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CIRCLES	PRESIDENTS	SECRETARIES
Second, Fort Dodge	Mrs. Anna Walker, 1702 Fifth Ave.	Mrs. Rosa E. Guy, 1419 S. 23rd St.
Light Bearers helpers, Minnesota	Mrs. Amanda White, 636 Sixth Ave.	Mrs. Lucile Crump
Second, Yankton, South Dakota	Mrs. Lilly Hays, Tenth and Summitt	Mrs. Margaret Blakey
Tabernacle, Buxton	Mrs. Sallie Darden, Buxton	Mrs. Myrtle Graves
Bethel, Colfax	Mrs. G. O. Terrell, 314 South Oak Park Ave.	Mrs. G. S. Banks, 322 S. Oak Park, Ave.
Mt. Zion, Cedar Rapids	Mrs. J. W. Crushon, 1821 Third St., W.	Mrs. Mattie Perkins, 817 8th Ave., E.
Mt. Olive, Des Moines	Mrs. Viola Carter, 208 South Union St.	Mrs. B. Saunders, 726 S. E. 10th St.
Second Baptist, Marshalltown	Mrs. Jennie Laury, 413 West Eleventh St.	Mrs. Clay Harper
Corinthian Aid, Des Moines	Mrs. Clara Crawford, 1367 E. 19th St.	Mrs. Leota Ewing
Maple Street, Des Moines	Mrs. S. Bates, 1318 Stewart St.	Mrs. Nance Douglass, 803 E. 22d St.
St. John, Mason City	Mrs. Chrasy Burrell, 823 S. W. Sixth St.	Mrs. Lulu Bailey, 26 22d St., S. E.
Mt. Zion, Davenport	Mrs. Francis Baker, 1608 Jackson St.	Mrs. Rachel Johnson, 1920 E. 11th St.
Union Baptist, Burlington	Mrs. Anna Pleasant, 637 South Fifth St.	Mrs. C. L. Clark
Second, Centerville	Mrs. Mattie Riding, 315 South Eighteenth St.	Mrs. Gertrude Alford, 814 S. 19th St.
Second Baptist, Clarinda	Mrs. Anna Washington, 601 E. Water St.	Mrs. Georgia Walker
Second Baptist, Clinton	Mrs. Josephine Carter, 316 Maple Ave.	Mrs. Margaret Wilson
New Bethel, Manley	Mrs. Lillie Page, Box 454	Mrs. Leala Gibson
Zion, Minneapolis	Mrs. Lucy Jones, 632 6th Ave., N.	Mrs. Mary Crump, 1228 6th Ave., N.
Mt. Zion, Buxton	Mrs. Mammie Bates, 41 West Second St.	Mrs. Maggie Thomas
Corinthian, Des Moines	Mrs. G. W. Stanton, 1208 Pleasant St.	Mrs. N. M. Matthews, 1913 W. 23d St.
Mt. Zion, Sioux City	Mrs. Vera Price, South Sioux City, Neb.	Mrs. Cora Harrison, 811 Main St.
Second Baptist, Fort Madison	Mrs. J. Smith, Box 156	Mrs. Bertha Lacy
Shiloh, Des Moines	Mrs. Susie Scott, 440 S. E. 18th and Court	Mrs. Allie Turner, 1329 DeWolf St.
Union, Des Moines	Mrs. Amy Rogers, 1331 McCormick	Mrs. Larice Henry
Tabernacle, Council Bluffs	Mrs. J. P. Jackson, 1531 Ave. A.	Mrs. G. Manuel
Antioch, Waterloo	Mrs. Anna Martin, 623 N. Barclay St.	Mrs. G. W. Nesby, 600 Douglass St.
Corinthian Starlight Band, Des Moines.	Miss Margaret Matthews, 941 23rd St.	Miss Katherine Moore
Mt. Olive, South Sioux City	Mrs. Mable Powers, 1510 Grand St.	Mrs. Myrtle Jones
Second, Ottumwa		
Bethel Circle, Perry	Mrs. May Lewis	Mrs. Jennings
Yankton Circle, South Dakota	Mrs. Lillie Hayes, R. F. D. No. 2	Mrs. O. Blakey
Starlight Band, Centerville	Mrs. Shelby Noah	

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Iowa, Minnesota and Dakota Baptist Association

ARTICLE I—NAME

This organization shall be known as the Iowa-Minnesota and Dakota Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II—OBJECT

The object of this Association shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel of Christ throughout this district, to foster state, home and foreign mission, and Christian education.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of regular Baptist churches, annual and life members, made such by the payment of sums herein stipulated.

Sec. 2. Any member of a regular Missionary Baptist Church in good standing may become a life member by the payment of five ($5 00) dollars, or an annual member by the payment of one ($1.00) dollar.

Sec. 3. A committee shall be appointed annually to apportion to each church, on the basis of its reported membership, the amount which each church shall be requested to contribute to the objects of this Association, which amount shall include annual representation fee, and no church be allowed more than five delegates.

Sec. 4. Our money shall be raised quarterly and sent to the Executive Board quarterly, or collected by the Missionary.

Sec. 5. New churches shall pay a membership fee of three ($3.00) dollars each.

Sec. 6. Any church failing to represent, by letter or messenger, for three consecutive years, shall be dropped from the minutes; or failure to contribute one-third of the amount requested of it in the apportionment, shall not participate in the deliberation of the Association.

ARTICLE IV—DISBURSEMENTS

Of the moneys accruing from the various sources half of the amount shall be applied to state missions and general expenses, and the remaining half to be so divided as to give three-eighths to foreign missions; three-eighths to Christian education, and two-eighths to home missions.

ARTICLE V—OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, First Vice Moderator, Second Vice Moderator, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and three other members of the Executive Board, all of whom shall be elected annually immediately after the report of the officers. Said officers shall constitute the Executive Board.

Sec. 2. Five members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of Board business, and without this number business shall not be transacted.

Sec. 3. The officers of the Association shall be nominated through the report of a Committee on Nominations.

ARTICLE VI—DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The Moderator shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and shall be Chairman of the Executive Board. He shall sign orders on the Treasurer, and perform all duties common to the office.

Sec. 2. The Vice Moderator shall preside in the absence of the Moderator and shall perform other duties common to the office.

Sec. 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Association while in session. He shall compile, print and distribute the minutes.

Sec. 4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, and of the Executive Board, shall draw all orders on the Treasurer, and perform all duties common to the office.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall hold in trust all money of the Association, keep a correct account of the same, report the condition of the treasury whenever called upon by the Executive Board of the Association. He shall pay out no money except on order drawn by the Secretary of the Board, and signed by the Moderator. He shall give such security as shall be approved by the Association or Executive Board. He shall also make an annual report to the Association.

ARTICLE VII—MEETINGS

This Association shall meet annually on Tuesday before the fourth Lord's Day in August, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII—GRIEVANCES

All matters of an Ecclesiastical character claiming the attention of councils or committees should be settled by the churches according to the law governing such bodies, without reference to the Association, and all committees be confirmed by the Association.

ARTICLE IX—AMENDMENTS

This constitution and By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

ARTICLE X

Be It Resolved, That hereafter all bills contracted by any of the Auxiliaries of the Association, namely, Women's Convention, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Conventions, must first be approved by the Executive Committee of the Association and the Ministers' and Deacons' Union.

ARTICLE XI

Section 1. Be It Resolved, That hereafter all application for ordination receive the questions for same from the Executive Committee, and they are not to be opened until the day of the examination, by the Examining Council.

Sec. 2. That said candidate shall have at least the rudiments of education or the equivalent of a grammar school education.

Sec. 3. That said applicant shall have a general knowledge of the composition of the Bible, and the 14 or 18 Articles of Faith, and Church Polity.

Sec. 4. That there be instituted what is known as Ministers' Credentials. Requiring, first, when and where he joined the church, and giving the name of the pastor who baptized him.

Sec. 5. When and where he was ordained, naming the Moderator.

BY-LAWS

1. The officers of the Association may be voted upon separately.

2. The Missionary shall hold, when practicable, four institute meetings each year.

3. Any pastor or preacher who shall bring without division or discrimination among our churches, or who shall attempt to persuade any church or churches in this Association to change their membership shall be deemed unworthy of fellowship of the Baptist brotherhood, and our fellowship shall be withdrawn from him.

4. Any vacancy that shall be made in the Board by any of the members leaving the state or district or being placed on the missionary pastor's roll, or otherwise, shall be filled by the Board.

HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

According to the best information available, the Iowa Baptist Association was organized September, 1878, at Keokuk, Iowa, and the following table shows as near as possible the name of the Moderator, number of churches, the minister, and the sums raised each year since then:

MODERATOR	Year.	No. of Churches.	No. of Pastors	Total Membership.	Amt. Raised.
Rev. G. M. Davis	1878	10	..	...	....
Rev. G. M. Davis	1879	10	..	...	....
Rev. P. Johnson	1880	10	..	...	....
Rev. P. Johnson	1881	10	..	...	$ 59.90
Rev. G. M. Davis	1882	10	..	...	....
Rev. Wm. Washington	1883	14	14	567	78.05
Rev. H. H. Williams	1884	17	16	520	107.25
Rev. Amos Johnson	1885	17	16	728	89.15
Rev. Wm. Washington	1886	16	14	650	45.00
Rev. Amos Johnson	1887	18	19	725	50.04
Rev. Amos Johnson	1888	16	12	664	89 15
Rev. R. D. Turner	1889	20	19	223	113 09
Rev. B. S. Jones	1890	20	19	223	113 09
Rev. Amos Johnson	1891	16	12	761	40.12
Rev. Amos Johnson	1892	18	18	792	170 32
Rev. W. J. Barnett	1893	20	12	783	94.58
Rev. W. J. Barnett	1894	21	18	970	75.68
Rev. Wm. Brown	1895	24	17	1,000	75.01
Rev. Wm. Brown	1896	25	14	1,000	111.00
Rev. S. Johnson	1897	25	16	1,100	160 00
Rev. D. E. Murff	1898	28	20	900	154.00
Rev. S. Bates	1899	22	15	982	152.20
Rev. S. Bates	1900	24	17	1,189	165 00
Rev. C. R. Brookens	1901	23	17	1,070	163 15
Rev. T. L. Griffith	1902	30	25	1,065	164.15
Rev. T. L. Griffith	1903	27	21	1,158	218.50
Rev. C. H. Mendenhall	1904	23	18	1,272	161.34
Rev. C. H. Mendenhall	1905	24	21	1,648	500.01
Rev. C. H. Mendenhall	1906	32	17	1,691	500.01
Rev. S. Bates	1908	34	18	2,039	1,110.49
Rev. S. Bates	1909	..	..	...	....
Rev. S. Bates	1910	30	25	...	....
Rev. S. Bates	1911	..	..	...	....
Rev. S. Bates	1912	..	..	...	....
Rev. S. Bates	1913	..	..	...	....
Rev. S. Bates	1914	..	..	...	....
Rev S. Bates	1915	40	27	3.244	382.27
Rev. S. Bates	1916	40	28	2,745	417.03
Rev. S. Bates	1917	..	..	...	....
Rev. S. Bates	1918	..	..	...	....
Rev. S. Bates	1919	38	30	3,086	554.89
Rev. S. Bates	1920	38	34	3,520	646.45
Rev. S. Bates	1921	42	40	4,427	545.45
Rev. S. Bates	1922	43	34	4,639	913.87

Respectfully submitted,

REV. WM. BROWN,
REV. W. H. CLARK,
REV. F. C. BOLLING.

