

Record of Proceedings.ofEighteenth session of Nebr. Y.M. of Free Baptists.

The eighteenth session of the Ministers and Laymens Institute of the Nebr. Y. M. convened with the Elm Island Church on Elm Island, Aug. 16-1900.

Ministers +
Laymen's Ins.

Business session called to order Thurs. Morning 9. A. M. by the clerk.

After a devotional service Bro. J. H. Wolfe was elected as moderator. Rev. W. W. Dechard as Asst. clerk.

The program as prepared by program comm. was taken up without further business.

Friday Morn. Conf. again called to order for closing business of Institute.

Members Program
Committee.

Rev. J. H. Wolfe elected as member of the program comm. for the ensuing year.

Bro. Wolfe reports that Comm. appointed to draft By laws and constitution for Ministers and Laymens Institute had not done their work.

Comm. to Draft
By Laws + Const.

Moved ^{and} that a comm. be chosen by this body to draft ^{such} bylaws and constitution, and that Bro. Wolfe act as chairman of the comm. Motion prevailed.

Bros. Harry Wolcott and Dechard chosen as other members of that comm.

On Motion Ins. Adjourned!

Y.M. Minutes.

Yearly Meeting called to order. Friday Morning Aug. 17 by Bro. Wolfe.

On Motion Bro. Wolfe was chosen as Moderator of Yearly Meeting.

Auditor.

Bro. Thomas Peck nominated and elected as Auditor of Treas. accounts.

J. M. Lewis.

The following J. M. Lewis, were appointed by the Mod.

Com. on Ministers Credentials

Wm. Hiler
J. J. Murphy
M. D. Myers
E. H. Turner.

Com. on Publications

Thos. Peck.
Mrs M. M. Myers.

Missions

Mrs J. J. Murphy.
M. M. Deekard
Miss Lora Buntson.

Acrology

E. Root.
O. S. Hasty.

Temperance

Mrs M. A. Jenkins.
Miss E. D. Ham.
Rev. J. S. Staples.

Business

M. M. Deekard.
Mrs. Staples
Delia J. Wolff.

Com. Nominations member Ex. Com.

J. J. Murphy.
E. Root.
M. D. Myers.

Clerk.

Harry E. Noleatt selected as J. M. Clerk.

Friday afternoon Aug. 17.

At the suggestion of the Moderator the report of the
Com. Lewis for one member of Ex. Com. was called for.
Member Ex. Com. Lewis placed in nomination Rev. E. H. Turner who
was elected as member of board for a term of three
years.

Sat. Morning 9 A.M. Aug. 18.

Conference called to order by Mod.

Minutes of previous session of the J. M. read
and approved.

Q.M. Letters

Q.M. letters from Nemaha River Q.M. and from the Gaspur Co. Q.M. were presented by the clerk.

The letter from the Nemaha River Q.M. reports a prosperous year. Each church except the Kentville has gained in strength through conversions and otherwise, and have done considerably repairing on their churches.

The letter from the Gaspur Co. Q.M. reports progress throughout the Q.M., the loss of one worker who in years past has labored much for the Q.M., and asks admissions to the Nebr. Y.M.

Gaspur Co. Q.M.
Admitted

On motion of Conf. the request of Q.M. for admissions was granted.

Resolution
relative to the
Central Nebr. Y.M.

The following resolutions relative to the Central Nebr. Y.M. was presented by the clerk and ~~adopted by the Y.M.~~ on motion was laid on table. Whereas - The Central Nebr. Y.M. at their annual gathering in June, convened with the Sand Valley church, voted to disband with the recommendation that each Q.M. seek admissions to the Nebr. Y.M. And, Whereas - The said Q.M.'s, have not reported to this Y.M. asking for admissions.

Therefore - Be it resolved - That the matter be left with our Ex. Com. with the instruction that they be admitted at the discretion of the board and that the minutes be passed upon by said board and certificates issued by the clerk upon notification by the board.

Except the Kentville Co. Q.M. whose action is known to us, which shall be admitted and considered a part of the Y.M.

Report of Ex
Comm. Chairman

The chairman of Executive Comm. submitted his report covering time from Sept. 1st 1899 to Aug. 15, 1900.

