Eld. P. H. Moss, Kan.

Saturday Morning.

Devotionals conducted by Eld. J. F. Whitfield, Va.

Journal of the afternoon and night sessions was read and adopted with the necessary corrections.

President called for the reports of committees and the following reported: Business Committee, made by Eld. C. E. Craggett, Mo. (see report). Eld. Craggett moved the adoption of the report. Carried.

Committee on Commission made by Eld. J. F. Whitfield, Va. (see report). Eld. Whitfield gave some information of the situation in Eastern N. C. and Va. Dr. Robinson, Md., moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Atty. D. J. Bonner. Carried.

Enrollment Committee report made by Eld. S. C. Devine (see report). Motion to adopt the report carried.

Business Committee was sent out to consider some more recommendations handed in and reported back to the Convention that there were no recommendations further worth bringing before the body. President accepted the report and continued the committee.

Committee on Nomination of Officers, made by Eld. P. A. Gray. Motion to adopt the report. Much discussion followed. An amendment was made that instead of Eld. Wm. Alphin the name of Eld. R. H. Davis be inserted as Corresponding Secretary. Carried. Second amendment, Dr. M. F. Robinson be Third Vice-Presi-

dent instead of Eld. W. H. Brown, Ky., was carried. Original motion carried.

Report of Committee on Time and Place. Committee reported as recommending Kansas City, Kan. Much discussion followed. President made a plea for Chicago, also Eld. G. R. Dorsey. Eld. Crawford and Mrs. P. H. Moss made a plea for Kansas City, but Eld. Crawford withdrew in favor of Chicago. The Convention then voted unanimously for Chicago.

Moved an amendment that the time be changed to July 16. Voted down. Moved that the time be August 13, seconded. Substitute on amendment that time be left to Joint-Executive Committee. Carried.

Recommendation from President that the Convention in 1929 be at Winston-Salem, was voted upon and carried.

Auditing Committee's report made by Eld. J. J. Green, Mo. Motion carried that report be adopted.

Partial report of Joint-Executive Committee on Field Workers for this year. Motion carried.

Motion made that Ministers meet and discuss Evangelism. Mutual.

Letter read by Mrs. Alphin from Mrs. Smith, N. Y.

Letter of Eld. A. W. Davis referred to Joint-Executive committee.

Mr. Grant K. Lewis gave the fifth of the series of addresses on the "Disciples of Christ—Their World-Wide Missionary Program." Eld. H. L. Herod moved that Mr. Lewis be thanked for this very able series. Dr. J. E. Walker, Tenn., seconded. Remarks. Carried, and the expression of gratitude was extended by President.

Motion by Eld. M. F. Robinson that letters of appreciation to the pioneer women who began this work be sent carried.

Announcements.

Committee on Divine Service made its report, through Eld. Griffin.

Hymn.

Benediction—Eld. Wm. Alphin.

Saturday Afternoon

was spent by the Convention in seeing the city. Cars were used by the various groups in sightseeing.

Saturday Evening.

Devotionals.

Sermon—Eld. R. Hancorck, Winchester, Ky.

Literary Recital—Prof. L. L. Henderson, New York City, N. Y.

Sunday Morning.

Devotionals conducted by Eld. H. D. Griffin, Pastor.

Music—Choir.

Prayer—Eld. R. W. Watson, Ohio.

Scripture Lesson—Eld. J. J. Green, Mo.

Prayer—Eld. M. Jackson, Tenn.
 Special Music—Mrs. McGowan, Washington.
 Introduction of speaker—Eld. Griffin.
 Sermon—Eld. C. H. Dickerson, Ky. Subject, "**Promises of Jesus.**" Text: Romans 6:17-19.
 Invitation, "**There is a Fountain filled with blood.**"
 Offering, \$108.51. Several States and Bible Schools donated \$5.00 to the offering.

Afternoon Services.

Communion services conducted by Prof. P. H. Moss.
 Offering of \$15.48 for Ministerial Relief, was taken.

Night Services.

Devotionals conducted by the Pastor, Eld. Griffin.
 Music—Chair.
 Invocation—Eld. R. E. LaTouche, Ill.
 Scripture Lesson—Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.
 Prayer—Dr. M. F. Robinson, Md.
 Pastor introduced Eld. L. H. Crawford of Kansas, who preached on the subject and text, "**Thou Art the Christ.**"
 Invitation.
 Offering, \$8.51.
 Special offering, \$4.25.
 Remarks—Prof. Hugh Calkins, Ky.
 Expressions from delegates and friends.
 Reading of Resolutions—Eld. Wm. Martin.
 Adoption of Resolutions.
 Doxology, "**Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow.**"
 Benediction—Eld. Crawford, Kan.

COMMITTEES.

Commission—R. L. Peters, N. C.; J. F. Whitfield, Va.; R. H. Hancock, Ky.; O. Zollar, N. C.; J. H. Thomas, Va.; L. L. Dickerson, Ohio; N. W. Magowan, D. C.
Time and Place—L. H. Crawford, Kan.; G. R. Dorsey, Ill.; W. Martin, Tenn.; W. O. Jackson, Ohio; D. J. Bonner, Ky.; E. S. Doolin, Mo.; C. L. Welch, Mo.; M. Elmore, Miss.
Programme—H. L. Herod, Ind.; P. H. Moss, Kan.; Rosa B. Grubbs, Mo.; V. G. Smith, Mo.
Business—C. H. Dickerson, Ky.; J. E. Walker, Tenn.; A. B. Jacobs, Calif.; R. B. Welch, Mo.; I. C. Franklin, Miss.; R. W. Watson, Ohio; M. C. Walker, N. C.; W. J. Lane, Kan.; M. Jackson, Tenn.
Auditing—R. H. Davis, Ohio; T. W. Pratt, Texas; J. J. Green, Mo.
Divine Service—H. D. Griffin, D. C.; W. H. Taylor, Md.; M. F. Robinson, Md.; R. D. Brooks, D. C.
Nomination—W. H. Brown, Ky.; B. C. Calvert, Miss.; R. E. LaTouche, Ill.; P. A. Gray, Mo.; M. Hamilton, N. C.; D. W. Bradley, Tenn.; L. L. Henderson, N. Y.

Enrollment—S. C. Devine, Ky.; C. E. Craggett, Mo.; D. W. Bradley, Tenn.; Joseph Willis, Kan.; Paul Magowan, D. C.
Publication—J. E. Walker, Tenn.; H. L. Herod, Ind.; G. K. Lewis, Mo.; Mrs. M. Taylor, Ky.; Mrs. I. D. Taylor, Tenn.

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE.

States	Delegates	Amount
Arkansas	—Mrs. S. L. Bostick.....	\$ 7.00
Kansas	—Eld. L. H. Crawford.....	10.00
Illinois	—Eld. R. E. LaTouche.....	10.00
Mississippi	—Eld. I. C. Franklin.....	10.00
Missouri	—Eld. J. J. Green.....	10.00
Piedmont	—Miss J. K. Spencer.....	10.00
Maryland and D. C.	—G. F. Hughes.....	10.00
Tri-State	—Eld. R. L. Peters.....	13.00
Tennessee	—Eld. Munroe Jackson.....	10.00
Kentucky	—Eld. C. H. Dickerson.....	10.00
Ohio	—Eld. R. H. Davis.....	10.00
10 Birch St., Los Angeles	—Eld. A. B. Jacobs.....	5.00
Hannibal, Mo. (2nd Church)	.....	10.00
Total		\$125.00
Public Offerings		\$ 24.68
Number of States enrolling.....		11
Number of Churches enrolling.....		2
Individuals enrolling.....		26
Amount of Individual Enrollment.....		52.00
Total		\$191.68

Enrollment Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Business, beg leave to make the following report. We recommend:

1. That the Convention endorse the Three-Year Program of the Pentecostal Movement and that each minister keep this matter before his church.
2. That we ask the U. C. M. S. through the Joint Executive Committee for a home for the orphans and aged needing such aid.
3. That provision be made to train our young people for foreign missionary service.
4. That the Executive Committee apply for rates to the Convention and that the ministers and leaders urge all delegates to take advantage of the same.
5. That a stenographer be employed to serve during the Convention.

The Business Committee.

THE COMMISSION COMMITTEE.

We, your Commission Committee, submits the following report:

Whereas, The Disciples of Christ of Eastern North Carolina and Eastern Virginia are desirous of co-operating with the larger work of the brotherhood and thereby having fellowship in all the work of the brotherhood; be it

Resolved, That a commission of seven be appointed by the President of the National Convention to meet a similar commission of seven appointed by the brethren of that district to consult, suggest and recommend ways and means by which they (the brethren of Eastern North Carolina and Vir-

ginia) may co-operate with the larger work. And that this commission meet at a time and place to be named by the President of the National Convention and the brethren of Eastern North Carolina.

The Commission Committee.

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to make the following report:

1. We recommend that the next National Convention be held in Kansas City, Kansas.
2. We further recommend that the time be the week following the last Monday in August, 1928.

The Committee on Time and Place.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We beg leave to make the following report:

Having carefully examined the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, we find them correct in every respect.

The Auditing Committee.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE.

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

President—Eld. Peston Taylor, Tenn.

First Vice-President—Eld. Munroe Jackson, Tenn.

Second Vice-President—Eld. B. C. Calvert, Miss.

Third Vice-President—Eld. M. F. Robinson, Maryland.

Recording Secretary—Eld. C. E. Craggett, Mo.

Asst. Recording Secretary—Eld. J. F. Whitfield, Va.

Corresponding Secretary—Eld. R. H. Davis, Ohio.

Statistical Secretary—Eld. R. W. Watson, Ohio.

Treasurer—Dr. J. E. Walker, Tenn.

We recommend the following as members of the Executive Committee:

Eld. C. H. Dickerson, Ky.

Eld. H. L. Herod, Ind.

Eld. J. J. Green, Mo.

The Nomination Committee.

STATE REPORTS.

State	No. of Churches	Membership	President	Secretary
Arkansas	15	600	H. Martin, Kerr, Ark.	Mrs. Minnie Guydon, Little Rock.
California	3	150	No Convention.	.....
Illinois	9	1300	R. E. LaTouche, 417 E. 46 Pl., Chicago.	R. P. Lipscomb, 2585 Adams St., Gary.
Kansas	12	1100	Frank Coleman, 2725 N. 25th St., Kansas City.	Eva Johnson (No Address).
Kentucky	58	5000	C. H. Dickerson, 446 Ohio St., Lexington.	D. I. Reid, 705 Mill St., Lexington.
Md.-Del.-D. C.	3	570	G. F. Hughes, 615 M St. N. W., Washington, D. C.	Mrs. P. G. Clark, 1619 Westwood Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Mississippi	39	2000	I. C. Franklin, Port Gibson.	L. C. Williams, Shaw.
Missouri	18	1500	J. J. Green, 4406 Lucky St., St. Louis.	C. E. Craggett, 2319 Michigan Ave., Kansas City.

Ohio	10	1250	R. H. Davis, 2037 Edison St., Cincinnati.	Mrs. Daisy Frierson, 865 Sherman Ave., Springfield.
Piedmont District	27	1450	G. E. Ragsdale, 731 Ridge St., Winston-Salem, N. C.	Mrs. E. G. Starling, Martinsville, Va.
Tennessee	15	900	Preston Taylor, 449 4th Ave. N., Nashville.	William Martin, 222 W. Market St., Johnson City.
Tri-State	15	1050	S. Kenny, 1210 Main St., Winston-Salem, N. C.	L. Peters, 614 Hickory St., Winston-Salem, N. C.

**RECOMMENDATION FROM THE JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
TO
THE NATIONAL CONVENTION
ON
Kentucky School Situation.**

The following statement on the Kentucky school was presented and approved by the Convention.

The Joint Executive Committee has had an extended conference with representatives from Kentucky regarding the educational situation in that state. The result of this conference has been amicable and may be set forth in the following findings:

1. The Kentucky brethren feel that the educational efforts which have been put forth at Hubers are not meeting their needs, and they recommend to the United Christian Missionary Society that the work at this point be discontinued and that the property be sold. In this recommendation the Joint Executive Committee concurs.
2. In view of the early connection Kentucky had through the Christian Woman's Board of Missions in the training of the Colored Ministry of our Brotherhood and the repeated investments that have been made in such work by the Colored Disciples of Kentucky, and the friends of Kentucky, and in view of the great need today for a trained ministry, there is a strong desire in Kentucky to continue within this state, as far as possible, an educational institution where the primary purpose shall be The Training of Ministers for the Negro Churches.

