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THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

Delaware

Baptist State Convention

WITH THE

Delaware Avenue Baptist Church

Wilmington, Delaware

Thursday and Friday, May 14th and 15th, 1931

(Being the Thirty-eighth Anniversary of the Delaware Baptist Union Association, and the Fifty-third Anniversary of the Delaware Baptist Union, the parent organization.)

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The next meeting will be held Thursday and Friday, May 12 and 13, 1932,
at a place to be announced.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.

Section 1. This Body shall be known as "The Delaware Baptist State Convention."

Section 2. The object of this Convention shall be to develop denominational unity consistent with the independency of the Churches; to promote the preaching of the Gospel throughout the State; to aid young men and women in Baptist Churches who give promise of usefulness in Christian work in this and other lands, in acquiring a suitable education; to encourage and foster our young people in Christian life and service; to give increased efficiency for the evangelization of America and the World, and to give expression to the interest of our constituency upon matters of denominational importance and of religious and moral interest.

Section 3. The membership shall be composed of those persons named in the Act of Incorporation and such other persons as may from time to time be appointed delegates by the Baptist Churches in the State of Delaware. Each Church shall be entitled to five delegates, including the Pastor, and one additional delegate for every one hundred members or fraction thereof. The incorporators and delegates shall constitute the voting membership of the body.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The officers of this Convention shall consist of a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Executive Secretary, a Board of Trustees and a member of the Board of Missionary Co-operation of the Northern Baptist Convention, who shall be the Chairman of the Board of Missionary Co-operation of this Convention and also a director of missions of this Convention, who shall be a member of the last-mentioned State Board. The last mentioned officer may be the person holding any one of the other referred to offices. The Board of Trustees shall consist of twelve members. The President of the Convention, when not a Trustee, shall be a member of the Board ex-officio. The President may also hold the office of Executive Secretary.

Section 2. The management and control of all the real and personal property of the Convention shall be vested in the Board of Trustees, which shall be divided into three classes of four members each to serve three years, requiring an annual election as the term of each class expires. In the disposition of any real estate belonging to the Convention the Board shall be subject to the direction of the Convention.

The Trustees shall maintain a separate and special Church Edifice Fund out of the resources of the Convention for the purpose of aiding needy Churches in the erection or repair of meeting houses, and the erection or repair of parsonages. Loans from this fund may be made upon such terms as the Trustees shall determine, after careful investigation of the necessity for and wisdom of such loans, taking into consideration the resources of the Church applying for such aid.

When loans are granted, the Church so favored shall be required to keep its property adequately insured, and shall give a mortgage for the loan, or transfer title to its property to the Convention, until such time as the loan shall be paid in full.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees shall elect its own officers, consisting of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, and shall present to the Convention a report in writing at each annual meeting. The election of Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall be subject to the approval of the Convention.

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Convention, who shall also be the Treasurer of the Board, shall receive all money of the Convention and pay all orders drawn on him by the Board of Trustees, which orders shall be signed by the Chairman and Secretary. He shall also keep a true and fair book of accounts, and shall lay before the Convention at each annual meeting a statement of his receipts and expenditures, which statement, with the vouchers thereof, shall be audited by a committee of three appointed for that purpose. The Assistant Treasurer shall serve in the absence of the Treasurer and perform such duties as generally fall on an Assistant Treasurer.

ARTICLE III.

All elections of officers shall be by ballot, and shall be held at the annual meetings. A majority of all votes cast by the voting members present shall be necessary to a choice. By unanimous consent the Convention may instruct the Secretary, or some other person, to cast the ballot for the body.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. The President shall preside, and decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Convention. He shall appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered; and when two or more rise to speak at the same time he shall name the one entitled to the floor. Motions made and seconded shall be stated by the President previous to any discussion thereof. All resolutions shall be made in writing.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice President to perform the functions of the President in the absence of the latter.

ARTICLE V.

The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of each meeting in a book permanently used for that purpose, which record shall be the property of the Convention.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. An annual meeting of the Convention shall be held for two days, on the second Thursday and the Friday following in the month of May. Notice shall be given by the Secretary two weeks previous to each meeting to every Church which is a member of the Convention.

Section 2. The Secretary of the Convention shall request the Churches to send a letter and statistics of the work of the Churches to be presented at each meeting. The statistical year shall close on the 30th day of April.

ARTICLE VII.

Section 1. The first session on Thursday shall open at 10 A. M., or as soon thereafter as practicable. The regular standing committees shall be appointed as early in the session as possible.

Section 2. The Committee on Program shall arrange the program for the next meeting of the Convention and shall consist of five members, including the Pastor of the Entertaining Church as Chairman.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Board of Missionary Cooperation to become acquainted with the spiritual conditions and needs of the field, and to meet at least three weeks before the annual meeting of the Convention for determining what Churches or Missions need spiritual attention. It shall have a place on the program for the proper consideration of its recommendations. The committee shall consist of nine members, at least three of whom shall be women.

Section 4. Any Church assisted by the Convention in the payment of its Pastor's salary must give the Missionary Committee notice when a change of Pastor is desired. The time necessary to make such a change shall be settled by the Missionary Committee and a committee of four from the Church in consultation with the Pastor.

Section 5. Missionary Churches shall qualify for assistance in the support of pastors by co-operating with the Missionary Committee in the selection of pastors, allowing at least thirty days for investigation by the Missionary Committee before the formal call is extended.

ARTICLE VIII.

Meeting of the Board of Trustees may be called by the Chairman, or any three members of the Board; provided all the members have timely notice. Five members shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number until their successors are elected, and shall also have power to fill vacancies in any elective office of the Convention until the next regular meeting of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

Section 1. All candidates for ordination in the State of Delaware are required to appear before an Advisory Council previous to the calling of a council by the Church.

Section 2. The Advisory Council shall consist of the members of the State Missionary Committee, who shall be empowered to examine into the character and ability of each candidate and to recommend to the Church the calling of an Ordination Council.

Section 3. Councils of Ordination, thus regularly called, shall consist of pastors and delegates from MEMBER Churches of this Convention.

ARTICLE X.

This Constitution or By-Laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the Convention.

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION

President—Thomas S. Taylor, 701 West 19th Street, Wilmington.

Vice President—Rev. S. B. Hiley, Dover.

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*Director of Missions—Rev. H. C. Broughton, 918 Madison Street, Wilmington.

Board of Missionary Co-operation of the Northern Baptist Convention—Mrs. Lizzie S. Wollaston, 1304 VanBuren Street, Wilmington.

*Resigned. Successors are:

Executive Secretary—Rev. J. H. Humphreys, Wilmington.

Director of Missions—E. E. Borton, Esq., Wilmington.

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CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Church Letters, New Churches and Obituary—To be appointed at the Convention.

Enrollment Committee—To be named by the Pastor of Entertaining Church.

Program Committee—Pastor of Entertaining Church and Rev. F. R. Baker and Rev. J. R. Humphreys.

Auditing Committee—J. R. Slawter, J. Clarence Green, J. L. B. Hutchison.

Nominations Committee—John Stewart, Rev. Martin L. Larson, Rev. N. A. Catlett.

Social Service Committee—Mrs. E. K. Hoffman, Mrs. L. W. Brosias, Mrs. George P. Morris.

Resolutions Committee—To be appointed.

Board of Missionary Co-operation—Mrs. Charles F. Wollaston, Rev. S. B. Hiley, Rev. J. R. Humphreys, Rev. Irving H. Young, Rev. F. R. Baker, Mrs. N. M. Edge, Rev. Herman Kuhl, Mrs. J. R. Humphreys, Rev. George F. Hanson and Missionary Director—E. E. Borton, Esq.

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Hiley, S. Banyan - 7 . . . Dover

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Sands, George W. Wilmington
Slawter, J. Raymond..... 108 Fulton Street, Wilmington
Slemons, S. K. Delmar
Wismer, Wilson G. 24 Sherman Avenue, Trenton, N. J.

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Missionary Education—Mrs. N. M. Edge, 1900 Monroe Street, Wil-
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Wilmington.

