

On March 20th. 1923 at the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City a joint meeting was held of the Board of Trustees of the Iowa State University Department Presbyterian Board of Education, the Board of Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City, and the Session of this Church.

Those present were; Messers Walter M. Dabis, B.A.Barlow, Rev. D.J.Williams, Dean G.F.Kay, Rev. Philip Palmer, Dr. M.Willard Lampe, Rev. H.L.Searles representing the University Department. Messers Dean W.G.Raymond, O.A.Byington, J.M.Fisk, M.C.Mumma, Dr. W.L.Bywater, representing the Board of Trustees of the Iowa City Church. Messers W.W.Martin, Lemuel Hunter, G.F.Kay, Earl Custer, E.H.Lamer, R.H.Fitzgerald, J.White Brown, P.A.Bond and Rev. Robert R. Reed representing the Session of the Church.

Mr. Searles read from the minutes of the meeting of the University Department of January 16th. 1923 as follows, "It was moved by Dr. Ensign and duly seconded that in view of the Synod's action in regard to the raising of a fund in Iowa for educational purposes, \$100,000 of which will be apportioned to our work in Iowa City, it is the sense of this meeting that approximately \$60,000 of the \$100,000 be used for the construction of a building to serve as a social center for our student work at Iowa; this building to be adjacent to or in connection with the Iowa City Church; and, further, that this Board shall confer with the officials of the Iowa City Church relative to some plan of cooperation in locating and constructing this building."

Dean W.G.Raymond was elected chairman of this meeting.
Rev. H.L.Searles was appointed Secretary.

After considerable discussion Mr. Barlow made the motion that it be the sense of this meeting that steps be taken to build a new church plant on the lot now occupied by the church building and the lot adjoining, to be used for local and student work. Motion seconded.

Mr. Bond made an amendment to this motion to the effect that if financial considerations are such that this new project cannot be carried out that the old church be repaired and a new student plant be built. Amendment seconded.

Amendment carried; Motion as amended carried.

Mr. Barlow then moved that a committee of three be appointed by the chair, one member of which should be a representative of the University Department and not a resident of Iowa City, to look into the possibility of carrying out the above plan and to report at a later meeting. Carried.

Moved by Dean Kay that a committee of three be appointed to confer with a committee of the Congregational Church to consider the feasibility of a closer union than we now have, but particularly regarding the building of a common church plant. Carried.

Committee No 1. as appointed by the chair. J.M.Fisk, Chairman
R.H.Fitzgerald
B.A.Barlow

Committee No 2. Rev. R.R.Reed., Chairman
Dean G.F.Kay.
Dr. W.L.Bywater

Meeting Adjourned.