

a result of the three million drive last year. Rev. R. E. Fry was made chairman of systematic beneficence and Presbyterial manager of the benevolent drive for next year.

Presbyterial Home Missions: Quite a marked improvement has been made in the Home Mission work since last meeting of Presbytery. All Home Mission fields are now being cared for by having preaching at regular periods. The past few months have brought about many changes and new life has been infused. There are only two vacancies in the Presbytery, and we hope to have them filled soon.

Ministers Received: Rev. W. H. Hill from Mississippi Presbytery, who has accepted a call to the Starkville church; Rev. O. G. Davis from Washburn Presbytery, will have charge of the Tippah County work; Rev. W. C. Underwood from East Alabama Presbytery, has accepted a call to the DeKalb group of churches, and Rev. R. E. Carroll from Memphis Presbytery, will soon be installed in the Corinth church.

Palmer Orphanage: A report on the Palmer Orphanage showed the splendid work that is being done for our orphans. The banner collection at Presbytery was taken that amounted to \$100.

Tupelo was chosen as place for fall meeting.

J. J. McInnis, S. C.

MECKLENBURG.

Mecklenburg Presbytery held an adjourned meeting in the Charlotte First church on Monday, May 5, 1919.

There were seventeen members present.

The Rev. C. E. White was received from Orange Presbytery. He will be installed pastor at Marshville on Sabbath, May 25, 1919, at 11 A. M., and at Peachland at 4 P. M. the same day, the Rev. Leonard Gill to preside and preach the sermon, Rev. John J. Douglass to charge the pastor, and Elder John R. Pharr to charge the people at each place.

The Rev. John E. Wool offered his resignation as pastor of Mallard Creek church. The church was cited to appear at the adjourned meeting next Monday, the 12th instant, at 2:30 P. M., to show cause why the resignation should not be received and the pastoral relation dissolved.

The time of the stated fall meeting was changed from September 2d to September 16th, at 11 A. M., at Steele Creek church.

Paw Creek church was permitted to increase its pastor's salary from \$800 to \$900, to begin April 1st of this year.

The Committee on Evangelism, Rev. Leonard Gill, chairman, reported appointments for evangelistic services in the Home Mission churches, which will be published later.

The name of Elder T. G. Hardie was substituted for that of Elder T. J. Smith as alternate to Elder G. E. Wilson, commissioner to the Assembly.

A committee consisting of the Stated Clerk, Permanent Clerk and Rev. G. F. Bell was appointed to revise the standing rules, and report at the fall meeting, with a view to early publication.

The committee to arrange for a Sabbath School Institute, Rev. J. W. Grier, was directed to fix the time and determine the place where it shall be held.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in the Charlotte First church on Monday, May 12, 1919, at 2:30 P. M.

John E. Wool, S. C.

LOUISVILLE.

An adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Louisville was held May 6, 1919, at the Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Licentiate H. J. McGehee was dismissed to the Presbytery of Red River.

An overture was forwarded to the General Assembly asking for a closer co-ordination of the Home Mission agencies of the Church and a presentation of a large plan of action worthy of the faith, effort and resources of our Church.

Licentiate E. W. Newland was received from the Presbytery of West Lexington. He accepted a call to the group of churches composed of Carrollton and LaGrange. Licentiate Thomas Brewster accepted the calls of the Glasgow and Munfordville churches. These two men were examined with view to ordination.

Commissions were appointed to ordain and install Mr. Brewster as follows: At Munfordville—Rev. A. A.

Higgins to preside, preach and propound the questions; Rev. L. O. Spencer to charge the pastor; Rev. W. H. Hopper to charge the people; Ruling Elder H. A. Watkins; Alternates, Rev. W. T. McElroy, Rev. W. B. Lile and Ruling Elder C. C. Winston. At Glasgow—Rev. A. A. Higgins to preside and propound the constitutional questions and charge the people; Rev. L. O. Spencer to preach the sermon; Rev. W. H. Hopper to charge the pastor; Ruling Elder Norris Warder; Alternates, Rev. W. T. McElroy, Rev. W. B. Lile and Ruling Elder E. Y. Kilgore.