The Joint Executive Committee therefore recommends that this matter be given the most earnest consideration by the Home Department of the United Christian Missionary Society during the coming year, and that the results of such investigation to meet this need be brought before the Joint Executive Committee at an early date for presentation to the Kentucky brethren, either in a specially called meeting or in the next regular meeting of the State Convention and for presentation in the next National Convention.

In the meantime, the Joint Executive Committee has the assurance that no educational work among the Negroes will be instituted or discontinued or seriously modified by the United Christian Missionary Society without the full consideration of the Joint Executive Committee.

Recommendation on Elementary Superintendent.

We recommend to the National Convention and the United Society that we employ Miss Bessie Chandler of Nashville, Tennessee, as Elementary Superintendent of Bible Schools to begin work in May, 1928, with the understanding that her salary be to start with \$65.00 a month and expenses and that she spend a year in the Southern Christian Institute, taking Bible courses for which we agree to allow her a scholarship of \$200.00.

ON

The Pre-Pentecostal Program of Work.

- I. Serving the Churches by Evangelism.
 - A. 5,000 additions by baptism.
 - B. 2,000 additions by letter and statement.
- II. Serving the Churches by Stewardship.
 - A. Every Church making the Every Member Canvass.
 - B. 100% increase in missionary and benevolence giving.
- III. Serving the Churches Through Home Missions.
 - A. 15 new centers entered to establish churches.
- IV. Serving the Churches thru Religious Education.
 - A. Every Church enlisted in preparing at least one person for service in the Church by going to school.
 - B. 100% increase in attendance in Bible School.
 - C. 300% increase in attendance in Young People's Conference.
 - D. 25 of our Young People attending the Youth Convention.
- V. Serving the Churches Through Missionary Education.
 - A. A national team to hold stewardship rallies and state teams to reach each church.

REPORT ON ATTENDANCE.

Taken from the Enrollment Committee's records on delegation of men from the various States:

Arkansas	1	North Carolina	4
California	1	Ohio	4
Indiana	1	Tennessee	5
Illinois	2	Texas	1
Kansas	4	Washington	4
Kentucky	5	Virginia	2
Maryland	3	New York	1
Mississippi	3		
Missouri	8	Total	49

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Income:

September, 1926, received from Secretary.....\$62.78

Disbursements:

Deficit\$ 8.20

January, 1927, minutes..... 54.00

Total\$62.20

Balance on hand.....\$ 0.58

J. E. WALKER.

SECRETARY OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

September 3, 1927.

The trustees of National Convention was called in session on the above date in the lecture room of the Twelfth Street Christian Church. The Chairman, Elder Preston Taylor, presided. The following persons being present:

Elder Preston Taylor, Tenn.
 Dr. J. E. Walker, Tenn.
 Elder H. L. Herod, Indiana.
 Elder William Alphin, Mo.
 Elder P. H. Moss, Kansas.

Minutes of Secretary read and approved. Dr. J. E. Walker, Treasurer, made the following report of the Taylor property:

To the Chicago Church by cash.....	\$1,000.00
Interest on the money.....	600.00
To the Christian Plea.....	500.00
Total	\$2,100.00

The condition of the Oakwood Boulevard Church was explained by Pres. Elder Preston Taylor. After some little discussion, it was moved by Elder H. L. Herod and seconded by Dr. J. E. Walker that the trustees of the Oakwood Boulevard Church be appraised of the fact that they were expected to keep up property and to show a greater interest in carrying on the work in general by showing appreciation for what is being done for the church. Motion carried.

Elder Taylor informed the Board of persons who were contemplating of making gifts of property to the National Convention.

Secretary reported the purchase of a record book for the sum of \$3.00, and the rent of safety box in Kansas City bank for \$3.00, paying half of the amount on safety box himself for personal use, making a total bill of \$4.50. It was moved and carried that the bill be paid when the amount comes in treasury. The meeting adjourned.

ELDER PRESTON TAYLOR, President.
P. H. MOSS, Secretary.

TREASURER OF TRUSTEES.**Disbursements:**

Oakwood Boulevard Church, Chicago.....	\$1,000.00
Oakwood Boulevard Church, interest on note.....	600.00
Christian Plea.....	500.00
Total	\$2,100.00

J. E. WALKER.

BIBLE SCHOOL MINUTES.**Morning Session.**

Devotionals, led by Eld. W. H. Taylor, Baltimore, Md.

The President then took the chair and made remarks of appreciation and then appointed the Enrollment Committee.

The subject, "**Selling the Adults of the Church to the Value of the Bible School,**" was opened by Eld. C. H. Dickerson, Ky.

In the absence of Mrs. Preston Taylor, Tenn., discussion followed.

The Enrollment Committee made its partial report. Adopted with corrections.

The program was resumed and Mrs. Emma Penn of Roanoke, Va., opened the subject, "**The Joyous Task of Leading Childhood to Christ,**" by reading a paper prepared by Mrs. Edmonia Starling, Martinsville, Va., who was unable to be present. Some discussion arose over the statement, "When the child is led to the altar for the minister to ask God's blessing upon it." Motion carried that the paper be turned over to the proper committee for publication and that the statement above mentioned be struck out. (See supplement.)

Eld. C. E. Craggett not being present, the subject he was to discuss was postponed until the afternoon session. Eld. William Martin, Tenn., read a splendid paper reviewing the subject, "**Recruiting and Training for Leadership in the Church.**"

Mr. N. W. Magowan, D. C., then took the floor and expressed his regrets for not being privileged to be in the sessions.

The topic in the symposium, "**Fostering the Four-Fold Fidelity Christian Endeavor Standard Through Service,**" was ably discussed by Miss Justina K. Spencer, Va. Mrs. J. N. Thomas, Va., then paid a glowing tribute to the worth and consecration of Miss Spencer as a Christian worker. Motion carried that Miss Spencer's paper be published in the **Christian Plea.** (See supplement.)

The annual address of Eld. S. C. Devine, President of the National Christian Endeavor Convention, was ably delivered. Motion carried that the address be turned over to the Future Work Committee of that Convention. (See supplement.)

Prof. Pratt then introduced Mr. Grant K. Lewis, Secretary of the Home Missions Department of the U. C. M. S., Mo. Eld. H. L. Herod, Ind., then requested a song before the address and also suggested that a definite time be set for the lecture of Mr. Lewis to obtain each day.

Song: "**Draw Me Nearer.**"

Mr. Lewis proceeded with the subject, "**The Disciples of Christ—Their Origin.**" He told very graphically of the efforts of the Campbells to bring about the New Testament Church.

A motion passed that 11:30 each day be set as the time for this address.

Adjournment.

Tuesday Afternoon.

Reassembled at 2:10 with the President in the chair.

Devotionals led by Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.

Appointment of committees of Bible School and C. E.

Minutes of morning session read and approved. Program was resumed.

Mr. Paul Magowan, D. C., read an excellent paper on the topic, "**Fostering the Four-Fold Fidelity Christian Endeavor Standard Through Recreation.**"

Eld. C. E. Craggett, Mo., was introduced and read his address on "**Recruiting and Training Leadership in the Church.**" He showed in his production the need of vision and efficiency in church leadership.

President Pratt discussed the proposition of financing the school. He spoke of the Financial Committee as an agency in meeting the financial claims. He suggested that plans be followed up with prayer and results will come.

Mr. R. M. Hopkins was introduced to the Convention by the President. Mr. Hopkins is the General Secretary of the Religious Education Department of the U. C. M. S., Mo. He then addressed the Convention. (See supplement.)

Committees were re-read by the Secretary for the benefit of those who were absent when formerly read.

States made their report.

Miss Deetsy L. Blackburn, National Elementary Superintendent, made her report. Eld. L. H. Crawford, Kan., moved that the report be adopted and that a standing vote of thanks be extended Miss Blackburn for her splendid work. Motion carried.

Prof. P. H. Moss, National Superintendent of Religious Education, made his report. Motion carried that the report be adopted.

Motion carried that a committee be appointed to select a fitting token of appreciation to give Miss D. L. Blackburn as an expression of the gratitude from the brotherhood for the splendid service she has rendered while on the field and from which she is retiring. Committee appointed, and by common consent it was agreed to take an offering at the night session to meet the expenses of the gift.

Adjournment.

Tuesday Evening Session.

Devotionals led by Eld. R. L. Peters, N. C.

Convention then turned over to First Vice-President V. G. Smith, Mo.

Appointment of Resolution Committee and the addition of Mrs. C. E. Craggett to Loving Cup Committee and of Eld. L. H. Crawford to the Recommendations Committee announced.

Eld. Taylor, Tenn., introduced the President of the Bible School Convention, Prof. T. W. Pratt, Texas, who delivered a masterful address. (See supplement.) Motion carried that the

recommendation be turned over to the committee, and motion carried that address be turned over to **Christian Plea** for publication.

Loving Cup Committee made its report. The loving cup was then presented to Eld. L. H. Crawford, Kan., to be delivered to the Bible School of White Cloud, Kan., who had won it for the ensuing year. Mr. Hopkins paid a loving tribute to Prof. Moss and Miss Blackburn and introduced Mr. H. B. Holloway, General Superintendent of the Union Avenue Christian Church Bible School, St. Louis, Mo., which school raised \$6,300.00 for missions last year.

Song: "**Rescue the Perishing.**"

Prof. T. W. Pratt introduced Eld. Preston Taylor, President of the Convention, who made his eleventh annual address. (See supplement.)

Song: "**Throw Out the Life Line**" and the invitation extended to accept Christ.

Offering was taken by Mr. N. W. Magowan and Eld. B. C. Calvert. General offering, \$17.00; special for gift for Miss Blackburn, \$16.07. Total, \$33.07.

Announcement by Eld. Taylor, Tenn.; Mrs. Alphin, Mo.; Eld. Griffin, D. C.; Prof. Pratt, Texas, and Eld. S. C. Devine, Ky.

Benediction.

Business Sessions.

Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 the Bible School and Christian Endeavor Conventions met in joint business session.

Report by Recommendation Committee of Bible School adopted.

Motion carried that one-fourth of the money sent by the Tri-State Convention be given to each department. To this, Eld. R. L. Peters, the representative of that Convention, concurred.

Nominating Committee of the Bible School made report. The report was adopted with the substitution of the name of Mr. W. E. Bowie, D. C., for Eld. P. A. Gray, Mo., as third vice-president. Mr. Gray was president-elect of the Christian Endeavor Convention.

Adjournment.

Thursday morning at 9:00 o'clock the National Bible School Executive Committee met in session for business. Prayer by V. G. Smith, Mo.

Report of Finance Committee by Mrs. Hattie Tyree, D. C. Adoption of the same left to be consummated in the afternoon conference. The Corresponding Secretary was instructed by the President to send reminders of the National Convention to the local schools in May and to send the report blanks sixty days before the convening of the same.

Adjournment.

Thursday afternoon the Bible School and Christian Endeavor Conventions met in joint business session with Eld. S. C. Devine in the chair.

Devotionals by Eld. P. A. Gray, Mo.

Motion carried that Prof. T. W. Pratt be the representative of the National Bible School Convention to the World Bible School Convention, convening at Los Angeles, Calif., July 11-18, 1928. Motion carried that the delegate be given \$100.00 as expenses to the Convention. Motion passed that each Bible School, through its state president, raise \$1.00 or more to meet these expenses. An amendment passed with this motion that said money be raised by May, 1928.

Motion passed that report of Future Work Committee of Christian Endeavor be adopted.

Motion passed that report of Reporting Committee of Christian Endeavor be adopted with corrections.

Report of corresponding secretary of Bible School, Miss Hattie Tyree, adopted.

Reports of treasurer and recording secretary of Bible School read and adopted.

Finance Committee of Bible School made report and it was adopted.

Motion carried that Christian Endeavor banner be sent to the Hancock St. Endeavor Society, Louisville, Ky., Miss Fannie Harris, president, which raised \$42.00 for missions during the year.

Some schools paid the \$1.00 assessment for the delegate to the World's Convention. (See supplement.)

Adjournment.

Sunday Morning Session.

The National Bible School Convention met for Bible Study and Worship at 9:45 a. m. Prof. P. H. Moss and Mr. W. E. Bowie in charge, with the national officers on the rostrum.

Worship program as follows:

Song—"Oh, Worship the King."

Invocation—Eld. J. J. Green, Mo.

Song—"More Love to Thee, O Christ."

Devotional Lesson—Prov. 8:12-19 read by Mrs. G. A. Franklin, Miss.

Prayer—Eld. C. H. Dickerson, Ky.

Music—"True-hearted, Whole-hearted."

Remarks by Supt. W. E. Bowie, D. C., welcoming the Convention and assigning the spaces for the classes.