CONVENTION MINUTES

THURSDAY MORNING

The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Delaware Baptist State Convention was called to order by the President, Thomas S. Taylor, at 10 A. M., Thursday morning, May 14, 1931.

Devotional services were led by Pastor Martin A. Larson, of the Swedish Church, who read from John 15 and offered prayer.

Rev. Rittenhouse Neisser, Acting Pastor of the entertaining Church, extended a "heartly welcome to this historic Church and to this city of clean streets and pure water."

President Thomas S. Taylor responded, expressing appreciation and recalling childhood experiences in this Church.

The Program Committee reporting, presented the printed program, through Pastor Neisser, which was adopted.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Church Letters—L. C. Yingling and George F. Irwin.

Obituary—Pastor M. A. Larson, Pastor N. A. Catlett and W. Starr.

New Churches—Pastor George F. Hanson, E. E. Borton and W. L. Haines.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. L. W. Brosius, Mrs. George F. Hanson and Mrs. N. M. Edge.

Resolutions—Pastors S. B. Hiley, I. H. Young and Mrs. J. H. Shuster.

NEW PASTORS

The following were introduced and addressed the Convention:

Rev. N. A. Catlett, of Delmar; Rev. Irving H. Young, of North Wilmington, and Rev. S. B. Hiley, of Dover.

LETTER OF THE ENTERTAINING CHURCH

The letter of the Delaware Avenue Baptist Church was read, of which this formed a part: "Delaware Avenue Church is more than glad to welcome representatives of the various Churches of the State, in this building, dedicated to the worship of God. We trust that a spiritual blessing will attend you in your deliberations for the advancement of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ."

REPORTS OF CONVENTION MISSIONARIES

Polish Mission Children's Work—Mrs. Anna Leach McGinnes.

Enrollment in Kindergarten, 35; average attendance, 30.

Methods used were: Bible stories and characters, Bible verses, illustrated health lessons. With stories of Moses the children made cradles for their dolls and gifts for mothers.

Offerings amounted to \$50.80.

The Ladies' Auxiliary met at the mission and gave money for children's parties, thus ably assisting. These were Mrs. Hoffman (German Church), President; Mrs. Veit (Second Church), Secretary; Mrs. Shoosmith (North Church), Treasurer; Mrs. Moore (Second Church), Mrs. Westcott (Delaware Avenue Church), Mrs. Robinson (Bethany Church), Mrs. Taylor (North Church), Mrs. Webb (Delaware Avenue Church).

At our Christmas entertainment 35 small children took part and 15 older ones. Each child received candy and a gift. Rev. Chaplik addressed the gathering and offered prayer.

We have just started a Sunday School. The first session had five children present. We have promises from others that they will soon come.

While visiting homes I have been kindly received. In one case three children were sick. The mother said I had done her good and invited me to come again.

We have a Sunshine Class for girls between 9 and 12 years of age. Upon urging them to take sunshine to others, they made scrap-books for babies in the hospital. These efforts they enjoyed. Three of the girls took the books to the hospital. They were taken through the buildings and were assured of appreciation. This was a cure for selfishness.

I have tried to have these girls to attend our services, but some are prevented by their parents. I am praying for this and ask all to pray for this phase of the work.

The W. W. G. of Bethany gave us five dollars as a token of appreciation.

The W. W. G. of the Second Church remembers us with kindness, especially at Christmas. They sent us 50 very attractive boxes of candy, which greatly pleased the children.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA LEACH MCGINNES.

POLISH MISSIONARY, REV. ANTONI CHAPLIK

My connection with this work began in December, 1930, adopting as our motto the words of Isaiah, "For Zion's sake, will I not hold my peace and for Jerusalem's sake, will I not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."

Wishing to come into personal touch with our people, we have visited from house to house. Thirty homes welcomed us for conversation about Christ. In this way we hope to overcome parents' opposition to the Sunday School. I have given away 70 Testaments and 150 Tracts.

In our services we have had as many as 43 present. Mrs. Chaplik has organized a woman's club, which meets each Wednesday evening. Though of another faith, these ladies hear the Gospel read and brief prayers being offered.

We are aided by Mrs. Taylor at the piano and also by Mrs. McGinnes. At the woman's club there are from 8 to 12 present. Mrs. Chaplik is President and Mrs. M. Choma is Treasurer. Mrs. K. Smith is assistant.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTONI CHAPLIK.

Rev. N. A. Catlett made a verbal report with encouraging statements.

State Bible and Field Missionary, Rev. William L. Haines: Miles covered in Delaware, 10,170; visits, 3,822; hours used, 2,115; sermons preached, 54; addresses, 114; religious conversations, 3,822; professions, 57; sales, \$38.74; scriptural gifts, \$90.85; tracts (pages), 30,900; offerings for Bible work, \$18.05.

HOLLOWAY TERRACE

Mission open every Sunday. Sunday School enrollment, 100; total attendance, 2,676; highest day, 75; lowest, 21; average, 56. Evening total attendance, 1,553; highest, 103; lowest, 13; average, 35. Offerings, \$195.39. Expenses, \$184.55. (Heating, lighting, repairs, rewards, gifts, Christmas candy and music, Easter music, piano, papers, supplies, seals, Children's Day music, trolley picnic (children free), Bible work, etc.)

Women's fund, \$175.00.

The children and young people constitute the real hope of the future of this work.

MINQUIDALE MISSION

Meets in the school house on the State road, under the leadership of Brother Erbie Davis, and would rapidly develop if aided.

HAZEL DELL

After fourteen years of effort this mission has advanced to a Church organization. Having erected a new building in the adjacent village of Hamilton Park, largely by their own hands, offered it for dedication January 11, 1931. On the morning of that day the congregation assembled and adopted resolutions forming The Peoples' Baptist Church. These were read in the afternoon and readopted at the dedication service. Dr. Broughton preached the dedicatory sermon and Thomas S. Taylor, President of this Convention, presided. This organization will, at this session, seek recognition and admission into the Convention. It was my privilege to guide these people through the process of organization.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM L. HAINES.

All adopted.

Letters bearing messages and reports from the Churches were read, as follows: Delmar, Dover First, Dover Calvary, Milford, New Castle, Newark Pilgrim, Bethany, German, Swedish, North, and Second Wilmington.

CONVENTION SERMON

The Convention sermon was preached by Rev. John R. Humphreys, Pastor of Bethany Church of Wilmington, his subject being "The Church's Greater Glories."

The sermon aimed to quicken the vision of future conquests by the Church at Large. It was well received.

Benediction by Pastor Humphreys.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE DELAWARE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

The women's session of the Convention was in charge of the above mentioned society, Mrs. G. P. Morris, President, in the chair.

After singing "Uplift the Banner," Mrs. Morris greeted the delegates, expressing appreciation of the large attendance.

Devotions were in charge of Mrs. Rittenhouse Neisser, who read from Mark 7 and John 14:12, followed by prayer.

State Director Mrs. Charles A. Walker reported that seven out of fourteen Churches had reported, that but sixty-four subscriptions to "Missions" had been obtained; that out of 603 women, but 192 were active. She urged more intensive efforts during the coming year.

Missionary Education Secretary, Mrs. Edge, reported an advance: Nine Churches reported, readers, 195; books read, 786; total contest points, 10,740; missionary education points, 863; 79 persons who read five books each, and five churches had 5% resident members, reading five books. A fifth seal was presented to Second Church, a fourth year seal to North Church, a second year seal to Bethany Church, and a first year certificate to Dover Church. Every Church is urged to have a missionary committee.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. J. R. Humphreys.

Mrs. Morris introduced the speaker, Miss Kate French. She gave an interesting talk of her thirty years among the people of India. "The people of South India send greetings and thanks to the women for sending them the Gospel."

A rising vote of thanks was given the speaker.

"This Is My Task" was sung by Mrs. Raymond Slawter, of Bethany Church.

Offering.

Americanization Secretary reported: Churches engaged in teaching, 6; volunteer workers, 20; contacts, 19; number of lessons, 192; calls made, 437; contacts attending Church services, 4. Four parties were given and one mothers' meeting.

Chairman of Literature reported: Literature here is for sale and some free.—Miss Hanson.