Commissions were appointed to ordain and install Mr. Newland as follows: At LaGrange—Rev. C. R. Hemphill, D. D., to preside, propound the constitutional questions and charge the pastor; Rev. A. Killough to preach the sermon; Rev. A. M. MacLaughlin to charge the people; Ruling Elder F. W. Simpson; Alternates, Rev. D. M. Sweets, D. D., Rev. H. H. Sweets, D. D., Rev. W. R. Anderson and Ruling Elder J. A. Crabb. At Carrohton—Rev. A. M. MacLaughlin to preside and propound the constitutional questions and charge the people; Rev. C. R. Hemphill, D. D., to preach the sermon; Rev. A. Killough to charge the pastor; Ruling Elder F. W. Simpson; Alternates, Rev. W. R. Anderson, Rev. D. M. Sweets, D. D., Rev. H. H. Sweets, D. D., and Ruling Elder J. A. Crabb.

Rev. W. R. Anderson was appointed to preach the Presbyterial sermon at the fall meeting of the Presbytery.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet at the call of the Moderator.

W. H. Hopper, S. C.

MONTGOMERY.

Montgomery Presbytery met at Princeton, W. Va., on April 15th at 8 P. M. Opening sermon by Rev. W. M. Lorimer.

Moderator, Rev. J. J. Fix, D. D. Clerks, Rev. A. S. Rachal and Mr. Tom Moore.

Calls: High Grade and Buchanan for Rev. W. H. Eubank; Blacksburg for Rev. Locke White, of Ebenezer Presbytery, permission to prosecute granted; McAllister Memorial for Rev. W. H. Foard; Fincastle, Mountain Union, Glen Wilton, Galatia, for Rev. S. S. Oliver; Wytheville church, Abingdon Presbytery, for Rev. J. J. Fix, D. D.

Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations: Rev. J. H. Whitmore and Redford Central church; Rev. W. H. Eubank and Belmont church; Rev. T. R. Ruff and Piedmont and Rocky Mount churches; Rev. J. J. Fix and West End church, Roanoke; Rev. E. E. Lane and Christiansburg church.

Installations Arranged: Rev. W. H. Foard at McAllister Memorial; Rev. S. S. Oliver at Glen Wilton and Galatia, Fincastle and Mt. Union; Rev. W. H. Eubank at High Bridge and Buchanan.

Increase of pastor's salary granted to Roanoke First, Princeton, W. Va., Melrose, Falling Spring, Radford.

Churches Organized: McAllister Memorial and Palestine.

Addresses: President J. D. Eggleston on Home Missions, and on Hampden-Sidney, President J. R. Dobyns, of Stonewall Jackson College.

Sermons: Rev. W. T. Palmer, D. D., doctrinal on "Adoption"; Rev. J. D. Paxton on "Heavenly Citizenship."

Overture to the General Assembly asking that steps be taken toward union with the United Presbyterian Church.

Next stated meeting at Hoge's Chapel, Giles County, September 30th, 8 P. M.

L. W. Irwin, S. C.

ROANOKE.

The Presbytery met at Drake's Branch, Va., April 15-17, 1919.

Present: Nineteen ministers and thirty ruling elders.

The opening sermon was preached by the retiring Moderator, Rev. Roy Smith, from Deut. 6:6, 7.

Organization: Rev. B. F. Bedinger was chosen Moderator and Ruling Elder L. C. Asher and Rev. S. J. Venable Temporary Clerks.

Rev. S. W. Wilkerson, of the M. E. Church, South, was present and was introduced and invited to a seat as a visiting brother.

The communion sermon was preached on Wednesday morning by Rev. R. G. McLees from Luke 23:33, and the sacrament was administered by Revs. W. P. McCorkle and A. E. Grover.