Proceedings

OF THE IOWA-MINNESOTA AND DAKOTA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION

Sioux City, Iowa, Aug. 24, 1922.

The Iowa-Minnesota and South Dakota Baptist Association met on the above date with the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Rev. J. W. Tutt, pastor.

9:30 a. b—Devotionals were led by Rev. J. P. Jackson, Rev. W. H. Clark and Rev. G. W. Smith.

10:00 a. m—The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. S. Bates. The program for the meeting was presented and by motoin adopted. Bro. Lewis was elected sergeant-at-arms. Sister Selma Brown was elected reporter. The motion prevailed that all delegates to the Women's Convention be delegates to the Association. At this time the Moderator suspended business to

The hour having arrived for the delivery of the address of welallow the sisters opportunity to complete their work.
come, the Moderator requested those appointed to enter the rostrum.

On behalf of Mt. Zion Baptist, M. E. Whitlock delivered an address which delighted the hearts of all. Rev. R. M. Williams heartily welcomed the Association on behalf of the M. E. Church.

Rev. Chas Boyd in a very pleasing manner delivered words of welcome on behalf of the A. M. E. Church. He spoke briefly of the fellowship that exists between the churches. His address was highly appreciated. The Mayor, Mr. Wm. Short, was next presented. His address was very instructive and made the delegation feel at home.

The response was delivered by Rev. J. H. Reynolds, who expressed for the Association the appreciation of the hearty welcome given.

At the hour for preaching, Rev. S Johnson, Rev. Wm. Alford and Rev. M. Carrington entered the rostrum, and the services were as follows:

Sister W. A. Brown led the singing.
I Cor. 13 was read by Rev. Wm. Alford.
Prayer was offered by Rev. M. Carrington.
"Blessed Are the Pure in Spirit" was sung by the Association.

The Moderator presented Rev. S .Johnson, who had been chosen to deliver the sermon.

Text, Luke 24:48. Subject: "Ye Are My Witness." Rev. Johnson delivered an excellent sermon, which stirred all hearts.
Congregational singing with Sister W. A. Brown at the piona.
The finance committee lifted offering, $6.30.

The Moderator appointed committees on Enrollment, New Churches, Auditing, Finance.

The morning session adjourned with benediction by Rev. S. Bates.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotional services were led by Rev. R. L. Lewis and Bro. A. D. Cain.

The minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

The Commitee on Enrollment made a partial report, which was by motion adopted.

The Moderator appointed a committee on nominations.

The Moderator's address was delivered and by motoin was placed in the hands of a committee.

The Corresponding Secretary submitted his report, which was adopted.

The Treasurer submitted his report, which was adopted. Reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer were placed in hands of the Auditing Committee.

The missionary, Rev. J. H. Reynolds, made his annual report, which was adopted. An institute lecture, "The Qualifications of a Baptist Minister," was delivered by Elder J. W. Crushon. The lecture was very instructive and all felt greatly benefited.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was made and adopted.

At the hour for preaching, Rev. L. G. Garrett, Rev. J. H. Reynolds and Rev. M. Carrington entered the rostrum. The services were as follows:

Matt. 5 was read by Rev. Carrington.

Prayer offered by Rev. Reynolds.

Congregational singing, "Jesus Savious Pilot Me" was led by Rev. S. Bates.

The Moderator presented Rev. L. G. Garrett, who had been appointed to deliver the sermon.

Text, St. John 3:7. Subject:"Regeneration." The sermon proved a spiritual feast and was well enjoyed by all.

Prayer offered by Bro. Chas. Turner.

Singing, "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross."

Benediction by Rev. Garrett.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Reeves, and Rev. G. W. Smith. Rev. J. A. Myers led the singing.

At the hour for preaching the Mt. Zion Choir favored the Association with singing. Rev. F. Bates, Rev. J. Reeves and Elder Crushon ascended the rostrum.

I Cor. 3 was red by Elder Crushon.

Song by the choir.

Prayer offered by Rev. J. Reeves.

Solo, "Somebody Knows," Rev. Jeltz.

The Moderator presented Rev. F. Bates, who had been selected to deliver the annual sermon. Text, I Cor. 3:9. Subject: "We Are God's Fellowworkers Together." Rev. Bates preached a sermon which was earnest, thoughtful and practical.

The choir rendered several beautiful anthem while the Finance Committee lifted the offering.

Offering, $12.65.

Benediction by Elder Crushon.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Devotionals were conducted by Rev. H. J. Handy and Rev. J. L. Lucas.

The minutes of previous session were read and adopted.

The Moderator appointed Committees on Digest of Letters, Temperance, Obituary, State of Country, Resolutions, Education, Corresponding Bodies, Business, Place and Preacher, Annual Members, Divine Services.

Rev. G. W. Robinson presented Rev. Victor N. Wittes of the white Baptist Church of Sioux City. Rev. Wittes showed great interest in the work of the Association and the race. His remarks were earnest and sincere and a rising vote of thanks was extended the Reverend for the thoughtful message he deliverd.

Benediction by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotionals were led by Rev. F. C. Bolling and Rev. G. O. Terrell.

The minutes of previous session were read and adopted.

The hour for the preaching of the doctrinal sermon having arrived, Rev. J. A. Myers and Rev. G. E. Green ascended the rostrum.

Song, "What Would You Give in Exchange for Your Soul."

Prayer offered by Rev. Green.

Matt. 16 was read by Rev. Myers.

Song, "God Leads His Children," by Rev. Jeltz.

The Moderator presented Rev. Myers, who had been chosen to deliver the doctrinal sermon.

Text, Matt. 16:18. Subject: "Christ's Indisputable Declaration of Himself."

Rev. Myers did credit to himself, his church and the Association by his thoughtful and well delivered sermon. It will long be remembered for it touched the hearts of all.

Rev. G. W. Robinson talked on "The Baptist at Home and Abroad." His lecture was very instructive, placing special emphasis on the need of training our young people that they may be efficient workers at home and abroad.

The Moderator called for reports of committees, and the following responded:

On Corresponding Bodies. Adopted.
On State of Country. Adopted.
On Recommendations. Adopted.
On opplication for Ordination. Adopted as a Constitutional Amendment.
On Temperance. Adopted.
On Moderator's Address. Adopted after eliminating fourth recommendation.
On Place and Preacher. Adopted.
On New Churches. Adopted.
Offering, $4.00.
Benediction by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION

Devotionals conducted by Rev. J. A. Myers and Rev. G. E. Green.

A few remarks were made by the Moderator, after which the choir rendered several slections.

The Moderator next introduced Mrs. Josephine Straughn, a foreign missionary working under the Foreign Mission Secretary, Rev. Dr. East of Philadelphia, Pa. Mrs. Straughn delivered a very interesting talk on the real conditions in our home land, which showed the necessity of our churches making greater efforts to improve the foreign mission work.

Prayer was offered by Rev. F. C. Bolling.

At the hour for services, the Moderator presented Rev. Alvord. Text, Isaiah 2:2. Subject, "The Evangelization of the World" The sermon was a real missionary discourse and Rev. Alford manifested an earnestness which delighted all present.

Offering for the missions, $81.05.

Benediction, Rev. Alford.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION

The devotional services were led by Rev. G. W. Smith.

The Moderator called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

The motion prevailed that the names of every one serving on a committee appear in the minutes.

Resolution was presented by Rev. J. A. Myers that all bills contracted by any of the Auxiliaries of the Association, namely Women's Convention, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Conventions, must first be approved by the Association Executive Board, also Ministers' and Deacons' Union. The resolution was adopted as a constitutional amendment.

The Moderator called for report of committees, and the following responded:

On Obituary. Adopted.
On Digest of Letters. Adopted.
On Business. Adopted.
On Auditing. Adopted.

The Moderator presented Dr. G. P. Mitchell, who delivered an inspiring address, in which he spoke of the pleasure it gave him to affiliate with the Association. He received the undivided attention of all present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Pickett, after which Rev. Jeltz sang another of his solos, which have been very much appreciated.

By motion all unfinished business was turned over to the Executive Board.

Offering, $6.50.

By motion the offering was donated to Rev. Jeltz in appreciation of his service to the Association.

Report of Committee on Finance was made and adopted.

Benediction by Moderator.

SUNDAY SERVICES

The Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday School convened at 9:30 a. m.

Lesson subject, "Nehemiah's Prayer." Neh. 1:1-11.

Classes were taught by delegates.

Attendance, 68. Offering $5.29.

At the hour for preaching Rev. Reeves ascended the rostrum, and the services were as follows:

Song by the choir.

Prayer offered by Rev. Bolling.

St. John, 10 chapter, was read by Rev. Alford.

By request Rev. Jeltz sang.

The Moderator presented Rev. J. Reeves as preacher of the hour.

Text, St. John 10-28. Subject: "A Life That Will Live On."

The sermon, very logical and well delivered, was enjoyed by the Association.

Prayer offered by Rev. G. E. Green.

Church officers and Committee on Finance lifted offering.

Committee on Finance, $8.60.

Church officers, $20.50.

Benediction by Rev. J. Reeves.



MISSIONARY MEETING

Music for this service was furnished and State Missionary Rev. J. H. Reynolds conducted the meeting.

Prayer offered by Rev. M. Price.

Selection by the choir.

Reading, Miss Hattie Bates.

Solo, Sister G. W. Nesby.

Rev. Reynolds presented Prof. Lapan, editor of the Baptist Record, who gave quite an encouraging address.

Reading, Sister J. W. Tutt.

Mrs. Cook, who has spent thirty-three years in foreign missionary fields, gave an interesting talk.

Solo, "He Lifted Me," Sister W. A. Brown.

Sister Straughn, a representative of the National Baptist Foreign Missionary Board, was presented and gave a very touching and interesting talk on the foreign work.

Offering, $20.15.

Benediction, Rev. Reynolds.

SUNDAY EVENING SESSION

Music was furnished by the choir.

Scripture, Judges 7:1-10, was read by Rev. Reynolds.

Prayer was offered by Rev. S. Johnson.

Anthem by the choir.

Solo, "Mother's Prayer," was sung by Rev. Jeltz.

Rev. Reynolds presented Rev. S. Bates, the Moderator of the Association, who was chosen to preach the closing sermon. Text, Judges 11:25. Subject: "A True Vow." The Moderator's discourse was a spiritual uplift as he urged his hearers to realize the necessity of keeping their vows with God.

Song, "Jesus Is All the World to Me."

Offering, $10.25.

Offering donated to Rev. Bates, $5.25.

Benediction.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

On Enrollment.

Rev. F. C. Bolling
Rev. H. J. Handy
Sis. R. Green
Sis. Ella Black
Sis. Mamie Harper

On New Churches.

Bro. Charley Banks.
Rev. Wm. Brooks
Sis. Dora Alexander
Sis. Mary Crump
Rev. J. L. Lucas, Chr.

On Nominations.

Rev. G. E. Green
Rev. G. W. Smith
Rev. L. G. Garrett
Sis. Dora Alexander
Sis. Mary Stanton
Sis. J. H. Stokes
Rev. J. E. Reeves

On Finance.

Rev. G. W. Robinson
Rev. J. H. Reynolds
Rev. J. A. Myers
Sis. S. Bates
Sis. N. C. Marshall
Sis. Ella Black

Our Moderator's Address.

Rev. Wm. Alford
Rev. J. E. Reeves
Elder J. W. Crushon

On Auditing.

Rev. S. D. Scott
Sis. Ella Black
Rev. G. E. Green
Sis. Clara Crawford

On Temperance.

