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The association was called to order by the clerk, David Shores.

Congregational song, led by Bro. Paul F. Hall: "Standing on the Promises."

Prayer: Bro. Leon McBride.

Devotions by Bro. Jim Walker; using Isaiah 54:2 for his thoughts, followed by prayer.

The Moderator, Bro. Wallace Malone, appointed the following to the Credentials Committee:

Bro. George Ritter Bro. James Fite Bro. Johnnie Holmes

The Constitution and By-Laws were read.

The moderator appointed the following to the Committee on Committees:

Bro. C. J. Ketteman Bro. Leon McBride Bro. Jimmy Hicks

The Minutes of the State Executive Board were read:

MINUTES OF STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR THE YEAR: 1965 THROUGH 1966 FIRST MEETING: June 26, 1965:

The meeting was called to order by the clerk. Bro. Wallace Malone was elected as Moderator for the year.

Motion sustained that Bro. George Waggoner investigate the possibilities of the State Association sponsoring a radio broadcast.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer: Bro. Leon McBride.

SECOND MEETING: July 29, 1965

The meeting opened with song, "Heavenly Sunlight." Prayer by Bro. Cecil Walker.

Members present: Bros. O. Kersh, C. Hicks, C. J. Ketteman, A. Bays, J. Walker, L. McBride, C. Walker, W. Malone, G. Waggoner, and D. Shores.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and

approved.

Bro. Waggoner gave a report concerning the State Association sponsored radio broadcast. Motion to purchase the radio time now held by Bro. Elliott on WMIX, Mt. Vernon, was defeated.

Motion sustained that the salary of State Association clerk be equally divided between Bro. David Shores and Bro. Tom Malone.

Motion sustained to pay Johnsonville Grade School \$3.00 for printing the Executive Board Minutes and The Newsletter Treasurer's Report.

Motion sustained to meet at the Pleasant View Church on the second Tuesday in September.

Prayer: Bro. C. J. Ketteman.

THIRD MEETING: September 14, 1965

Members present: Bros. A. Bays, O. Kersh, C. J. Ketteman, C. Hicks, L. McBride and D. Shores.

Meeting was called to order by the clerk.

Prayer: Bro. C. J. Ketteman.

Bro. Leon McBride was appointed moderator

for this session.

Bros. G. Ritter, E. Turnbough, and C. Hampleman were seated as proxies for Bros. C. Walker, J. Walker and W. Malone respectively.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read

and approved.

Motion sustained that Bro. C. A. Curry and Sister Irene Sullivan be given a card of good standing as they have united with a church in good stand-

ing with this State Association.

Motion sustained to set up a conference with the C.T.S. and Sunday School Boards. This conference to include the State Executive Board, State C.T.S. Board, State Sunday School Board and Sunday Alliance Board. The purpose of this conference is to avoid conflicts of opinions concerning duties of the various boards.

Report of the Promotional Secretary given by

Bro. George Waggoner.

Motion sustained to accept this report and pay the mileage allowance for the quarter of \$212.70.

Motion sustained to meet at Pleasant View Church on the second Tuesday of December.

Motion sustained to adjourn.
Prayer: Bro. Elmer Turnbaugh.

FOURTH MEETING: October 22, 1965:

Special meeting called by the Moderator, Bro. Wallace Malone.

Prayer: Bro. C. J. Ketteman.

Letter of resignation of his position on the Foreign Missions Board and Superannuation Board was received from Bro. W. T. Turnbough. Motion sustained to accept his resignation.

Bro. Charles Waggoner was elected to fill the unexpired term of Bro. Turnbough on the Foreign Mission Board.

Bro. George Waggoner was elected to fill the unexpired term of Bro. Turnbough on the Superannuation Board.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

FIFTH MEETING: December 14, 1965

Meeting was called to order by the clerk.

Prayer: Bro. C. Hicks.

Members present: Bros. C. Walker, C. Hicks, L. McBride, and Shores.

Motion sustained to seat Bro. G. Waggoner as proxy for Bro. Jim Walker, and to seat Bro. John Hiltibidal as proxy for Bro. W. Malone.

Bro. Leon McBride elected as moderator for this meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Newsletter Treasurer's Report given for information.

Motion sustained that the clerk have the 1965 State association Minutes printed and list the revisions made in the Constitution and By-Laws. Five hundred copies to be printed.

Report of the Promotional Secretary given. Motion sustained to receive this report and pay the mileage allowance for the quarter: \$241.83.

Motion sustained to meet at the Tabernacle on March 8, 1966.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer: Bro. John Hiltibidal.

SIXTH MEETING: March 8, 1966:

Meeting was called to order by the moderator. Prayer: Bro. Cecil Walker.

Members present: Bros. A. Bays, C. J. Ketteman, C. Hicks, C. Walker, W. Malone and D. Shores.
Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Newsletter Treasurer's Report given for information.

Motion sustained that, at the request of the West Central Quarterly Meeting, this body grant ordination credentials and a card of good standing to Bro. Fred Hall. Report of the Promotional Secretary given. Motion sustained to receive this report and pay the mileage allowance for the quarter: \$106.40.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer: Bro. Wallace Malone.

SEVENTH MEETING: June 14, 1966

Members present: Bros. C. Hicks, C. Walker, A. Bays, G. Waggoner and L. McBride.

Motion sustained that Bros. Leslie Elliott, Neal Sulcer and Fred Hall be seated as proxies for Bros. O. Kersh, D. Shores, and C. J. Ketteman respectively.

Motion sustained that Bro. Clifford Hicks act as moderator for this meeting.

Motion sustained that Bro. Fred Hall act as clerk for this meeting.

Bro. G. Waggoner read from I Corinthians 3, prayer by Bro. Elliott.

Motion sustained that, at the request of West Central Quarterly Meeting, Exhorter's Licenses be granted to Bros. Nick Hollis and Kenneth Loman. Motion sustained that the request of the West Central Quarterly Meeting for ordination credentials for Bros. Raymond Capps and Joseph Kearney be granted and issued upon condition that they have been properly ordained.

Motion sustained that, at the request of the East Central Quarterly Meeting, ordination credentials be issued to Bros. Jim Beaty, Loyd Crain and Larry Shaw.

Report of the Promotional Secretary given. Motion sustained to receive this report and pay the mileage allowance for the quarter: \$147.50.

The proposed Constitutional changes were discussed at length.

Motion sustained that we recommend these changes to the Constitution to the Business Committee of the State Association Meeting June 24-25, 1966.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Leon McBride.

Respectfully submitted, David Shores, Clerk State Executive Board. Motion sustained to accept this report.

Bro. Reford Wilson, Director of Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, gave greetings from his department and reported on missionary activity around the world.

The letters from the Canaan District Association and Southern Illinois Yearly Conference were read and the delegates seated.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

We, the Credentials Committee, recommend that the following named delegates be seated, representing the Canaan District and Southern Illinois Yearly Conference:

Pat Shores Audrey Kash Jovce Walker Dixon Roberts Thelma Legendre Gladys Fowler Reba Williams Sarah Franks Vertie Wertz Zulema Pavne Edra Wilfong Betty Loman Mary Montgomery Bea Flota Mary Hudson Judy Kent May Sullivan Jean Roberts Mabel Ketteman Bob Endrezzi Nannie Taylor

Justine Cockrum Thelma Webb **Eudine Dees** Mary McCann Bonnie Allen Dorothy Laur Margret Leavitt Pearl Odle Darlene Zimmerman Jean Beaty Roberta Bain Alvera Sink Sidney Tweedy Mina Bowden Johnnie Sexton Beulah Lovell Mrs. Leslie Logsdon Cora Culli Ella Mae Hiltibidal Mildred Grubb Mary Barefield

Mrs. Reba Ritter of Arnold View, and any other delegates from local churches upon presentation of proper credentials and paying fees.

(Signed) James Fite

Johnnie Holmes

George E. Ritter

Motion sustained to accept this report.

Sister Ella Mae Hiltibidal gave the REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

President Ellamae Hiltibidal. Address: Route

No. 1. Centralia, Ill.

Treasurer Ailene Spann. Address: Sesser, Ill. Names of Delegates: Ruth Ann Hall, Helen Cockrum, Wardena Furlow, Donna Tucker, Mabel Ketteman, Carrie McBride, Reba Ritter, Zelda Shelton, Eunice Malone, Ruth Dillon.

Number of Auxiliaries reporting: 15.

Amount Per Capita Representation fees sent to Treasurer: \$63.90.

Number A-1 Standard Auxiliaries: 1. Number B: 2.

I. ENLISTMENT DEPARTMENT

Enrollment at beginning of Convention Year, 200; Present Enrollment, 213; Number new members, 27; Number lost, 14; Average attendance, 151. II. STUDY COURSE DEPARTMENT

Courses conducted: Missions 4, Stewardship 2, Manual 2, Prayer 3, Evangelism 2, Youth 1, Christian Living 1, Daily Bible Readers 55, Promoting Church Libraries 40.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF STATE OF ILLINOIS

I. STEWARDSHIP OF POSSESSIONS:

Number of Auxiliary members contributing to Missions, 193.

Number of tithers on roll at beginning of Convention year, 90.

Number of tithers as a result of Stewardship

Study Courses, 2.

Number of new tithers this convention year, 17.

Present number of tithers, 96.

