

Minutes of the 9th Annual Conference
 of the Southern Illinois yearly meeting
 of the Pres. Hill Baptist Church.
 Held at Rescue Church Sept. 12 - 16th, 1928
 Southern Illinois ministers
 Institute convened on Wednesday
 evening Sept. 12th, in regular session.
 opened by song service by Congregation.
 Followed by prayer by Rev. J. L.
 Franklin of the northern
 Baptist Church and Bro. Frank
 Jones of Bear Point Church and
 After another song the clerk
 took charge and Bro. H. M. Jones,
 not being present, Rev. H. P. Burton,
 was selected to preach the
 introductory sermon.
 Rev. H. P. Burton then delivered
 a very able address after
 the sermon the clerk called
 the conference to order and
 Rev. A. E. Buntin was selected
 moderator. Then after a short
 address by the moderator,
 the service was dismissed
 by with benediction by
 Bro. Robert Taylor.

Thursday Morning Sept. 13, 1928
 Most of the morning was
 spent in visiting. Then the
 meeting was called to
 order by the Moderator
 and after devotional service
 business was postponed
 until afternoon, because

there were so few ministers present. Then Rev. Charles R. Porter conducted a praise service. Then Rev. J. H. Hanson made a very fine address of welcome.

The moderator Rev. ^{A. R.} Buntin gave a response and in the absence of Rev. Ole Williams Rev. Chas. R. Porter was chosen to preach at 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Porter preached a very fine sermon using for his text Isaiah 35-7-9, then we came to dismissal for the noon hour.

2:00 P.M.

The service was called together by devotional service conducted by Rev. A. H. Clinton, in absence of Bro. Foster, and was followed by singing and prayer by Bro. Will Hodge and Rev. B. F. McNeely. The Clerk being absent Miss Irene Priar was elected as Clerk pro-tem.

The minutes then being read of the last year's ministers institute and accepted as read a motion was then made and carried that the moderator appoint a Committee on Ministers standing.

A motion was made and carried that we extend to Bro. Latmer, and Bro. Morris of Kansas a seat in fellowship with us through singing and an old fashioned handshake. Following was a prayer led by Rev. J. A. E. Buntin with sincerity for God's help to harmonize us in brotherly love.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn, ~~at 7:30 P.M.~~
Being dismissed with prayer by Bro. Latmer.

Thursday 7:30 P.M.

The early meeting convened, by song and prayer by Rev. Carter and Haydon.

Introductional sermon was wonderfully delivered by Rev. P. H. M. G. Nelly, reading for his text Psalms 120 & 130, and followed by singing.

Business session followed in which Bro. Chas. R. Carter was elected as moderator.

The Egyptian Quartette then entertained the mass congregation with several selected hymns and was then dismissed by Bro. Latmer.

2:00 P.M. Friday

Service opened by singing and
dedication of service. Led by
Rev. Jarvis Bennett, followed
with prayer by Rev. Buntin.
A Committee was then appointed
by ministers standing.
Committee: } H. E. Bolet
 } A. E. Odle
 } Chas. Shaw.

The business was put
before the body and Bro.
Latimer presented to us an
offering of cooperating in the
move to form an orphanage
a school, and if possible
a paper, after this presentation
a reading of the Bylaws
and Constitution was carefully
listened to. Time was given
for open discussion.
Motion was then made to
adjourn, and we were
led to dismissal by Rev.
J. W. Allen.

7:30 P.M. services opened
by singing and prayer by
Rev. J. H. Dawson, followed by a
praise service led by Rev.
N. V. Smith. The sermon
was then brought to us
by Rev. Latimer of Kansas
choosing for his text 1st
Cor. 6-20. in which the life of

Christ was shown to us in a very impressive way. Following the sermon we were dismissed by Bro. H. T. Lawson.

Saturday 8:30 A.M.
Service opened by singing and prayer by Rev. Bro. John Conner. Devotional services were led by Rev. Jarvis Bennett.

We then had the reading of the constitution of the Interstate Conference, which was carefully listened to and the articles discussed.

A motion was made that we accept the offering of the Kansas and Nebraska Movement, in which provisions are for an orphanage, an issuance of paper and home for unprovided ministers. Vote was taken and motion lost.