Classes assembled in places for study to the strain of music and twenty-five minutes were given to lesson study.

Re-assembled.

Presentation of state presidents. Remarks by Miss D. L. Blackburn, Prof. P. H. Moss, Mrs. R. M. Logan, Dr. M. F. Robinson. President Pratt presented Miss Blackburn a handsome silver

platter as the selection of the committee for the token of appreciation for her splendid work as elementary superintendent. Miss Blackburn accepted the gift in her usual gracious manner.

Special Music—Solo—Prof. L. L. Henderson, N. Y.

Original Poem—Miss M. Griffin, D. C.

Missionary Prayer—Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.

Missionary Song—"O Zion Haste."

Report of classes as follows:

Class	Teacher	Attendance	Offering
Beginners	Miss B. Chandler	3	\$ 0.23
Primary, 1st Year	Mrs. H. D. Griffin	4	.12
Primary, 2nd-3rd	Miss D. Blackburn	3	.33
Juniors	Mrs. R. M. Logan	5	.41
Junior-Inter.	Mrs. S. C. Meadows	8	.45
Senior	Mrs. Hattie Tyree	2	.50
Young People	Mr. V. E. Bogan	8	.62
Men	Atty. D. J. Bonner	27	6.60
Women	Mrs. Wm. Alphin	37	6.46
Total—Nine		97	\$15.72

Banner Classes—Attendance, Women's Class; Offering, Men's Class.

The offering was given to the Bible School of the Twelfth St. Church, Washington, D. C.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. E. Taylor, reported a total of \$385.75 raised and brought forward in this Convention.

Announcements.

Song—"To the Work."

Benediction—Eld. P. A. Gray, Mo.

COMMITTEES OF THE BIBLE SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Enrollment—Eld. J. F. Whitfield, Va.; Mrs. R. M. Logan, Mo.; Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.; Mrs. G. A. Franklin, Miss.; Miss Elizabeth Hardin, Ky.; Mrs. E. M. Long, Va.

Finance—Eld. O. Zollar, N. C.; Miss Bessie Chandler, Tenn.; Eld. M. C. Walker, N. C.; Mr. R. B. Welch, Mo.; Mrs. James Brooks, Ill.; Mrs. Hattie Tyree, D. C.

Loving Cup—Prof. P. H. Moss, Kan.; Miss D. L. Blackburn, Kan.; Miss Catherine Jones, Kan.; Mr. W. O. Jackson, Ohio; Mrs. Lucy Murdock, Md.; Eld. R. H. Davis, Ohio; Mrs. C. E. Craggett, Mo.

Recommendations—V. G. Smith, Mo.; Miss J. K. Spencer, Va.; Eld. L. H. Crawford, Kan.; Miss S. R. Thomas, Miss.; Mrs. R. B. Grubbs, Mo.; Eld. D. W. Bradley, Tenn.

Nomination—Eld. A. W. Jacobs, Calif.; Atty. D. J. Bonner, Ky.; Mrs. L. A. Staples, Md.; Mrs. B. B. Hutsell, Ky.; Mr. G. F. Hughes, D. C.; Mrs. Catherine Keith, Ill.; Eld. R. L. Peters, N. C.; Mrs. Eula Scott, Kan.

Resolution—Dr. M. F. Robinson, Md.; Mesdames L. H. Crawford, P. H. Moss, Kan.; Pearl Clark, Md.; W. O. Jackson, Ohio; C. H. Dickerson, Ky.; H. L. Herod, Ind., and Eld. Wm. Martin, Tenn.

Obituary—Eld. P. A. Gray, Mo.; Messrs. C. L. Welch, Mo.; Paul Magowan, D. C.; J. C. Hughes, Tenn.; Mrs. S. M. Brown, Ky.; Eld. R. E. LaTouche, Ill.; Eld. R. E. Gooden, D. C.

Present for Miss Blackburn—Dr. M. F. Robinson, Md.; Prof. T. W. Pratt, Tex.; Eld. C. H. Dickerson, Ky.; Mesdames S. C. Devine, Ohio; H. L. Herod, Ind.; L. H. Crawford, Kan.; Hattie Tyree, D. C.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OF BIBLE SCHOOL CONVENTION.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Nomination of Officers, beg leave to make the following report. We recommend for your officers of the National Bible School Convention for the ensuing year the following:

President—Prof. T. W. Pratt, Texas.

First Vice-President—V. G. Smith, Mo.

Second Vice-President—Mr. W. O. Jackson, Ohio.

Third Vice-President—Mr. W. E. Bowie, D. C.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Mary E. Taylor, Ky.

Assistant Recording Secretary—Mrs. R. E. LaTouche, Ill.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Hattie Tyree, Ill.

Treasurer—Mrs. R. M. Logan, Mo.

The Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE.

We, the Committee on Recommendations, beg leave to make the following report. We recommend the adoption of the resolutions submitted by the President, which are as follows:

1. That the Bible Schools of the several states so plan the machinery of their organization that they may add at least 25% of their present membership during the next conventional year, and that provision be made to show gains on the state report blanks.

2. That as many churches in our brotherhood as can afford it will employ a trained leader who will direct the educational program of the church, especially as relates to the young people's activities in trying to find themselves in this new age of development.

3. That the names and addresses of the state presidents and secretaries be printed in the minutes for the purpose of establishing a means of better understanding by correspondence.

4. That a faculty of five, composed of the National Secretaries of religious education with two others, will organize a course in religious education to train leaders for the work in our local churches. This faculty will give a regular course of lectures at the next National Convention, and at the conclusion the applicants will take an examination and be awarded certificates.

5. That each state represent with \$10.00 and each local school with \$2.00 in the National Convention.

6. That each State President will furnish to the National Corresponding Secretary the names and addresses of each local superintendent of the Bible School in his or her state not later than October of this year.

7. That our four national days, namely—Thanksgiving Sunday, Christmas Sunday, Easter and Children's Day—be more loyally and systematically supported by every school in every state in the brotherhood and the offerings sent to the U. C. M. S. immediately thereafter.

8. That the real spirit as shown by the Young People's Conference has proven so wholesome that our different states are urged to encourage outstanding, religiously-inclined young men and women to attend these annual meetings even to the extent of defraying all expenses.

9. That further each state when possible may, through the proper channels, place a Young People's Conference in its own region.

10. That at least one or two special addresses on Bible School methods be delivered before the Convention by some expert, looking forward to which such a person be found by the Program Committee.

11. That a special program will be rendered at the next National Convention composed of our young people and consisting of music and other literary productions.

The Committee.

LOVING CUP.

We, your Committee on Awarding the Loving Cup, beg leave to make the following report:

Out of twenty states contesting for the cup, we have found only three have raised anything above their apportionments. These are as follows:

Mississippi apportioned \$350.00, raised \$354.37, or 1¼% above quota.

Missouri apportioned \$330.00, raised \$364.64, or 13% above quota.

Kansas apportioned \$162.00, raised \$192.38, or 17% above quota.

Therefore the Loving Cup is awarded to the State of Kansas and we find that the Bible School, located at White Cloud, Kan., was apportioned \$5.00 and raised \$11.80, or 101% above its quota. Therefore the Loving Cup is awarded to the Bible School at White Cloud, Kan., for the conventional year 1927-28.

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Enrollment, beg leave to make the following report. We have enrolled and collected an enrollment fee of 25c from each of the following, by states:

Arkansas—Mrs. Sara F. Bostick.

California—Eld. A. W. Jacobs.

District of Columbia—Mr. N. W. Magowan, Mrs. M. E. Magowan, Mr. Paul Magowan, Mr. W. C. Bowie, Mrs. Rosa Bogan, Mr. G. P. Hughes, Mr. S. F. Tyree, Mrs. Hattie Tyree, Eld. H. D. Griffin.

Illinois—Mrs. Catherine Keith, Mrs. M. A. LaTouche, Mrs. Delia Howland, Mrs. James Brooks, Mrs. Ella Crawford.

Indiana—Mrs. H. L. Herod.

Kansas—Prof. P. H. Moss, Mrs. P. H. Moss, Miss D. L. Blackburn, Eld. L. H. Crawford, Mr. Joseph Willis.

Kentucky—Mrs. M. E. Taylor, Mrs. S. M. Brown, Mrs. B. B. Hutsell, Miss S. M. King, Miss E. M. Hardin, Miss E. M. Alcorn, Atty. D. J. Bonner, Eld. W. H. Brown, Eld. C. H. Dickerson, Mrs. C. H. Dickerson.

Maryland—Eld. W. H. Taylor, Mrs. Lora Brooks, Mrs. L. A. Staples, Mrs. Pearl Clark, Mrs. Esther Hughes, Miss Minnie Smith, Eld. M. F. Robinson, Mr. E. Stevenson, Mrs. Daisy Phenix, Mrs. Lucy Murdock.

Missouri—Mr. R. B. Welch, Mr. C. L. Welch, Mr. Elmer Doolin, Mrs. C. Doolin, Miss Fannie Berrye, Mrs. S. A. Scott, Mrs. R. B. Grubbs, Mrs. R. M. Logan, Mrs. Nettie Jackson, Mr. R. M. Hopkins.

Mississippi—Eld. I. C. Franklin, Mrs. I. C. Franklin, Eld. J. B. Lehman, Mrs. S. R. Thomas.

North Carolina—Eld. R. L. Peters, Eld. O. Zollar, Eld. M. C. Walker, Mrs. O. Zollar, Mr. Matthew Hamilton.

Ohio—Mr. W. O. Jackson, Mrs. W. O. Jackson, Eld. R. H. Davis.

Tennessee—Eld. D. W. Bradley, Eld. Monroe Jackson, Mr. J. C. Hughes, Eld. Wm. Martin, Mrs. Dora White, Mrs. J. L. Hardin, Miss Bessie Chandler.

Texas—Prof. T. W. Pratt.

Virginia—Mrs. Emma Penn, Miss J. K. Spencer, Mrs. E. M. Long, Eld. J. F. Whitfield.

Total receipts—\$19.75.

The Committee.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

I, your Corresponding Secretary, beg leave to make the following report:

Letters sent during 1926-27:	
October, 1926.....	2
October, 1926, sent stationery to President and Recording Secretary.....	
November, 1926.....	3
September, 1927.....	5
Total	10

Did not send blanks to State President as I was waiting for instructions from the National President.

HATTIE TYREE, Cor. Sec'y.

RECORDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

We, the Recording Secretary and Treasurer, beg leave to make the following report of money collected and spent at the Louisville Convention in August, 1926, to the Washington Convention, 1927:

Money Collected.

Enrollment fees of 25c.....	\$ 13.75
Enrollment of states.....	60.00
Enrollment of Bible Schools.....	127.00
Offering for Bible School Department.....	12.50
After collections.....	16.25
Brought forward from 1925.....	65.84
Total	\$295.34

Disbursements.

R. H. Davis, travel and expenses.....	\$ 15.00
R. M. Logan, one-half railroad fare.....	10.28
Hattie Tyree, one-half railroad fare.....	23.76
Mary E. Taylor, recording fee.....	10.00
Hattie Tyree, correspondence, postage, etc.....	1.25
H. L. Herod, programs of 1925-26.....	21.84
U. C. M. S. for Religious Education.....	125.00
Preston Taylor for minutes of 1926.....	25.00
Total	\$232.13
Balance	\$ 63.21

Mary E. Taylor, Recording Secretary.

Retta M. Logan, Treasurer.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE.

We, the Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to make the following report:

The eleventh annual convention of the Disciples of Christ having assembled with the Twelfth Street Christian Church in the capitol city of our nation and closing this Convention, which has been a glorious one; being entertained to the highest in every respect; and believing that this people has exhausted every effort within its power to make this possible; be it resolved, therefore, that we extend a rising vote of thanks for the same, wishing the church God-speed in the great work it is doing, and leave here praying that the day is not far distant when this church shall grow to be the largest church in this brotherhood, if for no other reason, for the one that it is situated under the dome of our nation's capital.

The Committee.

FINANCE REPORT.

We, the Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

Money collected from states.....	\$233.00
Enrollment	19.75
Offering	17.00
Gift to Miss Blackburn—special offering.....	16.07
Received from R. H. Davis on loan.....	14.00
Donation on Expenses of delegate to World Con.....	7.00
Brought forward from 1926.....	63.21
Sunday morning offering in Bible School.....	15.72

Grand total.....\$385.75
 The Sunday morning offering was donated to the Washington Church.
The Committee.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

MINUTES OF SESSION ON BUSINESS.

Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 the C. E. Department met for business with the President in the chair.

- Devotionals by Prof. P. H. Moss, Kan.
- Report of Enrollment Committee read and adopted.
- Report of Future Work Committee read and adopted.
- Reports of States.