W. W. G. reported 135 members; well attended.

White Cross Churches doing White Cross work, 7, with 89 workers. Fourteen boxes of apples sent to home fields and nine boxes overseas.

C. W. C. reported one company at Bethany Church, led by Mrs. Crossan.

College Counsellor, Mrs. F. Raymond Baker reported: Visited Women's College at Newark; found only two or three Baptist girls. Not possible to start any definite work at present.

Pageant, "Miss Evangel's Album," depicting missionary progress.

By-Law Committee appointed: Mrs. J. R. Humphreys, Mrs. Charles Edwards, Mrs. I. H. Phillips.

Nominating Committee reported, which was accepted.

By vote, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the following, who were declared elected:

President—Mrs. George P. Morris.
Vice President—Mrs. J. R. Humphreys.
Second Vice President—Mrs. Frank Neff.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Parker.
Treasurer—Mrs. Charles Wollaston.
Secretary-Director—Mrs. Charles A. Walker.

It was announced that the Fall meeting would be at Delmar, October 13, 1931.

Singing, "Ye Christian Herald."

Prayer by Mrs. E. A. Brosius.

Adjourned.

LAYMEN'S BANQUET AND CONFERENCE AT 5.30

A number of laymen were present, and after partaking of the repast assembled in the auditorium, where they heard a very helpful talk by Mr. W. G. Boyle, who is assisting the National Council of Northern Baptist Men.

The purpose of the conference was to encourage the formation of groups of laymen to study various tasks and their accomplishment, such as "Knowledge of The Book," "Use of Time, Money and Skill," "Enlisting Nonparticipating Men and Helping Young Men and Boys."

President Taylor suggested the holding of a future conference with Mr. Boyle to advance the plan. The suggestion was agreed to and a representative from each Church appointed to arrange for a future conference.

THURSDAY EVENING

President Taylor in the chair.

Devotions were conducted by Pastor, I. H. Young, of North Church. He read from Revelation 1 and offered prayer.

Hymn, "Coronation" was sung.

Pastor F. Raymond Baker addressed the convention on the subject "The Convention as I See It."

He called attention to the unsuitable location of churches in Wilmington, the absence of a Baptist Church above the Brandywine,

and asked for better co-operation of all of our churches in missionary giving and endeavor.

"The Glory of the Cross" was sung by the choir of Bethany Church, under the leadership of J. R. Slawter.

Offering, \$20.83.

Rev. W. S. Abernethy, of Calvary Baptist Church, of Washington, D. C., addressed the meeting on "Two Times One Equal Ten." He quoted "One shall chase a thousand and two shall put ten thousand to flight."

His lesson was that organization and co-operation would multiply efficiency by ten. "Jesus taught this when He sent His disciples out two by two."

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 15, 10 A. M.

President Taylor in the chair.

Devotions were led by Pastor, N. A. Catlett, of Delmar, who read from Luke 5, with some comment.

"Jesus I My Cross Have Taken" was sung and prayer was offered by Rev. Frank Brisbin.

REPORTS

Board of Missionary Co-operation—Mrs. Lizzie S. Wollaston.

Your Board of Missionary Co-operation has tried to fulfill its obligations during the past year. Meetings were held by the Board when necessary and all enterprises were given thoughtful attention.

There were three joint meetings of Trustees and Board members, one of which was held at Holloway Terrace, where some problems were discussed, and we feel all were helped.

Members of the Board had a part in the dedication of the Peoples Baptist Church at Hamilton Park.

A satisfactory council was held with Rev. Wilson G. Wismer, who is serving the Milford Church. The churches of the Convention all have regular pastors except the Delaware Avenue Church, and our mission churches have pastoral leaders who are doing a good work.

In the Fall of 1930, Rev. Antoni Chaplik was called by the Board to take charge of our Polish work. He is proving himself to be a workman approved of God, and we feel his efforts will be blessed.

Mrs. Anna Leach McGinnes has had another successful year with her kindergarten work for Polish children.

We miss greatly the services of Dr. H. C. Broughton, who was secretary of the Board, and who, on account of illness, is not able to be present with us. May the Heavenly Father give strength and courage to him and his family.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN A. LARSON,
MRS. G. P. MORRIS,
GEORGE F. HANSON,
F. RAYMOND BAKER,
MRS. CHARLES A. WALKER,
JOHN R. HUMPHREYS,
HERMAN G. KUHL,
MRS. LIZZIE S. WOLLASTON, Chairman.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES

Pastor, George F. Hanson.

The Mount Zion Church, of Georgetown Hundred, applies for admission into the Convention.

There having been no representative present from the membership of this church, your committee recommend that this application be laid over for next year.

The Peoples Baptist Church, of Hamilton Park, applies for admission.

This church has 42 baptized members.

The Pastor and founder, Erby P. Davis, met the committee, giving a satisfactory statement.

Your committee recommends that this Church be admitted, their letter read and their Pastor be given the Hand of Fellowship.

GEORGE F. HANSON,
E. E. BORTON,
WILLIAM L. HAINES.

Report adopted.

Pastor Erby P. Davis, of the Peoples Baptist Church, was called to the front, greeted by President Taylor, given the Hand of Fellowship, and was welcomed, with his Church, into the Convention.

Pastor J. R. Humphreys moved that the letter of the Hamilton Park Church be read at the Young Peoples' Session and that Pastor Davis be invited to then tell of his work.

Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

THOMAS S. TAYLOR

I hereby submit my report as President for the Convention year just closed.

It gives me great pleasure to report that in so far as I have been able to learn, all the churches have continued their services and the spiritual life has been quickened and many are reporting accessions to their membership.

THE POLISH MISSION

When the Convention met a year ago, it was decided to close the work there and dispose of the property, but it appeared as though God had other plans for this field, and we have secured the services of Rev. Antoni Chaplik, who had just returned to America from a seven years' pastorate in Poland. Under his leadership the work seems to have taken on new life and we are again hopeful of seeing this work progress.

Through the sacrifice of Mrs. McGinnes, the kindergarten has been continued and the Convention is greatly indebted to her for her labors in this field.

HOLLOWAY TERRACE

The work on this field has made some progress under the leadership of Rev. W. L. Haines, but their building is in need of repairs and it will be necessary for some money to be expended for improvements on this property.

HAMILTON PARK

For the past fourteen years Brother Erby P. Davis, of the New Castle Church, has been laboring in a mission at Hazel Dell, and his labors there have been blessed of God to the extent that he has been able to organize a new church and build a new building at Hamilton Park, which is nearer New Castle avenue, where it is more thickly populated. This Church was organized in January in their new building on the day it was dedicated. This Church is making application for membership in this Convention at this session. It was the pleasure of your President to preside at the dedication service. This is one of the bright spots in this year's work.

Dr. Charles A. Walker, Vice President of the Convention, passed to his reward the last of December, and funeral services were held in the First Baptist Church in Dover, of which he was Pastor, on New Year's Day. The Convention has lost a valuable member in

the passing of Dr. Walker. He was a man much loved in his Church and in the Capital of our State, where he labored. Dr. Walker was an officer of the Northern Baptist Convention for a number of years. I would suggest that a memorial page be inserted in the minutes of this Convention.

The work this year has had a setback, caused by the illness of our Executive Secretary, Dr. Horace C. Broughton. He was taken ill on the street and had to be taken home, where he has been confined until the last few days. I am glad to report that he is able to sit up and walk about his room, and that he expects to be about on the street in another month.

Dr. Broughton's presence has been greatly missed, for he has always been very active in our State work, and we will be glad when he is again able to resume his place in our midst.

When we met last year, the North, Milford, and Delmar Churches were without Pastors. Since then the North Church has installed Rev. Irving H. Young, and Delmar has installed Rev. N. A. Catlett. Milford Church is being supplied by Brother W. B. Wismer, of Trenton, N. J., a very estimable young man; a graduate of the Eastern Seminary. The Convention has not been in a position to put any money in this field during the year, so they have not been able to arrange for a Pastor. After a careful survey of this field and several conferences with the membership, it has seemed to your officers that the only way to revive the work in this thriving town would be to secure the services of a strong experienced man. This has been impossible, the Church being unable to raise more than a very small amount and the limited funds of the Convention preventing our extending aid.