II FINANCIAL REPORT

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Amount of offering sent to WNAC Co-	
Laborer Fund\$	171.76
Amount of offering sent to Student Loan	
Fund \$	54.00
Cash gifts to Free Will Baptist Bible	
College	229.65
Total Easter offering for Foreign Mis-	

Amount of Thanksgiving Offering for National Home Missions\$ 112.50

Amount of Christmas offering for State Home Missions\$ 164.56
Cash gift to Children's Homes\$ 213.95
Value of boxes to Children's Homes\$ 140.78
Cash gifts to ages ministers\$
Total gifts to Missions sent to WNAC
Treasurer this convention year\$2,628.17
Total Per Capita representation fee sent
to WNAC Treasurer this convention year\$ 20.00
Total amount spent for Auxiliary litera- ture\$ 295.62
Total amount spent this convention year
for local church activities\$ 276.51
Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Aileen Spann,
Treasurer
Sesser, Ill.
P.O. Box 243
ILLINOIS STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
TREASURER'S REPORT
May 8, 1965 to June 23, 1966
Balance in the General Fund
May 8, 1965 \$ 123.76
RECEIPTS TO THE GEN-
ERAL FUND
Mary-Martha District\$ 642.09 Northern District\$ 290.91
Loyal Workers District 2,148.70
Offering at 1965 State Meeting 40.00
Total Receipts\$3,121.70 3,121.70
Amount to be accounted
for
DISBURSEMENTS
Bank of Sesser (Printed checks)\$ 1.80
checks)\$ 1.80
Speaker at 1965 State Meeting
(Rev. Joe Payne) 24.00 Paper cups and plates for 1965
meeting
C&R Printers (Booklets) 37.50
Per Capita refund to Mary-
Per Capita refund to Mary- Martha District
Per Capita refund to Mary- Martha District
Per Capita refund to Mary- Martha District

Rev. Bobby Jackson	49.21	
500 Club Membership	5.00	
	5.00	
Free Will Baptist Bible Col-	220 65	
lege	229.65	
Student Loan	54.00	
Bible College Students:		
Holt Seawell	40.00	
Jimmy Beaty	45.00	
Mary Lou Hiltibidal	70.00	
Rita Ryan	55.00	
Nick Hollis	29.00	
Co-LaborerWNAC General Fund	171.76	
	103.00 175.19	
Youth CampFWB Children's Home (Green-	175.19	
ville, Tennessee)	213.95	
Illinois Home Missions	164.56	
Rev. Frank Dunn, Home Mis-	101.00	
sionary	40.17	
National Home Missions	112.50	
Foreign Missions (General		
Fund)	194.14	
Miley Fund and Africa Medi-		
cal Missions	332.01	
Hersey Fund	689.36	
Bill Phipps	20.00	
Herbert Waids	65.00	
Ella Rae Jones	37.00	
Tom Willey, Jr	10.00	
Dan Cronks	10.00	
Lonnie Sparks	10.00	
Bill Jones	10.00	
C.E.R.F.	105.00	
Per Capita Tax	20.00	
Total Disbursements\$	3,137.65	3,137.65
Delenes in Coursel Deal		
Balance in General Fund		\$ 107.81
June 23, 1966 Balance in Special Fund		φ 107.01
Clothes hangers for		
Youth Camp		44.00
Touth Cump		
Cash on hand June 23,		
1966		\$ 151.81
Resn	ectfully S	Submitted.
		Treasurer
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Motion sustained to accept this report. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Everett Beaty.

FRIDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational Song: "At the Cross."

Prayer: Bro. Bob Laur.

Congregational Song: "Power in the Blood." Message by Bro. Cecil Walker, using as a text Isaiah 54:2, "Lengthening and Strengthening."

Invitational Song: "When I Survey the Won-

derous Cross."

The report of the Committee on Committees was then given:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES:

We recommend the following persons for the following committees:

Finance Committee: Mary McCann, Pearl Odle,

Roberta Bain.

Business Committee: Fred Hall, Bob Laur, George Waggoner.

Necrology Committee: Arthur Jones, Jean

Beaty, Nannie Taylor.

Temperance Committee: Cecil Walker, John Hiltibidal, Jack Edwards.

Education Committee: Loyd Crain, Everett

Beaty, Leon McBride.

Literature Committee: Leslie Elliott, Reba Ritter, Ella Mae Hiltibidal.

> (Signed) Leon McBride C. J. Ketteman Jimmy Hicks

Motion sustained to accept this report and replace any suggested members who are not present. Prayer: Bro. Jimmy Hicks.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Congregational Song: "Showers of Blessing." Prayer: Bro. Leslie Elliott. Devotions by Bro. Loyd Crain, using Isaiah

54:2.

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Bernice Goddard Irene Sullivan Clyde Gulley Ferrada White Bob R. Stone Jack Edwards Guy E. Terry Cloy Myers John Hiltibidal Arthur Kern Howard Flota Ella Mae Hiltibidal Jimmy Beaty Loyd Crain

Clifford Hisks James Fite Thomas Skinner James Hicks Oran Kersh Albert Bays George Capps Luther Hudson Wallace Malone Frank Dunn Charles Martin Janice Blades C. J. Ketteman Roy Otterson Leon McBride Cecil Walker George Ritter Lesley Logsdon Raymond Capps

Elmer Turnbough Wm. N. Martin C. A. Curry T. E. Baine Charles Waggoner J. F. Coulson **Everett Beaty** David Shores Johnnie Holmes Paul F. Hall George Waggoner Melvin Oathout Jesse Allen Allen Taylor Nicholas Hollis Millard Lee Carlos Downen Jimmy Martin

The above named have compiled with all necessary requirements of Article 11, section 3 of the Constitution of the Illinois State Association for being issued cards of good standing.

James Walker James Boggs Pauline Osburn Geraldine Lewis Charles Osburn Thomas Marlowe Hazel Buick Gilbert King Danny Mercer Joseph Wallis Clinton Potter Gerald Mangham

The above named filled out obsolete reports, but are recommended for cards since they evidently were reporting on only forms available. (All the above named were from the Northern Quarterly.)

Byford Campbell Dewey Merritt Larrie Shaw Vivian Otterson Dwight Dame Galen Warren L. E. Abel Joseph Kearney Vivian Dunning Henry Taylor Floyd Hartley Louie Hanna Leslie Elliott

The above named are not recommended for cards because of incomplete reports.

Loyd Lasley

Sherman Sullivan

The two named above are not recommended because of failing to comply with Article 11, Section 3, Part 5 of Constitution.

John Pritchett is not a member of the Illinois State Association and cannot be recommended.

(Signed) Johnnie Holmes George Ritter James Fite

Motion sustained to adopt this report.

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE:

We, the Business Committee, recommend:

Item No. 1: The following Constitutional changes:
First, renumber Articles XI, XII, XIII,
XIV, and XV to one greater so that
XI becomes XII, XII becomes XIII,
etc., and make the following as Article
XI:

ARTICLE XI Other Boards

Section 1. The following seven standing boards shall function in designated areas of work, subject to the approval of the state Association: Home Mission Board; Foreign Mission Board; Sunday School Board; Church Training Service Board; Christian Education Board; Superannuation Board; and Layman's Board.

Section 2. Each of the above named boards, except the Home Mission Board, shall be composed of three members, elected to three year terms, except those first chosen, who shall serve as designated when chosen, terms to be so arranged that one new member of each board shall be chosen each year. The Home Mission Board shall be composed of five members, elected for five year terms, with one member being elected each year. Board Membership is open to any church member whose church is a member in good standing of the State Association, through its subordinate organizations. A member shall serve until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

Section 3. No officer of the Association shall serve on any board of the Association (except the Executive Board), and no board member shall serve on more than one board, except that the chairman of each standing board shall automatically be a member of the Executive Board.

Section 4. Each board must organize as soon as convenient after the election of the member each

year and before final adjournment of the annual meeting by selecting a chairman, and a secretary-treasurer. A majority of each board shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of those present shall be empowered to transact business. Members may represent by proxy.

Section 5. In the event that a quorum is not represented, in person or by proxy, to organize, the State Association shall declare vacant the office of the member (or members) who is not present or represented whose term of office next expires and shall select someone for the unexpired term.

Section 6. All business action of each board must be approved by the State Association.

Section 7. Each board must make a written report to each quarterly session of the Executive Board.

Section 8. The Promotional Secretary shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member of each board and he and the board shall work co-operatively.

Section 9. The Home Mission Board shall develop and carry on a program of establishing new churches in the state, and assist in keeping established churches open.

Section 10. The Foreign Mission Board shall attempt to enlist the state membership in supporting foreign missions by conferences, itineraries, and other means.

Section 11. The Sunday School Board shall promote the cause of Sunday Schools in the state by workshops, contests, etc., and shall work with the Sunday School Alliance.

Section 12. The Church Training Service Board shall be charged with establishing C.T.S. groups in each church, enlist the youth in appropriate activities for national competition, and generally have charge of youth activities that are not already established.

Section 13. The Christian Education Board shall attempt to set up activities or programs whereby ministers and lay people may continue their spiritual education; give guidance to Free Will Baptist young people in matters of education; see that Free Will Baptist college students receive litera-

ture for their spiritual needs or help; and nav. charge of the Student Loan Fund.

Section 14. The Superannuation Board snall promote activities to interest churches and ministers in retirement programs in cooperation with the national program, or in addition to or in place of the national program.

Section 15. The Layman's Board shall seek to get churches to establish Master's Men chapters and to set up district and state groups as well as cooperate with the National Layman's Board.

Amend Article X of the Constitution, Section 2, by substitution of the words, "the clerk, and the treasurer of the State Association; the chairman of each of the seven standing boards;" in place of "and the clerk of the State Association" mucediately following the words, "the assistant mouerator."

Amend Article X, Section 7, by adding "or on any standing board" immediately after "Executive Board." The rest of the sentence should say "shall be filled by the Executive Board."

Article X, Section 1, should be amended to add as a second sentence, "They shall hire a Promotional Secretary and/or other persons to help carry out business and promotion activities, each being directly responsible to the Executive Board.

Amend Article X, Section 3 by adding "Other regular meetings shall be held quarterly (or approximately so) at the convenience of the members, upon dates established by them.

Item No. 2: That a yearly fee of \$25.00 for membership in the N.A.E. be paid and membership retained.

Item No. 3: That the Illinois Co-op monies be allocated in the following way:

50% to our National Program

50% to our State Program, divided as follows:

20% to State Home Missions

8% to Sunday School Alliance

3% to Christian Education Board

18% to General Fund

1% to Church Training Service Board.

The State Executive Board may make re-allocation of these percentages as the need arises during the year.

(Signed) F. Hall

G. Waggoner

B. Laur

Motion sustained that Item No. 1 be tabled until tomorrow.

Motion sustained that Item No. 2 be adopted. Motion sustained that Item No. 3 be adopted.

Greetings from the National Executive Department were given by Bro. Billy Melvin of Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. Melvin also gave a report concerning the support which our churches in Illinois had given to the national work.

Motion sustained that the moderator appoint the Nominating Committee.

The moderator appointed the following persons to serve as the Nominating Committee:

Bro. Leslie Elliott Bro. George Waggoner Bro. Loyd Crain

REPORT OF THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Report of the Christian Education Board to the State Association at Benton Camp Grounds, June 24-25, 1966.

After being elected at the 1965 State Association, I received from Rev. Dwight Dame, \$2,150.00. He also stated in a letter that he would send me the remainder of the papers and information after he received the cancelled check indicating that the account had been transferred from him to me. I never received any additional papers, so I don't know just what he was referring to, unless it might have been the bank book showing the deposits made to this account.

Since July of 1965 through June of 1966, I have received from our State Treasurer (Sister Betty Hampleman):

July, 1965 : \$24.95 August : 44.76 September : 36.96 October : 30.90 November : 47.46 December : 28.20 Jan., 1966 : 38.21 February : 42.45 March : 26.04 May : 41.87 May 26 : 36.65 June : 40.25

Total \$438.70

Even though no check was received from our State Treasurer, there were two (2) in May making a total of twelve (12) checks. I suppose that due to Sister Hampleman's health, she was unable to get the checks out on or by the usual mailing date.