Motion carried that the money sent to the Convention by the Tri-State Convention be equally divided between the departments.

Report of Nomination Committee read and adopted.

COMMITTEES FOR CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR DEPT.

Enrollment—Miss Bessie Chandler, Tenn.; Miss Ruth Thomas, Va.; Mrs. S. R. Thomas, Miss.; Mrs. C. E. Craggett, Mo.

Reports—Mr. C. L. Welch, Mo.; Mrs. Ardelia Staples, Md.; Mrs. Pearl Clark, Md.

Future Work—V. G. Smith, Mo.; Prof. P. H. Moss, Kan.; Mrs. L. A. Devine, Ohio; Miss D. L. Blackburn, Kan.; W. O. Jackson, Ohio.

Nomination—Mr. R. B. Welch, Mo.; R. D. Brooks, D. C.; Mesdames L. Murdock, Md.; M. LaTouche, Ill.; F. Gooden, D. C.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

FUTURE WORK COMMITTEE.

We recommend:

1. That the Bible School and the Christian Endeavor continue in the correlation of their inspirational program.
2. That the national goal for the Christian Endeavor Societies be \$500.00.
3. That each state or district represent in the National Convention with \$5.00 and each local society with \$1.00, with a representation fee for individuals of 25 cents.
4. That each state be asked to send a representative to the National Convention.
5. That the Christian Endeavor Department be given a period for its business.

The Committee.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to make the following report. For officers for the National Christian Endeavor Convention for the next conventional year we suggest the following:

President—P. A. Gray, Jr., Missouri.

Vice-President—W. H. Taylor, Maryland.

Corresponding and Recording Secretary—Miss Bessie Chandler, Tennessee.

Assistant Corresponding and Recording Secretary—Miss Ruth Thomas, Virginia.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. E. Craggett, Missouri.

The Committee.

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 1927.

Morning Session.

The Ninth Session of the W. M. S. Convention opened August 31 at the Twelfth Street Christian Church, Washington, D. C., with the President, Mrs. W. Alphin, presiding.

Devotionals by Mrs. B. B. Hutsell, Ky., consisting of songs, scripture lesson and prayer.

The National Officers were presented to the Convention and each delegate introduced herself.

The appointment of committees next took place. (See committees.)

Report of Corresponding Secretary was read, received, adopted and handed to the Auditing Committee.

Report of Secretary of Children's Work read, received, adopted and handed to the Auditing Committee.

Report of the National President was read, adopted and handed to the Auditing Committee. This report was a splendid one.

Report of State Representatives from the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Maryland, Piedmont District, Tri-State.

Mr. G. K. Lewis brought his address on the "Disciples of Christ—Their Plea."

Hymn—"Further On."

Offering—\$3.40.

Benediction—Mr. G. K. Lewis, St. Louis, Mo.

Afternoon Session.

Minutes of previous session read and adopted with necessary corrections.

The Enrollment Committee reported with ninety-two persons and \$23.00.

Mrs. Rosa B. Grubbs, National Field Secretary, made an excellent detailed report of the year's work.

Solo—Mrs. Jackson, Mo.

An Address—“**The Challenge of Our Church to Its Women,**” by Mrs. Mary VanBuren, was inspiring.

Mrs. Ardellia Staples, Md., ably discussed “**Youth and the Missionary Program.**” (See supplement.)

Next the subject, “**Caring for Our Juniors,**” thoroughly discussed by Miss Bessie Chandler, Tenn. (See supplement.)

Miss Anna M. Clark, Young People's Secretary of the U. C. M. S., gave an inspiring and interesting address.

Reports of Enrollment, Future Work, Auditing, Reports, Honor Roll, Reading Contest Committees were given.

Adjournment.

Evening Session.

Devotionals by Mrs. Susan Offutt, Ohio.

Minutes read of previous session. Adopted with necessary corrections.

Mrs. Susan Offutt, Asst. Secretary, then presented Mrs. W. M. Alphin, National President of the Convention, who then gave her annual address. This address was thoughtful and interesting. (See supplement.)

Solo by Mrs. Jones, Kan.

Address—“**Why Accept and Raise Our National Apportionment**” was given by Mrs. J. H. Thomas, Va.

Missionary sermon by Eld. P. A. Gray, Mo.

Invitation Hymn—“**Throw Out the Life Line.**”

Motion passed that a telegram be sent to Mrs. Affra B. Anderson.

The Nomination Committee made its report. Motion passed that the Vice-Presidents absent be stricken off. Motion passed that this rule be suspended and that the absent sisters be re-elected. Report of committee adopted.

Remarks by Mrs. Hamilton of the Community Service of Washington were appropriate.

An offering of \$1.00 was called for and offering totaled \$47.53.

Adjournment.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE.

At two o'clock Thursday afternoon, September 1, the W. M. S. Convention met in session for a conference in the Y. M. C. A. Building, conducted by Miss Clark of the U. C. M. S.

The subject was “**Our Young People.**” She emphasized the importance of organizing the young people into Mission Circles and Triangles and gave out literature for each group.

She also spoke in an interesting way of the Young People's Conference that was held at the Southern Christian Institute.

Several white visitors were introduced and gave words of greeting. Among these was Miss Anna Mullen, a returned missionary from India. She too made appropriate remarks.

Adjournment.

COMMITTEES OF W. M. S. CONVENTION.

Enrollment—Mesdames Cammie Doolin, Mo.; Dora White, Tenn.; Katherine Keith, Ill.; Susie Fontaine, N. C.; Nettie Jackson, Mo.

Auditing—Miss Ruth Thomas, Va.; Miss Pearl Clark, Md.; Miss Bessie Chandler, Tenn.; Mrs. Mary Brown, Kan.

Reading Contest—Mesdames L. A. Devine, Ohio; H. L. Herod, Ind.; Susie Fontaine, N. C.

Reports—Mesdames B. B. Hutsell, Ky.; O. Zollar, N. C.; A. Staples, Md.; M. J. Brown, Miss.; S. C. Meadows, N. C.

Future Work—Mesdames J. H. Thomas, Va.; C. H. Dickerson, Ky.; J. L. Hardin, Tenn.; S. M. Brown, Ky.; S. L. Bostick, Ark.; Susan Offutt, Ohio; Eunice Long, Va.

Nominating—Mesdames N. W. Magowan, D. C.; J. L. Hardin, Tenn.; L. H. Crawford, Kan.; E. C. Dyson, Mo.; M. LaTouche, Ill.; H. Butler, Ind.

Honor Roll—Mesdames P. H. Moss, Kan.; H. A. Singleton, Ky.; E. B. Penn, Va.; R. B. Grubbs, Mo.

REPORTS.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CHILDREN'S WORK.

Societies Enrolled	49
Members	315
Societies Contributing to U. C. M. S.	12
Societies Registering in this Convention.....	9
Subscribers for "King's Builders".....	12

Financial Report:

Report Blanks	\$4.00
Letters	4.00
Postal Cards .....	.50
Stationery .....	.50

Total Expenses	\$9.00
Amount Received	8.03

Deficit \$0.97

S. M. KING, Supt.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

I wish to make the following report:

Amount received last year at Louisville, Ky.....	\$25.00
Amount received since the Convention.....	10.00

Total Receipts \$35.00

For letter heads and envelopes.....	\$38.40	
For report blanks.....	5.50	
For future work report.....	3.50	
For mailing letterheads.....	1.50	
For trips for printing.....	4.50	
Letters written—108.....	2.16	
Total Disbursements.....		\$46.56
Balance Due.....		\$11.56

L. E. MAYBERRY.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

Amount raised during the Convention.....	\$392.48
Brought forward from Louisville Convention.....	101.81

Total Receipts.....	\$494.29
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DISBURSEMENTS AT CONVENTION.

To Mrs. Mayberry, fare and balance office expenses.....	\$61.24
To Miss King, fare and office expenses.....	8.03
Miss Hardin, one-half railroad fare, compilation price, office expenses.....	14.53
Mrs. Herod, office expenses.....	5.00
To Prof. Pratt for sending telegram.....	1.37
To Eld. Herod for programs for two years.....	21.83
To Mrs. Alphin, board, office expenses, fare.....	60.13
To Mrs. H. A. Singleton.....	35.00

Total Disbursements at the Convention.....	\$207.13
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Disbursements Since the Convention.

Oct. 25—To Mrs. Alphin, expenses to International Convention.....	\$70.00
Jan. 22—To Eld. Taylor for the Minutes.....	60.00
April 10—To Mrs. Alphin, fare and expenses to St. Louis.....	25.00
April 27—To Mrs. Mayberry, office expenses.....	10.00
July 27—To Mrs. Alphin, fare and expenses to National Convention.....	102.80

Total Disbursements Since Convention.....	\$267.80
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Grand Total of Disbursements.....	474.93
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Balance on Hand.....	19.36
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ELIZABETH M. HARDIN.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

Office Expenses for Year 1926-27:

Amount received.....	\$25.00
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Disbursements:

Letters written—231.....	\$4.62
Letters written for Publication—6.....	.14
Cards written—17.....	.17
Special letter—1.....	.12
Telegrams—5.....	4.58
General letters in January.....	4.74
Mailing of letters in January.....	4.00
General letters in June.....	4.75
Mailing general letters in June.....	4.00
Mailing National Minutes.....	.86

Total Disbursements.....	\$27.99
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Balance Due.....	2.99
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MRS. WILLIAM ALPHIN.

TREASURER.

August, 1926, to August, 1927.

Brought forward at Louisville.....	\$101.81
Received at Louisville.....	392.48
Total Receipts	\$494.29
Expenditures:	
L. E. Mayberry.....	\$61.24
S. M. King.....	8.03
E. M. Hardin.....	14.63
E. F. Herod.....	5.00
T. W. Pratt.....	1.37
H. L. Herod.....	21.83
Mrs. Alphin	60.13
Mrs. Singleton	35.00
Mrs. Wm. Alphin	70.00
Oct.—Eld. Taylor	60.00
June—Mrs. Alphin	25.00
July—Mrs. Mayberry	10.00
Aug.—Mrs. Wm. Alphin	102.80
Total Disbursements	\$474.93
Balance on Hand.....	19.36

ELIZABETH HEROD.**COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS.**

1. We recommend that all recommendations of 1926-27 be retained with the exception of No. 5. These recommendations are as follows:

1. We recommend that each state be represented in the National Convention by paying \$10.00 with an additional \$2.00 for each local society. We further recommend that each unorganized state represent with \$5.00.

2. We recommend that wherever there is a local society in which there is a National Officer, that the Society be urged to assist in sending that officer as a delegate to the National Convention.

3. We recommend that twenty Women's Missionary Societies will raise \$100 or more through the general funds for the year ending 1928 National Convention.

4. We recommend that each Society use the Missionary Thank Offering Boxes for the Easter offering and each woman be urged to give at least \$1.00 as her Thank Offering.

*5. That there shall be some constructive work done by the National Officers, by holding institutes or conferences in the various states urging local Presidents to attend.

6. We recommend that the National President meet any state Conventions that invite her and that the National Convention pay one-half of the railway fare, where the state is too weak to pay fare.

7. We recommend that all officers, National, State and local be subscribers to **The World Call**.

8. We recommend that an honor roll be maintained with the following points of merit.

a. That the society will have twelve monthly meetings with programs.

b. That there will be held at least six executive meetings of the committee.

c. That four quarterly reports be sent to the U. C. M. S. and to the State Treasurer.

d. That there be a 25 per cent increase in membership.

e. That 50 per cent of homes in the Missionary Society be subscribers to **The World Call**.

*The Original No. 5 has been omitted and the numbering has been continued consecutively.

- f. That there be an attainment of 1000 points in Reading Contest.
 g. That each society have organization of children's work.
 h. That the Missionary Society have a paid up membership and observe special days.
 i. We further recommend that all W. M. S. meeting these requirements be given a certificate of honor.
 2. We recommend that the society raising the highest amount over its national apportionment be awarded a prize suggested by a committee appointed by the president.
 3. We recommend that our aim be: a. 10 new Societies. Membership of 3,000. b. 400 Boys and Girls Societies. c. 200 King's Builders and 40 Societies.

THE COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE.