27TH AND JEFFERSON STREETS

As there seems to be no prospects of the early use of this property, and as it is costing a considerable sum to carry it, possibly it would be wise to authorize the Board of Trustees to sell the lots, if they can secure a proper price.

After considering the matter and conferring with the other officers, it appears that the interest of this Convention would be better served if a Director of Missionary Co-operation were elected from one of the churches of our State and that we discontinue having our representatives attend the Board of Missionary Co-operation of Pennsylvania, as it appears that they are of no help to Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania Board have enough problems of their own to solve without considering ours.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

It is very encouraging to see the way the young people are taking hold of the program which was assigned to them. I trust all possible will be done to keep their enthusiasm the year round. They are the hope of this Convention for the future.

The First Baptist Church of Dover has installed Rev. S. B. Hiley as Pastor. He is a former Pastor of this Church. The Dover Church is to be congratulated upon being able to so ably fill their pulpit in so short a time.

The Baptist Laymen's Movement should have our earnest consideration and endeavor to have the laymen of our churches accept a definite program for work in their local church and put the program over.

Fortunately, the women of our churches are always at work on a good program, and they give us no concern.

The loyal co-operation of the officers and committees of the Convention have been a great help during the year, and I certainly have appreciated the willingness to consider all matters at any time called upon, even at a personal sacrifice.

So much for the past, but the future is before us, and for that we must plan. Let us seek our Heavenly Father's guidance for the year ahead and determine to undertake great things in this little State of Delaware.

Baptists came to Delaware early in the history of this State. Let it be our duty to see to it that the seed they planted may continue to grow until the people of the State may know just what it is for which we stand.

I desire to again thank all the officers and committees and the Churches for their untiring efforts during the year. We have every reason to thank God and take courage.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS S. TAYLOR.

The Secretary submitted the report to the Convention and it was adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

HORACE C. BROUGHTON

When Perry reported his victory on Lake Erie, in 1813, he wrote: "We have met the enemy and they are ours." We would like to make a like report today and say that we have met our problems and solved them all. While we cannot say that much, we can report that we have done what we could. In some things we have done well, though our financial limitations have prevented us from doing better.

Most of our churches have felt the pinch of "Hard Times." Unlike some banks, none of our churches have closed, though in some cases the burdens have not been easily carried.

The Milford Church has passed through a series of crises, but they have bravely and with self-sacrifice "carried on."

The Delmar Church began the year with a new Pastor, Rev. N. A. Catlett. They have been graciously blessed with conversions and baptisms.

Dover, First, suffered the loss of their Pastor, Dr. Charles A. Walker, who after eight years of splendid service was called to the higher realm. Dr. Walker was Vice President of this Convention and Statistical Secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention, and Editor of the Baptist Year Book. He was much loved. We shall miss him until we meet him in the morning.

The North Church has a new Pastor, Rev. Irving H. Young, who is leading his people to victory.

At the reopening of the Polish Mission and the beginning of the work of Pastor Antoni Chaplik, your Executive Secretary preached the inaugural sermon. Again at the dedication of the new building of the recently organized Peoples Baptist Church, of Hamilton Park, he preached the dedicatory sermon.

At the request of the Board of Trustees, your Executive Secretary attended the Northern Baptist Convention at Cleveland, Ohio, in June, and was able to claim for Delaware an active place in the deliberations of that great body. Again, in December, he represented the Convention at the mid-year meeting at Chicago, and was able to secure a generous share of missionary funds for our State tasks.

It is earnestly hoped that some plan may be devised to win from our people a greater interest in our Convention meetings and general missions.

Your Executive Secretary has also, as in other years, attended to the voluminous correspondence pertaining to his office, keeping in touch with the many enterprises of our great denomination.

He has enjoyed the work and has counted it a privilege to serve.

He wishes also to express his appreciation of the kindness and sympathy of his friends during his illness, from which he is now hoping for speedy recovery.

Credentials and railroad information for the Northern Baptist Convention will be furnished on request.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE C. BROUGHTON.

Report accepted.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF DELAWARE
BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION**

Balance on deposit May 1, 1930.....	\$484.42
Received from Board of Missionary Co-operation:	
Undesignated	\$3,436.80
Undesignated—extra gifts	605.68
Designated for Polish work.....	19.21
Designated for mission work.....	25.00
Designated—general	27.88
	\$4,114.57
Received from American Baptist Home Mission Society for work at the Polish Mission.....	95.96
Received from Polish Mission Auxiliary.....	60.00
Collections from kindergarten	64.85
Collections from Polish Church.....	31.09
Received for Polish Mission.....	10.00
Received from Calvary Church, Dover, for build- ing loan dues and interest.....	224.00
Collections at Convention	33.23
Refund of expenses to Chicago to Budget Com- mittee	39.00
Interest on deposit	22.45
Contribution from Thomas S. Taylor.....	7.60
Received toward expenses of minutes:	
First Church, New Castle.....	\$5.00
First Church, Dover	7.50
Newark Church	5.00
Second Baptist, Wilmington	20.00
Milford Church	2.00
Delaware Avenue Baptist	10.00
	49.50
	4,752.25
	\$5,236.67

EXPENDITURES

For account of Polish Church and kindergarten:	
Coal, light and supplies	\$242.36
Interest on mortgage	240.00
Insurance	60.00
Rev. Michael Jaeger	220.00
Rev. Antoni Chaplik	625.00
Teacher	385.00
Janitor	238.34
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	\$2,010.70
For account of Holloway Terrace Church:	
Rev. W. L. Haines	\$300.00
Interest on mortgage	94.50
Payments on mortgage	300.00
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	694.50
For account of Delmar Church:	
Rev. N. A. Catlett	212.50
For account of Calvary Church, Dover:	
Building loan dues and interest....	240.00
For account of lot at 27th and Jefferson Streets:	
Taxes	\$140.22
Interest on mortgages	360.00
Curbing lien	223.61
Street paving lien	472.77
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	1,196.60
For Women's Missionary work	50.00
For expenses to Northern Baptist Convention....	150.00
For expenses to Chicago for budget.....	75.00
For flowers	10.00
For Secretary's expenses	5.93
For Secretary, preparation of 1930 minutes.....	25.00
For printing Convention programs and minutes..	82.55
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	4,752.78
Balance on deposit May 1, 1931.....	\$483.89

EDWARD H. PORTER,

May 1, 1931.

Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT OF ANNE SEMPLE FUND

May 1, 1930, Balance on deposit in Equitable Trust Co.....	\$2,165.82
Received from Equitable Trust Co., Agent, for net income from investments	1,070.35
Deposit interest on balances.....	19.62
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	\$3,255.79

EXPENDITURES

Paid for the purchase of books for the Memorial Library at Howard High School.....	\$741.16
Paid annual premium on surety bond required by the Court of Chancery.....	76.00
Income invested in mortgages.....	2,400.00
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	3,217.16
May 1, 1931, Balance on deposit in Equitable Trust Co.....	\$38.63

Principal of the Anne Semple Fund is invested in mortgages totalling \$18,350.00, held by Equitable Trust Company as Agent.

EDWARD H. PORTER,

May 1, 1931.

Treasurer.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF ANNE SEMPLE COMMITTEE

The report of the Treasurer of the Convention shows the detailed investments of the assets of this fund, which now total slightly over eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000), the entire amount being invested in mortgages bearing 6 per cent interest.

During the past year our Convention has been appointed by the Chancellor as Trustee of the funds that have accumulated under this trust. A question arose in connection with the title of real estate formerly included in this trust as to whether or not our Convention had been properly designated to handle this trust. To remove this doubt a petition was filed with the Chancellor and our Convention duly appointed to act as Trustee, upon the giving of a bond in the sum of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000), conditioned for the performance of its duties as such Trustee. This bond was assumed by the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Baltimore.

For some time past the books belonging in this trust have been stored with the Wilmington Library Commission, as there seemed no prospect of having a library where these books could be used under

proper supervision. This committee, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, has turned over all of the books to the Delaware Industrial School for Colored Girls. The officers of this school have expressed their appreciation for this gift, as it is quite a substantial increase in the school's library.

