MINUTES
OF THE
THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE
Pilgrim Holiness
Church
Idaho-Washington District
1945
OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
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Stuart, Mrs. J. W.....................................The Dalles, Ore.
Webster, Mrs. Opal....................................Caldwell, Idaho

LAY DELEGATES

Benton City, Wash....................................Devere DeField
Clarkston, Wash........................................Ralph Bond
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho..............................Mrs. Elsie Brown
Daisy, Wash..........................................Mrs. C. R. Bennett
Garfield, Wash........................................Mrs. Paul Idler
Grandview, Wash..................................Mrs. Jennie Post
Hermiston, Ore.......................................Mrs. Stanley Weber
Kamiah, Idaho.......................................Mrs. Frances Swinney
Kennewick, Wash................................Mrs. G. M. Pratt
McGuire's, Idaho.................................Mrs. Donald Goss
Spirit Lake, Idaho................................Mrs. Lois Powell
Spokane, Wash........................................Mrs. J. W. Partridge
Weippe, Idaho........................................Mrs. Orbie Wells
Wenatchee, Wash.................................Mrs. Winifred Witt
Yakima, Wash.........................................Mrs. Dyer
CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

The thirty-first annual conference of the Idaho-Washington district of the Pilgrim Holiness Church convened in the Camp Meeting Tabernacle at Clarkston, Wash., July 13, 1945.


Brother Surbrook suggested that we ask the attorney to draft an amendment to the first Corinthians, commenting thereon to the edification of all.

The meeting was called to order and the roll was called with thirty-six ministers and delegates responding. The Yakima church was presented and was received into the Conference. The delegate was seated.

It was voted that the Conference bar include the first four front seats and the platform of the tabernacle.

The Conference voted that the time of sittings be 9:00 to 11:30 a.m., and 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The schedule for the Camp Meeting was read by Rev. Stanley Weber.

Rev. Himmelright presented the matter of the disposal of the north end of the district property. The Conference voted to dispose of the two and one-half acres comprising the north end of the district property.

Brother Surbrook suggested that we ask the attorney to draft an amendment to the charter giving the council authority to sell property between Conferences. A motion prevailed that the Superintendent see the attorney and get this completed.

It was voted that the Resolution Committee act as the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference.

It was voted to recess. Rev. S. M. Stikeleather, General Secretary, pronounced the benediction.

SECOND SITTING

The second sitting opened with singing the song, “He’ll Take You Through.” The Conference was led in prayer by Brother Himmelright. Brother Steelhead was asked to sing a special song, which he did to the edification of all.

Brother Surbrook read a scripture lesson from the fourth chapter of first Timothy. He addressed the Conference, using for a subject, “Some Watchful Warnings for Ministerial Workers.”

The District Superintendent, by motion of the Conference, appointed W. J. Webster and J. W. Stuart on the Reception Committee.

The Conference voted to take a ten-minute recess.

We were called to order by the chair and were led in prayer by Rev. W. J. Webster.

The District Superintendent read his report which was received. The statistician read his report and it was received.

The Resolution Committee presented an amendment to Resolution No. 9 so as to read, “Resolved, that all parent members of the Pilgrim Holiness Church refrain from cutting their girls’ hair, and to dress them modestly.” This amendment was lost.
Resolution No. 12 was presented with an amendment. A motion prevailed that the resolution be referred to the Committee for redrafting.

Resolution No. 13 was amended to read, "Resolved, that our churches give our district superintendent a cash offering, besides the regular offering for his travel expense, when he comes for the quarterly meeting."

Resolution No. 21 was recommended by the Committee to be deleted from the minutes. The recommendation was lost and a motion prevailed to refer the resolution to the Committee for redrafting.

The Committee recommended that we delete Resolution No. 28 from the minutes. This motion was lost and it was voted to add the words, "and telephone numbers" following the word "addresses" in the resolution.