Elder J. W. Crushon
Sis. W. A. Brown
Sis. Edna Jackson
Sis. Georgia Hayes
Sis. Anna Pleasant
Sis. C. H. Roane
Rev. G. E. Saunders

On Obituary.

Rev. J. L. Lucas
Sis. Rosa Guy
Sis. Dora Alexander
Sis. Mamie Bates
Sis. Maggie Thomas
Sis. E. J. Foster
Sis. Ella Walker
Sis. Hattie Jamieson
Sis. Fannie Fountain

On State of Country.

Rev. G. E. Green
Rev. L. G. Garrett
Sis. Myrtle Jones
Bro. C. McDuffe
Sis. Janie Marshall
Sis. Clara Crawford

On Resolutions.

Rev. F. Bates
Sis. Ella Black
Sis. L. B. Handy
Sis. E. Reynolds
Sis. Amy Smith
Bro. C. H. Roane
Bro. R. T. Lane
Bro. A. D. King
Sis. Dora Alexander

On Business.

Rev. G. W. Robinson
Rev. O. B. Smith
Sis. Lulu Roberson
Dr. E. Roberson
Sis. Mary Crump
Sis. Lucy Jones
Rev. Wm. Brooks
Rev. F. C. Bolling

LETTER BLANK

....., Iowa, 192....

Iowa-Minnesota and South Dakota Baptist Association.

The.....Baptist Church of.....
sends greetings, this, the ..... annual session held with
.....Baptist Church of.....
We are sending to sit with you our pastor, Rev.....
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Brothers .....
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Sisters .....
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Membership Statistics.

Our membership last year was.....
Our present membership is.....

Received	Dismissed.
By letter.....	By letter.....
By baptism.....	By exclusion.....
By experience.....	By death.....
	By erasure.....

Non-resident members .....
Ordained ministers .....
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Licensed ministers .....
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Finance.

Paid to Executive Board: First quarter, $.....; second quarter, $.....; third quarter, $..... Total amount raised during year, $..... Paid out for general expenses $..... Home missions,$..... Foreign mission, $..... Education, $..... We send to this meeting, $.....

Value of church property - - - - - - - - $.....
Value of parsonage - - - - - - - - - - $.....
Church indebtedness - - - - - - - - - $.....
Are you asking for the next Association?.....
.....Pastor's St. and No.....
.....Clerk's St. and No.....

On Place and Preacher.

Rev. F. C. Bolling
Sis. G. H. Stokes
Sis. Jessie Davis
Rev. S. Johnson
Rev. W. H. Clark
Sis. A. Martin

On Divine Service.

Rev. J. W. Tutt
Rev. H. J. Handy
Rev. R. L. Lewis
Rev. R. J. Lane
Sis. G. W. Nesby

On Corresponding Bodies.

Rev. Wm. Brooks
Sis. Clay Harper
Sis. Edith Essex
Bro. Charley Banks
Sis. S. B. White
Rev. J. A. Myers
Sis. Jessie Davis
Sis. R. Greene
Bro. R. L. Davis

On Digest of Letters.

Rev. G. W. Kimble
Sis. Eliza Williams
Sis. G. W. Nesby
Bro. O. J. Mullen
Bro. Chas. Turner
Sis. Helen Harvey
Rev. Robert Hardge

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

On Enrollment.

We, the committee, find the following named persons to be the delegates to, and members of, the Association:

Second, Mt. Pleasant—Rev. S. D. Scott.

Bethel, Colfax—Rev. G. O. Terrell.

Shiloh, Des Moines—Bro. Chas. Turner.

Mt. Olive, Sioux City—Bro. C. McDuffe, Sis. Myrtle Jones.

Second, Marshalltown—Rev. O. B. Smith, Sis. Eva Williams, Sis. Clay Harper, Sis. Lulu Robinson, Bro. Edward Robinson

Zion, Minneapolis, Minn.—Rev. J. A. Myers, Sis. Lucy Jones, Sis. Mary Crump.

Second, Ft. Madison—Rev. F. Bates.

Mt. Zion, Buxton—Sis. Amy Smith, Sis. Maggie Thomas, Sis. Mamie Bates.

Tabernacle, Buxton—Rev. F. C. Bolling, Sis. S. B. White Sis, Sallie Dorden.

Second, Ft. Dodge—Rev. J. L. Lucas, Sis. Rosa Guy, Sis, Hattie Jameison.

Mt. Zion, Sioux City—Rev. J. W. Tutt, Rev. Monroe Price, Sis. E. J. Foster, Sis. Ella Walker, Bro. O. J. Mullen.

Mt. Zion, Andersonville—Rev. L. G. Garrett.

Union, Hocking—Rev. Wm. Brooks.

Mt. Zion, Hiteman—Rev. F. C. Bolling.

Second, Ottumwa—Rev. M. Carrington, Sis. Elizabeth Vinson.

Union, Burlington—Rev. G. E. Green, Sis. Anna Pleasant.

Tabernacle, Council Bluffs—Rev. J. P. Jackson, Sis. Dora Alexan- Sister Fannie Fountain.

Second, Yankton, S. D.—Rev. G. W. Smith, Sis. Edna Jackson, Sis. Lillie Hayes, Sis. Georgia Hayes, Sis. Helen Harvey.

St. John, Mason City—Rev. J. Reeves.

Mt. Zion, Cedar Rapids—Rev. A. B. Collins, Sis. Eliza Williams.

Mt. Carmel, Waterloo—Rev. G. W. Nesby, Sis. G. W. Nesby, Sis. Annie Maiting.

Mt. Zion, Davenport—Rev. G. W. Kimble.
Mt. Olive, Des Moines—Rev. G. E. Saunders.
Second, Centerville—Rev. Wm. Alford.
Second, Clarinda—Rev. H. J. Handy, Rev. R. T. Lane, Sis. Ella Black, Sis. L. B. Handy.
Union, Des Moines—Elder J. W. Crushon, Sis. G. E. Green.
First, South Sioux City—Rev. D. W. Short, Bro. W. W. Green, Sis. Janie Marshall.
Corinthian, Des Moines—Rev. G. W. Robinson, Deacon C. H. Rone, Sis. P. Frederick, Sis. E. Reynolds, Sis, G. W. Stanton, Sis. C. H. Rone, Sis. J. W. Johnson, Sis. E. Essex, Sis. N. C. Marshall, Sis. C. Crawford, Sis. Selma Brown and Sis. Ida Owens.
First African, Keokuk—Rev. W. H. Clarke.
Maple St., Des Moines—Rev. S. Bates, Sisters Estella Thomas, J. H. Stokes, S. Bates, Jessie Davis, Henrietta Wellington and Bro. Charles Banks.
New Bethel, Manly—Rev. G. W. Carter, Bro. A. D. King.

REV. F. C. BOLLING, Chairman

On Nominations.

We, your Committee on Nominations, make the following recommendation for the officers for the coming year:
Moderator—Rev. S. Bates, Des Moines.
First Vice Moderator—Rev. J. A. Myers, Minneapolis, Minn.
Second Vice Moderator—Rev. O. B. Smith.
Recording Secretary—Rev. G. O. Terrell, Colfax.
Corresponding Secretary—Rev. G. W. Robinson, Des Moines.
State Missionary—Rev. J. H. Reynolds.
Treasurer—Rev. F. C. Bolling, Buxton.
Members of the Executive Board—Rev. G. E. Green, Rev. J. W. Tutt and Rev. M. Carrington. REV. G. E. GREEN, Chairman.

On Finance.

We, your Committee on Finance, report the receipt of the following sums for the Association proper:

Received from public collections	$141.75
Received from new churches	7.75
Received from letters	573 97
Received from annual dues	5.00
Received from Women's Convention	185.40
Total	$913.87

REV. G. W. ROBINSON, Chairman.

On New Churches.

We, your Committee on New Churches, beg leave to submit the following report:
We find that the First Baptist Church of South Sioux City, Neb, was organized Sept. 6, 1921, by Rev. J. H. Reynolds, with Rev. D. W. Short pastor, and seven members. They send $4.75 to the Association. Mrs. A. D. Donald, clerk

The Mt. Hebron Baptist Church of Woodard was organized Sept. 12, 1921, by Rev. J. H. Reynolds with a membership of 17. They send membership fee of $3.00. Sis. A. Robinson, clerk.

They have complied with the requirements of the Constitution, and we recommend that the churches be received and the messenger given a seat in the Association. REV. J. L. LUCAS, Chairman.

On Auditing.

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

After a careful examination we find the sums as totaled by the Secretary and Treasurer are correct.

We recommend that the Treasurer use a checking system in his account and that he shall also be required to make an itemized report. REV. S. D. SCOTT, Chairman.

On Temperance.

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

Whereas, we as followers of Christ and His teachings, along with the examples and exhortation of the Apostles, to be temperate in all things, are once more brought to consider the advancement or retrograde of temperance. We are inclined to place emphasis upon the fact that prohibition and the popular evils are being inadequately dealt with. Therefore, be is resolved, that the ministers encourage, through special effort, the abolishment of the evil of manufacturing liquor in the homes, and

Be it further resolved, that the social dance, the tobacco indulgence and other exceedingly injurious habits that are met with seeming indifference, be taken to God in prayer by the consecrated workers in His cause, as He says, the prayer of the righteous availeth much, and we cannot accomplish permanent relief from these intemperate evils through any other medium. ELDER J. W. CRUSHON, Chairman.

On Obituary.

IN MEMORIUM

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

Those deceased from August, 1921 to August, 1922:

Tabernacle, Council Bluffs—Sis. Georgia Thompson.

Second, Mt. Pleasant—Sis, Maria Robinson.

Corinthian, Des Moines—Sis. Williams, Sis. Rosa Wiley, Sis. Hannah Taylor, Bro. Fred Hilton, Bro. Lee Reynolds, Bro. Junior Watkins, Bro. Archie Mickles.

Second, Ottumwa—Sisters Hattie Bates, Jennie Saunders and Bro. Perry Greenup.

Union, Burlington—Sis. Fannie Grippery.

Antioch, Waterloo—Brothers P. McDonald, S. Gibson and Aaron Brown.

Shiloh, Des Moines—Sis. Jennie Wheeler.

Maple St., Des Moines—Sisters Maude Taylor, Lottie Lomas, Jennie Fisher, Marie Vinegar, Olivia Hackney and Father McQuary.

Second, Clarinda—Rev. J. A. Baker.

Mt. Zion, Buxton—Deacon E. T. Mills, Brothers Chas. Foster, Jack Baker and Sis. Kitty Brown.

Zion, Minneapolis—Sisters Sarah Sextant, Harriet Brown, Lenora Caldwell, Mary Hinton, Lulu Spraggins, Brothers A. M. Holloway and Frank Austin.

First African, Keokuk—Sisters Hester Cain and Sylvia Bennett, and Brothers Frank Deer and Daniel Dean.

Bethel, Colfax—Sis. China McKee.

The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away,
Blessed be the name of the Lord.—Job. 1:21.

REV. J. L. LUCAS, Chairman.

On Corresponding Bodies.

We, your Committee on Corresponding Bodies, submit the following report:

We recommend the Moderator Rev. S. Bates as representative to the National Convention, with expenses paid.

We recommend the Missionary Rev. J. H. Reynolds as representative to the Western Convention, with expenses paid.

We recommend Rev. G. W. Robinson as representative to the Iowa State Convention, with expenses paid.

REV. WM. BROOKS, Chairman.

On Place and Preacher.

We, your Committee on Place and Preacher, submit the following report:

We recommend that the Forty-fifth Annual Session of the Iowa, Minnesota and Dakota Baptist Association be held with the Second Baptist Church at Ottumwa, Iowa, Rev. M. Carrington, pastor.