- Arkansas—Mrs. Sara L. Bostick.
 California—Eld. B. L. Jacobs.
 District of Columbia—Mesdames Hattie Tyree, H. D. Griffin, Eld. H. D. Griffin, Mr. G. F. Hughes.
 Illinois—Eld. R. E. LaTouche, Mesdames Emma Brooks,* M. A. La Touche,* C. Keith,* Delia Howland,* Ella Crawford,* Eld. G. R. Dorsey.
 Indiana—Mesdames Hattie Butler, H. L. Herod,* Carrie Galloway, Minnie Jasper.
 Kansas—Eld. L. H. Crawford, Mesdames L. H. Crawford, J. T. Richardson, H. M. Holloway, Jennie Dyson, P. H. Moss,* Mr. Joseph Willis.**
 Kentucky—Eld. C. H. Johnson, Miss E. M. Hardin,* S. M. King, Mesdames C. H. Dickerson,* B. B. Hutsell,** S. M. Brown,* M. E. Taylor, E. M. Alcorn.
 Maryland—Mesdames K. Robinson, Daisy Phenix,* Esther Scott, Ardellia Staples, Lucy Murdock, Mr. E. Stevenson, Miss Malcoma Robinson.
 Mississippi—Mesdames S. R. Thomas,* L. B. Brazand,* M. J. Brown, G. A. Franklin, Eld. I. C. Franklin.
 Missouri—Mesdames Nettie Jackson, Katherine Jones, Fannie Scott, R. M. Logan, Mary Brown, C. E. Craggett, W. Alphin, Mary VanBuren,* Elders W. Alphin, P. A. Gray, J. J. Green, C. E. Craggett, V. G. Smith, Miss Fannie Berry,* R. B. Grubbs,* Cammie Doolin, Ethel Dyson, Messrs. H. S. Calkins, R. L. Welch, Elmer Doolin.
 New York—L. L. Henderson.
 North Carolina—Mesdames Susie Fontaine,* S. C. Meadows, O. Zollar, Eld. O. Zollar.*
 Ohio—Mesdames R. W. Watson, Julia Gamby, Susan Offutt, William Jackson, Ruby Kelly, L. A. Devine, Elders R. W. Watson, R. H. Davis.
 Oklahoma—Mrs. L. E. Mayberry.
 Tennessee—Elds. Preston Taylor, Wm. Martin, Mr. J. C. Hughes, Mesdames Dora White, Vinie Polk, Jennie L. Jardin, Margaret Bridwell.
 Texas—Prof. T. W. Pratt.
 Virginia—Elds. J. F. Whitfield, Mesdames Eunice Long, E. B. Penn, J. H. Thomas, Miss J. K. Spencer.
 The Star at the names of those on the list of enrollment denotes that that individual gave \$1.00 in the Contribution on Wednesday evening. Others who did not register in the Convention but gave the dollar are as follows:
 Washington—Mesdames Hamilton, Rosa W. Wade, Messrs. West, Tyree, Turner, Samuels, Miss Marie Bragg, Messrs. John Chambers, George Gray, Ben Gray, S. R. Daniels.
 Kansas—Prof. P. H. Moss, Miss D. L. Blackburn.
 Kentucky—Mrs. H. A. Singleton.
 Maryland—Eld. W. H. Taylor.
 Mississippi—Eld. B. C. Calvert.
 North Carolina—Eld. M. C. Walker.
 Tennessee—Mrs. Ida Taylor.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON READING CONTEST.

We, the Committee on the Reading Contest, wish to report the following:

State	Reading Circles	Books
Missouri	1	7
Ohio	4	18
Virginia	2	5
Kansas	0	10
Arkansas	2	4
California	1	14
D. C.	0	2
Total	10	60

THE COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The Auditing Committee reported a mistake of a few cents found in treasurer's, recording secretary's and children's workers' reports. The error was corrected.

THE COMMITTEE.

THE SUPPLEMENT.

The first thing in this supplement is the Revised Constitution adopted by the National Convention at Washington, D. C., on September 2, 1927.

The addresses reviewed here are those delivered by the persons named at this Convention. These are not excerpts. Often no quotations from the addresses are in this little review. The object is to give in this form some of the substance of the addresses for use and consideration in the local organizations. The entire address appears in the **Christian Plea** and can be obtained from that office by anyone interested in the full report. Some sermons and speeches, however, are taken from the minutes of the session and were not written, hence will not be published.

Where possible the tables of statistics of the conventions are combined, thus cutting down on the amount of duplication.

The reports of the Field Workers are also given in full in this supplement.

Last there is a table giving the offerings of the various states by churches and departments to the U. C. M. S. for the year July 1, 1926, to June 30, 1927. This appears in the Year Book, but as this volume is not available to all at all times, the re-issue of it in this minute will be considered as a service to the churches.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE NATIONAL CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY CONVENTION OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST.

I.

Name.

This organization shall be known as the National Christian Missionary Convention of the Churches of Christ.

II.

Membership.

This organization shall be composed of: (1) Churches known as Christian or Disciples of Christ with their auxiliary agencies; (2) State and Districts' Conventions represented by duly elected delegates; (3) and such others as the Convention in session may provide.

III.

Object.

The object of this organization shall be to co-operate in preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ both at home and unto the uttermost parts of the earth; and to assist in promoting Christian education and benevolence.

This object shall be carried out by such methods as the Convention in session may adopt; and to co-operate with other organizations of Disciples of Christ, or otherwise, in carrying out this object shall not be denied.

The wisdom and extent of such co-operation when not expressed by the Convention in session shall be left to the wisdom of the Executive Committee subject to the approval of the Convention.

Neither this organization, or any of its officers, shall at any time assume any authority whatever over any local congregation of disciples.

IV.

Officers.

The officers of this organization shall be: President, three Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees, whose duties shall be those usually performed by such officers, etc.

The officers shall serve from the close of the Convention, by which they were selected, until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

The Recording Secretary and Treasurer may be paid for services. The Treasurer shall give bond at the expense of the Convention.

V.

Charter.

This organization shall be a chartered Institution and shall have its legal headquarters in the City of Nashville, County of Davidson, State of Tennessee; but shall have power to meet and

transact business at any place designated by the Convention or the Executive Committee considered wise.

VI.

Departments.

The organized departments of the Convention shall be: (1) The Church, (2) Bible School, (3) Women's Missionary Society, (4) Christian Endeavor.

1. Each department may elect its own officers and make its own By-Laws, provided such does not conflict with the object and Constitution of this organization, as interpreted by the Executive Committee.

2. Each department shall have definite allotted space and time on the Convention Program, such space and time be allotted by the Program Committee, and the program submitted to the Joint Executive Committee for approval.

3. Each department shall share in the financial maintenance and promotion of the Convention. The financial quota of each department for maintenance and promotion shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

VII.

Committees.

This organization shall have: (1) An Executive Committee; (2) a Committee to constitute, with an equal number from the United Christian Missionary Society, a Joint Executive Committee; (3) a Recommendation Committee; (4) a Program Committee, and such other as the Convention may think wise.

(A)—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President of the Convention, the President or one member from each department of the Convention, the Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer of the Church Department, and the Chairman of the Recommendation Committee.

2. This Committee shall have charge of the promotion, supervision of all business pertaining strictly and solely to the administration of the National Convention (but not its alliances) during the recess of the Convention.

It shall meet at least once during the recess of the Convention and five members shall constitute a quorum.

It shall fill all vacancies in its own body, also members for the Joint Executive Committee.

(B)—JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The members of this Committee, elected by this Convention, shall be nominated by the Recommendation Committee and elected to serve one, two and three years; and no one who is receiving a salary, or in any way financial support, from the General Fund (except expenses) of this Convention shall serve on this Committee.

The Joint Executive Committee shall recommend and nominate to this Convention all field workers, who shall in any capacity, or for any reason, do general work among the Negro churches and their auxiliaries under the supervision of the United Society and this Convention.

(C)—RECOMMENDATION COMMITTEE.

1. This Committee shall consist of one member from each state, who shall be elected by the state conventions or state boards. Women may be members of this Committee. When members are qualified by credentials, the President of the Convention shall name the Chairman and Secretary of the Committee.

2. This Committee shall serve also as a Nominating Committee, and shall nominate all officers for Church Department of the Convention and the members of the Joint Executive Committee.

3. It shall hold sessions during the setting of the Convention at the call of the Chairman, and recommend to the Convention at the business period all business matters, recommendations and resolutions.

All business matters, recommendations and resolutions, for the action of the Convention, shall be submitted to this Committee to be considered and recommended with its approval or disapproval to the Convention.

4. Seven members shall constitute a quorum.

VIII.

Amendments.

1. This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at any regular session of the Convention by a two-third majority vote of the delegates present and voting, providing the proposed amendment has been published in the Christian Plea for four consecutive weeks, and submitted in writing to the Recording Secretary and read before the Convention at least one day before action is taken by the Convention.

BY-LAWS.

1. Each delegate or representative shall pay an enrollment fee of not less than two dollars (\$2.00).

2. Each State or District Convention shall pay an enrollment fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for each church reporting in the State Convention. Churches in states where there is no State Convention may enroll with five dollars (\$5.00).

3. The cost of local entertainment shall be left to the local church entertaining the Convention and the Executive Committee of the Convention.

4. All money reported and received from all sources in Church Department during the Convention shall be accurately recorded by the Recording Secretary and Treasurer and disbursed by the Executive Committee of the Convention.

5. A vote on any question shall be taken by states when any such vote is called for by three (3) delegates representing three (3) states. In such case, the roll shall be called in alphabetical order. In all other cases, the vote may be taken as the President instructs.

6. Each state and district represented in the Convention shall be entitled to one vote for each five hundred (500) members or fraction thereof reported in the last Convention. The church where there is no state organization shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

7. No proxy vote shall be cast.

8. The Convention shall pay the railroad expenses of the Executive Committee meeting during the recess of the Convention.

9. The Executive Committee shall make its annual report at the beginning of the Church Department session of the Convention.

HIGH POINTS IN ADDRESS OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

Eld. Preston Taylor, Nashville, Tenn.

He mentioned the following facts:

Illness prevented the amount of work being done that is usually accomplished. The first invitation accepted was to deliver the Commencement Address at Jarvis Christian College. Next he visited the church at Chicago and found it in a good condition.

The next trip was to the Tennessee State Convention at Bristol.

The work of the Joint Executive Committee has been gratifying.

The Christian Plea has not been supported by the brotherhood as it should have been. Money is necessary to make the paper whatever it is wished to make it. The best that can be done with the limited funds is now being done in regards to the paper.

The survey of the schools resulted in the making of Jarvis Christian Institute a Junior College, Southern Christian Institute doing Junior College work and Piedmont Christian Institute a feeder for these two. Fisk is a college because it had and has the money necessary to make it reach the requirements. So it is with our schools. Colleges are the dividends on investment.

If one cannot be a booster, don't be a croaker. If nothing helpful can be said, then silence is the best policy. Let harmony and peace continue was the closing injunction of the president.

HIGH POINTS IN THE ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BIBLE SCHOOL CONVENTION.

By Prof. T. W. Pratt, Dallas, Texas.

He deplored the fact that a greater number of boys and girls can be attracted to the show than to the Bible School or other religious gathering.

He emphasized the necessity of using a definite plan and purpose in the Bible School as is used in the factory in measuring the time, money and energy needed to produce the products. Boys and girls are more interested if given an opportunity to help plan the part they will take on the program of the Bible School. Our schools must do more to hold the youth.

He pointed out the constant change in the secular things and prophesied that the church must change its methods to keep pace with the secular movements.

The Church must link up and save the boys and girls of our brotherhood.

STUDYING MISSIONS FROM A WORLD'S VIEWPOINT.**Presidential Address of Mrs. W. Alphin at the W. M. S. Convention.**

The early church was a missionary church. It gave all of its surplus means in money, man-power and spiritual strength to the propagation of the gospel among the nations.

This same spirit of missionary zeal came into America and caused the organization of Missionary Societies in every communion including our own. The Christian Woman's Board of Missions was organized over fifty years ago and was merged with the United Christian Missionary Society in 1920.

The work that is being initiated and administered under this society is of the type that commands the interest and support of all loyal Disciples of Christ. The work among the Negro in the south, the educational work among the mountain whites, the missionary, social and recreational program for our young people, the agencies for leadership training, as well as the foreign missions are all parts of a world missionary effort.

The greatest work of mankind is an unselfish work. Race prejudices have no place in a missionary program and youth has early recognized this fact. Missions from a world viewpoint is the only solution for race problems.

(This address appears in the *Christian Plea* for November 12.)

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM.**The Annual Address of Eld. S. C. Devine, President of the C. E. Convention.**

Youth requires a saving agency and the Christian Endeavor is an attempt to provide an organization for that purpose.

Its program is so arranged that it tends to save through the enlistment of every power of youth in its activities. Loyalty and fidelity are its watch-words.

Fidelity in worship to a graded worship program is the ideal that is sponsored.

Fidelity in instruction presupposes example and precept in teaching.

