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STANDING COMMITTEES

Denominational Objectives:

Rev. D. T. Grey, Lansing
 Mrs. H. H. Allen, Owosso
 Rev. Fred Hague, Okemos
 Rev. J. H. Balfour, Lansing
 Rev. A. M. Bailey, Durand

Ordination:

Rev. C. W. Kemper, Lansing
 Rev. E. D. Wright, Byron
 Rev. H. W. Ambrose, Williamston
Preacher of Annual Sermon Rev. H. W. Ambrose
Alternate Rev. F. D. Hague

Place of Next Meeting—Owosso.

Time of Next Meeting—October 3 and 4, 1923.

MINUTES

Tuesday Morning

The eighty-seventh annual meeting of the Shiawassee Baptist Association was held with the Okemos Baptist Church, October 3 and 4, 1922. The Rev. F. D. Hague called the meeting to order at 10 a. m., and conducted a praise service.

It was moved and carried that Mrs. Kate Moon act as clerk pro tem.

Devotions were led by Rev. F. L. Currey, on Prayer for Divine Guidance. This was followed by the reading of the letters from the Churches.

It was moved and carried that requests from St. Johns, Laingsburg, and Grand Ledge to discontinue membership with the Shiawassee Association be tabled for one year, and, that the associational clerk communicate with these churches and express the hope that before that time they may see their way clear to withdraw their request. Letters to be sent to pastor and clerk of these churches.

It was moved and carried that the Chesaning and German Baptist churches be granted their request for membership in the Association, and that the hand of fellowship be extended them by the Moderator at the close of the session.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following committees—Nomination; Revs. G. S. Northrop, George T. Curtis, and Mr. L. A. Underwood. Resolutions; Revs. E. D. Wright, Roy Brown, and H. W. Ambrose.

The new pastors were introduced and welcomed by the Rev. F. L. Currey. After prayer adjournment was taken for dinner.

Tuesday Afternoon

The Rev. F. L. Currey conducted a very helpful devotional service. Subject, "The Prayer of Transfiguration."

Director Morgan Williams gave an interesting address on "Evangelism Through the Sunday School."

The Nominating Committee submitted their report and the same was adopted as indicated in the directory.

The newly elected Moderator, Mr. M. Mixter, took the chair and announced the appointment of the following committees:

Place and Preacher; Revs. W. C. Roof, Geo. W. Broome, and F. D. Hague.

Obituary: Revs. Clarence Kemper, D. T. Grey, G. S. Northrop, and C. H. Innis.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Pastor Clarence Kemper of Lansing. The topic, "Marks of Companionship with the Master," was truly a message of inspiration and good cheer to all present.

Address by Director G. Lawrence on "Playing Fair with God." There was a very helpful discussion following.

This interesting afternoon was closed by singing, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and prayer by Rev. F. D. Hague.

Tuesday Evening

The Rev. F. D. Hague led in the praise service which was sunshiny and uplifting.

Devotions were led by Rev. Frank L. Currey. The topic being "The Prayer of Surrender."

The male quartette of the Okemos Church sang, "Don't Forget Jesus."

Rev. Frank Bachelor representing Kalamazoo College gave a very interesting and profitable address.

Address by Director G. M. Hudson was very timely and profitable, and was well received by all present.

Closing prayer by Rev. Geo. H. Hudson.

Wednesday Morning

Song and prayer service was conducted by Rev. F. D. Hague.

Rev. F. L. Currey gave his devotional talk on "The Prayer of Consecration."

Round Table of Evangelism. Opened up by E. D. Wright, D. T. Grey, and W. C. Roof.

Address by Director F. L. Currey on "The Simultaneous Campaign in Preparation."

Song, "Rescue the Perishing."

Address by Rev. A. M. Bailey. "Personal Responsibility in Evangelism."

The closing prayer was given by Rev. F. L. Currey.

Wednesday Afternoon

Rev. D. T. Grey conducted the praise and prayer service. Devotions, F. L. Currey. "The Prayer of Consecration."

The Moderator announced the appointment of the Standing Committees. (See Directory).