We recommend Rev. J. W. Tutt to preach the annual sermon. Alternate, Rev. J. Reeves. REV. F. C. BOLLING, Chairman.

On Divine Services.

We, your Committee on Divine Services, submit the following report:

Mt. Zion Baptist—A. M., Rev. J. Reeves. P. M., Rev. S. Bates.

Malone A. M. E.—A. M., Rev. H. J. Handy. P. M., Rev. S. D. Scott.

Mt. Olive Baptist—A. M., Rev. F. Bates. P. M., Rev. G. E. Saunders.

Haddock M. E.—A. M., Rev. G. W. Nesby. P. M., Rev. G. E. Green.

REV. J. W. TUTT, Chairman.

On Moderator's Address

We, your Committee on Moderator's Address, submit the following:

We recommend the Moderator's Address be printed as read, eliminating recommendation four. REV. WM. ALFORD, Chairman.

On State of Country.

We, your Committee on State of Country, submit the following report:

We find that the whole country is undergoing a great industrial crisis. The strikes in the various departments of industry are affecting the financial conditions of many thousands of people. There has been suffering among the thousands who have been thrown out of

employment. Since the greatest percentage of our people are engaged in the various labor industries all over this country, we realize that these conditions have greatly affected us as a race.

We acknowledge God as our greatest helper and teacher, in all things, so we feel that we should first go to Him for guidance and instruction.

We realize further that we as a race must draw closer together, do more to relieve the suffering among our people and concentrate our spiritual and financial strength, to the glory of God and the welfare of our race. REV. G. E. GREEN, Chairman.

On Resolutions.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:

Whereas, The pastor, members and friends of Mt. Zion Baptist Church have done everything possible to make our stay here a pleasant one, and

Whereas, We have been greeted with courteous treatment and given a hearty welcome, which has been a great comfort to this delegation,

Be It Resolved, That the Association extend to this church, its choir, and the community at large, a vote of thanks for this generous hospitality. REV. F. BATES, Chairman.

On Digest of Letters.

The report of the Committee on Digest is embraced in the statistical table of the Association. REV. G. W. KIMBLE, Chairman.

On Business.

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

Received from public collections	$141.75
Received from new churches	7.75
Received from letters	573.97
Received from annual dues	5.00
Received from Women's Convention	185.40
Total	$ 913.87
Balance from 1921	1,069.70
Total	$1,983.57

Sums apportioned:

To Rev. Bates, railroad fare to California and expenses	$ 98.65
To National Convention	10.00
To Rev. Reynolds, railroad fare to Western Convention	15.00
To Western Convention	10.00
To Rev. Robinson, railroad fare to State Convention	5.00
Total	$138.65

Sums Paid:

To Rev. G. W. Robinson, for printing programs	$ 12.50
To Rev. G. W. Robinson, for publication in Bystander	9.00
To Rev. G. W. Robinson, stationery, telephone, telegrams	6.65
To Rev. F. C. Bolling, treasurer	1.00
To Sis. Selma Brown, reporter	2.00
To Rev. G. O. Terrell, compiling minutes	25.00
To Miss Straughn, for foreign missions	40.00
To Miss Straughn, for photographs	12.50
To Janitor	7.00
To ice	1.50
Total	$117.15

Sums apportioned	$ 138.65
Sums paid	117.15
Total	$ 255.80
Balance in Treasury	1,983.57
Total paid out	255.80
Balance on hand	$1,727.77

REV. G. W. ROBINSON, Chairman.

Licensed Ministers.

James Marshall, Mystic
L. Warrick, Colfax
S. S. Sullivan, Des Moines
M. Kelly, Oskaloosa
Wm. Taylor, Buxton
J. W. Terry, Des Moines
Wm. Dickerson, Buxton
Rev. V. Dowdry, Des Moines

Ordained Ministers.

Rev. S. Bates, Des Moines
Rev. G. W. Robinson, Des Moines
Rev. W. H. Clarke, Keokuk
Rev. F. K. Nicholson, Davenport
Rev. J. W Tutt, Sioux City
Rev. W. W. Ewing, Des Moines
Rev. A. B. Collins, Cedar Rapids
Rev. G. W. Nesby, Waterloo
Rev. R. P. Palmer, Oskaloosa
Rev. O. B. Smith, Marshalltown
Elder J. W. Crushon, Des Moines
Rev. J. A. Myers, Minneapolis
Rev. J. M. Eaves, Perry
Rev. G. W. Smith, Yankton, S. D.
Rev. J. H. Reynolds, Missionary, Des Moines
Rev. G. E. Saunders, Des Moines
Rev. G. O. Terrell, Colfax
Rev. F. C. Bolling, Buxton
Rev. J. L. Lucas, Ft. Dodge
Rev. F. Bates, Ft. Madison
Rev. G. W. Carter, Waterloo
Rev. G. W. Kimble, Davenport
Rev. G. E. Green, Burlington
Rev. A. L. Torpley, Waterloo
Rev. L. G. Garrett, Wanlock
Rev. Wm. Brooks, Hocking
Rev. J. P. Jackson, Council Bluffs
Rev. J. H. Handy, Clarinda
Rev. S. D. Worden, Des Moines

Rev. M. Carrington, Ottumwa
Rev. Wm. Chapman, Sioux City
Rev. W. H. White, Des Moines
Rev. J. E. Roberts, Des Moines
Rev. Wm. Buford, Des Moines
Rev. L. Biggs, Ft. Dodge
Rev. Samuel Johnson, Des Moines
Rev. S. D. Scott, Mt. Pleasant
Rev. J. Reeves, Mason City
Chas. Turner, Des Moines

Life Members.

Rev. S. Bates, Des Moines
Rev. J. T. Ward, Topeka, Kan.
Dr. T. L. Griffith, Los Angeles, Cal.
Dr. W. F. Botts, Omaha, Neb.
Rev. F. C. Bolling, Buxton
Mrs. H. P. Smith, Mt. Pleasant
Rev. F. J. Nott, Clinton
Rev. S. Johnson, Des Moines
Rev. James Patterson, Des Moines
Rev. M. J. Burton, Topeka, Kan.
Rev. J. P. Jackson, Council Bluffs
Rev. Wm. Brown, Ft. Dodge
H. T. Randolph, Hiteman

MODERATOR'S ADDRESS

Dear Co-Workers:

I appear before you to attempt to deliver my tenth annual message. It is hard for me to express myself as to my feelings, yet by the help of God I hope to say a word that may inspire some one to greater usefulness in the cause of Christ and His church.

The Church.

The close of the Apostolic Age, which came with the death of John, the son of Zebedee, brought important changes in conditions of the church life. Miracles, for example, have ceased to be wrought; nevertheless the church was not left without ample equipment for the evagnelization of the world. Two great possessions remained after the Apostles had passed away—in the first place the Bible and in the second place the Spirit.

The authority of the Bible had been recognized by the Lord, Jesus, by the Apostle Paul and by all the writers of the New Testament. Jesus used the Old Testament as the Word of God as it is used by humble Christians today; and Jesus' example in this particular, as in others, was followed by all the apostles; moreover our Lord gave to the apostles authority to add to the Bible, and it was by virtue of that authority and inspiration of the Holy Spirit that they wrote the books of the New Testament. All the books of the New Testament were written by inspiration of the Holy Spirit and for the edification of the church.

Since our last meeting we have attended the National Baptist Convention in Chicago, Ill. We tried to put our Association to the front. Our reputation is nation-wide and it put us to our wits to keep it there. At our national meeting many brethren gathered around us to inquire into the Iowa plan.

In February we attended a meeting in Chicago to organize a society known as the new England, Central and Western States Educational Society. At that meeting we arranged to take over the training school in Chicago for the educational advantages of our young Baptist people. We do pray that Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota Association will stand hard by us in this great project. We must educate our boys and girls for the future.

We recently attended the Western Convention in East St. Louis, and we had a good convention. I earnestly pray that our Association will continue to co-operate with these bodies.

As to our state work: We have visited Ottumwa, Oskaloosa, Perry, Colfax, Burlington, Ft. Madison, Keokuk, Davenport, Clinton, Waterloo, Marshalltown and the churches in Des Moines. We find all the pastors and members very optimistic, in spite of the fact that we are passing through such a labor crisis as was never before witnessed in this generation. But so many of our brethren don't do their part in the work. Some of our churches don't even report in the Board, nor do anything to help the work, and yet they received the same congratulations as those who labor hard and long.

We cannot bring this address to a close without saying a word in regard to so many of our brethren who have come from the South. So many of them have fallen right in line with our work. Too much praise cannot be given those hard working people.

This may be my last address. The silver cords of my life are becoming weaker and every day I am not as strong as I was years ago, but I am thankful that I am strong in the faith, stronger in knowledge and stronger in the faith of my great denomination, because I love Thy Kingdom Lord, the house of thine abode, the church our blessed Redeemer saved, with His own precious blood.

1. I recommend that we continue the missionary.

2. I further recommend that we continue to look after the missionary pastors, such as we see fit, and as far as our means will allow.

3. I further recommend that we still co-operate with the Iowa Baptist State Convention on the fifty-fifty basis.

4. I recommend that we be represented with all our National bodies such as the National, the Western, and other National bodies, as we see necessary, and we also recommend that we endorse the training school in Chicago and give them our fullest co-operation.

Your humble servant,

S. BATES, Moderator.

MISSIONARY REPORT

Brother Moderator, Officers and Messengers of the Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota Baptist Association.

Dear Co-Workers:

We are thankful to Almighty God that He has blessed us through this associational year, to make our report of the work done. We thank you for the confidence imposed in us. We also thank you for donation that made it possible for me to attend the National Baptist Convention, which convened in Chicago. Since our last session there

have been some changes of pastors and there have been some new pastors come into our Association. The Elder, J. W. Crushon, formerly the pastor of Mt. Zion, Sioux City, is now pastor of Union, Des Moines. The Rev. J. W. Tutt, formerly of Mt. Zion, Davenport, is now pastor of Mt. Zion, Sioux City. The Rev. G. W. Kimble, formerly of Mt. Zion, Buxton, is now pastor of Mt. Zion, Davenport. Rev. G. E. Green, formerly of Shiloh, Des Moines, is now pastor of Union, Burlington.

New Pastors.

We are glad to have with us these new pastors. The Rev. S. D. Scott comes to us from the State of Minnesota, and has charge of our Church at Mt. Pleasant. Rev. J. Reeves, formerly of Kansas, is now in charge of our church at Mason City. Brother Charles Turner, the product of Iowa, is pastor of Shiloh, Des Moines. Rev. James Washington from Missouri has charge of our church at Mystic. Brother Fant of Mississippi has charge of our church at Red Oak. Brother Mealty, pastor of our church at Sheriff, Iowa.

Churches Without Pastors.

Second, Clinton; Mt. Zion, Buxton.

New Churches.

We have organized three new churches:
First Baptist, South Sioux City, Neb., with seven members.
Mt. Hebron, Zookspur, with seventeen members.
Mt. Olive, Sheriff, with three members.

At our Association last year there were five churches that made application for missionary pastor's aid to the amount of one hundred dollars. The same was recommended by our Moderator, endorsed by the Association, and executed by our Executive Board. The churches that asked for missionary pastor's aid are as follows: First African, Keokuk; Union, Burlington; St. John, Mason City; Second, Oskaloosa, and Bethel, Perry.

We have visited every active church in our Association, and have endeavored to infuse new lift into some of the inactive ones, and we appreciate very much the splendid co-operation of the pastors and churches.