During the year the income from the investments of the fund have been used towards equipping the library of the Howard High School in the city of Wilmington. About nine hundred dollars (\$900) worth of books have been purchased for the library, where your committee feels assured a real value will result and a great benefit to the pupils of the school.

EVERETT E. BORTON,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The following is the annual report of the Board of Trustees for the past year:

At the first meeting in May, 1930, the annual election resulted in the re-election of the officers of the preceding year, viz.:

Chairman—Mr. Isaac Phillips.

Treasurer—Mr. Edward Porter.

Assistant Treasurer—Everett Borton, Esq.

Secretary—Mr. J. Ray Slawter.

Your Board held eight meetings during the year, as well as several joint meetings with the Board of Missionary Co-operation, the members having been very faithful in attendance.

All requests and recommendations from the Missionary Committee for appropriations for the Mission Churches of the State were complied with as far as possible. The financing of the new work at the Polish Mission is an added responsibility, but if worth-while results are obtained, we consider the money well invested.

The vacant lot at 27th and Jefferson streets, which has been held by the Board for several years, has been a subject for serious discussion at nearly every meeting, and your Trustees now recommend it be sold and the proceeds used for the purchase of a more desirable location in the same ward.

Several hundred books, the remains of the Ann Semple Library, were presented to the Colored Girls' Industrial School at Belvedere, and a letter of their acceptance and appreciation has been received.

The Ann Semple will, for which your Board has now been legally appointed as Trustee, provided for the installation of a modern, up-to-date reference library at the Howard High School for colored children, costing over \$900. We are advised this fills a great need in the school and that labels have been placed in each book giving the name of the donor.

Mr. Borton has succeeded in having the Chancellor of the State to legally appoint this Board as a corporation to act as Trustee under the Ann Semple will and executed a bond to the State of Delaware, securing our faithful performance in handling the funds of this will.

Early last Fall members of the Missionary Committee and Trustees visited the churches at Hamilton Park and Holloway Terrace for investigation and observation, and found conditions very encouraging at both places, and we exhort the membership of both churches to co-operate most heartily, believing that in a short time an abundant harvest will be gleaned from the seed that is now being sown.

Your Board provided for two delegates to attend the Northern Baptist Convention, Mrs. C. F. Wollaston, Chairman of Board of Missionary Co-operation, and Dr. Horace Broughton, Executive Secretary, both returning with complete reports.

We regret the serious illness of Dr. Broughton, but we are glad to announce that his recovery is very progressive and we feel assured he will soon be able to resume his duties as an officer of this Convention. He has rendered valuable and efficient service to this Board, Missionary Committee and the Convention at large.

Many other items of minor importance have had the careful attention of the Trustees and have been kept up to date as far as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. SLAWTER,

Secretary of Board of Trustees.

Obituary Committee reported through Pastor Martin A. Larson, which was accepted. (See Memorial pages.)

After which prayer was offered.

Rev. William G. Russell, Pennsylvania Director of Missionary Co-operation, gave an earnest address on "Missions." He urged the acquiring of a "Sense of the World's Need," "A Sense of Our Personal Responsibility."

"Thirty-seven million people will not receive Christ's message, unless we give it to them."

His report:

Receipts applicable to the regular budget:

Undesignated	\$6,860.54
Designated	377.16
Total.....	<u>\$7,237.70</u>
Specific	50.00
Grand Total.....	\$7,287.70

DISBURSEMENT

To Board of Missionary Co-operation of the Northern
Baptist Convention \$7,287.70

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM G. RUSSELL.

Accepted.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

President Thomas S. Taylor in the chair.

Devotional service led by Pastor S. B. Hiley, of Dover.

He read from I Cor. 13 and led in prayer.

Congregation sang "Tell Me the Old, Old Story."

REPORT OF ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

Representatives not having, when registering, stated whether they were delegates or visitors, the totals only are given.

Bethany Church	47	Second, Wilmington	52
North, Wilmington	24	German	4
Swedish	16	Hamilton Park	4
Holloway Terrace	10	New Castle	5
Dover	15	Delmar	7
Delaware Avenue	56	Polish	11

Others came from Indiana, New York and Pennsylvania. Total, 255. Many others were present but not registering.

The following were offered by E. E. Borton as amendments to the Constitution of the Convention:

(a) That Section 1 of Article II shall read as follows: The officers of this Convention shall consist of a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Executive Secretary, a Board of Trustees and a member of the Board of Missionary Co-operation of the Northern

Baptist Convention, who shall be the Chairman of the Board of Missionary Co-operation of this Convention, and also a Director of Missions of this Convention, who shall be a member of the last mentioned State Board. The last mentioned officer may be the person holding any one of the other referred-to offices. The Board of Trustees shall consist of twelve members. The President shall be a member of the Board, ex-officio. The President may also hold the office of Executive Secretary.

George F. Irwin moved the adoption.

A discussion followed, participated in by Brethren Kuhl, Hanson, Taylor, Borton, Neisser, Humphreys and another.

The motion to adopt was carried by unanimous vote.

(b) Section 3. "The Board of Trustees shall elect its own officers, consisting of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, and shall present to the Convention a report in writing at each annual meeting. The election of Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall be subject to the approval of the Convention."

(c) Addition to Section 4. "The Assistant Treasurer shall serve in the absence of the Treasurer and perform such duties as generally fall on an assistant treasurer."

(d) Article VIII. Last sentence thereof changed to read: "The Board shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number until their successors are elected, and shall also have power to fill vacancies in any elective office of the Convention, until the next regular meeting of the Convention."

E. E. Borton moved that all of these be adopted.

Carried by unanimous vote.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

EVERETT E. BORTON

President—Thomas S. Taylor.

Vice President—Rev. S. B. Hiley.

Recording Secretary—Rev. William L. Haines.

Executive Secretary—Rev. Horace C. Broughton.

Director of Missions—Rev. Horace C. Broughton.

Trustees for Three Years—I. L. Wright, George F. Irwin, J. L. B. Hutchison, John Stewart.

Delaware Member of Board of Missionary Co-operation of the Northern Baptist Convention—Mrs. Lizzie Wollaston.

President Taylor requested Pastor J. R. Humphreys to preside and conduct the election.

Report of Nominating Committee accepted.

Motion to proceed with the election carried.

Other nominations were called for and none given.

By motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention.

The following ballot was then cast:

President, Thomas S. Taylor; Vice President, S. B. Hiley; Executive Secretary and Director of Missions, Horace C. Broughton; Trustees, I. L. Wright, George F. Irwin, J. L. B. Hutchison and John Stewart.

Delaware Member of Board of Missionary Co-operation at Northern Baptist Convention—Mrs. Lizzie S. Wollaston.

E. E. Barton was requested to cast the ballot for Recording Secretary, which he did, naming Recording Secretary, William L. Haines.

They were all declared elected.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

By PASTOR S. B. HILEY

(a) *Resolved*, That this Convention express, by letter, its heartfelt sympathy with Mrs. Walker in the loss of her beloved husband, Rev. Charles A. Walker, D.D., Vice President of this Convention, who served most loyally as Pastor of the Church at Dover for eight years and whose ministry was such as to command the love and respect of the city of Dover, as well as of this Convention and the denomination at large.

(b) *Resolved*, That we express our appreciation of the acting Pastor and members of the Delaware Avenue Baptist Church for their hospitality so generously extended during these meetings.

(c) *Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to express our deep sympathy for Dr. H. C. Broughton in his affliction and pray for his speedy recovery, and to "say it with flowers."

(d) *Resolved*, That we acknowledge with gratitude the fine reports of our Convention given by the Wilmington newspapers—Morning News, Evening Journal and Every Evening.

(e) *Resolved*, That we express our thanks for the splendid addresses brought to us by our great speakers: Miss Kate French (South India), Dr. W. S. Abernathy, of Washington, D. C.; W. G. Boyle, of Brooklyn;

Dr. W. B. Lippard, one of the Secretaries of the N. B. C.; Gilbert T. Sephenson, of Wilmington, and Dr. M. J. Twomey, of Philadelphia.