The motion to adopt report amended and the recommendations taken up one by one. Report adopted as follows. —

To the members of the Executive Board. } —
And the delegates to the Yearly Meeting }
has gone into eternity with its successes and failures

Your chairman would respectfully submit his report for the last year feeling that the work on the whole is encouraging and hopeful. He is not ignorant of the fact that much more could have been accomplished if time and means were at his disposal.

In prosecuting the work he has written 250 letters and 35 cards. The note in the Morning Star and Free Baptist on Pastors Wanted brought some 40 replies. Nearly all were unknown and so were submitted to the Gen. Sec. — Bro. Ford. The larger part of them could not be used in our work. Some could have been secured if we had had a little means to help them onto the field.

Visit to Centerville

During Sept. your chairman visited Centerville church to aid them in securing a pastor. He visited all of the members thus securing a good attendance at the business meeting. It was voted to leave the securing of a pastor entirely in the hands of the chairman of the Board. That man for a pastor has not yet been found.
— Western Trip —

Geneva

Nov. 7-20.

Geneva. At Geneva I found the pastor Bro. Staple ill, not expected to recover. A goodly part of the members away so could have no business meeting.

Made settlement with the man holding the mortgage, paying \$130.00. Did some visiting with the remnant of those outlying points

Hastings I.M.

2. Attended the Hastings I.M. at Elm Island Preaching Friday Evening and Sat. Morning

Gospel Co.

3. The next day found me with the Homerville people where Bro. Hasty and the chairman ordained Bro. Noleott to the Gospel Ministry. This was out of the ordinary course being a request simply from a church. We respectfully ask this body to sanction the action.

Bro. Noleott was helped in seven nights meeting at Fairview; Result 1 reclaimed and 3 converted.

Preached at Smithfield and had a business meeting of the church, setting Bro. Noleott as pastor until such a time as a man might be secured who could give his whole time to that field.

Geneva

— Geneva Trip. —

Last Feb'y. was called to Geneva. Found the United Brethren holding a series of meetings in the church. They gave way to the chairman. Two meetings were held. Voted to extend

Bro. W. M. Patterson of Weeping Water a call to the pastorate. He has so far been unable to go but feels that the time is favorable now. (Since writing this he has been on the field)

Paid 2nd payment on Geneva mortgage \$26.50

— Keister Co. Trip. —

Gospel & Keister Co.

June 4th - 18th

June 6th held one meeting with Smithfield Church and the following day in company with Bro. Noleott visited the Central Achr. Y. M., by request, to assist in disbanding and consultations with reference to union with our Y. M.

A very profitable week was spent in the ~~Gasper~~
Result - The Central Y.M. disbandled with recom-
mendations to her D.M. to seek admissions into
the Rehr. Y.M.

The following week was spent in the Gasper
Co. D.M.

This closes up the years work having put in
40 days at a cost of \$18.17. collections paid
a little more than travelling expenses. Bal.
turned over to the Treasurer.

Aug. 3 sent Bal. \$2.67 to Geneva closing
up this mortgage, thus holding the mortgage
without interest.

Summary.

1. Loan from church extensions fund to Geneva	\$389.17
2. Number of churches visited	9.
3. Miles traveled by rail	1000
4. " " Buggy	350
5. No. Addresses & Sermons	30
6. " letters written	250.
7. Cards	35.

Recommendations!

1. That 25¢ per resident membership according to latest register reports be paid by each local church to be used -
 1. to aid weaker churches
 2. to plant new interests
 3. To help new pastors, when necessary, on to the [field]
2. That our pastors keep before our people the great opportunities ^{now} for work in this Western field.
3. That we become better supporters of our denominational publications
4. That as far as possible we adhere to Gen. Leon. work and recommendations
5. that the annual certificates be withheld from all ministers who fail to report to the Y.M. either in person or by letter.

6. That Pastors be required to report to the G. M. by written statement, No. of sermons preached, state of religion in the church, salary, and special meetings held with results.
7. That we heartily endorse the Western Workers Conf. as a move in the right direction.
- 8th That we endorse Rev. H. R. Murphy and wife as our missionaries, pledging to raise all we can towards their support.
- 9th That we heartily endorse the movements of Denominational rallies throughout the G. M. this coming fall, and that we will lend our presence and support.
10. That all funds for benevolence pass through the hands of our state treas.

John H. Wolfe. Chairman.

Moved By Bro. Deekard of Lincoln that the clerk prepare such report ^{of this meeting} as is best fitted to the needs of the churches, and report through the Free Baptist. and also report to churches such things and at such times as are needed.

