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## STATE MISSIONS

### Interesting Paper Giving History Of Missions In North Carolina

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FORE BAPTIST MISSIONARY  
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**EARLY HISTORY OF BAPTIST  
WORK IN NORTH CAROLINA.**  
Morgan Edwards says there were  
some Baptists in North Carolina from  
the first settlement which he sup-  
posed to have been in 1695, but  
which was about 40 years earlier.

As nearly as can be determined it  
was about 1720 when the first Bap-  
tist preacher came to North Caro-  
lina. This was Paul Palmer. He  
married Mrs. Joanna Peterson, wid-  
ow of Thomas Peterson, who was a  
man of wealth and who gave the  
land on which Edenton was built.  
Palmer did a great Baptist work.

A petition under English Toler-  
ation Act bearing date April 5, 1729,  
seeking the privilege for a Baptist  
congregation to have worship in ye  
dwelling house of William Burgess,  
was signed by Paul Palmer and sev-  
en others. Palmer gathered the  
first Baptist church in North Caro-  
lina about twelve miles north of E-  
denton in the year 1727. Two years  
later Palmer joined with William  
Burgess and others in the establish-  
ment of a church which is now Shil-  
loh. This has remained until this  
day and is the oldest surviving  
church in North Carolina.

Thirty years of progress shows the  
organization of churches at Sandy  
Run, New Bern and New River in  
Onslow. On a paper bearing date  
of 1741, are found the names of  
three Baptist preachers, Dr. Josiah  
Hart, William Fisher and George  
Graham. In the year 1742 Rev.  
William Sojourner and a company of  
Baptists came from Virginia to es-  
tablish the Kehukee Church. By  
1752 the number of Baptist churches  
was raised to 16, making Baptists  
more numerous in the province.

Chief of all who brought in the  
North Carolina Baptist State Con-  
vention was Martin Ross, and he was  
the father of the Convention. He  
preached and taught Missions. The  
action in favor of Foreign Missions  
was proposed by Martin Ross and ad-  
opted by the association. This was  
the first official action to be  
taken in behalf of Missions to the  
heathen. Ross and others organ-  
ized the first Missionary Society in  
North Carolina, in 1805. Our women  
formed numerous Women's Mission-  
ary Societies in that year.

In 1826 Martin Ross introduced  
before the Chowan Association a  
resolution calling for the formation  
of a Baptist State Convention and  
was appointed chairman of a Com-  
mittee, to carry the purpose of his  
resolution into effect, but death stay-  
ed his hand.

March 26, 1830 the Baptist State  
Convention was organized, just 100  
years ago. Fourteen men organ-  
ized the Convention. In the State at  
that time there were 15,360 Bap-  
tists, 272 churches, and 14 District  
Associations.

First Purpose Worth While. It is  
a very interesting and revealing fact  
that Christian Education and train-  
ing of young men called of God to  
the ministry is put down as the pri-  
mary purpose in the organization of  
the convention.

The convention from the begin-  
ning was greatly concerned about  
the evangelization of North Carolina.  
The first Agents and Defenders of  
the Convention did not receive any  
compensation for their services. The  
Convention did a great work among  
slaves. In 1831 four were sent out  
as Missionaries in our State. Two  
were to receive \$20.00 a month, one  
\$25.00 a month, and one \$10.00 a  
month.

The work of State Missions has  
grown in many ways. We have now  
190 years of Baptist progress upon  
which to build and unless we put  
some sacrificial service that our  
great Baptist leaders put into the  
work, we will not measure up to the  
standard. If we believe Baptist in-

vestments of the 100 years past have  
been good, then we must support and  
maintain them.

Prayer must have a large place  
in our lives. Just how far would  
the work of my Church be promoted  
by my efforts or my gifts?

**A Hundred Years In Woman's Work**  
The Philanthropic Baptist Mission-  
ary Society was organized in 1805.  
The same year the Chowan Baptist  
Missionary Society was organized.  
In 1816 there was a Female Baptist  
Missionary Society organized near  
Fayetteville and another, the Hyco  
Female Cent Society. The Society  
near Fayetteville reported a gift of  
\$98.38 1/2.

In a report Luther Rice made  
when he returned from India, he  
mentions a visit to Raleigh in 1818,  
where a cent or mite society may ere  
this be instituted. The earliest rec-  
ord of any Society is a church at  
Raleigh, being in the year 1835. An-  
other Society of the Flat Rock  
church dates its beginning possibly  
in the year 1835. An organization  
by women of Edenton was made at  
about the same time.

