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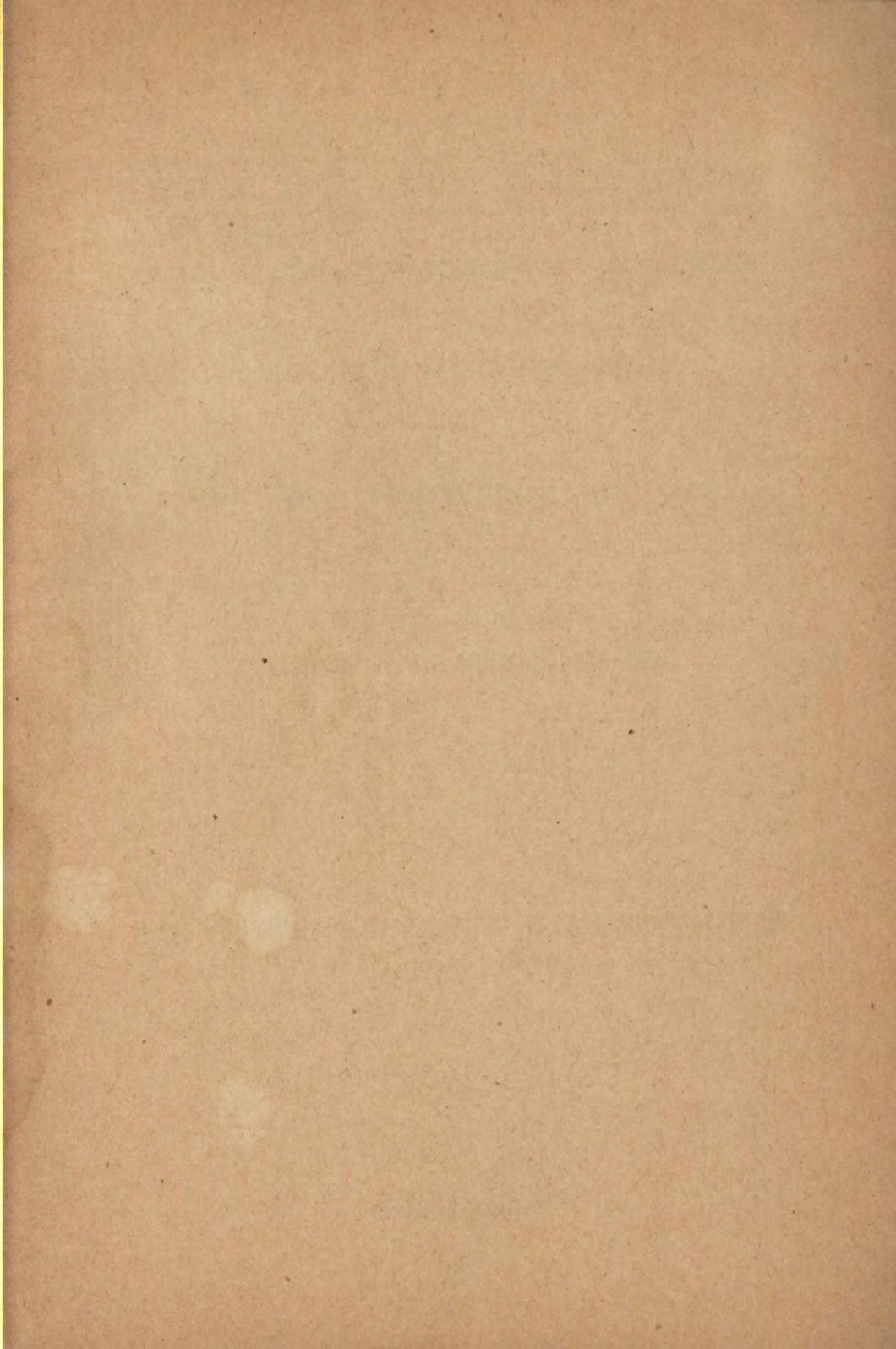
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P. H. Moss, Bible School Secretary, Kansas City, Kan.
Miss Deetsy Blackburn, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Blair T. Hunt, Recording Secretary, Memphis, Tenn.

CHURCH DEPARTMENT.

Officials of the Convention Assembled in Cincinnati,
August, 1925.

President.....	Preston Taylor, Tenn.
1st Vice-President.....	Monroe Jackson, Ohio.
2nd Vice-President.....	B. C. Calvert, Miss.
3rd Vice-President.....	L. H. Crawford, Ill.
Recording Secretary.....	Blair T. Hunt, Tenn.
Assistant Secretary.....	L. C. Campbell, Texas
Corresponding Secretary.....	Wm. Alphin, Mo.
Statistical Secretary.....	R. W. Watson, Ohio.

Advisory Committee.

H. L. Herod, Indiana
C. H. Dickerson, Ky.
J. N. Erwin, Texas

MINUTES.

THURSDAY—Morning Session.

August 27, 1925.

Preston Taylor, National President, Presiding.

9:00. Devotionals conducted by Elder W. H. Brown, assisted by Elders Everett and Sims.

Chair extended greetings. Partial report of Committee on Enrollment given.

Song, "I Love to Tell the Story."

Chair called for report of the Joint Executive Committee. Report for committee made by Brother J. B. Lehman, Miss. Report discussed from the floor, section by section.

Dr. J. E. Walker, Tenn., presented resolutions slightly different to resolution of Joint Executive Committee, which evoked a lengthy discussion pro and con.

Both reports referred to Joint Executive Committee, through motion of Prof. Pratt, Texas.

Adjournment for lunch.

THURSDAY—Afternoon Session.

2:00 p.m. Devotionals conducted by Brother Monroe Jackson, First Vice-President.

Reading and adoption of morning's journal.

Song, "I Can Hear My Saviour Calling."

Chair recalled for report of Joint Executive Committee. Report made by Brother J. B. Lehman. Report adopted section by section. Report adopted as a whole.

Chair appointed committee to raise \$5,000.00 for plant for publication of church paper. Committee: Dr. J. E. Walker, H. L. Herod, G. K. Lewis, Mrs. Mary Taylor, Mrs. I. D. Taylor.

Chair announced subscription of \$1,000 from Mrs. Taylor, Tenn., for church paper and plant.

Chair called for report of states. The following states reported at this call through the following representatives:

Alabama, Brother Jeffrey, \$5.00; Arkansas, Sister Bostic, \$10.00; Georgia, Brother Franklin, \$8.00; Illinois, Brother Durden, \$10.00; Kansas, Brother Sims, \$5.00;

Kentucky, Brother Dickerson, \$10.00; Brother Robinson, Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia financial report turned over to Enrollment Committee; Mississippi, Brother Calvert, \$10.00; Missouri, Brother Terry; Ohio, Brother Jackson; Piedmont District, Brother Peters; California, Sisters Gillam and Keith, Brother Corthron. (For financial report see Enrollment Committee for those with amount mentioned had already sent same to Enrollment Committee.)

Solo, Brother Ayers, Ohio.

Washington Church situation discussed on the floor.

Motion carried that a petition go to the Joint Executive Committee that all matters of recommendation of appointments be made in conjunction with Brother Lehman and the Joint Executive Committee.

Program for the evening read by H. L. Herod.

Announcements by Pastor Davis.

Remarks concerning World Call made by Sister Grubbs.

Song, "Leaning on His Everlasting Arms."

Remarks by Sister Bostic, Arkansas.

Adjournment.

THURSDAY—Evening Session.

7:50 p.m. Vice-President Monroe Jackson in the chair.

Devotionals led by Elder B. C. Calvert, assisted by Elder J. J. Green and Elder C. H. Dickerson (song leader).

Sister Deetsey Blackburn called a meeting of the Century, Half Century and Quarter Century Bible Schools.

Selection by choir of the Kenyon Avenue Christian Church.

Introduction by the chair of Prof. C. W. Smith, Illinois, who spoke on the subject, "New Needs for a New Day."

Solo, Miss Catherine Jones.

Sermon, Elder Isaiah Moore, Kentucky; subject, "The Church."

Comments on sermon by Elder Davis, Ohio.

Offering, \$22.28.

Remarks by Brother F. E. Smith, U. C. M. S.

Vocal solo, Mrs. Nadine Waters.

Announcements.

Selection by the choir.

Benediction pronounced by Elder Moore, Kentucky.

FRIDAY—Morning Session.

9:05 a.m. Devotionals led by Elder G. E. Letton, Kentucky, assisted by Brother Crittenden.

Reading and adoption of the Journal of preceding session.

Report of Sister Rosa Grubbs (Field Worker) called for.

Elder Peters reported work in the Piedmont District.

Prof. J. T. Whitfield, N. C., spoke on the condition of the Disciples in North Carolina.

Body voted to send greeting to the body of Disciples in North Carolina.

Brother Herod, Indiana, spoke on the conservation of time.

Brother J. B. Lehman made statements concerning the Gospel Plea.

Dr. J. E. Walker, Tennessee, reported for the Committee on Raising Finances for a larger paper and plant.

Subscriptions were taken for the above; partial report showed more than \$4,000 subscribed.

Song led by Brother Dickerson, "He Is Just the Same Today."

Report of states resumed. Elder Corthron, California, spoke of the work in California.

Announcement of various committee chairmen. Announcement by Pastor Davis.

Song, "Will There Be Any Stars in My Crown?"

Benediction, Elder Hancock, Tennessee.

FRIDAY—Afternoon Session.

2:05 p.m. Devotionals led by Prof. Erwin, assisted by Elder Moore.

Reading and adoption of Morning's Journal.

Chair announced total subscription for larger paper and plant to be \$4,530.00.

Elder I. C. Franklin, Regional Secretary, made a report of his field work.

Chair called for the report of Nomination Committee for officers for the ensuing year.

Chair asked Elder Herod, Indiana, to take the chair during report of committee.

Report of committee read by Elder Watson, Ohio.

Report received and adopted.

Question as to attorney as part of Officiary raised. Question ruled out of order by the chair.

Song, led by Brother Dickerson, Kentucky.

Report of the Work Among Negroes by the U. C. M. S. given by President J. B. Lehman, Superintendent of that work.

Report received, adopted with thanks to the Society.

Chautauqua salute given President J. B. Lehman.

Song by the Convention.

Brother Grant K. Lewis addressed the body on the work of the U. C. M. S.

Brother Stephen J. Corey, Foreign Missionary Department of the U. C. M. S., addressed the body on the Work in Africa. Lawyer Taylor, Illinois, made remarks.

Brother F. E. Smith, Department of Ministry of the U. C. M. S., addressed the body on Exalting the Ministry and the Pension System.

Brother H. Pierce Atkins, President of the Federation of Churches, Cincinnati, was introduced to the body.

Motion prevailed to send to the U. C. M. S., through the representatives present, a vote of thanks.

Meeting of the Executive Committee called.

Report of Sister Grubbs, field worker, given, A Retrospect of the Work of Ten Years.

Report received and adopted.

Brother Crawford, Illinois, spoke on the Faithfulness and Liberality of our National President.

Announcement of program for the evening.

Meeting of the Incorporators of the National Convention called.

Benediction, Brother Smith, Texas.

FRIDAY—Evening Session.

7:50 p.m. Devotionals by Brother Robinson, Maryland, assisted by Brother Green and Brother Davis, Kansas.

Selection by the choir.

President J. B. Lehman addressed the body on the work at Southern Christian Institute; Mrs. Thomas on the work at the Piedmont Christian Institute; President Erwin on the work at Jarvis Christian Institute; Prof. Pratt spoke on the Influence of Jarvis Institute; Prof. Cowan spoke on the work at the Central Christian Institute.

President Lehman spoke of the work in all our schools.

The former students of the Old Louisville Bible School gave a demonstration.

Elder Herod, Indianapolis, Ind., delivered a masterful educational address.

Offering. \$20.50.

Selection by the choir; announcements by Pastor Davis.
Benediction by Elder Davis.

SATURDAY—Morning Session.

9:00 a.m. Devotionals by Brother Smith, Texas.

Reading and adoption of Journal.

Address, Brother Terry, Missouri, "The Pastor's Relationship."

Brother Dickerson's address was read by Brother Singleton, subject, "The Ordinances of the Church."

Song led by Brother H. Smith.

Period of conference on Evangelism conducted by Field Secretary, Wm. Alphin.

The following subjects were handled:

"Local Church Evangelizing Its Own Community," Brother W. H. Taylor; "Preparing for Revivals," Brother J. J. Green; "Holding the Revival," Brother R. Wesley Watson; "Training the New Members," Brother Sims, Kansas; "Woman's Part in Soul Winning," Sister Offit, Ohio.

Report of the Executive Committee called for, received and adopted.

Brother Jesse Bader, "The Prince of Evangelists," of the U. C. M. S., spoke on the subject, "A Greater Evangelism in Our Churches." His report showed that the Disciples are leading all others in evangelizing the world.

Song by the body.

Elder A. W. Davis, our National Golden Jubilee Evangelist, delivered an address sparkling with humor and pregnant with truth; subject, "What and How to Preach in a Revival."

Brother Wm. Alphin called forward all the field evangelists, while Elder W. H. Dickerson, Ohio, prayed for their success.

Introduction of local pastors.

Sister Alphin announced a gift of \$100 by the Sisters to the larger paper and plant, the same received by Sister Taylor, wife of our National President, who spoke briefly to the body.

Vote of thanks extended the Women's Department.

Brother Brown, Kentucky, spoke to the body on Evangelism.

Announcements by Pastor Davis, as chairman of Committee on Divine Services.

Brother Monroe Jackson in chair.

In absence of our President, Professor Pratt suggested that a token of appreciation be given our President. Unanimously common consent. Vice-President Jackson appointed committee for same: Brothers Pratt, Smith, Crawford.

Partial offering for same, \$24.64.

Benediction by Brother Crawford.

SATURDAY—Afternoon Session.

2:00 p.m. Devotionals conducted by Brother Hicks, Texas.

Reading and adoption of Journal.

Sister Mayberry reported for the State of Oklahoma.

Report of Committee on Time and Place received and adopted.

Sister Thomas reported work in the Piedmont District.

Elder Robinson spoke on work in Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia.

Report of the Business Committee adopted section by section.

Appointment of committee to revise the Constitution and By-Laws.

Report of the Joint Executive Committee adopted.

Motion that the amendment proposed in 1924, that each church pay an increased amount to Convention, lost.

Report of Auditing Committee adopted.

Enrollment Committee reported \$245 collected from states and delegates.

Brother Smith, Texas, reported the establishment of a new congregation in Texas.