Motion carried.

Bro. Deekard elected as member of program com. from G. M.

Report of com. on temperance adopted as follows:-

Whereas - our Denomination has always been opposed to human slavery and knowing that alcoholic drinks enslave not only the body but also the souls of men, slaying its thousands annually, sufficient to build a pyramid of human bones larger and taller than any Egyptian pyramid.

Therefore - Be it Resolved, - That we of the Belr. G. M. do most earnestly protest against its use as a beverage and also the sale of the same. And we do most solemnly

Member program
com. G. M.

Report Temp. com.

pledge ourselves not only to pray for its removal but also that we will not give our vote to any party whose platform does not contain a resolution or plank for its removal. And we to whom our government denies the right of suffrage do pledge ourselves to come low at the Masters feet with our prayers and means entreat the Father of all good to remove this great evil from our land.

Resolved 2nd That owing to the deleterious effects not only upon the physical and mental organization but upon the moral portions of the human system, also we the mothers of the Free Baptist Denomination do protest against the use of cigarettes and tobacco, knowing as we do the evil effects that are thereby entailed upon our children.

Resolved 3rd That it is the sense of this convention that ^{any} ~~only~~ candidates applying for license to preach such license should be refused if such candidate is addicted to the cigar, tobacco or liquor.

Com. { Mrs. M. A. Jenkins
Miss E. D. Harris.
Rev. J. S. Staples.

Auditor's report. Auditor of Treasurer's account reported as follows.

Your Auditor on Treas. Report find same all O.K.

J. J. Peck. Auditor.

Report of Treas. A. A. Taylor.
For the year beginning Aug 16, 1899.

		Dr.	
Aug. 16	By cash on hand	\$ 40	86.
19	" of B. F. Isaman	10	00
19	" of M. collection	10	38
Sept 2.	Q. M. collection (Grandview	3	25
21	L. M. Mrs. Mission society	7	05
22	Long Branch church for Education	3	00
Nov 20	Fairview church for State work	3	65
30	Long Branch church, state work	3	00
Dec 1	L. M. collection (Long Branch) State Work	7	00
1	Mrs. Mission Society Long Branch	5	56
17	Long Branch church Foreign Missions	11	09
1900			
Febr 25	Long Branch church Home Missions	10	00
25	Hastings L. M.	2	00
Mar. 20	L. M. collection (Lincoln)	2	90
June 25	Kempha River L. M.	6	87
25	Grandview church	4	95
25	Leuster ev. L. M.	7	21
25	Bethel church	1	66
25	Smithfield church	3	06
26	Fairview "		91
26	Homerville "	4	30
July 1	Long Branch "	5	56
23	" " L. E. Society	9	00
28	" " Mrs. Mission Society	2	02.
Aug 17	B. F. Isaman	10	00
1899	Return on Geneva Mortgage		80
	church Extensions Fund.		
Aug 16 th	By cash from sale of Aurora church	200	00
19	" " " " "	200	00
Jan 20	" " " " "	216	00
	Total amount received	\$ 792	55
	Balance in Treasury.	18	47.

Report of A. A. Faylor
For the year commencing Aug. 16 1899

		1899	1900
Aug 19	Paid for acknowledging deed		75
19	Note against Geneva Church (Dinsmore)	35	00
19	For clerk services	5	00
Sept 30	Paid to A. Givers on Geneva debt	300	00
30	Exchanges on the above		54
30	J. H. Wolfe on Geneva Mortgage	130	
Nov 20	Travelling Expenses J. H. Wolfe	3	65
Dec. 6	" " "	4	47
23	A. Givers Foreign Missions	11	09
Oct	" Education	3	00
Jan 20	J. H. Wolfe on Geneva Mortgage	226	50
Mar. 16	A. Givers For Missions	10	50
16	J. H. Wolfe Trip to Geneva	2	00
June 26	Expenses John H. Wolfe	6	90
July 31	John H. Wolfe on Geneva Mortgage	34	50
31	P.O. Money order		18
	Total amount paid out	774	08

Mission Com. report.

