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Eld.	G. W	. Scott	, Jr., A	ss't	Mod.,	Mo	untain	Grove,	Mo.
Eld.	Win	ford D	Davis,	Cler	k-Trea	ıs.,	Μ	onett,	Mo.
Eld.	Wm.	Reeve	es, A	lss't	Clerk,		\mathbf{Flat}	River,	Mo.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

Eld. B. F. Brown, Purdy, Mo., Term expires 1937 Eld. G. W. Scott, Jr., Mt'n Grove, Mo., Term expires 1936 J. P. McCullough, Alton, Mo., R3, Term expires 1935 Eld. T. C. Ferguson, Weatherby, Mo., Term expires 1934 Eld. Jas. F. Miller, Flat River, Mo., Term expires 1933.

EVANGELIST

Serving without salary

Eld. G. W. Scott, Sr.,.... Mountain Grove, Mo.

On October 11, 1932, at 7:30 p. m., the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist met in its Nineteenth Annual Session, with New Harmony Free Will Baptist Church, near Greentop, Missouri.

Service opened by singing, after which the clerk called the meeting to order and called the moderator, Elder E. T. House, to the chair. The moderator called Elder S. H. Marcum to offer prayer, then called for introductory sermon, which was ably delivered by Elder G. W. Scott, Jr. of Mountain Grove, Missouri, he having been chosen one year previous. Text, "Will ye also go away?" (John 6:6).

After the sermon a very spiritual praise service was conducted by the moderator, which was enjoyed by all.

Moderator appointed a temporary pulpit committee composed of the following brethren: Oscar Peterson, H. H. Filkins, P. S. Peterson, and Clarence Helms.

Pulpit Committee chose Elders O. T. Allred and B. F. Brown to fill the stand at 11 o'clock Wednesday.

Dismissed by Elder B. F. Brown.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Meeting called to order by moderator. Opened by singing. Scripture reading, Psalm 37, by moderator. Prayer by Elder H. M. McAdams.

Letters were read and received and delegates seated from the following Associations: Northwest Missouri, Union, Southeast Missouri, Indian Creek, Northeast Missouri, and Cave Spring. Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association letter received after the Association.

The hand of fellowship was duly extended to the delegates.

Officers for Ensuing Year

Moderator, Elder E. T. House,.....Santa Rosa, Mo. Ass't Mod., Elder G. W. Scott, Jr.,...Mountain Grove, Mo. Clerk, Elder Winford Davis, Monett, Mo. Ass't Clerk, Elder Wm. Reeves,Flat River, Mo. Member of of Ex. Board, Eld. B. F. Brown, Purdy, Mo.

Committees appointed as follows:

Pulpit—Eld. S. H. Marcum, Deacon Clarence Helms, Deacons P. S. Peterson, H. H. Filkins, Oscar Peterson.

Resolutions—Elders H. M. McAdams, B. F. Brown, Jas. F. Miller, Charles Phillips, Tommic Franklin, Noel Turner and S. H. Marcum.

Home Mission—Elders Tommie Franklin, O. T. Allred, and Jas. F. Miller, and Sisters Ivie Elsea, Otha Campbell, E. T. House and Daisy Marcum.

Leagues-Elders Wm. Reeves, Cecil Campbell, Eva Gross, Sister Melba White and Bro. John Ewing.

Temperance—Sisters Lizzie McAdams, George Scott, Maggie Turner, H. H. Filkins, Elder Kenneth Turner, and Bro. Lewis Moody.

Motion carried to receive report of Committee on Committees.

Motion carried to adjourn for preaching service.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

At eleven o'clock the stand was filled by Elders O. T. Allred and B. F. Brown. Text, Phil. 3:12-14. Both delivered able messages which were greatly enjoyed by all.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Called to order by moderator. Opened by singing. Scripture reading, part of 5th chapter of Matthew by moderator. Prayer by Eld. Jas. F. Miller.

At this time the moderator read an interesting article on the history of the Free Will Baptist.