The Obituary Committee submitted the following report:

Another year has gone and with it a group of our brothers and sisters whom we have loved and lost awhile. Reports from our churches indicate that 36 of our members have gone from us. We pause to reflect with gratitude to Almighty God for the years of faithful service these brothers and sisters have rendered in our churches. What we are today has depended upon the faithful lives they lived among us.

They have passed the torch to us. We pray to hold it high
for God and His truth.

Signed,

Clarence Kemper, Chairman.
C. H. Innis,
D. T. Grey,
G. S. Northrop,

Following is a list of the deceased:

CHURCH	NAME	DATE	AGE
Byron.....	Mrs. H. L. Bishop.....	Jan. 11, 1922	82
	Mr. E. P. Lord.....	April 12, 1922	75
	Dr. William Harper		83
Elsie.....	James Manley.....	Jan. 28, 1922	75
	James Scott.....	March 3, 1922	92
	Mrs. Jennie Chase.....	April 7, 1922	84
	Mrs. Colman		
Antrim.....	Moses W. Fuller.....	Jan. 15, 1922	71
Haslett.....	Harland Towner.....	Aug. 1922	85
	Gilbert Smith.....	Sept. 1922	78
Lansing First.....	Ernest C. Hanes.....	June, 1921	
	Mrs. Maria Sanford.....	June, 1921	
	Henrietta Brown	June, 1921	
	Mrs. G. Mary Worden.....	Summer of 1921	
	Alice Underhill.....	Sept. 1921	
	Miss Minnie Habel.....	Jan. 1922	
	Mrs. Addie Edwards.....	Jan. 1922	
	Mrs. M. F. Chafey	June 1922	
	Deacon James Rork.....	June 1922	
	Mrs. Elizabeth Whitman.....	July 1922	
	Mrs. H. J. Holbrook.....	August 1922	
	Miss Addie Hoff		
Lansing North.....	Mrs. M. Kennedy	June 22, 1922	
Okemos.....	Mrs. Catherine Cook.....	May 29, 1922	89
Ovid.....	Lullavene Clingenpeel.....	Aug. 10, 1921	
	Mrs. F. M. Bailey.....	Jan. 12, 1922	
	Mrs. Vinton Walworth.....	Feb. 7, 1922	
	Chas. Scudder		
	A. H. Johnson		
Owosso.....	Wm. A. Losey.....	July 17, 1922	
	Mrs. T. J. Tubbs.....	April 7, 1922	65
	Ed. Titus	May 13, 1922	60
	Mrs. C. N. Rummell.....	May 23, 1922	70
Perry.....	Mrs. L. H. Leland.....	Feb. 26, 1922	85
	Mrs. Elizabeth Lamb.....	Sept. 8, 1922	84
St. Johns.....	Mrs. Alzina Sibley.....	May 15, 1922	
Vernon.....	Mrs. Marzetta Huff.....	Aug. 4, 1922	83

Memorial prayer was offered by Rev. G. S. Northrop.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted as follows:

Resolved; That we express our appreciation, gratitude and love unto Him, the Lord Jesus Christ who has called us by His grace, into the fellowship and service of His kingdom, and has so signally manifested His presence with us in the past year.

Resolved; That we again express our appreciation of the rich heritage that is ours as Baptists, and that we pledge our loyalty to the historic principles of Baptist faith, and strive to make our Denomination today in spiritual unity and efficiency, the worthy succession of all our great historic past.

Resolved; That as an association we co-operate with our State Director of Evangelism, and give ourselves in earnest prayer for a deeper and more passionate spirit of Evangelism in our Churches, and more aggressive efforts in soul winning.

Resolved; That we as an association co-operate and give our support to every effort for the enforcement of the 18th Amendment, and law and order, and recommend that the best support be given our General Director in his candidacy for Congressman of the 6th District.

Resolved; That whereas there have arisen differences in thought, methods, and interpretation of the Scriptures, among the Churches of the Association, resulting in the withdrawal of four Churches from the fellowship of the Association, and the formation of a new Association known as the Berean Baptist Association. That we express to these Churches our sincere regret for the occasion for any such action. That we all strive in the spirit of meekness and love for their restoration and the removal from our midst of every element of discord. And that in the spirit of true Christian charity, we strive to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace.