Mission Com's. Report adopted as follows

1. We rejoice in the success of our missionaries and accept the success as God's favor upon our work.
2. We recommend the zeal manifested by the young people in their support of Missionary work and hope that this zeal and interest will be multiplied until all of our churches will be actually actively engaged in carrying out the great commission given to the church by Christ. The Evangelization of the world
3. We recommend that all of our churches endorse the plan of Gen. Conf. in the appointment of a mission com.
4. We approve the sending of Bro. & Sister H. P. Murphy this fall and as a Y. M. we pledge ourselves to cooperate with Kansas & Missouri to raise as much as we can for their support.

Com.

Mrs J. Murphy.

Miss Dora Bentons.

- W. W. Dickard.

Pub. Com. report.

Com. on Publications reported as follows and report adopted.

As your Com. on Pub. submit the following

1. We believe our Publications, namely. Morning Star Free Baptist. S. S. Literature etc. to be secured to now.

2. We believe one or both of our papers should be in every ^{Free Baptist} home, and that all our S. S. should use our helps.

And Whereas. The Free Baptist paper has been secured to new subscribers until the 1st of Jan. 1908 for \$1.00

And, Whereas. The paper can be secured permanently for \$1.00 a year if 15.00 new subscribers can be found by Jan. 1st 1907.

Therefore your Com. recommends that an agent be appointed in each church to push the \$1.00

offer of the Free Baptist

E. H. Turner.

Com.

Mrs. M. M. Myers.

Thos. Peck.

The Com. on Ministers Credentials reported as follows.

Com. Ministers
Credentials
report

We your Com. would report the following ministers in good standing and entitled to certificate

Rev. H. E. Holcott

Rev. F. P. Tilton

Rev. J. S. Staples

O. E. Gregg.

Rev. J. S. Dinsmore

Rev. E. Root.

Rev. I. Stone

Rev. John H. Wolfe

Rev. Delia S. Wolfe

Rev. W. W. Deekard

Rev. E. S. Branch

Rev. Peter Lansing.

Rev. F. P. Taylor.

Rev. E. H. Turner.

Rev. O. S. Hasty

Rev. H. R. Murphy.

Com. { J. J. Murphy.
W. D. Myers.
Wm V. Wilcox.

Com. Relating
Resolutions

Chair appointed as Com. on closing resolutions. Rev. W. W. Deekard. Miss Dora Buntson and Sister Staples.

Com. on Necrology reported as follows and report adopted.

Necrology Com.
report.

We your Committee most respectfully report the death of our beloved brother Elder Joseph Parkyn who has passed from his field of labour on earth to rest in heaven. He was one of our pioneer workers, always faithful and loyal to his denomination.

Therefore. Be it Resolved that in the death of Father Parkyn we have lost a good and faithful servant of Christ.

Resolved - That we as a Y. M. express our earnest Sympathy to the aged widow and children and many friends who mourn his loss.

We also report the death of two of our deacons. Bro. F. D. Root of the Lincoln Church

and Bro. W^m S. Lippincott of the Elm Island Church who are missed very much.

Leon. E. Root.

O. S. Hasty.

Sisters W. D. Myers and M. Jenkins and Bro. Harry Moleatt were appointed to write letters of greeting to the brothers & sisters of Wash. also to the Bengal and Africa Y. M.

Sat. afternoon Aug. 18.

The resolution offered relative to the ^{Central} Afr. Y. M. was taken from the table and adopted.

Rev. J. H. Wolfe was elected as State Agent for Free Baptist to appoint L. M. agents and they to appoint agents in each church.

Closing Resolutions.

Closing resolutions adopted as follows.

Leon. on closing resolutions present the following.

- 1st We congratulate Bro. Tilton and the people of Elm Island upon the erection of this beautiful church building which will be a lasting monument to the consecration of pastor and people. We commend the earnest and sacrificing spirit of this people and trust that the same spirit will be manifest in the future of the church.
2. We wish to express our appreciation and approval of the faithful services of the chairman of our Y. M. Board and our Y. M. clerk.
3. It has been a source of gratification to note the earnestness and spirituality of all those present and we wish to recommend that this earnest spirit be manifest in all our lives during the coming year.
4. We were glad to have with us Bro. Ford and sister Lizzie Moody who helped so much to make the Y. M. a success.

and we wish in these closing resolutions to show our appreciation of their presence

8. Resolved - That we thank the people of Elm Island for the kind and generous hospitality extended to the visiting Bro's, and Sisters.

W. N. Deekard,

Leon. Dora Bentson,

Elly M. Staples,

conference adjourned. Sin a Die.

Rev. Harry E. Nolcott,
Clerk.