Appointment of Program Committee by the chair.

Offering of \$8.00 for Sister Moore turned over to Brother Davis, Kansas.

Teachers assigned to Bible School for Sunday.

Adjournment.

SUNDAY—Morning Session.

August 30, 1925.

6:30 a.m. Early morning prayer services were conducted by Brother Devine in the Auditorium of the Kenyon Avenue Christian Church.

Model Bible School conducted by Prof. P. H. Moss.

Order of service observed from the leaflet.

Prof. Moss announced the teachers and the assembly places of the classes.

Classes taught 45 minutes.

Report of Secretary showed 139 present. Offering to the local school treasurer, \$18.33.

Missionary story by Mrs. Hutsell, Kentucky.

Missionary prayer, Brother Alphin.

Selection by local Bible School orchestra.

Dismissal.

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Regular order of services observed.

President Preston Taylor preached on the subject, "Blood."

SUNDAY—Afternoon Session.

3:00 p.m. Ordination services and the Lord's Supper.

Prayer, Brother Moss.

Scripture reading, Brother Alphin.

Solo, Brother Dickerson, Kentucky.

Ordination sermon of Brother Vance Smith preached by Elder H. L. Herod.

Charge delivered by Elder Preston Taylor.

Prayer by Brother Monroe Jackson.

Presentation of Bible to Brother Smith by his father.

Song, "How Firm a Foundation."

Remarks by Mother Sister Smith.

Remarks, Pastor R. H. Davis.

Offering for Pension Board, U. C. M. S., lifted and turned to Brother Herod.

Lord's Supper, table presided over by Brother K. R. Brown, Mississippi, and Brother Monroe Jackson, Ohio.

SUNDAY—Evening Session.

Devotionals. Sermon, Elder J. J. Green, Missouri. Text, He Shall Save His People from Their Sins.

Selection, Kansas City Quartet.

Secretary read statement of Incorporation.

Motion prevailed to incorporate the National Convention, same to be placed on file in Nashville, Tenn.

Chair called for Committee on Resolutions.

Brother Herod and Brother Thompson presented resolutions thanking the pastor, members and friends of Cincinnati for the hospitality extended the Convention. Resolutions adopted.

Brother Everett spoke on the lavished hospitality of the local church.

Brother Cowan, acting as spokesman of the Convention, presented the President, Elder Preston Taylor, a traveling bag as a token of the love and appreciation that the Convention holds for its President.

Benediction.

REPORTS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

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

We recommend that the time and place be referred to the Executive Committee of the National Convention.

T. W. PRATT,
DAVID JANUARY,
H. D. GRIFFITH,
M. F. ROBINSON,
F. C. CORTHRON,
C. H. BUST,
M. CRITTENDEN,
G. E. LETTON,
J. S. CALDWELL,
Committee.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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

1. In view of the fact that our schools are not given proper recognition before our National Convention, we recommend that the Program Committee of the Convention provide space on the program for proper recognition of our Missionary Schools.
2. We recommend that the President appoint a committee representing the departments of the Convention to revise the Constitution and By-Laws of the Convention, and report at the next Convention.
3. We recommend that the program committee issue programs to all concerned at least sixty days before the annual Convention.
4. We recommend that the Treasurer of the Convention be bonded in a reliable bonding company, fee to be paid by the Convention.
5. We recommend that the Joint Executive Committee take steps to provide for the orphaned and aged of our churches.

H. L. HEROD,
W. M. ALPHIN,
C. H. DICKERSON,
H. G. SMITH,
R. B. WELLS,
J. N. ERWIN,
N. H. TAYLOR,
T. B. FROST,
R. H. HANCOCK,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

We, your Committee on Nomination of Officers for the ensuing year, beg leave to make the following report:

President, Preston Taylor, Tennessee; 1st Vice-president, Monroe Jackson, Ohio; 2nd Vice-president, B. C. Calvert, Mississippi; 3rd Vice-president, L. H. Crawford, Illinois; Recording Secretary, Blair T. Hunt, Tennessee; Assistant Recording Secretary, J. T. Whitfield, North Carolina; Corresponding Secretary, referred to Executive Committee; Treasurer, J. E. Durden, Illinois; Statistical Secretary, R. Wesley Watson, Ohio; Advisory Board: H. L. Herod, C. H. Dickerson, J. N. Erwin.

W. H. BROWN,
B. C. CALVERT,
F. T. FLOYD,
J. H. AYERS,
W. S. SIMS,
E. TOLES,
J. H. WHITFIELD,
R. L. PETERS,
R. WESLEY WATSON,
Committee.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY CHAIR

H. L. Herod, C. H. Dickerson, Mrs. W. Alphin, Mrs. Rosa Grubbs, P. H. Moss, R. H. Davis, J. N. Erwin, S. C. Devine.

COMMITTEE TO REVISE THE CONSTITUTION

H. L. Herod, W. H. Dickerson, Wm. Alphin.

A verbal report of the Auditing Committee was given; the report stated that the report of the Secretary and Treasurer was examined and found correct.

I. H. FRANKLIN, Miss.,
P. H. MOSS, Kans.,
G. A. TERRY, Mo.,
I. H. HICKS, Texas,
E. DOOLIN, Mo.,
J. J. GREEN, Mo.,
G. BONNER, Ky.,
Committee,

**LIST OF DELEGATES TURNED IN BY COMMITTEE
ON ENROLLMENT**

(Final list not turned in to Secretary.)

Alabama: J. S. Caldwell, A. Jeffrey.

Mississippi: I. C. Franklin, B. C. Calvert, K. R. Brown.

Kansas: W. S. Sims, P. H. Moss, A. W. Davis.

Tennessee: Preston Taylor, R. H. Hancock, Utilis Phillips, J. E. Walker, Blair T. Hunt, M. W. Bonner, Prof. A. Edwards, D. W. Bradley.

Illinois: L. H. Crawford, R. E. Latouch, R. B. Wells, N. S. Taylor, O. J. Matthews, J. E. Durden, C. W. Smith.

Florida: D. W. Murray.

Texas: Prof. T. Pratt, I. K. Hicks, Pres. J. M. Erwin, H. G. Smith.

Arkansas: David January.

- California:** F. C. Corthron.
Ohio: Monroe Jackson, C. Bush, R. H. Davis, W. H. Dickerson, J. H. Ayers, I. H. Thompson, R. W. Watson.
Georgia: I. C. Franklin.
Missouri: S. C. Devine, C. E. Craggett, G. A. Terry, E. Doolin, C. L. Welch, V. Gooch, H. D. Griffin, J. J. Green, Wm. Alphin.
Maryland: Dr. M. F. Robinson, W. H. Taylor.
Indiana: H. L. Herod, R. E. McDuff.
North Carolina: R. L. Peters, J. F. Whitfield.
Kentucky: C. H. Dickerson, F. T. Floyd, G. Bonner, C. H. Johnson, O. T. Singleton, W. H. Brown, E. W. Chenault, E. Toles, M. Crittenden, T. J. Green, G. E. Letton, H. J. Wilson, J. A. Cowan, T. B. Frost, R. Ewell, — — McDuff.

COMMITTEES

- Newspaper Committee Appointed by the Chair**—Dr. J. E. Walker, H. L. Herod, Grant Lewis, Mistresses Mary Taylor, Ky., and Ida Taylor, Tenn.
Committee on Divine Services—R. H. Davis, W. H. Dickerson, Monroe Jackson.
Committee on Enrollment—S. C. Devine, J. Cowan, E. Matthews, I. H. Thompson, D. W. Bradley.

SUMMARY OF REPORT BLANKS SENT IN TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

- Arkansas**—Churches in State, 13; Members in State, 487; Amount reported for State work, \$144.63; Amount for local expenses \$659.25; Evangelist M. M. Bostic.
California—Churches in State, 4; Members in State, 400; Delegates, Brother Corthron, Sisters Keith and Gilliam.
Illinois—Churches in State, 12; Members in State, 1,077; Amount reported for State work, \$74.33; Delegate J. E. Durden.
Kansas—Churches in State, 12; Members in State 675; Amount reported for State work, \$335.72; Delegate W. S. Sims.
Kentucky—Churches in State, 55; Members in State 3,500; Amount reported for State work, \$1,025; Delegate C. H. Dickerson.
Missouri—Churches in State, 27; Members in State 1,500; Amount reported for State work, \$1,700; Delegate, G. A. Terry.
Ohio—Churches in State, 10; Members in State, 1,210; Amount reported for State work \$107.70; Delegate, Monroe Jackson.
Texas—Churches in State, 27; Members in State, 1,492; Amount reported for State work, \$1,600.00; Delegate, T. E. Campbell.
Virginia—Churches in State, 4; Members in State, 181; Amount reported for State work, \$30.00.
West Virginia—Churches in State, 1; Members in State, 169; Amount reported for State work, \$15.00.
Oklahoma—Churches in State, 8; Members in State, 172; Amount reported for State work, \$400.00; Pres. C. W. Mayberry.
 Explanation—(These are the only states that turned in report blanks to Recording Secretary.)
 Local Registration Committee of Kenyon Ave. Church, Elder Davis, pastor, reported 267 registered delegates.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE NEGRO WORK AS MADE BY J. B. LEHMAN, SUPERINTENDENT OF NEGRO WORK.

Expended in Home Fields.

For Negro Schools	\$116,540.69
For Evangelism	7,030.58
Promotional work	5,393.44
Superintendent's salary and travel	2,649.33
For Flanner House	10,079.31
Paid aged ministers and widows (past few years).....	7,328.50
For self-support of schools (estimate)	360,000.00
Amount raised by Evangelists	21,997.57

Expended in Foreign Fields.

Africa	\$116,373.62
Jamaica	20,446.28
Grand total	\$343,839.32

FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY RECORDING SECRETARY.

Turned over to the Recording Secretary to be forwarded to the U. C. M. S. from Enrollment Committee	\$239.64
Turned over to the National Treasurer to be forwarded to the U. C. M. S. from public collection	42.53
Offering for ministerial relief turned over to Brother Herod, Indiana	27.09
Offering for sick turned over to Brother Davis, Kansas....	8.00
Offering for Brother Hicks turned over to Brother Hicks, Texas	33.00
Offering for President token with \$5.34 from amount held by Recording Secretary turned over to Brother Pratt and Brother Smith.	

RESOLUTION ON MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE BIBLE SCHOOL AND WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY CONVENTION.

To the Bible School Convention: In regard to the recommendation of your Future Work Committee, the Joint Executive Committee approves the recommendations submitted with the exception of those items referring to Scholarship Funds. With regard to this fund we recommend:

1. That because of the administrative difficulties involved it is preferable that scholarships be raised and administered by the states or by local organizations, and

2. That because scholarship funds are operated through administrative offices of the schools, and

3. That because an asking and spending budget of at least \$16,000 is being submitted to the National Convention which, in our judgment, will require our complete and united effort, and

4. We wish to commend the president of the Bible School Convention and his co-laborers for their praiseworthy effort in behalf of said noble enterprise, but we feel it is not feasible for the reasons stated above.

To the Women's Missionary Society: In view of the above statements we feel that we should recommend that no scholarships be undertaken by the Women's Work.

SIGNED BY THE JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

RESOLUTION ON HANDLING OF FUNDS

Resolved, first, That hereafter all contributions from the Negro Churches and their auxiliaries, except representation fees and offerings in the Sunday School and Woman's Missionary Society Conventions, be sent to the United Christian Missionary Society to be put into the general fund for world-wide work; but it is urged that care be taken by the remitters to state clearly that it comes from Negro organizations.

Second, that the Joint Executive Committee be asked to recommend to the United Christian Missionary Society a budget for activities among the Negro Churches to be taken out of their general fund.

RESOLUTION ON NEWSPAPER.

Whereas, in our judgment, the best interests of this brotherhood would be conserved by the publication of a Christian Journal in which the constituency of the National Convention would have increasing responsibility in its operation, and

Whereas, there is in such a journal a place of great power for good or evil, therefore,

Be it resolved, first, that it is our belief that such a journal should be published under the regular joint organizational auspices rather than by separate and independent guarantees, and

Second, that we recommend that the Gospel Plea be transferred to the Joint Executive Committee for management and to be transformed to more fully serve the needs of the Church, and

Third, that the National Convention be requested to appoint a commission on ways and means to provide necessary funds for the purpose indicated, and

Fourth, that when these funds are raised and turned over to the Joint Executive Committee a printing plant be assembled and located in a convenient center, and an editor shall be nominated by the Joint Executive Committee who shall be accepted and approved by the National Convention.

ELDER CRAWFORD,
ELDER HEROD,
ELDER LEWIS,
ELDER LEHMAN,
ELDER TAYLOR,
MRS. ALPHIN,

Joint Executive Committee.

Resolved, that the Joint Executive Committee make the following report on the budget:

I. Christian Stewardship.

In view of the great necessity of lifting the vision and response of the entire membership of the Church to a point commensurate with the world-wide needs of the kingdom, we ask that we foster an undergirding policy of Christian Stewardship, including a three-fold program of enlisting (1) Life, (2) Service, and (3) Substance.

II. An Asking Budget.

1. That the fiscal year begin July 1, 1925 and end June 30, 1926.
2. That we undertake to raise a total sum of not less than \$10,000 for the general fund of the United Christian Missionary

Society to be distributed as follows:

(a) That the field worker for the Churches be asked to raise \$4,000 from the Churches as churches.

(b) That the field worker for the Woman's Missionary Societies be asked to raise \$3,000 through the leading of the women.

(c) That the superintendents of Religious Education be asked to raise \$3,000 through the Sunday Schools and Endeavor Societies.

3. That a specially designated fund of \$6,000 be raised from the churches, with the Woman's Missionary Societies leading the movement, that we may discharge our obligation to the Church Erection Department for the Washington Church by giving \$1,000; and that we may make available funds already in the treasury for the erection of the first unit of the building of the Central Christian Institute by giving \$5,000. It is recommended that we emphasize the importance of the payment of the Emergency Pledges which have been depended upon to accomplish this work.

III. A Spending Budget.

We recommend to the United Christian Missionary Society for approval the following budget to meet the imperative needs of the work:

Salary of Field Worker for the Churches	\$ 1,800.00
His travel	700.00
Field Worker for the Woman's Missionary Societies.....	1,440.00
Her travel	700.00
Travel for the Superintendent of Religious Education...	700.00
Travel for Superintendent Elementary Department.....	700.00
To supplement the Evangelistic budget	3,000.00
For National Convention	250.00
A Contingent Fund, including special postage, expense of Joint Executive Committee, travel of president, and other matters not provided for	710.00

Total Spending Budget\$10,000.00

JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

REPORT FOR YEAR BEGINNING SEPT. 1, 1924, AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 1925.