(f) *WHEREAS*, It seems advisable to the State Convention to dispose of the property located on 27th street, between Jefferson street and Washington sreet, in the city of Wilmington and State of Delaware, and inasmuch as it is necessary to arrange the mortgages on the said property, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Convention authorize its Board of Trustees to sell at public or private sale that tract of land on the northerly side of 27th street, between Jefferson and Thompson streets, and extending easterly 60 feet from Thompson street, for such amount and upon such terms as may seem reasonable to said Board of Trustees; and further to authorize the said Board of Trustes to execute a mortgage and bond upon such property for such an amount as may be needed to pay off the present incumbrances; it being further specified that if the said property is disposed of, that the proceeds received over and above the incumbrances against the property, shall be especially held for the purpose of being used on account of the purchase of some property suitable for a church in the Ninth Ward of the city of Wilmington.

(g) *Resolved*, That this Convention most heartily endorse our President Herbert Hoover, in his stand on law observance and enforcement and reduction of land and naval armaments, which tend to world peace, and that we heartily support our own State organization for enforcement in support of the Eighteenth Amendment.

(h) *Resolved*, That we, the Delaware Baptist State Convention, do hereby endorse the proposed constitutional amendment to prohibit sectarian appropriatons and urge its immediate passage.

(Copy of amendment.) "No law shall be passed respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, nor shall the National Government or any State, county, city or town, village or other civil division use its property or credit, any money raised by taxation or otherwise, or authorize whether to be used, for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding by appropriation, payment for services, expenses, or in any manner, other than by the remission of taxation, any church, religious denomination or religious society, or any institution, school, society, or undertaking which is wholly or in part under sectarian or ecclesiastical control."

MRS. MARY B. SHUSTER,
S. B. HILEY.

The report was accepted and all of the resolutions adopted.

Rev. W. B. Lippard, D.D., one of the Secretaries of the Northern Baptist Convention, gave a very instructive and interesting address upon "Conditions in Russia," which country he had lately visited.

Gilbert T. Stephenson, of Wilmington, President Trust Division American Bankers' Association, a member of the Second Baptist Church, addressed the Convention on "The Business Man's Attitude Toward the Church." He is a deep thinker and brought out clearly his impression of the average business man's attitude. He said that "while there may be an apparent attitude of indifference, the average business man is not indifferent to spiritual messages."

FRIDAY EVENING

Young People's Banquet, 5.30.

At this very interesting occasion, there were many young people present. The dining room was prettily decorated with streamers of colored paper and each person was given a fancy paper cap, bearing the name of the church from which they came.

Brother George F. Irwin presided as toastmaster and kept the diners in merry humor, with laughter, wit and songs. Several were called upon to speak, while the Pastors were commanded to be silent. Each Pastor, however, was requested to stand and be introduced. The innovation was a huge success.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SESSION

(7.30 P. M.)

This session was under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U. of Delaware, Dr. Harry Eatough presiding.

Instrumental Prelude by Bethany Orchestra, followed by spirited singing.

Convention President Taylor taking the chair, introduced Brother Erby P. Davis, founder and Pastor of the new People's Baptist Church of Hamilton Park, who told of his work and expectations.

The letter of this new church was read and a welcome given.

The Convention Board of Trustees reported that they had selected as Treasurer Edward H. Porter, and as Assistant Treasurer Everett E. Borton, and these selections were, by motion, approved.

Dr. Harry Eatough again presiding.

Special music was given by Crozer Fellowship (students from Crozer Seminary).

An offering was taken for Convention expenses—\$18.85.

Address by Rev. M. J. Twomey, D.D., Pastor of the Grace Baptist Temple, Philadelphia, on "The Challenge to Christian Youth."

By giving all, he is able to receive all power from God in return.

The roll of churches was called and the following was the response:

Delaware Avenue	25	Bethany	63
Second	39	Hamilton Park	26
New Castle	22	North	1
Holloway Terrace	10	Swedish	17
German	7	Dover	3
Delmar	3	Polish	5

Benediction was pronounced, with prayer by Pastor Herman G. Kuhl, of the German Church.

Thus closed the unusually helpful sessions of the Convention.

The speakers brought vital messages. Reports were encouraging. The gathering of the young people was marked by enthusiasm, inspiration and definite future promise.

The weather was cool, raining Thursday morning, cloudy to fair during the remaining time.

Grateful for what we have seen and heard, we look forward to the meeting of 1932.

WILLIAM L. HAINES, Secretary.

THOMAS S. TAYLOR, President.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP OF DELAWARE

President, Theodore Beck (Delaware Avenue); Vice President, Charles A. Hark (Hamilton Park); Secretary, Mildred E. Whitenack (Bethany); Treasurer, Norma Leib (New Castle); Director, George F. Irwin (Bethany).

Together, these officers constitute an advisory cabinet, with Rev. N. A. Catlett (Sussex County), Rev. S. B. Hiley (Kent County), Rev. J. R. Humphreys (New Castle County), Rev. F. Raymond Baker, (Second Church), Thomas S. Taylor (Convention President), Rev. Frederick Kinnell (Crozer Seminary and Delaware Avenue Church), also two from each church or mission.

This organization is the outcome of the Young People's Banquet and Young People's Session of the 1931 State Convention.

The meeting of organization was held in the Bethany Baptist Church Friday evening, June 5, 1931.

One hundred and six were present, coming from Delmar, Dover, New Castle, Holloway Terrace, Hamilton Park, Bethany, German, Delaware Avenue and Second.

Addresses were given by Rev. George F. Hanson, New Castle, and Rev. N. A. Catlett, Delmar.

Vocal solo by Dorothy Price (Delaware Avenue). Piano solo by Irvin Whitenack (Bethany). Selection by Bethany Orchestra.

Program Committee consisted of Mildred Whitenack, Winifred Hope and George F. Irwin.

A social hour with ice cream followed.

All young people of Baptist Churches and Missions in Delaware are invited to have a part in this work.

IN MEMORIAM

These are they, who have entered into Eternal Life.

DELMAR

Mrs. William A. Culver, age 59, died February 13, 1931. Mrs. William L. Cugler, died March 1, 1931.

DOVER, FIRST

Peter E. Lowber, died April 19, 1930. Mary S. Ford, died August 12, 1930. Washington Jamison, died February 23, 1931. Rev. Charles A. Walker, D.D., died December 30, 1930.

(From Church Letter.) "Dr. Walker, our Pastor for more than eight years. He was genial, lovable, friendly, faithful. He left a very definite Christian influence on our Church and community by his life and labors among us."

CALVARY, DOVER

Ernest Craig, age 46, died August 1, 1930; deacon.

MILFORD

Ella Schuler, age 22, died January 15, 1931.

PILGRIM, NEWARK

Mrs. William Rudd, age 65, died June 15, 1930.

NEW CASTLE

Marian F. Williams, age 49, died October 8, 1930.

BETHANY, WILMINGTON

Mrs. Mae Boyse, died September 1, 1930. Mrs. Ann Clemens, died June 20, 1930. Henry Braunstein. Mary A. Rumer.

DELAWARE AVENUE, WILMINGTON

Mrs. Ella M. Bok, died January 26, 1931. Margaret A. Wilbey, died February 12, 1931. Bertha Lilly.

GERMAN, WILMINGTON

Mrs. Amelia Snyder, age 77, died January 6, 1931; member 59 years.

NORTH, WILMINGTON

Mary C. Sturgis, age 65, died January 7, 1931; Secretary of Women's Society, Teacher Women's Bible Class.

SECOND, WILMINGTON

Mrs. Anna McSorley, age 79, died February, 1931. Frank Long, age 21, died June, 1930.

SWEDISH, WILMINGTON

Arthur Swenson, age 35, died in Norway. Mrs. Emma Russell, age 60, died October 1, 1930; last Charter member. Mrs. C. A. Carlberg, age 81, died March 16, 1931. John D. Wilberg, age 69, died April 18, 1931; deacon.

“Blessed are the dead, who die in the Lord, from henceforth. Yea! saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, for their works follow with them.”