The Committee recommended that we delete from the minutes Resolution No. 22 which reads as follows: "Resolved that each pastor read our District Conference resolutions to his church as soon as the minutes are available." The recommendation was passed by the Conference.

The Reception Committee presented to the Conference Rev. and Mrs. Orval C. Keller, Rev. Omar Fenton and Rev. and Mrs. Floyd Morgan of the Pacific Northwest District; Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Shoemaker of the California District; and Rev. Allen Harman of the Kansas District.

The Ways and Means Committee reported as follows: That Resolution No. 2 be amended to read, "Resolved, that each church take a missionary offering each month during the year, alternating equally between Home and Foreign Missions." This amendment was passed.

That the remunerations of the District Secretary and Treasurer in Resolution No. 8 be changed to $15.00 and $30.00 respectively. This amendment was also passed.

A motion prevailed that the Superintendent appoint a temporary chairman of the Educational and Examining Board. R. V. Steelhead was named.

The Committee on Memorials to the General Conference presented the following memorial which was passed: Resolved, that all newly organized churches have their district and general budget apportioned as follows: 1st year have their budget exempted; 2nd year pay one-third of their budget; 3rd year pay two-thirds of their budget; 4th year pay their budget in full.

It was voted to proceed with the election of officers. The following were elected: District Superintendent, E. R. Himmelright; Assistant Superintendent, E. E. Storm; Secretary, L. J. Laubaugh; Treasurer, G. M. Pratt. Ballots were cast for the members of the Advisory Council but the Conference adjourned before the votes were counted.

THIRD SITTING

The third sitting opened with singing the songs, "Standing on the Promise" and "Yes, I know," led by Donald Goss. The Conference was led in prayer by Rev. C. E. Dietz.

Brother Surbrook read the scripture lesson from the third and fourth chapters of second Timothy after which he called on Brother Steelhead to sing a special song. As Brother Steelhead sang the song, "The Highway of Holiness," God came in a very gracious way and blessed the hearts of the saints as evidenced by shouts and tears on every side.

Brother Surbrook then addressed the Conference completing the message of the previous sitting.
By common consent the roll call was dispensed.

The Secretary reported the vote taken in the previous sitting for the Advisory Council. Rev. C. R. Bennett was elected. It was voted to vote on the four highest for the two remaining members. D. L. Goss and R. V. Steelhead were elected.

A motion prevailed that the Council submit to the Conference three names for the lay delegate to the General Conference, the delegate and alternates be in the order of their vote.

A motion prevailed that the Council submit to the Conference at least seven names for the Educational and Examining Board. It was voted that we use the majority vote and the one receiving the highest number of votes be elected for five years and the next for four years and so on.

The Conference was adjourned with benediction by Brother Steelhead.

FOURTH SITTING

The fourth sitting opened with singing, "Take the Name of Jesus With You," led by Brother Steelhead. We were led in prayer by Brother Pratt.

Brother Surbrook read for a scripture lesson the 25th chapter of Matthew.

We were favored with a special song by a girls' trio from Vancouver, Wash.

The Conference proceeded to complete the election of officers. Ballots were cast for members of the Educational and Examining Board. It was voted that the Conference proceed with business while the ballots were being counted.

A list of names was read of those who were eligible for delegates to the General Conference. Motions prevailed to have four alternate delegates and to place two names on the ballot.

The Secretary declared the election of the Educational and Examining Board as follows: J. W. Stuart, C. R. Bennett, G. M. Pratt, L. J. Laubaugh, R. V. Steelhead.

The Secretary reported the result of the voting for the General Conference delegate. There was no election. It was voted to elect two out of the four highest. J. W. Stuart and R. V. Steelhead were elected with C. E. Young and C. E. Dietz as alternates.

The Council submitted as lay members for the General Conference Ralph Bond, Maude Bailey and Mrs. Laubaugh. Ralph Bond was elected as delegate with Mrs. Laubaugh as first alternate and Maude Bailey as second alternate.