States worked, 8; Oklahoma, Texas, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kansas, Mississippi and Missouri. Local Churches visited, 97; State Conventions attended, 7, Arkansas, Alabama, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Mississippi and Oklahoma; District Conventions attended, 5; conferences held and attended, 37; Evangelistic Institutes attended, 3; state conferences and institutes organized, 4; collected in cash on the field, \$945.31. This amount does not include any sums reported by the Churches or otherwise direct to the U. C. M. S.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM ALPHIN.

REPORT TO THE NINTH NATIONAL CONVENTION

Dear Brethren:

I am glad of the time I can make my fifth annual report as Regional Evangelist of Alabama, Florida, Georgia and South Carolina.

Glad to say that the work in these four states is growing, though it is slow.

There are 17 churches in Alabama with a total membership of 900. There are eight preachers to take care of the 17 Churches, some, of course, are not pastors.

There are eight churches in Florida with a membership of perhaps 160. There are six ordained ministers in the state. They have the W. M. S. organized there in two or more of the churches. The Bible School is doing a little constructive work.

As to Georgia, the whole state does not work together. I could not say it is friction, but I will say they do not work together. There are 14 churches. There are eight preachers to take care of the work in Georgia. There is approximately a membership of 500.

In South Carolina there are 18 churches with a total membership of approximately 1,000 members, with 9 preachers to take care of the work.

I have held three institutes the past year, held five meetings, preached 160 sermons and have added 18 to the Church. I have raised \$517.97 on the field.

In the past year we have lost two very strong workers, one of Georgia, in the person of Brother Geo. White, and Elder H. J. Bray-bow, of Alabama.

I. C. FRANKLIN, Regional Evangelist.

THE OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH, HOW CHOSEN AND ORDAINED.

It was not long after the church was established, on the Day of Pentecost, that it was found necessary to have direct and immediate supervision, in order that its future welfare and growth could be assured.

The first reason for this supervision is set forth by the Holy Spirit in His message through Luke, where stress is laid upon the qualifications of the men to be chosen, and these qualifications are, that men shall be full of the Holy Spirit, or in other words, guided by the Holy Spirit and full of wisdom. Acts 6: 1-5. And in those days when the number of the Disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecian Jews against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministrations. And the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not fit that we should forsake the word of God, and serve tables. Look ye out therefore, brethren, from among you seven men of good report, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. But we will continue steadfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word. And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus a proselyte of Antioch.

It is well to note here that they are not to be men who have knowledge only, but men who **know and do**, hence it is of supreme importance that care should be taken in seeking men for such high offices.

We have the warning, (lay hands suddenly on no man). Let these first be proved; let them use the office of a Deacon being found blameless. 1 Timothy 3: 10.

(Blameless not by the unrighteous, but by the righteous.)
Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without.

How Ordained.

The laying on of hands was a primitive form of conferring an office upon a church worker, and being like baptism, a form Divinely given, and we are safe in using the same form.

When Joshua was to succeed Moses, he was ordained, by laying on of hands. Numbers xxvii. 18-23. And Jehovah said unto Moses, Take thee Joshua, the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay thy hand upon him; and set him before Eleazer the Priest, and before all the congregation; and give him a charge in their sight. And thou shalt put of thine honor upon him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may obey. And he shall stand before Eleazer the Priest, who shall inquire for him by the judgment of the Urim before Jehovah: at his word they shall go out, both he and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation. And Moses did as Jehovah commanded him; and he took Joshua and set him before all the congregation: and he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as Jehovah spake by Moses.

The Bible does not encourage any loose assumption of any sacred office. "The things written aforetime were written for our instruction" to show us that a mere election of church officers is not a suitable installation. We must not confuse the two by substituting the one for the other.

Joshua was first elected by the Lord himself; and so was Paul and Barnabas.

Acts 13: 2, And as they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them." They were then ordained "by the laying on of hands," as seen in Joshua 1: 1-9.

Following the "laying on of hands," it is important that the charge be given to elders and deacons. Examples for such are found, for elders, Acts 20: 28-31, "Take heed unto yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit hath made you bishops, to feed the Church of the Lord which he purchased with his own blood. I know that after my departing grievous wolves shall enter in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Wherefore watch ye, remembering that by the space of three years I cease not to admonish every one night and day with tears. 1 Timothy 3: 1-7. "Faithful is the saying if a man seeketh the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. The bishop therefore must be without reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, soberminded, orderly, given to hospitality, apt to teach; no brawler, no striker; but gentle, not contentious, no lover of money; one that ruleth his own house, having his children in subjection with gravity; (but if a man knoweth not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of God?) not a novice, lest being puffed up he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover he must have good testimony from them that are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

And for deacons, 1 Tim. 3: 8-13. "Deacons in like manner must be grave, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not

guilty of filthy lucre; holding the mystery of faith in a pure conscience. And let these first be proved; then let them serve as deacons, if they be blameless. Let deacons be husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. For they that have served well as deacons gain to themselves a good standing and a boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus. And in Acts 6: 3, "Look ye out therefore, brethren, from among you seven men of good report, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business."

These charges should be delivered to said officers when taking upon themselves the responsible position assigned, rather than being satisfied with informal and trifling ceremony of electing by raising the right hand. And this occasion should be made solemn and impressive for both congregation and officers.

What Should be the Term Of Office for Elders and Deacons?

Is a question perhaps not so easily answered, since there seems to be no instruction in the New Testament regarding this matter.

Righteous common sense, condition and circumstance should determine this all important matter.

I do not hesitate to say that the idea held by some—once an "Elder or Deacon" always an "Elder or Deacon," has not only at times given trouble to the church, but has worked great harm to the elder or deacon who holds such views.

If the primary purpose and work of the elder is, "a worker for souls," and the primary idea and purpose of a deacon is that of "servant" or one who serves in the work of the church, then, when they themselves cease to act in this capacity, or cease to live the lives required of them in the New Testament, or when they become separated from the church, or where there is no church in reach of their service, then it would seem their term of office has ceased.

It might save humiliation to the officers and embarrassment to the church to elect or re-elect officers for a given period.

Relation to Minister and Congregation

The efficient wide awake elder or deacon is the very important link between minister and congregation. Their service is to be rendered in a helpful way to the minister and the entire congregation. This they should do with great profit to the Spiritual and to the temporal welfare to the whole church and minister.

Relation to the Co-operative Work and Its Appeals.

When Jesus said, "Go ye and makè disciples of all the nations," the co-operative idea of the brotherhood was expressed. No man lives to himself. We are our brother's keeper and helper. But how are we to know this? There must be a bond of union between the local and general workers, recognizing obligations to insure the growth of the general work, and there must be a knowledge of the various fields and their needs. How is this knowledge to be gotten? Not only is the ministry, but the officary must be instructed, and this instruction and knowledge must come through reading the religious papers, and books that tell of the needs throughout the brotherhood. This brings us back to the Great Commission, "GO TEACH."

When the officers are properly instructed there will be hearty co-operation in personal service and a liberal contribution of money to help carry forward and extend the Kingdom of God in the hearts of men.

The growth of the work will depend largely upon how the appeals reach and are accepted by the officers of the local churches.

The officers must have the vision, see the Man of Macedonia, and ears to hear the cry, "come over and help us." And behind all this, there must be the WILL to go over and help.

The poverty of the local churches is only imaginary, and is supported in many instances by the timidity and weakness of the officers. This weakness and lack of courage to co-operate with the larger work of the brotherhood and help it to answer its appeals is due to ignorance; but the time element must be considered in the growth of all the work of the brotherhood. First the blade, then the ear, and then the full corn in the ear.

With much prayer, and patience, and courage to labor on, the whitened fields shall eventually be reaped for the garner of our Lord.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we come to you each year reviewing the work and studying it from every angle, our hearts are either lifted or weighted down under the great responsibility.

What shall it be this year, one of great joy and happiness or one of responsibilities? To me it is one of responsibility as a church people who desire to face this progressive age with its teeming thousands of prepared men and women. In every sphere of life the watchword is preparation.

More is expected of, the youth today than ever before. More is expected of the leader than ever before. The march is an upward march. Shall we right-about face and face the task with unfaltering step? As missionary women are we living up to the standard of preparation?

Our missionary organization was fifty years old last year. But we Negro women have been organized into state organizations largely in the last twenty-five years, and into a National organization a few years ago.

It should be ours to link our state and national organizations into a strong body of consecrated Christian business women, co-operating with our white sisters in helping to preach the gospel to every creature. This can be done only by selecting the right leadership. A leadership that will build up and not tear down. Women who realize the condition of life and are willing to render an unselfish service in putting the program over.

It should be ours to build strong missionary societies in the local church, strong state organizations and a strong national organization. This can be done only by selecting the right leadership. Consecrated women who study the work, and know and feel it their duty to help give the message to the world.

These local, state and national organizations should so develop the work that the leaders of tomorrow will be better prepared women than we have had a chance to be. We can help do this

by carrying out our regular program using leaflets on the program, and having a missionary library with helpful books on our various mission fields.

Raising money is not the sole aim of the missionary society. When the young and the old shall know the needs of the field, the money will come.

It was a fine tribute paid to the late William Jennings Bryan that his morals could not be questioned. This should be true of leadership in the church everywhere. Men and women who must mould and shape the destiny of our church life should be clean always. Shall we not prayerfully consider our leaders?

Secondly, our work must be more constructive. Too many are saying in too many states, "Our women's work is weakening." We must have a woman worker who must give all her time to the development of the societies. Our national worker should have time to hold missionary institutes lasting a week as the Bible School and churches have done. Constructive programs should be rendered with the assistance of the state secretaries and local presidents, grouping the states together so that these meetings could be far-reaching. These women would go home with a new vision of their missionary work.

Here with these secretaries and our National Field Worker and representatives from the U. C. M. S. our women could receive a benefit of knowing how not only to develop the local society, but how to organize our young people and hold them.

At our state conventions, our national worker should hold conferences with the women also, to inspire them to greater work. When our women shall have that personal touch of the worker and fully understand the apportionment, there will be a joy in raising it. Missionary work like anything else must be given information if we wish to inspire the followers.

As churches we have not been able to have living links and support an individual on the field, but we can raise an apportionment, so that in a few years we hope we will be able to have living links. The growth of our missionary society depends on the amount of constructive work done.

Thirdly, we must think of our educational work as never before. When we note the number of churches needing ministers and none to go, we must ask, Why?

Last year we worked hard in the Golden Jubilee to raise five thousand dollars for a college in Kentucky. We went gloriously over the top. The brotherhood rallied as never before. Thus we have ten thousand dollars and a few hundred over for the Kentucky College. This more than ten thousand dollars await another thirty thousand to make the Kentucky College possible.

Are you thinking with me? I hope you are. Our white churches have grown, kept abreast of the times because they have Bethany, Hiram, Butler, Eureka and hundreds of other colleges to train their leadership. As a result they have produced statesmen, presidents and a ministry they are proud of. Thus the white brotherhood has grown by leaps and bounds.

Brothers and sisters have you not groaned within yourselves when you have noted the number colleges among the Methodists, Baptists and Congregationalists? If you have not, I have. Are we not compelled to send our boys and girls to other church schools for

SOUTH CALIFORNIA

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Birch St., Los Angeles		\$ 7.29						\$ 7.29
Thirty-third and Hooper, Los Angeles								
Watts, Los Angeles								
Thirty-second and Wadsworth, Los Angeles				\$ 17.64				17.64
	\$ 7.29			\$ 17.64				\$ 24.93

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Twelfth St., Washington	\$ 5.50	\$ 10.00		\$ 5.40				\$ 20.90

FLORIDA

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Bethlehem, Webster		\$ 1.05						\$ 1.05
Edward Point, Century	\$ 2.00							2.00
Galilee, Summerfield								
Gethsemena								
Jerusalem, Crystal River	2.00							2.00
Mt. Olive, Martel								
Mt. Zion, St. Petersburg	5.00	19.05						24.05
New Salem, Tampa	16.05	9.00		5.00				30.05
Pensacola	3.00							3.00
	\$ 28.05	\$ 29.10		\$ 5.00				\$ 62.15

Miscellaneous:

Florida State Convention, Deetsy Blackburn (report), \$7.00; Lehman (report), Convention, St. Petersburg, \$6.00; New Zion, Webster, Lehman (report), \$3.00; District Convention, Tampa, Lehman (report), \$3.00; West Salem, Lehman (report), \$1.25. Total

20.25

Grand Total

\$82.40

ILLINOIS

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Third, Bloomington	\$ 10.00	\$ 7.78	.....	\$ 7.20	.....	\$ 1.00	.....	\$25.98
Carbondale .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. Vine St., Champaign .....	.....	1.75	.....	13.00	.....	.....	.....	14.75
Armour Ave., Chicago .....	.....	20.00	.....	76.40	.....	.....	.....	96.40
Second, Chicago	\$ 10.00	11.00	8.00	51.50	.....	.....	.....	80.50
First, Danville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Second, Decatur .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Second, Jacksonville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Rock, Unionville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Second, Rockford .....	.....	13.96	.....	4.30	.....	.....	.....	18.26
	\$ 20.00	\$ 54.49	\$ 8.00	\$152.40	.....	\$ 1.00	.....	235.89

INDIANA

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Market, Carthage
South Side, Gary	\$ 8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 8.00
Indianapolis	\$188.42	.....	.....	\$ 9.66	\$198.08
	\$ 8.00	.....	\$188.42	.....	.....	\$ 9.66	\$206.08

KANSAS

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Second, Emporia .....	.....	\$ 24.76	.....	\$ 5.70	.....	.....	.....	\$ 30.46
Eighth St., Kansas City	\$ 66.50	73.84	.....	34.70	\$ 5.90	.....	\$ 2.00	182.94
Fifth, Kansas City .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Third, Kansas City .....	.65	5.11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.76
Maple Hill .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Twenty-third St., Parsons .....	.....	12.50	.....	26.70	.....	.....	.....	39.20
Second, Topeka	18.95	4.60	.....	11.50	.....	.....	.....	35.05
Troy .....	.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.80
Wathena	10.00	6.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.65
Second, White Cloud	2.27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.27
Indiana, Wichita .....	.....	1.55	.....	\$ 4.33	.....	.....	\$ 3.65	9.53
	\$ 99.17	\$129.01	.....	\$ 82.93	\$ 5.90	.....	\$ 5.65	\$322.66