In Loving Memory

OF

REV. CHARLES A. WALKER, D. D.

February 21, 1868 to December 30, 1930

A true minister, a faithful pastor, a consistent Christian,
a loyal friend

By his life and service, he made
Christ more dear, Heaven more real, lives more bright
and the world better



REV. CHARLES A. WALKER, D. D.

Pastor, First Baptist Church of Dover, Delaware.
Vice-President, Delaware Baptist State Convention.
Statistical Secretary, Northern Baptist Convention.
Editor, Baptist Year Book.

“Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy
of thy Lord.”

CHURCH STATISTICS

CHURCH	When Organized	PASTOR	When Settled	CLERK	Eitfices	Seating Capacity	Parsonages	Total Value	Debt	Membership, 1930	MEMBERSHIP						Membership, 1931				
											Increase			Decrease							
											Baptism	Letter	Otherwise	Total	Deaths	Letter	Otherwise	Total			
Delmar	1883	N. A. Catlett	1930	S. K. Slemmons . . .	1	275	\$ 5,000	\$ 745	15820	2	628	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	184	
Dover, First	1850	S. B. Hiley	1931	W. P. Forkum	1	500	62,000	2,800	209	2	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	7	202
Dover, Calvary	1889	W. C. Hinton	1929	Mrs. Ruth Wilson . .	1	150	2,200	2,050	37	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42
Hamilton Park	1931	Erby P. Davis	1931	Mrs. Catherine Croes	1	300	8,500	3,000	8	529	42	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	42
Milford	1873	W. G. Wismer	1930	J. E. Webb	1	200	25,000	3,000	75	1	1	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	67
New Castle	1876	George F. Hanson . . .	1923	Mrs. Flora A. Hewitt	1	250	15,000	375	100	1	1	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	10	90
Newark, Pilgrim	1913	E. C. Twyman	1916	Calvin Wallace	2	200	5,000	4,000	76	8	513	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	87
Wilmington, Bethany	1871	John R. Humphreys . .	1929	W. D. Walker	1	1100	80,000	4,000	369	11	11	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	8	372
Wilmington, Del. Ave.	1865	John R. Humphreys . .	1929	Fred. R. Brown	1	800	355,000	13,200	399	1	3	13	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	66	333
Wilmington, German	1856	H. G. Kuhl	1929	Amelia E. Ludwig . .	1	250	23,000	2,000	41	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	372
Wilmington, North	1894	Irving H. Young	1931	Walter Stewart	1	400	50,000	2,000	235	2	3	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	40
Wilmington, Second	1835	F. Raymond Baker . . .	1929	Chester R. McCormick	1	1000	200,500	21,500	573	15	24	645	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	13	605
Wilmington, Swedish	1889	Martin A. Larson	1929	John I. Bergstrom . . .	1	300	27,100	2,500	113	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	119
Wilm., Mt. Bethel	1914	R. E. Williams	1922	No Report	1	200	4,000	2,500	112	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	112	112
Wilm., Mt. Enon	1899	A. G. Scott	1929	No Report	1	200	18,500	2,500	377	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	377	377
						166125	78780,800	\$50,170	287475365364245055	129	2909									129	2909

GENERAL

CHURCH	Convention Minutes	Current Expenses With Salaries	Building and Improvements	Bible School Expenses	Young People's Society	Women's Organizations
Delmar . . .	\$	\$ 1687 09	\$.	\$ 215 85	\$ 35 63	\$
Dover, First	7 50	6781 97	1416 27	456 86		754 18
Dover, Calvary	5 00	700 00				
Hamilton Park		156 00	1100 00	72 00		
Milford	2 00	594 35		64 72		
New Castle	5 00	1263 66	166 78	176 09		38 12
Newark, Pilgrim	5 00	576 00		60 00		
Wilmington, Bethany		4338 13		891 42	22 00	96 81
Wilmington, Del. Ave.		6992 07	302 00	473 08		
Wilmington, German	3 00	1474 03		107 00	125 00	
Wilmington, North		3848 57		422 11		
Wilmington, Second	20 00	10313 67	543 76	625 48		
Wilmington, Swedish	5 00	2697 82	396 91	440 69	282 09	109 30
Mission Schools				204 53		
Offerings	39 68					
Totals	\$92 18	\$41,505 36	\$3925 72	\$4209 85	\$ 464 72	\$9984 41

Mt. Bethel and Mt. Enon not reporting.

FINANCES

Other Organizations	Total Local Expenses	BENEVOLENCES				Total Benevolences	Grand Total
		Unified Budget, N.B.C.		Other Objects			
		Church	Other Organizations	Church	Other Organizations		
\$. . .	\$ 1938 57	\$ 80 42	\$ 154 58	\$. . .	\$. . .	\$ 225 00	\$ 2,163 57
115 47	9532 25	600 00	. . .	. . .	180 00	780 00	10,312 25
. . .	705 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	705 00
. . .	1328 00	. . .	. . .	3 05	. . .	3 05	1 331 05
. . .	661 07	2 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	2 00	663 07
13 94	1663 59	49 73	140 67	. . .	219 58	409 98	2,073 59
. . .	581 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	581 00
30 00	5378 36	935 00	65 00	. . .	. . .	1000 00	6,378 36
. . .	7967 15	406 05	. . .	. . .	. . .	406 05	8,373 20
. . .	1709 03	208 55	228 10	. . .	9 25	445 80	2,158 83
. . .	4280 68	230 00	. . .	1006 25	730 00	2056 25	6,356 93
. . .	11502 91	3876 40	150 00	628 94	405 09	5068 43	16,563 34
. . .	3931 81	539 32	. . .	. . .	. . .	539 32	4,470 13
. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	15 00	15 00	219 55
. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	39 68
\$ 159 41	\$ 51,179 42	\$ 6927 47	\$ 738 15	\$ 1728 24	\$ 1618 91	\$ 10,927 88	\$ 62,369 58

BIBLE SCHOOLS

SCHOOL	SUPERINTENDENT	SECRETARY	Scholars	Officers and Teachers	Average Attendance	Cradle Roll	Home Department	Vacation Bible School	Total Enrollment	Baptisms from School	Expenses	Beneficences	Total Amount
Delmar	Albert M. Williams	Ollie Johnson	153	19	106	15	15		202	202	\$215 85	\$86 11	\$301 96
Dover, First	J. L. B. Hutchison	Lawson J. Miles	161	17	98	12	13		203	203	456 86		456 86
Dover, Calvary	Mr. Raven	Susie Richards	31	4	30				35				
Hamilton Park	Leonard Farrell	Ruth N. Davis	104	15	70	6			125		72 00		72 00
Holloway Terrace	Wm. L. Haines	Lillian Lewis	93	7	56	10			110		169 55	15 00	184 55
Milford	F. J. Gulick	J. H. Moore	28	7	25				35		64 72		88 85
Minquidale	Erby P. Davis	Marie Bowman	50	4	35				54		35 00		35 00
New Castle	Charles H. Leib	Grace Cable	117	17	76	18			152		176 09	201 73	377 82
Newark, Pilgrim	Samuel Watson	Geneva Gaston	25	5	30				30	1	60 50		60 00
Wilmington, Bethany	George F. Irwin	Mary Hanson	351	21	240	56	10	96	438	11	891 42		891 42
Wilmington, Del. Ave.	John C. Green, Jr.	Dorothy Price	206	23	110	36	18		273		473 08		473 08
Wilmington, German	Charles Ehm, Jr.	Matilda Kern	72	10	51				82		107 00	125 00	232 00
Wilmington, North	R. C. Ehos	H. A. Parker	176	24	155	18			218		422 11	145 00	567 11
Wilmington, Second	C. F. Wells	Edna Patterson	243	24	144	36	22		325	12	625 48	100 00	725 48
Wilmington, Swedish	Phillip Leaf	Carl Leaf	99	20	95	6			125	6	440 69		440 69
Wilm., Mt. Bethel	No Report												
Wilm., Mt. Ebon	No Report												
			1912	217	1321	213	78	96	2407	50	\$4209 85	\$672 84	\$4906 82

Report of Woman's Foreign and Home Mission Societies
of State Secretary-Director, Mrs. Charles A. Walker, 201 N. State Street, Dover, Del.