Amount to be accounted for:

\$2,150.00 (Balance forwarded by Rev. Dwight Dame)

438.70 Rec'd from State Treas.)

\$2,588.00 Total

Disbursements this past year: \$470.00 (Loan to Danny Elliott).

This leaves a balance in the fund as of this

date: \$2,118.70.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve our State Association in this capacity the past year and I submit this report for adoption.

(Signed) Leon McBride

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Motion sustained to adopt this report.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE:

We, the Necrology Committee, submit the following deceased from the Canaan District Association:

Ethel Lovelady Lyle Hogshead Jenny Smith Ruby Edwards Arthur Shoemaker Harl Hilliard Henry Lance Berthie Underwood

and we submit the following deceased from the Southern Illinois Yearly Conference:

Clyde Adams Lula Peavler Margret Parks Gertie Fitzgerald Bro. Eberhardt Doris Collier

Rev. W. R. Spurlock

We, the Necrology Committee, recommend that the association to stand for a moment of silence, then Bro. Leslie Elliott lead in prayer.

(Signed) Nannie Taylor Jean Beaty

Arthur Jones

Motion sustained to adopt this report. The association then stood for a moment of silence and Bro. Leslie Elliott led in prayer.

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:

- Item No. 1: We, the Temperance Committee, bring to remembrance our Church Covenant, Free Will Baptist Treatise and our Christian obligation to refrain from all sale and use of intoxicating beverages. This includes "Social Drinking."
- Item No. 2: That we, as Free Will Baptists, oppose all bills or laws by voice or letter to our legislators promoting the cause of the liquor industry.

(Signed) Jack Edwards John W. Hiltibidal Cecil C. Walker

Motion sustained to adopt this report.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE:

We, the Educational Committee, submit the following recommendations:

- Item No. 1: That pastors and church members encourage the high school graduates to attend our Free Will Baptist Bible College.
- Item No. 2: That pastors and Sunday School superintendents adopt for their church, a Teacher Training Program so that we might have better qualified teachers four our Sunday Schools and C.T.S.
- Item No. 3: That pastors and churches adopt a Study Course to be taught to new converts and new members coming into the church.
- Item No. 4: We further recommend that the Sunday School Board secure and make available such materials that a Teacher Training Program and a Study Course for New Converts and Church Members might be successful.

(Signed) Loyd O. Crain Leon McBride Everett Beaty

Motion sustained that this report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE NEWSLETTER AND PROMOTIONAL FUND TREASURER: NEWSLETTER AND PROMOTIONAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1965-1966

Balance on hand, May 31, 1965\$	103.15
Received of Churches:	
Arnold View\$	60.00
Bakerville	28.00
Bear Point	60.00
Belle Rive	20.00
Bethel	110.00
Blue Point	112.76
Butterfield	30.00
Decatur	45.00
Elgin	60.00
Rescue Women's Aux.	10.00
Union Grove	5.00
Granite City	36.00
Harmony (West City)	30.20
Harmony (West Frankfort)	40.00
Hazel Dell	160.00
Ina	83.00
Johnson City	55.00
Liberty	65.00
Nason	37.50
New Hope	45.00
Oak Grove	81.82
Oakland	18.00
Oak Valley	45.93
Faith	10.00
Pleasant View	69.00
Robert's Road	10.00
Rock Springs	36.00
Salem	22.00
Waltonville	43.00
Webb's Prairie	60.00
Mt. Gilead (Cong. Christ.)	20.00
Special	185.99
Total received from churches\$1	
Total received for year\$1	,797.35
Dishursements:	
George Waggoner: Salary for May, stamps.	
George Waggoner; Salary for May, stamps, etc\$	132.58
George Waggoner; Salary for June, post-	
age, phone	117.78
age, phone	211.10

George Waggoner; Salary for July, post-	
age, phone	114.60
George Waggoner; Salary for August; post-	
age, phone	125.71
George Waggoner; Salary for September,	
postage, phone	120.11
George Waggoner; Salary for October,	
misc. expenses	133.49
George Waggoner; Salary for November,	
postage, phone	106.15
George Waggoner; Salary for December,	4400=
postage, phone	116.35
Postmaster of Mt. Vernon; Mailing Per-	00.00
mit for Newsletter	30.00
George Waggoner; Salary for January,	100.04
misc. expenses	126.94
	1.00
George Waggoner; Salary for February,	1.00
postage, phone	109.47
George Waggoner; Milage allowance for	109.47
Dec., Jan., Feb.	109.40
George Waggoner; Salary for March,	100.10
misc. expenses	121.69
George Waggoner; Salary for April, post-	121.00
age, phone	113.22
George Waggoner; Salary for May, misc.	
expenses	150.34
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Total disbursements for year\$1	,728.83
Total income for year\$1	
Total paid out for year 1	,728.83
Balance on hand, May 31\$	
Respectfully subn	
David Shores, Tre	easurer
Mation quatried to adopt this nament	

Motion sustained to adopt this report. Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer: Bro. Leon McBride.

FRIDAY EVENING YOUTH MEETING

Congregational Song: "He Keeps Me Singing." Prayer: Bro. Carroll Cook.

Congregational Song: "I Am Resolved."

Devotions: Bro. Fred Hersy, missionary to Japan, using Psalm 121.

The Bible Bowl contestants were Oak Grove

Church and Ina Church. The Ina Church was declared the winner of this contest.

Congregational Song: "Victory In Jesus."

The Bible Tic-Tac-Toe contestants were Blue Point Church and Johnson City Church. The Blue Point Church was declared the winner in this contest.

Congregational Song: "Trust and Obey."

 $\ensuremath{\mathrm{An}}$ offering in the amount of \$23.60 was received.

Declamations were given by the following persons: Gayla Galloway, a Crusader from the Hazel Dell Church gave "What Is Missions?" and Rex Tucker, a Herald from the Hazel Dell Church, gave "Among All Nations."

Prayer: Bro. Wallace Malone.

SATURDAY MORNING, June 25

Congregational Song: "Sunlight in my Soul." Prayer: Bro. Bobby Carden.

Devotions by Bro. Joe Payne, using I Kings 18.

REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY MAY 1, 1965—APRIL 30, 1966

Again this year we have made visible and tangible progress in many areas of our denominational work. You may check the treasurer's report to see if we haven't given more money (Co-operative and total) than in any other year.

We are getting cooperation from more pastors now than ever before. Nearly all of them are now convinced that we are not taking away their freedom nor limiting their action, but that we offer help where they need and want it. Churches are demanding improved pastors and good ones are hard to find. We need to offer group help for further improvement. Churches are passing those by who do not cooperate and improve. An outstanding Negro leader said, "There is no such thing as a good, cheap pastor. If he is good, he is not cheap. If he is cheap, he is not good." Our churches should take note. You can help your pastor improve.

We report 386 "altar decisions" — up 42 from last year. Expenditures reported are \$180,882.04 — down about 3½% from last year. Reported membership is 3,399 — down 51 from last year. However, several churches never reported these items of information at all. So the picture is incomplete

because some church clerks do not fully do their jobs. No accurate information is available on the number of families using DEPTH and CONTACT, nor on Sunday School and church attendance.

We have traveled more than 8300 miles in our work this year. About 20% of this was by train, plane, or with other people where we shared the expense, but does not include the trip to the National Association.

NEWSLETTERS Nos. 88-108 were distributed. Mailing list now runs about 1600 per issue. No change in this service will be recommended except that all addresses must be zip-coded this year.

Three new churches (Oak Hill, Green Rock, and Moline) have joined our fellowship this year. One new quarterly was organized — the North Central. More and more churches are using Free Will Baptist Hymn Books and all but three churches use our Sunday School literature. These records will improve, I'm sure.

Several changes will be proposed to the Constitution and By Laws. In effect, they will increase the number on the Executive Board to 17 by adding the treasurer and all standing board chairmen to those now serving. No one can serve on more than one board.

Bible Bowl and Tic Tac Toe have increased interests of the youth. A further effort will be directed to this end in showing the film, Carnival of Pretense.

Goals for the year were outlined in the last NEWSLETTER. We hope that at least fifteen delegates will represent to the National Association directly from the local church. Be sure to get credentials from the pastor or clerk. At least 60 Illinois people are expected to attend. Our goal is for at least fifteen churches and 25 individuals to join N.A.E. We plan to use the N.A.E. film, Anything Can Happen, and the free will offering will count toward the membership fee. **CONTACT** subscriptions and families using DEPTH need to increase by 100 each, at least. Our expectations are that three new churches will join our fellowship and that two new missions will be opened this year. Cooperative money should increase to \$15,000.00. Most important of all, we want to see at least 400 people saved and enlisted in God's work.

The Free Will Baptist Bible College Expansion program should be pushed. Foreign Missions need increased support. Every church is urged to set aside a small offering each month to help with the cost of the **NEWSLETTER** and the job of promotion. There are a few months left to get your church's name on the Headquarters plaque by giving five "Shares" to this building program.

Pray for our work! Share the responsibilities!! Do all to the glory of our Lord!! Remember: So little from you can mean so much to so many.

Motion made and seconded to adopt this report. Motion to amend the main motion by adding, "and give Bro. Waggoner commendation for a job well done." The amendment was seconded and the amendment carried. The main motion as amended also carried.

REPORT OF ILLINOIS STATE HOME MISSION BOARD:

The past year has been one in which we have had a mixture of frustrations and blessings in Illinois Home Missions efforts. After eleven months of labor in Springfield by Bro. Dunn and Bro. Turnbough, the Board regretfully decided to close the Mission there. There were several reasons for this decision. One was that adequate facilities were an impossibility to secure. Every way we turned it seemed that a door was shut to us. All preliminary arrangements to build in a new sub-division were made by our missionary, and the money was available to finance this building; but this was blocked by property owners who refused to give consent to have a church in their area. Another reason was that we were spending your money to little or no avail there, while in another area, interested people were crying, "Come over and help us!" We could not, in good conscience, continue to labor in a place where success seemed so remote, and interested people so few, when there wre others who pleaded for our help.

On December 11, 1965, the Board organized the First Free Will Baptist Church of Moline, Illinois. These people requested the services of our Home Missionary if he could be released or transferred. Prior to the organization of this church, Bro. George Waggoner was instructed to inform them that they could depend on some financial assistance

from State Home Missions. As of June 1, 1966, Rev. Elmer Turnbough was transferred there to labor with them, his salary from State Home Missions will be \$50.00 per week until the first of October, when it will drop to \$25.00 per week. It will continue so until the end of this year. At the end of the year, he will either be transferred to another field, or his services as home missionary will be terminated. At present, in addition to serving the Moline church (as Bro. Buster did at Aurora and Elgin at full salary) he is instructed to do survey work in the Peoria area, where a definite need and interest exists now.