MISSISSIPPI continued

Holly Grove, Indianola							
Indianola	41.52						41.52
Faris St. or West Jackson	18.75	5.00		9.24			32.99
Lambert							
Little Zion, Red Lick	1.30	3.90					5.20
Lorman	5.80	3.02		\$ 6.62			15.44
Lyons							
McKinneys Chapel, Sunflower	10.13						10.13
Moorhead Mission							
Mound Bayou No. 1	103.71	25.10		54.25		.54	183.60
Mound Bayou No. 2							
Mt. Beulah, Pattison							
Mt. Zion, Hankinson							
North, Mound Bayou	11.11	6.00		22.45			39.56
Palo Alto, Abbots	1.15						1.15
Pilgrims Rest, Cedar Bluff	2.00						2.00
Pine Grove, Port Gibson	45.02	8.00		5.00			58.02
Providence, Tillman	6.61						6.61
Rose Hill, Port Gibson	2.00						2.00
St. Luke, Pattison	6.00						6.00
Shaw	3.02						3.02
Shelby	10.00						10.00
Southern Christian Inst., Edwards	180.00	213.18	\$ 80.00	99.85		31.78	604.81
Thyatira							
Tillman							
Union Chapel, Baltzer							
Union Hill, Hermanville	5.00	10.80		16.40		1.00	33.20
Central, Vicksburg	4.60	2.30		27.07			33.97
Washington Addition, Jackson	11.10	16.24		3.40			30.74
West Point	2.07						2.07
	\$617.02	\$330.82	\$ 80.00	\$315.83		\$ 35.32	\$1,378.99

Miscellaneous:

U. C. M. S. Convention, Mrs. Lizzie Page (G. report), P rt Gibson, Miss., \$10.00; State Convention, Clarksdale, Miss., Negro Evangelism, Lehman (report), \$50.00; Port Gibson, Miss., sent in by P. H. Moss, \$3.00; Providence District Convention, Lehman (report), \$1.00; Institute held at Pattison, Miss., Lehman (report), \$0.70. Total

64.70

Grand Total

\$1,443.69

KENTUCKY

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Aarons Run, Mt. Sterling	\$ 14.00	\$ 14.60						28.60
Barbourville								
High St., Carlisle	26.10	16.50		\$ 12.00				54.60
Central Chr. Inst., Shepherdsville	10.00	33.10	\$ 8.00					51.10
Corinth, Stepstone								
Covington	5.00			21.40				26.40
Crab Orchard								
Main St., Danville	20.35	10.00						30.35
Elizabeth								
Fairview, Sharpsburg	5.00	3.40						8.40
Flat Woods								
Georgetown	1.00						\$.25	1.25
Germantown	44.58			27.47				72.05
Hopkinsville								
Hustonville	6.25	5.00		8.20				19.45
Second, Lawrenceburg	117.50	4.50		7.55				129.55
Levee								
E. Second St., Lexington	79.25	28.50		33.25				141.00
First, Pralle St., Lexington	5.00	1.00						6.00
Little Rock, Paris	80.00	9.30		10.92		1.00		101.22
London		14.00						14.00
Central, Louisville	17.00	15.00		38.50				70.50
Fourth St., Louisville								
Hancock St., Louisville	53.25	15.55	8.00	58.34	5.60			140.74
Sixteenth and Chestnut, Louisville	12.00	1.00		12.00				25.00
McKinney, Moreland								
Mayfield								
Second, Mayslick	10.00			8.00				18.00
Maysville								
Midway	24.50	6.00		29.50			4.00	64.00
Milledgeville, Moreland								
Millersburg	31.00	13.50		15.00				59.50

KENTUCKY continued

Mt. Olive, Stanford								
Mt. Vernon								
Nebo, Madisonville								
Nicholasville	16.50	23.10		3.00				42.60
North Middletown	14.55			1.40				15.95
Timble St., Paducah	1.00							1.00
Seventh St., Paris	23.00	20.00		143.50				186.50
Pennicktown, Allensville		1.25						1.25
Stanford								
Stepstone		6.90						6.90
Broadway, Winchester	24.60	31.57		41.27				97.44
	<u>\$641.43</u>	<u>\$273.77</u>	<u>\$ 16.00</u>	<u>\$471.30</u>	<u>\$ 5.60</u>	<u>\$ 1.00</u>	<u>\$ 4.25</u>	<u>\$1,413.35</u>
Miscellaneous:								
Wm. Alphin (report), Kentucky Convention, \$12.00; Lehman (report), District Treasury, \$13.40. Total								25.40
Grand Total								<u>\$1,438.75</u>

OHIO

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Second, Canton		\$ 5.25						5.25
Cedar Ave., College Hill, Cincinnati								141.12
Kenyon Ave., Cincinnati	\$ 67.67	52.70		20.75				2.55
Walnut Hills, Cincinnati		2.55						12.50
Clara, East Canton	4.00	8.50						132.79
First, Cleveland	66.00	6.00		60.79				46.10
Ohio Ave., Columbus	10.00	16.00		19.20				147.21
Washington St., Norwood, Dayton	29.00	61.17	\$ 10.00	47.04				50.47
Maple St., Lockland		23.32		27.15				23.20
Elm Ave., Oxford		11.20		12.00				10.95
Fair St., Springfield	2.35	5.00		3.60				14.95
Warren								
Main St., Xenia		6.00		8.95				
	\$179.02	\$198.59	\$ 10.00	\$199.48				\$587.09

SOUTH CAROLINA

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Antioch, Varnville				\$ 5.40				\$ 5.40
Ashton Branch, Lodge	\$ 2.55							2.55
Beautiful Gate, Brunson								11.01
Briner, Holly Hill	7.51	\$ 3.50						
Canaan, Moncks Corner								3.15
Cedar Grove, Brunson	3.15							24.92
Cherry Grove, Brunson	13.55	4.87		6.50				2.00
Cypress Creek, Walterboro	2.00							
Earnest Truly, Ellenton								11.39
First, Ehrhardt	7.39	4.00						33.50
Galilee, Holly Hill	12.60	10.50		10.40				5.00
Gethsemane, Seabrook	5.00							4.14
Grove Hall, Summerville	1.80	2.34						

TEXAS continued

New Hope, Elkhart						
Oak Grove, Cason		.72				.72
Omaha						
Our Chapel, Gilmer						
Fulton Ave., Palestine	7.00	3.33		6.19		16.52
Pine Hill, Palestine						
Pine Hill, Ponta		5.06				5.06
Rocky Point, Palestine						
Roxton						
St. Paul, Joshua						
St. James, Lyons	10.22	1.08				11.30
Shady Grove, Cason	3.65	7.25		12.35		23.25
Sharpless Chapel, Big Sandy						
Shelton Hill, Paris		5.00				5.00
Spencer Chapel, Overton						
Murphy St., Taylor	3.00	4.00		15.00		22.00
Trinity Chapel, Trinity						
True Vine No. 2, Paris	11.05	2.10		9.90		23.05
Line St., Tyler		2.10				2.10
Union Grove, Big Sandy						
Valley Springs, Bettie						
Vine Grove, Bay City	7.36	6.32		6.26		19.94
Clay St., Waco	37.50	19.28		25.99		82.77
Walnut Grove, Mt. Vernon						
Wyatt St., Waxahachie	6.00	8.50				14.50
White Oak Chapel, Omaha		2.00				2.00
	\$346.72	\$286.44	\$ 2.50	\$274.36		\$910.02

Miscellaneous:

Support of S. S. Myers, Negro Evangelist, given by Houston First Church, special, \$50.00; support of S. S. Meyers, Negro Evangelist, given by Houston First Church special, \$50.00; support of S. S. Myers, Negro Evangelist, given by Houston First Church special, \$50.00; support of S. S. Myers, Negro Evangelist, given by Houston First Church, special, \$50.00; Paris, Texas, sent in by State Treasurer, Mrs. H. G. Smith, \$150.00; Support of Negro Evangelist, given by Houston First Church special, \$50.00; support of Negro Evangelist, given by Houston First Church special, \$50.00; Lehman report for Church at Jarvis Institute, Negro State Board, special, \$50.00; sent in by J. N. Ervin, State Treasurer to go on Harry Smith, Negro Evangelist, \$48.18; Negro friends, McKinney, Texas, sent by C. S. Weaver of First Church, \$12.28; support of Negro Evangelist, S. S. Myers, Lehman report, given by Houston First Church, \$50.00; Texas State Board, sent in by J. N. Ervin, Lehman report, \$24.80; support of S. S. Myers, Evangelist, given by Houston First Church, \$100.00; Lula G. Smith, Paris, Texas, \$10.00. Total

605.26

Grand Total

\$1,515.28

VIRGINIA

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
Antioch, Spencer								
Graham	\$ 2.50	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.00					\$ 15.50
Chatham	6.00	10.00						16.00
Galilee, Penhook								
Kings Chapel, N. Tazewell		3.75		\$ 13.30				17.05
Fayette St., Martinsville	41.25	38.60		52.00				131.85
Meadow, Preston								
Mt. Olive, Pocahontas								
Mt. Olive, Preston								
Mt. Zion, Floyd				5.00				5.00
Philippi, Cuckoo		5.00		10.92				15.92
Pleasant Grove, Freeman								
Melrose Ave., Roanoke								
Ninth, Roanoke	13.15	15.00		60.00				88.15
Spencer								
Stuart								
Williams Chapel, Danville								
	\$ 62.90	\$ 82.35	\$ 3.00	\$141.22				\$289.47
Miscellaneous:								
Bible School Convention, Deetsy Blackburn, \$7.50. Total								7.50
Grand Total								\$296.97

WEST VIRGINIA

Churches	CH	BS	CE	WMS	CIR	TRI	B&G	Gen'l Total
South Bluefield				\$ 12.70				\$12.70
Sent in by S. C. Devine, received from states, credited to C. E. in general, special, \$65.25;								
sent in by J. E. Durden, from Negro Churches in general, \$246.50.								
GRAND TOTAL sent in for General Fund from all States								\$ 9,817.29
Mt. Sterling, Ky., \$288.86								288.86
								\$10,106.15

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Cincinnati, O., August 24, 1925

The Eighth National Bible School Convention of the Disciples of Christ convened at Kenyon Ave. Christian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, at 9 a.m. Tuesday, August 24, 1925, Elder R. H. Davis, president, presiding. "Stand Up for Jesus" was sung, led by Elder Geo. E. Letton, Midway, Ky. Mrs. Edna Bradley of Oxford, Ohio, performed at the piano. Brother P. H. Moss led in devotional exercises, having all repeat in concert the last verse of 19th Psalm. Elder G. A. Terry of Missouri, led in prayer, after which "Love Lifted Me" was sung. Elder Moss read for Scripture lesson Philippians fourth chapter. Prayer by Elder W. H. Brown of Mt. Sterling, Ky. Song "Saviour More Than Life to Me."

Greetings were extended by Elder Davis and request made that speakers limit their talks to time allotted. Song, "Dwelling in Beulah Land" was sung. Vice-President Pratt, Texas, was requested to make remarks while enrollment committee made ready to report. He spoke of the growth of the National Convention and made plea for efficient leadership, a new way to meet the advance of progress, a vision to look over our condition; a place for our boys and girls in church building.

Enrollment committee made partial report which was adopted with corrections and committee continued. See report.

Elder R. A. Gooden not being present, Prof. J. M. Cowan was asked to substitute in his stead and discussed the subject, "The Challenge of the New Decade in the Bible School World" very efficiently. One verse of "Stand Up for Jesus" was sung.

The "Three-fold Program of the Church School" section (a) "Worship" was beautifully discussed by Mrs. Edna Bradley, Oxford, Ohio. Elder R. W. Watson suggested that a committee on publication be appointed. Motion by Prof. Pratt, that the chairman appoint such a committee carried. The appointment was made as follows: Prof. T. W. Pratt, Mrs. Jessie Myers and Mrs. B. B. Hutsell. Mrs. G. A. Franklin, of Mississippi, read a splendid paper "Instruction" on the Three-fold Program of the Church School. Mrs. J. M. Cowan of C. C. I., Ky., also read a wonderful paper on "Expression" of the same subject. Mrs. Geo. E. Letton, Midway, Ky., very effectively rendered a solo "I Walk and I Talk With the King."

Prof. T. W. Pratt, with very fitting remarks, introduced Elder R. H. Davis, president of the Bible School Convention, who delivered his annual message. The address was a masterpiece, advocating preparedness and urging our support of all the institutions under the direction of the Disciples of Christ. Elder Calvert of Mississippi motioned that President's message and recommendations be referred to the Future Work Committee. Motion carried. A

motion also carried that recommendation concerning the separation of printing minutes from Church and Woman's Department be referred to the Joint Executive Committee by the Future Work Committee. Song, "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross." The following committees were appointed:

Enrollment: Elders R. Hancock, W. S. Sims, Mrs. Alice Cowan, Miss Bessie Chandler, Mrs. Geo. Letton.

Future Work: Elders R. Wesley Watson, H. D. Griffin, Miss Elizabeth M. Hardin, Miss Leota O. Christmus, Elder R. E. Latouche.

Nomination of Officers: Elders S. A. Devine, W. S. Sims, Miss Katherine Piersawl, Miss Mary A. White, Elder B. C. Calvert.

Resolutions: Mesdames E. M. Mitchell, R. E. Latouche, Lucy K. Hayden, Messrs. Vance Smith, C. L. Welsh.

Awarding of Loving Cup: Miss Deetsy L. Blackburn, Elder I. H. Thompson, Mr. D. W. Bradley, Mr. S. W. Hutton, Prof. P. H. Moss.

Obituary: Mesdames M. J. Brown, J. M. Cowan, F. E. Scott, Martha Stokes, Mary E. Anderson.

Finance—Mrs. Hattie Tyree, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. R. E. Maupin, Treasurer; Mrs. Fannie Scott.

The president called for voluntary solo from audience, **Brother C. H. Dickerson** of Lexington, Ky., responded and sang "If Your Heart Keeps Right." Mr. Aurelius Scott being absent, the address, "How Shall a Young Man Relate Himself to the Present Day Religious Program?" was discussed by Mr. Vance Smith of Indiana. Discussions by Elders M. Jackson, R. H. Davis, J. J. Green, M. J. Brown, R. Hancock, Mrs. H. A. M. Singleton, A. W. Davis, H. L. Herod, W. H. Brown, C. H. Dickerson.