Fidelity in recreation plans to take care of the surplus energy and direct it toward the building of a spiritual personality.

Fidelity in service is engaged in the use of the individual thus trained through worship, instruction and recreation in some definite bit of actual work for the benefit of others.

(This address appears in the *Christian Plea* of October 29, 1927.)

HIGH POINTS IN THE ADDRESS OF MR. R. M. HOPKINS.**By Mr. R. M. Hopkins, St. Louis, Mo.**

First he spoke in glowing terms of the beginnings of the National Convention and of the continued and wonderful fellowship that had been the portion of all who attended regularly.

His subject matter for the address was based upon the trip he had recently taken to Belgium in the interests of Religious Education. He mentioned the plans there made for the World Sunday School Convention to meet in Los Angeles, California, next July 11-19, this being the first one in the last decade in this country.

Also he made fraternal visits to Great Britain, France, Denmark and Norway. He told of the condition of our brotherhood in these lands. France has only a small group due to the strength of the Roman Catholic Church in that land. Two small congregations in Copenhagen are the sole representatives of the Christian Church in Denmark. In Norway there were twelve or fifteen churches. In fact, on the continent of Europe there are less Disciples than on any other continent in the world, even though the rest of the world beside America is considered non-Christian lands.

He mentioned five reasons that he believes to lie at the basis of the unproductiveness of the Christian Churches in Europe.

1. They lay little emphasis on the Bible School and religious education.

2. They are not fired by an evangelistic zeal.
3. They are unorganized in a larger way like state, regional or national conventions or assemblies.
4. They do not train their young men for the ministry.
5. They are possessed by a missionary passion like the one that thrill the hearts of the Christians here in America for those who have gone out to do the larger work of the kingdom.

CARING FOR OUR JUNIORS.

Address by Miss Bessie Chandler, Nashville, Tenn., at the W. M. S. Convention.

The world in all of its progress finds itself dependent upon the advances that are made through the education of its children. The church before it can attain to the new era of Christian efficiency and service must educate at least one generation to the program.

In caring for our Juniors, the contacts must be natural, that is through channels that are open to the mind of the young person. Reading is one of the activities of this age. Hero worship is another. The lives and labors of the missionaries and their ventures in quest of Christian universality, make reading for this age that will educate religious as it feeds the imagination.

Special care in this age of character-building and ideal-formation means much to the future Christian activity of the individual.

(This entire address may be found in the *Christian Plea* of October 8, 1927.)

YOUTH AND THE MISSIONARY PROGRAM.

Address by Mrs. Ardellia Staples, Baltimore, Md., at the W. M. S. Convention.

Youth has five qualities that the church can well develop, namely, independence, heroism, enthusiasm, faith and activity. The church's part is to train these potentialities in such a manner that growth and development will naturally result in Christian personalities that are missionary in every impulse.

Most of the indifference and opposition to the missionary projects come from ignorance of the enterprise. Because charity begins at home does not obviate the obligation to make disciples of all nations.

An adequate missionary program does not only include preaching the gospel to the heathen but also the tasks of healing, education, reformation, cleansing, and socializing the backward peoples.

Missionary instruction in the Bible School as well as in the missionary organization, ties up the youth to the program. Vocational guidance recruits workers for the missionary task.

But after all, example is the best teacher for youth. (This address appears in the *Christian Plea* for October 1, 1927.)

THE JOYOUS TASK OF LEADING CHILDHOOD TO CHRIST.

Address by Mrs. E. Starling read by Mrs. E. B. Penn at the Bible School Convention.

The field of vocations is large. Each one renders joy to those selecting it. But there is no joy to compare with the pleasure of leading childhood to Christ.

The joy that it brings is fourfold.

1. It brings unlimited pleasure to the Christian worker to lead the faltering young footsteps in the paths of righteousness.
2. It rejoices the heart of the loving Christ to have the little ones brought unto Him for His benediction on their lives.
3. It brings joy to the heart of the adult Christian to witness the sur-

render of a young life full of potentialities and possibilities to the service of the Christ. For in this store of man-power lies the future of Christianity and its world program of uplift.

4. It brings joy to the child to be allowed to take refuge in Him whose kingdom is based upon the innocent qualities of pure, unsullied Childhood.

(The entire address may be found in the *Christian Plea* of October 22, 1927.)

TRAINING IN SERVICE.

Address by Miss J. K. Spencer, Roanoke, Va., at the Bible School Convention.

Training IN service is the term, not training TO serve, nor FOR service, nor training BEFORE service but IN service—a progressive education based upon the laws of learning through doing.

Training is the watchword of this day. In every profession, occupation, vocation and process, training is imperative. This necessity for special preparation has progressed beyond the class of leaders and we are coming to realize the importance of a trained followship.

Service is a Christian ideal. Selfishness is a past virtue. But to serve adequately, preparation is necessary. This is obtained through the demonstration of trained leaders, constant practice and the use of suggestions made by experts.

The great essential is training. All that is efficient and orderly in a process is the result of intensive training. If real vital service is the mission of the church, surely training in service is imperative.

(This address appears in the *Christian Plea* of October 15, 1927.)

THE NEED FOR TRAINED MINISTERS.

The Address of Eld. R. H. Davis, Cincinnati, O., at the Church Convention.

Christian ministers have an example of scholarship and intellectual power in Jesus Christ who was well prepared to do His Father's business. Spiritual preparation is imperative in the follower of Jesus and is gained in no school or university. It is the growth of a soul in constant communion with God.

The need for training in ministers is urgent because of the pastor's peculiar relationship with all men and all issues. He must aid the people of his community to meet all the crises that arise whether they be economic, social, physical, political, intellectual or spiritual. Ministers need to cultivate the type of mind that can grasp and use every means of satisfying the needs of mankind.

Men of broad outlook and comprehensive vision are necessary for the ministry. Negativism is the essence of the gospel preached by a narrow individual.

Politics demands much of spiritual guidance and so deeply affects every man that the minister must be prepared to cope with the national and local issues of the political world.

Urbanization of population carries an impetus to preparation and training in Christian leaders. Respect and recognition of our church in the cities largely depend upon the personality and intellectual status of the minister pastoring there.

Success or failure of our program is pendant upon our leadership. Our apostolic example of the Disciples of Christ is gemmed with the teachings, writings and works of trained men. Missionary ventures were made by men who were scholars as well as Christians.

Men, money and training schools are the triple needs of our communion. Ministers must be kept in advance of the literacy increase if they are to be real leaders.

The task is ours as a brotherhood. Four classes of people in the churches can help greatly in obtaining a more efficient ministry.

1. The members possessed of material blessings should make larger gifts to Christian education, both in endowing schools and providing scholarships for promising young men.

2. The older ministers should encourage those striving for the ministerial calling to become better prepared.

3. The young minister should be ready and willing to make any sacrifice to get the best educational training possible.

4. The educated people of the church should help in the solving of race, denominational, social and religious problems in the community, thus demonstrating the use of training. To these falls the task of vitalizing the Christian motif in the community.

(This address appears in the *Christian Plea* of November 5, 1927.)

REPORT TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

By Supt. of Religious Education, Prof. P. H. Moss.



There is nothing that gives me more pleasure than to be able to work with others as well as to work for them. "Light is the task when many share the toil." It seems to me that one of the most outstanding features of our labor this year has been the fine spirit of co-operation with both the field force and the constituents of the field.

We have followed very closely in many ways our regular routine of work on the field serving the states of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Illinois, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

We have served our department of religious education through conventions, conferences, personal and group, week-end institutes, school of methods, young people's conference, vacation church school and office work. We have written a few articles to the *Christian Plea* and co-operated with the editor in endeavoring to place the *Plea* in every home. I wish to say that in this case there is much land yet to be possessed.

I attended several State Conventions and the International and the first **Youth Convention** of the Disciples of Christ held in Memphis, Tennessee. One of the most interesting conventions attended was the **General Assembly of the Disciples of Christ** in East North Carolina. This assembly convened at Pantego, N. C. Goldsboro-Raleigh District comprises about 24 counties extending from Oxford County in the northern part of the state to Wilmington County in the south, and as far east as Washington County. The Norfolk-Washington District comprises about 20 counties extending as far east as the coast. These two districts every quadrennial meet into what they call the General Assembly, representing a constituency of possibly more than 20,000. People zealous for the name Disciple, yet differing somewhat in their mode of worship, etc.

Leadership Training.

We feel that this year has surpassed any previous year in **Leadership Training**. The early part of February was spent in Tri-State Conference and Institute, bringing workers from Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri. The program that was so well planned that it took into account every phase of church work. All attending this conference expressed themselves greatly helped. June 6-12 our attention was given to the second Young People's Conference, which was held at the Southern Christian Institute, Edwards, Miss. Through this conference we reached the youth of the church with leadership training. Schools of Methods were held in the Piedmont Dis-

trict, Kentucky and Ohio, respectively. The Piedmont District and the Ohio Five Days' School of Methods were conducted by our own national team. Through these three schools we were able to reach many of the adult leaders in the church, Bible School, Women's Missionary Society and Christian Endeavors. The month of July we held our first Vacation Church School in the State of Alabama with the Birmingham Church. Through this effort the children of the church were reached and helped.

Field Force.

The increase of our staff by a fourth-time service of a Young People's Secretary is a valuable asset to our work. If a fourth-time worker can add so much to the efficiency of the work, what would a full-time worker do? When we fully realize what it means to save and train the youth of the church, we, through our generous offerings to the Department of Religious Education, will support a full-time worker for the young people.

For a half dozen years we have had the able assistance and most congenial service of a children's worker. She has gone into the homes and churches of our brotherhood rendering a service that has brought a new day to the children of the church. Her name is a household word of the children throughout the states. It is with deep regret that our elementary work contemplates a change to an adult department. It is hoped that at this last moment she will rescind the action and continue the well-begun work.

Office.

We have endeavored to serve our constituents in every possible way from our office. When on the field, our untiring office girl keeps things going.

Financial Statement.

It is with some regret that we did not reach our full goal of the National Apportionment, but I am glad to say that we went beyond the amount raised last year. Last year the receipts of the Bible School were \$2,557.95, and Christian Endeavor, \$211.28, a total of \$2,769.23. This year the receipts of the Bible School are \$2,686.25, and the Christian Endeavor, \$299.12, a total of \$2,985.37. \$3,500.00 National Apportionment less \$2,985.37 leaves a deficit of \$514.63. If we add the miscellaneous offering of \$73.19 makes a total of \$3,059.19, leaves a deficit of \$450.81.

I wish to call attention to the Financial Statement as taken from the books of the United Christian Missionary Society. This report gives the church and its departments co-operating in the raising of the national budget. The red emphasizing the need or apportionment, the black figures showing just how you met the needs. If all of our schools had co-operated we would have raised above our full apportionment.

Special Giving Schools.

The following schools are special giving schools: *

Illinois—	
*Oakwood Blvd., Chicago.....	\$100.00
Langly Avenue, Chicago.....	26.46
Indiana—	
Indianapolis	\$100.00
Kansas—	
*Emporia	\$ 26.46
Topeka	28.30
Kansas City.....	101.02
Kentucky—	
Danville	\$ 25.25
Lexington, 2nd.....	25.00
Paris, Little Rock.....	23.50
Louisville, Hancock St.....	26.25
Mt. Sterling, High St.....	106.00
Winchester, Broadway.....	41.47

Maryland—	
Baltimore, Mt. Olivet.....	\$ 44.80
Mississippi—	
Southern Christian Int.....	\$192.00
Mound Bayou, 1st.....	25.00
Missouri—	
Columbia, 2nd.....	\$ 26.00
Frankford.....	55.29
Fulton, 2nd.....	50.55
Kansas City.....	100.00
St. Louis Centenal.....	49.91
North Carolina—	
Winston-Salem, Cleveland Ave.....	\$ 26.00
Winton-Salem, Spencer Mem.....	25.00
Ohio—	
*Cincinnati, Kenyon Ave.....	\$ 50.00
Cleveland, 1st.....	25.00
Columbus, Monroe Ave.....	25.00
Dayton, Norwood Ave.....	49.10
Oklahoma—	
Chickasha.....	\$ 22.15
Clearview.....	25.00
Muskogee.....	25.00
Tennessee—	
Nashville, Lea Ave.....	\$100.00
Nashville, Gay St.....	22.00
Memphis, Miss. Blvd.....	25.00
Texas—	
Jarvis Christian Institute.....	\$ 66.00
Dallas, Thomas Ave.....	25.00
Virginia—	
Martinsville, Fayette St.....	\$ 37.50
Roanoke, 9th Ave.....	26.50

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF ELEMENTARY SUPERINTENDENT, MISS D. L. BLACKBURN.