At this time, but few women  
handled much money, and their gifts  
were small and much of the money  
was raised by sewing, and for many  
years making of garments for the  
poor was the usual program of a  
Society meeting.

Woman's Missionary work 100  
years ago, that antedates any mis-  
sionary organization was done by  
Southern Women for negro slaves  
on their plantations.

In 1877 a Central Committee of  
Missions with headquarters at Ra-  
leigh was organized. Mrs. J. M.  
Heck was chosen as President of this  
Committee. Several Missionary So-  
cieties were organized that year.  
The contributions received from  
these organizations amounted to  
\$342.16.

There was a lot of opposition by  
some of the Ministers to the work  
of the women. This caused the com-  
mittee to disband and there is no  
record of the work done by the So-  
cieties, organized by the Committee  
during the period from 1877 to 1886  
when the present Central Committee  
or Woman's Missionary Union, as it  
is now called, was organized.

Dr. Theodore Whitfield, pastor at  
New Bern, gave much time and  
thought to the organization of wom-  
en of North Carolina and selected  
the first officers, Miss Fannie E.  
S. Heck, President; Miss Sallie Ba-  
ley, Corresponding secretary; and  
Miss Lida McDaniel, Secretary-  
Treasurer. Miss Heck served as  
president of this committee con-  
stantly until her death in 1915. Dur-  
ing 15 years of this time she was al-  
so president of Women's Missionary  
Union Auxiliary to the Southern  
Baptist Convention.

The new Committee found only  
ten Missionary Societies in the State  
actively at work and were giving  
only about \$500.00 a year. Sev-  
enty-five societies were organized  
the first year and the contributions  
amounted to more than \$1000.00.

The Woman's Missionary Union  
Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist  
Convention was organized in 1888.  
There were no prepared programs,  
no mission study books and very lit-  
tle. Missionary information could be  
obtained from any source. Miss  
Heck began the publication of a lit-  
tle sheet called The Missionary Talk.  
Not one copy is in existence today,  
that we know of.

The North Carolina Union became  
a part of the Southern Union in  
1891. The first annual meeting was  
held in Goldsboro in 1891 in St.  
Paul's Methodist Church. Fourteen  
Societies sent delegates and the  
Treasurers' reports showed a gift of  
\$3,192.14.

In this first session plans for our  
first Lottie Moon Christmas offering  
for China was made. The Southern  
Union asked for \$2000.00 for this  
offering to be used in sending mis-  
sionaries for the North China Mis-  
sion Field, so Miss Moon might have  
a much needed furlough \$30000.00  
was given our Union giving \$256.28.

Last year North Carolina gave to  
Christmas Offering 017,976.37 and  
the entire gift from women of the  
South amounted to \$236,274.31.

In 1894, Associational Superin-  
tendents were appointed in a num-  
ber of associations. Mrs. Mary Gage  
Hudgins was our first Supt., and at

## THE PUBLISHER'S COLUMN ABOUT VARIOUS MATTERS

### BAD WEATHER AND SCHOOL CHILDREN

Elsewhere in this paper will be found an article by  
Mr. C. H. Reeves, a member of the Board of Education,  
which calls attention to a problem that has not yet been  
solved in the matter of transporting pupils from a distance  
to the consolidated schools. As Mr. Reeves says, it  
is, to say the least, unfortunate that children very often have  
to wait on the side of the road in all kinds of weather for the  
school bus. Especially is this unfortunate, as he says, when  
rains are descending or the ground covered in snow and the  
winds freezing cold. We have not yet seen a solution to this  
problem, but in our opinion this matter will have to be solv-  
ed by the parents of the children, and not by the county. If  
the county provides the schools, equipment and transporta-  
tion facilities, we are of the opinion that the children should  
be properly clothed and cared for, as far as possible, by the  
parents. It is a fortunate provision of Nature that children  
do not suffer from cold and dampness as do older people;  
otherwise the average attendance of our schools would not  
be as great as it now is, even with compulsory attendance  
laws. However, children should be provided with raincoats  
and sufficient clothing to keep them comfortable in all kinds  
of weather, and if possible arrangements should be made so  
that children may wait at certain points under the shelter of  
people living near the road. If the children are properly  
trained at their homes so that they will not damage other  
people's property or bother the housekeepers, they should  
be welcome at any place to await the coming of the school  
bus. We are glad to have this and other problems con-  
fronting the public discussed through the columns of this  
paper.