Rev. Omar Fenton, Rev. F. L. Shoemaker, Rev. and Mrs. O. C. Keller and Allen Harman were presented and received into the Conference.

The Educational and Examining Board presented the following report which was approved:

We recommend that J. W. Murphy be granted first year license; that D. L. Goss be retained in first year; W. H. Harman be advanced to second year; that Florence Kenney and Paul Idler be retained in second year; that Rex Witt be advanced to third year; and that Mrs. H. D. Nettleton, F. L. Shoemaker, and Omar Fenton be ordained by this Conference.

The Council presented as nominations for the Home Missionary Committee the present one and it was voted by acclamation to reelect the existing committee.
The Committee on Memorials to the General Conference presented two memorials as follows: Resolved, that we recommend active ministers be elected as members of the district council; Resolved, that no pastor or church shall call an evangelist without the consent of the District Superintendent. These were voted on and the first one was lost. The second one was passed.

The Resolution Committee presented resolution No. 12 as being recommended by the committee and it passed.

The Committee recommended that Resolution No. 21 be deleted from the minutes and this recommendation was lost.

The Committee presented a resolution that the Camp Registrar receive ten dollars for his services. This was amended that it should start this present Camp. This was passed by the Conference.

A resolution was presented and passed which expressed our appreciation to Brothers Surbrook, Stikeleather and Drown for their services in the Camp and Conference.

A motion prevailed that the ordination service be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday.

The Committee on Memorials to the General Conference presented the following memorial: In view of the trend of our national administration to advocate certain undemocratic methods, one of which is the proposed plan to conscript our young men for peace-time military training, since this is entirely undemocratic, based upon a principle that would destroy our youth initiative; Be it therefore resolved, that our General Church support a move to prevent peace-time conscription for military training. This memorial was passed by the Conference.

The Auditors' report was presented and received. The Treasurer presented his report and it was received.

A motion prevailed that the Superintendent appoint a committee on memoirs. Mrs. Webster and Mrs. Laubaugh were appointed.

The Superintendent appointed the standing committees and these were accepted by the Conference.

It was voted to give Brother Himmelright a rising vote of thanks for his labors on the district.

It was voted that the Council read and approve the minutes of the last sitting of the Conference.

The Conference was adjourned with the singing of the Doxology and benediction by Brother Surbrook.
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the District Conference of the Idaho-Washington District: Greetings.

Another year has passed into history. There have been many problems but God has been very gracious to us. Our churches have gone through a year facing situations such as we have never faced before, but the Lord has helped us and been gracious to us.

Our district has made some progress spiritually and we have not lost in numbers. The home mission work has made some progress. Boise, Idaho, while not an organized church, is building up a good Sunday School with some new people coming to the services. The new church at Yakima looks very good. The district council purchased a building three blocks from the business district and in a good community. We have had a number inquiring for our church there. Brother Allen Harman is the pastor.

My personal report is as follows: I have preached 75 times, held four funerals, conducted one marriage, held one revival, visited each church at least three times, traveled 12,289 miles, received $1,150 salary, $156 special offerings, $294.52 travel expense, offerings from churches applied to travel expense, $341.29: $8.50 food donations.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) E. R. HIMMELRIGHT.

DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

July 18, 1944, to July 7, 1945

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Correct Balance: $650.76

*Deficit.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) JOHN H. GRAUBERGER, Dist. Treas.

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the auditing committee of the Idaho-Washington Conference, have examined the Treasurer's book and have found it neatly and correctly kept.

(Signed) CHARLES E. YOUNG
RUTH E. PRATT.
RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolved, that we have one prayer convention and one three-day Christian Workers' Institute during the year, and that one or more services be devoted to the young people; the time and place shall be arranged for by the Superintendent and his Assistant.