Motion carried to receive the report of Elder G. W. Scott, Sr., as State evangelist for the past year, and to retain him for another year. He was given a standing vote of thanks for his service rendered the past year.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

At 7:00 o'clock p. m. services were opened by singing and prayer, followed by a very spiritual testimony service, conducted by Elder S. H. Marcum.

A number of special songs were rendered, then the stand was filled by Elders Jas. F. Miller and Winford Davis. Text, "The Tree of Life."

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On Thursday morning at 8:00 o'clock the Publication Committee assembled and drew up a report to present to the body, also the following three members: John Peterson, J. F. Mikel and M. H. White were chosen as permanent members of the Publication Committee to take the place of Miss Anna Reed, Mrs. Mary Snidow and Elder H. C. Crase who seldom get to attend the Ass'n.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Meeting called to order by the assistant moderator, Elder G. W. Scott, Jr. Singing by the congregation Scripture reading, Psalm 1, by assistant moderator. Prayer by Bro. Moody.

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

The report of the Publication Committee was received for discussion, and after some discussion, was tabled until the afternoon session.

Motion carried to adopt Resolution No. 1 of Resolution Committee.

Motion carried to adopt Resolution No. 2 of Res. Com. Motion carried that the next session of the Missouri State Association be held with the Oak Grove church of Union Association, near Norwood, Mo., beginning Tuesday night before the third Sunday in October, 1933.

Motion carried that Elder S. H. Marcum of Greentop, Mo. preach the introductory sermon, Elder O. T. Allred of Monett, Mo. alternate.

Motion carried to adjourn till 2:00 o'clock p. m.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

At eleven o'clock the stand was filled by Elders Kenneth and Noel Turner. Text, Psalms 8:4. Both delivered interesting and soul-stirring messages and the Spirit of God was greatly manifested.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by the moderator. Praise by the congregation. Scripture reading, 13th chapter of 1 Cor., by the moderator. Prayer by Bro. Lendell Pruitt. Motion carried that the report of Publication Com-

mittee be taken up again for discussion.

Motion carried to adopt the report of Publication Com.

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A public donation was taken in cash and pledges to pay on the linotype machine, which amounted to \$140.00.

Motion carried to elect Sister Lizzie McAdams as field worker, to work for missions and leagues, and for the Gem Motion carried to adjourn until 8:00 a. m. Friday.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Thursday evening at 7:00 o'clock, the service was opened by singing and prayer. A rousing testimony service was conducted by Elder Cecil Campbell. A number of special songs were rendered by different ones, and at 8:00 o'clock the stand was filled by Mrs. McAdams. Text, "The Signs of the Times." She delivered a very interesting and spiritual message, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Meeting called to order by the moderator. Praise by the congregation. Scripture lesson, 4th chapter of Heb. Prayer by Elder George Miller.

Moderator appointed Elder Jas. F. Miller as second assistant moderator, the first assistant, Eld. G. W. Scott, Jr., having had to return home.

Minutes of Thursday morning and evening session were read and approved.

Motion carried to adopt Resolution No. 3 of Res. Com.

Motion carried that the moderator appoint a committee to work out the plan as set forth in Resolution No. 3.

Committee appointed: Elders B. F. Brown, Lizzie McAdams and C. A. Phillips.

Motion carried to adopt Resolution No. 4 of Res. Com. Motion carried to adopt Resolution No. 5 of Res. Com.

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Motion carried to adopt Resolution No. 6 of Res. Com. Sister Tommie Franklin was elected as State Statistician as called for in Resolution No. 1.

Motion carried to approve the minutes as read and approve the work of the League workers, which they did while in session assembled at the parsonage of the New Harmony church Thursday afternoon.

Motion carried to receive the report of the League Committee and take action on the suggestions as set forth in said report.

· Motion carried to adopt item No. 2 of League report.

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Motion carried to adopt item No. 3 of League report.

Motion carried to adopt item No. 4 of League report, and give the league workers Thursday afternoon of each session of Missouri State Association as set forth in said item.

Motion carried to receive financial report of the Clerk-Treasurer.

Motion carried that the month of July be set as the month for each church to pay their budget, 50% to be paid to the local association treasurer, and 50% to be paid to the State treasurer.