It is with pleasure that I make this my sixth annual report to this our Eleventh National Convention. I have tried to serve the Bible schools to the best of my ability and I have enjoyed the fellowship of all the churches and regret that I can't continue in this service of serving the churches.

Beginning July 1, 1926, this year's work I started with a vacation church school at Winston-Salem, N. C., with 142 enrolled. It was a school with the co-operation of all the other churches of Winston-Salem. We had a very fine expression from the churches in the way they supported the school in a financial way.

August was spent in attendance of some of the state conventions. I visited the convention at Lawrence, Kan., Jackson, Miss., and the National Convention at Louisville, Ky. September was spent about ten days at the office, planning work for the year. Then I attended the Arkansas State Convention at Pearidge, Ark., and the rest of the month visiting some of the Bible schools. On account of illness I could not work all of Arkansas at this time. October I worked Mississippi, giving the entire month to the state visiting the Bible schools and attending a district convention at the close of the month. November I attended the International Convention, the Youths' Convention and the Field Workers' Conference at Memphis, Tenn. A part of November and December was spent working Texas. Most of the Bible schools were visited at that time.

February I attended and took part on the program of the Tri-State Institute, Kansas City, Mo. The One-Day Convention was also attended at that time. I was in attendance at the Council of Religious Education in Chicago. About fifteen days was spent in the office writing the follow-up

letters. March was spent working among the Bible schools in Oklahoma. I found the schools in a fine spirit for work. April I worked among the Bible schools in Kansas, visiting all the schools and helping in any way possible. I attended the Joint Executive Committee meeting at St. Louis, Mo., and helped to conduct an institute in a district convention at Independence, Mo. May was spent in visiting the schools in Alabama. I was in attendance at the commencement exercise at the Southern Christian Institute, Edwards, Miss. En route back to the office at Kansas City I visited some of the Bible schools in Missouri.

June one week was spent helping with the Young People's Conference at Edwards, Miss. One week was spent with a School of Methods in each of the following places: Martinsville, Va., with four credits given; Louisville, Ky., with four credits given; Dayton, Ohio, with seven credits given, making a total of fifteen credits given. This ended the missionary year, but since I worked two months longer, I want to report for the same. July, 1927, was spent with a vacation church school at Birmingham, Ala. A very fine school we had, with 49 enrolled and an excellent attendance until the very last day. I also attended the District Convention at the close of July at Oxmoor, Ala. August I have used the time in attending conventions—the Piedmont District Convention at Roanoke, Va., and the Ohio Convention at Springfield, Ohio. Some little time was spent at the office coming on to the convention, using the entire month. It has been a pleasure for me to work with the Bible schools and the workers of all the states.

SCHOOLS THAT HAVE PAID THE ASSESSMENT FOR THE DELEGATES' EXPENSES TO WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Baltimore, Md., Eld. W. H. Taylor.....	\$1.00
Langely Ave., Chicago, Ill., Eld. R. E. LaTouche.....	1.00
Roanoke, Va., Miss J. K. Spencer.....	1.00
Kansas City, Kan., Prof. P. H. Moss.....	1.00
Oakwood Blvd., Chicago, Mrs. James Brooks.....	1.00
Washington, D. C., Mrs. Hattie Tyree.....	1.00
Hagerstown, Md., Dr. M. F. Robinson.....	1.00
Total	\$7.00

STATISTICAL REPORT OF STATES TO THE NATIONAL BIBLE SCHOOL CONVENTION.

State	Schools	Pupils	State Work	U. C. M. S.	Convention
Alabama					\$ 10.00
Arkansas					2.00
California	1	75		\$ 19.08	5.00
Illinois	5	464	\$ 9.43	144.17	14.00
Indiana	1	175		100.00	2.00
Kansas	12	500	100.00	191.30	10.00
Kentucky	32	1,181	638.11	411.63	37.00
Md., Del., D. C.....	3	192	17.00	71.60	14.00
Missouri	16	503	226.95	364.64	42.00
Ohio	10			149.65	13.00
Oklahoma					5.00
Piedmont	15	579	197.28	182.91	32.00
Tennessee	6	353	61.00	189.66	22.00
Texas	50	600	350.00	197.96	24.00
Tri-State	12	560	55.00	25.00	1.00
Total	163	5,282	\$1,414.77	\$2,077.50	\$233.00

**RECEIPTS FROM THE NEGRO CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR
JULY 1, 1926, TO JULY 1, 1927.**

ALABAMA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Bessemer	\$ 3.00	\$.50					
Bethlehem, Ft. Deposit.....		2.05					
Birmingham, 11th	7.25	10.45	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00			
Macedonia, Oxmoor	11.60	15.10		13.00			
Montgomery, Ross St.....	6.35	12.37		15.72			
Mt. Pleasant, Mathews.....		10.00					
Mt. Zion, White Hall.....		3.49					
Salem, Ft. Deposit.....		2.00					
Union Point, Lum.....		3.70					
	\$ 28.20	\$ 59.66	\$ 5.00	\$ 43.72			
Grand total							\$136.58

ARKANSAS	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Antioch, Plummerville		\$ 1.50		\$ 3.51			
Edwards Chapel, Russellville.....		3.20		27.00			
Elliott Chapel, Wabaseka.....		21.76		35.15			
Holly Grove, England.....		3.40		3.10			
Little Rock, Cross St.....	\$ 15.00	2.20		31.50			
Mt. Sinai, N. Little Rock.....	11.25	15.00		39.55			
Oak Grove, Scott.....		13.17		12.09			
Pea Ridge, Kerrs.....	3.50	19.00		14.90			
Walnut Grove, Gethsemane.....				3.15			
	\$ 29.75	\$ 79.23		\$169.95			
Total							\$278.93
Arkansas State Convention B. S.....							14.00
Arkansas State Convention (Church).....							14.25

Grand total

\$307.18

CALIFORNIA, S.	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Los Angeles, Birch St.....	\$ 22.00	\$ 19.08		\$ 60.76			
Los Angeles, 33rd & Hopper.....				7.10			
	\$ 22.00	\$ 19.08		\$ 67.86			

Grand total

\$108.94

DIS. OF COLUMBIA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Wash., 12th St.....	\$ 25.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 7.50	\$ 24.80			
Grand total							\$84.30

FLORIDA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Bethlehem, Webster	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.50					
Edward Point, Century.....				\$ 3.00			
Mt. Zion, St. Petersburg.....	11.00	5.00		3.85			
New Salem, Tampa.....	3.00	9.00					
Union, West Tampa.....		6.00					
	\$ 17.50	\$ 23.50		\$ 6.85			

Total

\$47.85

Mt. Zion, St. Petersburg, \$5.00 Special.....

5.00

Grand total

\$52.85

GEORGIA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Antioch, Valdosta				\$ 15.00			
Bethesda, Oconee		\$ 3.00					
Eastman	\$ 1.75						
Good Hope, Valdosta.....		2.00					
Evergreen, Valdosta	7.00	8.00		21.00			
Hurst Grove, Lovett.....	1.00						

GEORGIA—Cont'd.	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Jackson Grove, Vandalia.....	5.00						
McClellon Grove, Soperton.....	5.00	5.00					
Macedonia, Lake Park.....	2.00						
Mercy Seat, Thomasville.....	1.13	5.85					
Mt. Herman, Lake Park.....	2.00	5.93					
Mt. Olive, Springfield.....		7.50		4.00			
New Mt. Pisgah, Th'm'sville.....	6.00	1.00					
Pine Grove, Cadwell.....		3.00					
Pine Hill, Dixie.....	1.50						
St. Mark, Homerville.....		4.75					
Springfield.....				3.00			
Welcome Home, Barney.....		2.10					
	\$ 41.88	\$ 38.63		\$ 43.00			

General total							\$123.51
Georgia State Convention (Church).....							5.00
Georgia State Convention (B. S.).....							3.00
South Georgia Union (Church).....							12.30
South Georgia Union (B. S.).....							5.00

Grand total

\$148.81

ILLINOIS	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Bloomington, 3rd	\$ 15.00	\$ 18.99		\$ 8.40			
Chicago, Langley Ave.....		26.46		52.50			
Chicago, Oakwood Blvd.....		99.62		162.60			
East St. Louis, Pilgrim Rest.....		2.25					
Rockford		2.46					
	\$ 15.00	\$149.78		\$223.50			

Grand total

\$388.28

INDIANA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Indianapolis, 2nd		\$100.00		\$270.00			\$12.00

Grand Total

\$382.21

KANSAS	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Atchison, 2nd	\$ 2.00	\$ 10.15		\$ 16.75			\$ 5.90
Emporia, 2nd		26.46		11.41			
Kansas City, 8th.....	39.25	101.02		100.00			
Lawrence, 2nd		5.00		3.00			
Parson, 2nd	5.00	7.50	\$ 2.50	27.15			
Topeka, 2nd	12.35	28.30	2.00	25.00			
Wathena	7.60	1.00					
White Cloud, 2nd.....	3.00	11.80					
Wichita, Indiana Ave.....	5.67	1.15					
	\$ 74.87	\$192.38	\$ 4.50	\$183.31			\$ 5.90

Total

\$427.74

Kansas City, 8th—\$10.00 Special (WMS.).....							10.00
Kansas State Convention (General)—\$15.00 (BS.); \$10.00 (WMS.)....							25.00

Grand total

\$462.74

KENTUCKY	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Aarons Run, Mt. Sterling.....		\$ 10.00		\$ 2.00			
Carlisle, High St.....	\$ 10.50	5.50		16.20			
Central Ch. Inst., Shepherdsville		17.73	\$ 5.00				
Corinth, Stepstone	2.00						
Covington	6.35	5.70		19.80			
Danville, Main St.....	20.00	25.25	5.00	34.80			
Fairview, Sharpsburg	5.00	5.00					
Georgetown	10.50	7.40					

KENTUCKY—Cont'd.							
	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Germantown	10.00	11.55		3.50			
Hopkinsville		1.00					
Hustonsville	25.00	5.00		18.00			
Lawrenceburg, 2nd	25.00	8.06					
Levee	10.00			2.50			
Lexington, E. 2nd	35.00	24.50	2.00	81.50			
Lexington, Prall St.	3.00						
Little Rock, Paris	33.00	23.50		50.00			
Louisville, Central	11.15	1.53		50.00			
Louisville, Hancock	15.35	26.25	42.50	71.57	\$24.70	\$14.14	\$ 2.76
Louisville, Third	25.00	5.75		47.20		7.00	2.00
Mayfield	6.00						
Mayslick, 2nd	12.50	9.00					
Midway	1.50			13.25			
Millersburg, 2nd	15.25			8.00			
Mt. Sterling, High St.	100.00	106.00	3.00	106.60		4.50	6.50
Nicholasville	10.25	10.00		12.00			
North Middletown	8.28	4.10		20.50			
Paducah, Trimble St.	8.00	14.25					
Paris, 7th St.		10.00		36.00			6.00
Stepstone, Mt. Sterling.	15.00						
Winchester, Broadway	7.00	41.47		24.25			
Stanford	3.60						
	\$434.23	\$378.54	\$ 57.50	\$617.67	\$24.70	\$25.64	\$17.26
Total							\$1,555.54

SPECIALS							
	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Little Rock, Paris				\$ 5.00			
Mt. Sterling, High.				7.00			
Paris, 7th St.				10.00			
Roaring Springs, Wallonia ..	\$ 2.50	China	Relief				
Winchester, Cent. Ch. (BS.) ..		\$ 17.00					
Mt. Sterling, Cent. Ch. Inst. ..				25.00			
	\$ 2.50	\$ 17.00		\$ 47.00			
Special total							\$ 66.50
Individual offerings							\$ 1.37
T. R. Everett, 458 Ohio St., Lexington, Ky., State Convention Misc.							20.00
Ky. School of Methods, Winchester (Blackburn Report)							26.91
Ky. School of Methods (Moss Report)							26.91

Total							\$ 75.19
General totals							\$1,630.73
Special totals							66.50
Grand total							\$1,697.23

MARYLAND							
	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Baltimore, Mt. Olivet	\$ 42.00	\$ 44.89		\$ 53.26			
Hagerstown, 2nd	10.00	3.00	4.00	50.00			
	\$ 52.00	\$ 47.89	\$ 4.00	\$103.26			
Grand total							\$207.15

MISSISSIPPI							
	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Antioch, Hermanville		\$ 1.50					
Antioch, Port Gibson		2.25					
Bethel, Coila		6.72					
Center, Hermanville		1.00		\$.70			
Christian Chapel, Greenwood ..	\$ 4.50						
Christian Chapel, Port Gibson	25.00	10.75	\$ 8.50	75.00			
Clarksdale Mission	10.00	5.00					