You have responded well to State home missions needs, and we praise the Lord for this. When you pray, please remember to pray for your Board members, and those who labor in home missions in our State of Illinois.

> Respectfully submitted. George E. Ritter, Chairman State Home Missions Board

Motion sustained to adopt this report.

REPORT OF THE STATE HOME MISSIONS TREASURER: FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONS

Balance on hand June 1, 1965\$3,642.70
Deposit June 8, 1965
Total Balance on hand June 8, 1965 (First
National Bank of Wood River, Wood
River, Illinois)\$3,898.46
RECEIPTS:
Illinois State Association Co-op\$3,568.73
Gifts
Illinois State Woman's Auxiliary 159.56
The "500" Club (154 members)
Marion Free Will Baptist Mission 1,250.00
Total Receipts\$6,185.34
DISBURSEMENTS:
Frank H. Dunn (Salary—June, 1965-Octo-
ber, 1965)\$2,200.00
Frank H. Dunn (Auto mileage) 44.38
Elmer O. Turnbough (Salary—January
1966-June, 1966)

Elmer O. Turnbough (Auto mileage) 184.99 Elmer O. Turnbough (House rent—1 month) 110.00 Miscellaneous Items 261.08	
Purchase Church Bond 1,000.00 Total Miscellaneous Items 1,261.00	8
Total Disbursements	3
Signed: Wallace Malone	e
REPORT OF MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	
Post Office Expense	_
Phone Calls: George Ritter	
Total 21.4 Auto Mileage and Substitute Preaching at Springfield Mission: Johnnie Holmes 24.50	5
Everett Beaty 37.54 Howard Flota 60.85 M. A. Lee 6.16 Wallace Malone 6.58 Floyd Hartley 21.00	
Total	0
from Sesser to Springfield	0
Total Miscellaneous Expense\$1,261.0	8
Motion sustained to accept this report. Greetings from our State Home Missionary Bro. E. O. Turnbough were given.	

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Bro. Larrie Shaw has completed his Minister's Report and is recommended for a Minister's Card under Article Eleven of the Constitution.

(Signed) George E. Ritter Johnnie Holmes James Fite Motion sustained that this report be adopted. The moderator appointed Mrs. Joyce Walker to serve on the Finance Committee in place of Pearl Odle.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR SECURING A FULL-TIME PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY:

We do not feel that Free Will Baptist of Illinois are ready to shoulder the responsibility of a full time secretary. A great deal more money would have to come in just to pay a reasonable salary, and then there would be increased expenses in travel and etc. since he would be working full time. It is our belief that the membership would have to increase considerably, posibly 50 to 100 per cent, before we could properly support such a position.

There is a possibility that if other departments of our denomination could share in the support of a full time man, and provided a man could be found who would qualify, then we might have a reasonable and feasible solution to our need for a full time man with established headquarters here at the camp grounds. There is no doubt but what we need such a man and this sort of plan would be a start toward a full time promotional man.

We suggest that the Executive Board, the Home Mission Board, and the Sunday School Alliance trustees be on the alert for such a man and if one is found that these boards work out a plan of support and work toward securing such a man.

(Signed) Leon McBride Rev. Elmer O. Turnbough Wallace Malone

Motion and seconded to adopt this report. Motion to change the word "adopt" to "accept." Amendment to the motion carried. Main motion as amended carried.

Motion sustained that the proposed Constitutional changes, which is Item No. 1 of Business Committee's Report, be taken from the table.

Motion sustained to adopt Article XI, Sections No. 1 through No. 15.

Motion sustained to adopt the amendment of Article X, Section No. 2.

Motion sustained to adopt the amendment of Article X, Section No. 7.

Motion sustained to adopt the amendment of Article X. Section No. 1.

Motion sustained to adopt the amendment of

Article X, Section No. 3.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD:

Bible Bowl and Tic Tac Toe contests were held in quarterly meetings, districts, and the State Association. We feel that these two activities plus declamation contests should be encouraged and developed in the local church through the C.T.S.

We recommend:

1. That each church organize a C.T.S.

2. That the winners of the State Bible Bowl and Tic Tac Toe contests, if qualified, be sent to the national competition in Little Rock, Arkansas.

3. That the declamation winners be sent to the national competition at Little Rock,

Arkansas.

(Signed) David Shores Clifford Hicks

Motion sustained to adopt this report.

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

We, the Nominating Committee, wish to place in nomination the following persons for the following offices:

C.T.S. member for 3 years - Byford Campbell. C.T.S. member for 2 years — Ella Mae Hilti-Sunday School Board Member for 3 years -

hidal.

Guy Terry. Superannuation Board member for 3 years —

C. J. Ketteman. Superannuation Board member for 2 years —

Johnnie Holmes.

Superannuation Board member for 1 year -Elmer Turbough.

Foreign Missions Board member for 3 years — Geraldine Lewis.

Christian Education Board member for 3 years - Loyd Crain.

Home Mission Board member for 5 years — Wayne Martin.

Home Mission Board member for 1 year —

Charles Osburn.

Executive Board member for 3 years — Jim Hicks (Canaan District).

Executive Board member for 3 years — Bob Laur (Southern Illinois Yearly Meeting).

Executive Board member for 2 years — Bob Stone (Southern Illinois Yearly Meeting).

C.T.S. member for 1 year — Doyle Galloway. Sunday School board member for 2 years — Neal Sulcer.

(Signed) Leslie Elliott George Waggoner Loyd Crain

Motion sustained to accept this report and proceed to elect.

Motion sustained that those nominated by the nominating committee be elected by acclamation.

Motion sustained to recess.

Prayer by Bro. Wallace Malone.

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational Song: "Redeemed."

Prayer: Bro. Floyd Hartley.

Introduction of speaker, Bro. Bob Shockey of Ashland, Kentucky, by Bro. Leslie Elliott.

Message by Brother Shockey, using scripture from Isaiah 54:1-3 and Luke 14.

Invitational Song: "I Surrender All."

Prayer: Bro. C. J. Ketteman.

Benediction and blessing on the food: Bro. Claude Hampleman.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Congregational Song: "Jesus Saves." Prayer: Bro. Wayne Martin.

Song: "His Eye is on the Sparrow" by Mary Louise Hiltibidal.

Devotions by Jimmy Beaty, using Matthew 5. David Harrison, an Adventurer, gave a declamation entitled, "Does It Pay?"

FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Dewey Merritt Galen Warren Leslie Elliott Floyd Hartley

The above named have completed their reports and are recommended for cards of good standing.

We recommend that other ministers who wish to complete their reports be referred to the Executive Committee.

(Signed) James Fite Johnnie Holmes George E. Ritter

Motion sustained to accept this report.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE:

Registration as fol				
Visitors				55
Ministers				
Deacons				14
Delegates				33
Total present			12.5	150
	(Sig	ned) 1	Kathy	Grob

Vickie Ragland

Motion sustained to accept this report.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:

We, the Finance Committee, have examined the Treasurer's books in detail and find them in order.

We further recommend that Betty Hampleman be commended for a job well done.

(Signed) Mary McCann Joyce Walker Roberta Bain

Motion sustained to accept this report.

REPORT OF THE STATE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 39, 1966

RECEIPTS

Church	Co-Op	Designated	Total
Alexander	\$	\$ 22.00	\$ 22.00
Arnold View	459.27	407.51	866.78
Aurora	585.07	136.36	721.43
Bear Point	1,203.25	291.48	1,494.73
Bakerville	467.81	24.67	492.48
Belle Rive	45.00		45.00
Blue Point	618.71	681.67	1,300.38
Bethel	1,406.45	45.30	1,451.75
Decatur	445.45		488.45
Elgin	527.36	The grant of the	527.36
Granite City	396.05	9.78	405.83
Green Rock		8.00	8.00
Harmony (W.F.)	447.00	522.01	969.01
Hazel Dell	665.90	275.67	941.57
Highland	80.00	5.00	85.00
Ina	555.89	773.57	1,329.46

Johnston City	1,293.96	2,013.30	3,307.26
Liberty	751.84		751.84
Mt. Vernon	918.28	39.34	957.62
Nason	104.93	16.85	121.78
New Hope	224.72	180.85	405.57
Oak Grove	319.35	38.00	357.35
Oakland	87.50	8.88	96.38
Oak Valley	198.21	29.00	227.21
Pleasant View	365.84	613.81	979.65
Rescue	194.92	25.00	219.92
Rock Springs	108.90	76.00	184.90
Salem	185.78		185.78
Springfield Mission	132.47	13.00	145.47
Union Grove	42.00	20.00	62.00
Waltonville	383.74	260.43	644.17
Webbs Prairie	371.31	5.00	376.31
Northern Q.M	328.10		328.10
S. Central Q.M		80.25	80.25
E. Central Q.M		50.00	50.00
W. Central Q.M		151.72	151.72
Youth Camp		54.40	54.40
Youth Rally		20.10	20.10
Refund from George	e Waggone	er 63.38	63.38
Canaan Dist. Printi			15.00
Southern Yearly Pr			
utes			15.00
Canaan District Du			110.00
Southern Yearly Di	ues	85.00	85.00
Total\$	13,915.06	\$7,230.33	\$21,145.39
	BURSEM		A 0.055.50
National Associatio	n		.\$ 6.957.52
Illinois State Home	Mission		4,019.62
Sunday School Alli	ance		. 1,279.84
National Home Mis			
National Bible Co			610.87
Illinois Bible Colle			
Tennessee Home fo	r Children	ļ	214.26
National Headquart	ers expans	ion progran	n 436.82
Foreign Mission:			
General Fund		\$ 646.7	5
Patsy Tyson		A STATE OF THE STA	0
Ken Eagleton			
Bill Phipps			-
John Moelhman			
Wesley Calvery		374.7	1

