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The papers of the Banner Printing Company are comprised primarily of minutes of the board of directors of the company from January 1902 until July 1904. There are also items of correspondence and some financial papers of the Huntington, West Virginia firm.
The Banner Printing Company of Huntington, West Virginia, printed the *Baptist Banner*, one of the first Baptist papers in West Virginia. Reverend William P. Walker of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church in Huntington was instrumental in the establishment of the *Baptist Banner* in 1889; he served as editor from time to time, and was on the board of directors of the Banner Printing Company. In 1906, one year after Dr. Walker’s death, the location of the *Baptist Banner* was moved first to Clarksburg, then Parkersburg, West Virginia. The Banner Printing Company was afterward sold to L. J. Corbly, president of Marshall College.

Sources consulted:


Cammack, Luther H. *A Short History of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church...* Huntington, W. Va.: 1895.


Marshall University Archives. Presidential files.
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Bx 1  Correspondence and Minutes

Fd 1  Correspondence, 1902-1904; undated
Contains resignations from two of the editors.

Fd 2  Minutes for 1904
These are rough drafts of minutes.

Fd 3  Promissory note dated December 1, 1903.

Fd 4  Monthly reports, April-June, 1903

Fd 5  Credit sheet, December 31, 1902

Bk 1  Minute book, January 1902 - February 7, 1903

February 11, 1902: Discusses the hiring of Reverend J. E. Darby and the resignation of the foreman and business manager. The directors decide that the resignations take effect on February 15, and that the position of business manager will be abolished. The executive committee recommends that Reverend Darby be employed at a salary of twenty dollars per week and that the present editor be assigned to the post of associate field editor at his present salary.

January 12, 1903: After the election of the new board of directors, the editor presents a new wage scale proposed by the representatives of the typographical union. The board establishes a committee to investigate the salary increase.