Motion carried to receive report of Elder C. A. Phillips, State Sunday School evangelist.

Motion carried to receive report of the Sunday school worker in Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting.

Motion carried to adjourn until 2:00 p.m.

Registration of Ministers Credentials

It shall be the duty of all ministers belonging to the Free Will Baptist denomination in the State of Missouri to deliver their ordination papers to their Association clerk to be recorded in a book, provided for that purpose, then forwarded by said clerk to the clerk of Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist to be recorded by him in a book provided for that purpose.

The said State clerk shall give date of registration and sign his name on margin of credentials, then return them to the owner.

This shall be done so that each Association can make a complete report of its ministers' credentials to the State Association at the 1933 session.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

At eleven o'clock the stand was filled by Elders E. T. House and H. M. McAdams. Bro. House's text was from Matt. 5 and Exodus 20. Bro. McAdams' text was Rev. 1:4. Both delivered able messages of power.

A special song was rendered by Bro. John Keeny.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by second assistant moderator, Eld. J. F. Miller, the moderator, Eld. E. T. House having had to return home. Praise by the congregation. Scripture reading, second chapter of 2 Peter, by Bro. J. F. Miller. Prayer by Eld. B. F. Brown.

Motion carried to adopt the Constitution and By-Laws of the Missouri State Mission Organization.

Motion carried that the appointment of the corresponding mission messengers from the different local associations be left in the hands of the State Mission officers.

Motion carried to adopt the report of the registration committee.

Motion carried that the Missouri State Association give a standing vote of thanks to the New Harmony church, together with the entire Northeast Missouri Association, for their hospitality shown us while in their midst.

Motion carried to leave the printing of the minutes in the hands of the editor and clerk.

An offering of \$3.59 was taken for the printing of the blanks for statistical work.

Moderator appointed a committee as follows to meet with the Executive Board of the Co-operative General Association: Elders O. T. Allred, L. J. Gearing and Noel Turner.

Motion carried to approve the minutes of the entire session as read.

Motion carried to elect Elder C. A. Phillips as State Sunday School Evangelist for another year.

Eld. H. M. McAdams was elected to attend the Texas State Convention.

Motion carried to adjourn to meet on Tuesday night before the third Sunday in October, 1933, with the Oak Grove church, near Norwood, Missouri.

Dismission by Elder Lizzie McAdams.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

At 7:00 o'clock p. m. the service opened by singing and prayer. Some special songs were rendered, after which the stand was filled by Elder Oda Halford. Text, 12th chapter of Romans. Followed by Sister Tommie Franklin. Text, Psalms 37:5, 6. Both delivered interesting and spiritual messages, and one precious soul was saved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Publication-We, your Committee on Publication, find that there is about 562.50 still unpaid on our linotype.

This obligation is now past due, and payment is demanded.

We recommend that this amount be raised as far as possible and the rest borrowed on personally secured note, and that it be paid off by putting aside 25 cents of each yearly subscription to the Gem at \$1.00 each.

We recommend that we put a field worker in the field to encourage and put forward the mission work, organize leagues, solicit for the Gem, and help to build up our denomiation in the state.

B. F. Brown. Winford Davis. H. M. McAdams, Geo. W. Scott, Jr., Committee M. H. White, John Peterson, J. F. Mikel, E. T. House, Jas. F. Miller.

Leagues-Be it Resolved. That each pastor and each evangelist talk and encourage league work wherever they go.

Be it Resolved, That each pastor work with and cocperate with the league in each church.

Be it Resolved, That we, as league workers and pastors, put forth an effort to raise our standard to the height of our own publication of league literature.

We, the committee, also recommend that we be given Thursday afternoon of each session of the Missouri State Association for the leagues to transact their business.

Wm. Reeves.

Melba White.

Committee { Eva Gross, Cecil Campbell, John A. Ewing.

Resolutions--- No. 1. Be it Resolved, That each local Association in this state elect a statistician, and also that we elect a state statistician, so that these working in their respective fields and co-operating with each other can compile a state statistical table, and that the local executive boards do this cleeting immediately.