MISSIONARY PASTOR'S REPORT

First Quarter.

First African, Keokuk, Rev. W. H. Clark, pastor.

Admission by experience, 1; admission by baptism, 2; Lord's supper administered, 4; Sunday School sessions attended, 10.

Second Quarter.

Admission by letter, 2; admission by experience, 2; dismissed by exclusion, 3; present membership, 60.

Third Quarter.

Admission by baptism, 1; admission by experience, 2; dismissed by exclusion, 4; dismissed by death, 2; present membership, 61.

Fourth Quarter.

Admission by baptism, 2; dismissed by exclusion, 4; present membership, 52.

Paid on pastor's salary, first quarter, $60; second quarter, $103 35; third quarter, $90; fourth quarter, $110.

Union, Burlington, Rev. G. E. Green, pastor.

Second Quarter.

Admission by experience, 4; admission by letter, 1; dismissed by letter, 1; present membership, 36; sermons preached, 32; prayer meetings, 12; paid on pastor's salary, $100.75; present membership, 36.

Third Quarter.

Admission by experience, 1; sermons delivered, 12; prayer meetings attended, 5; present membership, 31; paid on pastor's salary, $60.

Fourth Quarter.

Admission by baptism, 4; dismission by death, 1; paid on pastor's salary, $396; admission by experience, 3; present membership, 47; sermons delivered, 38; prayer meetings attended, 9.

St. John's, Mason City, Rev. G. W. Smith, pastor.

First Quarter.

Prayer meetings attended, 10; sermons delivered, 11; paid on pastor's salary, $60; present membership, 29

Third Quarter.

Pastor, Rev. J. Reeves.

Admission by experience, 2; dismissed by letter, 2; dismissed by death, 1; present membership, 30; sermons delivered, 10; prayer meetings attended, 12; paid on pastor's salary, $93.

Fourth Quarter.

Admission by exeprience, 5; dismissed by letter, 2; present membership, 33; sermons delivered, 18; prayer meetings attended, 12; paid on pastor's salary, $135.

Second, Oskaloosa, Rev. R. R. Palmer, pastor.

First Quarter.

Dismissed by exclusion, 4; present membership, 30; sermons delivered, 22; prayer meetings attended, 8; paid on pastor's salary, $91.

Second Quarter.

Present membership, 30; sermons delivered, 18; prayer meetings attended, 9.

Third Quarter.

Admission by letter, 1; admission by experience, 3; present membership, 33.

Bethel, Perry, Rev. J. M. Eaves, pastor.

First Quarter.

Admission by experience, 4; present membership, 20; sermons delivered, 24; prayer meetings attended, 12; paid on pastor's salary, $75.

Second Quarter.

Admission by experience, 3; dismissed by death, 1; present membership, 25; sermons delivered, 24; prayer meetings attended, 12; paid on pastor's salary, $65.

Church visits, 67; B. Y. P. U. visits, 25; evangelistic meetings held, 3; religious visits, 58; Lord's supper administered, 6; prayer meetings attended, 36; Sunday School visits, 34; business meetings held, 6; sermons delivered, 108; addresses delivered, 27; added to the churches by baptism, 12; added to the churches by experience, 28; added to the churches by conversion, 24; Bible training classes organized, 3; funerals attended, 1; marriages performed, 1; miles traveled, 4,486; conversions and conferences attended, 3; money raised, $163.35.

Your humble servant,

J. H. REYNOLDS.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMEN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Officers.

President—Mrs. W. A. Brown, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
First Vice President—Mrs. M. Crump, Minneapolis, Minn.
Second Vice President—Mrs. Lily Hays, Yankton, South Dakota.
Third Vice President—Mrs. Vera Price, Sioux City, Iowa.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. N. C. Marshall, Des Moines, Iowa.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Clay Harper, Marshalltown, Iowa.
Treasurer—Mrs. Ella Black, Clarinda, Iowa.
State Organizer—Mrs. S. Bates, Des Moines, Iowa.

Board Members.

Mrs. Elizabeth Vinson, Ottumwa, Iowa.
Mrs. Rosa Guy, Fort Dodge, Iowa.
Mrs. Roxie Green, Des Moines, Iowa.

Educational Committee Members.

Chairman—Mrs. Grace Stokes, Des Moines, Iowa.
Mrs. Mamie Bates, Buxton, Iowa.
Mrs. G. W. Nesby, Waterloo, Iowa.
Mrs. M. Crawford, Des Moines, Iowa.
Mrs. Francis Baker, Davenport, Iowa.
Mrs. Viola Carter, Des Moines, Iowa.
Mrs. Darce Alexander, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

CONSTITUTION OF THE IOWA, MINNESOTA AND SOUTH DAKOTA WOMEN'S CONVENTION

Article I—Name.

This Convention shall be known as the Women's Convention of Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota Auxiliary to the Association of Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota.

Article II—Object.

The object of this Convention shall be to promote Christian education, home and foreign missions.

Article III—Officers.

The officers of this Convention shall be President, First and Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and State Organizer, with a Board Member from each state.

Section I.

This Convention shall have an Educational Board of seven members with the following officers: Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with four additional members.

Section II—Duties of Officers.

The duty of the President shall be to preside over the annual meetings. She shall also be the Chairman of the Executive Board, and shall have power to convene the Executive Board whenever the interest of the work demands.

She shall visit the local Circle annually at the expense of the Circle visited.

The Vice President's duties shall be the same, to preside in the absence of the President.

It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of all accounts of the annual sittings of the Convention and the Executive Board meetings, and shall be paid any sum the Convention shall deem it necessary to pay per year for her services.

It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to attend to all correspondence of the Convention and to draw all orders on the Treasurer.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to hold in trust all money of the convention and keep a correct account of the same. Report the condition of the Treasury whenever called upon by the Executive Board. She shall pay out no money except on an order drawn by the corresponding Secretary and signed by the President. She shall make an annual report to the Convention.

The duty of the Organizer shall be to organize new Circles and to give aid and advice to strengthen older Circles, and circles take care of her expenses as far as possible, but when not fully paid by the Circles the Women's Home and Foreign Mission Convention shall pay the deficient.

She shall superintend the Starlight Bands throughout the state and provide such literature that will serve as a systematic study for the Starlight Bands.

Education Work of the Convention.

Article IV—Membership.

Any Mission Circle or Auxiliary having ten members or less can represent by the payment of three dollars ($3.00). Having over ten members, five dollars ($5.00). With twenty members or more, ten dollars ($10.00) per quarter and four dollars ($4.00) annual dues.

Any person in good and regular standing of a Missionary Baptist Church can become an annual member on payment of fifty cents (50c). Annual member may take part in the discussion, but not in the election of officers.

Article V.

Each Circle shall be allowed five delegates.

Section I.

The Circle or Auxiliary sending in the largest amount of money to the annual session with all quarterly assessments paid in full shall receive the banner.

The hour having arrived for the Missionary Study Hour, Sister Ewing being absent, Rev. G. E. Saunders willingly consented to fill the place. For fifteen minutes Rev. Saunders spoke, using for his subject, "Spiritual Missionary Service."

Much benefit was derived from this instructive talk.

The President, Mrs. W. R. Brown, having arrived, the Vice President turned the meeting over to her.

Appointment of Committee on Finance: Sister Rosa Guy, Rev. W. H. Clark, Sister Minnie Bates and Sister Lucy Goggins.

Motion prevailed that Sister Henrietta Wallington be the reporter for the Women's Convention.

Apointed Sister Blanch Crushon chairman on bazar.

Offering, $9.10.

Adjournment.

Devotional led by Sister Green and Sister Crump. After twenty minutes spent in devotionals the First Vice President in a cordial way welcomed the delegates and visitors.

The program was read.

A motion prevailed that the program be adopted and carried out as far as possible.

Appointment of Enrollment Committee. Sister Clara Crawford Sister Vera Price, Sister Lucy Jones.

Fifteen minutes recess was given for the enrollment of delegates.

After the enrollment of all delgates present the President called the Convention to order.

Sister Ida May Owens led in singing.

The President introduced Sister Cora Harrison, who in a charming way welcomed the delegates and visitors to her church and city.

A timely response to the welcome address was given by Sister Amy Smith of Buxton, Iowa.

BY-LAWS.

I.

Any delegate absent from the Convention at roll call without a lawful excuse shall be fined 25 cents.

II.

There shall be an all day meeting of the Executive Board on Tuesday after the second Sunday in April of each year.

III.

Each Circle as far as possible must organize and maintain a Starlight Band, and such Junior Circle be supervised over by some one elected by the Senior Circle, and supervisor represent them at the annual meeting of the Convention.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION

Sioux City, Iowa, Aug. 22, 1922.

The Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Convention met in the Forty-first Annual Session on the above date, with the Women's hame and Foreign Missionary Circle of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Sister Mary Crump, First Vice President, presiding.

Scripture reading by Sister Roxie Green, I Psalm.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional conducted by Sister Dora Alexander and Sister Clara Crawford.

Minutes of the morning session was read and adopted.

The President asked the First Vice President to take the chair.

In a pleasing way the First Vice President introduced the President, who delivered to the convention her annual address, which was one of the most powerful and beneficial addresses ever delivered by the State President to the Convention.

A motion prevailed that the President's annual address be accepted and placed as read on the face of the minutes.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

A motion prevailed that same reports be accepted and placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee.

Report of the Educational Chairman.

A motion prevailed that same be accepted.

Sister S. Bates led in 15 minutes song service, during which time the Holy Spirit was felt and manifested.

Rev. S. D. Scott of Mt. Pleasant ascended to the rostrum, accompanied by Rev. James Myers and Rev. G. W. Kimball.

Scripture read by Rev. James Myers, fifth chapter of Luke 1-11 verses.

Prayer by Rev. G. W. Kimball.

Rev. James Myers introduced the speaker of the hour, Rev. S. D. Scott.

Rev. Scott used for his theme "Fishing."

A strong spiritual sermon was listened to.

Echoes from messengers to corresponding bodies.

Sister Mary Crump, First Vice President, told of her attendance to the Western Convention in St. Louis. Sister Crump made an excellent report from this Convention.

A motion prevailed that same be accepted.

Committee on Courtesy: Sister Nora Reynolds and Sister Rosa Guy.

All visitors were present to the Convention by the Courtesy Committee.

Rev. Boyd and Sister Boyd spoke some very encouraging remarks to the Convention.

Report of the Committee on Nomination.

A motion prevailed that amendment that refers to the educational part of the report be referred back to the committee.

A motion prevailed that the report of the Nomination Committee be adopted.

Collection, $4.50.

Adjournment.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION

Devotional led by Sister S. Bates, Sister Maggie Thomas. Twenty minutes was spent in devotional.

The hour having arrived for the evening sermon, Rev. G. W. Kimball, Rev. J. W. Crushon, Rev. G. W. Robinson ascended the rostrum.

Scripture read by Rev. J. W. Crushon, sixth chapter of Matthew, first 15 verses.

Prayer was offered by Rev. G. W. Robinson.

By request Rev. J. E. Jeltz was asked to sing "Mother's Prayer."

The President introduced the speaker of the hour, Rev. G. W. Kimball.

Text, sixth chapter of Matthew, 10th verse, "The Kingdom Come." Theme used, "The Coming of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ the Ultimate Aim of the Church." A splendid sermon was listened to.

The convention was favored by listening to a solo by Miss Taruater.

Offering, $17.25.

Benediction and adjournment.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Devotionals led by Sister Clay Harper, Rev. W. M. Alford and R. J. Reeves.