Song "Love Lifted Me" was sung and offering made which amounted to \$15.30. Announcements were made and Elder H. Crawford pronounced the benediction.

Tuesday Afternoon

The Bible School Department reassembled at 2 o'clock. President Davis called the convention to order. Song "Will There Be Any Stars in My Crown," was sung. Miss Willa Wilson of Lockland, Ohio, led devotional, reading 22nd chapter of Revelation for Scripture lesson. Elder R. W. Watson prayed. "Have Thine Own Way Lord" was sung. Minutes were read and approved. Report of National Workers was made. Prof. P. H. Moss, superintendent of National Bible Schools spoke of the work generally and especially of the "Leadership Training School" at Paris, Ky., in connection with Brother Geo. V. Moore of Kentucky. His hope was for more century giving schools and appreciated the increase in giving by various schools.

Miss Deetsy Blackburn, National Elementary Superintendent of schools made report. She especially mentioned the Vocation School at Nashville, Tenn., and "Leadership Training School" at Paris, Ky. "Love Lifted Me" was sung. Recording Secretary made report. See report. Motion carried that report be approved. Mrs. Hattie Tyree, corresponding secretary, stated that she had sent out forty-six letters. Report was adopted.

Treasurer made report which was adopted. See report. The auditing committee was appointed as follows: Elder V. Gooch, Mrs. Sarah Bostick, Mrs. E. E. Coleman.

Committee on Awarding of Loving Cup made report. See report. "There Is Sunshine in My Soul" was sung. Miss E. M. Hardin of Lexington, Ky., gave a demonstration of recreational games in the Bible School. This was much enjoyed by all. Mrs. Hattie B. Hilyard with Young Folks Jubilee chorus favored the Convention with a selection "Ain't It a Shame" to the delight of the audience, which was manifested by an encore.

The Future Work Committee made report which resulted in some discussion. A substitute motion carried that referred its recommendations to the committee, that they might confer with Joint Executive Committee and bring back report. Some discussion arose as to who are eligible to be delegates, which was settled by a motion made by Elder Brown of Mississippi that the rule of the Constitution on representation be omitted during this session and all having enrolled in this convention be recognized as delegates. Motion carried. Order of day was called which brought us to adjournment for supper. "Love Lifted Me" was sung and Elder Wm. Alphin dismissed the assembly with prayer.

Tuesday Night

National Bible School Convention reassembled at 7:30 p.m. President in chair. Opened by singing "Take the Name of Jesus With You." Brother Geo. E. Letton read the fifth chapter of Matthew for evening's lesson. Song "Sing Them Over Again to Me" was sung. Prayer by Prof. Erwin of J. C. I. Texas. Committee on Obituary made report. See report. Motion passed that report be adopted as read. Committee on Nomination made report. Motion carried that report be adopted. See report.

Committee on Auditing made report and was adopted by Convention. See report. "Love Lifted Me" was sung.

Mrs. Hattie Tyree, Corresponding Secretary, made report of states. See report of states. Mrs. Mattie Dungee, Nashville, Tenn., sang "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" which was much enjoyed. President Davis with very appropriate remarks introduced Mr. H. S. Hutton who addressed the Convention on the subject of "The Unfinished Task." He gave many illustrations of tasks begun but unfinished and compared our religious life as such. He stated that Christ started a great work and left it with us to finish, the world task. Many achievements have been undertaken but the task is yet unfinished. He very beautifully awarded the Loving Cup to Brother Taylor of the Mt. Olive Bible School of Baltimore, Md., who replied that they appreciated the honor and that they would strive harder to do more in the future. The business end of the program having been finished, the evening's program was begun.

Prof. E. B. Toles of Paris, Ky., gave a wonderful rendition of "The Holy City." Mrs. Josephine Stearns sent telegram that she was sorry she could not be present but that not having received request of Convention in time made it impossible to be present. Mrs. W. H. Robinson recited "The Obliging Woman Delegate," being encored, she recited "Woman the Best Man of the Two." These recitals were enjoyed much by all and made a splendid diversion. Song by the choir.

President Davis called Brother H. L. Herod, W. H. Dickerson and Preston Taylor to the platform and told of these men having been pioneers of the National Convention work and are still active.

Brother W. H. Dickerson led in prayer and Brother Herod introduced Brother Taylor, the speaker of the evening. Brother Taylor made his annual address and report in a very forceful manner, telling of his trip to the International Convention and being in company with our late Brother Martin. He served on very important committee with the other brethren, as did also Brothers Alphin and Erwin. Brother H. L. Herod gave a masterful address from the platform and received the hearty applause of the brotherhood. He told of the Baltimore and Washington, D. C., church. He paid tribute to the memory of Brothers Martin and Evans. Visits were made to Dayton, Ohio, St. Louis, Mo., and Paducah, Ky., churches. He announced that the Convention has now obtained articles of incorporation at cost of \$150.00 and now ready to be signed by incorporators to be turned over to the Convention. He made appeal for college but said, "We must put up the money to get it."

Choir sang "Awake." Offering \$43.95. Announcements were made. Benediction by Elder Preston Taylor.

REPORT OF ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following report of enrollment:

Arkansas—Mrs. S. L. Bostic, 414 W. 24th St., Little Rock.

Illinois—Elder L. Howell Crawford, Chicago; R. B. Wells, Bloomington; Mrs. Martha Stokes, Chicago.

Indiana—Mrs. Hattie Butler, 1828 S. Keystone Ave., Indianapolis; Cornelia Dorsey, Mrs. Emma Mitchell, 429 N. Chester Ave., Indianapolis; Mrs. Mary Johnson, 1126 N. Nev., Indianapolis, Mrs. Jessie Settles, 901 Race St., Indianapolis, Mrs. H. L. Herod, Indianapolis; Mr. Vance Smith, Indianapolis.

Kentucky—W. H. Brown, Mt. Sterling; Mary E. Taylor, Winchester; Dr. H. DeWitt Allen, Paris; Mrs. A. R. McDuff, Little Rock; Mrs. Susie Brown, Mt. Sterling; Mrs. Lucy K. Hayden, Paris; Mrs. H. A. M. Singleton, Louisville; Mrs. B. B. Hutsell, Paris; Miss Elizabeth Harden, Lexington; Elder Geo. E. Letton, Midway; Elder C. H. Johnson, 21 Pearl St., Winchester.

Maryland—Elder W. H. Taylor, 1828 Division St., Baltimore; Mary E. Anderson.

Missouri—Elder C. E. Craggett, Kansas City; Elder J. J. Green, St. Louis; Connie Doolan, Frankford; Elmer Doolan, Frankford; Mrs. L. A. Devine, St. Louis; Elder H. D. Griffin, 401 N. 5th St., Columbia; Mrs. Mary Foulton, Mrs. Retta E. Maupin, St. Louis; Virgil Gooch, Madison.

Mississippi—Mrs. M. J. Brown, Port Gibson; Elder I. C. Franklin, Port Gibson; Miss Leota O. Christmus, Box 242 Mound Bayou.

North Carolina—Elder R. L. Peters, Winston-Salem.

Ohio—Elder R. H. Davis, 2037 Edison Ave., Cincinnati; Mrs. Fannie E. Scott, Xenia; Mrs. Jessie M. Myers, Cleveland; Mrs. Edna Bradley, Oxford; Mrs. Emma Buckner, Dayton; Elder R. W. Watson, 631 Hawthorne Ave., Cleveland; Miss Catherine Piersawl, 648 Vine St., Wyoming.

Oklahoma—Mrs. Emma E. Coleman, Oklahoma City.

Tennessee—Mrs. Preston Taylor, Nashville; Mrs. Beatrice Chandler, 1620 Jefferson St., Nashville; Mrs. Fannie Waters, 2516 Jef-

erson St., Nashville; Mrs. Jennie Lee Hardin, 176 Hermitage Ave., Nashville; Mrs. Mary White, Nashville.

Texas—Prof. T. W. Pratt, Dallas.

Washington, D. C.—Mrs. N. W. McGowan.

REPORT OF LOVING CUP COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Awarding the Loving Cup, beg leave to submit the following report on the percentage basis:

States	Appor- tionment	Amount Raised
Arkansas	\$149.00	\$148.60
Mississippi	352.00	325.82
Oklahoma	135.00	124.74
Ohio	191.00	188.49
Maryland and District of Columbia	85.00	93.00

which is 91 per cent above the apportionment. Baltimore, Mt. Olive Church, was apportioned \$40.00 and raised \$65.00, which gives Mt. Olive Bible School, Baltimore, Md., 62 per cent above their apportionment.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY

We, the Committee on Obituary, have taken reports from different communities and find there are no officials of the Lord's Day School who have passed from labor to reward during this conventional year.

REPORT OF FUTURE WORK COMMITTEE

Future Work Committee made report but was referred to Joint Executive Committee of church department for consideration. See report in church minutes.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Nomination, submit the following report.

President, Elder R. H. Davis, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1st Vice-President, Prof. T. W. Pratt, Dallas, Texas; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. Vance Smith, Indianapolis, Ind.; 3rd Vice-President, Elder R. H. Hancock, Knoxville, Tenn.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Taylor, Winchester, Ky.; Assistant Recording Secretary, Miss Katherine Piersawl, Ohio; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie Tyree, Washington, D. C.; Treasurer, Mrs. R. E. Maupin, St. Louis, Mo.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, your Auditing Committee, beg leave to make the following report.

We have audited the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports and found them to be correct.

THE RECORDING SECRETARY'S AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Money received at Chicago National Convention..	\$112.00
Disbursements:	
Eld. R. A. Goodin, one-half R. R. fare	\$ 22.00
Mrs. I. C. Franklin, one-half R. R. fare	28.77
U. C. M Society for religious education	50.00
Money order and postage .....	.20
Total	\$100.97

Balance \$ 11.03

MARY E. TAYLOR, Recording Secretary,
R. E. MAUPIN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

States represented with cash to Convention as follows:

Arkansas, \$8; Alabama, \$5; Illinois, Armour Ave. School, \$1; Langley, \$1; Indiana, Indianapolis School, \$2; Kansas, \$15; Kentucky, \$35; Missouri, \$35; Mississippi, \$10; Piedmont District \$10; Virginia-Carolina District, \$5; Ohio, \$29; Oklahoma, \$13; Tennessee, \$12; Texas, \$5; Mississippi, Clarksdale School \$1: Total \$187.

HATTIE TYREE.

REPORT OF STATES WITH CASH

NAME	ADDRESS
Mrs. G. W. Anderson	Kansas City
Mrs. A. B. Pearson	Nashville
Mrs. S. Blackburn	...
Mrs. R. B. Bussell	...
Mrs. M. B. Galloway	...
Mrs. E. B. Bradley	...
Mrs. J. A. Davine	...
Mrs. L. G. Smith	...
Mrs. Y. Franklin	...
Mrs. E. G. Sturging	...
Mrs. E. G. Sturging	...
Mrs. E. G. Sturging	...

REPORT OF STATES, W. M. S. FOR CHICAGO CONVENTION, 1924

STATE	PRESIDENT	ADDRESS	SECRETARY	ADDRESS	DELEGATES	New Societies	Members	Y. W. Circle	Junior Band	Triangle	Light Bear	Readers World Call	W. Day	Week Prayer	State Dev. Fund	Gen. Dev.	Golden Jubilee	Special Offer	Societies	Am't. to Conven.	Representation
Kansas	Mrs. G. W. Anderson	2315 Allis Ave., Kansas City.	Mrs. G. W. Anderson		Mrs. G. W. Anderson	184	1	2	1				2	3	56.75	229.43	11.00	1.50		20.00	
Tennessee	Mrs. Jennie Harding	176 Hermitage Ave., Nashville	Miss Ada Pearson	Rogersville, Tenn.	Mrs. Jennie Harding	125	2	2		1		7	2	2	14.00			5.00	25.00	25.00	
Mississippi	Mrs. M. J. Brown	Port Gibson	Mrs. S. Blackburn	Port Gibson, Miss.	Mrs. M. J. Brown, Mrs. S. S. Blackburn	4	172		6		1	25	4	8	48.00	96.00	328.70	15.00	16.00	10.00	
Kentucky	Mrs. Susie Brown	7 Westly St., Mt. Sterling, Ky.	Mrs. B. B. Hutsell	416 William St., Paris, Ky.	Mrs. Susie Brown and Miss King	2	194	2	7	2	16	5	2	2	125.18	146.17		24.09	19.00	28.00	
Arkansas	Mrs. Sarah L. Bostic	414 W. 24th St., N. Little Rock			Mrs. Sarah L. Bostic	1	90		2		1	7	2	4	22.30	54.24			10.00	25.00	
Indiana	Mrs. Kate Weathers	526 Minerva St., Indianapolis	Mrs. Martha Galloway	1215 Edgermont St., Indianapolis	Mrs. K. Weathers	1	46		1			43	6	1		81.82			17.00	2.00	
Ohio	Mrs. Susan Offut	148 N. View Ave., Dayton, Ohio	Mrs. Edna Bradley	Box 32 Oxford	Mrs. E. Bradley	1	180		1			43	6	4					7.00	14.00	
Illinois	Mrs. Cynthia Martin	3839 Vincennes Ave., Chicago, Ill.			Mrs. C. Martin		1		1			7	2	2	40.42	122.16	12.00	3.00			
California	Mrs. Katherine Keith	970 E. 31st Los Angeles, Cal.	Miss Jones	970 E. 31st St., Los Angeles, Cal.	Mrs. K. Keith		23					2	1	1	12.50				1.00	2.00	
Missouri	Mrs. Mary V. Buren	218 E. 6th St., Fulton, Mo.	Mrs. L. A. Devine	4412 Cote Brillante, St. Louis, Mo.	Mrs. Grubbs, Devine, Van Buren, Doolan, and Lewis.	2	315		1	2	16	37	6	7	357.90	143.56	69.00		15.00	30.00	
Texas	Mrs. W. F. Thomas	1420 Worm St., Houston, Texas	Mrs. L. G. Smith	3618 Dalton St., Greenville, Texas	Mrs. L. G. Smith	3	126	1				61	6	3	65.80	488.17	5.00	20.00	16.00	10.00	
Oklahoma	Mrs. L. E. Mayberry	Box 257 Clearview	Mrs. V. Y. Franklin	934 S. 3rd St., Muskogee	Mrs. L. E. Mayberry	1	145		3	1		12	4	2	18.80	53.09		12.00	9.00	10.00	
Virginia	Mrs. J. H. Thomas	Box 186, Martinsville	Mrs. E. G. Starting	Martinsville, Va.	Miss Deetsy Blackburn	2	116									5.00		8.00	10.00	2.00	
West Virginia	Mrs. J. H. Thomas	Box 186, Martinsville	Mrs. E. G. Starting	Martinsville, Va.	Miss Deetsy Blackburn												7.00				7
North Carolina	Mrs. J. H. Thomas	Box 186, Martinsville	Mrs. E. G. Starting	Martinsville, Va.	Miss Deetsy Blackburn																9
Alabama																					
Maryland																					
Total						16	3037	6	25	7	34	362	39	39	\$860.62	\$1,214.64	\$107.00	\$280.22	\$115.00	\$186.00	\$16

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR DEPARTMENT

Cincinnati, Ohio, August 29, 1925.