Resolved; That we express by a vote of thanks our appreciation of the hospitality and entertainment received by us from the entertaining Church and its Pastor for the unsparing service they have given to make us welcome and comfortable, also that we express our thanks and appreciation of all who have had a part in the program, and that we manifest the same by our loyal response to their earnest appeals.

Signed, H. W. Ambrose.

The Committee on Place and Preacher recommended that the invitation from the Owosso Church to meet with them next year be accepted, and that Rev. H. W. Ambrose of Williamston, be the preacher of the annual sermon, and Rev. F. D. Hague of Okemos be alternate. Motion carried that report be adopted.

WOMEN'S SESSION

Mrs. H. H. Allen of Owosso called the meeting to order. Report of the following Committees:

1. Reading Contest: Mrs. Smith Young said there would be no report at this time.

2. Extension Department: Mrs. Northrop reported, and said this was a new department organized for the purpose of getting new members. She requested each society to take up the work individually, and work it out in their own Church.

3. White Cross: Mrs. Lord of Owosso gave the report. Mrs. Allen urged everyone to send report of White Cross work so they might have the credit they deserve. Mrs. Smith Young told of the splendid work done in Lansing in this work.

Minutes of the executive business meeting held in July were read. The amendments which were suggested in the minutes at the July meeting were voted upon favorably.

The President appointed the following Committee on Nominations: Mrs. Fred Smith, Mrs. E. M. Hunt, and Mrs. Smith Young all of Lansing.

Mrs. Griswold gave a talk on W. W. G. work. She added that she had been disappointed in no more organizations being formed.

Mrs. Pattengill explained the plans of the Continuation Fund and also told of her trip to Lake Geneva, and the conference there.

Miss Brimson gave a very interesting and profitable talk on Christian Americanization.

Mrs. Ludwig of Lansing spoke on Evangelism, followed by a consecration hymn sung by Rev. D. T. Grey.

The meeting was adjourned to continue the Associational program.

Signed by Mrs. C. T. Rideout
Sec. and Treas.

Solo, "Just for Today" was beautifully sung by Mrs. Ethel Lew of Okemos.

Address by G. C. Collett of Bengal-Orissa Mission, India. This was a most interesting account of the work, which was enjoyed by all present.

A motion was carried that a committee be appointed to examine the Church letters, to give to the Association the real status of the work done during the year. The Moderator then appointed the following committee: Revs. D. T. Grey, Harvey Waite, and F. D. Hague.

The afternoon session was brought to a close by prayer by Rev. Harvey Waite, of Owosso.

Wednesday Evening

The evening service was opened by an enthusiastic song-service directed by Rev. F. D. Hague. The Ladies' Quartette of the Okemos Church gave us a beautiful selection, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Devotions led by Rev. F. L. Currey, subject for the evening, "The Prayer of Trust."

A very fitting climax to this Associational gathering was the address given us by Rev. Harvey Waite of Owosso. It was a masterly as well as a deeply spiritual address.

The registration clerk reported a total enrollment of 163 delegates and visitors, this being 48 more than last year.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

Antrim—Year of prosperity with conversions and baptisms.

Bath—In answer to prayer God has sent Brother Lloyd Green to be their pastor. Outlook hopeful.

Byron—In the midst of discouragement, God came and blessed us with a gracious revival, for which we thank Him.

Chesaning—The outlook for this church is very bright. (We welcomed this church to our Association and pray God's richest blessing on their labors.)

Corunna—Year of prosperity. Four baptisms and eleven by letter were added to the Church.

De Witt—Outlook bright. Re-decorated and re-finished both our kitchen and church building. Celebrated our Pastor's 40th anniversary in the ministry.

Durand—Church building re-decorated. New floors and windows added. Thirty-five baptisms during the year.

Elsie—Our church has many dear friends and the Lord is blessing our labors. Outlook encouraging.

Fowlerville—Interest along all lines of activities. Has been a year of blessing.

Haslett—Church building repaired. Brother F. L. Currey held special meetings with us in April.