Estenio Garcia 204.12 Ella Rae Jones 8.00 Arthur Billows 50.00 Bill Jones 181.62 Jim Combs 33.10 Herbert Waid 137.05
Bobby Poole 21.70 Bobby Adcock 85.38 American Bible Society 50.00 World Literature 58.00 Audio Visual Aid 12.35
\$ 4,064.90
Total Paid Out\$18,331.09
GENERAL FUND
Balance brought forward\$1,184.98
Received into the General Fund Co-op
Canaan District printing minutes 15.00
Southern Yearly printing minutes
Canaan District dues 110.00
Southern Yearly dues 85.00
Five delegates State Association 25.00
Refund from George Waggoner trip to Nat'l Convention
Nat'l Convention 63.38 South Central Q.M. 15.00
Total received\$2,814.30
Balance brought forward
Durance brought forward
Гоtal\$3,999.28
Disbursements from General Fund
Evansville Theatre (lamps for projector)\$ 8.18
Master Products (ink 5 lb.)
Stamps
Franklin Press (280 State Programs) 5.50 Betty Hampleman (treasurer's salary) 250.00
Betty Hampleman (treasurer's salary) 250.00 Dues to National Association
David David David J. IIII
Mrs. Jim Walker (delegate to Nat'l) 30.00
Mrs. George Waggoner (delegate to Nat'l) 30.00
Mrs. Leslie Elliott (delegate to Nat'l) 30.00
Ronnie Malone (delegate to Nat'l) 30.00
Mrs. Max Courtney (delegate to Nat'l) 30.00
Rev. Frank Dunn (State Home Missionary expense to Nat'l Association) 150.00

Rev. George Waggoner (Promotional Sec. expense to Nat'l Association)	150.00
Rev. George Waggoner (mileage supple-	130.00
	612.23
C&R Printers (500 letterheads)	8.50
Metropolitan Supply Co. (envelopes, paper)	53.05
Metropolitan Supply Co. (freight charges) Garner Insurance Co. (Administration	5.83
Garner Insurance Co. (Administration	
	106.00
Taylor Print Shop (500 minutes for State	
Ass'n)	182.00
Business Machines (ink tape)	1.70
National Association of Evangelical dues	25.00
Rev. George Waggoner (salary \$10.00 per	=00.00
week for 52 weeks)	520.00
Total Paid out of general fund\$2,	225 10
Balance brought forward\$1,	104.00
Received into General Fund	
neceived into General Fund	014.50
Total\$3,	999 28
Paid out of General Fund	335.19
Balance in General Fund\$1,	664.09
SUMMARY	
Balance brought forward\$ 1,	184.98
Total amount received 21,	145.39
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Total to be accounted for\$22,	330.37
Total designated paid out\$18,	331.09
Total general fund paid out 2,	335.19
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Total paid out\$20,	666.28
Total to be accounted for\$22,	330.37
Total Paid out	000.28
Balance in bank April 30, 1966 \$ 1,	664.09
Motion sustained to accept this report.	232.00
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REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR STATE PA	PER

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR STATE PAPER

We, the committee appointed last year to make some recommendation on printing a State Paper, report that we feel it would be unwise to attempt such a project at the present time and that the Newsletter continue as it has been.

(Signed) George W. Waggoner Claude Hampleman **Everett Beaty**

Motion sustained to accept this report.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS BOARD:

We are sorry that more missionary services could not be arranged for the churches in Illinois this past year. It is not entirely the fault of your board that more services were not scheduled. Several contacts were made with the Director of Missions in Nashville, Bro. Rufus Coffey, and he informed us each time that a scarcity of missionaries home on furlough and because of increased demand for missionaries in areas where they had not been able to schedule missionary services previously, had been and was the reason why no missionaries had been made available to Illinois for missionary conferences.

We are hoping that after the National Association that some missionaries will be available and we have been assured that the situation will improve. It is believed that the Herseys will be with us for some conferences and possibly the Pooles. Pray with us that this coming year will be prosperous spiritually.

(Signed) Leon McBride John W. Hiltibidal

Motion sustained to accept this report.
The following resignations were accepted:
Guy Terry resigned from the Home Missions

Board.

Bob Laur resigned from the Sunday School

Board.
Clifford Hicks resigned from the C.T.S. Board.
Everett Beaty resigned from the Superannua-

tion Board.

George Waggoner resigned from the Superannuation Board.

Leon McBride resigned from the Executive and Christian Education Boards.

REPORT OF THE LITERATURE COMMITTEE:

We, the Literature Committee, recommend:

1. That our pastors choose study courses to be used in their churches in two ways:

 A. Those written and published by our Nasociation or.

B. Those courses recommended by our National Association.

That our pastors and churches stress the use of Depth, Contact, and N.A.E. publications in accordance with our Promotional Secretary's report. 3. That our churches use Vacation Bible School literature recommended by our National Association.

(Signed) Leslie Elliott Ella Mae Hiltibidal Reba Ritter

Motion sustained to accept this report.

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ALLIANCE AND YOUTH CAMP

The Sunday School Alliance reports 25 Sunday Schools at our last meeting. Any Sunday School in the state of Illinois belonging to the Illinois State Association can belong to the Sunday School Alliance by sending a properly filled report, 5 delegates, \$5.00 fee to each April and October Meetings.

At the last April meeting the \$75.00 was eliminated for the joining fee.

Mr. Gerome Brob has been chosen to live in the Parsonage and is now the new caretaker of the Camp Grounds.

General clean up day for the Camp Grounds is July 7, 1966. Youth Camp will start on July 17, Sunday afternoon this year.

Camp Personnel is as Follows:

Director—Rev. Elmer Turnbough
Evangelist—Rev. Ken Riggs
Missionaries—Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Poole
Song Director—Rev. Fred Hall
Pianist—Mrs. Fred Hall
Registers—Mrs. Frank Farris
Buyers—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farris
Refreshment Stand—Mr. and Mrs. Hiley Malone
Cooks—Mrs. Grace Bailey, Mrs. Donna Harrison

Junior Week

Dean of Boys—uncertain
Dean of Girls—Mrs. Gladys Turnbough
Girls Recreation—Mrs. Donna Tucker
Boys' Recreation—Rev. Bobby Carden
Teachers—Rev. David Shores, Mrs. Aileen
Spann, Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Poole
Counselors—list incomplete

Senior Week

Dean of Boys—Rev. George Ritter Dean of Girls—Mrs. Ollie Sulcer Girls' Recreation—Mrs. Donna Tucker Boys' Recreation—uncertain Teachers—Rev. Leo McBride, Mrs. Ella Mae Hiltibidal, Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Poole

We had 203 in camp last year for the largest number in our Camp.

Signed) Mae Sullivan

Motion sustained to accept this report.

FINAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We, the Business Committee, recommend:

- 4 That churches be urged to pay the expenses of sending their pastors to the National Association in Little Rock, Arkansas, July 11-14.
- That the State Association pay the expenses of our Promotional Secretary to the National Association.
- 6. That the State Association charter a bus to the National Association for the benefit of lay delegates and others who wish to go.
- 7. That we pay Brother Shockey the sum of \$25.00 for his services in this association.
- 8. That we pay the delegates from our State Association to the National Association \$30.00 per person to help in their expenses.
- 9. That our delegates be enabled to designate a proxy in the event they cannot attend.
- 10. That each of the Youth winners in the State competition who represents the State in the National Competition be given \$10.00 each to help in their expenses.

(Signed) F. Hall

G. Waggoner

B. Laur

Motion sustained to accept this report and adopt it item by item.

Motion sustained to adopt item No. 4.

Motion sustained to adopt item No. 5.

Motion and seconded to adopt item No. 6. Motion to amend this item by having the Moderator appoint a committee to receive information and see if it is practical to charter a bus. Amendment to the motion carried. Main motion as amended carried.

Motion sustained to adopt item No. 7.

Motion sustained to adopt item No. 8.

Motion sustained to adopt item No. 9.

Motion sustained to adopt item No. 10.

Motion to elect Bro. George Ritter, by acclamation, to the Sunday School Board for one year.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator: Brother Jim Walker

Assistant Moderator: Brother Fred Hall

Clerk: Brother David Shores

Assistant Clerk: Brother Albert Bays

Treasurer: Brother Clifford Hicks

Program Committee: Claude Hampleman and Bob Harrison

Layman's Board: Dempsie Tucker for 1 year Raymond Bowden for 2 years Arthur Jones for 3 years

> (Signed) Leslie Elliott George Waggoner Loyd Crain

Motion sustained to accept this report and proceed to elect.

Brother Jim Walker elected Moderator by acclamation.

Brother Fred Hall elected Assistant Moderator by acclamation.

Brother David Shores elected Clerk by acclamation.

Brother Albert Bays elected Assistant Clerk by acclamation.

Brother Clifford Hicks elected Treasurer by acclamation.

Claude Hampleman and Bob Harrison elected

to Program Committee by acclamation.

Dempsie Tucker, Raymond Bowden, and Arthur Jones elected to the Layman's Board by acclamation.

Brother Doyle Galloway's office on the C.T.S. Board declared vacant and Brother Jimmy Beaty elected to serve one year on this board.

Bro. Floyd Hartley elected to fill the vacancy of Bro. Clifford Hicks on the Executive Board.

The following persons were elected as delegates from Illinois State Association to the National Convention at Little Rock, Arkansas:

Mrs. Pat Shores
Mrs. Babel Ketteman
Mrs. Ruth Hall
Mrs. Eunice Malone
Mrs. Gladys Turnbough

A committee to see if it is practical to charter a bus to the National Convention was appointed:

George Waggoner C. J. Ketteman Fred Hall

The following boards were organized:

C.T.S. Board:

Jimmy Beaty (1 year)—Chairman Ella Mae Hiltibidal (2 years) Byford Campbell (3 years)—Sec.-Treas.

Christian Education Board:

Claude Hampleman (1 year)—Chairman Leslie Elliott (2 years) Loyd Crain (3 years)—Sec. Treas.

Superannuation Board:

Elmer Turnbough (1 year)—Sec.-Treas. Johnnie Holmes (2 years)—Chairman C. J. Ketteman (3 years)

Illinois Home Mission Board:

Charles Osburn (1 year)
Wallace Malone (2 years)—Sec.-Treas.
Everett Beaty (3 years)—Chairman
Howard Flota (4 years)
Wayne Martin (5 years)

Sunday School Board:

George Ritter (1 year)—Chairman Neal Sulcer (2 years) Guy Terry (3 years)—Sec.-Treas.

Foreign Mission Board:

Leon McBride (1 year)—Chairman John Hiltibidal (2 years) Geraldine Lewis (3 years)—Sec.-Treas.

Layman's Board:

Dempsie Tucker (1 year)—Chairman Raymand Bowden (2 years) Arthur Jones (3 years)—Sec.-Treas.

Executive Board:

Fred Hall (1 year)—Chairman Jim Walker (1 year) David Shores (1 year) Clifford Hicks (1 year) Jimmy Beaty (1 year) Johnnie Holmes (1 year) Everett Beaty (1 year) George Ritter (1 year)—Secretary
Leon McBride (1 year)
Dempsie Tucker (1 year)
Claude Hampleman (1 year)
Cecil Walker (1 year)
Floyd Hartley (1 year)
Oran Kersh (2 years)
Bob Stone (2 years)
Jim Hicks (3 years)
Bob Laur (3 years)
Motion sustained to adjourn.
Prayer by Brother C. A. Curry.