### MARSHALL STREETS SHOULD BE NAMED

Strange to say, but it seems to be a fact now with us,  
that the streets of Marshall have never been given definite  
names. For quite a while it was considered that Marshall  
had only one street—the main thoroughfare through the  
business section—and this has been commonly called Main  
Street. And this is in reality the main street of the town,  
whether it is named Main Street or not. The question has  
recently arisen as to which is Hill Street. A sign near the  
Free Will Baptist church recently read "No Parking on  
Hill Street." This is the principal highway leading toward  
Tennessee and was formerly known as Frisby Branch. An-  
other sign reading the same as the other is now posted on  
the street leading up from the Masonic Temple. It seems  
therefore that two different streets in Marshall have been  
called Hill Street. Investigation brings out the fact that the  
streets have never been given official names. Recently the  
street leading up from the Masonic Temple by the old school  
building was called "Corkscrew Avenue," named from its  
rapid windings up, and we understand that Dr. Knox has  
the honor of first calling it Corkscrew Avenue. We under-  
stand that the street across the mountain along Mrs. Fowler  
Shelton's, Mr. E. R. Tweed's and others, has been called  
Gudger Street. We also understand the back street next to  
the river has been called Chingman Avenue. Really the  
streets should be given official names and a record made  
of it, so that property boundaries could be designated by  
streets. Especially is this true since several of the streets of  
Marshall have been paved. We would suggest that the Town  
appoint a committee whose duty it would be to receive sug-  
gestions as to names, and from these suggestions the streets  
of Marshall be given official names.

her death, Mrs. R. L. Moore was ap-  
pointed to succeed Mrs. Hudgins.

In 1894, North Carolina women  
raised a fund to send out two Mis-  
sionaries as a memorial to Dr. and  
Mrs. Matthew T. Yates. Mr. and  
Mrs. T. C. Britton were sent to Chi-  
na and in 1898 Miss Lottie Price  
was sent from Asheville, to join  
them.

In 1896, Miss Elizabeth Briggs of  
Raleigh, took charge of children's  
work and gave twenty years of un-  
tiring services.

Dr. Livingston Johnston gave loy-  
al support, sympathy and co-opera-  
tion to the women. From 1886 to  
1911, a period of 25 years, the work  
done by Women's Missionary Unions  
was entirely a labor of love, the on-

\$15,000.00. in memory of Miss Heck.  
Deep in the hearts of North Carolina  
Baptist women is the recognition of  
how much we owe the wise planning  
and splendid learship of Miss Fannie  
E. S. Heck, who for 29 years put  
her life into this work.

From the small gift of \$1000.00,  
in 1886, our annual contributions  
increased to more than \$300,000.00  
a year during the years of the \$75-  
000,000.00 campaign.

During the entire period of our  
history, we have contributed to our  
denominational causes \$3,810-  
801.79.

From ten societies on our roll at  
the time of our organization, the  
number has increased to 2,692, with  
a membership of nearly 50,000.

Our motto in the beginning is,  
"For Ye Serve The Lord Christ,"  
and that has been our motive power  
through the years.

This is taken from a pamphlet,  
"The Growth of a Hundred Years  
In Woman's Work," written by Mrs.  
Wesley N. Jones, who is now Pres-  
ident of Woman's Missionary Union  
of North Carolina, having succeeded  
Miss Heck.

Let each of us plan to make a  
costly gift, a precious gift of serv-  
ice and means to our Lord and His  
work this year. There are those  
who are not as interested as we, by  
lack of opportunity of being well  
informed. Let's talk of our Fa-  
ther's work to others.

May we make Carey's motto our  
motto. Undertake great things for  
God, expect great things from God.  
Let's go forward together with  
Christ for a lost world.

## SOME SCHOOL PROBLEMS

There are some school problems  
that are not readily adaptable to the  
monthly grind of the Board of Edu-  
cation. To meet the need of these  
problems which are peculiarly local  
or personal, the Parent-Teacher As-  
sociation came into being. When  
any school is large enough to have  
many local problems, it should have  
this organization, also. The sym-  
pathetic touch and the unifying of  
interest and their direction by the  
P. T. A. is sometimes quite as bene-  
ficial to the community life as to  
the school itself. Of such a problem I  
wish to call attention to the parties  
directly interested and the P. T. A.  
as well. That is the hardship and  
suffering occasioned by those chil-  
dren who are far removed from the  
bus line on which they are carried  
to school. When there is a contin-  
uous downpour of rain, like the one  
this morning, while I am writing,  
and these children have to stand on  
the roadside, without shelter, wait-  
ing for the bus which is almost al-  
ways late at these times; or, worse  
still, when the snows come and the  
piercing cold winds blow and the  
bus driver is trying, manfully, to  
be on schedule, but just can't make  
it and these children wait and chill  
and shiver without protection. By  
all means, these little children should  
have a shelter somewhere, somehow.  
Let the interested members of the  
P. T. A. seek out these through the  
bus drivers. Winter will soon be  
here.