The National Christian Endeavor session was opened at 8:00 p.m. with President S. C. Devine in chair.

Devotional led by Brother P. H. Moss.

Song—"Sunshine in My Soul."

Prayers—By several of the young people.

Song—"Precious Name."

Vocal Solo—Marie Markham.

Address—"The Christian Endeavor—Its Mission," Miss Catherine Piersonal, Ohio.

Cornet Solo—Mr. James Franklin, Ohio.

Vocal Solo—Miss Leota Christmas, Mississippi.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Jones, Missouri.

Instrumental Solo—Professor Ross, J. C. I.

President's Message—"The Leadership of Youth," S. C. Devine, Missouri.

Instrumental Solo—Miss Brisco, Kentucky.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. McGee, Missouri.

Presentation of Banner—P. H. Moss.

The Banner Song—Endeavorers.

Mississippi having raised the highest amount, which was \$40.00 above their apportionment, received the Banner.

Offering—\$10.00.

Announcements.

Benediction—Brother Blair T. Hunt, Tennessee.

REPORT OF FUTURE WORK COMMITTEE

Future Work—We, your Committee on Future Work, beg leave to submit the following report:

1. We recommend that the Christian Endeavor president put forth special effort to help promote the \$3,000.00 budget as planned under Prof. Moss.

2. We further recommend that he continue the present Christian Endeavor apportionment of \$500.00.

3. We recommend that he visit as many State Conventions as possible.

4. We recommend that the president of the Christian Endeavor be sent to the Field Workers' Conference of the International Convention and his expenses be paid out of the Religious Educational Budget.

5. We recommend that each Christian Endeavor observe the National Christian Endeavor Day, the first Sunday in February, and send the offering to the United Christian Missionary Society, and the regular program be put on by each Christian Endeavor Society.

6. We further recommend that the Christian Endeavor Societies adopt the Fidelity Standard as their program of work for the year

and report the same to the superintendent's office of Religious and Missionary Education whose present office is 2045 N. 5th Street, Kansas City, Kansas.

7. We further recommend that the National Christian Endeavor Banner be awarded on the percentage basis.

Committee:

Prof. P. H. Moss, Chairman, Kansas; Miss D. L. Blackburn, Kansas; Mr. U. Philip, Tennessee; Miss Bessie E. Chandler, Secretary-Treasurer, Tennessee.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Nomination, beg leave to submit the following report for officers for the next ensuing year:

President—S. C. Devine, Missouri.

First Vice-President—W. S. Sims, Kansas.

Second Vice-President—G. E. Letton, Kentucky.

Corresponding and Recording Secretary—Mrs. Malinda La-Touche, Illinois.

Assistant Corresponding and Recording Secretary—Miss Emma Buckner, Ohio.

Treasurer—Prof. Jason Cowan, Jr., Kentucky.

Music Director—Miss Leota Christmas, Mississippi.

Committee:

Prof. T. W. Pratt, Texas; Miss Mary Van Buren, Missouri; Miss Emma Buckner, Ohio; Miss Leota Christmas; Mrs. J. Cowan.

REPORT OF STATES AND CHURCHES

States	Nat. Apport.	Sent to U.C.M.S.	Sent to Nat. Con.	Total
Texas	\$50.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 5.00	\$ 7.50
Arkansas	50.00	1.50	....	1.50
Ohio	40.00	22.85	8.15	31.00
Oklahoma	30.00	2.00	5.00	7.00
Virginia District and N. C.	20.00	2.00	5.00	7.00
Missouri	100.00	27.00	14.00	41.00
Mississippi	50.00	80.00	....	80.00
Kentucky	20.00	16.00	....	16.00
Maryland	30.00	5.00	....	5.00
Illinois	40.00	8.00	2.00	10.00
Virginia	20.00	3.00	....	3.00
Tennessee	20.00	20.00	....	20.00
Kansas	30.00	....	7.00	7.00
Alabama	20.00	2.00	....	2.00

Total sent to National Convention\$46.15
 Offering 10.00
 Enrollment 20.00

Total on hand\$76.15

Disbursements—

Corresponding Sec'y. for R. R. fare..\$20.52
 Stationery Corresponding Sec'y70
 President for printing matters 3.00
 President for stationery 1.30 \$25.52

Balance sent to U.C.M.S.\$50.63

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Cincinnati, Ohio, August 26, 1925.

The Woman's Missionary Society met in the Seventh Annual Session in Kenyon Avenue Christian Church, Wednesday, a.m., August 26, at 8 o'clock., Mrs. Wm. Alphin, Pres., presiding.

From 8 to 9 o'clock a conference on state work was conducted by the National Field Worker, Mrs. Rosa Brown Grubbs.

This conference was of great value to all who were present because of the information given. At the closing of the hour's conference all stood and sang, "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning." After this song, led by Mrs. H. A. M. Singleton, our Honorary President, all read 1st Corinthian, 13th Chapter, in unison. This was very effective, calling attention to the words, "Though I give my body to be burned, having not charity, it profiteth me nothing, etc." After the Scripture Reading, we were led to the throne of Grace by Mrs. Singleton. Every heart was touched.

Song, "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus," was sung with enthusiasm by the audience. After the singing of this song, the president made a few preliminary remarks, after which she introduced to the Convention a great many new members who were present for the first time in a National Convention W. M. S.

The president then gave a review of the growth of the Woman's Missionary Society during the last seven years.

The president next introduced the National Officer to the audience.

The audience then sang—"I Must Tell Jesus." After this song was rendered she proceeded to appoint the committees.

The Committee on Society Reports: Mrs. Ritta Maupin, Mo.; Mrs. C. H. Dickerson, Ky.; Mrs. Amanda Haygood, Ala.; Mrs. Bradley, Ohio; Mrs. B. B. Hutsell, Ky.

Committee on Auditing: Mrs. Everette, Ky.; Mrs. Preston Taylor, Tenn.; Prof. T. W. Pratt, Texas.

Committee on Enrollment: Mrs. Cammie Doolin, Mo.; Mrs. Anna Bell Franklin, Ohio; Mrs. Hallie Butler, Ind.; Mrs. McDuff, Ky.

Committee on Nomination: Mrs. W. H. Brown, Ky.; Miss Roxie Sneed, Miss.; Mrs. Mary Van Buren, Mo.; Mrs. Harding, Tenn.; Mrs. Cynthia Martin, Ill.

Committee on Future Work: Mrs. Susie Offurt, Ohio; Mrs. Thomas, Virginia; Mrs. McGowan, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. G. A. Franklin, Miss.; Mrs. S. L. Bostic, Ark.; Mrs. L. A. Devine, Mo.; Mrs. L. E. Mayberry, Okla.

Mrs. H. A. M. Singleton, Honorary President, came to the chair and introduced the president, Mrs. Alphin, who came forward with

a good report in which she stressed the needs of the W. M. S. She spoke extensively of the Cleveland Convention. After this report a motion by Mrs. Devine, seconded by Mrs. Fowler of Ohio, that this report be turned to the Auditing Committee carried.

Report of Recording Secretary called for. It was made and a motion carried that this report be turned to the Auditing Committee.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. E. Mayberry, was called for, made and voted to be turned to the Auditing Committee.

The report of the National Treasures, Mrs. H. L. Herod, was called for and made, which was voted to be turned to the right committee.

Mrs. McGowan of Washington, D. C., spoke and with a few well chosen words, commended the secretaries and treasures for having such excellent reports. She spoke in high terms of the president.

A motion made by Mrs. Brown, of Kentucky, seconded by Mrs. Daves, of Kansas, that we give thanks to the National Officers, by a standing vote, for the most excellent reports made by them.

This motion was carried unanimously.

The report of the National Field Secretary, Mrs. Rosa Brown Grubbs, was called for. Mrs. Grubbs gave an excellent report in detail showing the work accomplished. She gave report of the Receipts to the United Christian Missionary Society from all departments of the Negro churches for last year, June, 1924, to June, 1925. This report was very interesting and all who heard it said, "Well done."

Motion was made that this report was a masterpiece of work and that Mrs. Grubbs be thanked for this rendition.

The National Secretary of Children's Work, Miss S. M. King, was called for. This report, as usual, was good. Miss King has proved to be a leader of children.

A motion carried that the report of Miss King be received, and turned to the proper committee. Brother Robinson mentioned his approval and said that this report should have the commendation of the assembly.

Mrs. Taylor, of Tennessee, arose and said that in reference to our National Field Secretaries' Report, that she thought Mrs. Grubb's report was a good one indeed. That Mrs. Grubbs has grown with the work during these nine years, and she thinks this report to be the best, and that the Convention should make known their appreciation by giving a standing vote of thanks to Mrs. Grubbs; and at the same time thank Miss King for her very excellent report. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Settle and carried unanimously.

The Assembly joined lustily in singing the song, "Brighten the Corner Where You Are."

The Honorary President, Mrs. Singleton, with appropriate remarks, presented the President, Mrs. Alphin, to deliver her message and recommendations. She spoke at length of the needs of our people in colleges and pastoral support—and missionaries to Africa and at home. Truly our hearts burned as she talked.

Motion by Mrs. Herod, seconded by Mrs. Devine, that the president's message be received and the recommendations that can be acted upon be dealt with accordingly, and the others be turned to the proper committee.

The president then suspended the rule and allowed ten minutes for discussion on the message just given.

Brother Jackson spoke in commendable terms of the address. He endorsed the thought of sending missionaries to Africa. He also endorsed the mention of the college.

Sister Keith, of California, Sister Griffin, of Missouri, and Sister Daves, of Kansas, each spoke in commendable terms of the message, also Sister Brown, of Ohio.

Brother Daves in his entertaining way spoke of the address as being good. Mrs. Brown, of Kentucky, spoke of the greatness of the message and asked that it be published that we may be better benefited by it.

Mrs. Singleton spoke of Missionaries to Africa and highly endorsed the president's message.

Mrs. Thomas, of Virginia, spoke on Ministers' Wives, and told of her experience as one and urges the wives to get out of self and into Christ—or failure is sure.

The State General Secretaries were asked to make expressions. Mrs. B. B. Hutsell, Ky.; Mrs. Tranna Anderson, Kans.; Mrs. M. Haygood, Ala.; Mrs. Edna Bradley, Ohio; Mrs. Betsy Daves, S. C.; Mrs. M. V. Thomas, Va.; Mrs. L. A. Devine, Mo.; Mrs. Harding, Tenn.; Mrs. Sarah Richardson, Ark.

Mrs. Grubbs asked permission to introduce one, a Miss Taylor of the Baptist Church of St. Louis, Mo., and head assistant in the Public School of that city. The Convention received her graciously.

Miss Taylor spoke of the pleasure that is hers to have the privilege of listening to the deliberations of the Convention and thought it good to be here. The audience then sang, "There is Sunshine in My Soul Today." A free-will offering was given. The amount taken being \$9.46.

Brother Jackson asked Divine blessing upon the gift and givers and offered a prayer of thanks for the offering. The benediction was made by Dr. Robinson, of Hagerstown, Md.

Evening Session of W. M. S.

Convened by singing song, "Let the Lower Light Be Burning," after which Scripture lesson was read, by Mrs. Bostic, 23 Psalm.

Prayer by Mrs. Martin. Song, "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross."

President called the officials to the platform. The reports of the state general secretaries were resumed. Mrs. Harding, of Tennessee, came forward with a good report.

Mrs. S. L. Bostic made a partial report for Arkansas. She made a fine address in which she commended the officials in a general way. Mrs. Keith brought forward a report from California, which was very interesting.

Mrs. Martin, of Chicago, came next with her report of the work in Chicago. She is trying to organize a work while work there. She also made a report of the work in Gary, Ind. All thought this a work worth while. Mrs. Hattie Butler made an interesting report for Indiana.

The report of the Carolina, Virginia, District was a written one sent to the secretary. They report thirteen auxiliaries in working order. The report was thought to be fine.

Mrs. Susie M. Brown, Mt. Sterling, Ky., brought to us a fine message. Subject, "Essentials for a Successful Woman's Missionary

Society." This address was a great one and of much benefit to the hearers.

Mrs. McGowan, Washington, D. C., next addressed the audience, to the delight of all. She speaks hopefully of the Washington work and tried to express for that congregation their appreciation of the help they are receiving from the U.C.M.S. and the W.M.S.

Solo—Mrs. Nettie Jackson, Kansas City, Kansas, sang beautifully, "The Lord is My Shepherd."

Miss Nora Darnell, National Secretary of Children's Work, brought to us a great message. In her address she mentioned three particular phases of interest to the child. Telling the story, showing the pictures, and getting the child interested. She said as "He built for us a higher gate, so we should build for the children." Miss Darnell can get the attention of her hearers, and all enjoyed her talk.

Miss Darnell can tell a story in such a way that the hardest can feel, and the dullest can understand. She told the story of "Little Lame Dick." It is a very pathetic one, and all hearts were touched.

Mrs. R. H. Daves was introduced to the Convention and she, in well chosen words, made us feel the welcome extended us.

Report of the Committee on Future Work called for, which read as follows:

REPORT OF THE FUTURE WORK COMMITTEE

The Woman's Missionary Society of the U.C.M.S. makes the following report:

First. 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.

Second. 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.

Third. We recommend the continuation of the observance of Scholarship Day, the first Sunday in October, to aid students who have pledged to render life service to the church.

Fourth. We recommend that the women will meet for one day's conference pertaining to general development of the local and state work on Monday before the sitting of the National Convention.

Fifth. We further recommend that fifty (50) Woman's Missionary Societies will raise \$100.00 or more through the general funds for the year ending 1926, National Convention.

Sixth. We recommend that each society use the missionary thank-offering boxes for the Easter offering, and each woman be urged to give at least one dollar as her thank-offering.