Respectfully Submitted, David Shores, Clerk Illinois State Association

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN ILLINOIS YEARLY CONFERENCE

The Forty-seventh Annual Session of the Southern Illinois Free Will Baptist Yearly Conference Convened at the S. S. Alliance and Youth Tabernacle in Benton, Illinois, June 17-18, 1966.

Friday Night 7:30 P.M.

Services opened by congregational singing and prayer. In the absence of both the Moderator and Assistant Moderator, Bro. James Coulson was selected Moderator Pro-tem for the Friday night service.

Bro. Coulson then turned the services over to Bro. Leon McBride who was selected to bring the message. Bro. McBride used for his scripture Luke 1:13-17. This was a spiritual message.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. C. J. Ketteman.

Saturday, June 18, 9:30 A.M.

Service was called to order by clerk in the absence of Moderator and Assistant. We then sang "There Is Power In the Blood."

Prayer by Bro. Cecil Walker. The Clerk then asked for nominations for Moderator. Nomination placed on Bro. George Ritter. We then had a motion and second that nominations cease and we proceed to elect by acclamation. Vote taken and carried. Bro. Ritter duly elected. Bro. Ritter then took charge of the service and read for the Devotional lesson, Romans 1:16-17 after which he made a few remarks and closed by prayer.

Minutes of last Yearly were read by the clerk. There was a small objection as the word "delegate" had been used instead of the word "officer" in the Nominating Committee report. Correction was made and minutes approved as corrected.

Vacancies on business committee were then filled. Bro. Cecil Walker appointed to fill vacancy of Bro. George Ritter, as Bro. Ritter was serving as Moderator. Bro. Bob Laur appointed to fill the vacancy of Bro. Elmer Turnbough, who had moved away. This was a vacancy to be filled by election today.

Bro. Charles Osborn was placed on the Credentials Committee to fill a vacancy.

Yearly Meeting letters were then read by the Clerk. Motion was then made we accept letters and seat delegates. Motion seconded and carried.

Auditing Committee was then selected. Those selected were: Roberta Bain, Dixon Roberts and Geraldine Lewis.

Nominating Committee selected were. Arthur Jones, Ivan Ryan, and Clarence Collier.

Memorial Committee selected were: Nannie Taylor, Thelma Legendre, Audrey Kash.

Moderator then spoke to us about some business matters from last year. Item No. 1 and No. 4 were mentioned. Motion was then made we remove Item No. 1 from table and act upon it. Motion seconded and carried. Item No. 1 removed from table. Item No. 1: "Recommend Article 8 of Constitution to read 'Convene on 2nd Friday night of June instead of 3rd Friday night.'"

Motion made we accept this move. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion then made to move Item No. 4 from the table. Motion seconded and carried. Item No. 4 "This Yearly Conference shall convene in the even numbered years at the Sunday School Alliance Tabernacle and upon request, of the Northern Quarterly in the odd numbered years." Signed committee: Leon McBride, W. T. Turnbough, and George E. Ritter.

Motion then made we accept this move. Motion seconded and carried.

Bro. Charles Osborn then requested that we meet with the Des Plaines Church in June 1967.

Motion then made we accept the request of Bro. Osborn to meet with the Des Plaines church, next year. Motion seconded and carried.

Dismissed for a brief recess before 11:00 o'clock hour. Dismissal prayer by Bro. C. A. Curry.

11:00 A.M. Service

Service opened by singing "I am Thine O Lord." We then stood for prayer offered by Bro. C. J. Ketteman. Congregation then sang "Stepping in the Light" and "Come and Dine" followed in prayer by Bro. Gene Parton. Moderator then turned the services to the speaker of the hour, Bro. Charles Osborn. He used for Scripture reading Ecclesiastes 8:8-10. This was a wonderful spirit-filled message. We then stood and sang "Amazing Grace" and had a handshake. Dismissed until 1:15 P.M. Dismissal prayer by Bro. Arthur Jones.

1:15 P.M.

Service called to order by Moderator. Congregation sang "Jesus Saves" followed in prayer by Sis. Blanche Horn.

Devotional by Bro. Cecil Walker. Prov. 22:1-12 was the scripture used. These were very good thoughts about a good name especially the name "Christian."

Our State Promotional Secretary, Bro. George Waggoner, then gave a report about our work. These reports were entered for information.

Yearly Treasurer's report was then given by

Sis. Mable Ketteman. Report as follows:

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS YEARLY CONFERENCE REPORT

Mable Ketteman—Treasurer RECEIPTS

June 1, 1965—Balance brough forward\$	11.11
June 3, 1965—Dues South Central Quarterly	
Meeting. 8 churches	80.00
June 3, 1965—Dues Northern Quarterly Meet-	
ing. 9 churches	90.00
TOTAL\$	181.11
PAID OUT	
June 19, 1965—Ill. State Assoc. of F.W. Bapt.	85.00
June 19, 1965—Irene Sullivan, Clerk Fee	25.00
June 19, 1965—Betty Hampleman, Treasurer	
Fee	25.00
June 19, 1965—Ill. State Assoc. for printing	
Minutes	15.00

 June 19, 1965—Bob Laur, Programs, phone calls, etc.
 11.00

 June 19, 1965—S.S. Alliance, use of building 10.00
 1570.00

 TOTAL
 \$171.00

 This leaves a balance in treasury of \$10.11
 \$10.11

Auditing Committee then gave report. Report as follows: "We the Auditing Committee find the treasurer's books in order and correct." Signed Committee: Roberta Bain, Dixon Roberts and Geraldine Lewis.

Motion was then made we receive report as given. Motion seconded and carried.

Memorial Committee reported as follows: "We the Memorial Committee recommended a moment of prayer in memory of Brothers and Sisters in Christ who have passed away the last year. Those deceased from the South Central Quarterly were: Rev. W. R. Spurlock, Bro. Clyde Adams, Sis. Gertie Fitzgerald, Sis. Lula Peavler, and Sis. Margaret Parks."

From Northern Quarterly: Sis. Doris Collier.

Signed Committee: Mrs. Thelma Legendre, Mrs. Audrey Kash, and Mrs. Nannie Taylor.

Motion made we accept report and grant requests. Motion seconded and carried. We then stood for silent meditation ending in prayer by Bro-George Waggoner.

Business Committee Reports.

"We the Business Committee recommend the following items be added to our by-laws:

Item No. 1. A three-member Board of Trustees shall be elected in such manner that the term of one member expire each year and each new election shall be for three years. They shall perform the usual duties of trustees and serve on the Executive Committee.

Item No. 2. The Officers of this association along with the trustees, shall constitute an executive committee to act for the Association when it is not in session such action being subject to the approval of the Association.

Item No. 3. The place of each meeting in the Northern Conference area be determined by the body while in session the previous year. This Item being added to Article XV and Article No. 16 to be changed to No. 18." Signed Committee: Bob Laur, Cecil Walker, and Leon McBride.

Motion made that items be tabled until next year with Items No. 1 be No. 16, Item No. 2 be No. 17, and Item No. 3 had a change to be added to No. 15 and article No. 16 be changed to No. 18 if items 1 and 2 are adopted.

Motion seconded and carried.

Credential Committee reports:

"We the Credential Committee recommend the reports of the ministers be granted a card of good standing, except Bro. John Pritchett who is not a member of our State Association, but upon his uniting with our association be granted a card of good standing."

Signed Committee: James Coulson, C. J. Ketteman and Charles Osborn.

Motion made we adopt report. Motion was then made an amendment be made that the names of Bro. Dwight Dame and Henry E. Taylor be handed to the State Association along with the one from the Northern Quarterly. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion made that we give \$15.00 to the State Association for printing of minutes and \$10.00 for use of building. Motion seconded and carried.

Delegates for the State Association were then appointed. Those appointed were:

1. Darlene Zimmerman 10. Alvera Sink

2. Audrey Kash 11. Thelma Legendre 3. Judy Kent 12. Mable Ketteman

5. Jove Walker 12. Made Retelling 12. Made Retelling 13. Sid Tweedy 14. Gladys Fowler 14. Gladys Fowler

6. Mae Sullivan 7. Roberta Bain 8. Dixon Roberts 15. Bobby Endrezzi 16. Mina Bowden 17. Reba Williams

9. Jean Roberts 18. Nannie Taylor

Motion made that nominations cease and we proceed to elect the above by acclamation. Motion seconded and carried.

Nominating Committee Reports:

"We the Nominating Committee recommend Bro. George E. Ritter for Moderator and Bro. Everett Beaty for Assistant Moderator."

We recommend Bro. Cecil Walker for the business committee.

We recommend Bro. James Coulson for the credential committee.

For the program committee we recommend Bro. Jim Walker, Bro. Charles Osborn, and Bro. George Ritter.

We recommend Sister Irene Sullivan for clerk.
We recommend Sister Mable Ketteman for
Treasurer.

Signed Committee: Ivan Ryan, Clarence Collier, and Arthur Jones.

Moderator then asked if there were any other

nominations for moderator from the floor.

Motion made that nominations cease and we proceed to elect by acclamation. Motion seconded

and carried. Bro. Ritter duly elected.

Motion then made that all nominations cease and we proceed to elect by acclamation all those recommended by Nominating Committee. Motion seconded and carried. All other nominees duly elected.

Motion made that Ina Bible Bowl and Johnston City Tic-Tac-Toe represent us at the State Associa-

tion. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion was then made to adjourn until next yearly conference to be held at the Des Plaines, Illinois church beginning the 2nd Friday night in June, 1967.

Motion carried. We were then dismissed by

prayer.

Respectfull Submitted, Irene Sullivan, Clerk Southern Illinois Yearly Conference

MINUTES OF THE CANAAN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FRIDAY EVENING, June 10, 1966

Congregational Song: "He Lives."

Prayer: Bro. Loyd Crain.

Devotions: Bro. Jimmy Beaty read a poetry program entitled, "From A Pauper to a Prince."

Business session for the Youth For Christ:

Bro. Fred Hall acted as moderator.

Van Waggoner elected president for 1966-67. Mike Hicks elected vice-president for 1966-67.

Sherry Campbell elected secretary-treasurer for 1966-67.

Program planning committee for 1967:

Linda Cook (East Central Quarterly Meeting). Kathy Grob (West Central Quarterly Meeting).

An offering in the amount of \$12.32 was received for the Youth for Christ.

Oak Grove was winner of the Bible Bowl con-

Blue Point was winner of the Tic-Tac-Toe contest.

The Bakerville Girls sang: "Sweeter As The Days Go By." "If You Know The Lord," and "Not My Will."