Reading of the afternoon and evening journal. A motion prevailed that same be adopted.

Presenting of Circle letters. Three minute talks by representatives.

Missionary study hour.

Five minutes was spent in conventional singing led by Sister Rosa Guy.

By consent of Rev. J. W. Crushon the speaker of the hour, Rev. G. W. Robinson, presented Rev. G. W. Casaday, director of promotion for the white Baptists of Iowa. Rev. Casaday's words were inspiring and helpful to his hearers.

Rev. Crushon for a brief period conducted the mission study.

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord," was sung by Rev. Crushon. Impressive were the instructions on missions given by Rev. Crushon.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. Crushon.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotionals led by Sister E. F. Williams and Sister E. Vinson.

Minutes of morning session was read and adopted.

Sister J. H. Stokes spoke on the symposium subject, "A Mother As a Spiritual Teacher."

Practical and instructive was her talk.

Sister N. C. Marshall's address on "Personal Evangelism" was said to be a sermon of itself. Sister Marshall's instructions on "Why Personal Work Is the Greatest Work in the World" was very helpful

Sister Ella Black impressively gave a reading in which she beautifully pictured the surrendering of one's self to Christ and His work.

Sister L. B. Handy's paper on "How Women Should Keep Physically Fit for Service" was of much benefit and full of wholesome thoughts.

Solo by Sister G. W. Nesby.

A motion prevailed that the program be suspended and the business continued.

Personal effort rally from officers and workers of the convention. The reports from same are as follows: President, Mrs. W. A. Brown, $10; First Vice President, Mrs. Mary Crump, $7.27; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. B. Handy, $15; Recording Secretary, Mrs. N. C. Marshall, $5.30; Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Black, $11; Chairman of Education Committee, Mrs. J. H. Stokes, $4; Sister S. Bates, worker, $16.50; Sister Synthia Wuctte, Ottumwa, $1; Rev. J. Reeves, $1.

Sister S. Bates bringing in the largest amount of money received the prize, a beautiful quilt, which was presented to her by the President.

Report of Committee on New Circles. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Enrollment. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Business. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Corresponding Bodies. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Obituary. Adopted.

A motion prevailed that report of Committee on Recommendation be accepted by items.

A motion prevailed that article three of same report be stricken out.

A motion prevailed that twenty dollars ($20.00) be allowed to the Corresponding Secretary for services.

A motion prevailed that hereafter the services of the Corresponding Secretary be donated to the Convention.

A motion prevailed that the part of the Business Committee's report referring to the Nebraska Convention be tabled.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION

Devotional led by Sister S. Bates and Sister W. A. Brown.

After ten minutes spent in spiritual singing the object of the Missionary Pageant was explained and the pageant exercises proceeded with. The lesson conveyed in this pageant was forceful, and awakened a keener interest in missions.

Miss Henrietta Wallington was at this time presented to the Convention as the Convention's student this year at Western College.

Rev. O. B. Smith, Rev. M. Carrington and Rev. W. W. Withers ascended to the rostrum.

Scripture reading by Rev. Carrington, 10th chapter of Matthew. Prayer by Rev. Withers.

The President at this time introduced the speaker of the hour. Rev. O. B. Smith.

Rev. J. E. Jeltz was asked to sing.

Text found in St. Matthews, 28th chapter. Theme used, "Go Ye Therefore and Preach the Gospel to All Nations."

A strong missionary sermon was listened to.

Offering, $11.33.

Report of Committee on Resolutions. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance. Adopted.

A motion prevailed that all unfinished business be turned over to the Executive Board.

Benediction. Adjournment.

MRS .W. A. BROWN, President,
MRS. N. C. MARSHALL, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT

We, your Committee on Enrollment, beg leave to submit the following reports of delegates enrolled:

Mt. Zion, Buxton—Sister Amy Smith, Sister Maggie Thomas, Sister Mammie Bates.

Second Baptist, Fort Madison—Rev. F. Bates.

Mt. Olive, Des Moines—Rev. G. E. Saunders.

St. John, Mason City—Rev. J. Reeves.

Fort Dodge—Rev. J .L. Lucas, Sister Katie Jameison, Sister Rosa Guy.

Second Baptist, Clarinda—Rev. H. J. Handy, Sister L. B. Handy, Sister Ella Black.

Shiloh, Des Moines—Rev. Chas. W. Turner.
Bethel, Colfax—Rev. Geo. Terrell.
Yankton, South Dakota, Second Baptist—Rev. Smith, Sister Lillian Hays, Sister Edna Jackson, Sister Georgia Hayes, Sister Helen Havey.

Zion, Minneapolis—Rev. James Myers, Sister Lucy Jones, Sister Mary Crump.

Mt. Zion, Sioux City—Rev. J. Tutt, Sister Vera Price, Sister Cora Harrison, Sister Brashears.
Starlight Band, Corinthian, Des Moines—Sister Selma Brown, Sister Ida May Owens, Sister Nora Reynolds.

Corinthian Aid, Des Moines—Sister Alice Crawford, Sister C. H. Roan, Sister N. C. Marshall.
Maple St., Des Moines—Rev. S. Bates, Sister S. Bates, Sister J. H. Stokes, Sister Jessie Davis, Sister Henrietta Wallington.

Corinthian Mission, Des Moines—Sister J. W. Johnson, Sister Edith Essex, Sister G. W. Stanton, Sister P. Frederick, Rev. G. W. Robinson.
Union, Des Moines—Sister Roxie Green, Rev. J. W. Crushon.

Mt. Olive, Sioux City—Sister Mable Powell, Sister Myrtle Jones.
Mt. Zion, Davenport—Rev. G. W. Kimball.
New Bethel, Manley—Bro. A. D. King.
Second Baptist, Otumwa—Sister E. Vinson.

Second Baptist, Marshalltown—Rev. O. B. Smith, Sister Clay Harper, Sister Lulu Roberson, Sister Eva Williams, Bro. Edward Robinson.
Mt. Pleasant, Second Baptist—Rev. S. D. Scott.
Mt. Zion, Cedar Rapids—Sister Eliza Williams, Rev. O. B. Collins.

Union Baptist, Burlington—Rev. G. E. Green, Sister Anna Plesant.
Tabernacle, Council Bluffs—Rev. J. P. Jackson, Sister Daice Alexander, Sister Fannie Fountain.

Respectfully your committee,
SISTER VERA PRICE, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

We, your Committee on Nomination of Officers, beg leave to submit the following for officers for the ensuing year:
President—Sister W. A. Brown.
First Vice President—Mary Crump.
Second Vice President—Sister Lillian Hays.
Third Vice President—Sister Vera Price.

Recording Secretary—Sister N. C. Marshall.
Corresponding Secretary—Sister Clay Harper.
Treasurer—Sister Ella Black.
State Organizer—Sister S. Bates.
Board Members—Sister Elizabeth Vinsan, Sister Rosa Guy, Sister Roxie Green.

Chairman of the Educational Committee—Sister Grace Stokes.
Members of Educational Committee—Sister Mammie Bates, Sister G. W. Nesgy, Sister Clara Crawford, Sister Francis Maker, Sister S. Scott, Sister Gertrude Alford, Sister Viola Carter, Sister Dorce Alexander.

Respecfully submitted,
SISTER MINNIE BATES, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS

We, your Committee on Business, beg to submit the following recommendations:

Mrs. W. A. Brown, to National Baptist Convention	$105 00
Mrs. ——, to Women's State Convention	10.65
Mrs. N. C. Marshall, compiling minutes, railroad fare	25.00
Mrs. L. B. Handy, stationary, railroad fare one way	14 96
Mrs. Amy Smith, railroad fare one way	9 52
Mrs. Ella Black, railroad fare one way	6 38
Printing, R. C. Patten	4.75
Printing of Minutes	25 00
Janitor service and ice	3.50
Mrs. Mary Crump, Western Convention	5 00
Mrs. May Crump	4.50

Respectfully your committee,
REV. G. W. ROBINSON, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CIRCLES

We, your Committee on New Circles, submit the following Circles to become members of this Association:

Mt. Olive Circle, Sioux City, Iowa; Second Ottumwa Circle, Ottumwa, Iowa.

Respectfully submitted,
SISTER EDNA JACKSON, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDING BODIES

We, your Committee on Corresponding Bodies, beg to submit the following report:

We recommend the following messengers to the various Conventions: To the National Baptist Convention, Mrs. W. A. Brown; to the Western Convention, Mrs. Mary Crump.

We further recommend that the expenses be paid by the Convention.

Respecfully submitted,
REV. J. H. REYNOLDS, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to submit the following report:

Public collection	$ 52.14
Bazaar	16.25
Circle letters	371.56
Annual members	1.50
Personal efforts	81.93

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. ROSA GUY, Chairman.

Designated money from Circle letter:

Education	$ 59.11
Home Mission	50.70
State Mission	59.75
Foreign Mission	52.05
Student Fund	18.65
Annual dues	102.50

Money paid out by the Executive Board:

For Reporter	$ 2.00
Additional for National Convention	25.00
To Mrs. J. H. Stokes	8.32
Turned over to the Executive Board of the men's meeting	185.40

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

We, your Committee on Recommendations, beg to submit the following report:

We recommend that no church shall have more than two officers at one time in the Convention.

We further recommend that the Constitution shall so read that any Mission Circle or Auxiliary having ten members or less can represent by the payment of three dollars ($3.00). Having over ten members, five dollars ($5.00). With twenty members or more, ten dollars ($10.00) per quarter and four dollars annual dues.

Respectfully submitted,

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REV. J. H. HANDY, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

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

WHEREAS, The citizens of Sioux City and especially the members of Mt. Zion Baptist Church have so royally entertained us in this session; be it

Resolved, That this Convention turn to this church a vote of thanks for their generous hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. S. D. SCOTT, Chairman.

ANNUAL MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

Sister President, Officers and Messengers to the Forty-first Annual Session of the Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota Convention of Baptist Women, Greetings:

The evermoving sea of time bearing upon its bosom the millions of human beings, has not ceased in its motion, but has moved on in days, weeks and months until another year has closed and we are permitted to pause here in this beautiful city of the northwest situated on the highest point in the state and at a place where three states touch, to make reports of our work during the year. While here on this elevation of 1,700 feet hearing the noise of the great Missouri river as it touches the shores, making such music as it alone can make, flowing on to moisten and bless other lands, and realizing that we are here with a gospel message for the world, we fell to join the poet in his

"Waft it on the rolling tide, Jesus saves, Jesus saves;
Tell to sinners far and wide, Jesus saves, Jesus saves."

We come, yes, we come up from every part of the state; east, west, north and south. Not to weep over our discouragements, disappointments, failures and losses, nor to deplore the fact that we have been led in many dark and mysterious paths during this year; but to count our many blessings and to name them one by one, and it will surprise us what the Lord has done.

General Conditions.