No. 2. Resolved, That we, the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist, print our own Sunday School Literature when a sufficient number of our Sunday schools will pledge themselves to use enough of our literature __9__

to pay cost of publication.

No. 3. Be it Resolved, That the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist, while in session with the New Harmony church, work out a plan whereby each separate association may send the certificates of their ministers, that are in good standing to the State Association clerk for a stamp of approval.

No. 4. Be it Resolved, That we recommend to all of our churches that they call their pastors in the month of July, and that the new pastors take charge of their churches on the first meeting day following their Yearly Association.

No. 5. Be it Resolved, That we, as the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist, recommend that all our ministers warn our people against buying and reading the Judge Rutherford literature, better known as Russellism.

No. 6. Be it Resolved. That this Missouri State Association recommend to all local bodies, local churches and individuals to observe the Bible rule for settling personal differences, never bringing any trouble to the church until the Bible route has been taken (Matt. 15:18-21; Treatise, page 51, Section VI.).

H. M. McAdams. B. F. Brown, Tommie Franklin. Committee { Jas. F. Miller, Noel Turner, S. H. Marcum, C. A. Phillips.

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

We, as a denomination, take a firm stand against all intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and furthermore, we stand for the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution as it is. We are against all drugs used as "dope;" and we recommend that our people discourage the use of tobacco in every form, and that our ministers use their influence against it when possible.

Lizzie McAdams. Oma Scott. Lewis Moody, Committee | Mrs. H. H. Filkins,

Mrs. Ethel Helms, Kenneth Turner, Maggie Turner.

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Report of S. S. Convention of F. W. B. of S. E. Missouri.

Leadington, Mo., Sept. 20, 1932.

Dear Brother Davis:

I herewith submit my annual report of the work done in our Sunday schools of Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting district. This is not an entirely complete report because I have not heard from our S. S. in St. Louis, nor from the Mine La Motte school.

This report includes the following schools: Desloge, Wortham, Ausberry Chapel, Flat River, Oak Grove, Fredericktown, Mill Creek, and is from Sept. 1, 1931 to Aug. 31, 1932, with the exception of Flat River and Fredericktown, who failed to get in their report for August.

This report is made through the Southeast Mo. Sunday School Convention of our district:

Condition of Sunday schools,	
Total attendance 24,593	
Enrollment	
Average attendance	
Number of teachers	
Number of officers	
Number saved in Sunday schools 14	
Attendance of teachers Fair	
Cradle roll 152	
Bible readings, chapters, 17,795	
Total offerings\$317.57	
Total expenditures 263.10	

Bible reading were not reported from all of the schools, but I think practically all have Bible readings.

Since tabulating this report I have gone over the Q. M. report and find that Mine La Motte S.S. reports as follows:

Condition, good; average attendance, 60; officers, 3; teachers 5. Union Light is a union S. S. and reports 147 members; average attendance, 100; officers, 3; teachers, 7. The new S. S. I spoke of in this report is in Madison Co. Q. M. and reports a membership of 60. This school wasorganized under a brush arbor and I hope to tell more about it later.

Elder William Reeves was our evangelist the past year and rendered valuable service in the S. S. work; he will send in his own report.

A resolution was passed by the Yearly Meeting to abolish the office of S. S. evangelist, and let the statistical report of our S. S. work come through the annals of our So. E.Mo. S. S. Convention, this matter to be taken care of by the secretary of this body.

We have two more new S. S. just recently organized, but which were not old enough as yet to report any work, but conditions look favorable for the future; and we hope to be able to report of them in our next report. O. B. Womack, Sec.-Treas, S. S. Convention of F. W. B.

Report of State Sunday School Evangelist

To the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist:

We beg to submit our annual report. We have written about 22 letters, received 16 answers, and received reports in full of work done by S. S. evangelists in five separate subordinate associations, also one verbal report.

Bro. Wm. Reeves sends an outstanding reports from Flat River, Mo. His report shows, among other things, a gain of 158 members, also a Bible reading of 34,049 chapters.

Bro. Kenneth Turner of Monett, Mo., S. S. evangelist of Indian Creek Association, reports ten schools holding their own. He says they are all active.