Prayer: Bro. Johnnie Holmes.

SATURDAY MORNING, June 11, 1966

Congregational Song: "He Keeps Me Singing." Bro. Fred Hall directing.

Prayer: Bro. Clifford Hicks.

Devotions: Bro. George Waggoner.

Reading of the Constitution and By-Laws by the clerk.

Reading of minutes of previous meeting by the clerk. Motion sustained that the minutes stand approved as read.

Reading of letters from members quarterly meetings. Motion sustained that letters be received and the delegates seated.

The moderator appointed the following persons to the Business Committee:

Bro. Albert Bays Bro. Paul Fred Hall Bro. Guy Terry

Reading of the letter of request for membership into this association from the North Central Quarterly Meeting. Motion sustained that this request be referred to the Business Committee to examine and report by to this body.

The moderator appointed the following persons to the Resolutions Committee:

Grace Bruce Mary Hilliard

Neva Kehrer

The moderator appointed the following persons to the Memorial Committee:

LaVerne Boswell Wallace Malone

Glen Wilfong

The moderator appointed the following persons to the Nominating Committee:

James Fite Clov Myer

Johnnie Holmes

Motion sustained to recess until 1:15 P.M. Prayer: Bro. Jim Martin.

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational Song: "Draw Me Nearer," Bro. Clifford Hicks directing.

Prayer: Bro. Johnny Sexton.

Congregational Song: "Victory In Jesus."

Congregational Song: "I Would Not Be Denied."

The moderator led in a brief testimony service. followed by a special song, "Each Step I Take," by Mrs. Joe Pavne.

Message by Bro. Loyd Crain, using Matthew

22:36-38.

Invitation Song: "Just As I Am." Prayer of dedication: Bro. James Fite.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Congregational Song, "Standing On The Promises," Bro. Byford Campbell directing.

Prayer: Bro. Cloy Myer.

Congregational Song: "I Love To Tell The Story."

Appointment of the Credentials Committee: Densil Cockrun Galen Warren

Dewey Merritt

PARTIAL REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE:

We. the Business Committee, recommend the following:

1. That we receive the North Central Quarterly Meeting into the Canaan District Association with full fellowship.

2. That the North Central Quarterly Meeting be encouraged to be fully co-operative in all phases of our State and National work.

> (Signed) Albert Bays Guy E. Terry Paul F. Hall

Motion sustained to receive this report and consider item by item.

Motion sustained to adopt Item No. 1. Motion sustained to adopt Item No. 2.

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Each year in district and state meetings we are reminded that we are a dying generation. This year is no exception. Taken from our midst are our loved ones:

Ethel Lovelady Arthur Shoemaker Lvle Hogshead Harl Hilliard

Berthie Underwood Ruby Edwards Henry Lance Jenny Smith

We recommend that the congregation stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of the above, then Bro. C. J. Ketteman lead in prayer.

> (Signed) LaVerne Boswell Glen Wilfong Wallace Malone

Motion sustained to accept this report. The congregation then stood for a moment of silence, then Bro. C. J. Ketteman led in prayer.

The delegates from the North Central Quarterly

were seated.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Resolutions Committee, wish to thank the ladies for a bountiful dinner.

We suggest that they be given a standing vote

of thanks.

(Signed) Geneva Kehrer Mary Hilliard Grace Bruce

Motion sustained to receive this report. The congregation then stood as a vote of appreciation for the noon meal.

Delegates present	OI	
Visitors present	32	
Preachers present	15	
Deacons present		
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Motion sustained to accept this report.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Balance on han		67.32
Rec'd of East (Dues)		 90.00
Rec'd of West		00.00
(Dues)	 	 130.00

Total received	\$287.32
Paid out:	

Poor Point Church

Deal Foliit Church	10.00
Delegates dues to State Ass'n	110.00
Betty Hampleman for Minutes	15.00
Albert Bays for preaching	15.00
Howard Flota (Clerk)	20.00
Jesse Allen (Treasurer)	5.00

Foreign Missions (Dr. Miley)	75.00
Total paid out	\$255.00
Less total paid out	
Balance on hand	\$ 32.32

Motion sustained to accept this report.

FINAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We, the Business Committee, recommend:

- 3. That we pay the Sunday School Alliance \$10.00 for use of the facilities during this yearly meeting.
- 4. That we send our State Treasurer the sum of \$25.00 for printing of the minutes.
- 5. That we give Bro. Loyd Crain \$15.00 for bringing the 11 o'clock message today.
- 6. That we pay our clerk \$20.00 for his services.
- 7. That we pay our treasurer \$5.00 for his services.
- 8. That the constitutional charges recorded on page 34 of the '65 minutes be taken off the table.
- 9. That we send \$50.00 to our Illinois Home Mission Board.

(Signed) Albert Bays Guy Terry Fred Hall

Motion sustained to receive this report and adopt item by item.

Motion sustained to adopt item No. 3. Motion sustained to adopt item No. 4. Motion sustained to adopt item No. 5. Motion sustained to adopt item No. 6. Motion sustained to adopt item No. 7. Motion sustained to adopt item No. 8. Motion sustained to adopt item No. 9.

Motion sustained that the proposed Constitutional change concerning Article 6 be adopted. Article 6 of the Constitution will now read: "This Association shall convene on the first Friday night of the month of June, when it shall be the duty of all ordained authority and lay delegates to be present."

Motion sustained to meet June 2-3, 1967 with the Free Will Baptist Church at Green Rock, Illinois.

The following persons were appointed as dele-

gates to the State Association:

Justine Cockrum Thelma Webb Vertie Wertz Zulema Pavne Edra Wilfong Betty Loman Mary Montgomery Bea Flota Mary Hudson Ella Mae Hiltibidal Johnny Sexton Beulah Lovell Eudene Dees Mary McCann

Bonnie Allen Dorothy Laur Margret Leavitt Pearl Odle Sarah Franks Fern Downen gomery Mrs. L. Logsdon Cora Culli

Mildred Grubb Mary Barefield Pat Shores

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Having examined the reports of these ministers. we recommend that they be given cards of good standing.

Ordained:

David Shores Johnnie Holmes Raymond Capps James Fite Floyd Hartley L. E. Abel John Hiltibidal Arthur Kern Oran Kersh Albert Bays Guy Terry Clifford Hicks Loyd Lasley Joseph Kearney Licensed: Ella Mae Hiltibidal Jesse Allen George Waggoner Claude Hampleman Dewey Merritt Byford Campbell Lesley Logsdon Louie Hanna Paul F. Hall Cloy Myer Larry Shaw Thomas Skinner James Hicks Melvin Oathout Howard Flota

Jimmy Beaty George Capps Galen Warren Nicholas Hollis Luther Hudson

Allen Taylor We recommend that Loyd Crain be given a card of good standing upon the recommendation of the State Association.

> (Signed) Dewey Merritt H. D. Cockrun Galen Warren

Motion sustained to accept this report.

FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Not having received the reports of the ministers of the North Central Quarterly Meeting, we withhold recommendation until such time as we receive these reports.

(Signed) H. D. Cockrun 2801 E. Wallace Decatur, Ill. Dewey Merritt 2503 Casey Mt. Vernon, Ill. Galen Warren Cisne, Ill.

Motion made and seconded to accept this report. Motion amended to empower this committee to examine the late reports of the North Central Quarterly Meeting and upon their approval, send them on to our clerk. Amendment to motion carried. Main motion, as amended, carried.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator Bro. Wallace Malone
Assistant Moderator Bro. David Shores
Clerk Bro. Albert Bays
Treasurer Bro. Byford Campbell
Trustee (for three year term) Bro. Guy Terry
Guidance Committee for Young People:

Bro. Fred Hall Bro. Clifford Hicks

Bro. Howard Flota

(Signed) James Fite Johnnie Holmes Cloy Myers

Motion sustained to receive this report and proceed to elect.

Moderator, Bro. Wallace Malone elected by acclamation.

Assistant moderator, Bro. David Shores elected by acclamation.

Clerk, Bro. Albert Bays declined the nomination and Bro. Jim Martin elected by acclamation.

Treasurer, Bro. Byford Campbell elected by acclamation.

Trustee, Bro. Guy Terry elected by acclamation.

Guidance Committee, Bros. Fred Hall, Clifford Hicks and Howard Flota elected by acclamation.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer: Bro. Joe Payne.

Respectfully submitted, David Shores, Clerk Canaan District Association

CONSTITUTION

OF

ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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ARTICLE I

Name

This organization shall be known as the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II

Purposes

The purpose of the corporation as stated in its certificate of incorporation are—To unify the work of the various bodies composing this state association, and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in connection with the various bodies in the association, or that may hereafter be represented herein.

The corporation also has such powers as are now or may hereafter be granted by the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of the State of Illinois.

ARTICLE III

Offices

The corporation shall have and continuously maintain in this state a registered office and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office, and may have other offices within or without the State of Illinois as the board of directors may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE IV

Composition

The State Association shall be composed of two or more district association and/or yearly meetings which are in turn made up of two or more quarterly meetings, which are composed of two or more local churches. District Associations or Yearly Meetings may be received into this body upon application by a majority vote of this body when in session for business.

ARTICLE V

Members

Section 1. The voting members of this Association shall be:

- A. Standing delegates shall be all ordained ministers in good standing and active deacons in good standing with membership in some local church which is a member of the State Association through its subordinate organizations, and—
- B. Elected delegates as follows:-
 - Each district association or yearly meeting shall be entitled to a number of elected delegates equal to the number of churches composing said association, and—

 Each local church which holds membership in the State Association through its subordinate organizations shall be entitled to represent directly with one lay delegate.

3. An elected delegate shall hold office until

his successor has been seated.

Section 2. The member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.

Section 3. The membership of this Association may suspend or expel a member for cause after an appropriate hearing, by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regularly constituted meeting, and may by a two-thirds vote terminate the membership and credentials of any member who becomes ineligible for membership.

Section 4. This Association shall have no power to fill vacancies in the delegation from any sub-

ordinate body.

Section 5. Membership in this association is not transferable or assignable.

ARTICLE VI

Finance

Section 1. Each district association or yearly meeting shall send five dollars (\$5.00) for each elected delegate to which it is entitled.

Section 2. Each local church that represents directly with a lay delegate shall send five dollars

(\$5.00) with that delegate.

ARTICLE VII

Affiliation

This association shall be actively affiliated with "The National Association of the Original Free Will

Baptists of the United States," and shall make no regulations repugnant to that body.

ARTICLE VIII Discipline

This State Association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or practices that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing said organization. If there be any pending question of discipline, doctrine, or practices on the part of a subordinate organization, delegates of that organization shall not be seated until these questions have been settled.