As we review the past and note the changes good and bad that have taken place and how many are being swept of their spiritual feet by them, we feel that one of the greatest blessings that has come to us is, that we still have left to us a few women who see the Christ life as really worth living. In the midst of this great social, political, moral and religious unrest, when right seems to have been put down and wrong enthrowned, when it hardly seems right to dress, talk or deport one's self modestly, only the women with good Christian equilibrium can stand. This is no day for the woman with a weak mind that is swayed by the glitter and glare of the world. The waters are too deep and the current too strong. It takes loyal, strong and true women such as make bone and sinue for this great convention; and they like a Mary of old, who broke away from the ordinary path and poured the costly ointment on the head of the blessed Saviour in the midst of critics, are not to be found everywhere. For the Master said one day when preaching one of His great sermons, "Straight is the gate and narrow the path, and few there be that find it." Many times as we go from place to place studying the field and its needs, and doing our best to use the God-given means to have women see God's standard of right,

we have at times just stopped in the busy streets of many of our great cities, gotten away from the busy hurrying, bustling world just far enough to watch (as it were) the world go by; and to our astonishment it seems as if all sense of decency and modesty has been discarded, and the woman who can go in the street with very little more than nature's garment is the most popular. Time was when we could read of ancient women who were not careful and hide our faces with shame; but methinks that if today the women of the ancient wicked cities could rise up, they would blush at some of the garments that many of our women have the impudence to wear in the house of God. Sisters! whither are we drifting? Where is our sense of all that is pure and good. Listen while we hear the Lord call to us and ask us to inquire for the old path and walk therein. Oh, for the good old days when really true womanhood clothed in modest apparel was the height of every woman's ambition. Oh, for the day when women will consider. But some one is to blame for this terrible condition. Who is it? Is it the young women whom we are so apt to call giddy and foolish? Is it the modest or promoter of styles? I answer, No. It is Man, Man. If men from pulpit to pew would cease to admire immodesty in word, deed and dress, it would cease in a much shorter time than it takes to discuss it. Many of our weaker sisters have no higher ambition than to be admired and praised by the men, and since the modern day flapper seems to be the favorite among them we seem to have decided to let all modesty go, if we can win the favor of the opposite sex. We again with shame confess that men are largely to blame for this condition, and beg our sisters to forget the admiration of them and live for those you are left in the world to help. Brothers, you can help us if you will. We are your sisters, your mothers and your daughters, and you should want to see us at our best in the work of the Lord and in all things for the uplift of the race and humanity.

We who are old must be examples for the young, but we can't do it if we are as foolish as they, so the best way to remedy the present day evils is to begin with the old and not the young. For, indeed it is no small matter to have them hear what we say, when what we do stands out so plainly before them. Thank God there are a few who have never bowed their knees to Baal.

Our National Convention.

This convention held its annual meeting in Chicago the second week in September with the great Olivett Baptist Church. It was, as usual, full of interest and added much to the spiritual life of those who attended. The victory march celebrating the twentieth anniversary of the organization was the climax of the session. It was not after the common worldly order, but a great number of women dressed in white with Bibles marched through the streets from the church at Thirty-first and South Park avenue to Vincence square,

a distance of ten blocks at least, where we encircled a crystal like pond while the directress of singing stood on a bridge spanning the pond led us in singing "Steal Away to Jesus" and other such hymns until our souls were filled to overflowing with the joy unspeakable.

Represented at this meeting were 31 State Conventions, 41 Districts, 185 Missionary Societies, 9 children's bands by 780 messengers, who represented a membership of 38,983. Money raised from all sources, $5,093.79. Of this amount $730.50 was sent to our Corresponding Secretary Miss Buroughs by the women of Pennsylvania; $511 99 was sent up for foreign missions, and the other was used to pay a part of the back salary of the president of the training school, which until this meeting was $5,000. Two thousand dollars of this was paid, leaving us still back $3,000. One thousand dollars was given to the training school, which was a small amount when we consider its needs. All of the officers were re-elected and we closed to meet in the far west this year.

Western Convention.

October 26-27 this Convention held its Eighteenth Annual Session with the Zion Baptist Church in Omaha, Neb. Sisters Lottie Wise of Waterloo, who was selected to represent us at this meeting, found it impossible to go, so it became my pleasant duty to represent you there. The sermons, addresses and reports of this meeting were all of high order, and though the threatened railroad strike greatly lessened our delegation, we had a very successful meeting.

Foreign Missions.

A letter from our Sister F. B. Wattson informs us that her work is in fine conditions and that she is happy in the Lord; but her health is not so good, and for this reason is asking to come home this year or the first of next at least. Sisters, we must get more of the Christ spirit for this work. It is not given to all of us to go out there, but we can if we will make those happy who do go. When you think that we have only nine American born workers on the continent of Africa and twenty-five native workers, all because we are not awake to the needs of the field, it is a reflection on the great denomination which we represent. It is not because we have not workers who desire, yea, even feel the call to go; but because we are not every one of us sufficiently awake that we can take care of those out there as they should be cared for. Our National Baptist Foreign Mission Board, through its Corresponding Secretary, Rev. J. E. East, is asking that each local church send an offering to the office monthly. This will save the expense of the agent coming to us, and much more can be sent directly to the field to take care of our workers already out there, and with this splendid system we can soon send out our quoto of the forty thousand missionaries which the northern Baptist had hoped to send out under the great five-year program.

Our State Work.

We as a woman's convention have ceased to live in the past, and so zealous are we for the cause of God and right, that we feel in the future. We are like a forest which has been more than once cut down. The new shoots are stronger and livelier than ever. We are rising we know toward the sky. The sun is shining on our heads.

The earth gives us its generous sap, but heaven lights our path with the reflection of unknown worlds. Some try to tell us that our work is small and very insignificant, and that only the plain and old fashioned are found therein; but we stop our ears to that and rejoice in the fact that we are losing sight of the world each day, and the more we get away from, yea, die to the things of earth, the more brilliant becomes the light of glory in our souls. There are times when winter seems on our heads, but an eternal spring in our hearts, and we are breathing the fragrance of lilacs, violets and roses. The nearer we approach to God, the plainer we hear around us the immortal symphonies of heaven which invite us on. It is marvelous yet simple. It seems almost like a fairy tale, yet true.

For forty-one years this convention has been toiling to stamp its imprint upon those with whom it has come in contact, and to leave (as it were) its footprints in the sands of time. We have worked hard; but we feel we have not done one thousandth part of what is still before us. When we go down from this meeting we can our day's work is ended here, but will begin with renewed energy in our local fields. This is our recruiting station. We come here to exchange thoughts, to make and listen to reports, and to get strength for another day's work which will open with the dawn of the morning after we have closed our meeting. We go out to improve every hour, because we are full of the desire to see the kingdom of God come and over all prevail. Because the truth of God is in our hearts as it is in the hearts of those who have left our shores and have gone out to Africa and the isles of the sea; away from friends and loves ones to labor and to give all, that men everywhere may know Him whom to know is life eternal. Truly our work is only in its beginning; our monument hardly above its foundation; therefore we will not rest 'till we see it mounting higher and higher, until it reaches the heights. We know that between us and the heights to which we go there are many difficulties which must be brushed aside, many sacrifices to be made, and thus we are asking to be used of the Lord. Have Thine own way, Lord; have Thine own way; Thou are the potter, I am the clay; mould me and make me after Thy will, while I am waiting, yielded and still. Have Thine own way, Lord, have Thine own way, search me and try me, Master, today. Whiter than snow Lord wash me just now, as in Thy presence humbly I bow.

We want the Lord to have His own way with us even though sometimes we are wounded and weary; we are asking Him to help us because we know all power is His and He it is who can touch and heal our wounded hearts. We want Him just to have absolute sway with us and to so fill us with His spirit until all with whom we come in contact will see Christ in us always. This done we are sure that our look far into the future and all the beauty and grandeur we have seen for our state work shall be realized; we can know a truth that Jesus reigns.

Finally.

Why all this talk about general conditions? Why call attention to the National Convention work, the Western work, the Foreign Mission work and the State work? Why this pleading for a deeper, purer consecration to the work of the Lord? Because the mass is changing. We are becoming another people; our habits have held us long after those moral causes which formed them have in a great degree ceased to operate. These habits at length are giving away. So many hands have boon constantly pulling to tear away the foundation and so few to repair the breaches, that the building begins to totter. So much has been done to remove the obstruction from the great current of human depravity and so little to restore them that the stream at length begins to run. It may be stopped now, with persistent effort, but left unchecked will soon become deep and broad and rapid and irresistible. The crisis then has come.

By the women of this generation; but the life and work of those of us here today assembled; the great question as to whether the inheritance left us by our mothers shall be preserved or cast away as a child would cast aside a broken toy—whether our Sabbath shall be a delight or a loathing—whether the places of amusement and pleasure shall be crowded on that holy day with worldly pleasure seekers or the house of God with humble worshippers. Whether riot and profanity shall fill our streets and poverty and want our dwellings and convicts our jails and violence our land; or whether industry and temperance and righteousness shall be the stability of our times; whether the law of God and the land shall receive our cheerful submission as free Christian women or the iron rod of affliction compel us to bow as trembling slaves.

Be not deceived. Human nature is the same everywhere; all the actual difference in our favor is the influences with which we are surrounded. These have resulted from good laws, Christian institutions, both of them growing out of the church. It is a moral influence which with the blessings of God has formed a society so desirable. And let us not forget that the same influence which has formed it is indispensable to its preservation. The hills and mountains will remain until the final day when our Lord will call us into judgment; but, let the Sabbath be profained with impunity, the worship of God abandoned, the government and religious instruction of children be neglected, the streams of intemperance permitted to flow, and her glory will depart. The walls of fire will no longer surround her and the munition of rocks will no longer be her defense. It is therefore our duty to live our best, for this alone will resist the empires of decay when time is over and worlds have passd away. Cold in the dust the perished heart may lie; but that which warmed it once, can never die.

MISSION CIRCLES AND AUXILIARIES	Annual Dues	Education	Home Mission	Foreign Mission	State Mission	Membership	Total sent for Nine Months	Fourth Quarter	For Church	Student Fund	Grand Total for Year	Total Sent Up
Maple Street, Des Moines	$ 4.00	$ 1.00	$16.00	$16.50	$ 1.00	90	$ 90.00	$ 30.00		$ 3.40	$250.00	$ 41.40
Tabernacle, Buxton	4.00										29.36	4.00
Union, Des Moines	4.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	10				1.00	24.00	13.50
Corinthian, Des Moines	5.00	5.00	1.50	3.05	1.50	20	15.00		5.50		126.58	16.05
Second, Clarinda	4.00				1.00	5	6.00		4.00		34.18	11.00
Third, Davenport												
Corinthian Aid, Des Moines	3.00	2.00	5.00	2.00	3.00	25					285.00	35.00
Bethel, Colfax	3.00					6	4.50					3.00
Altar Guild, Antioch, Waterloo												
Mt. Zion, Buxton	4.00	2.00	3.00	15.00	10.00	18	40.00			1.00	213.32	40.00
Second, Ottumwa												
Second, Centerville	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	30				2.00	56.90	29.00
Second, Mt. Pleasant												
Mt. Zion, Cedar Rapids	4.00	1.00				10	15.00		10.00		90.00	5.00
Mt. Zion, Carney												
Shiloh, Oralobar												
Second, Fort Madison	4.00			1.00	5.00	11	11.50				11.50	11.50
Perry Circle, Perry												
Tabernacle, Council Bluffs	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00		41					111.02	12.00
Zion Minneapolis, Minn	4.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	20	20.00				202.96	10.00
Second, Marshalltown	4.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	10	9.00		22.10		40.10	17.00
Shiloh, Des Moines	4.00				2.00		4.00				10.00	10.00
Young Ladies' League, Minneapolis, Minn												
Manley Circle, Manley	4.00	.50		.50	3.00	9	7.50				36.15	15.50
Mason City Circle	4.00						8.50				12.50	12.50
Yankton Circle, South Dakota	8.00	1.36	.25	.25	6.00	5	6.00			.25	40.00	16.11
Fergus Falls Circle												
Starlight Band, Mt. Olive, Des Moines												
Mt. Zion, Davenport	3.00			.50	.50	14	4.50		41.00	1.00	55.50	9.50
St. John, Mason City	4.00			1.00	2.00	10	8.50		22.00	1.00		4.00
Second, Clinton	2.50											
Golden Rule Starlight Band, Corinthian, Des Moines	3.00										20.00	3.00
Ft. Dodge Circle	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	12	58.20			4.00	150.35	21.00
Mother's Union, Minnesota												
Mt. Olive Circle, Des Moines	3.00	1.00			1.00		6.00				39.00	5.00
Reaper Club, Waterloo												
Altar Guild, Waterloo												
Union, Burlington	4.00		1.00	1.00		17	4.50				60.64	10.50
Centerville Starlight Band												
Light Bearer, Minnesota		2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	21				2.00	18.00	10.00
Second, Ottumwa	3.00											
Mt. Olive, Sioux City	3.00	1.00	1.00									
Mt. Zion, Sioux City	4.00	4.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	20	24.00				75.00	20.00
Antioch, Waterloo	4.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	25	9.00		23.00		188.78	24.00
Oskaloosa, Mission Circle												

Donated for Charity, $150.25.