Seventh. We recommend that we grant the request of Indianapolis and that Mr. Vance Smith, who is pursuing the degree of Master of Arts at Chicago University, be granted the fund allowed for the scholarship. We further recommend that a Committee on Scholarship Award for another year be appointed.

Eighth. We recommend that the ministers' wives organize a ministers' wives meeting this year, and go back to their respective states and organize a like meeting in their state organization.

NOTE.—Monthly dues, offerings for special days, such as Woman's Day offering, the first Sunday in December, Easter offering, these will apply on the \$100.00.

Ninth. We recommend that we pay our President a salary of \$10.00 (ten dollars) a year in order that we may comply with the clergy bureau requirements.

Tenth. We recommend that one-way fare of the Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer to be paid to our National Convention.

Eleventh. 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.

(f) That there will be an attainment of 250 points in the Reading Contest.

(g) That each society have some organization of children's work.

(h) That the Missionary Society have a paid-up membership and observe the special days.

(i) We further recommend that all W.M.S. meeting these requirements be given a Certificate of Honor.

Aims: 125 W.M.S. Girls' Circles; 10 organizations of boys and girls; 3,000 women membership; 100 young women; 250 boys and girls; 500 World Calls; 200 King Builders.

MRS. SUSAN W. OFFUTT, Chairman,

MRS. ROSA V. GRUBBS,

MRS. S. L. BOSTICK,

MRS. L. A. DEVINE,

MRS. M. N. THOMAS,

MRS. L. E. MAYBERRY,

MRS. ELIZABETH MCGOWAN,

MRS. GEORGIE FRANKLIN, Secretary,

Committee.

The report on Future Work was read and a motion made that the report be adopted as a whole; seconded and rejected by Brother Robinson. After a talk by Dr. Robinson the motion was put and carried.

A motion obtained a second that a standing vote of thanks be given this committee for service rendered.

Texas report read by Mrs. B. B. Hutsell; this report was received and given to the proper committee.

A partial report of the Enrollment Committee was made by Mrs. Franklin of Kentucky. The report was for \$21 and 84 enrolled.

The Auditing Committee made report that the Recording Secretary's and Treasurer's report were all "O.K.," also the Corresponding Secretary's report. This committee was thanked for rendered service.

Mrs. B. B. Hutsell made a petition in which she asks for a change of college or the establishment of a college for our youths. She paid high tribute to Central Christian College but feels that it is inadequate to do the work needed for the training of our ministers, and advises the purchase of Chanler Normal, Lexington, Ky.

Motion by Brother Alphin, seconded by Sister Devine, that the petition be received and turned to the Advisory Committee. This motion was adopted after discussion, pro and con.

The report of the Nominating Committee was called for. The report was made and adopted as read.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Cincinnati, Ohio, August 26, 1925.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following report:

For President—Mrs. Wm. Alphin, Missouri.
 First Vice-President—Mrs. H. A. M. Singleton, Kentucky.
 Second Vice-President—Mrs. Ida Taylor, Tennessee.
 Third Vice-President—Mrs. Katherine Keith, California.
 Recording Secretary—Miss M. E. Harding, Florida.
 Assistant Recording Secretary—Mrs. S. Offuit, Ohio.
 Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. L. E. Mayberry, Oklahoma.
 Treasurer—Mrs. H. L. Herrod, Indiana.
 Secretary of Children's Work—Miss S. M. King, Kentucky.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. L. MARTIN,
 MRS. J. L. HARDIN,
 MRS. MARTHA STOKES,
 MRS. MARY VAN BUREN,
 MISS R. C. SNEED.

The President at this time introduced to the assembly the President of the Baptist Missionary Society, Mrs. Miller, who in a few chosen words asked the blessing of God upon our assembly.

Mrs. Norcam, the Secretary of the Y.W.C.A., was next introduced. She very pleasantly entertained us with her witty sayings.

Offering taken, \$4.75.

Prayer, thank offering and benediction by our beloved Brother George Terry, Missouri.

Evening Session

W.M.S. convened by singing song: "More About Jesus."

A second selection, "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross," was rendered.

Brother Everette then led in singing a Negro Spiritual which was caught up by the assembly and sung as Negroes only can sing.

Minutes of previous session were called for, read by Mrs. M. J. Brown and adopted as read.

Report of Nominating Committee re-read and adopted as read.

Report of Committee on State Societies read by Mrs. Hutsell.

A motion carried that this report be received and adopted as read.

After the reading of this report we had a treat. Miss Leota Christmas was introduced and asked to sing. She rendered a solo which was thrilling. The audience was held in rapt attention while the notes were carolled forth in praise to God. The subject of the song was "I Saw One Hanging on the Tree." Many amens were heard.

An address was made by Mrs. Thomas of the Piedmont Institute Virginia. The subject of which being "Christian Motherhood" was well discussed and much thought aroused. It was full of inspiration.

A special selection of music was rendered by Mrs. Letton of Kentucky. The subject, "It Pays to Serve Jesus." It is a beautiful song and was impressively rendered with expression.

The 24th Psalm, "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof" was read for Scripture lesson by Rev. Letton of Kentucky.

Rendition by choir—an anthem after which all bowed in prayer while Rev. Peters of North Carolina, led us to the Throne of Grace.

A solo by Mrs. Nadine R. Waters, Ohio was lustily applauded.

A second rendition by Mrs. Waters was much appreciated. Miss Waters is a student of a Boston Musical Conservatory and is a credit to her Alma Mater.

Brother Craggett of Kansas City, Mo., as programmed, came to us with a sermon, subject, "The Conquering King." He proved himself master of the task and preached a wonderful sermon; he closed by singing "Glory! glory! Hallelujah, His truth is marching on."

Invitation extended while the congregation stood and sang "Jesus Is Calling Today."

A free will offering was made while the choir chanted an anthem.

An offering of \$35.73 was taken. A prayer of thank offering was made by Brother Daves. Adjourned.

A call session was held Saturday morning, opened with prayer by Mrs. McGowan of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Wm. Alphin conducted a conference of the W. M. S.

Sister T. R. Everett was appointed to call the ministers' wives together to organize them.

Sister Alphin told the State Presidents to keep account of the finances. All money should be paid out by Secretary's order signed by President and Secretary.

The subject of "Who Are the Legal Delegates to Be Sent to the National Convention?" was discussed and it was decided that we always send the State President as delegate to National Convention and suggested that the Field Worker be considered.

A motion carried that we the National W. M. S. give \$100 to the establishing of the newspaper. This was voted unanimously. Motion adopted that the Secretary of Children's Work be added to list of those to receive one-half fare to and from the Convention.

The report of Finance Committee called for when the Committee reported \$377.50 received at this meeting and \$130.55 which was on hand making a total of \$508.05.

The President then said that all bills be paid now. And since Sister Brown, the retiring Recording Secretary has done such good work she thought that she should receive \$15 instead of \$10. This was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mrs. Taylor of Tennessee, seconded by Mrs. Herod of Indiana, that inasmuch as Mrs. Brown of Mississippi,

had rendered such valuable service and was retiring from office, that we vote that clause in the Future Work report relative to Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurers, receiving one way fare go into effect immediately in Sister M. J. Brown's case and that she receive one-half of traveling expense. An amendment was made by Mrs. Devine that Mrs. Brown receive one way fare, but in place of the \$15, as suggested by Mrs. Alphin, that she receive the usual sum of \$10 for compiling minutes. Carried unanimously.

On Hand	\$508.05
Paid Out	326.24
Balance	\$181.81
Disbursements—	
Mrs. Rosa B. Grubbs	\$ 17.00
Mrs. Van Buren .....	.45
Mrs. Alphin	62.83
Mrs. Mayberry	30.28
Miss S. M. King	10.00
Mrs. H. L. Herod	1.00
Mr. Vance Smith	56.73
Mrs. M. J. Brown, travel. exp.	34.50
Mrs. M. J. Brown, comp. minutes ..	10.00
Mrs. M. J. Brown, exp.	3.45
National Newspaper	100.00
Total	\$326.24

REPORT OF ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

Cincinnati, Ohio, August, 1925

We, your Committee on Enrollment, beg leave to make the following report. Those enrolled are as follows:

Mrs. Cammie Doolin... Missouri	Lawyer M. S. Taylor... Illinois
Prof. T. W. Pratt..... Texas	Mr. I. J. Matthews..... Illinois
Mrs. Alphin..... Missouri	Rev. R. B. Wells..... Illinois
Miss S. M. King..... Kentucky	Rev. I. J. Hicks..... Texas
Mrs. Mary Van Buren.. Missouri	Rev. B. T. Hunt..... Tennessee
Mrs. Dora White..... Tennessee	Mrs. Locher..... Cin. Ohio
Mrs. Ida Taylor..... Tennessee	Mrs. Mary E. Fisher..... Ohio
Mrs. Mary Anderson.. Tennessee	Mr. J. Pruitt..... Ohio
Eld. R. W. Watson. Cleveland, O.	Mrs. A. Latouche..... Illinois
Mrs. C. E. Craggett... Missouri	Miss Sophia Haygood..... Ohio
Eld. C. E. Craggett... Missouri	Mrs. H. L. Herod..... Indiana
Mr. Elmer Doolin..... Missouri	Mr. J. Workman..... Ohio
Prof. J. N. Cowan..... Kentucky	Mrs. Julia Stelle..... Ohio
Mrs. L. A. Devine..... Missouri	Mrs. E. Harding..... Ohio
Mrs. Retta Maupin..... Missouri	Mrs. Lula Thompson..... Ohio
Mrs. H. Tyree, Washington, D. C.	Mrs. D. C. Fowler. Columbus, O.
Mrs. Lucile Palmer..... Illinois	Mrs. Alice Washington. Kentucky
Eld. K. R. Brown... Mississippi	Mrs. L. M. Jones..... Kentucky
Eld. R. A. Latouche..... Illinois	Mrs. Mamie Stevens..... Ohio
Mrs. B. L. Lewes..... Illinois	Bro. Everett..... Ohio
Miss Elizabeth Givins... Missouri	Mrs. Fannie Scott, Xenia, Ohio
Mrs. Alice G. Shover..... Ohio	Miss Margaret Lee, Dayton, Ohio
Mrs. Lula Thompson..... Ohio	Miss Lillian Hachley..... Ohio
Mrs. Josephine Norcon... Ohio	Eld. A. W. Daves.. K. C., Kans.

Miss Ruby Thomas.....Ohio	Mrs. Dora Banks.....Ohio
Mrs. Addie Daves.....Kentucky	Mrs. Mamie Ferguson.....Ohio
Mrs. Eliza Burkley.....Ohio	Mrs. Nora Boston.....Ohio
Mrs. Lula Martin.....Ohio	Mrs. Frances Bellmont.....Ohio
Mrs. Cynthia Martin.....Illinois	Mrs. Georgia Miller.....Ohio
Miss Harding.....Ohio	Mrs. Lavinia O. Allen..Kentucky
Mrs. Lula Thompson.....Ohio	Mrs. Josie M. Meyers.....Ohio
Eld. W. H. Dickerson...Ohio	Miss Elizabeth Harding....Ky.
Eld. B. C. Calvert...Mississippi	Miss Christina Stewart...Ohio
Mrs. B. B. Hutsell...Kentucky	Miss Bettie Hawkins..Kentucky
Eld. Wm. Alphin.....Missouri	Mrs. Liz. McGowan.Wash, D. C.
Eld. I. C. Franklin...Mississippi	Mrs. Susie Brown.....Kentucky
Eld. L. H. Crawford...Illinois	Mrs. Edna Bradley.....Ohio
Mrs. Franklin.....Cin., Ohio	Mrs. Susie Offurt.....Ohio
Mrs. Mabel Daves...Cin., Ohio	Mrs. Mary E. Taylor.....
Mrs. Lizzie Bailey...Cin., Ohio	Mrs. Tillie Smith.....Kentucky
Eld. R. H. Daves...Cin., Ohio	Mrs. H. E. Griffin.....Missouri
Mr. Pullan Aires....Cin., Ohio	102 at 25 cents each—\$25.50.

**ORGANIZED THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS' WIVES
SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 1925**

Cincinnati, Ohio.

In organizing The Council of Ministers' Wives we feel that the good results are far-reaching.

There has been a time when one would prefer almost any position than that of a minister's wife. But when we are reminded that "Life is what we make it," we are encouraged.

We are the architects of our own lives, and if it falls our lot to be a minister's wife, we should count it a blessing and proceed to make the very best minister's wife. To do this we must go down in the valley, as well as up on the mountain tops. We are reminded that one reaps just what he sows. If we wish to reap a joyful harvest we must sow joyful deeds. The joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you.

The ministers' wives need to counsel together, so we, The National W.M.S., in order to promote a better feeling of love and friendship, do organize a Council of Ministers' Wives of The Disciples of Christ. We elect for our first officers:

Mrs. Thomas, Piedmont Inst., Virginia, President; Mrs. M. J. Brown, Port Gibson, Miss., Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Craggette, Kansas City, Mo., Recording Secretary; Mrs. C. A. Martin, Chicago, Ill., Treasurer.

REPORT OF MRS. WILLIAM ALPHIN, 1924-1925

Received from treasurer for office expense	\$40.00
Sept., General Letters	15.00
Postage	6.00
Feb. 16, General Letters	7.50
Postage	3.00
May 6, General Letters	5.00
Postage	2.00
Letters written, 183	3.66
Letters published, 6 .....	.14
Telegrams	1.65

Mailing Minutes	1.00
Received	\$44.95
	40.00
Balance due	\$ 4.95

**REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY L. E. MAYBERRY
AUGUST, 1925**

Money received during the year	\$25.00
Letters sent out	64
Expense for Future Work report and letter heads	\$18.50
Report blanks	7.00
Trips for printing, 3	2.25
Mailing letter heads	1.25
Mailing letters	1.28
Total	\$30.28
Due me	5.28

Submitted: L. E. MAYBERRY.