ARTICLE IX Officers

Section 1. The officers of the corporation shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, and a treasurer.

Section 2. Election and Term of Office. The officers of the corporation shall be elected annually by the membership at the regular annual meeting. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Vacancies may be filled or new offices created and filled at any meeting of the membership. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

Section 3. Removal. Any officer or agent elected may be removed by the membership whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

Section 4. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Executive Board for the unexpired portion of the term.

Section 5. Moderator. The moderator shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation and shall in general supervise the business of the corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the members. He may sign, with the secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation so authorized, all deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which this body has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and

execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by this body or by these by-laws or by statute to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of president and such other duties as may be prescribed by this body from time to time.

Section 6. Assistant Moderator. In the absence of the moderator or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the assistant moderator shall perform the duties of the moderator, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the moderator. Any assistant moderator shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be officially assigned to him.

Section 7. Treasurer. If required by this body the treasurer shall give bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the body shall determine. He shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all Funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article X of these by-laws; and in general perform all the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be officially assigned to him.

Section 8. Clerk. The clerk shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members in one or more books provided for that purpose; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal of the corporation is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws; keep a register of the postoffice address of each members which shall be furnished to the secretary by such member; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be officially assigned to him.

Section 9. Assistant Clerk. The assistant clerk shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the secretary or by the moderator.

ARTICLE X

Executive Board

Section 1. General Powers. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by an Executive Board composed of members as hereinafter specified when the corporation is not in session. They shall hire a Promotional Secretary and/or other persons to help carry out business and promotion activities, each being directly responsible to the Executive Board.

Section 2. Number, Tenure and Qualifications. The members composing the Executive Board shall be the moderator, the assistant moderator, clerk, and the treasurer of the State Association; the chairman of each of the seven standing boards; and three members from each of the member district association or yearly meetings. Each of these three members from each district association or yearly meeting shall hold office for three years except those first selected, who shall serve as designated when chosen. One member of each district association or yearly meeting shall be chosen each year.

Section 3. Regular Meetings. A regular annual meeting of the Executive Board shall be held without other notice than this by-law immediately after, and at the same place as, the annual meeting of the members. The Board shall organize by selecting a chairman, a secretary, and any other officer deemed advisable, and shall execute any other necessary business. Other regular meetings shall be held quarterly (or approximately so) at the convenience of the members, upon dates established by them.

Section 4. Special Meetings Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by or at the request of its chairman or by three of the members of said Board.

Section 5. Notice. Notice of any special meeting of the Executive Board shall be given at least two days previously thereto by written notices delivered personally or sent by mail or telegram to each member at his address as shown by the records

of the corporation. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail in a sealed envelope so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. If notice be given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company. Any member may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a member at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the board need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifically required by law or by these by-laws.

Section 6. Business. No business can be passed at any meeting without a favorable vote by a majority of the entire board provided, that if less than a majority are present at said meeting, a majority present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice. All action must be reported to the State Association and is subject to approval of same.

Section 7. Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in the Executive Board or any standing board shall be filled by the Executive Board. A member elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

Section 8. Trustees. The Executive Board shall act as a Board of Trustees and shall carry on such duties as usually devolve upon such officers on behalf of and subject to the authority of this corporation.

Section 9. Deposits. All funds of this corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Executive Board may select.

Section 10. Gifts. The Executive Board may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the corporation.

ARTICLE XI Other Boards

Section 1. The following seven standing boards shall function in designated areas of work, subject to the approval of the State Association: Home Mission Board; Foreign Mission Board; Sunday School Board; Church Training Service Board; Christian Education Board; Superannuation Board; and Layman's Board.

Section 2. Each of the above named boards except the Home Mission Board, shall be composed of three members, elected to three years terms, except those first chosen, who shall serve as designated when chosen, terms to be arranged so that one new member of each board shall be chosen each year. The Home Mission Board shall be composed of five members, elected for five year terms, with one member being elected each year. Board membership is open to any church member whose church is a member in good standing of the State Association, through its subordinate organizations. A member shall serve until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

Section 3. No officer of the Association shall serve on any board of the Association (except the Executive Board), and no board member shall serve on more than one board, except that the chairman of each standing board shall automatically be a member of the Executive Board.

Section 4. Each board must organize as soon as convenient after the election of the member each year and before final adjournment of the annual meeting by selecting a chairman, and a secretary-treasurer. A majority of each board shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of those present shall be empowered to transact business. Members may represent by proxy.

Section 5. In the event that a quorum is not represented, in person or by proxy, to organize, the State Association shall declare vacant the office of the member (or members) who is not present or represented whose term of office next expires, and shall elect someone for the unexpired term.

Section 6. All business action of each board must be approved by the State Association.

Section 7. Each board must make a written report to each quarterly session of the Executive Board.

Section 8. The Promotional Secretary shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member of each board and he and the board shall work co-operatively.

Section 9. The Home Mission Board shall develop and carry on a program of establishing new churches in the State, and assist in keeping established churches open.

Section 10. The Foreign Mission Board shall attempt to enlist the state membership in supporting Foreign Missions by conferences, itineraries, and other means.

Section 11. The Sunday School Board shall promote the cause of Sunday Schools in the state by workshops, contests, etc., and shall work with the Sunday School Alliance.

Section 12. The Church Training Service Board shall be charged with establishing CTS groups in each church, enlist the youth in appropriate activities for national competition, and generally have charge of youth activities that are not already established.

Section 13. The Christian Education Board shall attempt to set up activities or programs whereby ministers and lay people may continue their spiritual education; give guidance to Free Will Baptist young people in matters of education; see that Free Will Baptist college students receive literature for their spiritual needs or help; and have charge of the Student Loan Fund.

Section 14. The Superannuation Board shall promote activities to interest churches and ministers in retirement programs in cooperation with the national program, or in addition to or in place of the national program.

Section 15. The Layman's Board shall seek to get churches to establish Master's Men chapters and to set up district and state groups as well as cooperate with the National Layman's Board.

ARTICLE XII

Ministers

Section 1. Ministers. This State Association recognizes the right of any quarterly meeting, which is a member of this body by virtue of its being a member of a district association or a yearly meeting which compose this body, to license and ordain ministers, and will issue ministers' certificates upon request of said quarterly meeting.

Section 2. Standing. This Association shall annually pass on the standing of each minister and issue certificates of good standing to those they deem worthy.

Section 3. Qualifications.

- (1) Ministers must make a report of the past year's activities.
- (2) Must preach a minimum of twelve (12) sermons during the past twelve (12) months unless physically handicapped or over sixty-five (65) years of age.
- (5) Must not take part in practices repugnant to the Free Will Baptist Doctrine such as:
 - (a) Sanctification as a second definite work of grace.
 - (b) Oneness rather than the Trinity.
 - (c) Unknown tongues as commonly recognized.
 - (d) Positional eternal security rather than provisional eternal security as taught by the Scriptures and recognized by our Treatise.
- (4) As of this date (1965) henceforth, he or she must not be involved in a dual marriage. This does not apply to those who are already ordained that have been involved in a dual marriage, unless they become involved at some future date.
- (5) Must abstain from the use of tobacco in any form.
- (6) Must be consistent tither into the denomination.

ARTICLE XIII

Seal

The Corporation shall provide a Corporate seal which shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Corporation and the words "Corporate Seal, Illinois."

ARTICLE XIV

Waiver of Notice

Whenever any notice whatever is required to be given under the provisions of the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of Illinois or under the provisions of the articles of corporation or by the by-laws of the corporation, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE XV

By-Laws

This Association shall make any by-laws necessary to its regulation, not repugnant to this Constitution.

ARTICLE XVI

Amendments

This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the State Association by a two-thirds vote, provided proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing to the body on a previous day.

BY-LAWS

OF

ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

ARTICLE I

Meetings of Members

Section 1. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the members shall convene on the fourth Friday morning of the month of June in each year, for the purpose of electing officers and board members and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If said elections are not held on the day designated herein for any annuall Imleeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the election shall be held at a special meeting of the members called as soon thereafter as conveniently may be.

Section 2. Special Meeting. Special meetings of the members may be called either by the moderator or by the Executive Board, or not less than onetenth of the members having voting rights.

Section 3. Place of Meeting. All annual meetings shall be held at the Tabernacle of the Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance at Benton, Illinois, unless otherwise officially designated, and shall be held without other notice than this by-law.

Section 4. Notice of Special Meetings. Written or printed notice of special meetings, stating the place, day and hour of any meeting of members, shall be sent by registered mail, to the clerk of each

member church, not less than 15 nor more than 30 days before the date of such meeting, by or at the direction of the moderator, secretary, or persons calling the meeting. If mailed, the notice shall be deemed delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the church clerk at his address as it appears on the records of the corporation, with postage thereon prepaid.

Section 5. Quorum. Two subordinate organizations must be represented by as many elected and/or standing delegates as they each have churches in their organizations to make a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 6. Proxies. No proxy shall be allowed at any meeting of the members.

ARTICLE II Committees

Section 1. Program Committee. A program committee consisting of the moderator, clerk, and one delegate from each subordinate body, selected for one year, shall arrange a program and distribute copies thereof for each regular sessions of the State Association.

Section 2. Other Committees. The moderator shall appoint such other committees consisting of not less than three persons as shall be necessary for the corporation.

Section 3. Quorum. A majority of any committee shall constitute a quorum, and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

ARTICLE III

Conduct of Business

Section 1. Roberts Rules of Orders Business shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order and in keeping with the Treatise of Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association of that body.

Section 2. Authority. This association shall not usurn any authority over the district associations, yearly meetings, or quarterly meetings that shall be under its supervision.

Section 3. Discussions. The moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.

Section 4. Rulings. By a majority vote of the conference any ruling of the moderator may be overruled.

Section 5. Minutes. The clerk shall have the minutes printed of each year's session and distribute same to all churches composing the State Association. The publication may also include minutes of the district associations and yearly meetings which compose this body and such other information as he geems advisable.

ARTICLE IV Books and Records

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of accounts and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its meeting. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any member, or his agent or attorney for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

ARTICLE V Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the State Association shall begin on the first day of May and end on the last day of April in each year.

ARTICLE VI Deacons

Section 1. The State Association recognizes the right of any local church to select, ordain, and give credentials to its deacons.

Section 2. Each church shall report to the annual meeting the names of its active deacons who are in good standing.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments to By-Laws

These by-laws may be altered, amended or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of the members present at any regular meeting, provided such proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing to the body on a previous day, or at any special meeting, provided that at least fifteen days' written notice is given of intention to alter, amend or repeal or to adopt new by-laws at such meeting.