MISSISSIPPI—Cont'd.	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Edwards	9.50	9.75					
Fayette, 1st	9.00	7.30		1.50			
Forest Grove, Tillman		11.00					
Grand Gulf		5.00		16.50			
Hermanville, 1st	4.00	1.60					
Indianola	7.25						
Jackson, Faris St.	3.35	9.00					
Lorman	6.25	7.50		4.50			
Mound Bayou, 1st	10.60	25.00		37.86			
Mound Bayou, North	4.35			8.00			
Pilgrims Rest, Cedar Bluff	3.00						
Pine Grove, Port Gibson	2.55	8.00					
Providence, Tillman		4.00					
Rose Hill, Port Gibson		1.45					
Shaw		10.00					
Southern Chr. Inst., Edwards	180.00	192.00	67.15	82.90			\$17.00
Tillman	6.35	1.55					
Union Hill, Hermanville	4.75	10.00		18.45			
Vicksburg, Central	5.15	14.00		35.00			
Washington Add., Jackson	5.00	10.00		2.00			
Total	\$300.60	\$354.37	\$ 75.65	\$282.41			\$17.00
Individual offerings							3.25
J. B. Lehman, Edwards, Miss., Youth Convention Special							7.50

Grand total \$1,039.02

MISSOURI	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Blackwater, 2nd	\$ 7.30	\$ 7.50		\$ 6.50			
Chamois, 2nd	15.00	10.00	\$ 10.00	19.50			
Columbia, 2nd		26.00		44.50			
Frankfort, 2nd	15.00	55.29	7.00	50.00			\$10.00
Fulton, 2nd	50.00	50.55	10.00	100.00		\$ 3.10	
Hannibal, 2nd		2.45		8.20			
Jefferson, 2nd	29.00	7.00	5.50	41.50			
Kansas City, Woodland Ave.	150.00	100.00	12.50	101.60			
Lathrop, 2nd	14.00	7.90					
Madison, 2nd	16.50	11.05	5.00	12.50			
Napton		9.00		22.10			
New Haven, 2nd	5.45	2.50	3.00	25.00			
New London, 2nd	27.00	15.99					
St. Louis, Centennial	30.00	49.91	15.00	100.00			
Salisbury, 2nd		9.50		4.15			
General total	\$359.25	\$364.64	\$ 68.00	\$535.55		\$ 3.10	\$10.00

Specials

St. Louis Centennial (Cen. Chr. Inst.) (WMS.)	\$ 35.00
Columbia, 2nd (WMS.)	4.00

Special total \$ 39.00
 Grand total \$1,379.54

NORTH CAROLINA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Little Salem, Reidsville	\$ 7.47		\$ 8.97				
Mt. Pleasant, Greensboro	4.00	\$ 2.00					
Piney Fork, Leaksville		6.25					
Reidsville, 1st	5.80	5.93	5.00	\$ 50.00			\$ 1.50
St. Peter, Smithfield		3.00					
Winston-Salem, Cleveland Ave.	17.25	26.00		50.00			8.00
Winston-Salem, 9th St.		12.90					

NO. CAROLINA—Cont'd.	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Winston-Salem, North Main		1.25					
Winston-Salem, Spencer Mem.		25.60					
Total	\$ 34.52	\$ 82.93	\$ 13.97	\$100.00			\$ 9.50
							\$240.92

MISCELLANEOUS	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
North Wilksboro (CH., P. H. Moss Report) North Carolina	\$ 7.00						
Winston-Salem, Piedmont (BS., P. H. Moss Report)		\$ 5.00					
Tri-State Convention, R. L. Peters, Winston-Salem							\$ 5.00
Individual offerings							\$ 7.08
Grand total	\$ 7.00	\$ 5.00					\$260.00

OHIO	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Cincinnati, Kenyon	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 7.00	\$100.00			
Cleveland, 1st	15.00	25.00	10.00	52.97			
Columbus, Monroe Ave.	15.00	25.00	1.25	50.00		\$ 2.70	\$ 2.30
Dayton, Norwood	50.00	48.10		103.71			
Lockland, Maple St.				32.50			
Oxford, Elm. St.		7.55		1.80			
Springfield, 2nd	7.50	10.00		13.80			
Warren, Fulton St.				4.50			
Xenia, Main St.	16.95	9.00		25.10			
Youngstown				1.80			
Total	\$154.45	\$174.65	\$ 18.25	\$386.18		\$ 2.70	\$ 2.30
							\$738.18

Dayton, Norwood (C. C. Inst.) (WMS.)							10.00
Grand total							\$748.18

OKLAHOMA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Ardmore, F. St.	\$ 3.56	\$ 8.50					
Boley	12.00	7.60		\$ 1.00			
Chickasha, Shepard St.	8.00	22.15		13.00			
Clearview	12.50	24.50		25.00			
Muskogee, 2nd		25.00		22.96			
Oklahoma, E. 6th St.	12.60	7.00		25.00			
Osage, Okmulgee		5.00		9.00			
Rusk, Foley	3.00						
Tulsa, Madison Ave.		5.00					
Grand total	\$ 51.66	\$104.75		\$ 95.96			\$252.37

SOUTH CAROLINA	CH.	BS.	CE.	WMS.	CIR.	TRI.	B&G.
Antioch, Varnville				\$.50			
Briner, Holly Hill		\$ 1.25					
Cherry Grove, Brunson		10.05		3.00			
Cypress Creek, Walterboro		3.50					
Ehrhardt, 1st		1.50					
Galilee, Holly Hill		11.00		9.30			
Grove Hall, Summerville		3.00					
Poplar Hill, Ridgeville				3.50			
Rock Hill, Sycamore		1.50					
Three Mile Crk., Ehrhardt		4.00					
Holly Hill Conv. Misc.	\$ 25.00	5.00		10.00			
Total	\$ 25.00	\$ 39.80		\$ 26.30			\$91.10

Grand total Ch.	\$2,021.38
Grand total B. S.	2,347.40
Grand total C. E.	287.62
Grand total W. M. S.	4,021.19
Grand total Y. P. M. S.	159.80
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Grand total all departments.....	\$8,837.39
Specials and miscellaneous.....	452.03
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Grand total for all purposes.....	\$9,289.42



**REPORT OF MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS
TO U. C. M. S. AND NATIONAL
CONVENTION.**

Mrs. R. B. Grubbs, Field Secretary.

The report this year shows an increase in organizations of 11; 33 societies reached or went beyond their apportionment; 15 societies gave \$100 or more for Missions this year, whereas last year only two societies bore this distinction. The financial gain over last year is \$1268.00, with a grand total for General Missions of \$4206.07.

The prospect for future work is the best in the history of all our work.

REPORT OF JUNIOR SOCIETIES—1926-27.

Name of State	No. Soc.	No. Mem.	Reg. Offering to Gen. Fund
Kansas	1	10	\$ 5.40
Kentucky	3	48	7.26
Mississippi	1	60	17.00
Missouri	1	9	10.00
Piedmont Dist.	1	12	5.00
Ohio	1	11	2.30
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6	8	150	\$46.96

REPORT OF CIRCLES AND TRIANGLE CLUBS—1926-27.

Name of State	No. Circles	Mem.	No. Tri. C.	Mem.	C. Off.	Tri. Off.
Indiana .....	.....	.....	1	25	.....	12.00
Kentucky	1	12	3	40	24.70	25.64
Missouri	1	12	3.10
Ohio	1	8	27.70
Tennessee	1	16	17.00
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5	2	28	6	85	41.70	43.44

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES FOR YEAR 1926-27

NAME OF STATE	Number Societies		Number Members		Number W. Call Subscriptions		Woman's Day Observances		Easter Observances		Reading Circles		Books Read		State Development Fund		National Development Fund		General Fund, U. C. M. S.		PRESIDENT'S NAME AND ADDRESS	SECRETARY'S NAME AND ADDRESS
Alabama	3	48	8	2											\$ 10.00	\$ 43.72					Mrs. Morris Haygood, Oxmoore, Ala.	Mrs. Mary Elmore, Matthew
Arkansas	9	130	14	6	1	2	4							\$ 34.85	22.00	171.20					Mrs. S. L. Bostick, R. 9, B. 229, North Little Rock, Ark.	Mrs. Mary B. Franklin, Russellville
California	2	28	4	2	1											7.00					Mrs. J. W. Sharpe, Los Angeles	Mrs. A. Miller, Los Angeles
Md., Del., District Columbia	3	87	15	3	2										12.00	153.26					Mrs. M. E. Magowan, 1703 Eighth St., Washington, D. C.	Mrs. Lora Brooks, Hagerstown, Md.
Florida	1	10	1	1												3.00						
Georgia	3	27	2													43.00						
Illinois	3	86	10	3	2										14.00	223.50					Mrs. C. T. Martin, Chicago, Ill.	
Indiana	1	65	10	1	1											5.00	288.00					Miss M. Boone, Indianapolis
Kansas	6	97	10	5	5	1	10							72.36	10.00	203.31					Mrs. L. H. Crawford, 750 Everett St., Kansas City	
Kentucky	18	402	35	15	10									396.13	30.00	624.07					Mrs. Susie M. Brown, 7 Wesley St., Mt. Sterling	Mrs. Blanche B. Hutsell, Lexington
Mississippi	11	240	20	8	6									103.00	34.00	287.65					Mrs. E. E. Carroll, Grand Gulf	Mrs. M. J. Brown, Port Gibson
Missouri	13	268	18	11	8	2	18							283.53	36.00	522.45					Mrs. Mary Vanburen, Fulton	Mrs. Cammie Doolin, Franklin
Ohio	10	208	50	8	5	4	18							247.74	23.00	386.26					Mrs. Susan Offutt, 148 Manassas Ave., Dayton	Mrs. Minnie S. Greenwade, 911 S. Broadway, Dayton
Oklahoma	6	100	12	5	2									20.00	10.00	94.96					Mrs. L. E. Mayberry, Clearview	Mrs. W. V. Franklin, Muskogee
Piedmont District	8	140	10	5	6	2	5							46.12	26.00	304.90					Mrs. Jas. H. Thomas, Martinsville, Va.	Mrs. E. H. Starling, Martinsville, Va.
South Carolina	5	48	4	5	1		4									28.30					Mrs. Betsy Davis, Varnsville	
Tennessee	7	107	14	6	3									22.00	24.00	205.87					Mrs. Dora White, 815 Main St., Nashville	Mrs. Jas. E. Griffith, 1403 E. Church St., Knoxville
Texas	13	204	14	8	2											292.31					Mrs. Wm. Thomas, 611 Clark Ave., Houston	Mrs. Lulu G. Smith, 229 N. Twenty-fifth St., Paris
Tri-State	6	110													32.00						Mrs. Eunice M. Long, Richmond, Va.	Mrs. W. B. Peters, Richmond
Total Y. P. M. S.	8	113																				85.11
Total J. S.	8	150																				46.96
Grand Total	144	2,998	317	94	55	11	59							\$1,257.73	\$263.00	\$4,015.69						

REPORT OF THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORK.

STATE	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	Societies	Members	Money To Convention	No. of Delegates
Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia.....	Robert Brooks, Washington, D. C.....	Grace Ford	3	.....	\$ 5.00	3
Missouri	C. L. Welch, Frankfort, Mo.	Hazel Grigsby, Madison, Mo.....	10	180	15.00	1
Ohio	Miss Catherine Faulkner, Cincinnati, Ohio	Miss Ruth Thompson, Dayton, Ohio	6	.....	2.00	1
Piedmont	Mrs. E. B. Penn, Roanoke, Va.	Miss Cornelia Stockton.....	5	.....	9.00	1
Tri-State	Mr. Venson Byers.....	.....	6	.....	.....	1
Total .....	.....	.....	30	180	\$31.00	7

REPORT BY LOCAL SOCIETIES

SOCIETY						
Fort Worth, Texas.....	Mrs. I. S. Hall.....	Mrs. W. Lewis.....	50	\$ 1.25	..	..
Memphis, Tenn.	Mr. Utilles Phillips.....	Miss Corinne Bonner.....	15	2.00	..	..
Brunson, S. C.....	.....	Alma Miley	25	1.00	..	..
Lyons, Texas .....	.....	Miss Rosalie Franklin.....	23	2.50	..	..
Los Angeles, Calif.....	.....	Ida Washington .....	.....	5.00	..	..
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	Mrs. E. E. Cloeman.....	Lola Green	19	1.00	..	..
Total .....	.....	.....	132	12.75	..	..
Grand Total .....	.....	.....	36	312	\$43.75	..