Sometimes timidity born of the  
environment in which the parents of  
these children live will keep them  
from ever mentioning their need to  
you.

Your Board has little funds, ex-  
cept for the major needs of the  
schools. They are being as econom-  
ical of the schools funds, as possible,  
having cut the tax rate last year  
from 94 cents to 92 cents, after  
adding and equipping the Spring  
Creek high school, and closing the  
year with a small balance. Again  
cutting the rate to 90 cents, and  
adding the White Rock school for  
the present year. So these problems  
must be worked out mostly by local  
aid.

The interests and heart of your P.  
T. A. should be as large and broad  
as the boundary line of your school  
district. "Bear ye one another's  
burdens" were the words of our  
great Teacher.

C. H. REEVES.

## COURT ADJOURNED THURSDAY NOON

The civil cases on the court calen-  
dar for this term, after Monday  
which were given in our Tuesday's  
paper, were disposed of as follows:  
P. V. Goforth

vs.  
Carolina Power & Light Co.  
Judgment by agreement that the  
plaintiff have \$150.00 in full settle-  
ment of any claim against said com-  
pany by reason of transmission line  
over lands of the plaintiff.

Maudie Ross was granted an abso-  
lute divorce from William Ross. The  
case was not contested.

In the case of Cora McFall against  
Ira Plemmons, the plaintiff failed to  
appear to prosecute her action, and  
her case was non-suited and order-  
ed to pay the costs.  
Jeter L. Franklin

vs.  
Tullis Franklin  
The plaintiff in this case is asking  
for absolute divorce. The defend-  
ant filed cross bill. The plaintiff is  
ordered to pay \$25.00 as attorney  
fee for the defendant, which was  
done, and this case continued for  
further consideration.

A compromise judgment was en-  
tered against N. B. McDevitt Co. for  
the sum of \$400.00. Roy L. Gudger,  
was asking for the sum of \$900.00  
for rents due for use of building.

The case of W. G. Buckner against  
the B. M. Safford estate, in which he  
was asking for damage for failure to  
furnish title to an automobile. The  
jury found that the plaintiff should  
recover the sum of \$340.00. Judg-  
ment was signed and the automobile  
returned to Safford Estate.

The 3 cases against Fred R. Wild  
were remanded to Lee Bryan, J. P.,  
and there to be disposed of.

The case of J. C. Cox vs. C. L.  
Henderson was non-suited at the cost  
of the plaintiff, he having failed to  
appear to prosecute his action.

Daisy Kirkpatrick was granted ab-  
solute divorce from Ben Kirkpatrick,  
the parties having been separated  
for a period of five years.

The Bank of French Broad was  
given judgment for the sum of  
\$319.07 against W. F. Case of Hen-  
dersonville.

The case of W. H. Wallin against  
Hubert Wallin was compromised and  
settled. The case was to prove title  
to a certain boundary of land own-  
ed by the J. A. Wallin estate, and  
deeded by J. A. Wallin and Annie  
V. Wallin.

## FROM HOT SPRINGS

Mesdames C. G. and Jack Parris  
were in Asheville shopping Thurs-  
day.

Mr. Grodon Conley of Knoxville,  
Tenn., is spending a few days at  
home.

Miss Clara Blankenship left Mon-  
day for Newport, Tenn., where she  
is taking training as a nurse.

Mrs. Honess of Asheville is the  
guest of her daughter, Mrs. David  
Kimberly. David, Jr. and Charles  
Kimberly are both improving this  
week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roberts a  
son, Preston Filmore Roberts.

Mr. Ellis Black of Asheville is the  
guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gal-  
breath.

Mr. Buquo of Black Mountain is  
moving his family in his home at  
Hot Springs.

Mrs. Claud Thornburgh and chil-  
dren have moved to S. C. this past  
week.

Spring Creek High School played  
H. S. High School Tuesday after-  
noon. H. S. won, 11-7.

## HOT SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

School work is progressing nicely  
with a good daily attendance in all  
grades.

The Paint Rock district purchased  
a new bus last week to replace the  
old one which had become inade-  
quate to carry all the children. The  
capacity of the new bus is 60 chil-  
dren. Buses are covering more ter-  
ritory this year than last in order to  
take care of families in the outlying  
districts. One new route was estab-  
lished on Road No. 20 running to  
the top of the mountain between  
Hot Springs and Laurel River. The  
bus route running down the river on  
the North side has been extended to  
the Paint Rock boat landing.  
(Carried to third page)