Number of Churches in the Convention 14

CHURCH	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	Women Members in this Church	Women's Society	Active Members	White Cross Work	New Societies Organized	Church Remits T-12 each month	Church Adopted Quota	Copies of Missions Taken	Points Attained in Standard of Excellence	Honor Society To Points	Class A, 9 Points	Class B, 8 Points	Class C, 7 Points
Delmar	Mrs. Harry Mariner Delmar	Mrs. C. J. Calhoun 107 Pine St., Dover	40	Yes	15	Yes			Yes		7				1
Dover	Miss Anna Lowber Box 104, Dover	Mrs. M. M. Jackson Elm Terrace, Dover	98	Yes	30	Yes		Yes	Yes	8	10	1			
New Castle			50	No				Yes	No		2				
Wilmington, Bethany	Mrs. J. R. Humphreys 35 S. Sycamore St.	Mrs. Mabel Edwards 201 S. Franklin St.	125	Yes	20	Yes		Yes	Yes		13	1			
Wilmington, Del.Ave.	Mrs. A. E. Groves 370 W. 26th St.	Mrs. W. R. Hope 700 W. 20th St.	155	Yes	30	Yes		No		19	9		1		
Wilmington, North	Mrs. L. W. Brosius 1502 Delaware Ave.	Miss Ruth Pettingill 1528 W. 7th Street	35	Yes	35	Yes		No	Yes	13	10	1			
Wilmington, Second	Mrs. C. F. Wollaston 1304 Van Buren St.	Mrs. L. M. Clipman 1417 Harrison St.	100	Yes	40	Yes		Yes	Yes	24	14	1			
			603	6	170	6		4	5	64	65	4	1		1

Churches not Reporting : Milford, German and Swedish.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

CHURCH	SOCIETY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	Members	Expenses	Benefecences	Total Amount
Delmar	B. Y. P. U.	A. M. Williams	Mrs. Ima Brannock	47	\$35 63	\$12 12	\$ 47 75
Delmar	Ladies' Aid	Mrs. Ella Vincent	Miss M. L. Slemmons	35	.	46 35	46 35
Delmar	Loyal Workers	Mrs. G. C. West	Mrs. Ima Brannock . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Dover, First	B. Y. P. U.	Louise C. James	Jane Ferguson	16	.	.	42 95
Dover, First	Brotherhood	J. LeRoy Good	J. L. B. Hutchison . . . . .	.	42 95	.	42 95
Milford	Women's Society	Mrs. Wm. H. Robinson	Mrs. Edith M. Draper . . . . .	.	.	.	.
New Castle	Men's League	Edward Proud	Wm. Cossaboon . . . . .	.	.	.	.
New Castle	Ladies' Aid	Mrs. Elsie McKay	Mrs. Leo Reed . . . . .	.	.	82 89	82 89
Hamilton Park	Y. P. S. C. E.	John Leach	Mrs. Pauline Christy	35	.	.	22 00
Wilmington, Bethany	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. Robert W. Jewell	Mildred Evans	25	22 00	.	22 00
Wilmington, Bethany	World Wide Guild	Florence Edwards	Betty Whitnack	29	.	.	.
Wilmington, Bethany	Children's World Crusade . . . . .	.	.	16	.	.	.
Wilmington, Del. Ave.	Jr. B. Y. P. U.	Winifred Hope	Dorothy Price	28	.	.	.
Wilmington, Del. Ave.	Ladies' Aid	Mrs. H. E. Link	Mrs. Thomas Doyle	23	.	.	.
Wilmington, German	B. Y. P. U.	Elizabeth Roehm	Bertha Veit	21	.	.	.
Wilmington, German	Ladies' Aid	Mrs. Erdman Hoffman	Mrs. H. G. Kuhl	18	.	103 00	103 00
Wilmington, North	Young People's Society	S. Katherine Thomson	Sarah McBride	30	.	50 00	50 00
Wilmington, North	World Wide Guild	Elsie Maxwell	May Richards	37	.	16 00	16 00
Wilmington, North	Royal Ambassadors	Stanley Medill . . . . .	.	18	.	.	.
Wilmington, North	B. Y. P. U.	Lillian R. Cotty	Josephine Adamson	42	.	.	.
Wilmington, Second	World Wide Guild	Marian Gately	Charlotte M. Park	69	.	263 09	263 09
Wilmington, Second	Boy Scouts	S. B. Kuykendall	S. M. Troop 30 . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Wilmington, Second	Drama-Pageantry Club	Mrs. Stewart J. Horn . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.
Wilmington, Second	King's Daughters	Mrs. Edward Gibson . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.
Wilmington, Second	Women's Auxiliary	Mrs. James H. Shuster . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.
Wilmington, Swedish	B. Y. P. U.	Evald Sreed	Lydia Streed	59	282 09	.	282 09
Wilmington, Swedish	Women's Society	Mrs. Martin Larson	Alma Engman	43	109 30	.	109 30
Dover, Calvary	Young People's Society	Howard Barton	Julia Hickman . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Dover, Calvary	Woman's Society	Mrs. W. C. Hinton	Louise Wilson . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Dover, Calvary	Club	Mrs. Annie Baynard	Mrs. Ruth Wilson . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Newark, Pilgrim	Women's Missionary . . . . .	.	Marian Davis	20	.	.	.
Newark, Pilgrim	B. Y. P. U.	George L. Gray . . . . .	.	18	.	.	.

HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	PLACE	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CONVENTION SERMON	EXECUTIVE SEC'Y
1917	Wilmington, North	Rev. Wm L. Pettingill	George F. Irwin	C. H. Cantwell	Rev. T. P. Holoway	..
1918	Milford	Rev. Thos. P. Holloway	George F. Irwin	C. H. Cantwell	Rev. Jos. Y. Irwin	..
1919	Wilmington, Del. Ave.	Rev. Wm L. Pettingill	Rev. Geo. T. Street	C. H. Cantwell	Rev. W. S. Skinner	..
1920	New Castle	Rev. Jos. Y. Irwin	George F. Irwin	C. H. Cantwell	Rev. C. A. Chader	..
1921	Wilmington, Second	Rev. George D. Allison	George F. Irwin	C. H. Cantwell	Rev. Charles C. Earle	..
1922	Wilmington, Bethany	Rev. George D. Allison	George F. Irwin	C. H. Cantwell	Rev. Samuel C. Welsh	..
1923	Wilmington, Swedish	Rev. George D. Allison	Rev. Samuel C. Welsh	Edward H. Porter	Rev. A. F. Williamson	..
1924	Wilmington, Del. Ave	Rev. George D. Allison	Rev. Samuel C. Welsh	Edward H. Porter	Rev. Charles A. Walker	..
1925	Dover, First	Rev. H. C. Broughton	Rev. Samuel C. Welsh	Edward H. Porter	Rev. H. C. Broughton	Rev. S. C. Welsh
1926	New Castle	Rev. H. C. Broughton	Rev. Samuel C. Welsh	Edward H. Porter	Rev. George D. Allison	Rev. H. C. Broughton
1927	Wilmington, Second	Thomas S. Taylor	Rev. J. E. Berkstresser	Edward H. Porter	Clarence M. Keen	Rev. H. C. Broughton
1928	Wilmington, North	Thomas S. Taylor	Rev. J. E. Berkstresser	Edward H. Porter	Rev. J. E. Berkstresser	Rev. H. C. Broughton
1929	Wilmington, Bethany	Thomas S. Taylor	Rev. J. E. Berkstresser	Edward H. Porter	Rev. Rittenhouse Neisser	Rev. H. C. Broughton
1930	Wilmington, Swedish	Thomas S. Taylor	Rev. Wm. L. Haines	Edward H. Porter	Rev. Wm. L. Haines	Rev. H. C. Broughton
1931	Wilmington, Del. Ave.	Thomas S. Taylor	Rev. Wm. L. Haines	Edward H. Porter	Rev. John R. Humphreys	Rev. H. C. Broughton