The Presbyterial sermon was preached on Thursday morning by

Rev. Dr. John A. Scott on "Sabbath Observance With Special Reference to Present-Day Conditions." Rev. R. G. McLees was chosen principal and Rev. H. F. Schenck alternate to preach the Presbyterial sermon at the next stated meeting, the subject being "The Sabbath School and Its Relation to the Church."

Received: Rev. F. A. Barnes was received from Concord Presbytery, and order was taken for his installation as pastor of Burton Memorial church, April 27, 1919, Rev. W. T. Doggett to preside and charge the pastor, Rev. V. G. Smith to preach, and Rev. Roy Smith to charge the people, and Ruling Elder A. D. Clement, with Ruling Elder J. O. Magruder, completing the commission. Rev. H. F. Schenck was received from the Reformed Methodist Church, Pennsylvania Conference, and is to be associated with Rev. B. F. Bedinger in evangelistic work in the Presbytery.

Dissolution: The pastoral relation between Rev. W. P. McCorkle and the Anderson Memorial church, Martinsville, Va., was dissolved to take effect May 15, 1919.

An overture to the General Assembly asking that body to take under consideration the Spillman plan looking to the establishment of a clearing house system for handling our Assembly's benevolent funds was adopted. The overture sent down by the General Assembly to the Presbyteries involving certain changes of our Book of Church Order in regard to candidates for the ministry was answered in favor of the change.

A committee, consisting of Revs. A. J. Ponton and T. S. Wilson, D. D., was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions in regard to Messrs. W. L. Ray and R. A. Henderson, two of our honored ruling elders who have recently passed away.

Foreign Missions: A popular meeting was held Wednesday night in the interests of this great cause, presided over by Dr. Scott, at which telling addresses were made by Rev. V. G. Smith and S. J. Venable, and an offering was made amounting to \$45.19, to be applied toward wiping out the deficit in the Assembly's Foreign Mission treasury.

A good Home Mission meeting was held Thursday night, with an excellent program, and stirring addresses were made by Revs. B. F. Bedinger, Roy Smith and Newton Smith.

After a rising vote of thanks to the good people of Drake's Branch for their generous hospitality, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Roanoke church, Charlotte County, Va., in its next stated fall session, September 2, 1919, at 8 o'clock P. M.

J. M. W. Elder, S. C.

UPPER MISSOURI.

The Presbytery of Upper Missouri met in the First Presbyterian church, St. Joseph, Mo., Tuesday, April 15, 1919, at 8 o'clock P. M.

After a joint program in the interest of missions with the Upper Missouri Presbyterial—the meeting being addressed by the Rev. E. C. Hunt, Moderator, and Miss Florence Patton, of Okazaki, Japan—the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. E. C. Hunt, and constituted with prayer by the Rev. C. G. Partridge.

Eleven ministers and twenty-three ruling elders were present, every church being represented.

Rev. Raymond C. Lippard was elected Moderator.

Ministers Received: The following commission was appointed to receive Rev. E. M. Nesbitt from the Presbytery of Tuscaloosa, and take orders looking to his installation as pastor of the Southeast Presbyterian church, Kansas City, Mr. Nesbitt being unable to be present on account of the illness of his wife: Revs. C. R. Nisbet, D. D., F. W. Haverkamp; Ruling Elders George V. Lewis, K. A. MacKenzie. Rev. John P. Davis was received from the Presbytery of Solomon, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and the following committee appointed to install him as pastor of the Northeast Presbyterian church, Kansas City, Sunday, May 11th, at 3 o'clock P. M. To preside, Rev. F. W. Haverkamp; to preach the sermon, Rev. C. R. Nisbet, D. D.; to charge the pastor, Rev. W. P. Neilson, D. D.; to charge the people, Ruling Elder J. G. Trimble.