2. Resolved, that three hundred copies of the District Minutes be printed.

3. Resolved, that the District Superintendent appoint the Statistical Committee at least two weeks prior to the Conference.

4. Resolved, that no worker be allowed on our platform whose practice, that is, their lives and dress, does not come up to our church standards.

5. Resolved, that the Conference elect a committee of two to work with the District Superintendent in district home missionary work, said committee to be nominated by the District Council and governed by rules drawn up by the Council.

6. Resolved, that our District Council serve as the Camp Meeting Committee, or elect a committee if necessary.

7. Resolved, that we recommend active ministers be elected as members of the District Council.

8. Resolved, that no pastor or church shall call an evangelist without the consent of the District Superintendent.

9. Resolved, that all parent members of the Pilgrim Holiness Church refrain from cutting their girls' hair, and to dress them as becometh holiness.

10. Resolved, that each church have a uniform Treasurer's book to keep accurate account.

11. Resolved, that we express our appreciation to our District Superintendent, Secretary and Treasurer for their services during the year. Be it further resolved, that we express our appreciation to our cook, Sister Hueth, and her helpers in the kitchen, also to the Clarkston church and friends for the splendid entertainment furnished.

12. Resolved, that our conference year close May 31 and that each pastor sees that a correct report from his church be sent in not later than June 10, and in case of failure to do this, the pastor explain same to the Conference.

13. Resolved, that our churches give our District Superintendent a cash offering, besides the regular offering for his travel expense when he comes for the quarterly meeting.

14. Resolved, that the District Superintendent instruct the local church board as to their duties when he makes his quarterly calls.

15. Resolved, that the District Conference follow the Annual Camp Meeting.

16. Resolved, that we have a monthly publication to be called "The Idaho-Washington Bulletin." The District Council shall arrange a means of finance and also approve the appointment of an editor, selected by the District Superintendent.

17. Resolved, that each church have a financial budget, setting an allowance for all expenditures, including the pastor's salary.

18. Resolved, that all committees, except the Reception Committee, be appointed by the District Superintendent at the close of each Conference and hold office through the next yearly Conference.
19. Resolved, that each pastor and the District Superintendent be given a two weeks' vacation each year with pay.

20. Resolved, that each church pay their pastor his salary during Camp Meeting and Conference.

21. Resolved, that we have a District Young People's Convention during the year, and that it be held at a convenient time for those young people who are in school.

22. Resolved, that our Camp Registrar receive $10 for his services during the Camp and Conference, this amount to be paid from Camp Meeting Expense.

23. Resolved, that all members voting in the annual church meeting must be present.

24. Resolved, that we have a meeting for ministers and workers at least three times during the Camp Meeting. The District Superintendent shall be in charge, and all ministers and workers are urged to be present.

25. Resolved, that we have a District Sunday School Committee to promote Sunday School interests in the district and to cooperate with the General Committee, and that said Committee be appointed by the District Council and the District Superintendent be a member of the committee. (Recommended by the Gen. S. S. Com.)

26. Resolved, that we have a Young People's Study Class during our Camp Meeting, and that the District Council appoint a leader to take charge of this work.

27. Resolved, that we omit the reading of church and pastor reports in the Conference, and that they be posted by the Statistical Committee.

28. Resolved, that the full addresses of all ministers be printed after their names in the Conference Minutes, and that the words, “pastor or unstationed” be dropped.

29. Resolved, that the District Superintendent have the privilege of holding two meetings during the year off the Idaho-Washington District.

30. Resolved, that we express our appreciation to our General Superintendent, Rev. W. L. Surbrook, our General Secretary, Rev. S. M. Stikleather, and Rev. Walter Drown for coming this great distance to assist us in the Conference and Camp. Their splendid messages and helpful advice are highly appreciated.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

1. Resolved, that each local church of the district be apportioned the minimum of $6.00 per voting member to finance our general church and district obligation. Said amount to be distributed as follows: Foreign Missions, $1.90; District Expense, $3.00; General Administration, 50 cents; General Home Missions, 60 cents. Be it further resolved, that all active and inactive licensed and ordained ministers and deaconesses pay the tithe of their remuneration received from their ministry into the local church treasury for the support of the District Superintendent, which support shall not be less than one hundred dollars per month.