LOCATION	PASTORS	ADDRESSES	CLERKS.	ADDRESSES	MEMBERSHIP Increase By Baptism	By Letter	By Experience and Restoratic	Decrease By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death	Present Membership	FINANCE First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Send to This Meeting	GENERAL Expenses Current	Other Items	Total Raised During Year	Value of Church	Value of Church Parsonage	Indebtedness
Second Baptist, Centerville, Ia....	Rev. Wm. Alford....	814 S. Nineteenth St.....	Sis. A. L. Crittenden..	1005 E. Bank St.....	4		2		2	1	108	$ 7.00				$ 630.00		$ 1,050.00	$ 3,500.00	$ 1,500.00	
First African Baptist, Keokuk, Ia.	Rev. W. H. Clark....	1605 Main St.....	Mrs. E. J. Thomas.....	1605 Main St.....	3		2	1		5		7.50		$ 11.00	$ 2.65				3,500.00		
Second Clinton, Clinton Iowa....	.....	.....	Mrs. Sarah Bell.....	360 Maple Ave.....	3		3														
Bethel, Colfax, Ia.....	Rev. Geo. O. Terrell..	314 Oak Park Ave., S.....	Sam Dean.....	300 Front St.....	3		1		6	1	42	21.00	18.00	10.15	7.00	587.98		636.71	2,500.00		
Third Baptist, Davenport, Ia.....	F. K. Nicholson.....	111 E. Pleasant St.....	.....	.....	1		1								11.50						
Union, Des Moines,, Ia.....	Rev. J. W. Crushon..	.....	Adde French.....	1633 Buchanan St.....				7	17	1	130				15.00	1.059.20		1,059.20	1,500.00		
Bethel, Perry, Ia.....	Rev. J. M. Eaves....	.....	James Harrison.....	340 Lucindia St.....		3	7								7.00						$1,700.00
Second Baptist, Oskaloosa, Ia.....	Rev.R. P. Palmer....	411 North G St.....	Mrs. A. Crowder.....	608 D Ave.....	8		2	4	7	1	28				8.00	300.90	$ 25.00		3,000.00		2,000.00
Mt. Zion. Davenport, Ia.....	Rev. G. W. Kimble...	410 W. 10th St.....	Rosa Bell Foster.....	330 W. 10th.....	18		25	3		2	122			15.00		1,368.90	435.00	2,457.90	1,500.00	3,500.00	441.00
Second Baptist, Ottumwa, Ia.....	Rev.M. Carrington...	726 Grove St.....	O. Mason.....	623 N. Barclay St.....	4	2	30		37	7	205				33.35	2,455.00		3,028.00	2,750.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
Antioch, Waterloo, Ia.....	Rev. G. W. Nesby....	600 Douglas St.....	Ima Cheshie.....	624 W. McClanae St.....	2	4	13	2		2	101				5.00	994.90			18,000.00	1,400.00	800.00
St. John, Mason City, Ia.....	Rev. J. Reves.....	26 22nd St., So.....	Lula Bailey.....	26 22nd St.....	2	4	57	1			33				5.00				1,800.00		250.00
Second Baptist, Clarinda, Ia.....	Rev. H. J. Handy....	625 E. Main St.....	Gertrude Cason.....	State St.....	10		6	4		1	28				8.30			590.31	2,000.00	1,000.00	600.00
Tabernacle, Council Bluffs, Ia....	Rev J. P. Jackson....	153 1st Ave. A.....	G. Manuel.....	1703 Ave C.....	1	1	9	5	9	1	132				20.00	3.115.38		3,022.55	11,700.00		
Tabernacle, Buxton, Ia.....	Rev. F. C. Bolling...	Buxton, Ia.....	Mrs. Ada White.....	Buxton, Iowa.....	3		5	2		1	45			20.00	10.00	1,056.00		1,329.12	900.00		
Mt. Carmel, Waterloo, Ia.....	Rev. G..W. Carter...	116 Merrian St.....	Mary Brown.....	109 Mills St.....	1		3	2	12		19				6.25						
Mt. Sinai, Crickett, Ia.....	Rev. Robt. Hodges...	Crickett, Iowa.....	Daisey Bradfort.....	.....	20		8	1	2	1	7	2.50			3.00	49.26	119.00	50.98			
Mt. Zion, Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	Rev. A. B. Collins....	817 8th Ave.....	Geo. Ashby.....	9th Ave.....	2	2	21		3	4	225				9.00	2,500.00			4,000.00		900.00
Shiloah, Des Moines, Ia.....	Rev. Chas. Turner....	1327 DeWolf St.....	Susa Scott.....	440 S. E. 18th St.....		5	5		1	2	45		5.00		4.00	130.00			2,000.00		230.00
Mt. Hebron, Valley Junction, Ia.	Rev. W. W. Ewing...	1435 McCormick St., Des Moines.	Mrs. Geo. Anderson....	Valley Junction, Iowa.....	2	2		3						9.50	5.00						
Rising Mt. Zion, Hiteman, Ia....	Rev. W. Brooks.....	Buxton, Iowa.....	Mabel Roberson.....	Hiteman, Iowa.....	5						5				5.00		309.43	150.00	2,500.00		
Mt. Zion, Sioux City, Ia.....	Rev. J. W. Tutt.....	W. 16th and Bluffs Sts.....	C. E. Stublefield.....	3246 Jones St.....			24	5	24		107				50.00	1,802.60		2,252.60	8,500.00		
Second Union, Hocking. Ia.....	Rev. Wm. Brooks....	Buxton. Iowa.....	Mrs. Mabel Roberson...	Hocking, Iowa.....	11	1					12				1.25	283.91	210.00	283.91	400.00		
Maple St., Des Moines, Ia.....	Rev. S. Bates.....	1318 Stewart St.....	Mrs. Fanny Cox.....	1209 E. 16th St.....	5		37		8	6	532				83.00	2,936.73		3,086.73	40,000.00		4,600.00
Mt. Olive, Des Moines, Ia.....	Rev. G. E. Saunders..	726 S. E. 10th St.....	Mrs. Lulu Brooks.....	Des Moines, Iowa.....	3	3	5		1		44				2.50	175.00		600.00	1,500.00		
Second Baptist, Marshalltown, Ia.	Rev. O. B. Smith....	Evans, Iowa.....	Eva Bannan.....	916 Jackson St.....			12				57				11.47	210.61		758.00	2,500.00		
Second Baptist, Yankton, S. D....	Rev. G..W. Smith....	6th and Burleigh Sts.....	Mrs. O. Blakey.....	Box 319 So. Dak.....	2		3	3	6		30				16.00			561.00	1,500.00		30.00
Mt. Zion. Andersonville, Ia.....	Rev. L. G. Garrett...	Buxton, Iowa.....	Carrie Bryant.....	Knoxville, Ia., R. R. 1....	7		1		4	2	22	12.00	2.00		2.00	180.00			200.00		
Mt. Zion. Buxton, Ia.....	.....	.....	T. F. Lewis.....	Box 154 Buxton. Ia.....	9	3	21		10		175			2.00	55.00	1,759.54		2,241.20	4,000.00		
Zion, Minneapolis, Minn.....	Rev. Jas. Myers.....	532 7th Ave, No.....	J. W. Carmon, Jr.....	2823 Eliot Ave. S.....	4	3	13	1			229				20.00	2,438.45			5,000.00		
Union Baptist, Burlington, Ia...	Rev. G. E. Green....	136 S. 6th St.....	Chas. L. Clark.....	Burlington, Iowa.....	12	3	9	3		1	47				5.00	616.00		616.00	5,000.00		
Second Baptist, Ft. Dodge, Ia....	Rev. J. L. Lucas.....	2614 6th St.....	Mrs. Rosa C. Guy.....	1819 S. 23rd St.....	2		17				77				37.00	1,810.18		1,410.18	8,000.00		
Mt. Olive, Sioux City, Ia.....	Rev. W. C. Young....	Sioux City, Iowa.....	J .C. Bolton.....	.....	2	2	1	6	28		50				6.50	2,619.00	50.00	2,019.00	3,300.00		
Mt. Pleasant, Ia.....	Rev. S. D. Scott.....	Mt. Pleasant. Ia.....	John Greenup.....	Greenup.....	19	1	1			1	32					600.00	208.58		2,500.00		
Corinthian, Des Moines, Ia.....	Rev. G. W. Robinson.	1009 W. 12th St.....	D. C. Henderson.....	911 W 12th St		1	17	2		2	854				45.00	2,986.64	3.12	3,242.60	40,000.00		
New Bethel, Manley, Ia.....	Rev. G. W. Carter...	116 Merriman St., Waterloo.	Sophia Gibson.....	Box 457 Manley, Iowa.....	2	5					18				8.00	312.00		862.00	800.00		
Second Baptist, Ft. Madison, Ia.	Rev. F. Bates.....	736 6th St.....	C. L. Greer.....	725 3rd St.....					2		56				26.00				3,500.00	1,500.00	
Ebenezer. Chariton, Ia.....	.....	.....	R. H. Washington.....	Chariton, Iowa.....		8					8				2.75						
Calvary, Red Oak, Ia.....	.....	.....	Maggie Davis.....	110 S. 5th St.....											2.65						
Galilee. Evans, Ia.....	.....	.....	Mrs. Ed Willis.....	Evans, Iowa.....							17				5.00						
First Baptist, So. Sioux City, Neb..	Rev. D. W. Short....	South Sioux City, Neb.....	Mrs. A. D. Donald.....	South Sioux City, Neb....							7				.40						
Mt. Hebron, Woodard, Ia.....	.....	.....	Mrs. Anna Roberson...	Zooks Spur, Iowa.....							19				4.75						
											7	43.00	25.00	67.35	3.00						
															543.42						

LETTER BLANKS

For the Women's Home and Foreign Mission Convention of the Iowa, Minesota and South Dakota Association.

The .....Mission Circle
of the .....Baptist Church
of .....sends greetings to the
Convention in session at .....
with the .....Baptist Church.
We send as delegates .....

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We send to the Convention the following for annual dues:

Education - - - - - $.....
Home Missions - - - $.....
State Missions - - - $.....
Foreign Missions - - - $.....
Student Fund - - - $.....

Total - - - - - $.....

Membership .....
Money sent in nine months .....
For church purposes .....
Total amount raised during year .....
Amount personal effort work done by Circle first six months.....

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Amount personal effort work done by Circle last six months.....

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Total for year .....

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Name of President .....
Address of President .....
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