Statistical Reports revealed the following sums contributed to systematic beneficence: Foreign Missions, \$14,222; Assembly's Home Missions, \$3,479; Synod's Home Missions, \$3,665; Congregational Home Missions, \$1,-

914; Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, \$2,080; Sunday School Extension and Publication, \$725; schools and colleges, \$10,219; Bible cause, \$354; Orphan Homes, \$630; miscellaneous, \$2,661; war work of our Assembly, \$436, making a total of \$40,385. Current expenses and pastors' salaries, \$48,155. Grand total, \$88,540.

Overtures: Presbytery overtured the Assembly to establish a clearing house "through which all benevolent funds shall be cleared." Also overture to adopt the following method of obtaining quotas from Synods, Presbyteries and churches: 33 1-3 per cent. on basis of resident membership; 33 1-3 per cent. on basis of three years' average gifts to benevolence; 33 1-3 per cent. on basis of three years' average to pastors' salaries and current expenses.

The following chairmen of permanent committees were appointed: Foreign Missions, Rev. H. L. Saunders; Assembly's Home Missions, Rev. J. M. Campbell; Sabbath School and Publication, Rev. J. B. Biscaglia; Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, Rev. John P. Davis; local Home Missions, Rev. W. R. Dobyns, D. D.; narrative, Rev. W. P. Neilson, D. D.; Sabbath, Rev. E. C. Hunt; systematic beneficence, Rev. C. G. Partridge; Bible, Rev. Johnston Robertson.

Walnut Grove church was selected as the place for the fall meeting of Presbytery, beginning Tuesday evening, September 16, 1919, at 8 o'clock. Charles R. Nisbet, S. C.

FLORIDA.

The Presbytery of Florida met in Panama City, Fla., April 15, 1919, at 7:30 P. M., and was opened with a sermon by Rev. W. S. Patterson, the retiring Moderator.

There were present eight ministers and twelve ruling elders.

Rev. W. E. McIlwain, D. D., was elected Moderator and Judge A. G. Campbell, Recording Clerk.

Rev. Frank D. Hunt was dismissed to Macon Presbytery and Rev. H. A. Love was received from Ebenezer Presbytery.

A call was presented from the Quincy church for the services of Rev. H. A. Love as assistant pastor and a commission was appointed to install him at a time to be selected by the commission.

Presbytery received petitions from Havana, Fla., and from Ponce de Leon, Fla., asking for the organization of churches at these points, and commissions were appointed to visit these places and effect organizations if the way be clear.

Rev. J. W. Roseborough, Jr., and Ruling Elder W. B. Ferris, of Pensacola, were elected commissioners to the General Assembly and Rev. W. S. Patterson and Ruling Elder Judge Daniel Campbell, of DeFuniak Springs, were elected their alternates.

Presbytery agreed to accept its quota of the \$4,000,000 campaign for the next ecclesiastical year and elected Rev. W. S. Patterson Presbyterial manager.

The Assembly's overture touching the amendment to the Book of Church Order as to the reception of candidates for the ministry was approved.

In connection with the report on Palmer College the privilege of the floor was given to President W. M. Kemper, who spoke in behalf of the college. Presbytery appointed a Committee on Schools and Colleges and by a unanimous rising vote endorsed the campaign of Palmer College to raise \$100,000 for buildings and equipment, \$30,000 of which is to be raised immediately for a new administration building, and asked the churches to open their doors to agents of the institution.

A popular meeting was held in behalf of Foreign Missions, and in connection with the report of the Presbyterial committee several brief addresses were made on different aspects of the subject.

In connection with the report of the Committee on Presbytery's Home Missions important changes were made in the grouping of churches. A gratifying increase for ministerial support was reported in a number of the mission fields and a goodly balance was reported in the treasury.

Ruling Elder T. C. Merchant, of Madison, was chosen to give the Presbyterial discourse on the duty of the Church to the masses, and Ruling Elder S. K. Gillis, of DeFuniak Springs, was made his alternate.

After a rising vote of thanks to the people of Panama City and St. An-