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Rev. G. W. Fischer Honored At Synodical Convention In Houston

The Texas District of the Missouri Synod met at Houston for its annual convention Wednesday August 7th, through August 12th in the Trinity Lutheran Church of which the Rev. O. R. Harms is pastor. There were 115 pastors 40 Christian day school teachers and 80 lay delegates present a total of 235 guestis.

Rev. C. Beyer of Wichita Falls, president of the district made his report to the convention. This report showed a net gain of 6 pastors and 2 teachers during the past year, Prof. J. H. C. Fritz of St. Louis read a doctrinal essay at the convention. Much time was spent with the discussion of mission work in Texas. The finances of the district also came in for much discussion.

District Will Not Be Divided

The proposal to divide the district into the northern and southern district was rejected by a vote of 113 to 38.

A rising vote was given to Pastor G. W. Fischer of Giddings for his faithful service for his many years as pastor in Kansas and Texas. Rev. Fischer is completing his 44th year in the ministry and will retire as soon as his congregation at Giddings will be supplied with a new pastor.

The next convention to take place in 1942 will be held at Giddings.