

General Council Meeting Minutes

February 22, 23, 24, 1946

Marion Hotel

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. I. A. DeFrance. The invocation was given by Clay J. Pomroy, Associate Minister of the First Christian Church, Salem.

Max F. Rogers gave the report of the Credentials Committee. Salem Chapter No. 1 is entitled to three delegates; LaGrande Chapter No. 4, two delegates and Portland Chapter No. 17, two delegates, other chapters entitled to one delegate each. Delegates that were not at the Council Meeting were S. Paul Jones from Bend No. 3, B. W. Crowell from Marshfield No. 14 and Dr. W. B. Bollen from Corvallis No. 29. David C. Bryant, Alternate Delegate at large from District No. 1 was present in place of the Delegate at large, Harry C. Broadwell; and Erwin Clark, Alternate Delegate at large from District No. 3 was present in place of Delegate at large, J. G. Toole who has moved from District No. 3 to District No. 4. The report of the Credentials Committee was approved.

The roll was called by Mr. White and visitors were introduced by Mr. DeFrance.

The minutes as published in the December, 1944 issue of the magazine were approved.

Mr. Johns read the report of the rules committee. The report was adopted as read.

The names of the Council Committees appointed to expedite the handling of the business of the council were read and approved.

Mr. Query gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. The committee divided the resolutions into groups. There were 16 resolutions covering working hours, vacations, sick leave, etc.; 3 resolutions covering insurance and hospital; 15 resolutions covering

salaries, wages and classification; 3 resolutions covering constitution and by-laws; 9 resolutions covering ways and means; 3 resolutions covering retirement and disability. A brief summary of the resolutions was given by Mr. Query after which they were handed to the Chairmen of the several committees as follows: Ways and Means, R. M. Smith; Constitution and By-Laws, E. F. Chidsey; Insurance, J. D. Patterson; Retirement, L. R. White; Salaries and Wages, Floyd Query; Working Conditions, B. Erickson.

Mr. Stewart introduced Governor Snell to the group. Governor Snell stated that he wanted to publicly commend the loyal state employees who had continued in state service during the war instead of going to war plants where they could have made higher wages. He stated that Oregon had high type employees and that they are rendering a fine service to the state.

Governor Snell mentioned Oregon's low salaries and stated that he knew they did not compare with Washington's and California's and it was his thought that our organization could do much toward raising them.

He also stated that he was happy to have been able to endorse, support and sign the two public employee bills that were passed by the last legislature and would help us in every way that he could to improve the public employees status in Oregon.

The financial report was given by Mr. White. Cash on hand as of March 23, 1945, \$966.25; during the period March 23 to December 31, 1945 chapter dues and initiation fees received \$6,283.11; income from magazine \$1,174.02 making a total of \$8,423.38. Disbursements from March 23 to December 31, 1945; salaries, \$3,573.87; legal, \$911.95; magazine, \$1,527.89; miscellaneous, \$2,043.54, making a to-