**REPORT OF SECRETARY OF CHILDREN'S WORK
Miss S. M. King, Kentucky**

Indiana, Indianapolis Mission Band—	
Enrollment	20
Subscribers to King's Builders	3
Amount of dues sent to U.C.M.S.	\$ 6.41
Special offering	4.25
Total amount of money sent	\$10.66
Regular meetings, monthly	9
Registration fee to National Convention	\$ 1.00
Superintendent: MRS. JESSIE SETTLES, Indiana.	
Kansas—Mission Bands	
Enrollment	49
Subscribers to King's Builders	11
Amount of dues sent to U.C.M.S.	2.00
Registration fee	\$ 1.00
Missouri—Triangle Clubs	
Mission Bands	2
Junior Congregations	1
Little Light Bearers	9
Number of Societies	7
Number of Members	6
Subscribers to King's Builders	10
Kentucky—	
Number of Societies	20
Enrolled Membership	120
Subscribers to King's Builders	3
Amount of money to Boys and Girls Department of the U.C.M.S.	\$35.00
Special Offering for C.C.I.	\$ 7.00
Total	\$42.00
Registration Fee to Cincinnati	\$ 3.00
New Societies	8

NINTH NATIONAL CONVENTION

Little Light Bearers	4
Grand Total Number of Societies	18
Little Light Bearers	14
Total Enrolled Membership	202
Subscribers to King's Builders	17
Number of Letters Sent	100
Postal Cards	50
Amount of Money Received	\$ 8.00
Expenses	2.00
Balance	6.00
Registration Fee to This Convention	5.00

Yours for service,

S. M. KING,
Secretary of Y. P. Work.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF N.W.M.S.

Cincinnati, Ohio, August 26, 1925.

Brought forward at Chicago Convention	\$150.34
Received at Chicago Convention	634.82
Received of Mrs. A. W. Daves	3.00
Total amount received	\$788.16

Disbursements

To Rosa V. Grubbs for Golden Jubilee	\$400.00
To Mrs. Alphin	53.95
To Mrs. L. E. Mayberry	5.66
To Mrs. M. J. Brown	11.00
To Mrs. H. L. Herrod	1.00
October 1, Mrs. Alphin	75.00
October 5, Mrs. Alphin	15.00
Nov., Mrs. M. J. Brown	3.00
December 20, Mrs. S. M. King	8.00
December 20, Mrs. L. E. Mayberry	25.00
April, Mrs. Alphin	25.00
August 8, Mrs. Alphin	35.00
Total amount expended	\$657.61
Total amount received	\$788.16
Total amount expended	657.61

Amount in treasury	\$130.55
Scholarship	56.73

Amount in general treasury

MRS. H. L. HERROD.

REPORT OF RECORDING SECRETARY OF NATIONAL W.M.S.

Cincinnati, Ohio, August 26, 1925.

Brought forward at Chicago Convention	\$150.34
Received at Chicago Convention	634.82

Total amount on hand at Chicago Convention

\$785.16

Disbursements at Chicago Convention

To Mrs. Rosa V. Grubbs	\$417.00
To Mrs. Wm. Alphin	53.95
To Mrs. M. J. Brown	11.00
To Mrs. H. L. Herrod	1.00
To Mrs. L. E. Mayberry	5.66

Total paid out at Chicago Convention\$488.61

Disbursements Since Chicago Convention

September 18—To Mrs. Wm. Alphin	\$ 75.00
September 25—To Mrs. Wm. Alphin	15.00
September 25—To Mrs. M. J. Brown for Record Book	3.00
November—To Mrs. L. E. Mayberry	25.00
November—To Miss S. M. King	8.00
March—To Mrs. Wm. Alphin	25.00
August—To Mrs. Wm. Alphin	35.00

Total disbursements since Chicago Convention\$186.00

Total amount expended is \$488.61 plus \$186 equal\$674.61

Total amount of money handled

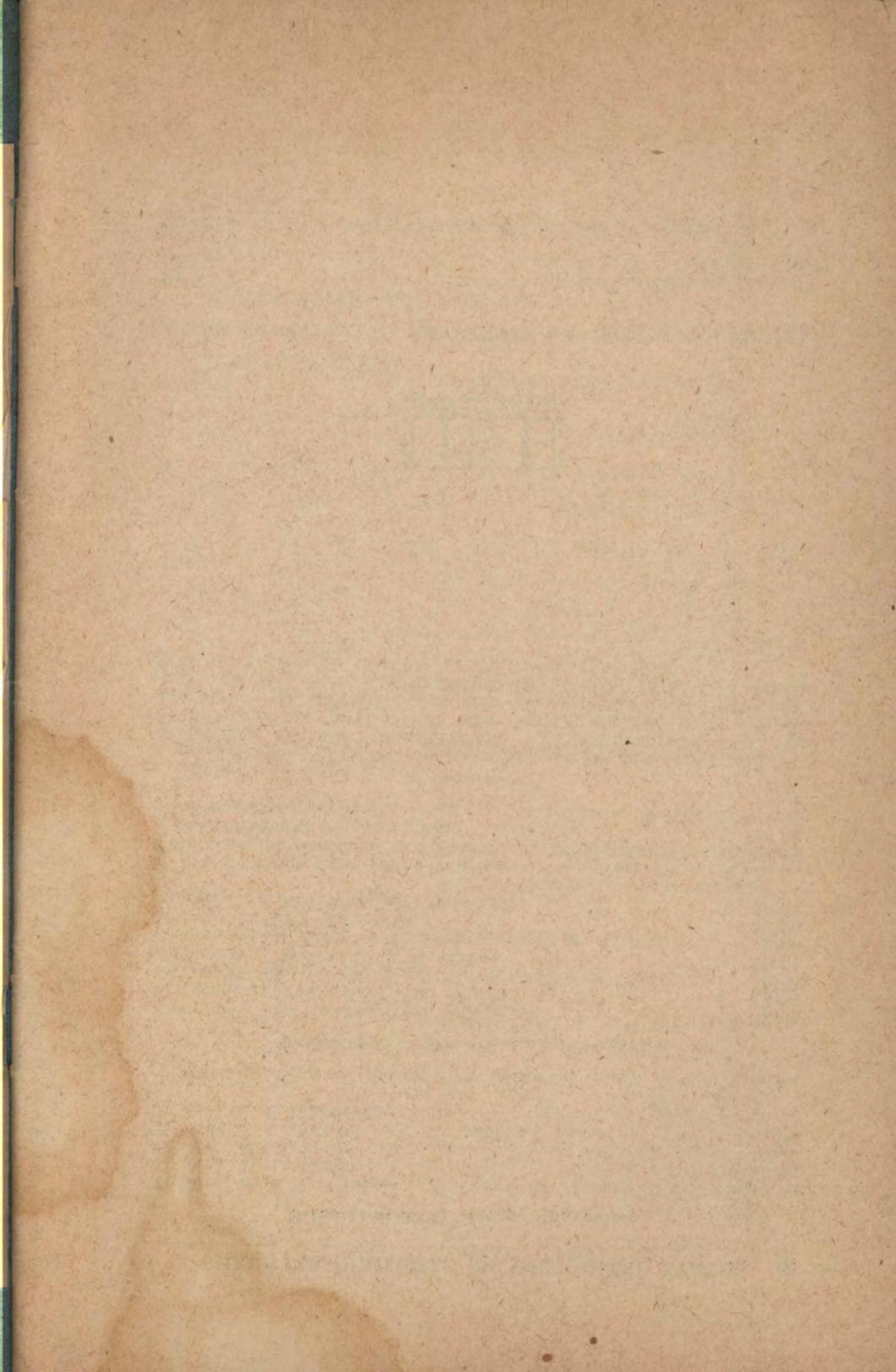
Total amount disbursed 674.61

Balance on hand\$110.55

A difference of \$20.00 between Secretary's and Treasurer's report. Now, by way of explanation: The seventeen dollars of the \$417.00 had not been paid to Mrs. Grubbs, and the \$3.00 sent to Treasurers, by Mrs. Daves had not been reported to the Secretary, which makes a difference of \$20.00, which, added to \$110.55, equal \$130.55, balance in treasury at Cincinnati Convention.

M. J. BROWN.





REPORT OF STATE YINTEMBER

GENERAL INFORMATION

The following information is given for the purpose of showing the general conditions of the State in the year 1900. It is based on the reports of the various departments and is intended to give a general idea of the progress of the State during the year.

WILLIAM W. WALKER
GOVERNOR

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GOVERNOR

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REPORT OF STATE SOCIETIES

PRESIDENTS	ADDRESS	GENERAL SECRETARIES	ADDRESS	Societies	Members	New Societies	Members	Y. W. Circles	Members	Triangles	Members	Mission Bands	Members	Junior Societies	Members	L. L. B.	Obs. Wom. Day	Easter Week	State D.	U. C. M. S.	National
Mrs. Susan Offutt, 148 Manassas St., Dayton, Ohio....		Mrs. Edna Bradley, R. 1, Box 32, Oxford, Ohio.....		8	166	1	12					1	8				3	6	\$ 43.33	\$ 199.46	\$ 21.00
Mrs. G. W. Anderson, 2211 N. 5th St., Kansas City, Kan.		Mrs. N. W. Sharp, R. R. 120, W. Monson, Topeka, Kan..		4			2	14				3					7	1	27.00	104.35	12.00
Mrs. Susie M. Brown, 7 Wesley St., Mt. Sterling, Ky....		Mrs. B. B. Hutsell, 416 William St., Paris, Ky.....		20	348	2	23	15	7	30	9	60	1	20	3	8	8	8	277.21	648.00	50.00
Mrs. Amanda Haygood, Oxmoor, Ala.		Mrs. Mary Elmore, Matthews, Ala.....		7	77	4	41											1		46.15	10.00
South Carolina				5	48															24.80	
Mrs. Mary V. Buran, 218 6th St., Fulling, Mo.		Mrs. Louvenia A. Devine, 4412 ACote Brilliante, St. Louis, Mo.		13	208	1	15		3	33	2	18	1	10	9	8	13		343.02	388.60	10.00
Mrs. J. H. Thomas, Martinsville, Va.....		Mrs. E. G. Sterling, R. 1, Box 9, Martinsville, Va.		7	158						3	75					1	1	9.00	195.40	24.00
Mrs. M. J. Brown, Port Gibson, Miss., Box 73.....				15	180				3				6	56	10	10			135.00	332.55	12.00
Mrs. Jennie Lee Hardin, 176 Hermitage Ave., Nashville.		Mrs. J. L. Stinson, Rogersville, Tenn.		3	72												2	2		173.00	16.00
Mrs. Sara L. Bostick, N. Little Rock, No. 9.....		Mrs. S. A. Richardson, N. Little Rock, No. 8.....		9	68	1	7						1				3	3	50.64	111.40	10.00
Mrs. A. M. Copeland, Crystal River, Fla.....		Mrs. Sara Ward, R. 1, Box 42, St. Petersburg, Fla.....		2	20	1															5.00
Mrs. Catherine Keith, 970 E. 31st St., Los Angeles, Cal.				2	20	1												1		17.64	2.00
Children's Registration Fee		Kentucky, \$3.00; Kansas, \$1.00; Ind., \$1.00; Mo., \$1.50																			5.00
Mrs. Catherine Weathers, 526 Minerva St., Indianapolis, Ind.		Mrs. Martha Galloway, 1251 Edgemont, Indianapolis, Ind.		1	46						1	20					1	1		2.00	5.00
Mrs. A. F. Martin, 2830 Calumet, Chicago, Ill.....		Mrs. L. H. Crawford, 5207 Indiana Ave., Chicago, Ill....		6	126	2	35		1	17							2	2	11.00	176.00	14.00
Mrs. M. E. Magowau, Washington, D. C.....		Ardelia Staples		3	46															102.28	16.00
Mrs. L. E. Mayberry, Clearview, Okla., Box 257.....		Mrs. Vera V. Franklin, Haskell, Okla., Box 57.....		9	58		13						1	12		4	4		23.78	117.00	24.00
Mrs. Lula G. Smith, Texas.....				15																	40.00
Total				127	1622	12	146	3	29	14	80	19	181	11	98	19	42	53	\$919.98	\$2,638.63	*\$276.00

*\$302.00 Cash on Hand, \$26.00 more than was reported.

†By I. C. Franklin.

‡By C. Keith.

MRS. R. E. MAUPIN,
MRS. EDNA BRADLEY,
MRS. AMANDA HAYGOOD,
MRS. B. B. HUTSELL,
Committee.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF STATES*

	No. enrolled in schools	No. of schools	Money sent U. C. M. S.	Money raised State Div.	Mon. National Convention	Stand. Efficiency Schools	Name and Address of State President	Name and Address of Corresponding Secretary
Arkansas	150	12	\$ 84.35		\$ 8.00	1	B. H. Armstrong, R. R. 2, Scott, Ark.	M. M. Bostick, Box 157, R. R. 9, L. N. R., Ark.
Alabama		15			5.00		A. J. Jeffery, Oxmoore, Ala.....	
Illinois					2.00			
Indiana			8.00		2.00		G. L. Hayes, 817 N. California, Indianapolis, Ind..	
Kansas	290	9	154.85	58.00	15.00	5	Mrs. Geo. T. Murray, R. R. 28, Topeka, Kans. ...	Mrs. Anna Jenkins, 818 Chestnut St., Topeka, Kans.
Kentucky	1181	33	548.24	536.17	35.00	2	Mrs. M. E. Taylor, 127 W. Brdwy., Winchester, Ky.	E. B. Toles, Paris, Ky.
Mississippi		32			11.00		R. B. Brown, Hermanville, Miss.....	N. R. Trevillan, Port Gibson, Miss.
Missouri	574	15	175.48	169.37	35.00	10	Virgil Gooch, Madison, Mo.....	M s. Essie Welch, Frankfort, Mo.
Ohio	897	10	192.04	232.40	29.00		Eld. R. H. Davis, 2037 Edison St., Cincinnati, O.	Mrs. M. Sanford, 14 Foraker St., Xenia, Ohio.
Oklahoma	300	8	124.74		13.00		S. B. Wallick, 460 Howard St., Muskogee, Okla..	Livie Lee Woods, Chickasha, Okla.
Piedmont Dist... ..		17	108.83	212.97	10.00		Eld. R. F. Hayes, Bluefield, Va.....	Abel Staford, R. R. 3, Box 171, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Car.-Va. Dist... ..					5.00			
Md., Del., D. C. District	237	6	127.29	508.59			N. W. McGowan, 1703 8th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.	Miss Malcoma Robinson, 308 1/2 Johnathan St., Hagerstown, Md.
Tennessee		7	149.84		12.00		D. W. Bradley, Box 152, Rogersville, Tenn.	Miss Edith Meek, Johnson City, Tenn.
Texas	1000	30		175.00	5.00		Eld. J. E. Quarles, 1220 E. Annie St., Ft. Worth, Texas	Mrs. N. F. Fudgen, Box 710, Greenville, Tex.
Total	4629	194	\$1,672.66	\$1,892.50	\$187.00	18		

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