We have a report from Hickory Grove S. S. showing a good progressive school, Eula Terry, Secretary.

The Northeast Missouri Association brings a verbal report of five S. S. on an average holding their own, with a possible small gain.

We have also received an encouraging letter from the Northwest Missouri Association, Bro. John McKown, S. S. evangelist.

We have written two reports for publication in the Gem We thank Bro. Brown for his co-operation and kindness in printing same. Some of the work has been very pleasant and we find a broad field to labor in for the Lord.

In conclusion we have a partial report from Bro. Harry Beatty, Thayer, Mo., reporting four splendid S. S., selfsupporting and with a good average attendance.

Chas. Phillips, Mo. State S. S. Messenger.

I have called at sick beds and I have gone and helped settle trouble in churches. I have done my best. I -12would like to be with you at the State Association, and hope you have a good time, and if you people think best, I would like the State evangelist work again, as I have no churches.

ENROLLMENT

Ordained Ministers

Union Association
G. W. Scott, Jr., Mountain Grove. Mo.
Northcast Missouri Association
George D. Miller Kirksville, Mo.
S. H. Marcum
C. A. Phillips Stahl, Mo.
Indian Creek Association
O. T. Allred
John A. Ewing (Licensed) Greentop, Mo.
Cooil Campbell Stella Mo.
Noel Turner
Kenneth Turner Granby, Mo.
B. F. Brown Purdy, Mo.
Noel TurnerGranby, Mo. Kenneth TurnerGranby, Mo. B. F. BrownPurdy, Mo. Winford DavisMonett, Mo.
Southeast Missouri Association
Jas. F. Miller Flat River, Mo.
H M McAdams Desloge. Mo.
Lizzie McAdams Desloge, Mo.
Lizzie McAdams
Wm. Reeves Flat River, Mo.
Odie Halbrook (Licensed) Leadington, Mo.
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Northwest Missouri Association
E. T. House Maysville, Mo.
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Ministers Wives
Mrs. G. W. Scott, Mrs. E. T. House,
Mrs. S. H. Marcum, Mrs. Jas. F. Miller.
Motion carried to receive report of Committee on Tem-
perance, and have the report published in the Free Will
Baptist Gem.

Motion carried to adjourn till 9:00 a.m. Thursday. Dissmission by Elder G. W. Scott, Jr.

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Delegates

Name As	sociation	Address		
Mrs. Gussie Hamblen,	S. E. Mo.	Flat River, Mo.		
Mrs. Anna Moore,	S. E. Mo.,	Flat River, Mo.		
Mrs. Mary Calvin,	N. W. Mo.,	Weatherby, Mo.		
Mrs. Oma Scott,	Union, Mo	untain Grove, Mo.		
Mrs. Jennie Wright,	S. E. Mo.,	Flat River, Mo.		
Mrs. Ed. Wilkerson,	S. E. Mo.,	Flat River, Mo.		
Ed. Wilkerson,	S. E. Mo.,	Flat River, Mo.		
Miss Otha Campbell,	Indian Creek,	Stella, Mo.		
Charley Lund,	S. E. Mo.,	Leadington, Mo.		
J. O. Filkins,	N. E. Mo.,	Novinger, Mo.		
Mrs. Maggie Turner,	Indian Creek,	Granby, Mo.		
Mrs. Retta Moody,	Union,	Mansfield, Mo.		
Lewis Moody,	Union,	Mansfield, Mo.		
Lindell Pruett,	S. E. Mo.,	Flat River, Mo.		
John Peterson,	N. E. Mo.,	Greentop, Mo.		
Ervin Allred,	Indian Creek,	Monett, Mo.		
Mrs. John Keeny,	S. E. Mo.,	Flat River, Mo.		
Miss Melba White,	N. W. Mo.,	Plattsburg, Mo.		
Mrs. Ethel Helms,	N. W. Mo.,	Weatherby, Mo.		
Mrs. M. H. White,	N. W. Mo.,	Plattsburg, Mo.		
A. M. Eggert,	N. E. Mo.,	Kirksville, Mo.		
O. A. Gates,	N. E. Mo.,	Stahl, Mo.		
Clarence Helms,	N. W. Mo.,	Weatherby, Mo.		
Bryan Novinger,	N. E. Mo.,	Stahl, Mo.		
Peter S. Peterson,	N. E. Mo.,	Greentop, Mo.		
Harry H. Filkins,	N. E. Mo.,	Novinger, Mo.		
John Keeny,	S. E. Mo.,	Flat River, Mo.		
M. H. White,	N. W. Mo.,	Plattsburg, Mo.		
G. Buchanan,	N. E. Mo.,	Greentop, Mo.		
A. Hays,	N. E. Mo.,	Greentop, Mo.		
Oscar Peterson,	N. E. Mo.,	Greentop, Mo.		