Rev. Burton then spoke for a short time on the subject of the Sunday School, its value, and its needs.

11 A.M. Simon was delivered to us by Rev. Chas. R. Foster using for his text John 11-49, in which the Lord greatly blessed us. They were then dismissed by Rev. Latimer.
2 P.M. Service opened by song

Followed by prayer, by Rev. H. R. Spurlock.

Ministers Reports were made and Accepted.

Rev. C. A. M. B. B. delivered a very helpful Address.

Report from Committee on Ministerial Standing was read but rejected and a new Committee appointed, consisting of: H. R. Spurlock, Robert Taylor, Chas. Hittings.

This Committee makes report and report Accepted.

The motion was made for the election of officers, Rev. C. A. Curry was selected Yearly Meeting Clerk.

"Rev. H. M. Jones" was selected as treasurer.

"H. R. Spurlock" was duly elected for Trustees.

Clerks report made, report as follows:

Last report Cash on hand \$32.33

Collected this Year from

Mt. Zion Church

\$6.00

Alexander Church

\$6.00

Pittsburgh Church

\$2.00

Union Grove Church

(18) 4.00

Total

57.33

Paid off for stationery

\$3.10

for program

4.00

Making \$10.00 total paid out.

leaving a balance on hand \$44.23
 Report accepted, motion
 made and Carried that an
 order be drawn on the
 treasurer, for clerks hire.
 Motion was made and
 Carried that we stand adjourned
 until the evening session.
 The meeting in dismission
 by Rev. J. R. Spurlack.

7:30 P.M. Service opened by
 singing and prayer by Rev.
 Seda Marshall. The Stockwell
 Quartet then favored us
 with a wonderful selection.
 Following was the resolution
 drawn up by the Committee:
 "Whereas the liquor traffic
 is and has been a wonderful
 factor in the hands of Satan
 to ruin the homes, wreck the
 lives morally and physically of the
 human family and to damn
 their souls and whereas the
 church of God has always and
 does stand against this
 terrible curse and whereas
 the U.S. of America have embodied
 in their Constitution the 18th
 amendment as a prohibition law
 therefore be it resolved that
 we the Southern W. M. of the
 Free Will Baptist now in

session at Rescue Church
 do desire to go on record at
 this time as standing face square
 for the enforcement of the 18th
 Amendment and no modification
 of the same. Be it further
 resolved, we request of each
 voting member of our body both
 ministers & laymen shall cast
 their ballot for none other in
 the coming election than those
 that have declared themselves
 to the enforcement of the 18th
 Amendment the "Volstead Act"
 and to the protection of protestant
 religion of the religion of our
 fathers. Be it further resolved
 that a copy of these resolutions
 be spread upon the record
 of our yearly meeting and printed
 in three leading newspapers.
 Committee { G. E. Bunting
 { C. A. M. B. B. B.

Since it was impossible for
 the Clerk to be present the
 entire time a motion was
 made and Carried that our
 sincere thanks of appreciation
 be extended to our sister
 who gave us her time and
 work to this mission,
 and a fee of 2⁰⁰ was voted
 to be given to her for her

effort after which a motion was made for adjournment until the next yearly session. Following was a selection from the White Ash Quartette. Following this was a sermon by Rev. C. A. Curry, using for text Joshua 11-17, and Galatians 6-7.

Sunday 9:30, Sept 16, 1928
 Opened by song by Congregation.
 Prayer by Rev. G. E. L. Curry.
 Prayer service led by Rev. G. R. Spudlock, in which more than 100 persons took part. After the praise service we were favored by a song by the Stockwell Quartette. Rev. A. E. Buntin then read Hebrew VI for Scripture lesson. Favored with another song from the Stockwell Quartette. Then Rev. A. E. Buntin, preached his subject and they stood every man in his place. After the sermon we had another song by the Quartette. After which we taken the Lords supper, sang a song and went out.

3:00 P.M. Song service,

prayer by Sister Cook,
memorial sermon preached
by Rev. A. V. Clinton. After
which we were brought
to dismissal, feeling that
it was one of the best
yearly meetings that was
our privilege to enjoy.