2. Resolved, that each church take a missionary offering each month during the year, alternating equally between Home and Foreign Missions.

3. Resolved, that there be an assessment of 25 cents per member annually for General Conference expense.
4. Resolved, that each local treasurer send all money for the district and general purposes to the District Treasurer the first of each month, or more often if necessary.

5. Resolved, that our District Treasurer send our pastors a monthly statement of their church’s district obligation, and that the pastors attempt to raise said amount when in arrears.

6. Resolved, that we have a Home Missionary budget, that we use the Home Missionary pledge card recommended by the General Church, and that the District Superintendent present same to each church.

7. Resolved, that each Sunday School take 5 per cent of their regular offerings and send to the District Treasurer monthly to be applied on the District Home Mission Fund.

8. Resolved, that the annual remuneration of the District Secretary, and District Treasurer be $15.00 and $30.00 respectively.

9. Resolved, that the district pay traveling expenses for all Councilmen and entertainment of same for special called sessions.

10. Resolved, that ministers and their families be provided free entertainment at the Camp Meeting and Conference.

11. Resolved, that the District Superintendent receive three cents per mile traveling expense, when he uses his car, and actual train or bus fare.

12. Resolved, that the District Treasurer be bonded, the amount to be set by the Council and the cost to be paid out of District Funds.

MEMORIALS TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

1. Resolved, that all newly organized churches have their district and general budget apportioned as follows: 1st year have their budget exempted; 2nd year pay one-third of their budget; 3rd year pay two-thirds of their budget; 4th year pay their budget in full.

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Memoir

We, the Conference of the Idaho-Washington district, convening at Clarkston, Washington, July 14, 1945, place this Memoir in our Minutes in remembrance of this one who has departed this life and gone to be with his Lord.

REV. DIVINE RICHARD MARTIN

pastor of the Pilgrim Holiness Church at Garfield, Washington, was born in Emerson, Nebraska, Sept. 22, 1894, and passed to his eternal reward, Nov. 20, 1944.

From the year of 1921 to the time of his severe affliction he was actively and effectively engaged in the ministry of the gospel. His ministry will long be remembered because of its depth, persuasiveness, and truth. His counsel will be missed by all his converts, friends and relatives.

MRS. OPAL WEBSTER,
MRS. MARIE LAUBAUGH.
COURSES OF STUDY WITH RESPECTIVE EXAMINERS

ENGLISH . . .
1. Effective English Expression—Webster
2. Elements of English Composition—Center & Holmes
   —R. V. Steelhead

THEOLOGY . . .
1. Bible Doctrines—Smith
2. Entire Sanctification—Ruth
3. Jesus is Coming—Blackstone
4. Theological Compend—Binney
5. Foundations of Doctrine—Jessop
6. Elements of Divinity—Ralston
7. Homiletics and Pastoral Theology—Hogue
8. Evidences of Christianity—Keyser
   —L. J. Laubaugh

BIBLE . . .
1. Introductory Bible Studies—Sell
3. Bible Study by Books—Sell
4. All About the Bible—Collett
   —C. R. Bennett

HISTORY . . .
1. Bible History—Blaikie and Matthews
2. Church History—Zenos
3. Voices from Rocks and Dust Heaps of Bible Lands—Huffman
   —G. M. Pratt

PSYCHOLOGY AND TEACHING . . .
1. Teacher Training Lessons—Hurlbut
2. Taking Men Alive—Trumbull
3. Manual of Pilgrim Holiness Church
4. Practical Lessons in Parliamentary Procedure—Plummer
5. The Sunday School in Action—Benson
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