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Statistical Report of Associations

	S. E.	Cave	N. E.	N. W.	
Matter Reported	Mo.	Sp'g	Mo.	Mo.	Total
Number of churches	13	14		5	50
Members Rec. this year	351	32	75	26	484
Number baptized	198	23	65	13	299
No. dismissed by letter	4	4	6	6	.20
Number deceased	17	6	5	4	32
Total membership	1728	510	380	200	2818
No. Sunday schools	. 12	5	5	4	26
Number of pupils	993	468			1461
Number of officers	32	1 .	Ì	21	53
Number of teachers	50		1	17	67
Number of Leagues	8	•	2	2	12
League membership					
No. of Home Missions	6		5		11
H. Mission membership		۰			
No. Ordained Ministers	23	13	4	5	45
No. Licensed Ministers	4	1	1		6
No. Ordained Deacons	44	38	12	10	104
Amt paid pastors		\$523.99	\$785.00	\$517.25	\$1836.21
Amt for Evan. work	\$216.13		36.06	20.00	272.19
Amt for Bldg and Rep.	440.72				440.72
Amt for incidentals	215.10		24.93	33.00	273.03
Value of church property	21900.	6150.	10000.	7200.	45250.00
Amt for For. Missions	1			· •	
Amt for Home Missions	191.40				191.40
Amt for Education				L	
Amt for Publication		22.00			22.00
Amt Budget money paid	6.76	ł	ł		6.76

Note by the Editor—The above table is incomplete in many points, but is as full as I could make it from reports made to the State Association.

Only four Associations are reported in the above table, because the others gave so little report.

Churches should furnish to their Association clerks full reports, including all the items given in above table, so we can have a full report of our work in the state; let's have a full report next year.

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ASSOCIATIONS

And Ministers Belonging to this Association

CENTRAL WESTERN MO. AND S. E. KANSAS ASSOCIATION J.T.Williams, Greenfield, Mo. T.C.Ferguson, Weatherby, Mo. W.W.Ireland, ElDorado Spr'gs T. L. York, Lafontaine, Kans. Roena Thomas, Hannon, Mo. W. H. York. Hannon, Mo.:

> W. H. McGovern, ElDorado Springs, Mo. Orlie Hoover (Licensed), Hannon, Mo, Eld. W. H. York, Clerk, Hannon, Mo.

UNION ASSOCIATION

O. C. Keller, Mt'n Grove, Mo. Clarence Usserv, Lynchburg B. S. Moody, Norwood, Mo. John Ratterree, Huggins, Mo. J. W. Silvey, Seymour, Mo. O. L. Claxton, Seymour, Mo. J. J. Postalwait, Huggins, Mo. A.M.Halford, Brushyknob, Mo. Selph Jones, Mansfield, Mo. Omer Rose, Springfield, Mo. T. K. Hall, Springfield, Mo. A. J. Kelsey, Hartville, Mo. M.H.Williams, Gr. Spring, Mo. Arthur Rich. Macomb. Mo. W.N.Coffman, Mt. Grove, Mo. J. F. Marler, Cedar Gap, Mo. 3 H. M. Cope, Oakland, Mo. Frank Butram, Gr. Spring, Mo W. H. Kelley, Norwood, Mo. C.S. Cartwright, Norwood, Mo. Neal Moore, Mt'n Grove, Mo. Ben Owens, Norwood, Mo. T. F. Marler, Ava. Mo.