Lansing, First—Have spent some \$1100 on much needed repair to buildings. Revived interest in the prayer meetings. Committee on Church House plans will soon have plans and program for one of the best equipments in the State of Michigan. The Lord is blessing us.

Lansing, North—Has been a successful year with the Ladies' Aid Society, Boy Scout Troops, Americanization Work, and the Baraca and Phileta Classes. Express gratitude to the First Church and the State Convention, for their valued support and advice.

Lansing, Olivet—Steady growth in the various departments of the church. Much interest manifested in our preaching services. As a result of special meetings many were added to the church. S. S. and B. Y. P. U. are in prosperous condition.

Lansing, German-American—Reviewing the past year's experiences, we must confess, that the Lord has been good to us. Brethren, pray for us.

Okemos—Have progressed both spiritually and financially. S. S. and B. Y. P. U. in excellent working condition. Have repaired church building, and also parsonage. We express our gratitude to God.

Ovid—Through evangelistic services twenty-eight were added to the church. S. S. and B. Y. P. U. are good. Looking forward to a successful year's work.

Owosso—Have much to be thankful for. Fifty additions to the church by baptism. Church building newly decorated, and new carpet in auditorium. Looking forward to a deeper spiritual life in our church membership.

Perry—Express our abiding confidence in the protecting care of the Heavenly Father. Ladies' Aid Society and S. S. are doing a splendid work.

Vernon—Hoping that we may see more work done in all departments of the church this year.

Williamston—Church has made progress. Church edifice has been newly decorated. S. S. progressing. Pray for a deeper spiritual work among us.

SHIAWASSEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL

B. Y. P. U. or C. E.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT AND P. O. ADDRESS		Officers and Teachers		Scholars	Total Members	Average Attendance	Baptism	Home Department	Cradle Roll	Leaders Training Course	Number of Points in Standard of Excellence	PRESIDENT AND P. O. ADDRESS		Active Members	Associate Members	Percentage in Standard of Ex.	Members in Junior	The "Baptist"	Mission	"The Mich. Baptist"	
	PRESIDENT AND P. O. ADDRESS																					
Antrim.....	Floyd Rix, Perry.....		12	40	52	40	2						Wilbur Lewis, Byron.....									
Bath.....	Mrs. Dalton, Bath.....		6	30	36	20																
Bengal Riley	William Dyes, Bancroft.....		8	42	50	37	4													2		
Byron.....	Fred Kerby, Chesaning.....		7	50	57	35	1															
Chesaning	Genn Haggerty, Corunna.....		13	130	143	70	1			22										6		
Corunna.....	H. E. Hurd.....		13	70	83	30		20	11			10								5	5	
De Witt.....	Dr. F. L. Parsons, Durand.....		18	132	150	85	25	10	62				Benjamin Gilmore.....		14	14		20		2	6	
Durand.....	L. L. Bennett, Elsie.....		12	150	162	58			10													
Elsie.....	S. W. Thompson.....		13	120	133	60	4		20					Helen Cook.....						3	1	4
Fowlerville.....																						
Grand Ledger																						
Haslett.....	Walter Buxton, E. Lansing		10	80	90	50								Lester Smith, Haslett.....		63		50				
Lansing, First	Richard Hudson.....		43	500	543	350								Lee Vaughan.....								
Laingsburg.....																						
Lansing, First	P. T. Haley, Okemos.....		15	175	190	75	6	30	25					Gladys Gubbins, Okemos.....		27	4			2	3	
Lan. Ger.-Am.	Edward Bromage.....		22	138	150	90								Arthur Bailey, Ovid, R. 3.....		25	9		30		15	
Okemos.....	S. J. Hicks, Owosso.....		36	398	434	221	37		50					N. J. Raymond.....								
Ovid.....	George T. Curtis.....		10	65	75	55			9													
Owosso.....	Mrs. G. Rose, Bath.....		6	36	42	20														1	1	
Perry.....																						
Rose.....																						
St. Johns.....	Fred Miller.....		9	40	49	35	17															
Vernon.....	Miss Margaret Pierce.....		12	145	157	85	1		35					Nina Monroe.....		70				4	5	
Williamston.....																						
Mission Churches																						
Lansing, North.....	Mrs. J. F. McLean.....		20	200	220	150	2							Mrs. Noe.....		15	30		25			
Lansing, Olivet.....	Mrs. Roy Dickenson.....		28	200	228	175	9	35	175	15	100	100	Leora Fitzpatrick.....		20	10		25		4	11	

SHIAWASSEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES AND YEAR OF ORGANIZATION	PASTOR'S NAME AND YEAR OF SETTLEMENT	CHURCH CLERKS	Value of Houses of Worship	Debt	Value of Parsonages	MEMBERSHIP										FINANCES				
						GAINS					LOSSES					Total Home Expense	Improvements	Total Home Expense and Benevolence		
						By Baptism	By Letter	Experience or Restoration	By Letter	Exclusion or Erasure	Death	Total Present Membership	Current Expense	Missions	Other Benevolence					
																			Debt	By Baptism
Antrim	'47 Roy Brown	1915 Ernest Walter, Bancroft	1500	500		2	1	1	1	3	1	1	42	490	500	990	125	32	1147	
Bath	'68 Lloyd Green	1922 Mrs. F. Dalton, Bath	1500		1200								14	2	1	3	1		4	
Bengal Riley	'59																			
Byron	'66 E. D. Wright	1920 Minnie C. Bishop, Byron	3000		3500	5	3	1	1	1	3		68	615	348	958	390	27	1875	
Chesaning	'22 Geo. W. Froome	1922 Mrs. Almada Cook	4000		1500	1	10	12				23	92						92	
Corunna	'51 W. C. Roof	Glenn Hagerty, Corunna	10000			4	11	1	5			79	1903	152	2055	250			2305	
De Witt	'40 G. S. Northrop	1919 Mrs. C. L. Hurd, Lansing, S	4000			3			1		1	60	700	15	715	203			918	
Durand	'85 A. M. Bailey	1918 Mrs. W. T. Beckwith, Durand	4000	200		35	5	7	3	1		114	1470	300	1770	253			2023	
Elsie	'51 L. A. Fisher	1920 Carrie Blunt, Elsie	4000	86	2500	3	1	5			4	45	792	132	924	41	50		883	
Fowlerville	'69 W. C. Roof	1919 Mabel Mann	15000	2600	2800	4	4		1			104	2256	3277	5533	65	64		5662	
Grand Ledge	'71																			
Haslett	'92 Fred Hague	1918 Mable Buxton, E. Lansing	3000								2	51	920	306	1226	84			1311	
Lansingburg	'64																			
Lansing, First	'51 Clarence W. Kemper	1919 Mrs. Julia Whipple	100000	125000	10000	18		48				1299	15420	2000	17420	13323	405		31148	
Lan. Ger.-Am.		A. Ziby, Lansing										64	836			836	257		1093	
Okemos	'67 F. D. Hague	1918 Edna M. Andrews, Mason	5500	100	3000	75	6	6			1	90	1172	1625	2797	90	87		5771	
Ovid	'64 C. H. Innis	1922 Dean S. Tucker, Ovid	9000		2500	25	4	4	18		6	182	2466		2466	1407			3873	
Owosso	'56 Harvey A. Waite	1915 L. O. Underwood	50000		5000	50	12	3	17		4	553	5211	1389	6600	2315	376		9291	
Perry	'38 George T. Curtis	1920 Mrs. Jennie Hammond	5000		2000		2		2	5	1	59	1341	224	1585	73			1638	
Rose	'71 Lloyd Green	1922 Leon Mitchell, Bath	1700									44	328		328				828	
St. Johns	'52																			
Vernon	'45 W. H. Huey	Blanche Disbrow, Vernon	2000		2200	18	2		5		1	61	1449		1449	296			1545	
Williamston	'41 H. W. Ambrose	1921 E. S. Andrews	4000		1200	1	9	2	6			87	1867	598	2485	448	35		2999	
Mission Churches																				
Lansing, North	'14 J. H. Balfour	1921 Mrs. Inez Trumble	5000	2500		2	3		2		1	152	2838	75	2913	271	25		3209	
Lansing, Olivet		Donald T. Grey	2500	1400		15	23	1		2		125	2800		2800	1245	76		4122	