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J. L. Branstetter, Springfield, Mo.

LICENTIATES

Albert Brooks, Mt. Grove, Mo. Henry Higby, Mt. Grove, Mo. Geo. Higby, Mt'n Grove, Mo. John Oxley, Cabool, Mo. Homer Smith, Norwood, Mo. Ezra Vestal, Norwood, Mo. E. L. Jones, Clerk, Hartville, Mo., R3.

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Miss Melba White, Clerk, Plattsburg, Mo., R1.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI YEARLY MEETING

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LICENTIATES

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Wm. Johnson,	Alton, Mo.	T. J. Dunkin,	Myrtle, Mo.			
Wm. Rogers,	Myrtle, Mo.	E. E. Winfree,	Hardy, Ark.			
James McGhee,	Myrtle, Mo.	E. E. Simpson,	. Alton, Mo.			
Milo Stanley,	Alton, Mo.	Harry Beatty,	Thayer, Mo.			
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J. R. W. Harbison, Mrytle, Mo.						

Adrian Jenkins, Clerk, Couch, Mo.

NIANGUA ASSOCIATION (From Report of 1931.)

W. R. Rush, Santa Rosa, Mo. Wm. Jones, Conway, Mo. W. M. Phillips, Lebanon, Mo. Elmer Palmer, Branch, Mo. J. H. Robinson, Lebanon, Mo. O. B. Lane, Tulsa, Okla. Arthur Bailey, Plaid, Mo. W.N.Sutton, Long Lane, Mo. G.W.Sturdevent, Long Lane. Emel Burton, Long Lane, Mo. Lee Spain, Springfield, Mo. Theo Clark, Buffalo, Mo. J. P. Highfill, Springfield, Mo. W. F. Millard, Redtop, Mo. Ray Scrivner, Buffalo, Mo. N.J.Brashears, Lindsay, Cal. H. S. Lee, Long Lane, Mo.

Eld. W. F. Millard, Clerk, Redtop, Mo., R2.

LACLEDE COUNTY ASSOCITION (From Report of 1931.)

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C. Waterman, Des Moines, Ia, C.M.Recter, Des Moines, Iowa R.W.Bingham, Dry Knob, Mo. W.W.Butts, Crittendon, Mo. L. Milligan, Competition, Mo. C.A.McAlister, Dry Knob, Mo. Lem Waterman, Lebanon, Mo. M.T.Wamenick, Lebanon, Mo. C.E.Cornelison, Lebanon, Mo. Wm. Fincher, Lebanon, Mo. Jasper Lewis, Springfield, Mo.

W. F. James, Sage,	Mo.
M. E. Brasher, Aba,	Mo.
J. R. Reid, Aba,	Mo.
S. N. Reid, Lebanon,	Mo.
Glen Jones, Lebanon,	Mo.
Wm. Scheets, Agnes,	Mo.
C. T. Neece, Rackett,	Mo.
T. J. Peterson, Oakland,	Mo.
L. H. Jones, Falcon,	Mo.
B. Massie, Guian, A	rk.
Clerk, Lebanon, Mo.	
	 W. F. James, Sage, M. E. Brasher, Aba, J. R. Reid, Aba, F. S. N. Reid, Lebanon, Glen Jones, Lebanon, Wm. Scheets, Agnes, A. T. Chambers, Agnes, C. T. Neece, Rackett, T. J. Peterson, Oakland, L. H. Jones, Falcon, B. Massie, Guian, A Clerk, Lebanon, Mo.

1. This Association shall be called the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist.

2. The object of this Association shall be for the bringing together of the Free Will Baptist of the State of Missouri in one great annual gathering, so they can get better acquainted with each other, and for the upbuilding of the Free Will Baptist churches of Missouri, and for the salvation of souls.

3. This Association shall be composed of duly elected delegates, elected by the bodies holding membership in this body.

4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, who shall be Treasurer and shall superintend the printing of the minutes at \$5.00 per annum, and shall hold their office until their successors shall be elected; a Board of Trustees of five members whose terms of office shall be as follows: One for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years, and at the expiration of these terms, one is to be elected for a term of five years, and who shall hold their office until their successors are elected; and further, if any vacancy occurs between sessions of the Association, the Board shall fill such vacancy or vacancies until the next session of the Association, who shall perform the following duties: First-Shall be the legal corporation of the Association with the corporate name of the Board of Trustees of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist, to be a Board of Missions and Church Extension, to secure, hold, use and convey money, homes or lands for the propagation of the Gospel in connection with the Free Will Baptist denomination. Second-To receive, hold, manage, use, control or convey any property intrusted to the Association for and in accordance with the donor's purpose. Said Board of Trustees shall also compose the Home Mission Board. They may be chosen from ministers, deacons or delegates.

5. This Association shall not usurp any authority over the Quarterly Meetings, Yearly Meetings, and Associations that shall be under its supervision, but shall be an advisory body to help them.

6. Seven or more ordained ministers or deacons from two or more bodies belonging to this Association shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

7. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk, and in their absence, the senior minister in age, shall call the Association to order for business, and call the Moderator or his Assistant to the chair,

and if neither the Moderator nor his Assistant are present, then the senior minister in age shall act as Moderator. On taking the chair the Moderator shall call for the reading of the letters from the different bodies composing this Association, and after the letters are read he shall seat the delegates. After the delegates are seated, the election of officers shall be in order.

8. An organized Quarterly Meeting, Yearly Meeting or Association of Free Will Baptist may unite with this body at any regular session through a letter or delegates by a two-thirds vote of all members present.

9. This Constitution may be added to, amended or changed at any regular session of this body by a two-thirds vote of all the members present, after a written notice of the contemplated change has been published in the official paper three months previous to the session at which such change is to take place.

BY-LAWS

1. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading a portion of God's Word, and prayer; and shall be closed by prayer.

2. All business, except routine, shall be brought before this body by committees, but should any committee refuse or fail to present to this body, any business given to it by any member of this Association, then such business may be presented to the body by any member, but cannot be discussed, unless by a vote of this body.

4. Any member of this body can appeal from the decision than twice on the same subject without consent of the Moderator.

4. Any member of this body can typeal from the decision of the Moderator to the Association, and by a majority vote thereon, the objection shall be sustained or rejected.

5. No one shall leave the Association without the consent of the Moderator.

6. Anyone desiring to speak shall arise and say, "Brother Moderator," but shall not speak further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.

7. The Moderator shall stop all discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when he thinks it is likely to lead to discord and division.

8. The officers of this body shall submit, at every annual session, a report of the work done for this Association.

9. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies. -20-

10. All officers of this Association shall be nominated from the floor and elected by bollot, except when the rules are suspended, then election may be by acclimation.

11. All resolutions and reports shall bear the names of all the members of the committee who favor them; and if the names be not a majority of all members of such committee, then the Clerk shall not read the resolution or report.

12. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, but any appointment may be changed by a two-thirds vote of this body.

13. All business coming before this Association shall be decided by secret bollot when there is any opposition or objection.

14. A majority of all votes cast shall be final upon all subjects, except to amend the Constitution, receive Quarterly Meetings, Yearly Meetings, Associations, and the changing of the members of the committees appointed by the Moderator, then it shall require a two-thirds majority.

15. These By-Laws may be amended or changed at any regular session of this Association.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant. We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid the appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world; from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family deyotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit," in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to

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strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of souls, and the conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe, and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

3. Christ Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His human nature truly man The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified and is our ever present Savior and Lord.

4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men.

5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. The Sinfulness of Man. Man was created innocent. but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God.

7. The Work of Christ The Son of God by His in-

carnation, life, sufferings, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation are, 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and the hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become his elect

10. Freedom of Will. The human will is free and selfcontrolled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Holy Spirit strives with all and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. Gospel Ordinances. BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel; FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers.

14. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

15. War. War destroys the lives of the innocent, and is contrary to the New Testament, therefore, we are opposed to war.

16. Resurrection, Judgment, and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

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